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### **Great Lakes Art Fair**

The annualspring Great Lakes Art Fair, Friday through Sunday at the Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi, offers patrons an opportunity to experience nearly 200 of the region's finest artists and craftspeople in a single location. The number of artists exhibiting is a nearly 20-percent increase over 2014. The Great Lakes Art Fair is a juried art fair.

Ladies Night Out will again be Friday evening, presented by WJBK-TV (Channel 2), Carrabba's Italian Grill and WNIC-FM (100.3), with half off standard adult admission 1-8 p.m., including a free appetizer certificate for the first 500 guests, redeemable at any local Carrabba's location.

Tickets are \$7 for adults; free for children under 12. Hours are 1-8 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday. More information and \$2 discount coupons are available at www.greatlakesart fair.com and artists are also featured on the GLAF Facebook page (http://www. facebook.com/ GreatLakesArtFair).

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# Novi applies for park grant

City looking to acquire property near ITC Trail

> By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

The city of Novi has submitted a grant application that, if approved, would go toward buying 12.57 acres of property on Nine Mile Road, west of Garfield Road, to be used as park

The Novi City Council unanimously approved a resolution authorizing submission of a Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund Grant application for the land acquisition. The total estimated project cost, including the grant, is \$575,000. That includes a 30-percent city of Novi match of \$172,500.

"This location is so appropri-

ate," said David Staudt, Novi's mayor pro tem.

The future park land would be adjacent to the planned ITC Corridor Trail and will provide a non-motorized recreation link traversing the entire city of Novi from north to south.

"Ultimately, this trail will link regional facilities in neighboring communities with parks in Novi, including connection with Maybury State Park," Novi

Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Director Jeff Muck said in his department's report to council.

One goal for the Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Grant Committee is identifying potential land acquisition opportunities which may be good candidates for MNRTF acquisition grants.

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Novi resident and children's author Maria Dismondy has a quick, energy-burning dance party at her March 30 Deerfield Elementary School assembly. Dismondy was at the school that day to share her insights into what makes good readers and writers.

# Back to schoo

### Local author Maria Dismondy made a trip to Deerfield Elementary as part of Reading Month



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Children's author Maria Dismondy.

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

Novi resident and children's author Maria Dismondy recently debuted a new book through visits to some local schools during March is Reading Month.

Her stop at Novi's Deerfield Elementary School was special because it marked that school winning a contest, plus it was a great opportunity for her to help students connect writing and

"I really enjoy talking about literacy with the kids, because helping them see how writing and reading are connected can be a lot of fun as well as educational," Dismondy said before her Deerfield presentation to each grade.

Her new book, Chocolate Milk, Por Favor!, is a story about students the same age as those at Deerfield. It's about celebrating diversity with empathy through the help of some chocolate milk.

Dismondy used her talk to give students ideas on what tools they could use for writing and reading and how they can be young authors: cultivating ideas, learning about story structure, asking questions and editing. One fun thing she did with a student volunteer was the headband game, in which the student had to guess what was on the headband he was wearing

Deerfield students will be getting special copies of her new book because they won a contest for posting the most Facebook pics with a message as to what made them special. This contest was held at schools around the state.

The award-winning author was excited to share the new story, as well as her own. She was a teacher for 12 years, but was inspired by her students to write her first story. Now she is a full-time writer and, with her

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### Regional transit system focus of first 'listening session'

By Aileen Wingblad Staff Writer

Areas that have well-man-

aged bus lines and other public

typically have higher property values, allow for their senior residents to "age in place" and satisfy younger people and oth-

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As chief executive officer of the Regional Transit Authority of Southeastern Michigan, Ford is on a mission to hear what residents want and need in public transportation — to help him and his team craft a master plan for a system that voters can expect to be asked to support with a new tax next year. He kicked off his series of "listen-ing sessions" April 1 in Farming-

"This is really going to be the

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AILEEN WINGBLAD

The RTA "listening session" attracted just a handful of residents to Farmington



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### **Bits & Bytes Cafe**

JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER **Novi Senior Center's Tom Gordon assists** Dee Eaton in the Feb. 19 Bits & Bytes Cafe at the center at Meadowbrook Commons. The sessions, which take place at 10 a.m. the third Thursday of each month, are meant for seniors entering further into the world of computer technology and concentrate on tablet computers and smart phones. This day's session included tips on how to use e-readers on a variety of computer platforms.



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### Planting trees can save money, attract wildlife

Homeowners can reduce their heating costs by planting tree and shrub windbreaks, according to the Oakland Conservation District. Windbreaks provide protection for up to 10 times their height by reducing wind speeds. Adding landscape protection shortens furnace run times and burns less fuel, meaning you can save money in the winter. The hot winds of summer are reduced. which assists in keeping the house cooler. The reduced wind erosion reduces stress on crops and gardens, which increases yields, acts as an excellent wildlife habitat and provides privacy screening.

If you want to attract wildlife to your property, planting properly selected plants can provide food and cover for a



The Oakland Conservation District is selling native trees and shrubs this month.

variety of animals. Evergreens provide good nesting cover for birds and thermal cover for larger animals. Cones from pines and spruces are an excellent food source for songbirds, while the leaves and berries from other plants provide needed winter food for many birds and animals. A well-designed planting can provide

food and cover for the whole year.

If you are experiencing soil erosion on slopes around your home or property, part of the solution to your problem may be to plant a variety of grasses, ground covers, shrubs, trees and mulches. Used together, with grading for proper drainage, they can help stabilize eroding soil.

Trees and shrubs for these conservation uses are available from the Oakland Conservation District during its annual Spring Tree and Shrub sale, taking place Saturday, April 25. Preordering is recommended; order forms are available at www.oaklandconservationdistrict.org. Orders for tree and shrub seedlings will be accepted through April 9 while supplies last. Distribution of native plants is scheduled for Saturday, April 25, at the Waterford Oaks Greenhouses, 1580 Scott Lake Road, Waterford.

The Oakland Conservation District is a local unit of state government, assisting private landowners, businesses and others with management of their natural resources in Oakland Coun-

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Novi's Strategic Community Recreation and Master Park Plan recognizes the value of land acquisition for parks in order to serve residents and anticipate the needs of a growing and dynamic community - and this location appears to be a perfect one.

The Parks Recreation and Cultural Services goal for this piece of property is to provide features such as parking, restrooms, a play structure, outdoor fitness stations and/or a shelter to service the ITC Corridor Trail.

According to PRCS,



CITY OF NOVI The potential park area is outlined in blue with the **ITC Corridor** Trail in red.

the only park area that provides these amenities along the planned fivemile trail from Eight Mile Road to Providence/ **Beck is ITC Community** Sports Park.

City council members

Andrew Mutch and Doreen Poupard commended staff for seeking the

Mutch said designating this property as park land is another step in the right direction for

Novi parks and recreation.

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'people's plan' ... at the end of the day, the plan's not going to make any

sense unless you support it, you believe in it and it meets your needs," Ford said to the handful of residents in attendance.

Brian Rich of Farmington Hills was one of them and said "it's critical" to have a regional transit system that

works and works well. "I'd love to get on a bus and go to downtown Farmington — or down-town Detroit — have dinner, not worry about parking," he said. Rich also envisions easier work commutes for many, especially if dedicated roadway lanes are part of the plan.

"Can you imagine traveling by on a bus while other people are stuck in traffic? It would be like the express lane in a supermarket," he said

His wife Theresa Rich agrees with Ford that a regional transit system could help keep "millennials" from moving out of the area. But residents will have to become accustomed to

using it, she said, adding that she never thinks of taking a bus and is unfamiliar with whatever system is currently in place.

"If we have a solid system that people know about, it can help attract people back to the community and help us grow again. But people have to

know about it," she said. Novi City Council member Gwen Markham told Ford that "push back" from some - including those in Novi can be expected, because a regional system might be seen as largely benefiting employees who use it to come to work at Twelve Oaks Mall and other major employers in her city. It's vital, she said, that the system be publicized as something that "we're all in togeth-

Safe and secure, welllit transit centers are also "key," she said.

Farmington Hills City Manager Steve Brock said he believes that an RTA millage will get a

collective thumbs-up from voters when it's presented in November

"I don't think you'll have trouble passing this ... I think people are way ahead of this," Brock

In the next several weeks, Ford will make the rounds through the RTA's communities -Oakland, Macomb, Washtenaw and Wayne counties, including the city of Detroit. Ford urges people to attend and participate in the process.

"We need to know what you want," Ford said. "The plan won't work without your suggestions and ideas.'

For more information, contact the RTA at 313-402-1010 or www.rtamichigan.org Information on the RTA Citizen Advisory Committee is at http:// www.rtacac.org.

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latest story, she continues to strive for the better.

A major part of her

stories involves bullying. She said she has set about through her books to help empower children to positively handle tough situations through their timeless messages.

"I try to tell a story that they can relate

with," she said. To learn more Dismondy's books, go to http://maria

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### Fox Run resident invites president to Veterans Day ceremony via video

World War II veteran Wilfrid "Robi" Robinson, U.S. Army, 99th Infantry Division, is using social media to invite President Obama to Fox Run retirement community's Nov. 11 Veterans Day ceremony.

Robinson, who was wounded in the Battle of the Bulge and who received the Purple Heart, has posted a You Tube video (https://www. youtube.com/watch? v=HzLZyIk6EYY) in which he tells President Obama of the hundreds of World War II, Korean War and Vietnam War veterans who live with him at Fox Run

"If you could come as our commander-in-chief and talk to us, we'd have an awful lot of veterans sitting up a lot straighter



World War II veteran Wilfrid "Robi" Robinson speaks to President Obama in a You Tube video.

in their chairs," Robinson says to President Obama

in the video. Robinson's video has been sent to President Obama and the White House via Twitter. It has also been posted on Facebook and LinkedIn. President Obama may RSVP at 248-863-3206, according to Robinson.

Robinson is accompanied in the You Tube video by Community Resources Coordinator Lindsay Ash, who asks President Obama to please send a short video in which he thanks Fox Run's veterans for their service to our nation if his attendance at the Veterans Day ceremony is not possible.

The Fox Run Veterans Day ceremony will recognize every veteran via photographs of them in their military uniforms and narratives of their military service. Patriotic songs will be sung and testimonials will be

### On display at Fox Run



Fred Wiegand's "Blue Heron at Sunrise," a stained glass panel consisting of 194 individually cut and shaped pieces to fit precisely in a self-developed pattern, is now on display at the Novi Fox Run retirement community's Belmont Clubhouse (41000 13 Mile Road). It makes use of 15 different colored and textured glass. Wiegand created it in a five-week period (104 hours) in Fox Run's Hobby Shop.

### Spelling bee



Resident Cary Ormond (right), a former school librarian, correctly spelled "salubrious" to win a spelling bee at Fox Run retirement community in Novi. Twelve residents and eight staff members competed March 26 in a two-hour spelling bee involving six elimination rounds. Business analyst Anne Martella (left) took second place. Ormond and Martella received gift baskets filled with bee-inspired items as prizes. "I was reading before I was in kindergarten," Ormond said. "I guess the alphabet has always come naturally to me." Sales Manager Kristen Yaquinto served as moderator and Community Resources Manager Megan Smith judged the event. Resident Shirley Euwer (middle) was the spelling bee

### **NOVI POLICE BRIEFS**

#### **Tires stolen**

A Novi man had the rims and tires stolen from his 2013 MKX while it was parked outside his residence on Shorecrest Drive the night of March 6. The tires and rims were valued at \$4,000. The man parked it at 10 p.m. and found the vehicle on blocks and the items missing the next morning with the lug nuts left on the ground. There are no suspects.

#### Marijuana possession

A Novi woman was arrested for marijuana possession after police responded to a call for a suspicious vehicle parked at Shilo Court. Novi Police arrived after midnight to the location and found a male passenger and a female driver sitting in the parked vehicle. The

police reported smelling burnt marijuana inside. The driver was arrested after her passenger claimed the marijuana and paraphernalia was not his.

#### Fraud

A Novi woman fell victim to fraud when a telephone caller recently told her she had a warrant out for her arrest and a lawsuit against her by the IRS for tax issues. The woman called Novi Police on March 5 after thinking the call was suspicious. However, prior to doing that she followed the caller's instructions and put money on a special card purchased at Walmart. She then gave the unknown caller the necessary numbers to access it. The suspect told her she owed \$1,495. She only put \$300 on the card.

– By Lonnie Huhman

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### Northern math teacher wins W.L. Foundation raffle

The Walled Lake Schools Foundation for Excellence recently held its Tuition Expedition 50/50 Scholarship raffle ticket drawing March 30 during the District's PTSA Reflections Celebration at Geisler Middle School.

Georgia Ayers, Walled Lake Northern High School math teacher, was the grand prize

"I am so grateful to the Foundation for Excellence," Ayers said upon receiving news of her winnings. "I am already an advocate of the foundation's work and mission. I previously received a Foundation for Excellence grant which provided for classroom technology that enables me to record and post lessons, which are a resource valued by my

Avers will have the option



Pictured (from left) are Georgia Ayers, W.L. Northern teacher and 2015 Tuition Expedition winner, and Michelle Bianco, FFE executive director.

of choosing either 50 percent of the raffle's ticket sales in

the form of scholarship funds for post-secondary education

or to elect a 40-percent lump sum payment.

Secondary raffle prizes included a tablet donated by Applied Imaging won by Lisa Holscher, a Walled Lake Western High School parent, and a tutorial services package donated by Sylvan Learning of West Bloomfield won by David Walther, Walled Lake Western High School science teacher.

In all, 351 tickets were sold, totaling \$35,100 raised for the foundation.

"I wish to extend the foundation's sincere appreciation to our raffle sponsor Walled Lake School Employees Federal Credit Union and also to our district, community and neighbors for supporting our 10th annual Tuition Expedition Raf-

fle. During this raffle's tenure,

\$380,300 in total ticket sales

has been generated," said Mi-

the course of 24 years.

Contact the Foundation for Excellence to learn more and to register for its upcoming golf scramble; phone 248-956-2116 or email michellebianco@wlcsd.org.

### Walled Lake district honors Barb Sprunk

Chosen as the Betty Campion District nominee

The Walled Lake Consolidated School District Board of **Education honored Barb** Sprunk, secretary for the community relations and marketing office, as the nominee for the **Betty Campion Support Staff** Award at its April 1 meeting.

She has served the district for nearly 22 years, with the past 14 years in the community relations office.

"Barb's creativity and contributions have been in the background of many successful programs, events, publications, newsletters and other projects. Barb is behind the scenes making all of the district materials look great," said Kenneth Gutman, superinten-

Sprunk has worked in numerous support and secretarial roles in Walled Lake Schools, beginning as a para-educator in 1992 at Maple Elementary School. She has worked at



Sprunk

Keith, Meadow Lake, Pleasant Lake, Clifford Smart Middle School and for the past 14 years in the community relations department.

She knows the staff, administrators and board members and her knowledge minimizes errors and also enhances the outcomes of her work.

Barb is the consummate professional, continually learning new technology, open to new ideas and confidential with the information she handles,

said Judy Evola, director of community relations. "She understands community relations is responsible for the overall image of the Walled Lake Schools and she ensures information is consistent in internal and external documents. It has been an honor and pleasure working with

Stephanie Kaplan, Walled Lake Schools PTSA Council president, said Sprunk is the woman behind the scenes.

'She creates certificates, designs the awards programs, makes the name tags, orders the refreshments and always making everything look amazing," Kaplan said. "She is humble, quiet, unassuming, yet she is smart, efficient, kind, thorough and accurate. She has a long history and track record with Walled Lake Schools and the PTSA Council and several PTAs. Her hand print is on more than 15 years of invitations, programs and records. There is no way we can thank her for her service to PTA."

### W.L. Central students join Muscle Walk, MDA's battle

"Every dollar counts!" was a saying that Walled Lake Central High School students heard repeatedly as seniors Nicole Jarosz and Ashley Richards encouraged their fellow peers to donate to the MDA. Up for the challenge, students and staff dug into their wallets and emptied their change purses to assist these girls' Muscle Walk team goal of sending at least one lucky child with muscular dystrophy to a week-long, barrier-free summer camp.

Due to the great support of the school and other generous donors, Jarosz and Richards shattered their goal. This tale is just one of many from the 141 teams that raised funds in the Detroit area through March in support of the MDA's cause.

During the March 28 Muscle Walk at Ford Field in Detroit, it was announced that a total of \$210,000 was

raised between all teams.

At the event, 1,200 people composed of families and friends of those affected by neuromuscular diseases joined forces with sponsors and donors wearing Muscle Walk T-shirts, team T-shirts and carrying custom team banners to celebrate another successful year of fundrais-

Being that muscular disease is rare, it's good for those battling these diseases to see that they are not alone in the fight. Muscle Walk empowers people to stay strong.

Last year, more than 40,000

people participated in 140 MDA Muscle Walks across the country that raised a recordbreaking \$8.5 million. More than \$26 million has been raised since the Walk's inception in 2011. More than 150 Muscle Walks across the United States aim to set more records in 2015.





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#### **Novi Co-Op Preschool events**

Novi Co-Op Preschool, a play-based kindergarten readiness program for children ages 3-5 years, is hosting two events which are open to the public; children are welcome at both events:

Ice Cream Social – 4-6 p.m. Sunday, **April 19**; and Open House – 6-7:30 p.m.

Tuesday, April 28
Novi Co-Op is located 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.

#### Meet 'SPARK' author

Author Dr. John Ratey describes SPARK as a groundbreaking exploration of the connection between exercise and the brain's performance that shows how even moderate exercise will supercharge mental circuits to beat stress, sharpen thinking, enhance memory and much more. The book will change the way you think about your morning run or for that matter, simply the way you think.

Meet the author at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 28, at Novi Middle School. Registration is required; go to novilibrary.org or call 248-349-0720.

Parents and caregivers are encouraged to read SPARK in advance of the author event. To

borrow a copy of the book, visit the Novi School library or the Novi Public Library.

#### **Northville accepting** early kindergarten registration

Northville Public Schools is now accepting kindergarten enrollment for fall 2015. If you have a child who will be 5 years of age on or before Sept. 1, schedule an enrollment appointment to register your child using the appropriate school link below and complete the online pre-enrollment process prior to your scheduled appointment.

