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Participants must be Novi residents. The academy is limited to the first 20 participants.

For more information, call the Community Relations Department at 248-735-5628 or go to www.cityofnovi.org.



FILE PHOTO

Christine and Willis Plant trim their Romney sheep at a previous Michigan State Fair.

State fair expands its footprint

The Showplace Collection hosting Sept. 4-7 event

By Cal Stone
Staff Writer

"Growing" is probably the best word to describe the Fifth Third Bank Michigan State Fair, now in its third year at The Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi.

"We have acquired about 43 additional acres since the inaugural fair in 2013 to keep pace with the rapid growth of the fair and to ensure that we have ample room for additional features and parking," said Blair Bowman, Showplace owner.

Bowman started the privately-funded state fair – the first of its kind in North Amer-

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ica – in 2012 as the Great Lakes State Fair. The name was changed the following year with Fifth Third Bank coming on board as the major sponsor.

The facility and fairgrounds property have grown by nearly 80 percent, adding enough land to construct the new Equestrian Show Rings, which debut next week.

Arnold Amusements has purchased more midway rides

just for this four-day event, plus Detroit Shrine Circus performances have expanded outside.

"All of this in turn allows more interior space inside the Suburban Collection Showplace to showcase additional livestock breeds, youth shows and home arts exhibits and cooking competitions, which are all so pivotal to the booming agricultural industry in Michigan," Bowman said.

Shrine Circus, parade

Craig A. Stigleman, Shrine Circus chairman, said a full lineup of performances includes the famous tiger act, the world famous Flying Wallendas, the renowned Liberty Horses and clowns and elephants.

"Our guests will be amazed at all the changes and expansion," Stigleman said, adding his organization is proud to be a founding member of the Michigan State Fair LLC.

Stigleman said Shriners will have more than 20 marching units, with more than 200 participants, in the state fair parade, which is new this year. It begins at 10 a.m. Monday, Sept. 7, on Grand River Avenue, just west

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Novi residents chuckle over snob declaration

By Brad Kadrich
Staff Writer

Growing up in Novi, state Rep. Kathy Crawford said she remembers people thinking you were "backward" if you lived in Novi.

She said people thought of Novi residents as "farmers," that they would "talk slower to us because they thought we were less educated."

That's why Crawford and her fellow state representatives in Lansing had a good laugh when the subject of a recent list of the 10 "snobbiest" places in Michi-

gan came up and it was noted that Novi finished eighth.

"I have to tell you, it was a topic of conversation on the floor," Crawford said, laughing. "I was totally amazed Novi would be on a list like that."

Good for a laugh

RoadSnacks used a variety of criteria to put together the list it recently released, including things like the number of art galleries, private schools and median income and house value.

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Cherry Blossom returns with 'New' name and more

By Cal Stone
Staff Writer

After being closed for several months, the Cherry Blossom restaurant has come back – and it looks, tastes and sounds different.

"I closed it in February and started remodeling," said new owner Zhi Li, who purchased the staple Novi eatery from Shigeru Yamada and added "New" to the name.

Li is not new to the business, having owned and sold a smaller eatery in Farmington.

"We immediately renovated," Li said. "The outside

still looks like a traditional Japanese garden and inside has lots of booths, nice tile, a black ceiling ... everything changed."

Regulars will recognize much of the menu, while Li said he "just added my specialties."

Those include Hong Kong-style appetizers, grilled sea bass and special sushi rolls.

"I created a Hawaiian-style chocolate sauce for the rolls with orange, mango and strawberry," he said. "We have more than 15 different kinds of sushi rolls. The most popular is the Cherry Blossom Novi Roll, with

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of Novi Road, and ends at the fairgrounds.

Area residents, businesses, street performers and community groups are invited to join the fun and celebrate Michigan's agriculture, communities and businesses, as well as the final holiday weekend of summer.

"There is no better place in our state to hold the Michigan State Fair than at the Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi," Mayor Bob Gatt said. "We welcome all of our friends and families, Novi residents and visitors, to come early, set up chairs and enjoy themselves on Labor Day morning."

Half-off admission coupons for Monday will be available for all parade spectators. The parade lineup will occur on Flint Street. Contact



FILE PHOTO
State fair attendees walk from the building's exhibition areas to its midway rides.

McKenzie Bowman for more information at mckenzie@MichiganStateFairLLC.com or 248-358-5600.

Livestock, showmanship, Michigan-made

The competitions for livestock breeding and youth showmanship continue to expand at the fair. Approximately 20 percent more farmers and breeders are coming to Novi than in 2014.

"We're very pleased to welcome the first ever Scottish Highland Cattle to the state fair this year," said Jackie Scramlin, livestock co-superintendent. "And we are also thrilled that the finals for the Michigan Make it with Wool fiber design competition will also be during the fair."

The Kroger Michigan-Made Product Pavilion returns this year, with a Michigan Kitchen Demo Stage presented by *Hour Detroit* magazine. It will feature popular Detroit-area restaurant chefs preparing favorite recipes, as well as fair exhibitors and competitors sharing delicious dishes, tips and kitchen tricks. The State Fair Farmers Market has local producers offering fresh and prepared food products straight from Michigan farms.

Honored Citizens Day

Friday, Sept. 4, will be the debut of a new celebration - Honored Citizens Day - offering free fair-only admission (does not include carnival

rides or circus performances) to anyone over 62.

Organized by state Rep. Kathy Crawford, R-Novi, and sponsored by Oakland County Department of Parks and Recreation and St. John Providence Health Systems, this special day will include an awards program recognizing the contributions of senior citizens, entertainment, a continental breakfast for the first 500 guests and seating in a dedicated air-conditioned area for those attending the fair that day.

Live music

Debuting at this year's fair is the Monday Michigan Mega Jam with a multi-genre All-Star Revue featuring Thoretta Davis, Jill Jack, Sean Blackman, Brandon Calhoun and others backed by Saint Cecilia, with guest keyboardist Chris Codish.

"The mission of this All-Star Michigan Jam Band Dream Team performance is to showcase the amazing depth and wide spectrum of Michigan musical talent for the world at large," producer and host Nadir Omowale said.

Blue Care Network of Michigan also joins the fair this year as presenting sponsor of the Community and Cultural stage, featuring song, dance and storytelling from a wide spectrum of ethnic and cultural community groups.

The second annual State Fair Superstar Contest welcomes new sponsor Pepsi-Cola. This

fair feature debuted in 2014 with more than 70 entrants, with the grand prize awarded to Alison Albrecht, 14, of Novi.

The contest offers a purely Michigan mentoring twist on the standard pop music talent contest formula, with songwriting advice plus artist and repertoire coaching from Omowale; live performance booking consultation from 2 Stones Events; production of a three-song EP at world famous Pearl Sound Studios; a cash prize; and indie music business coaching from Jill Jack.

Sixteen finalists will perform Friday and Saturday evenings on the Main Stage, with the grand prize winner and runner-up headlining the evening of Sept. 6.

"The development of the new, private entity Michigan State Fair, LLC continues to be an amazing and surprising journey for us all, made possible through the tremendous support and enthusiasm of our foundation sponsors and the ever growing list of dedicated volunteers that sit on the Executive Board and State Fair Steering Committee," said Steve Masters, fair executive director.

"This is a true labor of joy and love for all involved, who wish to be part of ensuring continuity of the traditions and legacy of the original Michigan State Fair and also help to determine how the future state fair will evolve."

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RoadSnacks analyzed more than 60 places in Michigan to put together its list, one of several the site puts out.

Novi finished eighth, while other nearby communities also made the cut. Northville topped the list at No. 1; Plymouth was third.

Crawford said state Rep. Kurt Heise, who represents both Northville and Plymouth, came in for a little extra joking.

"We had a lot of fun with it," Crawford said. "In my lifetime, we've come from people thinking we were backwards to a list like this calling us 'snobby.' But anything that draws attention to Novi ... I'm a cheerleader."

Data driven

According to Chris Kolmar of RoadSnacks, the list was compiled not "on our own biases," but on "cold, hard data." The site began by counting every place in Michigan with more than 5,000 people based on the 2013 American Community Survey.

- » Then it looked at:
- » Median home price (higher is snobbier)
- » Median household income (higher is snobbier)
- » Percent of population with a college degree (higher is snobbier)
- » Private schools per capita (higher is snobbier)
- » Theaters per capita (higher is snobbier)
- » Art galleries per capita (higher is snobbier)

Using Wikipedia, statistics RoadSnacks used included population (55,319), median household income (\$78,430) and median home price (\$242,600).

All in fun

Kolmar clearly had fun with the rankings and tried to stem any bad blood caused by them.

"Let's just be clear, this list may be completely scientifically proven and absolutely irrefutable (hah) but, really, it's all in good fun," he wrote. "These aren't bad places to live, so don't get that idea."

Novi Mayor Bob Gatt obviously disagrees with the ranking and noted that Novi appeared in another list recently, one naming the best cities in the country in which to raise a family.

While referencing P.T. Barnum's idea that there's no such thing as bad publicity, Gatt dismissed the notion of Novi as "snobby."

"Novi has the warmest, friendliest, most helpful and best citizens anywhere in the USA," Gatt wrote in an email. "Novi is a city that celebrates cultural diversity and recognizes the dignity and worth of every human being. Anything but snobby is what I know Novi to be."

Like Crawford and Gatt, Suburban Collection Showplace owner Blair Bowman chuckled at the notion Novi is snobby.

Taking a break from preparing the area for the 2015 Michigan State Fair, Bowman, who was out in the field with his three sons pruning foliage, emptying dumpsters and landscaping, said he couldn't imagine why any such list would include Novi.

"We obviously shouldn't take it too seriously, because who knows where that comes from?" Bowman said. "(Novi) is a really high-quality community. I've never found it anything but a place filled with great people who make Novi a great place to live."

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Chef Zhi Li of the New Cherry Blossom Japanese restaurant makes the Novi eatery's namesake. The West Oaks mall establishment recently underwent extensive interior renovations.

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pink crab and cucumber topped with fresh tuna and avocado. Then we put it with the Japanese seaweed salad, served with teriyaki and spicy mayo cream sauce."

The restaurant's top Japanese-style seller, however, remains the Makunochi Bento, a gourmet lunch box combining "different styles of Japanese cuisine, including shrimp tempura broiled salmon and cooked Japanese vegetables with your choice of sashimi or a California roll."

Li said the restaurant has a strong stable of regular customers and lunchtime is very busy, with the chef special (\$7.95) gaining much attention.

DETAILS

Name: New Cherry Blossom
Location: 43588 West Oaks Drive, Novi (in the northwest corner of the West Oaks shopping center; west of Novi Road and south of 12 Mile).
Phone: 248-380-9160
Web: <http://www.newcherryblossom.com/>

"We get a lot of Japanese visitors and from companies for parties, too," Li said, noting there is also a full bar. "We have a nice private room where people can sit on the floor and eat."

Folks who want to test their vocal chops may not have much time for karaoke during the weekdays, but Li said it's a big attraction on the weekends.

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Shown (from left) are Novi Lions Club president Mary Barbosa, club member Patti Barr, Hanna Elshoff and club member Doc Barr.

72-year-old cycling 1,200 miles has several missions

By Cal Stone
Staff Writer

Anyone considering bicycling from Minnesota to Georgia would have to think long and hard about such a journey, but 72-year-old Hanna Elshoff is on a mission.

Let's first backpedal to 1943, when she moved to the U.S. from Germany at age 18, by herself and speaking no English. She fell in love with bicycling and contemplated a trip from Iowa to Texas, which she now regrets not taking.

But she's on the road now, in a solar-powered ELF tricycle that can hit 25 mph with the sun and driver both cooperating.

She left her home in Chatfield on May 1 and is winding her way across the Midwest and then south on a 1,200-mile, two-year trip using Lions Clubs as pit stops along the way. She was in Novi on Aug. 17 visiting with Novi Lions Club members.

Her mission is three-fold. One part is to promote the Lions and their Leader Dog campaign. Another is to get former President Jimmy Carter's signature.

"He was the one who inspired me to become a U.S. citizen," Elshoff said. "In my packet was a welcome letter from the president - Gerald Ford, the previous president. I was disappointed because I wanted Carter's signature."

She's hoping to get that when her travels take her to Plains, Ga., in November. Once there, she'll take a break and fly home to avoid cycling in the winter. She'll return and pedal around the east coast. Eventually, she plans on arriving back in Minnesota on May 1, 2017.

But all along the way, she'll take care of the third part of her mission.

"I was born in Germany," she said. "There was a man who lived

down from our house who was an SS Nazi. On his deathbed, he told my father, 'You're lucky the Americans came, because I had orders to send you away.'

"So, my main mission is to thank the American people," she added, "because I wouldn't be here if they didn't come."

Although she doesn't enjoy cycling in heavy traffic, she said there really hasn't been a part of this journey she'd consider the toughest.

"It's been all wonderful," she said. "There are challenges, don't get me wrong. I don't find them tough, though. I laugh about them at the end of the day. Everything always works out. It's totally crazy - I'm having the time of my life!"

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Michelle Kalhorn (from left), new Walled Lake Central High School assistant principal, her husband Joe Kalhorn and Nancy Van Leuwen, Walled Lake school board member and former teacher, discuss growing up in Walled Lake Schools. Mr. Kalhorn was a former student of Van Leuwen and both he and his wife are Walled Lake Western graduates.

W.L. names assistant principal at Central High School

The Walled Lake Schools Board of Education approved the hiring of Michelle Kalhorn for the position of assistant principal at Walled Lake Central High School at its regular meeting Aug. 20.

Kalhorn is a Walled Lake Western High School graduate who also student taught at W.L. Central.

"Thank you for the opportunity to return to the district that gave me my roots and love of learning," Kalhorn said. "I hope to be a servant leader who listens,

learns and facilitates dialogue with staff, students and parents, that helps students grow and accomplish great things. I'm a hometown Warrior that will put on the blue and gold and live the life of a Viking!"

Previously, she served as assistant principal at Milford High School. Kalhorn was also a math teacher and dean of students in Huron Valley Schools. She has a bachelor's in mathematics and chemistry from Madonna University and a mas-

ter's in educational administration from Michigan State University.

"Mrs. Kalhorn is knowledgeable, enthusiastic and a truly collaborative leader who has a passion for working with students to reach high levels of achievement," Superintendent Kenneth Gutman said. "She has the essential skills to build relationships with students, staff, parents and the community to further make a positive impact on behalf of our students."

Northville school board OKs plan to replace Craig

By Brad Kadrich
 Staff Writer

The Northville Public Schools Board of Education obviously doesn't yet know who will replace Vice President Scott Craig, who is resigning Sept. 1 because he's moving out of the district.

But members do know how that person will be selected.

The board unanimously adopted Aug. 11 the process by which Craig's replacement will be chosen. That replacement will serve through Dec. 31, 2016, and would then be eligible to run for election to the four-year term beginning in January 2017. The next regular school board election is scheduled for Nov. 8, 2016.

Thanks for service

Before getting down to the business of choosing

his successor, school officials praised Craig for his service.

"Scott has served as an advocate for public education in his role as a board member for nearly four years," district Superintendent Mary Kay Gallagher said. "We appreciate Scott's input into board decisions and the perspective he brings as an educator and wish him well in his future endeavors."

The district is now seeking candidates interested in taking Craig's place on the board. Applications will be available on the district website (www.northvilleschools.org).

Next steps

The applications are due back to the board office by noon Wednesday, Sept. 2. They can either be dropped off to the board office at 501 W. Main, Northville, MI 48167, faxed to 248-344-8595 or emailed to irvingme@northvilleschools.org

The board will interview candidates at a

public meeting to be scheduled between Tuesday, Sept. 8, and Tuesday, Sept. 15, with the chosen candidate expected to take his or her seat Tuesday, Sept. 29.

Specific dates, times and locations for candidate interviews, which are open to the public, will be announced as soon as they are available.

Craig, elected to the board in November 2011, announced his decision to resign in a press release earlier this month. In the case of a mid-term resignation, the board's by-laws require the board to fill the vacancy within 30 days of the effective date of the resignation or vacancy.

Board President Cindy Jankowski lauded Craig for his service "to the children and families" of Northville schools.

"I've really enjoyed the expertise you've brought to the board," Jankowski said. "You've really given us some great insight."

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W.L. launches online systems to improve service

The Walled Lake Consolidated School District is streamlining the annual first day packet process and the fee payment process for the 2015-16

school year with new online systems to improve service for parents and families.

To eliminate copying, paper and time, the annu-

al back-to-school packet has been streamlined using the District Family Access/Skyward system to automate the updating of documents such as the emergency card, Food Service application, FERPA form, fee payments, Code of Conduct and other important annual school forms that require parent approval.

WLCS is also implementing a more cost effective online payment solution for parents. The district has entered into a new partnership with e-Funds for Schools! Online payments for school-related needs, such as lunch payments, student fees and more, can happen online with a reduced fee.

Walled Lake Schools has created videos and information to assist parents with this new system. They can be accessed at <https://sites.google.com/a/teachers.wlcsd.org/walled-lake-online-registration/>. To assist families that may not have access to computers or Internet access, the district has an open lab day 5-8 p.m. Monday, Aug. 24, at Oakley Park Elementary (2015 Oakley Park Road, Walled Lake).

The district is asking for the documentation be completed online prior to the start of the 2015-16 school year. High school and middle school families will need to complete this prior to their scheduled registration time.

Helpful parent guides, videos and step by step instructions can be found on the district website, www.wlcsd.org, under the "Parents" tab as well as under the "Quick Links" section.

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Novi resident Colter Huacuja was among the 2,916 students who made the Spring 2015 dean's list.

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Families needed for foreign students

By Aileen Wingblad
Staff Writer

"They're probably on pins and needles, just waiting and waiting."

That's the situation for a number of foreign students all set to spend the upcoming school year in the Farmington community or elsewhere — but don't yet have a home to go to, said Gail Gregory, volunteer area coordinator for Youth For Understanding, a nonprofit exchange student organization.

About five students assigned to come to Oakland County — and possibly hundreds more tentatively assigned to other areas, but who could be placed in the Detroit area — are still in their home countries. And that's an issue that must be resolved soon, since school is set to begin early next month.

"We really like to have them here by Aug. 31, but it can be extended a couple weeks," Gregory said.

Arnold and Alisa Valden are among those in the area who have plenty of good things to say about being a host family. The couple never had kids of their own, but this is the third year in a row that they have opened their home — and their hearts — to a foreign exchange student. Two years ago, they hosted a student from China and did the same last year. For their "three-peat," they've welcomed Swede Anna Bjorklund.

"It's great fun and very rewarding," Alisa said. "And all the information YFU says about it changing your life — believe it."

Arnold, a teacher at Howell High School, said he first heard about YFU a few years ago, when he was attending a conference with students at Oakland Community College. "They had a table set up ... we decided to shake up life a little bit and invite someone into our house," he said.

Bjorklund, who arrived about three weeks ago, is attending Harrison High School as a senior and is already on the volleyball team. "It's good, the whole experience is cool," she said, adding that she's been comparing life in the United States with what she expected, based on what she's seen in movies.