Enrollment forms and information regarding which documents you will need to bring to your scheduled appointment are listed on the district website at http:// www.northvilleschools.org/node/584. If you can not meet on the dates listed above for your child's school, contact the school's main office. If you are unsure about which school your child will be attending, view the Attendance Boundary Map at http://www.northville schools.org/node/251.

#### Novi kindergarten roundup

In September, the Class of 2028 will officially begin their educational career at Novi Schools. Registration paperwork

is now available in all a.m. to noon Saturday, April 18, at Novi High elementary offices. If you have a student or know

someone who has a child who will be turning 5 prior to Sept. 2 and is within the Novi Schools attendance boundaries, have them call the school office: Deerfield (248-449-1700); Novi Woods (248-449-1230); Orchard Hills (248-449-1400); Parkview (248-449-1220);

449-1300. If you are unsure which elementary school your student will attend, please call the Educational Services Building at 248-449-1200 for assis-

and Village Oaks (248-

Also, save the date, **April 16**, for kindergarten parent meetings at Novi K-4 elementary schools.

#### **Developmentally** delayed students

If you have a child that will be under the age of 5 years old on or before the first day of the 2015-2016 school year, and you suspect that your child may have speech and language difficulties or overall developmental delays, please call Nadine Harris, director of Northville Public Schools Office of Special Services, at 248-

#### **Mom to Mom Sale**

Novi Community Education's Infant & Toddler program, The Lily Pad Lane, is hosting its annual Mom2Mom Sale from 8

School. Tables are \$20 per round and \$10 per space for sellers who provide their own racks.

All baby, toddler and children's items will be accepted, including large items such as high chairs, swings, strollers and large toys. Admission for adults is \$1 at the door and free for children ages 15 and under.

For more information, contact Community Education - Child Care Services at 248-449-1713. All proceeds will benefit equipment for the pro-

#### **NEF** golf outing

The Northville Educational Foundation will host its first Play Fore Education Golf Classic on Monday, May 11, at the 27-hole championship course of Walnut Creek Country Club in South

Lyon. Presented by Community Financial Credit Union, the tournament will feature a four-person scramble format. Registration and a buffet lunch will begin at 11 a.m. and the shotgun start will begin at 12:30 p.m.

The tournament will feature putting and course contests, giveaways, a silent auction, buffet lunch, sit-down dinner, complimentary beverages on and off the course and 18 holes of golf with a cart.

The cost is \$200 per golfer, or \$760 per foursome. The dinner program will include a short award ceremony to announce the contest winners. In addition, the winning foursome will get their names engraved on the Golf Classic Cup and one-year bragging

rights. Proceeds from the tournament will be designated for the Northville Educational Foundation's general fund to support enrichment programs in the arts, athletics and academics in the Northville Public Schools.

To learn more or to register, go to www.NorthvilleEdFoundation.org/golf.html, or call 248-344-3503. Registration ends May 4 or when spots are filled.

#### Northville roundup, parent orientation

Northville Public Schools hosts two important events in the spring to ease some of your fears and answer many of your questions: Parent Orientation and Kindergarten Roundup.

an opportunity for you to hear about our programming, meet key staff members, learn about your child's elementary school and ask questions. The evening is interactive and highlights what to expect the first few weeks of school and how you can help prepare

Parent Orientation is

your child for his or her first day. At registration, you will receive a folder with important information that we ask you to review prior to parent orientation. Please note: This is a meeting for parents only; children should not attend.

Kindergarten Round-Up is designed for your incoming kindergartner. Your child will participate in a number of activities that will help us get to know your child better and help him or her feel more comfortable in the classroom. When you arrive for Kindergarten Round-Up, we will greet you and your child and your child will come with us to start their busy schedule. While your child is with our staff, you will participate in an informational session highlighting our many important initiatives, including The Leader in Me. We will provide more details about the Round-Up experience at parent

orientation. The following are the dates for Kindergarten Parent Orientation and Round-Up at each elementary school: Amerman - April 30, 6:30 p.m. May 1; Moraine – May 11, 6:30 p.m. May 15; Silver Springs - May 6, 6 p.m. May 15; Thornton Creek -April 29, 6 p.m. May 7; Ridge Wood - May 11, 6:30 p.m. May 15; and Winchester – May 11, 6 p.m. May 12.

### Spring musical



Parkview Elementary School fourth-graders play a version of "Rockin' Robin" on their recorders during their March 31 spring musical. The students gave a musical tour of a day in the life of the Novi school to their classmates and teachers.

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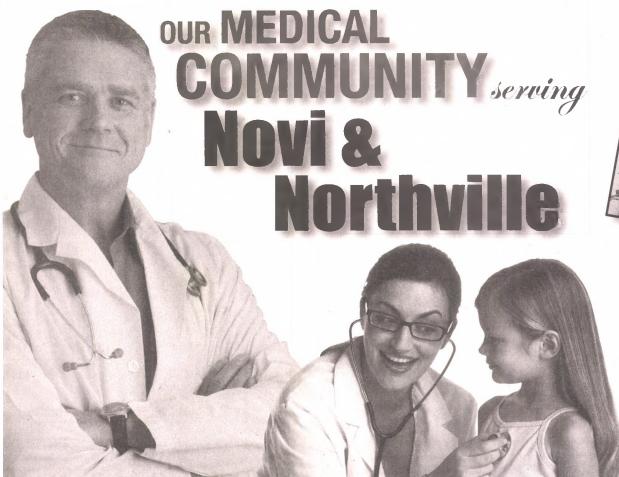
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#### **COMMUNITY BRIEFS**

#### **Hazardous waste** collection

Residents in RRRA-SOC's member communities of Farmington, Farmington Hills, Novi, South Lyon, Southfield, Walled Lake and Wixom can rid their homes of unwanted and unused household hazardous waste during two HHW collection events scheduled for April.

The free HHW collection events are scheduled for 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, April 11, at the Wixom Department of Public Works (2041 Charms Road) and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, April 18, at the RRRASOC Material Recovery Facility (20875 Mapleridge Avenue in Southfield)

Many common products used in and around the home contain ingredients that can cause harm to humans and the environment. Most poisonings in young children involve everyday household items such as cleaning supplies, cosmetics and personal care items. The majority of pollution problems associated with landfills are caused by household hazardous waste that is improperly disposed of with regular trash by residents

Residents are asked to handle HHW products with care when preparing them for transport to the drop- off events. Keep products in original containers. Don't mix products together. Containers should be tightly sealed, packed in a box in an upright position and placed in the trunk or on the floor of your vehicle. Never transport any leaking or open contain-

Items accepted at the HHW collection events include: oil-based paint, solvents, automotive fluids, household cleaners, lawn and garden chemicals, batteries, fluorescent light bulbs, as well as unused and expired prescription medications and overthe-counter medications. Residents may also bring unused, unwanted and broken electronics. RRRASOC also provides paper shredding service onsite at its HHW events. Residents may bring up to three boxes or 100 pounds of paper for shredding to HHW events only. A complete list of acceptable household hazardous waste items is available on the RRRASOC website at

www.rrrasoc.org or by calling 248-208-2270.

#### **National Library Week at Wixom Public Library**

Babies up through 24 months along with their parent or caregiver can join the Wixom Public Library (49015 Pontiac Trail) for Baby Days at 10 a.m. Monday, April 13. Please drop in, as registration is not required.

Children ages 2-10 can join the book-themed Terrific Tuesday about the Wonderful World of Eric Carle at 10:30 a.m. April 14. Registration is not required.

Adults can learn how to make their own Spring Wreath in D.I.Y. series at 6 p.m. Thursday, April 16. Registration is required online at www.wixomlibrary.org; call 248-624-2512 or stop

by the library Families with children ages 2-10 can be enchanted by a special Magic Show featuring Jeff from A2 Magic at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, April 18. Registration is required online at www.wixomlibrary.org ; call 248-624-2512 or stop by the library.

#### **Northville** celebrates library week

The Northville District Library joins libraries in schools, campuses and communities nationwide in celebrating National Library Week April 12-18, a time to highlight the value of libraries, librarians and library

Libraries today are more than warehouses for books. Instead, libraries and librarians are change agents within their communities transforming lives through innovative educational resources and forward-thinking programming. Libraries are doing their part to close the digital divide and level the playing field by providing free access to information and technol-

ogies.
"The Northville District Library offers a lot more than books, DVDs and video games," said Julie Herrin, library director. "Community members can receive downloading and general computer help and find materials for Englishlanguage learners, resources for job seekers, story times to promote early literacy and school

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The Northville District Library is celebrating National Library Week with a book discussion for adults at 7 p.m. Monday, April 13, featuring Lauren Hillenbrand's Unbroken: A World War II Story of Survival, Resilience and Redemption and a class for adults, Creating the Green Home, at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 14, with award-winning architect Michael Klement discussing how to make homes environmentally friendly. Register by phone or online. A special program for kids of all ages features juggler Crazy Craig at 4:15 p.m. Wednesday, April 15. Free tickets are available 10 minutes before this program. Enjoy drop-in morning Storytime at 10:15 a.m. Thursday, April 16, for toddlers and preschoolers and Drop-In Super Saturday Storytime at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 18.

For more information, go to the library's website at wwwnorthvillelibrary.org or call 248-349-3020

#### Coffee with the Superintendent

Join Novi Schools Superintendent Steve Matthews for Coffee with the Superintendent at the Novi Public Library in the Board Room 202 on: **April 13** (6:30 p.m.); April 15 (10:15 a.m.); May 11 (6:30 p.m.); and May 13 (10:15 a.m.).

#### No No's meeting

The Gardener's of Northville and Novi (a.k.a. NO NO's) invite you to hear guest speaker Marna Nemon talk about pollinator gardens, Let Them Eat Your Garden, April 13 at Novi High School's Media Forum Room 198C

Nemon's pollinator habitat garden was on the Clarkston Farm & Garden Tour in 2013. Gardening is a passion of hers. She loves pollinators, flowers both native and non-native, flowering annuals of the Americas. non-chemical/non-aggressive gardening methods and the joy of knowing that all creatures are welcome to dine in her garden. Nemon will share with us her enthusiasm of gardening and some of her secrets of successful gardening.

Social mixer is at 6:30 p.m.; speaker at 7 p.m. Park in the Staff Parking Lot (first driveway on Taft Road south of 10 Mile). Enter via door No. 43. Pen and paper may be helpful for notes; visitors welcome; \$5 donation from non-members. Go to http://gardeners northville-novi.org for more information.

#### **Buddy's Pizza fights** hunger

All 11 Buddy's pizza locations - including Novi's (44225 W. 12 Mile Road ) in the Twelve Mile Crossing at Fountain Walk entertainment complex - are hosting the 39th annual "Slice for Life Event" Monday, April 13, with proceeds benefiting the Capuchin Soup Kitchen. With the purchase of an event ticket, patrons may either dine in and enjoy all-you-can-eat two-topping pizzas and salad or carry-out a four-square two-topping pizza or a

medium sized antipasto, Greek or house salad.

In addition to dining on Buddy's award-winning pizza and salad, families will be assisting the Capuchin Soup Kitchen in feeding the hungry. Tickets (\$15 for adults; \$7 for children) may be purchased from the Capuchins in advance at www.cskdetroit.org or by calling 313-579-2100, ext. 170/153, or at the door of any Buddy's pizza. All participants can also register to win one eightsquare Buddy's pizza every month for a year.

#### **History of chocolate**

The Northville Garden Club will meet Monday, April 13 (noon social and luncheon; 12:30 p.m. meeting) at Cady Inn. This month the members will at 1:15 p.m. travel to the Schakolad Chocolate Factory at 20450 Haggerty Road. Emily Barke will be presenting "The History of Chocolate" at 1:30 p.m. Guests are always welcome. For more information, contact Inge Knoth at 248-348-1835.

#### Learn about art restoration

Jennifer Lis, owner of Lis Art Conservation & Restoration Services, will be the speaker at the 6:45 p.m. April 14 meeting of the Northville-Novi Branch of the American Association of University Women at the Novi United Methodist Church (41671 W. 10 Mile). The public is invited to attend.

A graduate of Mercy High School in Farmington Hills, Lis studied art history at the University of Notre Dame, graduating with honors. She received her master of art conservation degree at Queens University in Kingston, Ontario, Canada, one of only four universities in North America teaching art restoration. She also studied at the Intermuseum Conservation Association in Cleveland, Ohio. Lis has been awarded the designation professional associate by the American Institute of Conservation. a national membership organization of conservation professionals.

Art restoration requires a knowledge of chemistry, including how solvents work. She and her team do varnish removal, surface cleaning, tear repair, paint loss repair, water damage restoration, lining restoration and more.

### **State of Northville**

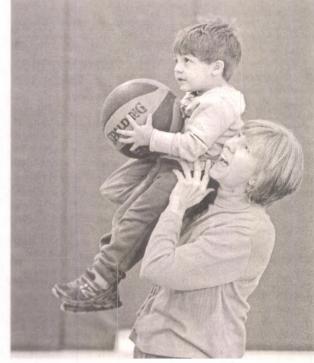
The annual State of the Community will be held from noon to 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 15, at Meadowbrook Country Club (40941 W. Eight Mile, Northville).

The State of the Community luncheon provides an opportunity for residents and the business community to hear from its city, township, school district and state officials on past year successes and on future plans for their respective organizations" said Traci Sincock, Northville Chamber of Commerce

associate director. Featured speakers include Northville Township Supervisor Robert Nix, city of Northville Mayor Chris Johnson and school district Superintendent Mary Kay Gallagher.

Tickets are \$40 per person. Reservations may be made by contacting the chamber at 248-349-7640 or tracisincock@northville.org.

### **Toddle Time**



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Anna Hay lifts her grandson Layth Farah, 2, so he can attempt to shoot a basketball during the Feb. 24 Toddle Time at the Northville Community Center. Toddle Time is for kids ages 1-4 and their parents and takes place from 10 a.m. to noon each Tuesday. Although some toys are provided, parents can bring their kids' favorite gear as well.

#### **Group Travel Fair**

Discover where your next adventure will take you at the Group Travel Fair at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, April 16 at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 Ten Mile Road.

Attendees of the free event will learn about exciting day and extended travel opportunities offered by travel agencies, enjoy refreshments, and may receive door prizes. Group travelers will experience immeasurable benefits including meeting new people and making lasting memories while safely realizing the glory of new landscapes and adventures.

The next Group Travel Fair will be at 7 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 24.

For more information about the travel fairs and additional events and programs, visit cityofnovi.org or call the Older Adult Services office at 248-347-0414.

#### Reel Michigan Film **Festival**

As part of the Arts and Acts Festival in downtown Northville, the Reel Michigan Film Festival 2015 will feature a diverse collection of Michigan-made short films beginning at 5 p.m. Saturday, June 20, followed by a Q&A with filmmak-

Reel Michigan is now accepting Michiganmade or Michiganthemed short films, less than 20 minutes long. Reel Michigan welcomes all genres, from student films to the experimental. The submission deadline is April 17. The entry form, trailers and more information are available at http://northvilleart house.org/special-events/ reel-michigan/.

### **Hillside Spring Craft**

The Hillside Middle School PTSA is hosting a spring craft fair for amateur and professional handcrafters 4:30-8 p.m. Friday, April 17, in the school (775 N. Center, Northville) cafeteria.

PTSA members may rent an eight-foot table for \$10; \$20 for non-members. Registrations will be accepted on a firstcome, first-serve basis until all tables are filled. For more information, contact Karen Wang, Hillside PTSA president, at kfbwang@gmail.com.

#### Library, Paradise Park team up for fundraiser party

To celebrate National Library Week (April 12-18) the Novi Library and Paradise Park encourage students in grades K-6 (5-8 p.m.) 7-12 (9-midnight) for a night of fun at Paradise Park

on Friday, **April 17**.
Along with being the premier sponsor for the Novi Library's Summer Reading program for another year, Paradise Park and the library continue to work together to bring fun-filled events and programs to the community.

With a \$28 wristband, kids can enjoy three hours of unlimited access to laser tag, miniature golf, trampoline, climbing wall, a go-kart ride, 20 arcade tokens and a pizza dinner. For each wristband sold, \$5 will be donated to the library. Students have the option to dress up as their favorite book character and be entered in a costume contest.

For more information or to purchase tickets, call 248-869-7204 or visit novilibrary.org.

#### **Novi Farmers Market open**

The 2014 Novi Farmers Market was so successful — with hundreds of people enjoying fresh vegetables, flowers and other items throughout the summer and fall that the market continues with gourmet foods and artisan items indoors at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 10 Mile.

The market will take place from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, April 18.

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

For more information, contact manager RoseAna Twitchell at 248-347-0400 or www.rtwitchell @cityofnovi.org.

#### **Baby boomer** conference

Oak Pointe Church will host a baby boomer conference from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, April 18, in conjunction with the city of Novi and other

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Resource Recovery and Recycling Authority of Southwest Oakland County, a public authority and body corporate, shall hold a public hearing on its proposed budget for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2015 on Thursday, April 23rd, 2015, at 9:30 a.m. at the offices of the City of Farmington Hills, Viewpoint Conference Room, 31555 West Eleven Mile Road, Farmington Hills, MI, 48336. A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection during regular business hours at the office of the Authority located at 26261 Evergreen Road, Suite 270, Southfield, MI 48076.

This notice is given on behalf of the Board of Trustees of the Authority pursuant to the provisions of Act 43, Public Acts of Michigan, 1963 (Second Extra Session).

> MICHAEL J CSAPO General Manager

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### 3,000 expected May 2 for Breakthrough for Brain Tumors Race

**By Cal Stone** Staff Writer

More than 1,900 people participated in last vear's run/walk to raise funds in the battle

against brain tumors. Organizer Larry Berg of Novi expects upward of 3,000 people at the May 2 event, which has grown so much that it's been moved from Novi's Providence Park Hospital to Kensington Metropark in Milford.

"It's much larger again this year," Berg said, "and we're pretty excited about our growth path."

The first Breakthrough for Brain Tumors Race was held in Ypsilanti in 2013 and brought in around \$150,000.

"Last year, we raised just shy of a quarter million dollars," Berg said. "This race has been very successful. People weren't aware of brain tumors. It's about building awareness."

Berg said it's the largest, and perhaps only, race of its kind based in Michigan. It pulls participants from all over the state, as well as out of

"We're excited about opportunities to engage communities and to grow as large as we have," he

Berg wants to build awareness for the Chicago-based American Brain Tumor Association and what it can do for

patients and caregivers. "It's a great organization," he said. "They do scholarships, clinical trials, educational research for professionals. ... It's a really well-run organization that I'm

with.' Berg said there are 120 different types of brain tumors and every day 500 people are diagnosed with one. About 700,000 U.S. citizens are currently on the path to

proud to be affiliated

recovery. "I got involved personally in 2011," Berg said. "My daughter, who is now a senior in (Novi) high school, had a tumor. We talked a lot about this and we said want to do something different and

Berg and his wife Lynn said daughter Kaitlyn is doing much better now and is tumor-free.

help people out."

"She's exactly where she should be and that's a good spot, considering what we've been through," he said.

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### **BRIEFS**

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surrounding communi-

Boomer University-Dream Again will have something to offer all baby boomers, including live music with Michael King and The Boomer Band and Ken Calvert of WCSX-FM (98.7) and former Detroit Pistons PA announcer. Chuck Gaidica from Oak Pointe Church will lead the conference and share a bit of his story and encourage other boomers in transition or thinking about transition to dream again.

Oak Pointe Church is located 50200 W. 10 Mile, in Novi. Tickets are \$10 and are available online at www.oakpointe.org; seating is limited. For more information, go to www.oakpointe.org or call 248-912-0043.

**Dems meeting** 

The West Oakland Democrats will meet at 6 p.m. Tuesday, April 21 at United Methodist Church (41671 W. 10 Mile, Novi).

Michigan Education **Association President** Steve Cook and Tony Trupiano, progressive talk radio host, will discuss current issues important to democrats. including Proposition 1. The meeting is free and open to the public; snacks provided and pizza may be purchased.

#### **BREAKTHROUGH FOR BRAIN TUMORS RACE**

Date: Saturday, May 2

Time: 7:30 a.m. event site opens

Location: Kensington Metro Park, 2240 W. Buno Road, Milford

Park entry fee: \$7 per vehicle

Course: USTAF-certified 3.1-mile walk/run (BT5K Race Results will be available the BT5K Michigan page within one week of the event.) Teams: A minimum of two people is required. There is no fee to register a team. When forming

or joining a team, each team member/captain is required to pay the standard registration fee. The first person to start a team will become the team captain.

Pre-event prices: \$35 adult participant; \$30 adult survivor; \$20 children ages 6-12; \$15 children survivor; free for children under age 6.

Registration: Online registration closes April 28. Contact the ABTA event staff at 800-886-1281 to register over the phone or register online at http://hope.abta.org/site/TR?fr\_id=

The Berg family of Novi includes (from left) Larry, Kara, Kaitlyn and Lynn. This year's benefit race is set for Saturday, May 2, at Kensington Metropark in Milford.



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# BUSINESS

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### Village Workshop



Unique items are now being created at the Village Workshop (455 E. Cady, Northville). Laura Hinojosa of Livonia shows a table lamp she made by laser-cutting wood veneer panels and attaching them with wooden connectors. She hopes to use the project in one of the two-hour classes the graphic designer teaches at the Village Workshop. Hinojosa is also wearing a necktie she created from a one-eighth inch thick piece of living hinge wood. Learn more at www.villageworkshop.com.

### **NEWSMAKERS**

#### **Premier Relocations** honored

Novi-based Premier Relocations LLC, an agent of the nationwide household goods carrier Mayflower, was honored recently by the van line for exceptional professional performance. The recognition was con-ferred during Mayflower's annual awards program, with more than 400 Mayflower representatives in attendance.

Premier Relocations, LLC received the following honors for achieve-

» Million Dollar Club Award at the \$1 million level - recognizing top Mayflower revenue pro-

» Customer Choice Award - presented to the Mayflower agent based on highest satisfaction and loyalty scores as rated by its customers in surveys tabulated by a third party.

#### **Airport Ambassadors** recognized

Sixty-three Airport Ambassadors at Detroit Metropolitan Airport, including several local individuals, were honored with the President's Volunteer Service Award at a banquet luncheon

recently held at DTW's Westin Hotel.

Local winners of the Presidential Service Award (and their hours of service) include: Gold Level – Shuta Suzuki, Novi (359); Silver Level – Ben Miller, Northville (441.75); George Linker, Northville (403.75); Tom Beyersdorf, Novi (371); Jared Buckley, Northville (335.50); Vivian Verhelle, Northville (277.25); and Bronze Level - John Buckland,

Northville (239.50). In 2014, DTW Airport Ambassadors answered nearly 340,000 questions at six locations throughout the airport in both terminals. Ambassadors can be identified by their blue vests assisting travelers, or helping connect lost and stranded passengers with their fam-

The President's Volunteer Service Awards were established in 2003 and are officially issued by the Corporation for National and Community

#### Lippens joins **McKenna Associates**

McKenna Associates, a municipal consulting firm with offices in Northville and Kalamazoo, announced Paul Lippens, AICP, previously the director of

Planning for Active Transportation Alliance in Chicago, has joined the firm as a transportation planner. With more than 12 years placemaking experience for communities throughout Michigan, Illinois and Indiana, Lippens serves as Mc-Kenna's professional in charge of design and policy for mobility, walkability, transportation and non-motorized plan-

Lippens holds a master of urban planning degree from the University of Michigan and a **BA from Hampshire** College. He has led transportation and land use planning projects in the Midwest, acting as supervising planner on pedestrian and bicycle Lippens is the primary

author of Complete Streets, Complete Networks: a Manual for the Design of Active Transportation, which won the best practices award from the Illinois Chapter of the American Planning Association in 2012 and the 2013 Implementation Award for non-motorized plan and design guidelines for Chicago Heights. Lippens is currently leading the development of Livonia's Non-Motorized Transportation Plan.

### Beware of online misinformation

ate last year, I broke the No. 1 rule of the Internet and consulted a popular online medical site. Last August, I found myself ill and despite rest, hydration and numerous visits to my general physician, I couldn't get back to full strength.

After a month of fevers, chills, headaches and malaise, I began to research my symptoms. It was all downhill from there. Based on my specific ailments and sharp pain in my abdomen, a popular medical website suggested I may have mononucleosis or a number of far more serious issues.

Armed with the quickest diagnosis the Internet could provide, I went back to the doctor and told the nurse I thought I had mononucleosis. The nurse ran a spot test, which confirmed I had mononucleosis. But as anyone who has ever had mononucleosis knows, there is no antibiotic treatment for mono or other viral infections.

So I rested, drank lots of Gatorade, watched way too much football and waited for my headaches to go away and my energy to come back. Two months later - and a few more visits to the doctor's office - I had made no improve-



That's when I decided to get a second opinion and found out I didn't have mono - a diagnosis that was probably only made because I led the first doctor to it after visiting the website. It was truly the per-

fect storm of events. The spot test showed positive because I had had mono during an otherwise terrific year of college. My physician never ordered a full blood test. And hey, I had consulted the web, it seemed plausible. Who was I to argue?

We could talk about how my physician was wrong, but this is a technology column. It's more fitting that we talk about the dangers of websites that aid and encourage self-diagnosis. While these sites provide information and tools to manage your health, they offer generic answers for complicated symptoms and can lead patients like myself to more issues.

If you tell a medical website you have a headache and lack of energy (such as I did), you may get results that indicate you either have a minor headache or

that you are dying. I'm not exaggerating - do you know how many simple symptoms lead to an online diagnosis of cancer? It's staggering.

You can avoid a misdiagnosis and a lot of worry by simply not visiting sites that have "symptoms checkers." Instead, visit a medical professional where you can ask follow-up questions and receive reliable answers.

The problem of online misinformation spreads far beyond that of medical advice. Web hoaxes, rumors and lies are all over the Internet because content creators simply do not care about accountability or spreading false informa-

Unless you are gathering information from a trustworthy source such as a media company or an online encyclopedia, use common sense to determine if what you are reading might be false. And in the case of medical information, skip the Internet entirely and see a physician.

Take my advice – lots of people play doctor on the Internet.

Jon Gunnells is a social media manager for a Detroit-based advertising agency. He can be reached at jonathan.gunnells@ amail.com.

#### **SCORE** business mentoring

The Service Corp of Retired Executives one-hour appointments are available from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Saturday, April 25, at the Novi Public Library.

SCORE mentors provide free one-to-one business counseling, discuss how to start your business, grow your business or overcome a specific business hurdle with an experienced business mentor from SCORE.

Go to the Novi Public Library's website (www.novilibrary.org) to get started on a path to an improved you in 2015.

### **Two-Minute Drill**

Clint Longenecker, professor of management at the College of **Business and Innovation** at the University of Toledo, will present The Two-Minute Drill: Lessons for Rapid Organizational Improvement

#### **BUSINESS BRIEFS** from America's Greatest Game at 6 p.m.

Thursday, April 16, in the Jeffress Center, located on the Schoolcraft College Campus. The Two-Minute Drill

explores lessons in football, applying these same techniques to the business setting, facilitating accelerated change in a competitive marketplace. Prior to the presentation, an assortment of hors d'oeuvres will be served from Schoolcraft College Catering.

This presentation is \$10 per person. Register online at https://www.ut foundation.org/ foundation/home/ Child\_NewsEvents \_alumni.aspx?request=2

Schoolcraft College is located at 18600 Haggerty Road, Livonia. The Jeffress Center is located at the corner of Seven Mile and Haggerty roads on the northwest corner of the college's main campus in Livonia.

#### **Oakland County's Economic Outlook** Luncheon

Online registration is now available for the 30th annual Oakland County Economic Outlook Forecast luncheon set for April 30 at the Detroit Marriott Troy.

University of Michigan economists Dr. George Fulton and Donald Grimes will present their projections on employment prospects in private manufacturing and non-manufacturing sectors with breakdowns for all industry categories for Oakland County. The outlook report is a main component for Oakland County's long-term planning and promotion activ-

"Fulton and Grimes are two of the most respected economist in the country," Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson said. "Getting their perspective on the county's economic health is both insightful and helpful. I wouldn't spend too much time deciding whether or not this is worth your time. This event is always sold out and these seats will go fast.'

Tickets are \$50 and can be purchased online at www.AdvantageOakland.Eventbrite.com. Registration closes April 21 or when capacity is reached. More than 600 people attended the event in 2014. The **Detroit Marriott Troy is** at 200 W. Big Beaver, east of I-75. The luncheon begins at 11:45

The luncheon is hosted by Patterson, Chase and Oakland Community College.

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The evening's final act (from left): Chitra Lakshumanan, Alicia Kevelin, Anjali Joshi, Michelle Kearney, Aishu Chandrakanthan, Shakila Khan, Isuri Ramawickrama and Sharon Amalraj.

# International talent

Novi High School students show off their part of the world

Novi High School's fifth annual International Talent Show was held March 20 and it raised \$2,058 for the international charity Doctors Without Borders. Approximately 400 people attended the event, held in Fuerst Auditorium.

The evening highlighted the diversity of Novi students and featured 18 student acts representing various countries. The program included several dances (Scottish, Chinese, Indian), songs in different languages (Spanish, German), a karate demonstration representing Japan and several instrumental pieces representing Japan, Armenia, Germany and England. Senior Silvia Fierro recited an original poem about her love of Mexico and also the turmoil the Mexican

people are experiencing. The production was

organized by Novi's IB diploma candidates from the junior and senior classes under the supervision of their Volunteer CAS Coordinator Barbara Clift. It was followed by an international food court with samples of foods from many countries.

"Each year, this show gets better and raises more money for the charity the students select,' Clift said. "I am pleased we were able to send over \$2,000 to Doctors Without Borders to help in their fight against ebola. What a great night, not only for the students, but also the community!"

As a finale at the end the show, all 18 acts were brought back on stage for a final curtain call to the song We are the World. The show ended with the entire group also shouting, "We are Novi!"



Representing England, drummer Cayetano Garcia and his trio played and sang "Sweet Dreams" by the Eurythmics.



Rio Furuse plays flute in a Japanese band.

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Silvia Fierro, a senior, recites an original poem in Spanish about her love of Mexico and the struggles of the people there. Translation appeared on a screen for the audience to follow.



WILLIE JACKSON



Conor Large (left) and Jacob Wolf play their award-winning German song "Computer Liede," which translates to "Computer Love." They won second place this month in the music category at the 31st annual German Day competition at the University of

Indian dancers (from left) Pooja Panguru, Tulasi Talluri, Meghana Mallavaram and Shreya Gumate.

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Rachel Garfield, a senior, dances to a Scottish song



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

#### **BOSHOVEN**

**DONNA MAE** Age 84, of Jupiter passed away March 27, 2015. Born in Grand Rapids, MI. She lived a full life, worked at the Jupiter Beach Resort, enjoyed tennis, golf, and playing Mah Jongg in her free time. She is survived by her three daughter's, Candace Lee Kritch (Edward), Jami Lynn Boshoven (Bonnie), Lynda Sue Lomangino (Anthony), and son, Robert James Boshoven (Lorie), and her seven grandchildren, Alexander Ellioff, Amanda Sue Ellioff, Charlie Lomangino, Stanley Lomangino, Julie Kritch Jennifer Kritch, and Elizabeth Boshoven, and one great grand-daughter, Sophia Marie Lomangino. Visitation and a Funeral Mass were held in Jupiter, FL. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Hospice of Palm Beach County. For online condolences please visit www.taylorandmodeen.com

### HAGMAN, JEFFREY

Age 59, of Highland, passed away April 2, 2015. Lynch & Sons Milford 248.684.6645.

#### HALBERT MARGARET M.

Age 87, of Northville, passed away, 03/27/2015. Condolences at casterlinefuneralhome.com



#### HENSON. MICHAEL R.

A life-long resident of Milford, passed away April 3, 2015 at the age of 58. In addition to his parents, Ray and Carol Henson, Michael is survived by his brother, Scott (Dawn) Henson and their family; sister Barbara (Har-Scribner) Nixon and their family as well as many aunts, uncles and cousins. Michael was a kind, loving soul who enjoyed guitar playing, motorcycle riding and his cat, Thomas. He will be greatly missed by family and friends. A Memorial Service will be held from West Highland Baptist Church, 1116 S Hickory Ridge Rd, Milford on Friday, April 10th at 11 AM. Pastor Tom Roberts to officiate. Memorials encouraged to the church. For further information, please phone Lynch & Sons, Milford at 248.684.6645 or visit www.Lync hFuneralDirectors.com

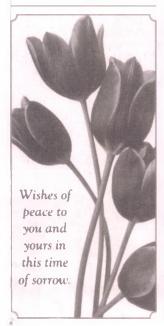
### **KELLEY MARY**

February 10, 1927 - March 31, 2015. Arrangements by Phillips Funeral Home, www.phillipsfuneral.com

### KOEHLER,

**OLGA MARY** Age 97, gently passed from this life to a life of eternal joy on March 30, 2015. She is survived by her children John (Ellen), Karen (Denis) and Janet (John), grandchildren Trent (Natalie) and Katy (Stephen), grandchildren Gabe and Asher, sisters Helen and Amy, and a host of cherished nieces and nephews. She was predeceased in life by her husband John, her siblings John, Mary, Ludwig, Antonia, Chris, Angela, and special friend John Nagrant. Olga's joys in life included raising her children, visiting her large family and friends near and far, visiting her beloved hometown Traunik, Michigan, beloved and serving others at her church. She was known for her wonderful cooking and baking and used those skills to bless others. Her trademark quiet demeanor led those who met her to comment on how sweet she was. Though never tall in stature, she was tall in her courage, determination and strength to push through life's challenges. A memorial Mass will be celebrated at Our Lady of Nazareth Church, Roanoke, VA on Monday, April 6, 2015 at 11:00am. The family will receive visitors from 10-11 am at the church, and following mass at a luncheon in the parish Fellowship Hall. Donations may be made in her memory to Brandon Oaks Auxiliary or Our Lady of Nazareth Church in Roanoke, VA, or to the charity of your choice.

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#### MUIR, DONALD J.

Age 86, passed away April 2, 2015. He was born on July 31, 1928 in New York, New York, son of the late Gavin Mary Muir. His parents were born and raised in Scotland, which instilled in Don a strong sense of pride in his Scottish heritage. Don was a proud Army veteran serving in the Army during WWII in Japan. He was a longtime electrician and was a proud member of IBEW Local 58. He was an original member of the Iron Mustangs motorcycle club and loved spending time outdoors, especially in northern Michigan. He was excellent at horseshoes and would play whenever he had the chance. He led an active and fulfilled life and nothing gave him greater joy than spending with his family. He will always be remembered as a loving and devoted family man. survived by his beloved wife, Ruth; his loving daughters, Cindy (Mike) Swift, Laura Cipponeri, Judy (Doug) Hull, Kim (Evert) Arnett, and Beth (David) Bonser. Don is also survived by 14 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren; and his sister, Bonnie Burge and his brother, Jim Muir. He was preceded in death by his first wife, Elsie, and his sister, Betty Fuhst. Visitation and Funeral Service was held on Saturday, April 4 at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, South Lyon. He was laid to rest in South Lyon Cemetery on Monday, April 6 at 10:30 a.m. www.phillipsfuneral.com



#### **NOWICKI, HAROLD** May 28, 1931 - March 30, 2015

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#### O'BRIEN, BRENDA S. of Milford died 4/2/15. Wife of: Patrick "Denny;" mother of: Stacy, Darren and Michael. Lynch & Sons Milford 248.684.6645



#### PINSON, **HAROLYN ANN** (HORNBECK)

of North Granby, Connecticut. Beloved wife of John Ansel Pinson, passed into the presence of the Lord on Maundy of the Lord on Thursday, April 2, 2015. She was born on December 24, 1951 Berwick, Pennsylvania daughter of the late Harold Sarah Bower Hornbeck. She lived many years in Birmingham, MI and then Troy, MI with an unforgettable two years in Italy in between. She moved to North Granby five years ago. She graduated from Pennsylvania University in 1976 with a BS in Music. Harolyn was a member of Pilgrim Covenant Church in North Granby, CT. She was a passionate teacher, mentor and friend, especially to those in need, and participated in many church ministries. Harolyn enjoyed gardening, sewing, and spending time with her family, especially her grandchildren. Besides her loving husband of 21 years, she is survived by her five children, Kimberly Ann (Knepp) Lavallee and her husband Michael Lavallee of Rochester Hills, MI; Brandon Thomas Knepp of Longview, Texas; Joel Aaron Morrah and his wife H. Lee Jennings, of Berkley, MI; Rebekah Joy (Morrah) Pesce and her husband Anthony Pesce of Indian Hills, Colorado; Catherine Lee Pinson, a student at Temple University in Philadelphia, PA; her nine precious grandchildren, Nicholas, Luke, Sarah, Maria, Harper, Samuel, Cora, Charlotte, and Jeremiah; and her sister, Nancy Eloise (Hornbeck) Spooner and her Robert husband Spooner. Harolyn had a beautiful persona friendly smile, and a wealth of caring and selflessness that will be sorely missed by her family and many friends. Calling hours for the public will be held Thursday, April 9, 2015 and a memorial service celebrated beginning at 1:00 p.m. on Friday, April 10, 2015 at Community Church, 5700 Rochester Rd., Troy, MI. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made to Project Sunset, an E4 ministry in the Democratic Republic of the Congo to provide mosquito

#### RUSSO, JEAN December 2, 1929 - March 31, 2015. Arrangements by:

nets and malaria education.

PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME. www.phillipsfuneral.com SMITH, EDWARD A. Age 87, of Northville, passed away April 6, 2015. Share

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# Grassroots effort promotes faith among elected leaders

God, government the focus of conference series this weekend

> By Philip Allmen Staff Writer

There's a slew of problems in this country, on that most can agree. But identifying those problems, how they started and their solution is open to more debate.

For some west Oakland County residents, it's clear-cut. And it's up to grassroots efforts like one they've started to find the ideal solution.

Christian churches are teaming to kick off a conference series focusing on God and government and what the proper relationship should be between faith and politics. The problem, organizers said, is the two aren't corresponding with one another right

The conference opens Friday in Highland Township at 59 West.

The Rev. Rich La-Belle, pastor at Hickory Ridge Community Church, said the conference series does not endorse a particular political preference, but what guides elected officials' decisions.

'Politics is an avenue to express morals or lack thereof," he said.

#### **Changing culture**

Joe Salvia, a member of Church of the Holy Spirit in Highland and another conference organizer, said fewer and fewer people believe in God, a marked change from how he and many others grew up in a society based on Judeo-Christian values.

That, coupled with government stifling religious-based discussions, is moving the country to a more secular and totalitarian regime, something that has been taking place since World War II, said J.P. Kraft Jr., another event organizer and member of the Hickory Ridge church.

'There's no longer talk in the public square," he said. "It's individual values and the state. There's no mediating factor, which has always been the church. You lose that oil between the two forces."

Elected leaders reference a Christian back-



HAL GOULD I STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

J.P. Kraft and the Rev. Rich LaBelle, pastor of Hickory Ridge Community Church, stand in the 59 West banquet room in Highland, where they are organizing this weekend's conference focused on God and government.

ground and values when running for office, Salvia added, but those beliefs aren't seen in action once elected.

"Government is a reflection of its citizens," he said

Ben Di Ponio has helped get the word out on the upcoming conference series. He agrees the Christian focus has been missing from government. But the state isn't the only one to blame, he noted, pointing to religious leaders who no longer use their pulpit to address possibly controversial issues.

"The pastors dropped the ball as shepherds," Di Ponio said. "They're afraid to say anything. They're afraid to offend.

Friday's opening conference is a "call to alarm to Christians," Kraft said. "A lot of Christians really don't know how to appropriate the faith. ... In a secular world, the message is not getting out."

### Share the faith

It's Christians' right and duty, all agreed, to share their faith.

"We want to see Christians wake up," Di Ponio said. "We are the majority in this country and we're being silenced by a vocal minority.

"You can't separate your vote from your beliefs and that's happening. It gets worse with each generation."

The church is the moral compass for society and it's up to the church to call out the state when problems arise. All agree that the church does not have the authority – or desire – to govern, but simply to give it the tools needed to govern in the right direction. When the state tries to take over the role of the church, as has been seen in various Marxist regimes, that problems arise.

"The Bible says to obey the state, but the state has a duty to do good," Kraft said.

A grassroots effort, organizers hope to see this conference spur others to start similar programs in other parts of Michigan and across the country.

"We truly believe the church is the way through this," Kraft said

### Opening conference

Scores of churches have joined in to support the God and Country conference series from Milford, Livonia and Dearborn to Traverse City, Grand Rapids and Battle Creek

**Based off Charles** Colson's book God and Government, an Insider's View on the Boundaries between Faith and Politics, the conference kicks off at 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 10, at 59 West, 786 Highland Drive, in Highland. The conference continues at

9 a.m. Saturday, April 11.

The opening conference "God & Government: How Can the Church Resist the Onslaught of Tyranny in America?" features guest speaker Lt. Gen. Jerry Boykin, retired.

Boykin will discuss the continuing constitutional crisis he sees in the country, as well as what he calls the threats of Marxism and radical Islam.

'There is a time to preach and a time to pray and a time to fight. That time has come," he said. "It is time for believers to fight in the cause of liberty. ... Nothing else can save America but the church.

People see there is a problem, but they don't know what to do, LaBelle said. This conference series, he said, is a first

Among the issues addressed this weekend will be how these issues can be addressed at the grassroots level.

No registration is needed for the conference. For more information, call 248-685-3520 or email pastor@myhrcc.com.

Monthly conferences are planned for the region to follow up the weekend's events. Organizers plan similar national speakers for the series.

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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; CelebrateRecov-

ery@brightmoorcc.org Web: www.bright-

moorchurch.org **Celebrate Recovery** Time/Dates: 7 p.m.

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

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Location: 24505 Meadowbrook Road, Novi Contact: 248-349-8847 Web: www.holyfami-

lynovi.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 (Span-

Holy days: 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. Reconciliation: begin-

ning 9 a.m. Saturdays or by appointment Priests: the Rev. Bob LaCroix, pastor, and the

Rev. Beto Espinoza, asso-

ciate pastor AA: 8 p.m. Wednesdays

#### Crosspointe Meadows

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temeadows.org Sunday worship: 11

Bible study classes: 10

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Reverand: Kanji Fuki Contact: 248-756-3336

Contact: 248-767-1366

**Dominion Church** Location: P.O. Box 605. Novi

Pastor: James H. Moseley Jr. Asst. Pastor: Ashaki M. Moseley

#### **Emmanuel Lutheran** Location: 34567 Seven Mile, Livonia

Web: www.emmanuellivonia.org Contact: 248-442-8822

a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Youth group: 7 p.m. Wednesday **Special Needs Minis-**

try: Judy Cook, 248-442-

Sunday worship: 8

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

Contact: 248-349-2345

Web: www.faithcommunity-novi.org **Sunday Worship: 10** 

#### 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

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

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 Tradition-

al 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

### Showcase offering brides-to-be all their needs in one venue

Correspondent

Northville's Bridal Showcase is back for its second year 1-4 p.m. April 19 at the New School Church in Mill Race Historical Village.

Brides, bridesmaids, mothers-of-brides and even prom-goers can come partake in a unique, once-a-year event that brings together local businesses offering a variety of wedding needs and services. Stroll the vendor-lined aisles of the Village's New School Church, itself an idyllic choice for a wedding in any season, to browse an eclectic display of new



For more information on Bridal Showcase and other wedding possibilities at Mill Race Historical Village, go to www.millracenorthville.com, stop by the office (215 Griswold Street) between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. Monday through Wednesday or call 248-348-1845.

and previously owned wedding gowns and prom dresses at discount

prices. Visitors can also sample bakery and catering food services, peruse

invitation designs and papers, pick out floral arrangements and bouquets and even try on jewelry pieces to match their perfect big-day gown.

Donna Laby, major organizer and volunteer behind the Showcase, looks forward to the event as an opportunity to give local businesses press, as well as support Mill Race Historical Village and its parent organization, the Northville Historical Society, of which she is a contributing member and docent. She selects local retailers to come display their wares in the historic church, affording visitors

the convenience of complete wedding-related services in a single, beautiful setting. In addition, she asks former brides to donate their lightly used dresses, giving new life to closet-bound outfits while also providing future brides with economical gown choices.

Not only do dress sales drum up huge cost benefits for the Village and the Northville Historical Society - a not-for-profit organization that relies solely on the generosity of members and the community – contributors also receive slips for tax deduction based on their donation. If you would like to participate in this

year's Showcase or donate your gently used wedding gown, contact Laby at 248-348-3688.

This year's Showcase will feature familiar community stores such as the Stampeddler, Eva's Bridal, Pastry Palace, Elizabeth's Bridal Manor, K B Jewelers and more. Laby also hopes to feature a tuxedo company at this year's event, making this Showcase a beneficial occasion for bridegrooms as well as brides. The \$5 entry fee per person goes directly to helping the Village and supporting the many behind-thescenes volunteers who help put on this outstanding event.

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**OUR VIEW** 

# Support Northville school district

### Vote yes for sinking fund millage renewal May 5

Those who live in the Northville Public Schools district, whether their children attend these schools or not, know how important the education system here is and how vital it is to the success of not only those students, but the community

Four years ago, voters here were asked to approve funding for desperately-needed repairs in all 10 of the district's schools and other facilities.

Without that money, it's hard to believe this district would've remained one of the best in the state. Without that money, the district would've needed to tap into its general fund - taking money from classrooms - to replace the gym floors at Silver Springs and Winchester elementaries; to replace the roof at Thornton Creek Elementary; and to replace air conditioning chillers on the roof at Northville High

Voters will be asked again to renew 0.9978 mils for the Building Site and Sinking Fund - and this newspaper strongly

supports a yes vote May 5. A sinking fund is one of the only ways a school district can collect money from residents and have it stay in the district without going through Lan-



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This funding source offers a lower cost approach to paying for needed building repairs/improvements. The district receives only the funds allocated for specific projects in a given year, eliminating the interest expense typically incurred with a bond issuance.

One could base support on the sole fact that this will not result in a tax increase for homeowners in the district it's a renewal.

Your taxes will not change by voting in favor of this mill-

But what your yes vote will do is continue the nearly \$2.5 million the millage provides annually through 2020. A no vote means that funding ends

It's a topic that's worthy of an editorial on its own, but it's no secret that state funding for public schools has been drastically cut for years. Northville has seen its major source of operations funding - the state's per-pupil allocation - slashed from \$8,538 in the 2008-09 school year to \$8,099 this current school year.

That equates to a loss of \$3 million in revenues every year. Who knows what the future brings, but by now school administrators throughout the state have been forced to resign to the reality that red is the new black.

So just what will, and won't, the money from this millage renewal be used for?

It will allow the district to keep its general fund dollars for operating expenses like salaries, benefits, textbooks, software, new buses - all expenses that the sinking fund can not be used on.

The sinking fund millage renewal will be used for a va-

riety of much-needed projects » Safety and security: Due to revisions in the building code, necessary improvements in classroom and building safety include replacement of school building hardware for lock-down ability; upgrades in emergency lighting, fire alarm systems and exit signs; and updated plumbing with mixing valves at sinks.

» Improving classroom learning environment: Anticipated projects include adding walls/doors to enclose selected classrooms, updating media centers to create collaboration areas and upgrading lighting in windowless classrooms.

» Improving energy efficiency and reducing costs: Anticipated projects include upgrading HVAC systems, replacing chiller and cooling towers, replacing windows and window systems and upgrading lighting.

» Keeping buildings operational: Due to age or excessive use, anticipated projects include tuck-point exterior masonry/soffit repairs; improvements to roofing systems; improvements to paving; and replacing floor finishes and door/frame system.

The projects that the sinking fund millage will be used for are not a wish list of frills or unnecessary upgrades. Last December, the district hired TMP Architecture's team of engineering and architectural pros to perform a Facility Condition Assessment. It visited Public Northville Schools site, evaluating the

current conditions and assessed needs for the next five

The revenue generated from the sinking fund millage renewal, however, still won't cover the entire scope of what's needed. What it will do is allow the district to prioritize that list and start working on projects.

Here's one way to look at why this millage renewal is so crucial. Pretend the district is your house. Nearly all the district's buildings are at least 40 years old. Think of the repairs and upgrades needed to maintain a house of this age, to protect one's investment and keep

one's family safe.
School facilities are the same and this district needs your support May 5 to protect what is actually your investment. Maintaining exemplary schools does two things: It helps provide a top-notch education for current and future students and it keeps local property values strong.

Still not convinced and have questions? Learn more about the Sinking Fund millage rewww.northvilleschools.org or email questions nps@northvilleschools.org.

And remember to vote May

#### **LETTERS**

#### I saw the light at **Providence Hospital-Novi**

Many of us drive by Providence Hospital-Novi on the corner of Beck and Grand River daily. Most of us will enter and exit our world in a hospital; many of us will simply receive care for various illnesses from emergency care to simple and complex

I have never been a fan of the annual doctor visits and have never had a stay at a hospital. That would change all too soon March 11. I never thought turning 50 this year that my world would change so drastically very sudden and quickly. I would receive a diagnosis of ulcerative colitis and then March 11 a visit to

the emergency room In the early morning, about to start my day, I woke up to a surging pain in the back, stomach and then my chest, completely froze as I hunched over with incredible pain gasping for air, not able to breath for about 15 seconds. I was dripping with sweat instantly, not being able to breathe or move. I finally was able to move and stand. I thought I was having a massive heart attack; I quickly woke my 16-year-old daughter Hope as I explained to her not to panic and stay calm and that daddy had to go to the hospital. I quickly called my wife at work so she could come and take me to Providence Hospital emergency.

A quick check-in and off for a couple of EKGs to check the heart; given good news - the heart is OK. It was a gall bladder attack and it was painful. My nine-day journey at Providence-Novi would start; my room was No. 336. The staff at Providence never once made me feel like a number. I was treated with respect and professional courtesy daily. I saw firsthand a group of people setting personal gains aside, working with team goals, 97 percent all working as a team, with one goal - making their patients healthier with speedy

From security at emergency to the daily doctors and nurses, everyone was incredible. My every request and need during my stay were

accommodated. I went in March 11 ill as can be and left March 19 a new man.

I truly saw the light at Providence Hospital-Novi. Seeing this special team of people firsthand made me realize how fortunate Novi and the surrounding communities are to have such a thorough group of diverse people with all one goal in mind, making us all better. Thank you,

**Curtis Gregory Drogmiller** 

### A no vote

No doubt about it - Michigan roads are bad. At first glance, an additional 1 percent to our sales tax seems like a fair way to include all who will benefit in various degrees.

However, a majority of our legislators passed the buck and passed the choice on to you and me. To help their deal smell a little better, the ballot proposal includes the elimination of the sales tax from gasoline sales, gives additional funds to local governments and promises \$200 more per student in the K-12 school aid

How long will the new additional tax last? Who selects the construction companies that will do the work? Who will evaluate the quality and progress of construction?

In my opinion, to evaluate the process and progress there should be a four-year life for the 1-percent increase. After three years, the state House and Senate should be required to vote to renew the tax for another tine period and be prepared to give their rea-

The ballot proposal should maintain the present sales tax on gasoline, since out-of-state drivers also make gasoline purchases. To increase revenue, the Legislature should step up and pass legislation for a state sales tax on Internet transactions with all proceeds earmarked for road repair.

Jim Brenner Redford

### School food dictator not

Everyone knew that the First Lady got involved in school lunches, even disapproving of some dishes

Cal Stone, Community Editor Susan Rosiek, **Executive Editor** 

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#### **COMMUNITY VOICE**

### "Are you in favor of the road funding proposal on the May 5 ballot?"

This question was asked at the Novi Public library.



"No, I think there is plenty of funding from the gas tax that just needs to be used

**Kathy Kelly** 



"No because there are too many things attached to it. I might support it if it was just for roads, but it looks like typical politics."

**Richard Lingle** 



"No. I'm in favor of the roads getting fixed, but not through the way this is set up."

**Herman Dudley** 



"Absolutely not. I think they probably already have the funds they need to fix roads and any new funding should come from taxes related to auto use."

**Tom Dragon** 

served. But I didn't know that she could dictate to the schools as to what would be allowed in bake sales. Am I oversimplifying the fact that schools can no longer decide what can be sold? If it isn't on the federally approved "smart snack" list, it will not be in a bake sale. In discussing this with a few younger mothers -I'm 80 years old with no children in school - I was told that children brown bagging their lunches sometimes have items not on the approved list removed from them.

This is outrageous. Why have we let this happen? A dictator of school food is not needed. Thank you state Sen. Patrick Colbeck for bringing this to our attention. Good luck with Senate Bill 139 and House Bill 4202

Who is watching the First Family to make sure they are abiding by the law set down by Mrs. Obama?

**Loretta Stringer** 

### **Protect prevailing wage**

There's a tactic embraced by "Big Money" and the politicians they've bought: Yell something loud and long enough, no matter how untrue, and the masses will believe it, even if it's against our own self interests. It makes me angry to be considered that stupid. Repetition does not change wrong into right.

It has becomes political conservatives' principal weapon in their arsenal. They managed to equate the benefits of collective bargaining and unionism with socialism, which has been deemed anti-

American. Now there's a new target in their attack against the middle class.

Their current anti-worker crusade demonizes prevailing wage. Already, many us believe that prevailing wage is some sort of socialist scheme designed to harm business and reduce employment. Nothing could be more wrong.

Prevailing wage is the current law that has done exactly what it was intended to do. On taxpayer-funded construction projects, it sets a base wage level, preventing unprincipled contractors from winning bids for work by lowering workers'

How about another, more worker-friendly model? We pay workers a fair wage, provide a pension and health insurance, stress workplace safety and provide extensive training? Construction can become a career.