"It's kind of the same, but not, like, exactly," she said, grinning.

For the Johnson family of Farmington Hills, this is their first experience with a foreign exchange student and already it's been a good one. Eri Sugamura, 17, of Japan flew into Traverse City recently to meet up with the Johnsons, who were in northern Michigan for a wedding. Sugamura attended the wedding, too, and got acquainted with the Johnsons' extended family and friends. And on Aug. 18 — her birthday — Sugamura was thrilled that the Johnsons celebrated with her.

"It was really fun," she said.

Meg Johnson said having an exchange student was her daughter Lilly's idea; she's a sophomore at North Farmington High School and has studied Japanese for years. "I wasn't sure at first and told her we'd think about it," she said, explaining that she and Lilly had spoken briefly with a YFU coordinator during an event at Novi High School.

"It happened kind of fast ... all of a sudden they had a student for us," Johnson said, smiling.

Becoming a host family

So what does it take to host an exchange student?

It starts with filling out an application, available on the website. Prospective hosts have in-home interviews with YFU and are required to

show the student will have basic accommodations — their own bed, a dresser and closet to store their belongings, a place to study and transportation to get them to and from school and extracurricular activities. Every exchange student knows English — though to varying degrees — and is required to speak it rather than their native tongue,

Gregory said.

"They're here for the cultural experience, to improve their English and to live life like real Americans live their lives," Gregory said.

Students come with their own spending money and have health insurance, she added, and don't expect the host family to alter their usual routine and way of life. "And from what we

see, they all want to be part of the 'school spirit' kind of thing — going to homecoming and prom and doing all the things they can to experience high school like we have here," she said.

For more information on YFU, go to www.yfu-usa.org.

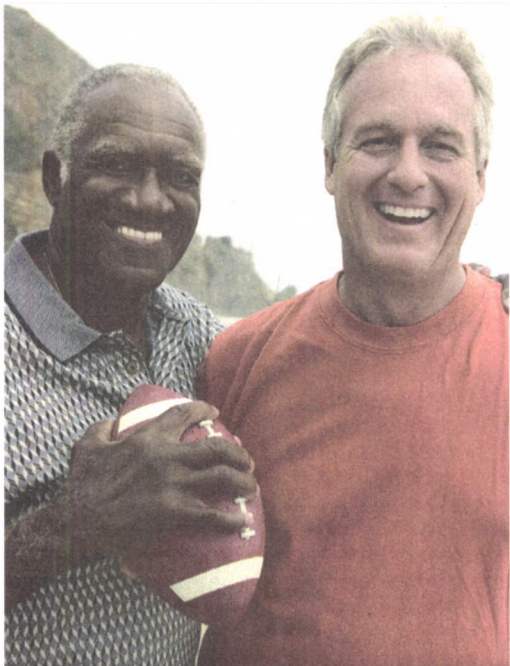
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Host parents (back, from left) Alisa and Arnold Valden and Meg Johnson (back, right), with YFU volunteer Gail Gregory, are welcoming exchange students Anna Bjorklund and Eri Sugamura this year.

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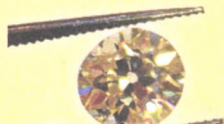


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SCHOOL BRIEFS

Stuart's hosting school fundraisers

It is almost time for the kids to head back to school. To help make the transition a bit sweeter, Stuart's Ice Cream & Yogurt in Novi is hosting two school fundraisers. The first fundraiser is taking place Sept. 2 and proceeds benefit Village Oaks Elementary parent-teacher association, VOICE. The second fundraiser will be held Sept. 8 for Orchard Hills Elementary.

VOICE invites families to come to Stuart's Ice Cream & Yogurt to purchase their favorites and Stuart's will donate 15 percent of the pre-tax sales to VOICE. The Orchard Hills Elementary event, on students' first day of school, invites families to visit Stuart's 1-9 p.m. and the shop will also donate 15 percent of the pre-tax sales.

Stuart's Ice Cream & Yogurt is owned by Paul Gabriel and Brian Scherle, who also own Northville's Brown Dog Creamery & Dessert Bar. Stuart's is located at 41390 W. 10 Mile Road (north-east corner of 10 Mile Road and Meadowbrook). For more information, go to www.stuartsofnovi.com.

Co-Op open house

Novi Co-Op Preschool, a play-based kindergarten readiness program for children ages 2-5, is hosting an open house 10-11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 9. The facility is at 41671 W. 10 Mile Road at Meadowbrook Road. For more information or to schedule a tour, call 248-349-3223 or go to www.novipreschool.com.

W.L. schools to compete in Salute the Troops game

The varsity football teams from Walled Lake Central and Northern will be participating in a Salute the Troops football

Fresh courts



After undergoing a summer-long renovation, the Novi High School and Civic Center tennis courts are back in action. The courts received new fencing, walkways, nets and court surfaces. Here, sisters Christina, 14, and Serena Shina, 11 take a lesson from Nick Falice.

game at 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 11, at Central (1600 Oakley Park Road). Community members are invited to purchase special jerseys that will include the names of military personnel on the back.

The players will be wearing these jerseys during the game and then presenting them to their sponsor/solider after the game during a brief ceremony. Jerseys are \$100 and there are plenty of veterans in need of a sponsor for their jersey. All proceeds from the donations will be awarded to Military Families United of Michigan.

For jersey sponsorship information, contact Mark Midgley at mark.midgley@vconverter.com or go to www.wlcsd.org. For more information on the Military Families United of Michigan, go to <https://www.militaryfamiliesunited.org/>.

Novi High library awarded

21st Century Schools has awarded Novi High School's library with exemplary status.

By achieving exemplary status, it shows that we meet statewide benchmarks for excellent service, learning, environment and leadership for our students," Principal Nicole Carter said. "Studies demonstrate that quality school library programming enhances student achievement and growth. We commend our school library media specialist, Ms. Bethany Bratney and our paraprofessionals, Ms. Diane Davies and Ms. Gale Shumpert, for their diligence and expertise related to providing a quality library program to benefit the students and staff of NHS."

Northville Rotary offering Youth Exchange Program

The Rotary Club of Northville announced that applications for the Rotary Youth Exchange Program are now available to current high school students and students graduating in 2016. The Youth Exchange Program is for the 2016-17 school year and stu-

dents would leave in August 2016. The application deadline is Sept. 15.

The Rotary Youth Exchange Program provides students ages of 16-18 the opportunity of a lifetime. It's a chance to spend 11 months in another country learning the language and culture.

Students apply through their local Rotary Club and district. Students generally apply in September to go on exchange the next year. Outbound students and their parents are guided through months of orientation and information about the country of their exchange year. Outbound students typically stay with two or three Rotary-approved families and receive a monthly stipend for incidental expenses.

Students and families who may be interested in the Rotary Youth Exchange experience should check out this YouTube link at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pGdwpF2BBp8>.

Novi preschool registration

The Novi Community Education Preschool is now taking registrations for 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 Monday through Thursday and follow the Novi school district calendar. The GSRP program uses the High Scope Curriculum. This curriculum supports the children learning through hands-on activities and follows the state of Michigan Early Childhood Standards. Lesson plans reflect social, emotional, physical, cognitive and language development.

Registration is ongoing. Space is limited and enrollment is not guaran-

teed. Parents or guardians should contact the Community Education Preschool office at 248-449-1713.

The following documents are necessary for pre-registration: Child Information Record form, 12-month proof of income of all household members (2014 tax forms, FIA statement), child's birth certificate, health insurance, copy of child's immunization records and three proofs of Novi residency (one proof must be a mortgage or lease).

Host families needed in Novi

The Novi school district participates through Oakland Schools in a Foreign Exchange Program with Educatius International for a select group of international students to join Novi High School for the 2015-16 school year. There is a need of host families for these students that can provide a private room, three meals a day and a supportive home environment.

To ensure that this initiative is a success, Educatius International is providing a monthly stipend to host families to offset the costs for hosting international student(s) into your home; depending on how many students, a referral bonus of \$100 to any individual that refers a family that hosts; an orientation program for the international students, host families and the school; access to a local residential coordinator who will be available 24 hours a day; support as needed from Educatius International staff; and 24/7 emergency line.

Contact Melanie Smith at melanie.smith@educatius.org or 602-820-6642 or Susan Reinhardt at susan.reinhardt@educatius.org or 312-206-8749 for more information.

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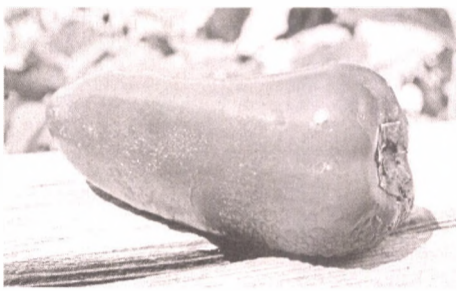
COMMUNITY GARDEN



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
Anna Szalay, 13, helps to water the family's garden plot at Thayer's Corner Park.



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A giant sunflower towers over one of the garden plots at Thayer's Corner Park.



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A sweet red pepper harvested from a garden at Thayer's Corner Park.



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Heather Szalay works with her son Jacob, 5, in planting his rabbit garden, consisting of turnips and carrots, July 23 in their Thayer's Corner Park community garden plot. Szalay was at the garden with her kids Jacob, Joseph, 10, and Anna, 13, weeding and watering and doing some harvesting. Szalay has gardened there for a few years now and, like many other gardeners at the community plots, donates a fair amount of her harvest to fellow gardeners and Northville Civic Concern.



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Joseph Szalay, 10, tosses out a handful of weeds during work morning at Thayer's Corner Park.



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Thayer's Corner Park gardens, at the northeast corner of Napier and Six Mile roads, allows local gardeners to have a plot where they can raise fruits, flowers and vegetables.



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Kevin Morris, visiting with his mom Mari (not pictured), checks on the inventory of their Thayer's Corner Park plot.



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Jacob Szalay, 5, continues to work on planting his assorted veggies at Thayer's Corner Park.



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Rows of onions await harvest at the Thayer's Corner Park community garden.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Northville concerts

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m.; Aug. 28: Shawn Riley Band.
Details: Music fills the air all summer 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.

Warm-up ride

Time/Date: Saturday, Aug. 29
Details: Rotary, Northville Sports Den and New Belgium Brewing host a "2015 Tour de Ville Warm Up Ride." The bike ride will be a 10-mile family oriented ride along Hines Drive and starts and stops in the parking lot of Northville Square. After the ride, there will be raffle for a Fat Tire Cruiser Bike that has been donated by New Belgium Brewing and riders can grab a bite to eat at Northville Sports Den. All proceeds of the event go toward the 2015 Rotary TdV Benefit Goals.

New Horizons exhibit

Time/Date: Noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday; noon to 4 p.m. Saturday through Aug. 29
Details: As a life-long landscape artist in the Midwest, Barbra White tells a story with her works to reveal images that flow through the composition. New Horizons, a solo exhibit by White, is open during Art House business hours. In addition, White will hold a Plein Air Workshop at the Art House; go to www.northvillearthouse.org for more information. The Northville Art House is located at 215 W. Cady Street and is a facility of the

Northville Arts Commission. Admission to Art House exhibits is free and open to the public. For more information, call 248-344-0497.

Century of jazz

Time/Date: 1 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 27
Details: The vocal jazz stylings of Leslie Mason, backed up by her husband, guitarist Jesse Lee Mason, will be presented at the Northville Community Center. The duo will perform jazz and pop classic such as *Lullaby of Birdland*, *How High the Moon?*, *Someone to Watch Over Me*, *Take the A Train*, *Have You Met Miss Jones?*, *Green Dolphin Streets* and *One More for the Road* in a program they call "A Century of Jazz Song." This program is sponsored jointly by the Community Center, the Maple Manor Rehab Center of Novi and the Friends of the Northville District Library. The Community Center is located on Main Street, next to the Northville District Library. The concert is free, but space is limited. RSVP by calling the library at 248-349-3020.

VFW Auxiliary

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Monday, Aug. 31
Details: VFW-4012 Northville Auxiliary meeting takes place for anyone interested in starting an auxiliary. Prior Ladies Auxiliary members and new members, men and women, are encouraged to attend. VFW-4012 is at 438 S. Main in Northville.

Detroit Mackenzie reunion

Time/Date: Noon to 6 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 29
Details: The fifth annual picnic

for those who attended Mackenzie High School in the '50s and '60s will be held at Nankin Mills Pavilion in Hines Park, at the corner of Ann Arbor Trail and Hines Drive (near Farmington Road). Music, memorabilia, great camaraderie. Bring your own picnic or purchase Michigan made hot dogs, chips, pop, water and ice cream. Also available are T-shirts, sweatshirts and music CDs. New this year will be coffee mugs, steins, glasses, baseball hats and coolers. Seating avail-

able under the shelter or bring your own chairs and pop-ups. No need to pre-register. For more information, call Janet Cable at 734-377-4009; email mackenzie50s-60s@hotmail.com or go to <http://www.classcreator.com/Detroit-MI-Mackenzie-1960>.

Maybury anniversary

Time/Date: 1-3 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 30

Details: Maybury State Park friends and neighbors are invited to a community open house 40th anniversary celebration (use the Eight Mile entrance, west of Beck Road). Games and activities for all ages will include a scavenger hunt, history games, cake and ice

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Novi HS teens' work in Nicaragua opens their eyes, hearts

By Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Novi High School seniors Jakiyah Bradley, Hyunji Choi and Alison Mascarenhas are just back from a trek to Nicaragua, where they learned a lot about themselves and their world. The teens traveled with the buildOn organization.

BuildOn works with school communities in the developed world to break the cycle of poverty and illiteracy in the Third World by building schools alongside locals. The nonprofit gives students and educators service learning trips about how to live abroad with host families in rural villages, construct buildOn primary schools and even take cultural workshops, spokeswoman Alex Smith wrote in an email.

When students witness firsthand the enthusiasm for education from children who lack access to it, they gain a renewed appreciation for their own educational opportunities, Smith added. BuildOn has built more than 780 schools so far in Nicaragua, Haiti, Mali, Senegal, Malawi, Nepal and – most recently – Burkina Faso.

It also works in the U.S. The three Novi High seniors visited Nicaragua Aug. 9-17. Bradley is 16, Choi and Mascarenhas are 17. Their parents are Kate and Kyungho Choi, Anthony and Jacqueline Bradley and Dunstan and Vanita Mascarenhas.

Bradley, Choi and Mascarenhas answered questions for the Novi News about their August travels to Nicaragua. **Have you been involved previously with buildOn and, if so, what kind of work have you done?**

Bradley: I have not been involved in a buildOn projects before this trip.

Choi: No. Mascarenhas: This was our first year involved with the organization. We mainly did fundraisers where the money went towards the school in Nicaragua.

What did you like most about the time you spent in



The Novi High teens with their buildOn group in Nicaragua.

Nicaragua?

Bradley: The trip was more about going to build a school that we spent so much time and effort fundraising for. We spent a considerable amount of time around kids who would attend the school. I loved the balance of working hard in the morning and immersing ourselves in Nicaraguan culture in the afternoon.

Choi: The people I met, both the natives and the other people on my team. Working together with them towards the same goal: providing an education for those in need.

Mascarenhas: The people we traveled there with (a group from New York and a group from California), as well as getting to know my host family. From conquering latrines, to pick-axing trenches for the school, the people that I was surrounded by helped me deal with the culture shock of going from a Novi to a village with no electricity or running water in the mountains of Nicaragua. It turned out to be the best week of my life.

What was most challenging about your Nicaragua trip?

Bradley: I was foretold about the difference between

American culture compared to Nicaraguan culture, but living it for a week was eye-opening. Something as simple as brushing my teeth wasn't simple anymore because of a lack of clean water.

Choi: The culture shock. I was really surprised at how the lack of clean, running water and electricity really impacted how I spent each day.

Mascarenhas: Just the stark difference between their life and our life here in Novi. I had to get used to walking a mile up a hill just to get to the work site, showering with only two buckets and going to the bathroom in a latrine. All the while, I had no way of contacting anyone from back home. I was terrified at first and didn't know if I'd make it through the week.

What kind of work did you do in Nicaragua?

Bradley: We worked with the villagers to lay the foundation of a primary school. The work included tying rebar, mixing cement, laying bricks, digging trenches and digging latrines.

Choi: We laid the foundation of the primary school that the

villagers are going to finish in the next month. We tied rebar, dug trenches, mixed cement and laid bricks.

Mascarenhas: We built the foundation to the school. We had to do everything from mixing concrete to digging trenches to laying bricks to tying rebar. We also exchanged culture and language with the community.

Did the experience in Nicaragua surprise you in any way?

Bradley: I didn't anticipate that buildOn would give us so much time to immerse ourselves in the village. Being able to see the entire village come together to build the school made me realize that we can better our community at any time if you're willing to work hard.

Choi: I didn't realize how much personal impact it would have on me. Actually meeting the children that the school would be helping was so eye-opening. It made all the fundraising and physical work worth it.

Mascarenhas: Honestly, I didn't realize how emotional and impactful the whole experience would be. I learned more this past week about communication and just being socially aware in general than I ever have before.

Has the trip changed your views on anything?

Bradley: My parents always tried to teach me the difference between things I wanted and things I needed, but I always thought I needed a lot of material things. My host family strongly emphasized family and barely had electricity and clean, running water, but they had everything they needed to be happy.

Choi: This trip has definitely changed my views on the world. I used to think that these problems were far off and that I couldn't possibly help make a change. Now looking at these places – not as other countries, but a part of the same world – I realize we all need to do our part to improve the world around us.

Mascarenhas: I'm so much

more appreciative of my life of luxury here in Novi. One of the biggest things we learned on the trip was the perspective of needs vs. wants.

What are your other volunteer and extracurricular activities?

Bradley: Volunteer-wise, I tutor younger students kids in math and/or reading. I'm also on Novi/Northville's Relay for Life Committee.

Choi: Volunteer at church preschool and at Manor of Novi.

Mascarenhas: I am involved in marching band and HOSA (for future health professionals) through the school and danced competitively and also played piano. I volunteer at my church and also help in the activities department at the Novi Manor.

What are your plans for after high school graduation?

Bradley: I plan to attend a university and pursue an interdisciplinary study.

Choi: University.

Mascarenhas: I plan on attending college and getting a degree in a science field. I'm also hoping to one day go to medical school.

How group started

Learn more about buildOn at facebook.com/buildOn or online at buildOn.org. Its founder, president and CEO, Jim Ziolkowski, is the best-selling author of *Walk in Their Shoes*. At home or abroad, Ziolkowski's goal is to break the cycle of poverty, illiteracy and low expectations through service and education. Inspired by his own travels to some of the poorest countries in the world and his experiences living in Harlem, he derailed his fast-track career in corporate finance at GE to dedicate his life to buildOn, the organization's website notes.

Ziolkowski is a Michigan native and cum laude graduate of Michigan State University with a bachelor's degree in finance. buildOn does work in inner-city Detroit as well.

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New Hope Center to host family fun fest

In an effort to increase awareness about its services, New Hope Center for Grief Support hosts its first New Hope Family Fun Festival 4-8 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 30, at Mill Race Village in Northville.

The festival will serve as a fundraiser and outreach event to engage the communities that New Hope serves with activities for both adults and children.

Highlights include live music from the Shawn Riley Band, a Planet Fitness activity

zone, science activities from the Ann Arbor Hands-On Museum, interactive games, raffle prizes, barbecued food and a candlelit memorial tribute that evening.

"We wanted to create a fun event where we can engage the city of Northville in New Hope's mission," said Rick Guttersohn, event coordinator. "The New Hope Family Fun Festival has two purposes: create awareness of the help available and raise the funds needed to continue serving

those who are hurting after losing a loved one."

During the event, there will be a station available for individuals to decorate luminary bags in memory of a loved one they have lost and participate in a lighting ceremony that evening.

Tickets can be purchased at www.newhopecenter.net/rsvp, by calling 248-348-0115 or by registering at the door. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$10 for teens. Children under 12 are free.



The Shawn Riley Band headlines the New Hope Center for Grief Support Family Fun Festival.

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Group recognizes former U.S. Rep. Bentivolio

The Council for Citizens Against Government Waste recently released its 2014 Congressional Ratings, highlighting the voting records of all 535 members of the 113th Congress. The report, which CCAGW has issued since 1989, identifies members whose voting records helped protect and save the taxpayers' money, as well as those

who consistently voted against their interests, its officials said.

Former U.S. Rep. Kerry Bentivolio, R-Milford, was one of the few to receive the title "Taxpayer Super Hero." Only 17 lawmakers (nine senators and eight representatives) earned the title of "Taxpayer Super Hero" with perfect scores of 100 percent.

"During my time in Congress, it was a priority in my office to find waste in government and to create legislation to eliminate it. I understand that tax dollars come from hard-working



Bentivolio

Americans and I wanted to reflect that understanding through my votes," Bentivolio said in a press release.

"CCAGW applauds the Taxpayer Super Heroes for their votes to cut wasteful spending and make government more accountable to taxpayers," CCAGW President Tom Schatz said. "In today's fiscal climate, the

actions of these members are refreshing and their constituents should offer them hearty congratulations."

This is not the first time Bentivolio has been recognized for his work in office. GovTrack rated his office the most transparent of the House's freshman class and second highest amongst all House members in 2014.

"Basically, I was one of the most honest guys in Washington," Bentivolio said of his GovTrack rating. "I just wanted to give a voice to the little guy in a place full of big egos."

Bentivolio represented Michigan's 11th District from 2012-14. He lost his re-election bid to Republican Dave Trott in the primary election.

Foster Closet helps families with essential needs

By Nathan Mueller
Staff Writer

Michele Austin will always remember her first foster child, the one who came to her with a bag of clothes that didn't fit and a box of toys that were broken.

Unfortunately, seven years and 17 foster children later, that scenario has repeated itself far too often for Austin and numerous other foster families.

So in September 2013, Austin set out to do something about it. The Foster Closet of Michigan was just over a year old and the Farmington Hills resident decided to form an Oakland County branch out of her home.

Now two years later, the nonprofit organization has grown tremendously, from five branches when Austin started to 15 across Michigan. Her Oakland County branch has become the second largest in the state and she expects to service close to 600 foster children this year alone.

"(My wife and I) saw when the children came to us, they came with nothing," she said. "Families do get a stipend from the state, but it's not enough to take care of the needs of children in care."

According to Austin, there are more than



Katie Austin, whose mother Michele runs the Foster Closet of Michigan Oakland County branch out of her home, sorts through some clothes.

13,000 foster children in care in Michigan, including nearly 900 in care in Oakland County. Her branch hopes to help those children and families by providing them with essential hygiene items, clothes, toys, games and more.

Her house has been taken over by the foster closet and regularly she comes home to find donated items on her back porch.

"It feels very much like Christmas morning," she said of the times she discovers the donated goods.

Help needed

While Austin has been able to establish a strong volunteer base, more help is always needed.

She accepts new and like new items, monetary donations she can use to buy things for the kids and, especially, helping hands to sort through everything.

Austin posts many of her immediate needs on the organization's Facebook page (which can be found by going on Facebook and searching "Foster Closet of Michigan - Oakland County Branch") and encourages

students to get their community service hours by volunteering at the closet.

Back to school

The start of the school year is just weeks away or, in some cases, might have already started and the closet is hosting a pair of programs to help foster children prepare.

The first is a private event Sept. 2 in which the closet is partnering with the Judson Center in Royal Oak to let 114 children come in and shop for hygiene items, new clothes and shoes, while the second is Austin's own back-to-school event 6-8 p.m. Sept. 3 at her home.

The Sept. 3 event is on a first-come, first-served basis and an appointment is required to shop. Appointments can be made by sending a private Facebook message to the branch's page or by calling 800-554-4966, ext. 206.

"These kids deserve a loving and safe environment and the essential things in life," Austin said. "We just want them to feel like every other kid."

More information can be found at www.fosterclosetofmichigan.com.

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*Based on 7/2015 Total Certified Pre-Owned Lincoln Sales Report.

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RELIGION CALENDAR

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

Brightmoor Christian

Location: M-5 and 13 Mile, Novi
Contact: 248-668-7014; CelebrateRecovery@brightmoorcc.org

Web: 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 relationships 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

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 appoint-

ment

Priests: the Rev. Bob LaCroix, pastor, and the Rev. Beto Espinoza, associate pastor
AA: 8 p.m. Wednesday

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

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

Web: 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

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

Faith Community Presbyterian Church

Location: 44400 W. 10 Mile

Contact: 248-349-2345

Web: www.faitchcommunity-novi.org

Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.

Bible Study: 9 a.m. Sunday - "Christianity - The First Three Centuries"

Women's Group: 12:30 p.m. third Thursday

First Baptist Church of Northville

Location: 217 N. Wing, Northville

Contact: 248-348-1020

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

Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.

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

Sunday Schedule: 9:30 a.m. Classic worship service, Adult Bible Fellowship classes and Children's Sunday School; 11 a.m. Contemporary worship service

with Kids Church, Teen Worship Service and Adult Bible Fellowship classes. Cafe is open from 9:15-11 a.m.; 6 p.m. Evening Traditional Service

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

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

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

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.

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

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

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: 248-464-6722; churchoffice@5milechurch.org

First United Methodist Church of Northville

Location: 777 W. Eight Mile, Northville

Contact: 248-349-1144

Web: www.fumcnorthville.org

Frank Turner Ministries

Location: Novi Civic Center 45175 W. 10 Mile Road

Contact: 810-599-7392

Web: 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.

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.

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

Web: 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

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

Bible Study/Prayer: Wednesday 7 p.m.

Livonia Church of Christ

Location: 15431 Merriman, Livonia

Contact: 734-427-8743

Web: www.livoniachurch.net

Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.

Bible Study/Prayer: 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

Web: www.mbccc.org

Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.

Church School and Nursery Care: provided during worship

Fellowship Hour: 11 a.m.

Memorial Church of Christ

Location: 35475 Five Mile Road, Livonia

Minister: Mark McGilvrey

Web: www.5milechurch.org

Contact: 734-464-6722; churchoffice@5milechurch.org

NorthRidge Church

Location: 49555 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth

Contact: 734-233-3621; pheaton@northridgechurch.com

Northville Christian Assembly

Location: 41355 Six Mile

Contact: 248-348-9030

Web: 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; rabb@novijewishcenter.com

Web: www.novijewishcenter.com

Novi United Methodist

Location: 41671 W. 10 Mile, Novi

Contact: 248-349-2652

Web: www.uncmovi.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 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

CHURCH

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fall of a young man and how much his father loves him through it all. A meal is offered with the movie for a free-will donation. Please call the church office to attend or with questions.

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OUR VIEW

When oversight becomes busy work

Finding the balance between responsible oversight and wasteful micromanagement can be a challenge. Yet putting oversight on auto pilot is no path to success.

Unfortunately, many will think that's what the Michigan Legislature has done over time as lawmakers mandate hundreds of reports from state agencies, yet apparently pay little attention to what many of those reports say.

Case in point: 20 years after the Michigan School for the Blind closed, the Michigan Department of Education is still

required by law to send not one, but two reports, on the school to the Legislature. Has no one noticed for 20 years that a report comes in saying there is nothing to report because the school has closed?

Fortunately, the act of reporting nothing doesn't waste much in staff time or tax dollars. It does, however, push the ridiculous factor to record heights. And it doesn't stop there, because there are two additional reports that MDE must regularly file about other discontinued programs.

Over at the Michigan De-

partment of Environmental Quality, folks have studied the impact of the many mandated reports and found many unneeded. They calculate that it takes the equivalent of one full-time employee working more than eight months to gather data and prepare just those unnecessary reports. Example: A report on Canadian trash exported to Michigan, a problem fixed years ago by legislation.

Michigan.com state government/investigative reporter Justin Hinkley surveyed every state department to learn

how many mandatory reports there are and what, exactly, they achieve. Officials say some have produced beneficial results. Monitoring bovine tuberculosis, for example, raised awareness of that problem.

Better news for taxpayers, though, is awareness that the unneeded reports must be addressed. The state's Office of Regulatory Reinvention is looking into the matter and lawmakers say they are open to change.

Start by writing sunset provisions into laws requiring

such reports. Then if lawmakers don't vote to renew the report, it dies. Another option is just making more data available online so interested lawmakers — or members of the public — can look it up. And since some data is requested by both lawmakers and the federal government, aligning state requests with federal reports would add efficiency.

No one is suggesting that lawmakers abandon their oversight role. But requiring reports that have no useful purpose is not meaningful oversight.

LETTERS

The path to fixing our roads

After yesterday's (Aug. 19) 12-hour session on the floor of the Michigan state House, we did not have the opportunity to vote on a road package. We were all there and ready to vote, in hopes that a compromise plan was imminent. I am disappointed that we could not move forward, but not surprised, since a long-term road funding plan has been debated for decades.

The process of finding a solution is complex and many residents may be frustrated by our inaction, which on the surface, looks easier to solve.

I have the responsibility to represent everyone in District 38, consisting of the citizens of Walled Lake, Novi, South Lyon, Lyon Township, Novi Township and the Oakland County portion of Northville. There is not a vote I take, nor a question I ask in committee, when I don't consider my entire district's residents. Every representative and senator strives to represent their district in the same manner.

Each of the 110 representatives, the 38 senators and the governor have their own thoughts on a road solution that their constituency would approve and the budget would support. For obvious reasons, it is not efficient for all of us to be involved in the negotiations. We have submitted our ideas to leadership. Leaders from the Republican and the Democrat side, of both the Senate and House, along with the governor, are currently participating in relentless road plan negotiations.

I respect this process of negotiations. No one will be completely in favor of the final outcome, but all possible solutions and budget impact will have been extensively considered and debated.

I am told that we are close to a compromise that each caucus will evaluate and also debate prior to voting. We need a thoughtful, substantial, long-term solution, not a "quick fix" or "patch."

Some of you have asked for my reaction to the road plan. I will reserve my comments for the road plan agreed upon at the conclusion of these intense negotiations.

I sincerely respect the views of all residents in District 38 and should you wish to contact my office, please email me at

kathycrawford@house.mi.gov or call 517-373-0827. My office is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. If you call, staff may be answering other calls or in a meeting. Please leave a detailed message with a number or email where you may be reached and we will return you call as soon as possible.

Kathy Crawford
state representative
38th District

Student understands shots

The new requirements to get an immunization waiver might just save my life! Failing to immunize your child could be a major risk for your child and other children. As a middle school boy, I hate immunizations as much as the next person, but I would rather get poked and be safe from a disease than risk getting a disease and possibly dying.

I think it's a great idea that parents have to learn about the consequences of not immunizing their child to get the county waiver. As a student, I do not want to ruin my life by getting sick from a parent's wrong or misinformed decision. In today's society, some parents are getting incorrect information from the Internet. This could lead to not immunizing a child, which could get him/her or others sick. On a positive note, a trained professional now must teach these parents about the consequences of not immunizing a child.

Diseases like measles are coming back in the United States, so we have to arm ourselves by getting a shot in the arm — but on the bright side, sometimes we get a lollipop in the end.

Sam Adler, 13
Meads Mill Middle School

Perfect 'Dream Team'

After my grandson watched an online political rally from Denver, he joked that I should sue Bernie Sanders for plagiarism. I knew very little about the man other than he was an independent U.S. senator from Vermont.

After viewing the video, I found a new respect for Sen. Sanders. He spoke about practically every issue I have railed against, most notably NAFTA and the new Asian Pacific Free Trade deal. He and Sen. Elizabeth Warren of Massachusetts have been the most vocal opponents of these job-killing deals. They have

Path work



Work continues July 8 on the paved walking and biking path through Maybury State Park. The path, which begins near Eight Mile and Beck roads, will loop through the park. This terminus is near the pond on the southeast side of the park.

both called out President Obama (rightly so) for siding with the right wing to get this Asian deal passed.

Why our president would align with the very people who, for over six years, have attempted to thwart ever honorable thing he has proposed and called him everything but a human being is beyond my reasoning. But he is wrong, wrong, wrong.

Speaking of Sanders and Warren, if we could get one in the White House and the other as leader of the Senate, that would truly be a Dream Team.

James Huddleston
Canton

Sour effects of GOP

For those voters who hope and pray that the GOP will control both Houses of Congress, it is time to look at some GOP history and take a good look at the sour effects created by the Republican Party.

For those voters who praise the era of Ronald Reagan, let us face the facts that Reagan increased the bureaucracy, increased government deficits and presented a so-called "plan" to cut taxes, cut spending, to create a smaller government. Reagan said he would cut the Departments of Energy and Education. It did not happen. In fact, Reagan added a Department of Veterans Af-

fairs. Reagan increased the size of government from 1981-89. When he entered office, the U.S. deficit was \$79 billion. When he left office, the budget deficit was \$155 billion. Is that GOP progress?

Today, the U.S. voter faces a new election in 2016. So what might happen if the GOP wins the U.S. Senate? The GOP wants to ban abortion after 20 weeks of pregnancy. The GOP wants to strike parts of Obamacare, which affects the working class in America. The GOP wants to shrink the Environmental Protection Agency, which will allow more dirt in the air you breathe and more poison in the water you drink.

In 1994, the GOP took control of the House and Senate. Bob Dole and Newt Gingrich pelted Bill Clinton to no avail until Gingrich softened and they passed a budget and welfare reform.

So if the American voter wants to see the U.S. government grind to a halt, then let the GOP takeover and we can say goodbye to the EPA, goodbye to Pell Grants for college kids, goodbye to food stamps, goodbye to Consumer Finance Protection. Of course, a GOP Congress and GOP president would spend money and time investigating the Benghazi Affair, which is just another Republican mindless witch

hunt where there is no witch except in the minds of people like Donald Trump.

Robert Keselowski
retired Livonia teacher

Liberalism has recurring themes

Liberalism has some recurring themes. It's racist to require voters to prove citizenship and who they are. Bad economic reports are always unexpected, usually blamed on the weather. Five months isn't enough time to make up your mind about an abortion. More gun-control laws will stop those who'll ignore them.

Fair share never has a dollar value. If it's reached, you can't ridicule someone for not paying it. Terrorism and a weakened military are less threatening to our security than global warming.

We need safe spaces on college campuses to protect kids from speech we don't like. Problems can always be fixed with more money — and if it doesn't work, it means we didn't spend enough. We know what the people want, regardless of what they say.

We don't like free markets because we can't control them. High-speed rail in California is more important than more water reservoirs.

Jack Belisle
South Lyon

GUEST COLUMN

Resolve dispute over meat labeling with Canada, Mexico

Congress in 2002 passed a requirement that meat sold in the U.S. carry a simple label stating where the product was born, raised and slaughtered. While that label has been valuable to consumers, the World Trade Organization recently found it to be in violation of our trade obligations with Canada and Mexico.

I disagree with this ruling. But if we do not change the way we label meat, we face the threat of retaliatory tariffs by



Debbie Stabenow
GUEST COLUMNIST

two of our closest trading partners. That retaliation would harm American businesses and consumers. So we must change our law.

That's why I joined Sen. John Hoeven, R-N.D., and several of our Republican and

Democratic colleagues to introduce a common sense bill to do just that, while also retaining the right for American consumers to ask for information about where their food comes from.

The Voluntary Country of Origin Labeling and Trade Enhancement Act of 2015 would fully repeal mandatory country-of-origin labeling to satisfy the WTO decision. We then create a voluntary option for our farmers: a voluntary label, similar to what Canada uses to label its meat.

The U.S. Trade Representative, the government agency responsible for overseeing our trade relationships, believes our proposal would comply with the WTO decision.

It's also noteworthy that Canada and Mexico have themselves said that a voluntary label is a reasonable approach

in testimony before the WTO in 2012.

Sadly, even before our bill was introduced, Canada joined with the big multi-national meat packers to wage a campaign to stop Congress from pursuing this voluntary label. It insists that the U.S. must not only repeal mandatory labeling, but that the U.S. has no right to establish a voluntary program (even if Canada has one) or it will retaliate against us.

Let's be clear — since our bill repeals mandatory country of origin labeling, Canada has no veto or legal standing to stop the U.S. from deciding to pursue voluntary policies in our own country. It's easy to understand why Canada and Mexico don't want us to pursue a voluntary label: They want to absolutely make sure they never have to compete head-to-

head with American products.

This debate boils down to two simple questions: Do American consumers have a right to know where their food comes from? And should American farmers and companies have the same right to accurately label a Product of the U.S.A. when our friends in Canada are already doing the same through their own label? The answer, of course, is yes!

I'm confident the majority of the U.S. Senate supports this common sense approach. That's why the Senate must pass our bill as soon as possible so we can stop any retaliation. Then we need to refocus on all of the wonderful and important partnerships Michigan has with our Canadian neighbors.

Debbie Stabenow, a Democrat from Lansing, represents Michigan in the U.S. Senate.

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Be careful, don't fall victim to scams

Wow! Have I had one heck of a week!

First, I found out I won the European Lottery. Now, I never bought a ticket, but I was told because I was a world citizen in good standing, I was automatically entered. I was glad to know I had a \$100,000 coming to me (if I just paid an international tax fee of \$1,000). Good news, because I was going to need the money.

You see, I got a phone call from California stating my nephew was in jail and needed \$3,000 bond or he was not going to be released. Then I received another phone call from the Internal Revenue Service stating that I owed back taxes of \$30,000. I could settle for a smaller fee of just \$2,000 if I sent the money. If I didn't pay though, they would be at my house in 45 minutes to arrest me. That's why I have to type this article quickly.

Then I received an email from an attorney that told me that a relative I have never met owned diamond mines in South Africa. If I paid just a few thousand dollars for transferring fees, I could claim ownership of the mines. Sounds like all my money troubles with the IRS could get handled then and I would still have enough to rescue my poor nephew. I just needed to avoid being arrested by the IRS for a little longer.