Conservative lawmakers focus solely on alleged cost savings that would be realized if prevailing wage is repealed, using exaggerated numbers in make-believe savings to support their position.

Consider that the difference between union and nonunion compensation is about 20 percent, and that the labor component of a public construction project is about 30 percent of total costs, then the actual cost differential if prevailing wage is overturned with all other things being equal - is only about 6 percent of the project. But all things aren't equal.

Opponents of prevailing wage ignore the decrease in revenues that would result

when lower-paid workers can't put as much money back into the community via taxes and purchasing power. Lower-paid non-union workers aren't as skilled or as productive as higher paid union workers, meaning the labor cost savings is less. Apprenticeship and other training that is part of most union skilled trade jobs is not financed by taxpayer funds and would be impos-

Here are a few advantages of unions that you don't hear about often enough. For women, union member-

sible without prevailing wage.

ship gives a 19 percent greater likelihood of having paid health insurance, and a 25 percent greater probability of having a pension. Union membership has a significantly greater effect (8 percent more) than a four-year college degree on a woman's probability of having paid health insurance. For Latinos, union membership raises wages by 17 percent and a greater than 25 percent higher likelihood of having paid health insurance and pensions. For low-wage workers in general, union membership increases wages by almost 21 percent. All these people make more as union members, and they spend

"Right to Work for Less" was jammed down our throats, and we haven't seen the big jump in average earnings and good job employment that was supposed to follow. Let's note allow our lawmakers to hurt us even more.

Dan Stuart South Lyon

# New legislative term begins with Action Plan

s the new legislative term gets underway in Lansing, I am honored to serve this area as your new state representative. This column will provide residents with updates on work being done in our state government.

For the next two years, I am serving on the following five committees: Families, Children and Seniors; Health Policy; Regulatory Reform; Workforce and Talent Development; and as majority vice chair of the Capitol Committee.

In January, an Action Plan was released for the House and it serves as the guide for the duration of this term. (The full House Action Plan can be found at www.migophouse.org.) One of the main goals described in the Action Plan is fostering job growth for Michiganders and that includes a focus on jobs in the skilled trades. For so long, it seemed the mantra was that skilled trades jobs were dirty, low-level dead ends: students needed careers and college after high school. However, a fouryear university is not for everyone and pushing that education path has left a large gap of more than 80,000 open skilled trades jobs in Michigan. That was reaffirmed when I toured a local manufacturing company. When we reached the empty welding area, I asked where the welders were. The response: "You tell us." The company cannot find workers because there are not people with the welding skills to fill the

As a member of the House Workforce and Talent Development



Committee, I am happy to have the opportunity to work with my colleagues to find solutions for this. Most recently, I was able to bring the vice chancellor external affairs of Oakland Community College to Lansing to explain how OCC is partnering with the county to increase skilled trades certification. As a cheerleader for our county, it was exhilarating to share the great things Oakland County is doing and I am looking forward to finding more ways to increase these partnerships at home and across the state.

I also have introduced my first piece of legislation this term to create continuing education requirements for veterinarians in Michigan. I was surprised to learn that Michigan is the only state that does not currently have this requirement. The legislation was introduced after speaking with local veterinarians and learning that this is something they want

something they want.

I couldn't do my job without the help of residents and welcome your thoughts and ideas. I will be hosting coffee hours 4-6 p.m. April 30 at the Salem-South Lyon Library. I invite all residents interested to come and share your feedback directly with me.

Rep. Kathy Crawford, R-Novi, is state representative for Michigan's 38th District. She can be reached by phone at 517-373-0827 or by email at KathyCrawford@house. mi.gov. Go to www.RepKathyCrawford.com for regular legislative updates.

### Tell your story through Short on Words

how the twists and turns in life will play out in our dayto-day existence.

Lisa Barry, the local anchor for NPR's All Things Considered on WEMU-FM (89.1), is one of the judges in this year's Short on Words competition. If she was going to enter instead of judge, she'd write about the photo Twister and she'd talk about those twists and turns in life.

There are a lot of people, I'm sure, who would agree with Lisa - life has a way of twisting and turning. Stop and think just about the past year in your life. How many things occurred that altered your life path? My co-worker added four grandchildren and one new son-in-law to her family. There were a lot of twists and turns in her world! I lost a lifelong friend who was much too young and a favorite uncle at 98 who I was nearly certain would make it to 100.

I love to write, I love to read and I love to look beyond the obvious and create my own story. Of course, I think it is more interesting than the real story - sometimes funnier, but always more incredible to my friends, family and colleagues. They accuse me of living in my own world. Personally, I think it's a much better world than the picture painted by the ever-growing number of doomsayers among us. Yes, in my world life is interesting – the glass is half-full and there's always a story to tell. I am inspired to tell my story, whether it's writing a letter to my grandchildren or journaling the events of a "girl's weekend."

I'm inviting those of you who see the world a little differently to join me and look beyond the obvious. Tell your story. There is still time for Denise
Jenkins

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aspiring authors to enter the fourth annual Short on Words competition, but the deadline is fast approaching. Entries must be postmarked by April 17.

Short on Words is the

literature arm of Northville's annual Arts and Acts festival (June 19-21). There are two age categories - 17 and under, 18 and older. Authors are required to write about one of the featured photos in this year's competition. There are some common photos and some unique photos for each age group. The criteria for both age groups calls for entries to be a poem or short story, 1,500 words or less. The photographs were



WILLIAM DEMRAY Twister is one of the photos writers can choose to tell their story in the Short on Words contest.

taken by Short on Word's sponsor, Dr. William

Demray of Preservation Dental.

All contributing authors are invited, with family and friends, to attend an author reception Friday, June 19, at Genitti's Hole-in-the-Wall. The winners will be announced and there will be a selection of readings from this year's competi-

First prize in both age categories is \$100, second prize \$50 and third prize \$25, plus honorable mentions and special awards. Several of the judges will be on hand to congratulate all of the authors.

Denise Jenkins is director of patient/public relations at Preservation Dental, the office of Dr. William Demray, sponsor of Short on Words. For more information and complete details, contact her at 248-348-1313 or denisej@ preservationdental.com or go to www.preservation dental.com.



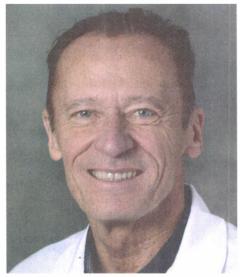
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### Community Choice Credit Union member center opens

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

Community Choice Credit Union opened its doors for business with a special ribbon-cutting ceremony last week to mark the new Northville Member Center as its ninth location in southeast Michigan.

Housed in the former Northville Township Finance Department building (41660 Six Mile, across from Winchester Road), the building has been completely renovated over the past year. Gary Klotz, chairman of the CCCU board of directors, said the new location is a point of pride for them and they're excited to be in Northville.

"We think this is the future," he said of the open design and welcoming atmosphere the company has worked to create with the renovations.

Northville Township and Chamber of Com-



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Gregg Zub mans a customer kiosk March 30 at Northville Township's new Community Choice Credit Union. The credit union's interior has an open design with little separating the customer and employee.

merce officials were also on hand to welcome the opening.

"We are delighted you have chosen our community," said Marjorie Banner, township treasurer.

Klotz, a 1969 Northville High graduate, said the building is an open design and takes financial intuitions into the 21st century. Around \$2 million has been put into buying and transforming the old building, which had fallen into disrepair since it closed.

There are no teller lines, but rather desks with personal advisers at them situated around the room with self-serve kiosks to also get things done. Customers can also use their mobile devices



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The new Community Choice Credit Union in Northville Township on Six Mile, near Winchester Road.

for banking.

Community Choice Credit Union said it's committed to providing an outstanding member experience. Instead of branches, its locations are called member centers, which captures the purpose of them as a place for members to get together with community choice personal advisers to build a relationship with their financial institution.

Employees won't be separated from their customers by plexiglass. Klotz said this model works hard at centering on the members.

"This is exciting," he said at the ribbon-cutting.

A grand opening cele-

bration for the general public will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, April 25, and will include food, entertainment, giveaways and prizes. To learn more, go to https://www.communitychoicecu.com.

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### Urge Raw Juice Bar features organic and tasty options

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

Paul Delmotte had an urge to get more fruits and vegetables into his diet. That desire has turned into a successful business called Urge Raw Juice and he has now opened a second location in downtown Northville.

It started at home for Delmotte. He wanted to supplement his diet and make it more nutrientrich. He eventually discovered the cold-press juicer.

"I wanted to be healthier and get everything I needed each day," he said. "I loved it right from the start."

His at-home hobby turned into something bigger as he got better at crafting different reci-



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Laura Rozmus, a manager of the recently opened Urge Raw Juice bar on Main Street in downtown Northville, hoists a couple of examples of its cold-pressed juice combinations March 27. The shop, located near the Marquis Theatre, had its grand opening that weekend.

pes. He set up a stand at the Royal Oak Farmers Market to see how it might go over.

People went crazy for

it, he said.

So he took the next step, left his career in pharmaceutical sales and opened his raw juice bar last summer in Berkley.
"Word got out quickly
how good this juice is," he
said.

He noted cold-pressed raw juice is as pure as it gets and best retains nutrients.

"It also tastes really good," he said of the end result of cold pressing.

Urge juice is raw, cold-pressed 100-percent

juice.
Delmotte said it's a handcrafted premium juice beverage that is delivered in 16-ounce glass bottles, raw and unpasteurized and made from 100-percent organic produce. With the cold-pressed method, Delmotte and his crew use a hydraulic press to extract every available

ounce of juice from the

and fruit.

"We never use a blender or centrifugal juicer, which can heat and oxidize the produce because of the spinning blades, resulting in nutrient and enzyme loss," he said. "Cold-pressed juice is proven to be up to 10 times more nutrientdense and all of the available nutrients, enzymes and vitamins stay alive as long as the shelf life of the juice, versus 15 to 30 minutes with juice made from a blender.'

Each Urge bottle has a 72-hour shelf life. Juices at Urge include recipes like Sweet Green (cucumber, kale, pear and apple) and Apple Tart (apple, lemon and ginger).

Delmotte is a resident of Walled Lake, but he has always had a love for downtown Northville. So when it came time to think about a second location, the perfect one popped up on Main Street.

"I love the downtown vibe here and this location is just perfect," he said of the new Northville juice bar at 137 E. Main. "We're excited to be here."

He said the response has been great so far and he hopes to attract more people to what he sees as great tasting way to get one's daily nutrients.

To learn more about Urge, go to http://www.urge juice.com.

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Lots of fun on the menu!

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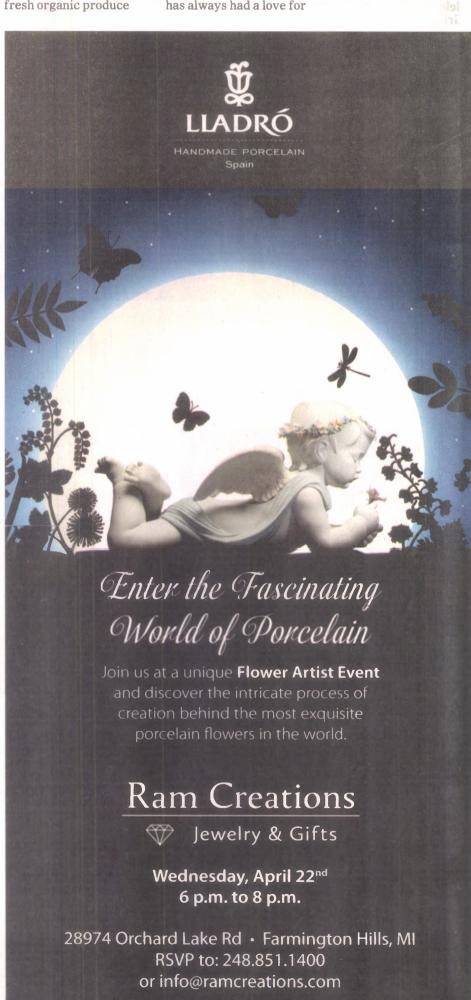
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### July 21: Should I Stay or Should I Go?

We'll help you identify the pros and cons of staying at home vs moving to a retirement community, plus tips for downsizing!

Group and personal tours will also be available.





### Downtown getting a new restaurant

**By Lonnie Huhman** Staff Writer

A new restaurant and bar is coming to downtown Northville and it's owned by someone who has succeeded with another downtown business venture.

The southeast corner of Main and Center has housed a variety of businesses, the most recent being Buckminister's Pub. Now it will be home to a new idea from Table 5 restaurant owner Mishelle Lussier.

She recently requested and was approved for a transfer into the city of Northville an ownership of a Class C and SDM Liquor License with Sunday Sales and Entertainment permit. The new restaurant is at 102 E. Main and is currently being renovated to accommodate the yet-to-be-named eat-

Renovations, both interior and exterior, were approved by the historic commission.

"I'm really looking forward to it," Lussier said March 30 at the Northville City Council

Lussier, who is also owner of BSIDE Ventures LLC, said the plan is a full-service restaurant and bar. The business will offer seating for 50 patrons, 10 of which will be at the bar. For entertainment, Lussier indicated that on occasion she will provide closed private parties for events such as weddings, where small bands or DJs will play music.

She has successfully operated Table 5 restaurant for more than six years. In its recommendation approval for the license, the Northville City Police Department conducted a background investigation and did not find any negative contacts or violations involving Lussier or Table 5.

It's anticipated the ratio of sales will be 75 percent food



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER The former site of Buckminister's Pub will soon become a new downtown restaurant from the same owners as Northville's Table 5.

and 25 percent alcohol

Planned hours will be 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday through Thursday and 11 a.m. to midnight Friday and Saturday; Sunday times have not yet

been determined. Lussier said she is a lifelong resident of Northville and takes great pride in the image of downtown. She believes this new venture will complement the rest of downtown.

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### Spring brings 'The Outgoing Tide' to Northville's Tipping Point

Gunner has retired from his trucking business and now lives in their summer home on the Chesapeake Bay with his wife of 50 years. He has come up with an unorthodox plan to secure his family's future. His plan is met with resistance from his wife Peg and son Jack, who have plans of their own. As winter approaches, the three must quickly find common ground and come to an understanding - before the tide goes out.

The Tipping Point Theater presents the Michigan premiere of Bruce Graham's The Outgoing Tide April 9 through

May 3.
"This is a type of play that isn't seen often at Tipping Point," director James R. Kuhl said. "I fell in love with the delicacy of the writing. Bruce Graham takes very difficult



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The curtain rises at 8 p.m.

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The cast includes Alex Ley-

This play echoes the respon-

Mason

Thursday through Saturday, with matinees at 3 p.m. Saturday and 2 p.m. Sunday. A special matinee performance has been added

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The theater is located at 361. E. Cady St. in Northville. Tickets are \$29 to \$32 for adults and \$27 to \$30 for students and senior citizens and are available by calling the box office at 248-347-0003.

This activity is supported in part by an award from the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs and the National Endowment for the Arts. For more information, call Lynn Wilde Concannon at 248-347-0003

### Know your rights when a collection agency calls

he other day when I listened to my messages, there was a call from a collection agency. The message said the normal stuff - that I was seriously delinquent and if I don't immediately contact them and submit a payment, my credit rating would be ruined.

Normally, if I get a call like that, I know it's bogus and I don't return it. However, I thought for research purposes I would call and try to find out the story.

I contacted the collection agency and was given the name of the company that supposedly I owed money to. I recognized the company as my old cable provider. I had not used that cable provider for a decade. In addition, I never in the last decade have received an invoice from the company. When I was a customer, I used the automatic billing program.

I knew that I did not owe the money. I told the rather forceful person on the phone that I doubted the legitimacy of the bill and that before I would proceed further, I would need a copy of the original bill. Not surprisingly, I have yet to receive a copy of the bill. I don't think I ever

There are legitimate collection agencies that attempt to collect debts on behalf of companies. Sometimes, however, these companies will buy old account receivables that companies have written off and attempt to collect.

Just because a collection agency contacts you doesn't mean it is legitimate. Even if the agency is legitimate, the debt may not be valid.

Remember, despite a company's threats and strongarm tactics, you do have rights. Don't let a collection agency intimidate you into



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paying a debt that is not val-

Collection agencies must comply with federal and state laws. These include things such as protection against harassing phone calls and phone calls that come all hours of the day.

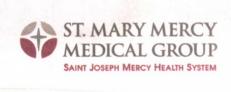
If you are being harassed by a collection agency, keep a diary of information. Keep track of the name of the person who called you, the time and the content of the conversation and if any threats were made.

If you decide to pursue an action against the debt collection agency through legal or administrative action, having the diary will be help-

One threat that collection agencies make is putting something on your credit report to ruin your credit scores. Remember, when someone puts something on your credit report, you have rights. I recommend that everyone review their credit reports at least once a year. Go to www.annualcreditreport.com for a free copy by each of the three major credit reporting agencies - without strings attached.

We should all pay our bills. However, don't let a debt collection agency coerce you into paying a bogus debt. Good luck.

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.



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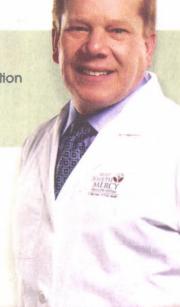
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**GIRLS TRACK PREVIEW** 



BRANDON LANGSTON

Northville junior Emma Herrmann turns the corner during a leg of the 3,200-meter relay in a March 31 dual

# Mustangs aim for more fame

### Novi must replace several key performers

By Brad Emons

The Northville girls track and field program nearly reached the pinnacle in 2014.

The Mustangs proved they could almost go the distance as they finished as MHSAA Division 1 state

runners-up only to Oak Park.
They appear poised to
make another strong run
despite some key graduation
losses which included distance star Rachel Coleman
(Michigan), who accounted
for more than one-third of
the team's 50 points in last
year's state meet in Rock-

ford.

"We are going to need some kids to step up and show they are ready for the spotlight," Northville coach Tim Dalton said. "For us, the first step of the process is our division and making sure are ready to compete in our dual meets, followed by the conference, regional and state finals."