Sounds pretty ridiculous. Yet people fall prey to these scams all the time. If it sounds too good to be true, or just a little ridiculous, it probably is.

If you suspect someone is trying to scam you, do not respond in any way. Ignore any suspicious emails, letters and pop-up boxes. If it's a telephone call, hang up. If it is a person coming to your door, close the door and report the incident to the police. Resist the temptation to outsmart the perpetrator.

If you've already responded to a scam, end all further communication. A smart fraudster will try to re-establish communication with someone who gave them hope of succeeding. Don't be tempted, no



Sgt. Michael Sura
ASK A TROOPER

matter what they say. If you've given the fraudster your bank account information, contact your bank immediately. The bank can put a fraud alert on your account, close an account, and help you change passwords and PINs.

If it is a credit card company, contact the credit or debit card company and close the card.

Limit your personal information on your social networking sites. Social networking sites are easy pickings for crooks. Use your privacy settings to limit access of your information to the fewest number of people possible. If someone tells you they are from a company you do business with, contact that company using the phone number on your statement or in the phone book and ask to speak to the fraud security department. They will want to know if their company is being misrepresented by criminals.

Uh oh. I just heard a knock at my door. It's probably the IRS. Well, until next week (I hope). Stay safe, stay smart and don't fall for a scam.

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

Tax-return fraud moves to states, officials say

A new wave of tax swindlers who've attempted to bilk the federal refunds of honest taxpayers have moved on to the states, an Internal Revenue Service official told the recent National Conference of State Legislatures legislative summit.

IRS official Paul Mamo characterized the latest form of tax fraud as a blend of identity theft with filing fraudulent tax returns.

Steve Ryan of McDermott Will & Emery, which staffs a national association of tax companies, said those perpetrating the tax fraud are not taking information out of the system. Rather they are putting false data into the system to secure the tax refunds due law-

abiding taxpayers. While the fraud at first focused on federal returns because the refunds are greater, states are now the targets.

"We want this to end. It is bad for the industry and it is terrifying for the individual," Ryan said.

Losses are in the billions of dollars, with Mamo noting the IRS stopped \$68 billion involving 19 million fraudulent returns from 2011-14.

Ryan explained that his clients, while they are prohibited from reviewing returns done via popular tax-return programs, did first spot issues with lots of returns going to a single ZIP code or bank account.

David Sullivan, tax

administrator for the state of Rhode Island, said states could combat fraudulent returns being submitted from dead individuals, but now people go into the system and assume the identity of the taxpayer. And when the refund is sent via a debit card, it becomes very difficult to track down and recover.

It is also a problem affecting refundable Earned Income Tax Credit state programs.

Corey Smith of the Tax Division of the U.S. Department of Justice and part of the DOJ's Stolen Identity Refund Fraud Board, said many of the actors are overseas in Nigeria, Ghana, Eastern Bloc countries, Russia, Romania and China.

There are some steps states can take to counteract this fraud, Sullivan said. One step is to rely on "out-of-wallet" information to verify the identity of the taxpayer.

Another step states can take is to slow down the issuance of refunds, allowing time for more through verification. This, however, can affect those awaiting EITC payments, he said. Likewise, the use of debit cards is intended to help taxpayers who are "unbankable," providing the "cheapest" way to get them their refunds, Sullivan said. He explained that if they are forced to use check-cashing businesses, there is often a steep fee.

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Watercraft accident

Deputies from the Oakland County Sheriff Department's Marine Unit responded to Pontiac Lake around 6:45 p.m. Aug. 21 on a report of a personal injury accident involving two small watercraft. Two subjects were riding their PWC's together when one turned into the path of the other resulting in the collision.

The victim, a 24-year-old male from Novi, sustained injuries to the left side of his body and was transported to McLaren Oakland Hospital by Star EMS, where he remains in stable condition.

The crash remains under investigation and alcohol does not appear to be a factor in the crash.

Pistol safety class

The Novi Police Department will be offering a civilian pistol safety class from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12, at the Novi Police Department Training Center (45125 10 Mile). The course fulfills both the classroom and shooting requirements to obtain a Michigan Concealed Pistol License.

Registration forms are available online at cityofnovi.org and at the Novi Police Department. Completed registration forms and the \$150 course fee (cash or money order) may be returned to the Novi Police Department.

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

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Gov. appoints Burns

Gov. Rick Snyder appointed Charles Burns, of Novi, to the Michigan Travel Commission; a four-year term expiring Aug. 20, 2018. The Commission collaborates with destination marketing associations, nonprofit corporations and organizations to develop, promote and enhance Michigan's travel and tourism industry. It also provides the Michigan Economic Development Corp. with input and advice regarding activities related to tourism in the state.

BetterHealth, Beyond Basics partnering

BetterHealth Markets & Vitamin Stores has partnered this back-to-school season with Beyond Basics to host a book drive to benefit the non-profit. Through Sunday, Sept. 20, customers may stop by Novi BetterHealth location (42875 Grand River Ave) during regular business hours and donate gently used or new children's or young adult books. Drop-off bins will be placed at the front of each store. No purchase is necessary. The books collected will be distributed via

Beyond Basics to students and parents in Beyond Basics classrooms throughout the coming school year.

Shredding Days

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

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

Club 85



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Barbara McDonald laughs as she answers the question as to what was the most important invention she's seen in her 84 years during an Aug. 20 celebration at the Novi Senior Center. McDonald, being interviewed by Novi Senior Center's Tom Gordon, said that the clothes washer and dryer were the best inventions she's seen. The senior center that day honored dozens of local citizens who achieved 85 years or more. McDonald, an honorary member of the club, will turn 85 this December.

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 or www.facebook.com/novichoralaires.

Art classes for older adults

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

required and can be completed online at www.cityofnovi.org, at the Novi Civic Center (45175 10 Mile) or Meadowbrook Activity Center (25075 Meadowbrook Road). Classes are held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. each Saturday at the Meadowbrook Activity Center. There is no cost to register, but a \$3 supply fee will be due to the instructors at each class. For more information, call 248-347-0414.

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. <http://www.fumc-northville.org/biz-baz-village-banking/>. To reserve a space, email fumcbazaar@gmail.com.

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.

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 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 or go to 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.

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.

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.

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Northville children's author shares 'growing up' foibles tale

By Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Northville resident and author Mary Kaye Rhee is proud of the book she's self-published for children, *Elwood Doberman, Jr.*

"I do a lot of writing. I like to do it as a hobby," said Rhee, who's called Northville home for almost 40 years. Illustrator Elisa Chavarri previously lived in Northville.

"I had a real good illustrator with this one," Rhee said of Chavarri, who now lives in Alpena. "I told the illustrator to make it like Northville. It's got Victorian houses. Way in the distance, you can see the clock. It's really cute."

The story is about a rebellious pup who learns that growing up involves a few missteps. Rhee, mom to four grown children and grandma to four, recalled her husband reading the *Northville Record* a few years back and spotting an item on Chavarri.

"I was looking for an illustrator for my book," Rhee said, noting the book is geared mainly to children ages 4-8 with the Northville name changed to "Furry Hill." She was pleased when Chavarri agreed to illustrate her book.

The women met to work out details. "She lived on Main Street at the time with her husband," Rhee said. It took them about two years to complete *Elwood Doberman, Jr.*, and after the Alpena move, technology helped them work together.

"I always tell people it's a book based on a true story," Rhee said. "Growing up always involves some missteps and tumbles along the way."

Puppy Elwood manipulates his parents and ultimately must go to



Mary Kaye Rhee of Northville is a children's author who wrote "Elwood Doberman, Jr."

West Pointer Academy, "which is a doggie boot camp where he kind of thinks it over." The book has a happy ending.

"It's really a comment not only on parents, but also children," Rhee said.

She wrote it years ago and put it aside. "But I didn't have an illustrator and I didn't know where to go," she said. "That was really fun to work with her," she added of Chavarri.

"Everything was done over the computer, all the files and everything. That technology is all so advanced now," the author said.

Chavarri on most days can be found working from her studio in her home she shares with her husband, her cat and dog, and her daughter, Lucia. She has previously illustrated *A Smart Girl's Guide: Boys and Puzzle Palooza* for American Girl, *Fairly Fairy Tales* for Simon & Schuster and *Fly Blanky Fly* for Harper Collins. Chavarri is a native of Peru.

Rhee and her husband, in addition to the children, their spouses and grandchildren, have a dog, four "granddogs"

and a "grandcat."

"I did some teaching years ago in Taiwan," she said. She began to write at age 50 and now, at 65, thought about self-publishing. After receiving her bachelor's degree in English from Calvin College, Rhee completed her master's degree in library science from the University of Michigan.

She and Chavarri are working on another children's book for the same age group, as well as children's parents and grandparents. Stories she writes relate to growing up, including sibling rivalry and how we don't always want to accept faults in our loved ones.

She's got a number of stories she's worked on. "I hope to get at least 10 by the time I'm on the other side of the Jordan," Rhee said.

Her dad was a preacher. "I grew up with parents who read to me constantly," said Rhee, who followed suit with her children when they were young. Her family also watched *Sesame Street* together.

Elwood Doberman, Jr., is available on Amazon and at Barnes & Noble.



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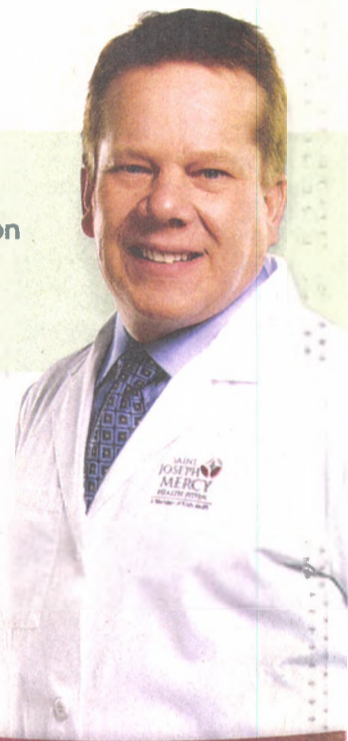
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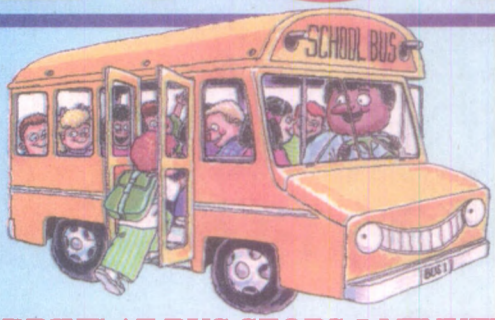
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- 8:16 AM Equestrian Tr & Rosewood Ct
- 8:18 AM Bridle Run & Equestrian Tr
- 8:20 AM Bridle Run & Richmond Dr
- 8:21 AM 20854 Richmond Dr
- 8:23 AM Veneto Dr & Chianti Dr
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- 8:20 AM Rolling Wds Cir & Deer Path Dr
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- 8:23 AM Fox Trail Ln & Rolling Wds Cir
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- 8:12 AM Crestbrook Dr & Laurel Ridge Ct
- 8:14 AM Teton Ridge Dr & Shagbark Dr
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- 8:10 AM 46599 Pinehurst Cir
- 8:12 AM 46447 Pinehurst Cir
- 8:16 AM 47124 Merion Cir
- 8:17 AM 46855 Merion Cir
- 8:18 AM 46619 Merion Cir
- 8:19 AM 15640 Merion Ct
- 8:22 AM 45892 Tournament Dr
- 8:28 AM 16409 Horseshoe Dr
- 8:30 AM Horseshoe Dr & Forest Dr
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- 8:05 AM Ridge Rd & Ridge Ct
- 8:06 AM 49091 Hidden Ridge Dr
- 8:13 AM Westminster Dr & Cressnut Ct
- 8:15 AM Mulberry Way & Mulberry Ct
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- 8:09 AM 18931 Grande Vista Dr
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- 8:14 AM Blue Heron Dr E & Blue Heron Dr S
- 8:15 AM 17977 Beck Rd
- 8:16 AM 47652 Pine Creek Ct
- 8:19 AM 47435 Arbor Tr
- 8:20 AM Sherwood Ln & Oxford Ct
- 8:21 AM Sherwood Ln & Forest Ct
- 8:22 AM 16677 Sherwood Ln
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- 8:27 AM 16073 Johnson Creek Dr
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- 8:24 AM Cheltenham & Sarnia Dr
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- 8:06 AM 18222 Cascade Dr
- 8:08 AM 17449 Cedar Lake Cir
- 8:09 AM 42505 Bradner Rd
- 8:11 AM Waterwheel Rd & Crest Dr
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- 8:13 AM 42016 Crestview Cir
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- 8:22 AM Country Knoll Dr & Glenview Ct
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- 8:12 AM 15391 Prestwick Cir
- 8:15 AM 15810 Winding Creek Ct
- 8:17 AM Pine Valley Dr & Cog Hill Dr
- 8:18 AM 16013 Cog Hill Dr
- 8:19 AM 16124 Jupiter Hills Dr
- 8:21 AM 15973 Jupiter Hills Dr
- 8:22 AM Cypress Point Dr & Augusta Ct
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 8:28 AM 17913 Maple Hill Ct
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 8:16 AM 15972 Crystal Downs E
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 8:18 AM 45865 Riviera Dr
 8:19 AM 45739 Riviera Dr
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 7:45 AM 18725 Jamestown Cir
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RT. G MEADS MILL

7:24 AM Deep Hollow Cir & Wildflower Dr
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 7:30 AM Cypress Point Dr & Pine Valley Dr
 7:32 AM 15810 Winding Creek Ct
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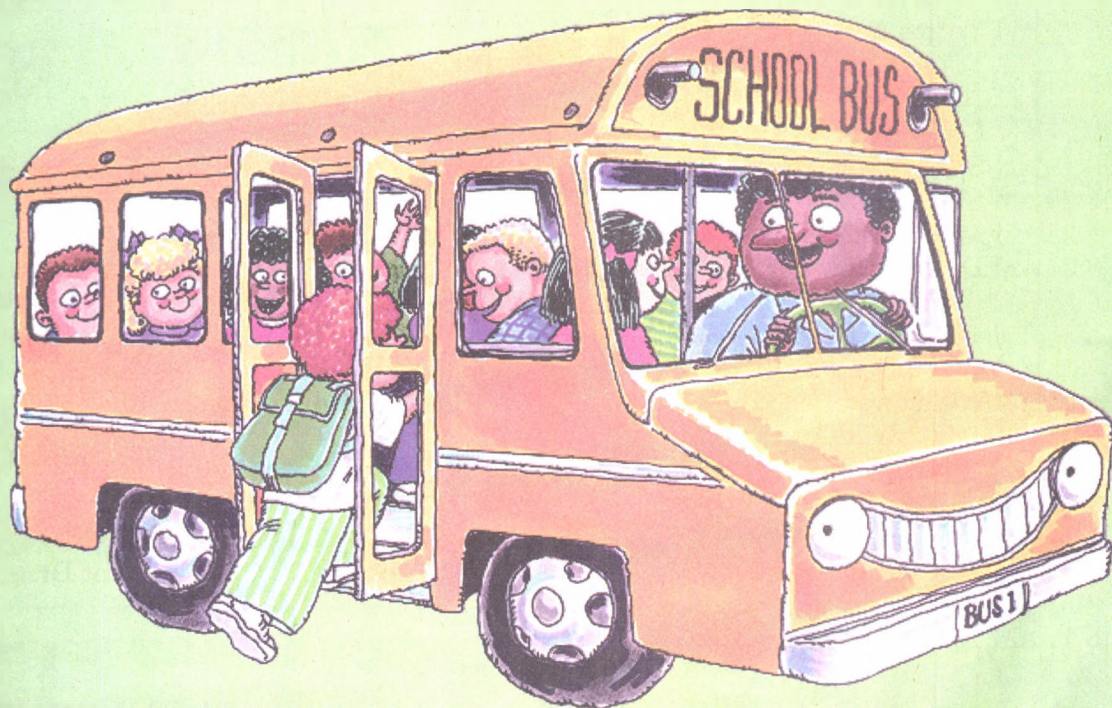
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BOYS SOCCER

Mavericks' late goal nips rival

Zondlak, D'Aloisio lead 1-0 win vs. Lakeland

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Brendan Zondlak took care of the back end, while teammate Dante D'Aloisio made his presence known up front Monday with the game's only goal as host Milford stopped Lakeland in a spirited boys soccer match, 1-0.

The Mavericks, who opened their season Friday with a 5-2 victory at Holly, improved to

2-0 thanks to D'Aloisio's game-winner with only 10:45 left, a shot that caromed off a Lakeland defender.

David Bonhard got credit for the assist on D'Aloisio's goal, which ricocheted from 25 yards out.

Milford had its fair share of scoring chances, but Lakeland goalkeeper Owen Christmas proved stingy for the first 79 minutes until the Mavericks took advantage of a re-direct.

After a scoreless 40 minutes, the theme at halftime by first-year Milford coach Thomas Hipple was to get more shots on goal.

"I just shot it and it directed off a few players and it went in," D'Aloisio said. "We just didn't put any on net and when we did, it went in. He just told us to keep attacking them and we're going to get the win. It's a big rival win."

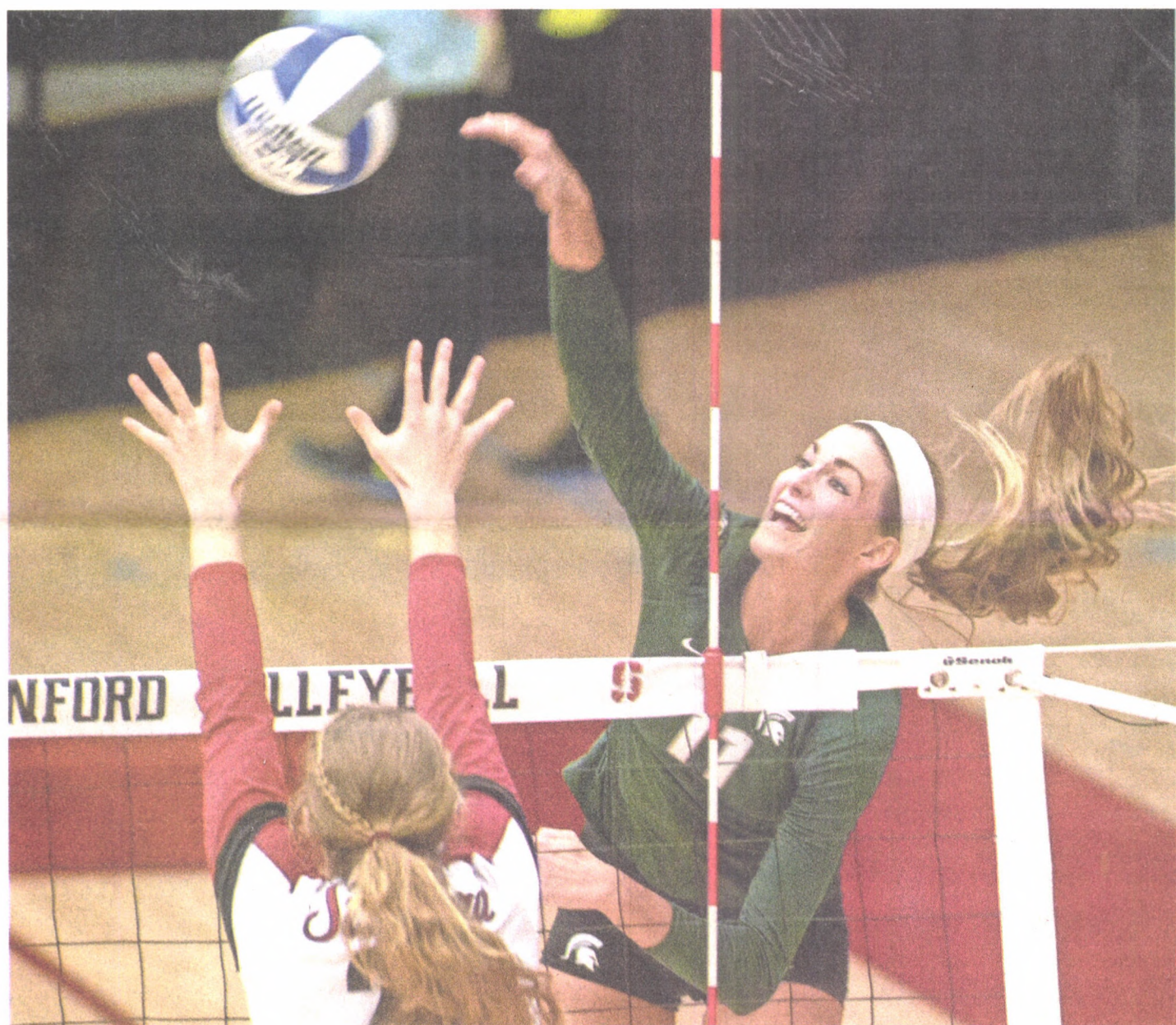
Zondlak, who stands a mere 5 feet, 9 inches, proved acro-



Milford's David Bonhard (left) battles for the ball against Lakeland's David Wojciechowski in Monday's clash.

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COLLEGE VOLLEYBALL



South Lyon resident Chloe Reinig uncorks a kill shot for Michigan State during last year's NCAA tournament against host Stanford University at Maples Pavilion.

NORBERT VON DER GROEBEN

MSU's Reinig has big goals in mind

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Michigan State's Chloe Reinig is approaching the 2015 women's volleyball season with a high sense of urgency.

The 6-foot-4 junior from South Lyon isn't one to rest on her laurels after racking up a team-best 437 kills while

helping the Spartans (19-14) to a berth in the NCAA tournament, which ended in a 3-1 second-round loss last December to host Stanford (25-23 in the fourth set).

MSU, ranked No. 19 in the American Volleyball Coaches Association preseason poll, opens its season Aug. 28-29 in the Bluegrass Invitational hosted by No. 15 Kentucky. Also in the field is

Arkansas-Little Rock, which also received votes, and IUPUI.

"Last year, I think we had kind of a slow start and kind of dug ourselves a hole and got that bad seed for the (NCAA) tournament right away and had to play Stanford, which was the No. 1 seed," said Reinig, an outside hitter who

See **REINIG**, Page B4

BOYS TENNIS

Mustangs' Johnston eyeing top prep title

Two-time state Division 1 state runner-up healthy

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

And now it's Connor Johnston's turn.

After two runner-up finishes to rival Tim Wang of Novi in the MHSAA Division 1 singles top-flighted finals, the Northville High tennis standout enters his senior year as the clear-cut favorite.

Johnston, a nationally-ranked junior

who committed to Michigan last December, says he is healthy after overcoming a groin injury which sidelined him from U.S. Tennis Association junior tournaments from February to Memorial Day weekend.

Johnston went 21-2 last year for the Mustangs, with his only two losses coming against the Columbia University-bound Wang.

After a seventh-place team finish at last year's Division 1 state finals, Johnston is optimistic the Mustangs can make some noise in this year's state tourney. His biggest threat to an individual singles title should come from last year's state semifinalists, Ian Yi of Ann Arbor Pioneer and Josh Mukherjee of Bloomfield Hills.

But Johnston is looking at the bigger picture.

"I think my team is at its peak," he said. "I think we're really good. We have 10 seniors and we've got some really good freshmen. We're very deep. Any of the doubles can play any position. We're really good and I'm really excited about it."

Northville also has a new coach in ex-Michigan State player Chris Michigan State player Chris Trumbull, a former Northville JV coach and assistant. Trumbull, who replaced Matt Stetson, is a pro



Johnston

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Wildcats rule tourney



DENISE SINKOVICH

On Saturday, last year's MHSAA Division 1 runner-up Novi defeated host Grand Haven, 25-15, 25-19, to capture the Lakeshore Classic. Senior Victoria Iacobelli finished the day with 39 total kills and 38 digs, while twin sister Paulina Iacobelli had 35 kills, 55 digs and 16 aces. Sophomore setter Erin O'Leary contributed 98 assists, 28 kills and 31 digs as the Wildcats (6-0) also defeated Grand Rapids West Catholic, St. Joseph, Hudsonville, Grand Rapids South Christian and Jenison en route to the title.

DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

USA Hockey opens for business as area spectators eye new era

By Tim Smith
Staff Writer

Yes, the Plymouth Whalers have left the building.

No worries, not with USA Hockey's National Team Development Program ready to skate into a fresh new era in the Beck Road arena.

Consider that hundreds of hockey fans of all sizes and ages turned out for Wednesday's open house and "pick a seat night" at the newly minted USA Hockey Arena.

"I think we had to be sold on it a little bit," said Dannelle Nyquist of Canton, there with husband Steve. "We were hesitant, wondering, but it's the only game in town."

The Nyquists were Whalers season-ticket holders since 1999 and decided to jump in the USA Hockey waters virtually sight unseen. It helps that they'll sit in Section 103, six rows behind the home bench, where they sat for OHL contests.

"You become like a small family, almost," she said. "You know the people behind you, you talk about their families. It's good to know that they've all come back, too."

Easy call

Steve Nyquist called it a "no-brainer" to sign up for USA Hockey's mix of international, college and junior contests.

"I'm not driving to Flint," he said with a laugh, referring to where the Whalers relocated as the Firebirds.

The Peter Karmanos-owned franchise was sold following the 2014-15 season to a group that moved it to Flint.

Wednesday's open house included open skating with players, as well as free pizza, pop and hockey talk from fans, players and coaches alike — who are all impressed with the planned transformation of longtime Compuware Arena.

"A lot of people are happy; little kids are excited to come see us," said Dylan St. Cyr, a Northville native who will play



RENA LAVERTY

The open house at USA Hockey Arena was a blast for youngsters such as this one.

goal for the NTDP U-17 team (there also will be a U-18 team). "They're holding posters, getting pumped about it, they want to eat with us."

"I think it's cool to get to know your fans. Then they come out and watch and say, 'Yeah, I skated with him.' That would be kind of cool."

St. Cyr and others said they expected it to take a while for the general public to get a better idea of what USA Hockey is all about. The NTDP was based out of the Ann Arbor Ice Cube last year.

"Being the first year, I think it's nice to see how it's going to develop," he said. "By the second year, I think it's all going to be settled in and ready to go. "That will be pretty cool, too. We'll see. I think it's going to take a couple games to get the word out there."

Buzz-worthy

Greeting younger fans was the NTDP mascot, wearing a bald eagle costume and USA Hockey jersey. So far, the mascot does not have a moniker.

The buzz inside the building

caught the attention of Danton Cole, a former NHL player who is head coach of the U-17 team.

"It is exciting and I think the neat thing is, for the first little while, every day when we walk in something else is being worked on, painted or changed," Cole said. "I think that lends to the atmosphere of excitement and getting us fired up for the season."

Cole said educating fans about what USA Hockey is bringing to Plymouth continues to be on the front burner.

"As a new program coming in here, the Whalers were here a long time," Cole said. "Just to put a face on our product and the program that we have and the people we have working here, just talking to the fans, I think that's always important."

"Let them know how much we care about what's going on here and how much we appreciate what they do for the team."

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REINIG

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had a team-high 19 kills in a first-round NCAA win over Loyola-Marymount. "This year, we kind of have the mindset of coming out strong. Every day, we have two-a-days. We're practicing hard and getting ready to get mentally and physically tough. It's a long season and we're going to try and do our best, go hard from beginning to end so we can have that better season and hopefully make a better run this year."

Big Ten outlook

MSU (11-9) finished sixth in a loaded Big Ten last season. The Spartans are one of six teams, including two-time defending national champion Penn State, which appear in the preseason top 25 ranking from the conference.

The Spartans were tabbed sixth in a preseason poll formulated by a vote of the conference's 14 head coaches Aug. 12.

Although the Spartans lost top-notch libero Kori Moster (550 digs) to graduation, Marquette University transfer Autumn Bailey, the Big East Player of the Year, is there to help pick up the slack.

"She's really good and adds a lot to our team," Reinig said of Bailey. "We have a lot of our core team coming back. We were a young team last year."

Reinig made all-Big Ten, all-region and was an AVCA honorable mention All-American a year ago as she averaged 3.7 kills per set to go along with 83 blocks.

Reinig hopes to piggyback on her strong sophomore season showing with a few more personal goals in mind.

Not satisfied

"Last year I was all-Big Ten and all-region — great accolades," Reinig said, "but what made me a little salty was honorable mention All-American. And that was my biggest dream coming to college. So that's my ultimate goal, to be a true All-American."

Reinig, a preseason all-Big Ten first team selection, has worked on her defense during the off-season. Last year, she finished with 107 digs and wants to show she can be counted upon as an all-around player.

"So far in my college career, I haven't played all six rotations; I've played a little back row," said Reinig, who is on the dean's list while majoring in economics with a minor in math. "But I've really just worked hard to work on my back row game as well as my front row. ... I need to get better at both so I can play all six and stay on the court as much as possible, which hopefully happens."

As a freshman, Reinig appeared in 25 matches while missing most of the non-conference season with mono-nucleosis. She rebounded from her illness to earn Big Ten all-freshman honors as she racked up a total of 234 kills.

"Chloe had a breakout sophomore year after mono held her back and didn't allow others to see what she was truly capable of as a freshman," MSU head coach Cathy George. "I'm really looking

forward to seeing her game take another step this fall."

Early start

Reinig began to blossom as a volleyball player prior to moving to South Lyon from Illinois during the summer following her eighth-grade year.

She said she broke the mold in the Reinig family, which also includes father Geoff and mother Carol, along with two older siblings, Garrett and Crystal (both of whom attended MSU),



Reinig

along with a younger brother, Gunnar.

"Actually, it's kind of weird, they're all musically inclined and into artsy things and I'm like the only athletic person in my entire family," Reinig said. "I did basketball and soccer in elementary school and as soon as I hit middle school, I got serious about volleyball."

Reinig first attended Birmingham Marian High School, where she was a member of the 2009 Class A state championship team before she transferred to South Lyon as a sophomore.

During her junior year, she broke the Lions' single season record for kills for 653, while earning first team all-state honors twice. She also received numerous national prep accolades, including being named a 2012-13 Under Armour first team All-American. Reinig also played club volleyball for Michigan Elite.

National invite

In February, Reinig was invited to participate in the U.S. Women's National Team open tryouts in Colorado Springs, Colo. But during the second day of practice, she collided with another player and suffered a shoulder injury.

"I really couldn't lift my left arm at all, so it kind of hindered my playing," Reinig said. "I was fine three weeks later. But it was still great to be around all these great collegiate athletes, hear about their school and their stories."

Reinig stayed close to home and East Lansing for a majority of this summer.

"We made a huge commitment, where as a team, to play more throughout the whole summer," she said. "We're not forced to play by the coaches, but we had open gyms and we did a lot of our own self-practice together, which helped us a lot. We did that two or three times a week, as well as running and lifting and staying in shape and going to classes."

Reinig then transitioned into official MSU practices and the dreaded two-a-days.

She realizes it will help prepare the Spartans for a challenging non-conference schedule, which also includes No. 7 North Carolina and No. 25 Duke, followed by a grinder of a Big Ten slate, which begins Sept. 25.

"It gets pretty brutal," Reinig said. "The practices are not bad themselves or terribly hard, it's just playing volleyball. But it's just being in the gym for all those hours in a day can wear on you."

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SPORTS ROUNDUP

Kneen misses cut

Oakland University sophomore Jake Kneen (White Lake Lakeland) shot an opening round 70, but slipped to 78 in stroke play and missed the cut to match play by five shots with a 148 total at the U.S. Amateur Golf Championships held last week at Olympia Fields Country Club in Olympia Fields, Ill.

Kneen had six bogies and one double-bogey in Round 2 after carding four birdies and four bogies in Round 1.

Silvestri earns grant

Joe Silvestri (Detroit Catholic Central), the long stick midfielder for Albion College's first Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association championship team in men's lacrosse, has added to the Britons' tradition of academic success as the recipient of an NCAA Postgraduate Scholarship.

The Novi native will receive a one-time scholarship of \$7,500 to help fund his education at the University of Toledo Medical School.

A biology major, Silvestri graduated summa cum laude. He was inducted into Phi Beta Kappa and the science honorary Sigma Xi, received the college's endowed award in biological science and was placed on the Capital

One Division III Men's At-Large Academic All-America second team by the College Sports Information Directors of America.

Albion's men's lacrosse program achieved a 42-27 record during Silvestri's four-year career. A three-time all-MIAA pick (first team in 2013 and 2014; second team in 2015), Silvestri completed his career in second place on Albion's all-time ground ball leaders with 177.

Aaron takes first

Northville's James Aaron tied for first place in Flight C as the Michigan Publincx Seniors Golf Association held its 12th tournament Aug. 11 at Pine Trace Golf Club in Troy.

The 50-and-over tournament produced 21 winners from a handicapped field of 110 players representing 16 different communities throughout southeast Michigan.

Aaron shot a low gross score of 86 for a low net of 67 to tie for first with Macomb's Martin Dunn.

Lakeland concessions

Lakeland High School needs volunteers to help run its concession stands for games again for the 2015-16 athletic season.

All slots for these events are open to any volunteer from any team. Open

and closed slots are also open to anyone to sign up for. A SignUpGenius schedule for the remainder of the fall sports season will be created and sent to team coaches/contacts for allocation of volunteer slots.

Visit www.signupgenius.com/go/409094eaba62fa75-first, or call Deandra Reinhart at 248-770-6454.

Novi sports passes

Novi sports passes are available through the Novi Athletic Boosters for the 2015-16 year during registration at Novi High School and Novi Middle School.

Passes provide entry into all high school and middle school regular home sporting events. Individual passes are \$60, while family passes (all family members living in one household) are \$180. Regular admission for high school events is \$5 and adult admission for middle school events is \$3.

All-sport passes are sold as a fundraiser for the Novi Athletic Boosters, a nonprofit organization with the sole purpose of providing gifts of equipment, uniforms and athletic training to all Novi high school and middle school athletes and teams.

Only by purchasing an all-sports pass can fans guarantee that all of the proceeds will be directed to Novi

athletics. Regular gate admissions proceeds go to the Novi Community Schools general fund.

Community members and students who have not included passes on their registration vouchers may purchase passes by downloading a form from the www.noviathleticboosters.com website (under forms/links).

Fall youth hoops

The South Lyon Area Recreation Authority is offering its second season of co-ed instructional three-on-three (kindergarten-first grade) and four-on-four (grades 2-3) fall youth basketball leagues, beginning with practices the week of Sept. 21 at Hardy, Kent Lake and Sayre gyms.

Registration fees are \$87 (resident) and \$109 (non-resident) through Sept. 1. Late fees are an additional \$15. (T-shirts are not guaranteed after the deadline.)

Teams will play each Saturday, beginning Sept. 28 (eight sessions). A coaches meeting is scheduled for 7:15 p.m. Monday, Sept. 21, at Centennial Middle School (main gym). The meeting includes basketball instruction. Coaches are also wanted.

For more information, call the recreation office at 248-437-8105 or email John Hines at www.slrec.net.

BOYS SOCCER ROUNDUP

CC seizes Balconi Invite

Northville wins opening two matches; Novi falls to Plymouth

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Novi Detroit Catholic Central is off to a solid boys soccer start after sweeping a trio of 60-minute matches Saturday to win the Balconi Invitational held at Centennial Educational Park.

The Shamrocks defeated MHSAA Division 1 runner-up Rochester Adams in the final, 2-1, getting goals from seniors Anthony Chavez and Matt Turton.

In the opening round, Matt Sherman scored twice, while junior Justin Savona and freshman Charlie Trevison also added a goal each in a 4-0 win over Walled Lake Northern.

Junior goalkeeper

Connor Gaskin then starred as CC won its second-round match against Utica Eisenhower, 4-3, on penalty kicks.

NORTHVILLE 5, CHURCHILL 0: Junior goalkeeper Evan Treiber made two saves to notch his second straight shutout as the Mustangs (2-0) rolled over host Livonia Churchill (0-2).

Senior Nick Toupin contributed a goal and an assist, while other Northville goals came from Ben McCauley, Matt Mitchell, Troy Borawski and Felipe McCarthy.

Also drawing assists for the victorious Mustangs were Garret Weaver, Tyler Belanger and Owen Marshall.

PLYMOUTH 3, NOVI 1: Jayden Huxtable scored a pair of first-half goals to propel Plymouth (2-1-1) to a victory over the host Wildcats (0-1) at Meadows Stadium.

Novi scored its lone goal one minute into the second half as Hernan Brarda crossed a ball into the box that was flicked on by Eduardo DeOliveira and finished on a one-time shot by Nick Harder.

Plymouth, which outshot Novi 9-7, put it away with 29 minutes left as Michael Blake scored on a breakaway.

Their 4-3-3 formation gave us trouble as all three of their forwards — Huxtable, Blake and Dylan Dwyer — were very fast and talented dribblers. Novi co-coach Rachel Kain said. "(Hernan) Brarda played very well off the bench in our midfield in his first varsity game, as did Eric Rice subbing in on

defense in his first varsity game. Myles Sayles also played well as a starting center defender."

DETROIT CC 8, GARDEN CITY 0: Anthony Chavez, Justin Savona and Ryan Pierson tallied two goals apiece Monday as host Novi Detroit Catholic Central (4-0) scored four times in each half to mercy the Cougars.

Noah Walter and Farzad Bashaie also scored for the Shamrocks, who ended the match with nine minutes remaining.

Goalies Connor Gaskin and Peter Kirouac combined on the shutout.

NORTHVILLE 1, PIONEER 0: The Mustangs (1-0) kicked off their season in high style with a non-league win Friday over visiting Ann Arbor Pioneer (0-1). Junior Ben McCauley's goal in the 20th minute off an assist from Ian McBroom provided the margin of victory.