The Mustangs, defending KLAA Central, Kensington Conference and Division 1 regional champions, are not showing any signs of slowing down as they opened their season March 31 with a 94-43 division dual meet victory

over Livonia Stevenson.

And once again, Dalton's squad will be anchored by a strong distance crew that finished third last fall in the Division 1 cross country state meet.

Among the talented returnees are sophomore Cayla Eckenroth, who placed eighth in the 3,200-meter run (10:44.6); junior Lexa Barrott, a state qualifier who posted a 4:57.1 in the 1,600 at the regional; and junior Emma Herrmann, another state qualifier who clocked 11:24.7 in the 3,200 at the regional.

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**BOYS TRACK PREVIEW** 

# Novi rebuilding, N'ville, CC rising

By Brad Emons Staff Writer

A lot of things went right in 2014 for the Novi boys track and field squad.

The Wildcats captured the KLAA's Central Division, Kensington Conference and Oakland County championships to go along with a runner-up finish at the regional.

Only time will tell if Novican duplicate last year's successful, but the Wildcats got off a successful start when they rallied to win their division dual meet opener March 31 at home against South Lyon, 71-66.

"It's going to be fun to see how we shake out this year," said coach Marsha Reid, now in her sixth season with the Wildcats. "We've got a lot of new kids on the team that have to fill some big roles left by Jordan Love and Ali Taha."

Love, who graduated, was Division 1 state runner-up in the 200-meter dash (21.68) and a state qualifier in the 100. He also teamed with Taha, Parker Sutton and Nicholas Oakley – all lost to graduation as well – for eighth in the 400 relay (1:29.26) and second in the 400 relay at the regional (43.3).

A freshman, Anthony D'Annibale, has caught Reid's eye in the early going

eye in the early going.

"As a freshman, he's run some pretty close times and I thought Jordan Love's times would be there for a long time, but he definitely has the strength if he works at it," the Novi coach said.

Another top returnee for the Wildcats is junior Joost

Plaetinck, who is coming off an all-state season in cross country and placed 16th a year ago in the 3,200 (9:46.34) at the Division 1 meet in Rockford.

#### Northville ready

The Mustangs, who galloped past Livonia Stevenson 77-60 in their dual meet opener March 31 at home, hope to improve upon last year's fifth-place finish in the Kensington Conference and eighth-place showing at the regional.

Coming off a fourth-place finish in last fall's MHSAA Division 1 cross country meet, Northville will rely on its distance runners to carry the load.

Individual state qualifiers returning include junior Conor Naughton, who was 14th in the 3,200 (9:44.23); senior Jason Ferrante, 16th in the 800 (1:54.23); and senior Sean McCullough, who went 9:33.4 in the 3,200 at the Milford regional.

"We've got a core group of guys who are hungry to leave their mark in this conference and in our program," North-ville coach Brandon Langston said. "I hope that attitude becomes infectious to our newcomers as we continue to build this program."

#### CC aims higher

Longtime Novi Detroit Catholic Central coach Tony Magni is entering his 49th season overall with the Shamrocks and will bank on senior high jumper Lance Yassay, who was a state qualifier

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JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Novi returns sophomore hurdler John Stefan for the 2015 boys track and field season.

PREP HOCKEY

### Catholic Central's Kaleniecki gets hockey job at alma mater

By Brad Emons Staff Writer

As a former player, Brandon Kaleniecki has now come full-circle after it was announced April 1 that he'll become the new varsity boys hockey coach at Novi Detroit Catholic Central.

The 2000 CC grad replaces Danny Veri, who as interim coach guided the Shamrocks to a 24-5-1 record and their 12th MHSAA state title in school history last month.

The 33-year-old Kaleniecki, who played four seasons at the



Kaleniecki

Michigan followed by a career in the minor leagues, spent the past three seasons as the head coach at Dearborn Divine

Child, where he compiled an overall record of 42-31-8.

Kaleniecki, who played on back-to-back state championship teams in 1999 and 2000 under Gordie St. John, was one of two finalists for the job interviewed by CC athletic director Aaron Babicz. "Never in a million years I thought I'd end up back here as the head coach," Kaleniecki said. "And just to be back is such an unbelievable feeling."

Kaleniecki, who grew up in Dearborn before moving to Livonia as a teenager, is confident he can adapt and instill his own philosophy to his alma mater.

"Obviously, what they have in place has been successful," Kaleniecki said. "They've won back-to-back state titles, so the first thing I have to figure out to do is think about is what they've been successful with.

The biggest thing with me personally is that we always want a team that is structurally sound as far as fundamental hockey and then, on the other hand, a blue collar-type of work ethic. And I know those are already in place from the previous coaches. I'm fortunate enough to know them and how they've coached them and all the things that they do well."

Kaleniecki becomes the school's fourth varsity coach in four years.

"I love his intensity, I love his attention to discipline," Babicz said. "He obviously loves Catholic Central, which is a big part of it. The best thing about it is that he is just ridiculously excited to have the opportunity. That, I think for me, is a big part of it because he gets what we're trying to do and he's lived the experience. That's a huge benefit for all of

us."
Prior to signing with Michigan, Kaleniecki spent two junior seasons in the North American Hockey League. In 2001-02, he scored 52 goals for the Cleveland Barons and was

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**GIRLS TENNIS PREVIEW** 

### Northville ascends to No. 1 state ranking

Novi returns nine letter winners from a year ago

> **By Brad Emons** Staff Writer

If the early season returns are any indication, the Northville girls tennis team has the look of a serious state championship contender.

The Mustangs, who finished third in last year's MHSAA Division 1 tournament, are already off to a 3-0 start following a 9-0 KLAA Central Division dual meet victory April 1 at home over South Lyon.

Northville opened its season in impressive fashion March 28 at Ramblewood Tennis & Health Club in Grand Rapids with pair of 9-0 wins over Grand Rapids Forest Hills Central, ranked No. 7 in Division 2, and Hudsonville, ranked No. 10 in Division

The Mustangs are currently ranked No. 1 in Division 1 by the Michigan High School Tennis Coaches Association, while defending state champion Grosse Pointe South is No. 2.

**Grosse Pointe South** captured last year's state title with 28 points, while Clarkston was runner-up with 22. Northville and



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF **PHOTOGRAPHER** 

**Emma Worley has moved** into the No. 1 singles spot for the top-ranked Northville

Bloomfield Hills tied for third with 19 each.

girls tennis squad.

"They have us pretty high up," Northville third-year coach Linda Jones said. "Whether we can pull it off or not ... I don't know. I would think Grosse Pointe South is going to be the team to beat. Bloomfield (Hills) had a number of gradua-

"Clarkston also had a number of graduations. They lost three of their really terrific singles players, but they have a number one singles player (Lexi Baylis) that is

going to be pretty hard to beat.

Northville, the KLAA 'A' Association and regional tourney champ, returns two key singles players in junior Emma Worley, who has moved up to the No. 1 flight after reaching the state quarterfinals at No. 2, and sophomore Joanne Gao, who remains at No. 3 after making the semifinals last June.

Meanwhile, two freshmen with USTA Midwest rankings, Shanoli Kumar and Neha Chava, have moved into the Nos. 2 and 4 singles spots, respec-

Junior Reeshma Kumar, who played No. 1 singles last year, joins senior returnee Anika Mukherji at No. 1 doubles. State semifinalists Claudia Ma and Paige Baal, both seniors, will team again at No. 2 dou-

Senior Jordan Hermiz, who teamed with the graduated Alex Jeannotte for a state title at No. 3 doubles last year, will have a new partner in senior Amelia Albanelli, who played No. 4 singles a year ago.

Jones also hopes to solidify the No. 4 doubles flight after state runnersup Libby Quinn and Chloe Page both graduat-

Northville will get a good test when it returns from spring break Saturday, April 18, when it travels for a quad match at Grosse Pointe South.

"I think our biggest challenge is going to be Grosse Pointe South," Jones said.

#### **Novi optimistic**

The Wildcats, who won their KLAA Central dual match opener 7-2 at home April 1 against Salem, hope to parlay a dream boys season – when they captured their first team state championship - with strong girls campaign.

Jim Hanson, in his 31st year with the girls as varsity coach, got his squad to last year's Division 1 state tourney after finishing in runner-up to Northville at the region-

Novi, which tied for 14th in the state finals, must replace its top two doubles teams from a year ago as Asawari Kanitkar and Amy Zhou went 13-10 at No. 1, while Rachel Bailey and Dina Fawaz went 17-9. Both of those tandems placed runner-up in the regional and KLAA 'A' Association tourneys.

Nine varsity letters return, led by Erin Day, a senior who is playing No. 1 singles for the third straight year after reaching the regional semifinals and earning first team All-Area honors.

She is joined by Allison Lollo, a junior who moves up to No. 2 singles after playing No. 4; Jessica Lypka, a sophomore who will slide down to No. 3 singles; and Carolyn Zhang, a junior who moves into the No. 4 singles spot after playing No. 4 doubles a year ago.

Senior Dhivya Sridar and junior Youna Lee will join forces at No. 1 dou-

DUAL MATCH RESULTS NORTHVILLE 9, SOUTH LYON 0

**April 1 at Northville** No. 1 singles: Emma Worley (N) def. Saah Uratchiko, 6-0, 6-0; No. 2: Shanoli Kumar (N) def. Sarah Plothetski, 6-0, 6-1; No. 3: Joanne Gao (N) def. Sabrina T 6-0, 6-0; No. 4: Neha Chava (N) def. Onnalee Lach, 6-0, 6-0. No. 1 doubles: Anika Mukherii-

Reeshma Kumar (N) def. Colleen Barba-Amanda Wandrie, 6-0, 6-0; **No. 2:** Claudia Ma-Paig Baal (N) def. Devyn Schafer-Meagan DeLuca, 6-0, 6-0; No. 3: Amelia Albanelli-Jordan Hermiz (N) def. Ashley Koltz-Delaney McRell, 6-0, 6-0; No. 4: Molly Bis-Serena Wang (N) def. Jade Wells-Bria Spalding, 6-0, 6-0; **No. 5:** Brittany Macaddino-Lauren Fane (N) def. Rachel Mills-Sarah Miller, 6-0, 6-1. Dual match records: Northville. 3-0

overall, 1-0 KLAA Central Division; South Lyon, 0-1 overall, 0-1 KLAA Central.

**NOVI 7. SALEM 2** April 1 at Novi M.S.

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No. 1 singles: Chelsea Yu (S) defeated
Erin Day, 7-5, 6-4; No. 2: Allison Lollo (N)
def. Bianca Ghita, 6-4, 6-3; No. 3: Jessica
Lypka (N) def. Madison Kulik, 6-3, 6-0; No.

4: Kylie Enright (S) def. Sasha Tretyakova,

No. 1 doubles: Dhivya Sridar-Youna Lee (N) def. Ashley Henderson-Grace Martin, 6-0, 6-1; No. 2: Shakila Khan-Sam Martin (N) def. Alyssa Bucciarell-Alayna Schwartz, 6-1, 6-1; No. 3: Teja Mogasala-Carolyn Zhang (N) def. Emilee The-Raegan Henderson, 6-2, 6-3; No. 4: Katie Telder-Katie Xla(N) def. Rachel Godfrey-Corina Ghita, 6-3, 6-3; No. 5: Morgan Krupic-Katie Valade (N) def. Trina Pal-Sarah Martin Katie Valade (N) def. Trina Pal-Sarah Martin,

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

#### THE WEEK AHEAD

PREP BASEBALL Thursday, April 9 Canton at Detroit CC (2), 11 Saturday, April 11
Novi at Coldwater Tourney, 9 a.m.
Brother Rice at Detroit CC (2), 11 a.m. Monday, April 13 Novi at Hartland, 4 p.m. Det. Western at Northville, 4:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 14
Stevenson at Detroit CC, 4 p.m.
Franklin Road at Parkway, 4:30 p.m.
Wednesday, April 15
Northville at Salem (2), 4 p.m.
S.L. East at Novi (2), 4 p.m.
St. Mary Prep at Detroit CC (2), 4 p.m.
Thursday, April 16
Parkway at Franklin Road, 4:30 p.m. Friday, April 17 Wayne at Northville, 4 p.m. Canton at Novi, 4 p.m. Saturday, April 18
Detroit CC at Divine Child (2), 2 p.m.
PREP SOFTBALL

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Tuesday, April 14
Dexter at Novi, 4 p.m.
Franklin Road at Greenhills, 4:30 p.m.
Wednesday, April 15
Northville at Salem (2), 4 p.m.
S. Lyon East at Novi (2), 4 p.m.
Thursday, April 16
Luth. W'sld at Franklin Rd., 4:30 p.m.
Friday, April 17
Wayne at Northville, 4 p.m.
Canton at Novi, 4 p.m.
Franklin Road at Huron Valley, 4:30 p.m. Franklin Road at Huron Vall y, 4:30 p.m. Saturday, April 18 N'ville, Novi at Mercy Inv., TBA. GIRLS SOCCER Tuesday, April 14
Northville at S. Lyon East, 7 p.m.
Stevenson at Novi (Meadows), 7 p.m.

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Thursday, April 16
Northville at Stevenson, 7 p.m.
Novi at South Lyon, 7 p.m.
Saturday, April 17
Adams at Novi (Meadows), 1 p.m.
BOYS & GIRLS TRACK
Monday, April 13
Brother Rice at Detroit CC, 4:15 p.m.
Tuesday, April 14
Northville at Salem, 4 p.m.
Novi at Stevenson, 4 p.m.
Friday, April 17
Novi (Boys) at Whitmore Lake, 3 p.m.
Saturday, April 18
Northville at Rockford Inv., 9 a.m.
CC at April Showers (Dexter), 9 a.m.
Novi at Milford Invitational, 10 a.m.
BOYS LACROSSE Friday, April 10
Detroit CC at Cranbrook, 6:15 p.m.
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Wednesday, April 15
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South Lyon at Novi, 7 p.m. Detroit CC at U-D Jesuit, 7 p.m. Friday, April 17 Howell at Novi, 7 p.m. Det. CC at St. Michael's (Ont.), TBA. Saturday, April 18 Clarkston at Northville, 2 p.m. Det. CC at St. Michael's (Ont.), TBA. GIRLS LACROSSE Monday, April 13
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Novi at Bloomfield Hills, 3 p.m.
Saturday, April 18
N'ville at G.P. South Quad, 8 a.m.
Novi at A.A. Pioneer Tourney, 8 a.m.
BOYS GOLF Monday, April 13
Detroit CC at U-D Jesuit Invat Detroit Golf Club, noon. at Detroit Golf Club, noon. **Tuesday, April 14** Detroit CC vs. Divine Child, Lutheran North at Cattails, 3:30 p.m. Thursday, April 16 Northville at N. Farmington Inv. at Farm. Hills G.C., 8:30 a.m.

Saturday, April 18
CC at Bedford Valley Open, 10 a.m.
TBA – time to be announced.

#### GIRLS TENNIS CAPSULE OUTLOOK

**NORTHVILLE** Head coach: Linda Jones, third season

League affiliation: KLAA Kensington Last year's overall dual record:

Last year's finish: KLAA Central

Division, Kensington Conference, KLAA 'A' Association and Division 1 regional Notable losses to graduation: Alex Jeannotte, Libby Quinn, Chloe Page.

Leading returnees: Emma Worley,

Jr. (No. 1 singles); Joanne Gao, Soph. (No. 3
singles); Anika Mukherji, Sr. (No. 1 doubles);
Reeshma Kumar, Jr. (No. 1 doubles); Claudia
Ma, Sr. (No. 2 doubles); Paige Baal, Sr. (No. 2
doubles); Amelia Albanelli, Sr. (No. 3
doubles); Arrigha Hernis; Sr. (No. 3 doubles); Jordan Hermiz, Sr. (No. 3

Promising newcomers: Shanoli Kumar, Fr. (No. 2 singles); Neha Chava, Fr. (No. 4 singles); Serena Wang, Fr. (No. 4 doubles); Lauren Fane, Soph. (No. 5

Jones' 2015 outlook: "2014 was a very fine year for girls tennis, finishing third in the state competitions. With five experienced seniors on doubles and two new Midwest-ranked singles players, we should be very competitive again this year. The girls are working hard and have good teamwork and spirit for playing the sport. They practice hard and have fun. We are all looking forward to the next two months."

NOVI Head coach: Jim Hansen, 31st season. League affiliation: KLAA Kensington

Last year's overall dual record: Last year's finish: second, KLAA

Central and Division 1 regional; tied for second, KLAA 'A' Association; tied for 14th, Notable losses to graduation:

**Leading returnees:** Erin Day, Sr. (No. 1 singles: Allison Lollo, Jr. (No. 2 singles); Jessica Lypka, Soph (No. 3 singles); Carolyn Jessica Lypka, Soph (No. 3 singles); Carolyr Zhang, Jr. (No. 4 singles); Dhivya Sridar, Sr. (No. 1 doubles); Youna Lee, Jr. (No. 1 doubles); Sam Martin, Sr. (No. 3 doubles); Shakila Khan, Sr. (No. 3 doubles); Promising newcomers: Katie Valade, Fr. (No. 2 doubles); Katie Telder, Jr. (No. 4 doubles); Katie Kie, Fr. (No. 4 doubles); Sacha Tenberger, Scale (No. 5

doubles); Sasha Tretyakova, Soph. (No. 5 doubles); Morgan Krupic, Jr. (No. 5 doubles); Alexis Malecki, Soph. (doubles). Hanson's 2015 outlook: "A key factor will be to get continued improvement from last year's nine returning players. The new players on varsity this year, four JV and two freshmen, will need to compete and contribute giving the Wildcats some competitive depth at

#### CITY OF NORTHVILLE - NORTHVILLE HOUSING COMMISSION REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL **ALLEN TERRACE**

The City of Northville, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan, requests sealed requests for of Northville Housing Terrace Apartment Building, located at 401 High Street. All interested bidders should see the application to submit a proposal. Proposal details may be received by contacting: Sherry Necelis, Housing Director, 401 High Street, Northville, MI 48167 (248) 349-8030.

WIFI REPLACEMENT PROJECT

An original proposal and two (2) copies must be submitted by Thursday, April 23, at 2:00 p.m. at which time they will be opened and read to: Dianne Massa, City Clerk, 215 West Main Street, Northville, Michigan 48167. Proposals must be sealed in an envelope marked "PROPOSAL-Allen Terrace - WIFI Replacement". Faxed and emailed proposals will not be considered. The City of Northville reserves the right to accept and/or reject any or all proposals and to waive any irregularities in the proposals that are in the best interest of the City of Northville.

Northville City Hall Chamber is handicap accessible. Arrangements to reasonably accommodate special needs including handicap accessibility or interpreter are requested to contact the housing director at the above number at least 72 hours prior to the start of the meeting.

SHERRY NECELIS, HOUSING DIRECTOR DIANNE MASSA, CITY CLERK

An electronic version of this Request for Bid can be obtained from the City's web site. http://www.ci.northville.mi.us/Services/PurchasingAndRFPs/ProposalsBids.htm.

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#### INVITATION TO BID **INTERIOR RENOVATIONS (Painting & Flooring)** At MORAINE, AMERMAN, COOKE, MEADS MILL SCHOOLS NORTHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS

The Board of Education of Northville Public Schools is accepting Prime Contractor firm bids for all labor, materials, equipment and all other services to the Painting and Flooring Work at the above referenced schools; located in the Northville Public Schools.

Plans and specifications as prepared by T2 Designs Inc. may be downloaded via PlanWell and are available for review at the office of the George W. Auch Company, 735 S. Paddock Street, Pontiac, MI 48341 248.334.2000, on or after April 7, 2015. Bid Package consists of Instruction to Bidders, Proposal Forms, General and Supplementary Conditions, drawings and pertinent trade specifications. Contact Scott Oswald or Shawn Debo for download instructions.

Your proposal will be accepted NO LATER THAN 3:00PM, APRIL 22, 2015 TO: NORTHVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION-ROOM 307, 501 WEST MAIN STREET, NORTHVILLE, MI 48167. Oral, telephone, fax or electronic mail bids are invalid and will

All bids will be publicly opened and read aloud at 3:00 P.M., April 22, 2015 at the Northville Board of Education-Room 104, 501 West Main Street, Northville, MI 48167.

A pre-bid walk through is scheduled for Thursday April 9, 2015 @ 1:00 pm beginning at Meads Mill Middle School, 16700 Franklin Road, Northville, MI. 48168 continuing on from there to the other schools. Please meet in the main school entrance. This meeting is not mandatory but highly recommended.

All contracts to be entered into by the Northville Public Schools must and will comply with the equal opportunity laws of the State of Michigan.

All bids must be submitted on the forms provided in the bid packet.

All bidders must provide familial disclosure in compliance with MCL 380.1267 and attach this information to the bid proposal. The bid proposal will be accompanied by a sworn and notarized statement disclosing any familial relationship that exists between the owner or any employee of the bidder and any member of the Northville Public Schools, Board of Education or the Northville Public Schools, Superintendent. The District will not accept a bid proposal that does not include this sworn and notarized disclosure statement.

Proposals must include a Treasury listed bid bond or certified check made payable to Northville Public Schools for not less than five percent (5%) of the contract for each proposal over \$23,126 and must be submitted on the bid proposal form furnished with the specifications. All proposals shall remain firm for a period of sixty (60) days.

The Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, either in whole or in part; to award contract to other than the low bidder; to waive any irregularities and/or informalities; and in general to make awards in any manner deemed to be in the best interests

James Mazurek, Secretary Northville Public Schools, Board of Education

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#### CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS 'NOTICE TO CUT NOXIOUS WEEDS

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Novi's No. 1 doubles team will be Dhivya Sridar (left) and

Youna Lee as they embark on the 2015 season.

PLEASE TAKE NOTE: On or before May 1, 2015, it shall be the duty of every owner, occupant or person having charge of any land within the Charter Township of Northville, Michigan to cut and destroy noxious weeds before they reach a seed bearing stage and to prevent such weeds from perpetuating themselves or becoming a detriment to public health, or shall cause

The above notice is issued pursuant to the Code of Ordinances for the Charter Township of Northville, Chapter 58.2 Article II, Property Maintenance Code.

Sue A. Hillebrand, Clerk

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Northville Public Schools **Request for Proposal April 8, 2015** 

The Northville Public Schools (also referred to as the District or NPS in these documents) will accept sealed bids for:

**Roofing Project 2015** 

Drawings will be available for this project on April 8, 2015. The drawings, specifications and bidding documents will be made available on line at: www.bid4michigan.com or www. northville.k12.mi.us. There will be a pre-bid meeting on April 15, at 8:00AM at Amerman Elementary School 847 N. Center Street Northville, MI 48167.

Sealed bids should be submitted to Mike Zopf, Assistant Superintendent Northville Public Schools, 501 W. Main Street, Northville Ml 48167. Bids are to be submitted no later than 2:00PM Wednesday, April 22, 2015. The District will not consider or accept a bid received after the date and time specified for bid submission. Bids will be publicly opened immediately following the close of receiving bids. No oral, email, telephonic or telegraphic proposals shall be considered.

The Board of Education reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids in whole or in part; or, for reasons of establishing uniformity, delivery time or preference, to award the contract to

The contents of RFP and Bidder's (also referred to as Contractor in these documents) Proposal will become contractual obligations, if a contract ensues. Failure of the Bidder to accept these obligations will result in cancellation of the award. Award of a contract by the District is subject to the Contractor executing a Contract, which shall incorporate the contents of this RFP and the Contractor's Proposal and final approval if the same by the District's legal counsel.

In compliance with MCL 380.1267, the bid shall be accompanied by a sworn and notarized statement disclosing any familial relationship that exists between the owner or any employee of the bidder and any member of the board, or the superintendent of the school district. Additionally, the bid shall be accompanied by a sworn and notarized affidavit that represents and warrants that the bidder, including its officers, directors and employees, is not an "Iran Linked Business" within the meaning of the applicable Michigan Public Act No. 517 of 2012, and that in the event bidder is awarded a contract as a result of the RFP, the bidder will not become an "Iran Linked Business" at any time during the course of performing under the contract. The Board shall not accept a bid that does not include these sworn and notarized

Certified check or Bid Bond must accompany each proposal by an approved surety company in an amount not less than 5% of the proposal amount. All bids shall be firm for at least sixty (60) days from the date of opening of bids. Length of time required for completion shall be specified in the bid. All bids submitted must meet or exceed all specifications herein.

Bids are to be submitted on the District's Bid Proposal Form, signed by the Bidder, in a sealed envelope and clearly marked. Two (2) copies of the Bid Proposal Form should be addressed to

Mike Zopf, Assistant Superintendent Northville Public Schools 501 W. Main Street Northville, MI 48167

### "Roofing Project 2015- BID"

One (1) copy of the bid form should be retained for your files. Any questions regarding bid requirements should be referred to Michelle Kerns (248) 921- 3929 if you have questions regarding the project specifications contact Jim Watson at TEC Associates at (248) 588-6200. Publish April 9, 2015

**GIRLS TRACK** 

### Field events lift Novi over South Lyon

### Northville runs past Livonia Stevenson

**By Brad Emons** Staff Writer

There were plenty of positives to come out of Novi's 87-49 KLAA Central Division girls track victory March 31 over visiting South Lyon.

The Wildcats, led by sophomore Emma Hammelhuff, were able to build a 31-13 lead in the field events and went on to post the season-opening

Hammelhuff swept the shot put (30 feet, 0.5 inches) and discus (70-9), while also taking a third in the pole vault (7-6).

Other individual winners for Novi included Hannah Hood-Blaxill, high jump (4-4); Kate Prisby, long jump (14-0.5); Deanna Martynenko, 100-meter hurdles (16.86); Karenna Roest, 300 hurdles (48.38); Hadley Peterson, 800 (2:48.03); Hannah Lonergan,

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RESULTS

BOYS DUAL RESULTS NOVI 71, SOUTH LYON 66

March 31 at Novi Shot put: 1. Morris (SL), 36 feet, 10 inches; 2. Dorian Haney (N), 35-10.5.

Discus: 1. Haney (N), 113-2.

High jump: 1. Travis (SL), 5-6; 3. Scott Sawyer (N), 5-3

N), 5-3. **Long jump**: 1. Reid (SL), 18-5; 2. Anthony 'Annibale (N), 17-11; 3. Aaron Pringle (N), 17-6.75. **Pole vault**: 1. Buckhalter (SL), 13-6; 2. Sawyer

110 hurdles: 1 Schopa (SL), 15.42; 2. John Stefan

300 hurdles: 1. Schopa (SL), 41.64; 3. Hunter Joy

(N), 100 dash: 1. Aahmaud Jenkins (N), 11.14; 2. Naoto

Hikawa (N), 11.53.

200: 1. D'Annibale (N), 23.33; 2. Hikawa (N), 24.11.

400: 1. Joshua Holcomb (N), 53.36.

800: 1. Allen (SL), 2:05.48; 2. Cameron Misko (N),

1,600: 1. Allen (SL), 4:52.9; 2. Sahisnu Malapati

3, 200: 1. Joost Plaetinck (N), 10:12.8; 2. John andy (N), 10:13.3; 3. Aric Landy (N), 10:14.4. 400 relay: 1. Novi (Hikawa, Earl Hammond,

400 relay: 1. Novi (Hikawa, Earl Hammond, Jenkins, D'Annibale), 46.51; 2. South Lyon, 47.13; 800 relay: 1. South Lyon, 1:38.11; 2. Novi, disqualified; 1,600: 1. Novi (Holcomb, Steve MacPherson, Collin Thomas, Nate Hall), 3:31.53; 2. South Lyon, 3:37.79; 3,200 relay: 1. Novi (Plaetinck, Hall, MacPherson, Thomas), 8:55.4; 2. South Lyon, 9:30.73.

Dual meet records: Novi, 1-0 overall, 1-0 KLAA Central Division; South Lyon, 0-1 overall, 0-1 KLAA Central

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**LIVONIA STEVENSON 60** 

Discus: 1. Hitchcock (LS), 132-11; 3. Dedona (N),

08-0. High jump: 1. John Hamilton (N), 6-4; 2. Caleb heehan (N), 5-8; 3. Andrew Hopkins (N), 5-8. Long jump: 1. A.J. Abbott (N), 19-9.5. Pole vault: 1. Clay Alexander (N), 9-6; 3. Marius

110-meter hurdles: 1, Sudek (LS), 18.04; 2

ustin Days (N), 18.12. **300 hurdies:** 1. Sudek (LS), 44.42; 2. Days (N)

**200:** 1. Muffler (LS), 23.7. **400:** 1. Alec Pryzbocki (N), 53.38; 3. Sean Flanagan

800: 1. Jacob Kamm (N), 2:04.0; 3. Jeff Baxter (N) 1,600: 1. Jason Ferrante (N), 4:42.0; 2. Ben Cracraft 4:46.0: 3. Evan Ferrante (N), 4:50.0 3,200: 1. Conor Naughton (N), 10:08.0; 2. Cracraft

400 relay: 1. Stevenson, 46.17; 800 relay:

400 relay: 1. Stevenson, 40-1/; 800 relay: 1. Northville (Adam Ghabra, Matt Jankowski, Antonio Washington, A.J. Abbott, 1:36.71; 1,600 relay: 1. Northville (Pryzbocki, Freiburger, Kamm, J. Ferrante), 3:39.0; 3,200 relay: 1. Northville (I., Ferrante, Kenny Goolsby, Sean McCullough, Naughton), 8:50.0. Dual meet records: Northville, 1-0 overall, 1-0 KLAA Central Division; Stevenson, 0-1 overall, 0-1 KLAA Central.

**GIRLS DUAL RESULTS** 

NORTHVILLE 94 LIVONIA STEVENSON 43

March 31 at Northville Shot put: 1. Fagan (LS), 30 feet, 0.75 inches; 3 Barbara Davis (N), 26-9.

High jump: 1. Jessica Hogan (N), 4-10; 3. Lauren

Lambert (N), 4-8.
Long jump: 1. Gracie Goble (N), 17-2.5; 3. Emily Anderson (N), 14-10.
Pole vault: 1. Sommer (LS), 9-0.
100-meter hurdles: 1. Lauren Rodriguez (N), 15.6; 2. Abby Gardiner (N), 19.75.
300 hurdles: 1. Rodriguez (N), 51.21; 2. Gaines (N), 56.24; 3. Gardiner (N), 57.83.
100 dash: 1. Goble (N), 12.92; 3. Anderson (N), 14.37

200: 1. Chloe Abbott (N), 25.88; 2. Goble (N),

atherine McLaughlin (N), 1:03.0. **800**: 1. Emma Smith (N), 2:33.0; 2. Taylor Gattoni N), 2:370; 3. Rachel Zimmer (N), 2:39.0. **1,600**: 1. Lexa Barrott (N), 5:22.0; 2. Ana Barrott

N), 5:32.0; 3. R. Zimmer (N), 5:41.0. **3,200:** 1. Cayla Eckenroth (N), 11:28.0; 2. L. Barrott

(N), 11.250, 3. climia hermanii (N), 11.250, 3. climia hermanii (N), 11.250, 2. climia hermani

Dual meet records: Northville, 1-0 overall, 1-0

**NOVI 87, SOUTH LYON 49** 

March 31 at Novi Shot put: 1. Emma Hammelhuff (N), 30 feet, 0.5 inches; 2. Marissa Dunn (N), 29-0; 3. Alex Felice (N),

Discus: 1. Hammelhuff (N), 70-9; 2. Felice (N),

High jump: 1. Hannah Hood-Blaxill (N), 4-4; 2.

Long jump: 1. Prisby (N), 14-0.5.
Pole vault: 1. Bauer (SL), 11-2 (school record); 3
Hammelhuff (N), 7-6.

100-meter hurdles: 1. Deanna Martyenko (N), 16.86; 2. Brittany Moeller (N), 18.46; 3. Alexandra Hinojosa (N), 18.2.

**300 hurdles:** 1. Karenna Roest (N), 48.38; 2. ood-Blaxill (N), 52.54. 100 dash: 1. Romanik (SL), 13.09; 3. Chelsea

200: 1. Swaloski (SL), 27.31; 3. Logan Flynn (N),

400: 1. Souski (SL), 1:02.1; 3. Lauren Wheat (N), 800: 1. Hadley Peterson (N), 2:48.03; 2. Justine

Rose (N), 3:01.91.

1,600: 1. Hannah Lonergan (N), 5:27.12; 2.
Addison Lentz (N), 13:13.0; 3. Shailey Fozdar (N),

3,200: 1. Jessica Lypka (N), 12:01.88; 2. Lentz (N),

13:13.61.
400 relay: 1. South Lyon, 53.21; 2. Novi, 54.0; 800 relay: 1. South Lyon, 1:55.2; 2. Novi 1:58.45; 1,600 relay: 1. Novi (Lonergan, Flynn, Hood-Blaxill, Lauren Miesowicz), 4:36.52; 2. South Lyon, 9:30.73; 3,200

relay: 1. Novi (Lypka, Fozdar, Lentz, Lonergan), 11:04.49; 2. South Lyon, 11:42.68. Dual meet records: Novi, 1-0 overall, 1-0 KLAA

Central Division; South Lyon, 0-1 overall, 0-1 KLAA

KLAA Central Division; Stevenson, 0-1 overall, 0-1

KLAA Central

400: 1. Lindsay Walters (N), 1:02.0: 2. Mary

(N), 11:28.0; 3. Emma Herrmann (N), 11:53.0

Discus: 1. Stahrr (LS), 78-11

100 dash: 1. Sharp (LS), 11.77.

54.2: 3. Christian Freiburger (N), 54.6

March 31 at Northville Shot put: 1. Hitchcock (LS), 47 feet; 2. Max

1,600 (5:27.2); and Jessica Lypka, 3,200 (13:01.88).

Novi also captured the 3,200 relay as Lypka, Shailey Fozdar, Addison Lentz and Lonergan were clocked in 11:04.49. The Wildcats capped the meet with a victory in the 1,600 relay as Lonergan, Logan Flynn, Hood-Blaxill and Lauren Miesowicz posted a time of 4:36.52.

#### **Northville romps**

Gracie Goble and Lauren Rodriguez each captured two events March 31 as the Mustangs rolled to a 94-43 KLAA Central Division triumph over visiting Livonia Stevenson.

"It was our first dual meet of the season, so were were able to race our full squad and further evaluate our studentathletes during competition," Northville coach Tim Dalton said. "With that said, we must



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER **Novi sophomore Emma** Hammelhuff won the shot put and discus, while also taking a third in the pole vault, in an 87-49 dual win over South Lyon.

get better as a team. As a coaching staff, we are really looking for some kids to step up, both returning athletes

and those that are new to the program."

Goble captured the long jump (17-2.5) and 100-meter dash (12.2), while Rodriguez added firsts in the 100 hurdles (15.6) and 300 hurdles (51.21).

Other Northville firsts came from Chloe Abbott, 200meter dash (25.88); Lindsay Walters, 400 (1:02.0); Emma Smith, 800 (2:33.0); Lexa Barrott. 1,600 (5:22.0); and Cayla Eckenroth, 3,200 (11:28.0).

Northville also took three of four relays including the 800 (1:46.02), 1,600 (4:25.0) and 3,200 (10:23.0).

"We put some freshmen in varsity events and I'm very happy with how they responded," Dalton said. "We have work to do as a team, but it's early. We talk often about believing in the process. Taking care of our division is the first step in the process. As we head into spring break, our message to our kids has been to stay focused.'

### **GIRLS**

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The Mustangs will also be strong in the sprints, led by junior sprinter Chloe Abbott, a regional champion who placed sixth in the 100 dash at the state meet (12.39).

Also returning is senior Gracie Goble, who was part of the third-place state meet 800 relay team (1:41.38) and has already posted an impressive leap of 17 feet, 2.5 inches in the long jump, along with junior Lindsay Walters, who was regional champion and a state qualifier in the 400 (58.68).