Northville nearly got a second goal in the second half, when senior Johnny Rodriguez rang a shot off the post.

Junior goalkeeper Evan Treiber, making his start, made two saves in his varsity debut.

The Mustangs also received strong play in the back from Garret Weaver along with Nick Toupin in the central midfield, according to coach Henry Klimes.

MILFORD 5, HOLLY 2: David Bonhard tallied a pair of goals Friday as the Mavericks (1-0) downed the Bronchos (0-1) in the season opener for both teams.

Brayden Stephan, Matthew Villumure and Dante D'Aloniso added a goal each for Milford.

Saints signee



South Lyon Unified's Mackenzie Fiset (front row, middle) recently signed an NAIA letter of intent to play lacrosse at Siena Heights University. Also on hand for the signing were (top row, clockwise, from left) South Lyon freshman coach Glenn Glen, varsity coach Aaron Komial, Siena Heights assistant coach Olivia Duncan, father Nick Fiset, Siena Heights head coach Cindy Hill and mother Julie Fiset.

JULIE FISETTE

Hartland champs

BRYAN BOLLING

The Huron Valley Eagles, an 8-and-under tournament team, defeated teams from Commerce, Lake Orion and western Ontario to capture the FAAST Mid-Summer Classic in Hartland the weekend of July 18-19. Team members include (front row from left): Nate Sanko, Ryan Ward, Ty Webb, Mikey Bolling, Logan Hoskins, Mikey Tate III and bat boy Ethan Burkert; (second row, from left) Logan Burkert, Ben Bolling, Brendan Stewart, Matthew Miles, Jack Elowsky and Joseph Maruskin; and (back row, from left) coaches Brandon Bolling, Bruce Hoskins, Bryan Bolling, Mike Tate and Joey Maruskin.



CLUB WRESTLING

Matcats thriving on summer circuit

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

The South Lyon Matcats wrapped up their summer league schedule highlighted by Simeon Mardossian's third- and fifth-place showings, respectively, at the USA Wrestling National Freestyle and Greco Roman finals recently in Wisconsin.

Mardossian is now ranked third in the nation with USA Wrestling as a future Olympian.

"Simeon is an absolute monster on the mat," head coach Steve Richardson said. "He wrestled his best matches of the season during this tournament, defeating a previous year's champion."

The Matcats also competed last weekend in the Summer Beach Wrestling state finals, held in Pottersville, with Jaxton Kimling taking first, while Travis Richardson and Julien Kimling finished second and third, respectively.

"Beach wrestling is just that, we wrestle on the sand with modified rules," Richardson said. "This is Michigan's inaugural year for this type of wrestling. It was a lot of fun. The kids really enjoyed something different."



STEVE RICHARDSON

South Lyon Matcats member Julien Kimling (right) took third at the state beach wrestling finals.

Summer wrestling is for the diehards that want to compete all year. So this tournament brought out some of the best in the state."

The Matcats also moved into their new home at The Play-ground in downtown South Lyon.

"George Daraban and his team understand that we are a growing club that is recognized as one of the best in the state," Richardson said. "Our new home allows us to have extended practice times, usually limited by the school system. This has allowed our kids to continue to work hard and get better."

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RIVALS

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batic and resourceful all night.

"You just got to be ready, you just got to be on your toes," said Zondlak, who is a senior. "You just got to be ready."

In the second half, Zondlak was more than ready as he double-crossed his own goal to make a pair of key saves and keep the Eagles off the board.

"Tonight, being a senior, I told him he was going to play the whole game," Hipple said of his keeper. "He was absolutely amazing. He made three or four outstanding saves to keep us in the game."

Lakeland is 2-4 now in its last six matches against the Mavericks dating back to the 2012 season.

"To be honest, we played well," Lakeland coach Anthony Ibrahim said. "It's a tough pill to swallow. We had a lot of chances ... first two chances in the first half. Eric Reiter and Chase Rospond had a couple. And even towards the end, when we were 1-0 down. But that's the name of the game. You don't capitalize on your chances and you get one shot, one unlucky deflection and there goes the game 1-0."

But Ibrahim, also in his first season as varsity coach, came away encouraged despite the loss.

"I think definitely we had an outstanding performance from Tyler Green in the midfield," he said. "He was exceptional today. I think (Rospond), the big tall guy, the target up top, worked his socks off. He was great ... unlucky to miss a couple of chances. But I thought they all played well. I thought they all came out and ready to go. It's just tough coming in the first game of the season and it's your rivals, but you just got to

take if from there and learn from it."

The two rivals were able to put on good show for such an early clash.

"The Milford-Lakeland game is always kind of a sloppy game," Hipple said. "It's kind of up and down, (a) north-south kind of game. When we were able to just control ourselves and play, we looked good. We still have some holes we need to fill, but it's early."

"Collectively, we couldn't have played better as a team on the field. And then on the bench we did very well, keeping everyone under control. I think it was a good team effort."

But it's only one win and it's a long season.

"I think we played well, but there's always room for improvement, like there always is," Zondlak said. "And I think we'll get better by the end of the year."

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Lakeland goalie Owen Christmas leaps high for the save against rival Milford.

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, September 15, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Council Chambers Novi Civic Center 45175 Ten Mile Road to consider:

HERZOG (CASE NO. PZ15-0021). THOMAS HERZOG, 207 CHARLOTTE STREET, SOUTH OF SOUTHLAKERD AND WEST OF OLDNOVIRD, PARCEL # 50-22-03-483-002
The applicant is requesting use variance from the CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Section 5.1 to allow parking/storage of boat within the front yard from April 1st to October 31st of each year (72 hours, less than 7 days required).

PAULK (CASE NO. PZ15-0026). JAMES AND LAURA PAULK, 24676 TAFT ROAD, NORTH OF 10 MILE ROAD AND ON THE EAST SIDE OF TAFT ROAD, PARCEL # 50-22-22-301-012

The applicant is requesting variances from the CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Section 4.19(1)(E)(i) and 4.19(1)(D) to allow construction of a 1,536 square foot two story detached garage in the rear of the property: 1) a variance of 468.3 feet in the required aggregate area of all accessory buildings (850.0 sq. ft. maximum, 1,536.0 sq. ft. proposed); 2) a variance of 5.375 feet in the maximum height (14.0 feet maximum, 19.3.75 feet proposed).

SCHROEDER (CASE NO. PZ15-0028). DAVID SCHROEDER, 23750 HEARTWOOD, SOUTH OF 10 MILE ROAD AND WEST OF BECK ROAD, PARCEL # 50-22-29-203-009

The applicant is requesting variance from the CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Section 4.19(1)(E)(iii) to allow construction of a 944.0 square foot detached garage in the rear of the property, a variance of 468.3 feet in the required aggregate area of all accessory buildings (1,000 sq. ft. maximum, 1,412.3 sq. ft. proposed).

METTE (CASE NO. PZ15-0030). BRUCE C. METTE, 1361 EAST LAKE DRIVE, WEST OF NOVI ROAD AND SOUTH OF 14 MILE ROAD, PARCEL # 50-22-02-328-004

The applicant is requesting variances from the CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Section 3.1.5(d) to allow reconstruction of existing home with lower level addition over the existing foot and front yard deck on an existing nonconforming parcel: 1) a variance of 7.0 feet in the required south side yard setback (10.0 feet required, 3.0 feet proposed); 2) a variance of 15.6 feet in the required aggregate side yard setback (25.0 feet required, 9.4 feet proposed); 3) a variance of 11.8 feet in the required front yard setback (30.0 feet required, 18.2 feet proposed).

TURTLE CREEK SUBDIVISION (CASE NO. PZ15-0031). SHERRIE KONKUS ON THE BEHALF OF TURTLE CREEK SUBDIVISION, SIGN LOCATIONS, 9 MILE & HEATHERBRAE WAY S. & MEADOWBROOK RD & SINGH BLVD, SOUTH OF 9 MILE RD AND EAST OF MEADOWBROOK RD, PARCEL # 50-99-99-008-104

The applicant is requesting a variances from CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Section 28-5 (2)(d) a variance of 4.0 feet in the required right-of-way setback (10.0 feet required, 4.0 feet proposed) and a variance from Section 28-1 (10) to allow the proposed entrance ground signs to be supported with posts (ground surface signs required).

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS OFFICE CLOSING

The Charter Township of Northville Administrative Offices will be closed on Monday, September 7, 2015 in observance of Labor Day. The offices will reopen at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday September 8, 2015.

POLICE & FIRE EMERGENCY SERVICES WILL REMAIN AVAILABLE

Sue A. Hillebrand, Clerk

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NOTICE CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY SPECIAL LAND USE PERMIT PTLU15-0005

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the representative for Marty Feldman Chevrolet is requesting a **Temporary Special Land Use Permit** in accordance with 3004.2 of the Novi Zoning Ordinance for temporary exterior storage of new stock vehicles at **42050 Grand River**, parcel # 50-22-23-226-023, north of Grand River Ave west of Meadowbrook Road, a developed parcel for a 12 month period. The property is zoned I-1 and the use is contrary to 1905(1) of the Novi Zoning Ordinance.

A public hearing can be requested by any property owner whose property is located within 300 feet of the boundary of the property being considered for a temporary special land use permit.

This request will be considered at **10:00 AM on September 16, 2015** at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 Ten Mile Road. All written comments must be received prior to **September 15, 2015**.

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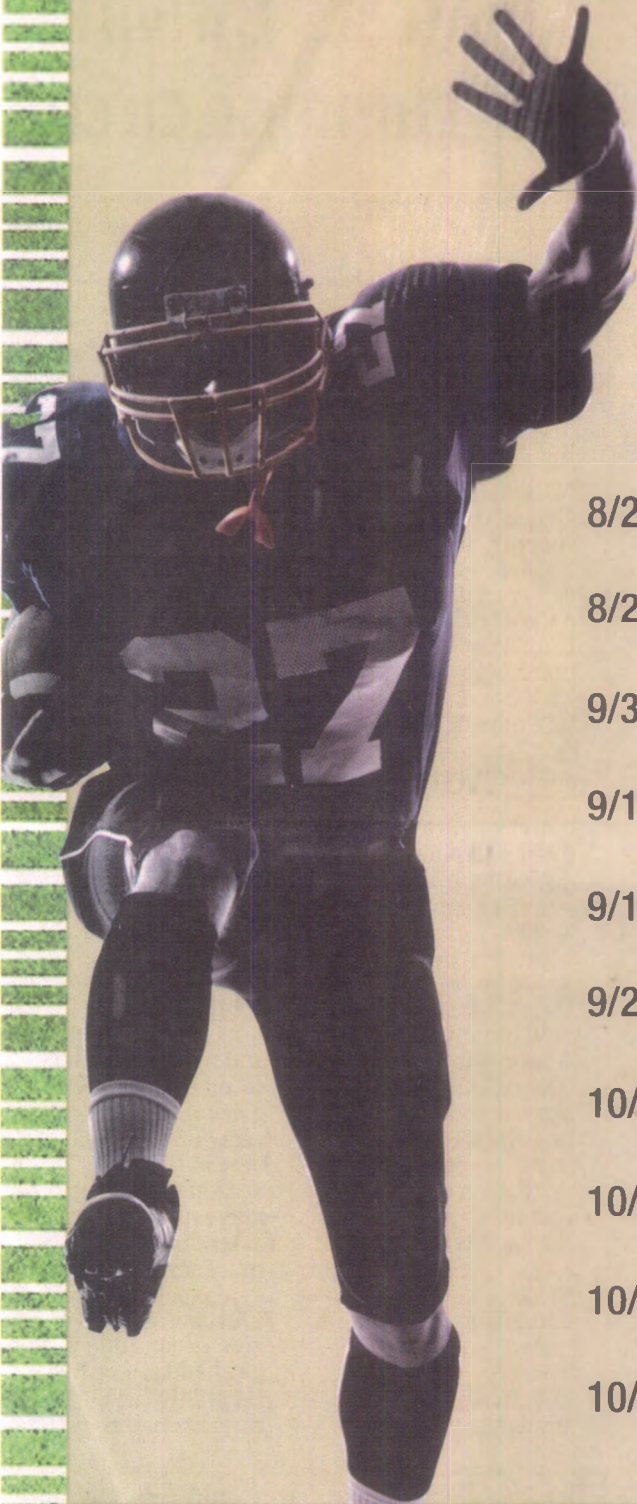
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8/28/2015	7:00 PM	A	White Lake Lakeland
9/3/2015	7:00 PM	H	Walled Lake Central
9/11/2015 *	7:00 PM	H	South Lyon East
9/18/2015 *	7:00 PM	A	South Lyon
9/25/2015 *	7:00 PM	H	Salem
10/2/2015 *	7:00 PM	A	Livonia Stevenson
10/9/2015 *	7:00 PM	A	Novi
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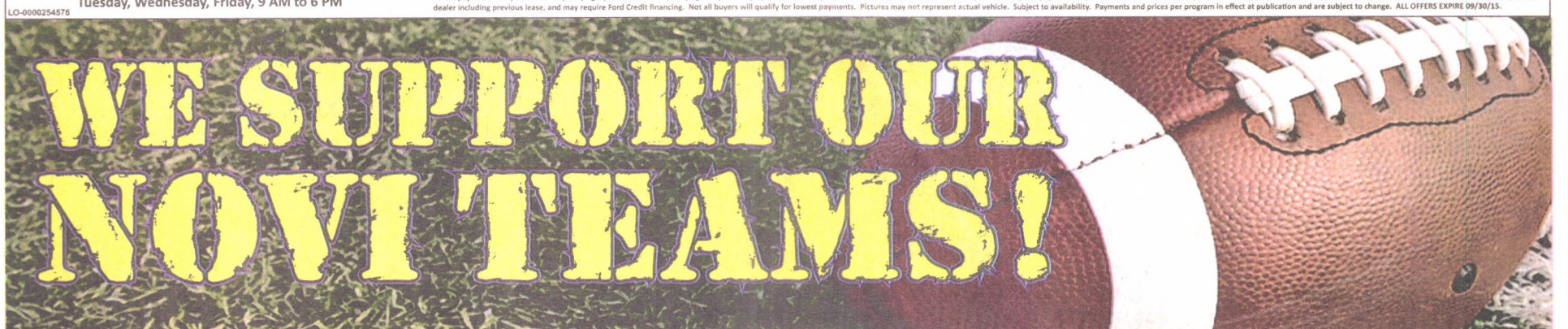
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2015 SCHEDULES

NOVI HIGH SCHOOL

8/20/2015	To Be Determined	Home	5:00 PM
8/27/2015	Brighton	Away	7:00 PM
9/3/2015	Waterford Kettering	Home	7:00 PM
9/11/2015 *	Livonia Stevenson	Home	7:00 PM
9/18/2015 *	Salem	Home	7:00 PM
9/25/2015 *	South Lyon East	Away	7:00 PM
10/2/2015 *	South Lyon	Away	7:00 PM
10/9/2015 *	Northville	Home	7:00 PM
10/16/2015	KLAA Crossover To Be Determined	Home	7:00 PM
10/23/2015	Howell	Away	7:00 PM

DETROIT CATHOLIC CENTRAL

8/28/2015	Muskegon	Home	7:00 PM
9/4/2015	Toledo Whitmer (OH)	Home	7:00 PM
9/11/2015	Toronto St Michaels College School (CN)	Home	7:00 PM
9/18/2015	Brantford Pauline Collegiate (CN)	Home	7:00 PM
9/27/2015 *	Birmingham Brother Rice	Home	1:00 PM
10/2/2015 *	Detroit U-D Jesuit	Away	7:00 PM
10/9/2015 *	Orchard Lake St Mary's	Home	7:00 PM
10/16/2015 *	Warren DeLaSalle	Away	7:00 PM
10/23/2015	Prep Bowl or crossover To Be Determined	Home	TBA

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Snyder leads fifth mission to China to promote investment, tourism

Michigan Gov. Rick Snyder will lead an eight-day investment mission to China, focusing on promoting continued job-creating business growth and investment for Michigan, as well as the state as a tourism destination.

Snyder is meeting with government officials, industry executives and key media in China. The state delegation left Aug. 21 and returns Aug. 29.

"We have built strong relationships in China since our first mission in 2011 and we will continue to make the case that there is no better place in North America for Chinese companies to expand than in Michigan," Snyder said. "Chinese

travelers are now going all over the world and the United States and this is a great opportunity to tell people about Pure Michigan tourism. We will also be working to open more doors to new markets in China for businesses from across our state."

Snyder will visit Beijing, Guangzhou, Shenzhen, Hangzhou and Shanghai, where he will promote Michigan business opportunities, make a series of company visits and connect with senior government leaders. As part of the trip, he will also meet with several automotive organizations, including Chinese Association of Automotive Manufacturers and China Council for the Promotion of Interna-

tional Trade Auto Committee.

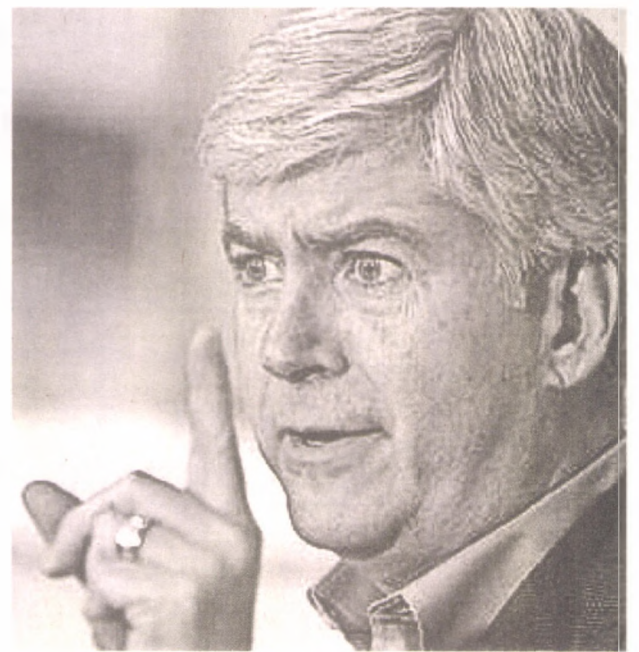
Snyder also plans hold business media roundtables in Beijing and Guanzhou and meet with tourism media at the Mutianyu section of the Great Wall and the Canton Tower in Guanzhou.

The investment mission will be led by the Michigan Economic Development Corp. Concurrent with the governor's investment mission, MEDC is leading seven Michigan companies to China to meet with prospective business partners, distributors and buyers to increase export opportunities from Michigan to China.

In addition to Snyder, the state delegation includes Elizabeth Clem-

ent, deputy chief of staff; Michael Finney, senior adviser for economic growth; Dave Murray, deputy press secretary; Jamie Clover-Adams, director, Michigan Department of Agriculture & Rural Development; Kevin Kerrigan, MEDC senior vice president - auto sector; David Lorenz, MEDC vice president - Travel Michigan; Kathy Kleckner, MEDC director - business attraction; Brian Connors, MEDC international business development manager - China; and Lindsay Eister, MEDC senior protocol officer.

Snyder's daughter Kelsey, a University of Michigan sophomore who is studying the Mandarin language, will also



Gov. Rick Snyder is in China on a trade mission.

accompany him on the mission. The governor and his family are paying all costs associated with her participation.

The trip marks the Snyder administration's fifth mission to China.

Other missions led by Snyder or Lt. Gov. Brian Calley have included Japan, South Korea, Canada, Germany, Italy, the Netherlands, Brazil, Mexico, Israel, Chile and Columbia.

Customers want items returned from House of Renew store in Birmingham

By Jay Grossman
Staff Writer

From chipped china to the bronzing of baby shoes, the House of Renew in downtown Birmingham carved out a successful business restoring valuables and preserving memories.

Now, the shuttered business is creating bad memories for some of its former customers.

The store had been operating since 1976 on the second floor of the Merrillwood Building at 251 Merrill Street. Birmingham Police Cmdr. Scott Grewe said based on the complaints he's fielded over the past several weeks, it appears the business closed in late July without a lot of notice.

"We do have several people working with our

detective in trying to resolve the situation," he said last week.

A Northville resident who didn't want his name used is one of five customers who have contacted police about getting their items returned.

"I left a figurine with them to repair in November of 2014. I have always waited at least six months for the repair, but when they did not call, I tried to contact them and their mailbox was full," he said.

Neither the company's website nor Facebook page provide any information about the store closing. Grewe said the first person who contacted the police department filed an actual report, while the other four made informal complaints.

"The one person who filed a police report was able to get their property back and the situation was resolved," Grewe said. "The owner of the store indicated to the detective that she was trying to secure a lease at a different location that fell through. She said most of the property is in storage and that it's just a matter of locating the individual pieces. But she is being cooperative."

According to the company's website, the business restores pieces from Hummel, Royal Doulton, Roseville, Boehm, Herend, Meissen, Wedgwood, Tiffany, Lalique, Daum, Baccarat, Steuben and Waterford.

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Legal and financial decisions are important for new parents

I received a phone call from a client who told me that his son and daughter-in-law just gave birth to their first child. After I congratulated him on becoming a grandfather for the first time, he asked what legal and financial advice he could give his son.

He said that his son did not have a lot of resources and that, in the not-so-distant future, his daughter-in-law plans to go back to work.

I told my client that whether his son was rich or poor really didn't make a difference. There are certain things that he should do to protect his newborn.

The first thing I recommended was that his son and daughter-in-law do a will. A will is essential for anyone with children.

Most people think the reason you have a will is to make sure your property, upon your death, goes to the right person. Although that is the reason most people end up doing wills, the most important issue for parents with minor children is who will raise the children if the parents can't.

The main benefit of a will in this case is to name a guardian for the



Rick Bloom
MONEY MATTERS

pens to the financial needs of the child? For the majority of people, I recommend term insurance, which is the most cost effective type of life insurance.

My last recommendation was to consider setting up a college fund through something like the Michigan Education Savings Plan. As soon as you have a child, you should start thinking of their future education.

Establishing a college fund allows parents and other family and friends to make a contribution for the child's education. Instead of family and friends buying toys for the child - which will last about 10 minutes - they can help the child throughout their lifetime.

Having a child is a wonderful event, but it brings adult responsibilities. If you are a parent, make sure you've taken care of the basics so that if something does go wrong, your child will be protected.

Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. His website is www.bloomassetmanagement.com. If you would like him to respond to your questions, please email rick@bloomassetmanagement.com.

OAKLAND COUNTY WATER RESOURCES COMMISSIONER NOTICE OF PROPOSED AGREEMENT TO ENLARGE THE TRIBUTE DRAIN DRAINAGE DISTRICT

Jim Nash, Water Resources Commissioner for the County of Oakland, Michigan, acting for and on behalf of the TRIBUTE DRAIN Drainage District, has received a request to add 7.08 acres to the existing TRIBUTE DRAIN Drainage District.

The TRIBUTE DRAIN Drainage District at present contains approximately 118 acres. There is capacity in the existing TRIBUTE Drain to serve the lands to be added without detriment to or diminution to the TRIBUTE DRAIN Drainage District.

Proceedings have been undertaken according to the provisions of Section 433, Chapter 18 of Act No. 40 of the Michigan Drain Code of 1956, as amended, to enlarge the TRIBUTE DRAIN Drainage District.

Now, therefore, notice is hereby given that it is the intention of the TRIBUTE DRAIN Drainage District to enter into an agreement providing for the addition of the following described lands to the TRIBUTE DRAIN Drainage District.

Parcel ID No. 17-32-301-037

Part of the Southwest ¼ of Section 32, T-2-N., R-8-E., City of Wixom, Oakland County, Michigan; described as: Commencing at the West ¼ corner of Section 32, T-2-N., R-8-E., City of Wixom, Oakland County, Michigan; Thence S.88°13'57"E., 868.00 Feet along the East-West ¼ line to the point of beginning; Thence continuing along said line S.88°13'57"E., 158.44 Feet; Thence S.01°47'04"E., 40.00 Feet; Thence S.88°13'57"E., 300.00 Feet to a point on the west line of "Supervisor's Plat No.5" as recorded in Liber 54, Page 50 of Plats, Oakland County Records; Thence S.01°47'04"W., 583.50 Feet along said west line; Thence N.88°16'11"W., 550.00 Feet; Thence N.01°47'04"E., 380.12 Feet to a point on the extension of the south line of Maport Subdivision (as monumented), recorded in Liber 86, Page 24 of Plats, Oakland County Records; Thence S.88°02'49"E., 92.25 Feet along said south line; Thence N.01°37'18"E., 244.03 Feet to the point of beginning and containing 7.08 Acres.

Subject to the rights of the public in Maple Road.

This notice is given by order of Jim Nash, Water Resources Commissioner for the County of Oakland, Michigan.

Published: August 20 & 27, 2015

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SYNOPSIS August 20, 2015 - REGULAR MEETING CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

DATE: Thursday, August 20, 2015

TIME: 7:00 p.m.

PLACE: 44405 Six Mile Road

CALL TO ORDER: Clerk Hillebrand called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Sue A. Hillebrand, Clerk Marv Gans, Trustee
Symantha Heath, Trustee Fred Shadko, Trustee
EXCUSED: Robert R. Nix II, Supervisor Marjorie F. Banner, Treasurer
Mindy Herrmann, Trustee

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

- Agendas: Approved
- Approve the Regular Agenda and the Consent Agenda items - Approved
- Appointments, Presentations, Resolutions & Announcements:
 - The Senior Alliance (TSA) Implementation Plan - Approved
 - Constitution Week Resolution - Approved
 - Resolution for Marsha Bianconi - Retirement from C.W.W. - Approved
 - Appointment Nancy Grandillo to the Beautification Commission - Approved
- Public Hearing: None
- Brief Public Comments: None
- New Business:
 - Western Township Utility Authority (WTUA) Budget - Received and Filed
- Unfinished Business: None
- Ordinances: None
- Check Registry:
 - In the amount of \$ 1,859,991.69. - Approved
- Board Communication & Reports:
 - Sue Hillebrand, Marv Gans, Symantha Heath, Fred Shadko, Chip Snider
 - Board Events - None
- Any other business for the Board of Trustees: None
- ADJOURN: Meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

A draft of the complete minutes will be available August 31, 2015.

Respectfully submitted:
Sue A. Hillebrand, M.M.C.

Published: August 27, 2015

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BUSINESS BRIEFS

National Food Group growing fast

Novi-based National Food Group kept its streak alive by being honored a sixth consecutive time on Inc. 5000's Fastest Growing Privately-Held American Companies list, which highlights cutting-edge companies from all over the country experiencing successful growth.

"We have an amazing team that cares passionately about our industry, the customers and our National Food Group family," President/CEO Sean Zecman said. "When you have so many talented and enthusiastic individuals all working towards the same goal of being the best, great things happen."

National Food Group's talent has expanded as well. Since 2009, 105 people have been hired full time. This year to date, 14 people have been added to the team alone.

For more information on products, programs and services, go to www.nationalfoodgroup.com.

Baronette, Twelve Oaks team up

The Baronette Renaissance Hotel in Novi has partnered with Twelve Oaks Mall to create a V.I.P. Back to School Shopping Package.

The package (\$179), valid until Sept. 26, includes Friday or Saturday evening accommodations at The Baronette Renaissance Hotel; breakfast for two at the award-winning Toasted Oak Grill and Market; a \$50 gift card for use at any retailer in the Twelve Oaks Mall; and a Twelve Oaks Mall VIP shopping pass and gift. To book it, contact the hotel at 248-349-7800.

"Our hotel has been a long-time destination of shoppers from near and far due to our proximity to Twelve Oaks Mall and some of this area's finest retailers," said Sora Chan, director of sales for the Baronette. "Our Back to School V.I.P. Shopping Experience offers our guests the opportunity to take

advantage of savings with a variety of retailers and restaurants at Twelve Oaks Mall."

Additional packages are available (Stay for Breakfast, Retail Therapy, A Night to Remember and Every Night is Date Night). For more information, go to www.TheBaronette.com.

Novi approves temporary sign ordinance

The Novi City Council has approved a temporary promotional sign ordinance waiver allowing businesses in Novi to post one additional promotional sign during the Michigan State Fair. From Monday Aug. 31, to Monday Sept. 7, registered businesses can take advantage of the increased traffic from the fair by posting one additional sign. Signage must be placed on private property, must be temporary and cannot exceed 24 square feet in area and six feet in height.

In order to be eligible, applications must be submitted by Aug. 31. Applications can be submitted in person at the Community Development Counter at the Novi Civic Center or can be mailed to Ordinance Division, Community Development Department, 45175 10 Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375.

INNO-VATOR of the Year nominations

Michigan-based businesses and organizations have a chance at \$10,000 in cash and services as nominations are now being accepted for the 2015 Medical Main Street INNO-VATOR of the Year.

The award, now in its fourth year, recognizes a Michigan business or organization that has created a device, technology or process which significantly impacts the medical device, bio-tech or life science fields.

The deadline to submit an entry is Aug. 31. Application instructions and reception registration can be found at MedicalMainStreet.com.

NO PLACE LIKE HOME

If the walls could talk

Northville home rich in history, elegance

By Julie Brown
Staff Writer

A Northville Township home at 801 Griswold is "iconic because of its aesthetics, large piece of property," according to Realtor/listing agent Dawn Mueller of Coldwell Banker Weir Manuel of Northville.

The home had been part of Chase Farms originally, Mueller said, and the Chase Farms subdivision was also part of the farm.

"When I first listed it, to the present time, I receive numerous calls on it with stories about the property or one of the owners. Everyone admires it as they drive by," added Mueller of the Griswold home, owned by the widow of well-known auto dealer Don Massey, who advertised his Cadillacs extensively on local TV and radio.

Massey's widow is relocating, making the property available. Mueller noted its large size of acreage, almost 15 acres, unusual in the Eight Mile Novi-Northville area, and "how important it was to the community."

"I know that everybody who lives in the neighborhood has a story about it," said Mueller, in the real estate field for 11 years. There's an old doorbell circa 1920s, possibly with the original owner's name, although Mueller had difficulty verifying that.

"It's just one of those old nostalgia things they left in the property," she said. Mueller talked to the owner who lived there before Don Massey, and noted, "He had lots of stories to tell."

Mueller said such a listing is unusual for a Realtor. "Oh, it's so much fun, absolutely," she noted. "This is a once in a career."

An offer has come in on the Griswold property, on the market roughly 60 days as of Aug. 4.

The home rests on 14.79 acres and is listed at \$3,285,000. Dawn Mueller can be reached at 313-610-2085.

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"Oh, it's so much fun, absolutely. This is a once in a career."

REALTOR DAWN MUELLER



The Griswold home's exterior is impressive.

COLDWELL BANKER WEIR MANUEL



The home's interior is spacious.

COLDWELL BANKER WEIR MANUEL



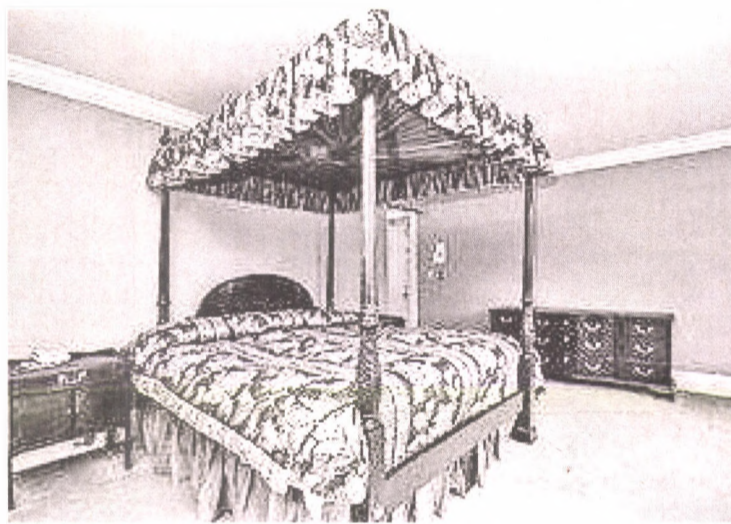
COLDWELL BANKER WEIR MANUEL

The Northville Township home is being sold by the widow of Don Massey, a well-known metro Detroit auto dealer.



The home's entrance is distinctive.

COLDWELL BANKER WEIR MANUEL



Bedrooms offer appealing decor at the historic Northville Township home.

COLDWELL BANKER WEIR MANUEL



COLDWELL BANKER WEIR MANUEL
Cooks would love the amenities of the home for sale in Northville Township.

Yes, deed terms must be clear indeed

Q: When interpreting a deed, must courts give effect to the clear and unequivocal terms of the deed?

A: Yes. In a recent dispute involving title to a strip of land between a subdivision and the ocean, the court examined the deed, the declaration, and the accompanying maps, and found nothing to indicate the disputed strip was part of the association that governed the subdivision.

Q: I had a large amount of damage occur in the bathroom of my condominium unit that was traced back to a leak due to a failed toilet bowl gasket. Unfortunately, my association believes that, despite having a master insurance policy in place, the loss is not covered because it's been over five years since the gasket was installed. Does the association have an obligation to tender a claim on my behalf to its insurance carrier?

A: Many master policies include language that occurrences that happen suddenly, as opposed to over a long period of time, do qualify for coverage. In addition, there may be a question as to whether you, as co-owner, are included as an insured party under the terms of the policy. If you are a named insured, you might have a right to tender the claim under the policy yourself. In that case, you may want to request a copy of the policy from the association for review purposes. Also, the association may not want to have a claim filed for situations such as this, as it may impact their claims' loss history and therefore affect its premium rates in the future. This is why many associations will only seek and obtain insurance policies that include the Association as the only named insured. As a result, co-owners will have no authority to make claims, potentially undermine the Board of Directors' discretion, and expose it to all manner of unsubstantiated claims.

Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and the author of "Condo Living 2: An Authoritative Guide to Buying, Selling and Operating a Condominium." He is also the author of "Condominium Operation: Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track," second edition. Visit bmeisner@meisner-law.com. This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice.



Robert Meisner

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of April 6-10, 2015, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

BEVERLY HILLS		
21659 Riverview Dr	\$339,000	
15731 W 14 Mile Rd	\$113,000	
19152 Warwick St	\$450,000	
BIRMINGHAM		
925 Bird Ave	\$475,000	
511 Coolidge Rd	\$156,000	
2300 Fairway Dr	\$990,000	
1919 Latham St	\$800,000	
1034 Northlawn Blvd	\$334,000	
520 Pleasant St	\$1,010,000	
1010 S Glenhurst Dr	\$700,000	
BLOOMFIELD HILLS		
1708 Timson Ln	\$280,000	
973 Bloomfield Woods	\$494,000	
612 E Fox Hills Dr	\$72,000	
2975 Turtle Pond Ct	\$1,998,000	

BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP

2331 Brenthaven Dr	\$251,000
2677 Bridle Rd	\$250,000
1039 Forest Ln	\$625,000
1285 Robson Ln	\$430,000
100 W Hickory Grove Rd # G5	\$70,000

COMMERCE TOWNSHIP

1835 Carriage Hl	\$385,000
8371 Golf Lane Dr	\$180,000
4904 Greenview Dr	\$289,000
1672 Trace Hollow Dr	\$285,000

FARMINGTON

32311 Leelane	\$125,000
22756 Violet St	\$147,000

FARMINGTON HILLS

37630 Burton Dr	\$283,000
27429 E Skye Dr	\$227,000
30123 Fox Grove Rd	\$240,000
31418 Hunters Circle Dr # 33	\$163,000
27494 Hystone Dr	\$160,000
29120 Independence St	\$192,000
22161 Lancrest Ct	\$210,000
22139 Malden St	\$90,000
22162 Malden St	\$110,000
29656 Middlebelt Rd Unit 1403	\$83,000
30891 Ridgeway Dr	\$190,000
21705 Rockwell St	\$145,000

HIGHLAND

24120 Tana Ct	\$140,000
28218 W Greenmeadow Cir	\$345,000
910 Dunleavy Dr	\$288,000
3932 Loch Dr	\$221,000

MILFORD

873 Abbey Ln	\$131,000
616 Heritage Dr	\$365,000
1526 S Hickory Ridge Rd	\$146,000
634 Union St	\$223,000

NORTHVILLE

47910 Bellagio Ct	\$1,287,000
21068 Boulder Cir	\$195,000
21352 E Glen Haven Cir	\$123,000
20809 W Glen Haven Cir	\$140,000

NOVI

28055 Carlton Way Dr	\$194,000
28231 Carlton Way Dr	\$203,000
24659 Cavendish Ave E	\$485,000
39479 Country Ln	\$135,000
29655 English Way	\$290,000
40361 Oak Tree	\$213,000
24934 Reeds Pointe Dr	\$445,000
24562 Sarah Flynn	\$289,000
31090 Seneca Ln	\$235,000
42871 W 13 Mile Rd	\$230,000
24519 Willowbrook	\$341,000

SOUTH LYON

52486 Aspen Dr	\$522,000
753 Challenging Trl	\$200,000
1031 Crestwood Ct	\$335,000
671 E Crest Ln	\$162,000
184 Eagle Crest Dr	\$229,000
23426 Outback Dr	\$254,000
22230 Quail Run Cir Unit 5	\$145,000
1119 Sheldand Dr	\$334,000
26261 Shumans Way	\$412,000

SOUTHFIELD

28410 Brooks Ln	\$245,000
19940 Dorset St	\$25,000
18441 Greenwald Dr	\$170,000
18750 Jeanette St	\$185,000
18322 Nadol Dr	\$89,000
15801 Providence Dr # 03b	\$90,000
29715 Rambling Rd	\$145,000
29835 Rock Creek Dr	\$143,000
28446 Sutherland St	\$36,000
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17501 Westland Ave	\$175,000

WHITE LAKE

9987 Sedlock St	\$119,000
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HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of April 27 to May 1, 2015, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

CANTON		
2393 Arcadia Dr	\$137,000	
47330 Ashley Ct	\$375,000	
1980 Bellingham St	\$164,000	
46708 Brookridge Dr	\$360,000	
7262 Burgundy St	\$218,000	
43756 Cherry Grove Ct E	\$182,000	
48252 Chesterfield Dr S	\$395,000	
42614 Colling Dr	\$205,000	
895 Constitution St	\$259,000	
1616 Delancy Cir	\$15,000	
8342 Forrest Dr	\$153,000	
45937 Graystone Ln	\$187,000	
43317 Pepperwood St	\$240,000	
44273 Richmond Ct	\$225,000	
47665 Scenic Circle Dr S	\$238,000	
2840 Stanton Dr	\$289,000	
665 Suttren Dr	\$233,000	
1253 W Crystal Cir	\$193,000	
41715 Wayside Dr	\$175,000	
41823 Wild Turkey Ln	\$174,000	

GARDEN CITY

42405 Woodbridge Dr	\$190,000
28905 Bock St	\$45,000
29004 Bridge St	\$81,000
32190 Cambridge St	\$85,000
27559 Chester St	\$89,000
6750 Deering St	\$60,000
1564 Farmington Rd	\$60,000
28650 Florence St	\$107,000
30110 Rosslyn Ave	\$197,000
30464 Rosslyn Ave	\$90,000
30783 Rush St	\$110,000
27445 Windsor St	\$70,000

LIVONIA

28320 7 Mile Rd	\$154,000
36166 Allen St	\$275,000
32128 Barkley St	\$180,000
12180 Cardwell St	\$105,000
13932 Cardwell St	\$113,000
28465 Cleveland St	\$122,000
29501 Curtis Rd	\$138,000
38757 Donald St	\$216,000
17291 Ellen Dr	\$315,000
9905 Fairfield Dr	\$156,000
16990 Fairfield St	\$205,000
9436 Harrison St	\$129,000
30031 Hathaway St	\$139,000
32911 Hees St	\$151,000
14128 Hubbell St	\$155,000
9583 Inkster Rd	\$96,000
37135 Ladywood St	\$238,000

PLYMOUTH

13676 Hilltop Dr W	\$420,000
323 N Harvey St	\$311,000
9005 Pepperidge Ct	\$471,000
51328 Plymouth Valley Dr	\$540,000
49821 Powell Ridge Ct	\$565,000
50949 Richard Dr	\$390,000

REDFORD

1174 S Harvey St	\$584,000
1199 S Sheldon Rd	\$61,000
9979 Arnold	\$75,000
14184 Brook Dr	\$170,000
17269 Delaware Ave	\$44,000
24758 Donald	\$76,000
19969 Kinloch	\$63,000
20090 Lexington	\$50,000
15778 Lola Dr	\$59,000
9345 Louis	\$47,000
WAYNE	
34925 Annapolis St	\$35,000
4151 Winifred St	\$76,000
WESTLAND	
5329 Admiral St	\$68,000
7650 August Ave	\$108,000
1498 Berkshire St	\$91,000
33529 Cowan Trl	\$117,000
35556 Dove Trl	\$122,000
1270 Edwin St	\$106,000
30499 Hivley St	\$80,000
33250 Hunter Ave	\$118,000
32746 Mackenzie Dr	\$126,000
28929 Manchester St	\$50,000
8253 Milburn St	\$105,000
5955 N Karle St	\$125,000
7824 Rivergate Dr	\$96,000
1010 S Carlson St	\$99,000
2440 Wilshire St	\$115,000

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.

Bonnie David, broker/owner of Quantum Real Estate, is the presenter. It will be 6-7 p.m. each Thursday at 129 N. Lafayette, downtown South Lyon.

Please call the office at 248-782-7130 or email june.quantum@gmail.com for your reservation.

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.

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.

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NEEDED - Medium to 4x Women's clothing. 734-744-9016 Livonia area

Auction Sales

BEST SELF STORAGE OF NEW HUDSON. 53600 Grand River Ave. Will hold a lien sale on Aug 31st, 2015 at 12 noon on Units: #404 Thomas Brake #367 Tony Saba #344 Nicole Wafford #375 Emerson Dewhurst



Fantastic Estate of George De Angelis featuring 1929 Ford Model A Business Coupe, Ford 8N Tractor, Several Stacking Bookcases, Model A, B, & T Car Parts, Tools, Antiques, Ford Motor Company related Equipment, Shop Tools, Art, Furniture Literature, Dolls & Much More!

Wed. Sept. 2 @ 10am 10405 North Rushion Rd., South Lyon, MI Preview & Inspection @ 9:00am Complete details with many pics @ website 10% Buyer's Premium Cash or Check with I.D. Questions call: David Helmer 734-368-1734

Estates Sales

FAWLERVILLE-Estate Sale. Furniture, cabinets, household items, clothing galore misc items quilting material, crafts, christmas and so much more! Aug. 28-30th. 9-5pm. 5800 HAYNER

JAKE'S ESTATE SALES kent@jakesestatesales.com 810-533-2516

Milford Estate Sale 720 E. Liberty St. Fri. 9-5pm. Sat. 10-6pm. Home furnishings, motorcycle, and MUCH MORE!

Garage/Moving Sales

Bloomfield Hills - Moving Sale - Thurs & Fri. Aug 27th-28th 9am-4pm Tools, kitchen-ware and household items. 3790 W MAPLE Rd.

BRIGHTON HUGE SALE! Fri. 8/28 - Sat. 8/29 10am-5pm Antiques, furniture, electronics, lots of great tools, lawn & garden-Something for everyone! 7652 Van Raden

CANTON: Holiday Park Sub Big Sale! 8258 Forrest Dr. S. of Joy Rd., E. of 275. Enter off of Echoes Rd. or Holly Rd. Aug. 27-29th. 9am-4pm. Rain or Shine!

CANTON - Wed - Fri., 9-6pm. (Aug 26-28) on Sturbridge Lane, W. of Sheldon, between Hanford & Warren Books, golf clubs, kitchen & more

Dearborn-Moving- 3615 West Point 1blk E of Tele graph btw Van Born & Michigan Ave. marbles, collectibles, mower, tools, ext ladder, dolls, pram dresses, furniture & more Wed-Sat 8/26-8/29 9am-?

FAWLERVILLE - BIG BARN SALE 10820 N. Nicholson Rd., 5 families. You name it we got it! Nice clean stuff, low prices, look for signs. Pics on craigslist. Aug. 27-29, 9-6pm. Aug. 30. 9-Noon.

OAK PARK - HUGE YARD SALE. EVERYTHING GOES! Aug. 28-30th 9-6pm 14030 CLOVERDALE Custom jewelry, antique glass-ware, household items, some furniture, some Judaica items & Tools Tools, Tools!!!

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Livonia: ESTATE SALE- 18995 Whitty Livonia Saturday, August 29th ONLY! 9am-4pm Furniture, tools, household, yard items

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LIVONIA - GARAGE SALE 3939 Allen St. btw Newburgh/Haggerty & 5mi Thurs-Sat. 8/27-29 9a-5p. lot of stuff, tools, glass, computer art, camera, microwave

Livonia - Garage Sale - Fri. & Sat. Aug 28th & 29th 8a-4p 28658 BUCKINGHAM ST Lots of Variety.

Livonia - Multi-Family Sale- 20104 HUBBARD Thurs -Sat Aug 27th-29th 9a-4p Glass-ware, Collectibles China & dolls, excel. girl baby clothes, toys, some tools & furniture.

MILFORD Thurs 8/27-Sat 8/29 8-5 Tons of toys incl Barbie Dreamhouse & Camper, China hutch, play structure, 4 wheeler, Moped, collectibles & more! 647 Sleepy Hollow

NEW HUDSON Kensington Place Annual Community Yard Sale Aug 28th -30th. 9-5pm. 60501 Grand River Ave.

NOVI-Multi condo gar. sale. Island Lake Dr. off Wilcox Fri-Sat. 9-5pm. Lots of new items plus, tools, dishes, furn., Great buys don't miss this sale

PINCKNEY- HUGE Gar./Estate Sale! Collectibles sporting & outdoor equip 8/27-30 2255 Sunny Ridge 9a-5p

PINCKNEY HUGE MOVING Sale Fri. & Sat Aug 28th & 29th 10am-3pm Antiques, furniture, clothing, collectibles for everyone! 8986 Rush Side Dr.

Plymouth Big Moving Sale 42430 Revere. Aug 28-29th 9-4pm. Furniture, antiques, vintage clothing, military household, books, holiday, 40 yrs of accumulation. Everything must go! No early birds.

Plymouth. Garage Sale - Many household items, books, tools etc. Thur 8-27 and Fri 8-28. 8-5 pm. 11826 Brownell

REDFORD MULTI FAMILY SALE 19959 MacArthur N. of Grand River btwn Inkerster Rd. & Beech. Clothes, household items, scrapbooking, crafts, & much more! Aug 28-30th 8:30am-5pm

South Lyon - Thurs-Sat., 10am. 24315 Douglas Dr., 10 Mile. W. of Milford Rd Tons of jewelry cheap! Girls Justice size 8-12, boys sizes 6-8.

West Bloomfield - Estate Sale - 2528 Peterboro rd. Antiques. WWII items, Crystal vintage toys, Christmas items and handmade area rugs. 10AM-3PM THURS-SATAug 27th-29th.

Household Goods

48" Round Dining Table w/matching 4 arm chairs, neutral in color. 22" leaf. \$1500. Custom pool table \$2400. 4 blk leather barrel chairs on rollers. \$200. 36" Round Solid Marble table w/4 white arm chairs. \$500. One chaise lounge in leopard material. \$75. Antique 24 x 18, 2 shelf Wicker table, signed. \$125. 248-278-6888

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THURSDAY PUZZLE CORNER CROSSWORD PUZZLER

Crossword puzzle grid with clues for Across and Down. Clues include: 1 Sinks in mud, 6 Baloney, 14 Place to exit, 20 As a whole, 21 Information collection, 22 Jumbo size at Starbucks, 23 College for chumps?, 25 Keep in custody, 26 "The plan was OK'd", 27 Race pace, 29 Clark of film, 30 Classic Olds, 31 Like a bathing fish?, 38 "... unless I'm wrong", 41 "It's -- be!" ("You can't lose"), 42 Musical knock, 43 "... -- ye be judged?", 44 Pudgy bodies?, 48 Steeped drinks, 50 Pitcher Warren, 51 Mauna --, 53 City in Southern Iraq, 57 -- faire (tact), 60 House with a leaky roof?, 66 Make revisions to, 67 Sea, to Jules, 68 Obscure, 69 Wine cask, 70 Fighter giving people the willies?, 75 Santa -- Mountains, 76 Some raincoats, 79 Nickel source, e.g., 80 Frequently akin to whist, 82 Drink mishap in a Silicon Valley office?, 86 Gleaming, 87 New Mexico or Colorado county, 88 Pompom user's cry, 89 Steve of country rock, 91 Stork's kin, 94 Like a piano score full of black notes?, 101 Relaxing facilities, 104 -- Na Na" (TV oldie), 106 Stoop (to), 107 Pop singer Cassidy, 108 Record one's finest film scene?, 113 Org. backing arms, 114 Rival of Advil, 115 "How sweet --!", 116 Start of a famous JFK quote, 119 Grieve for a superhero's careless dressing?, 127 Card game akin to whist, 128 Peruse, 129 Hall's partner in pop, 130 Really listing, 131 Lengthy journeys, 132 Extort (from), 10 "Conan" channel, 11 Bonnie of song, 12 Houston baseball pro, 13 Mexican caclus, 14 LAX takeoff guess, 15 Kind of shorthand, 16 Marketing of goods in stores, usually, 17 Authorize, 18 Makes silent, 19 Most sound, 24 Tel. book listings, 28 "How's --?", 32 Curse word, 33 Organized bodies: Abbr., 34 "--leezel!" ("Spare me!"), 35 Time span, 36 Funds added to a bank acct., 37 Ice-T number, 4 Philosopher Zeno's home, 5 Garden pest, 6 401, to Livy, 7 Loo, 8 Consumed, 9 Hole statistic, 47 Junior, often Help in crime, 52 James with a 1958 Pulitzer, 54 Tiers, 55 "Oh, God!" director Carl, 56 Obscure, 57 Starts, as a task, 58 Charm, 59 Grand Canal city, 61 Trauma-trained pro, 62 Long, thin fish, 63 Hosp. area, 64 Wichita-to-Houston dir., 65 Bounce, 70 -- Mir Bist Du Schön" (1938 hit), 71 Boris's curve, 72 Romanov title, 73 Shout, in Lille, 74 Family mem., 77 Six-time U.S. Open winner, 78 Radio tuner, 80 Eyes, 81 Bone cover, 83 -- Vegas, 84 "Quiet!", 85 Janet of "Psycho", 86 Pound noise, 90 Year. to Livy, 92 Equal: Prefix, 93 Feng --, 95 Radio spots, 96 On Soc. Sec., say, 97 Greek letters, 98 Bitter-tasting chemical salt, 99 "Madagascar 3: -- Most Wanted" (2012 sequel), 100 "CSI" procedure, 101 More banal, 102 Kingly home, 103 Tarzan, e.g. Conductor, 105 Conductor Toscanini, 109 Gossipy type, 110 Two-legged creature, 111 Op-ed piece title, 112 Large playing marble, 117 Skiing base, 118 1980s Chrysler -- Aviv, 120 -- to see them, 122 Carders ask, 123 Two. to Juan, 124 Eden exile, 125 Actress Susan, 126 Choice words?

Sudoku puzzle grid with numbers 1-9 in some cells.

Here's How It Works: Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

Quilting word search puzzle grid with words listed on the right.

WORDS

Quilting word search puzzle grid with words listed on the right.

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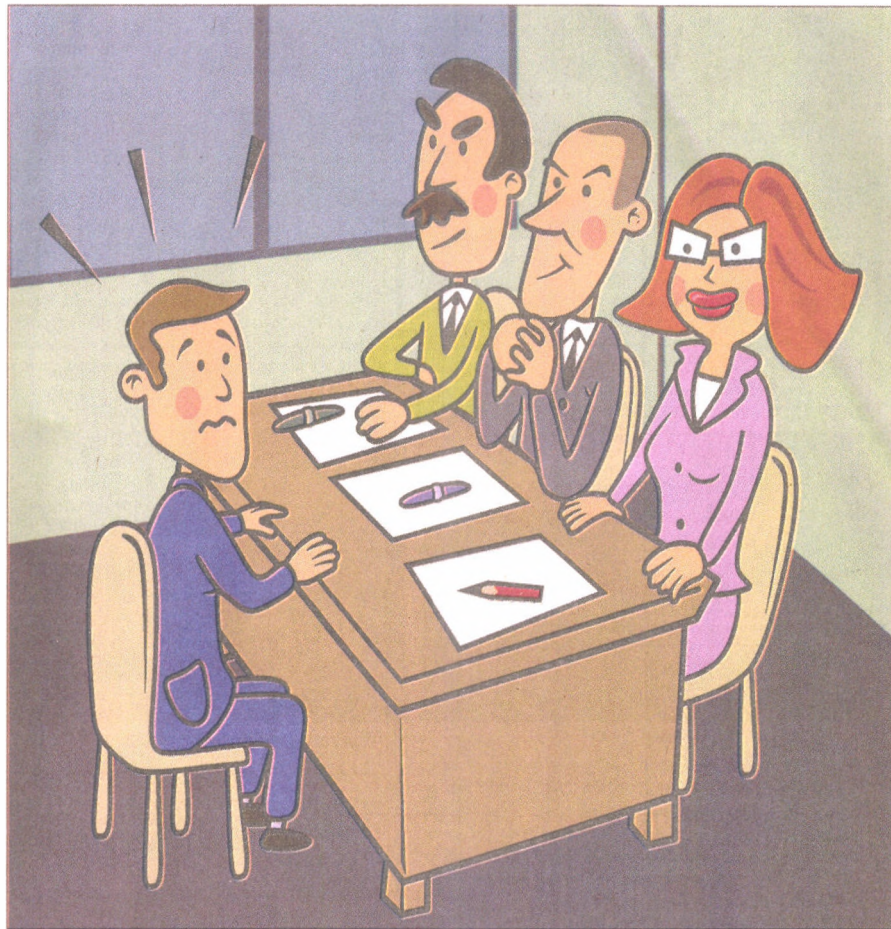
BY SUSAN RICKER
CAREERBUILDER

It's no surprise that a job interview can be a nerve-racking experience. After all, your life could change based on how you interact with somebody in 30 or 60 minutes' time. No pressure, right? If you prepare well and have confidence in your abilities, though, you'll increase your chances of success. And when your interviewer asks the following three tough questions, you'll have a strategy ready and be able to sing your career's praises.

1. Why are you leaving your current job, or why are you currently unemployed?

This can feel like a loaded question. There may be a complicated reason that led to your decision to leave your job and it's hard not to blame your employer in the explanation. However, framing it as though your last job was the end of one chapter and you're ready to begin a new one will signal to your interviewer that you're future-focused and ambitious, not a risky hire with baggage.

For instance, if your current or recent place of employment didn't offer opportunities for advancement, a competitive salary or a schedule that plays to your strengths, bring up your career goals and explain that you're excited to find those opportunities at the interviewer's organization. Or, if you took time off for family or personal reasons, discuss how you're now ready to put the focus back on your



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career. Either way, end your response with why this is a better fitting role for you and where you are in your career now.

2. What is your greatest weakness?

The most notorious of all tough interview questions, this head-scratcher seems impossible to answer correctly. That's because the interviewer is most likely interested in how you answer the question. Job candidates who take the approach of turning a weakness into a strength — like

caring "too much" about their work or being a perfectionist — aren't really giving the interviewer any information about themselves. After all, no one is perfect or can perform their job well 100 percent of the time.

The interviewer is much more interested in a candidate who is self-aware and understands how they work. Do you have a tough time with deadlines? Are you a perpetual procrastinator? Is public speaking your greatest fear? These are challenges you might have to overcome to do the job well, and explaining how you're working on

those shortcomings is what the employer is hoping to hear.

3. Where do you see yourself in five years?

The first person to respond to this question with, "In your job" was clever. Now that it's been used in numerous books and movies, it's a little cliché. Instead, answer honestly and with originality about your next career steps and what you're going to do to get there. For example, do you want to create the next big cellphone app? What technology development classes are you taking to help with that process? And how do these plans tie into the job you're interviewing for?

However you answer, just be sure to keep your response career-focused. Steer clear of talking about time for your family or hobbies, or what you plan to do with the salary that comes with the job. Your interviewer isn't interested in hearing about your plans to finally buy your dream home. Remember that you're primarily having a business conversation.

The job interview is a time to get to know the organization you want to work for, and for them to learn more about you as a potential employee. Answering the tough questions honestly and with creativity is what will allow you to stand out from the competition and really shine.

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