#### **Novi reloading**

Last season, the Wildcats were runners-up to Northville in the KLAA Central Division, Kensington Conference and Division 1 regional meets.

Novi coach Marsha Reid, entering her 15th season, lost two key field athletes in state qualifiers Kerri McMahan, who was Division 1 runner-up in the high jump, and Taylor Pavlika, who was regional champion in the shot put and discus and fourth-place state meet finisher in the discus.

Hurdler Abby Downs, another state qualifier, and sprinter Jenny Chang will also be missed

Senior sprinter Eryka Ely is the lone returnee off Novi's state qualifying 400 relay team, while senior Hannah Lonergan will lead the way in the distance events after going 2:21.7 in the 800 en route to a fourth-place finish at the regional.

"We've got four new coaches this year and we're young,' said Reid, whose team opened with an 87-49 KLAA Central Division dual meet win March 31 over host South Lyon. "We'll have a little bit different coaching. We're filling some gaps in the throws side. Marissa Dunn and Emma Hammelhuff will fill in on the throws and in the pole vault. High jump is up for grabs. You're filling the gap for Kerri McMahan, who was pretty much a point-getter in anything she did. So it will be fun to see how we shake out.'

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JOHN HEIDER I STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Novi senior distance runner Hannah Lonergan is coming off an all-state

**BOYS TRACK** 

### Northville, Novi rule opening dual meets

**By Brad Emons** Staff Writer

John Hamilton led a sweep in the high jump with a personal best 6 feet, 4 inches as Northville opened its dual meet boys track season March 31 with a 77-60 KLAA Central Division win over visiting Livonia Stevenson.

"It's always great to start the season with a win, but as a coach I find it more fulfilling to start the season without any glaring mistakes or disasters," Northville coach Brandon Langston said. "We've got over 140 boys on the team and for many of them this was their first track meet."

Other first-place finishers for Northville included A.J. Abbott, long jump (19-9.5); Clay Alexander, pole vault (9-6); Alec Pryzbocki, 400meter run (53.38); Jacob Kamm, 800 (2:04.0); and Conor Naughton, 3,200 (10:08.0).

Northville's 3,200 relay team of Ferrante, Kenny Goolsby, Sean McCullough and Naughton kept their three-year dual meet unbeaten streak intact with a firstplace time of 8:50.0.

"I was very pleased with my returning veterans, but even more proud of how all



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Northville's Justin Days placed second in the 300 hurdles as the Mustangs defeated Stevenson in their season opener, 77-60.

the newcomers came out and competed," Langston said. "It's fantastic to get the first meet over with. It gives a lot of kids that sniff of excitement, which makes all the nasty off-season condition and cold practices worth it all of a sudden. It's also a great measuring stick for ourselves. We've got improvements to be made that are coachable and the guys understand that each day they have to strive to get better than the day before."

### Novi wins thriller

Going into the final three races in the March 31 dual meet boys track opener, Novi was staring at a 59-48 deficit against visiting South Lyon. The Wildcats then picked

up an 8-1 advantage in the 200-meter dash and Joost Plaetinck led a one-two-three sweep in the 3,200 run to make it a 17-1 surge.

Then it was all up to the 1,600-meter relay team of Joshua Holcomb, Steve Mac-Pherson, Collin Thomas and Nate Hall and they came through for the victory in 3:31.53 to beat the Lions' time of 3:37.79 and earn a 71-66

"We had some great performances for the first dual meet," Novi coach Marsha Reid said. "The boys came down to the 1,600 relay, so it was a fun meet.'

Other first-place finishers for the Wildcats included Dorian Haney, discus (113-0.5); Aahmaud Jenkins, 100 dash (11.14); Anthony D'Annibale, 200 (23.33); Joshua Holcomb, 400 (53.26); and Plaetinck, 3,200 (10:12.8).

Novi also captured the 400 relay as Naoto Hikawa, Earl Hammond, Jenkins and D'Annibale were clocked in 46.51, while the foursome of Plaetinck, Hall, MacPherson and Thomas captured the 3,200 relay in 8:55.4.

Kyle Schopa stood out for the Lions with firsts in the 110 and 300 hurdles in 15.42 and 41.64, respectively

### PREP TRACK CAPSULE OUTLOOK

### **BOYS PREVIEWS**

NORTHVILLE

Head coach: Brandon Langston, third season.
League affiliation: KLAA Kensington Confer-Last year's finish: fourth, KLAA Central (2-3); fifth, Kensington Conference: eighth. Division 1

fifth, Kensington Conference; eighth, Division 1 regional; 37th, Division 1 finals.

Notable loss to graduation: Dan Sims (fifth, 3,200 relay; seventh, 1,600).

3,200 relay; seventh, 1,600). Leading returnees: Jason Ferrante, Sr., distance (fifth, 3,200 relay; state qualifier, 800); Conor Naughton, Sr. distance (fifth, 3,200 relay; state qualifier, 3,200): Sean McCullough, Sr. distance (state qualifier, 3,200); Anthony Sourges, Sr., 400; Adam Ghabra, Jr. sprints; Clay Alexander, Soph., pole vault; Max DeDona, Jr., throws; Nick Baldini, Sr., throws; Matt Jankowski, Sr., sprints; Alec Pryzbocki, Sr., 400; John Hamilton, Jr., jumps; Alex Hopkins, Sr., high jump; Joni Shaska, Sr., Alex Hopkins, Sr., high jump; Joni Shaska, Sr., hurdles; Justin Days, Sr., hurdles. **Promising newcomers:** A.J. Abbott, Fr., long

jump-sprints; Antonio Washington, Fr., sprints; Marius Schulz, Sr., pole vault (German exchange student); Evan Ferrante, Soph., distance; Kenny Goolsby, Jr., middle distance. Langston's 2015 outlook: "This season

should be an enthralling one. We have lots of contributors back from last year. However, we're looking for some new and old faces to step up rooking for some new and ool faces to step up even bigger this year if we're going to improve. It's peaceful for a coach to know what kind of expectations to have for certain athletes, but it's more exciting to see the potential for growth in others and develop them. At the end of the season, I want to reflect that we had some great performances by some good runners but, more importantly, we had some good runners who great importantly, we had some good runners who grew into great kids."

NOVI Head coach: Marsha Reid, sixth season. League affiliation: KLAA Kensington Conference (Central Division). Last year's finish: first, KLAA Central Division

(5-0), Oakland County meet, Kensington Conference; second, Division 1 regional.

Notable losses to graduation: Jordan Love Notable losses to graduation: Jordan Love (state runner-up, 200; eighth, 800 relay; state qualifier, 400 relay); Brian Barnes, eighth, 1,600); Parker Sutton (eighth, 800 relay; state qualifier, 300 hurdles); Ali Taha (eighth, 800 relay; state qualifier, 200, long jump); Nicholas Oakley (eighth, 800 relay; state qualifier, 400 relay). Leading returnees: Joost Plaetinck, Jr., distance (state qualifier, 1,600); Kevin Li, Sr., sprints (state qualifier, 400 relay); John Stefan, Soph., hurdles; Hunter Joy, Soph., hurdles; Dorian Haney, Sr., throws; Joshua Holcomb, Soph., middle distance; Aahmaud Jenkins, Soph., sprints; John

distance; Aahmaud Jenkins, Soph., sprints; John Landy, Soph., distance; Aric Landy, Soph., distance Sahisnu Malapati, Sr., distance; Aaron Pringle, Sr.,

Promising newcomer: Anthony D'Annibale, Reid's 2015: "It's going to be fun to see how we shake out this year. We got a lot of new kids on the team that have to fill big roles left by Jordan Love and Ali Taha. We have four new coaches this year and we're young. We'll work to fill the gaps on the throws side. No pun intended

at Novi, but we're definitely a green team." CATHOLIC CENTRAL Head coach: Tony Magni, 41st season. League affiliation: Catholic League (Central

Last year's finish: fourth, Catholic League A-B Division (1-4); 11th, Division 1 regional; tie for 56th, Division 1 finals. Notable losses to graduation: Shane

Campau (state qualifier, shot put-discus), J.P. Leading returnees: Lance Yassay, Sr., high Jump (state qualifier); Connor Canavan, Sr., sprints;



Yassay

Chris Bradbury, Soph., throws; Scott Smith, Jr., distance; Avery Felty, Jr., distance; Donovan D'Amore, Sr., hurdles; Ike Marchie, Sr., sprints. Marchie, 5r., sprints.

Promising newcomers: Tre Vaughn
Jenerette, Fr., sprints; Kyle
Lockhart, Fr., sprints;
Andrew Paxton, Fr.,
throws; Nick Carey, Fr.,

Magni's 2015 outlook: "We're building on a young team, Catholic Central will look to bounce back from a 1-4 record in the Catholic League's A-B Division. Last year's River Rat Invitational team champions finished fourth in the Catholic League and 11th in the Milford regional, qualifying two individuals for the state championships — Shane Campau in both throws and Lance Yassay in the high jump. With few losses to graduation, CC returns a considerable number of athletes from last year's varsity roster."

FRANKLIN ROAD **Head coach:** Andrew Schmid, first season. **League affiliation:** Michigan Independent

Last year's finish: 10th, Division 4 regional; Notable losses to graduation: T.J. Nelson

Leading returnees: Joey Robison, Jr., throws; Erick Westphal, Jr., sprints-relays; Nate Austin, Soph., distance-relays. Promising newcomers: Joe Brown, Sr.

sprints-relays; Harrison Kjos, eighth-grader, middle distance- relays. Schmid's 2015 outlook: "The team this year looks to improve on last year's performance. Joey Robison, our best thrower, is already throwing solidly in the shot and discus. Sprinter Erick Westphal, last year's most improved runner and distance runner, is starting off this season faster than last year. We should have stronger relay teams with the addition of sprinter and athlete Joe Brown and Harrison Kjos in the middle distance

#### **GIRLS PREVIEWS** Head coach: Tim Dalton, third season

League affiliation: KLAA Kensington Conference (Central Division). Last year's finish: first, KLAA Central (5-0), Kensington Conference, Division 1 regional; second, Division 1 finals

Motable losses to graduation: Rachel Coleman (first, 1,600, second, 3,200; 3,200 relay); Morgan Roberston (third, 800 relay; seventh, 100 hurdles); Alison Robinson (second, 3,200 relay; third, 800 relay; fifth, 800); Taleen Sharigian (state qualifier, 3,200); Erin Zimmer, second, 3,200 relay; state qualifier, 800); Nicole Mosteller (state qualifier, 800); Audrey Baetz, Molly DeDona, Kara Ernst, Aya Pickett, Serena Chouman, Chloe Smither. Ernst, Aya Pickett, Serena Chouman, Chioe Smitner Leading Tevurnees: Chioe Abbott, Jr., sprints (third, 800 relay; sixth, 100; state qualifier, 200; Lexa Barrott, Jr. captain, distance (second, 3,200 relay; state qualifier, 1,600); Cayla Eckenroth, Soph. distance (eighth, 1,600); Gracie Goble, Sr. captain, sprints (third, 800 relay); Lindsay Walters, Jr., sprints (state qualifier, 400); Ernma Herrmann, Jr. captain, distance (state qualifier, 3,200); Emily Anderson, Soph, scripts, Taylor (activo); Soph captain, distance (state qualmer, 3,200); Emily Anderson, Soph., sprints; Taylor Gattoni, Soph., distance; Hailey Harris, Jr., distance; Lauren Lambert, Soph., sprints; Mary Catherine McLaughlin, Jr., sprints-field events; Aimee Montambeau, Sr., sprints; Lauren Rodriguez, Sr., sprints-hurdles; Emma Smith, Soph., distance. Promising newcomers: Ana Barrott, Fr., distance: Menan Ciric Fr. sprints: Flice Daniel Fr.

distance; Megan Ciric, Fr., sprints; Elise Daniel, Fr., sprints-field events; Barbara Davis, Fr., field events, Abby Gardiner, Fr., sprints-middle distance; Jessica Hogan, Fr., field events; Morgan Kloosterman, Fr.,

sprints; Erin McCallum, Fr., field events; Brooke Dalton's 2015 outlook: "We had a tremen-

dously successful season last year. We have won three straight regional titles and finished as state runners-up. With that being said, the biggest thing for us as a program in 2015 is understanding that we cannot become complacent. We must get better each and every day. The seniors we lost to graduation were a very talented group. We have a team of 90 girls this season, which is the biggest team Northville has had in years and overall we have over 250 kids in our track program, boys and girls combined. It's great that we're building excitement about the sport of track and field in

NOVI Head coach: Marsha Reid, 15th season. League affiliation: KLAA Kensington Confer-ence (Central Division).

Division 1 regional, Kensington Conference; 14th, Division 1 finals. Notable losses to graduation: Kerri McMahan (second, high jump; state qualifier, 400 relay); Taylor Pavlika (fourth, discus; state qualifier, shot put); Abby Downs (state qualifier, 400 relay); Jenny Chang (state qualifier, 400 relay); Kristen

Leading returnees: Eryka Ely, Sr., sprints-high jump (state qualifier, 400 relay); Hannah Lonergan, Sr., middle distance-distance; Deanna Martynenko, Jr., hurdles; Marissa Dunn, Jr., throws; Emma Hammelhuff, Soph., throws-pole vault; Hadley Peterson, Soph., distance; Kate Prisby, Soph., jumps; Jessica Lypka, Soph., distance; Addison Lentz, Soph., distance; Alex Felice, Sr., throws; Lauren Wheat, Soph., middle distance; Cheisea Collier, Soph., sprints; Brittany Moeller, Soph., hurdles; Alexandra Hinojosa, Soph., hurdles; Logan

Promising newcomers: Karenna Roest, Fr. hurdles; Hannah Hood-Blaxill, Fr., jumps-hurdles; Shailey Fozdar, Fr., distance.

Reid's 2015 owtlook: "I think the biggest thing I'm looking for is seeing where we stand this year. We graduated a huge core of the women's program. We are excited to see who steps up and into the leadership roles and how our athletes respond. We're trying to fill the gap left by Kerri McMahan, who was a point-getter in just about everything she did."

FRANKLIN ROAD Head coach: Andrew Schmid, first season League affiliation: Michigan Independent Last year's finish: sixth, Division 1 regional; . MIAC: 16th, Division 4 state finals Notable losses to graduation: Kristin Massey (third, 200; fourth, 100); Mariah Cardenas-

Leading returnees: none.

Promising newcomers: Grace Alex, Soph., middle distance-hurdles; Gabrielle Lochrie, Soph., middle distance-hurdles: Amanda Hall, Soph. sprints-relays; Allie Lee, Soph., sprints-relays; Audrey Hicks, Soph., middle distance-hurdles; Mykah White, Fr., sprints; Analiese Schneemann, eighth-grader, middle distance; Shelby Buis, eighth-grader, distance-relays.

Schmid's 2015 outlook: "The girls team will

miss our strong performers from last year (in-cluding all-stater Kristen Massey), but the team this year's has added a lot of depth and new talent. Alex, Hicks, Lochrie, Buis and Schneemann are all solid runners, have lots of heart and are competing in track for the first time. They will be able help in the middle to long distance races, long hurdles and relays, Lee, Hall and White will be concentrating on the sprint. 100 hurdles and sprint concentrating on the sprints, 100 hurdles and sprint relays. As the season progresses, I expect our young team to have solid relay teams and we will see individuals achieve success in many areas.

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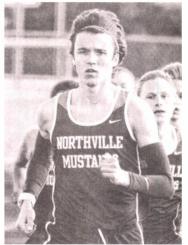
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after taking second in the regional (6-3). Catholic Central, which had

its dual meet opener March 31 postponed against Warren DeLaSalle, finished 11th at last vear's Division 1 regional and fourth in the Catholic League A-B Division meet.

CC returns sophomore Chris Bradbury in the throws as he hopes to replace the graduated Shane Campau, who placed eighth in the shot put (53 feet, 4.5 inches) and was a state qualifier in the discus (155-10).

Among the other returnees are senior sprinters Connor Canavan and Ike Marchie. junior distance runners Scott Smith and Avery Felty and senior hurdler Donovan D'A-



**BRANDON LANGSTON** 

Jason Ferrante (front) and teammate Sean McCullough are part of a strong Northville distance **GIRLS SOCCER ROUNDUP** 

### Riley goal gives Novi 1-0 win; Northville rolls by South Lyon

Playing its third match in four days, the Novi girls soccer team got its only goal from junior Megan Riley just 3:40 into the match and opened KLAA Central Division play March 31 with a 1-0 victory over host Salem at Centennial Educational Park.

Senior Amanda Minissale played a free kick from about 30 yards away into the penalty area, where Riley volleyed it past the Salem goalkeeper.

"Overall it was a great team effort," said Novi interim coach Todd Pheiffer, whose team is 2-0-1 overall and 1-0 in the KLAA Central. "Salem is a very good young team that made us really work for the win. In these first three games, we have really focused on team defense and Tuesday night our team really worked hard to

limit Salem's scoring opportunities.

Pheiffer singled out the play of seniors Allie McDowell, Meaghan Wheat and Minissale, along with Riley, sophomore Jacalyn Schubring and two freshmen, Riely Schultz and Mikavla Lynch.

"They did a really great job of working together to slow down the Salem attack and keep our defense organized," Pheiffer said. "We feel that we will get our scoring opportunities over a course of a game, so for us it's all about how well we can defend and we defended really well."

Junior goalkeeper Aastha Dharia (four saves) picked up her third shutout for the Wildcats, who don't return to KLAA Central action until 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 14, when they host

Livonia Stevenson.

The loss dropped Salem to 0-1 overall and in the division.
NORTHVILLE 8, SOUTH LYON 0: Megan Krygier scored a pair of goals and Kelly McHugh collected four assists April 1 as the Mustangs (4-1, 1-0) made quick work of the Lions (0-3-1, 0-1) in the KLAA

made quick work of the Lions (0-3-1, 0-1) in the KLAA Central Division opener. Kelsey Estes' goal in the 63rd minute off an assist from Sydney Schmebri ended the match on the eight-goal mercy rule. Northville jumped out to a 3-0 first-half advantage on goals by Alana Dorfstatter, 30th minute (from McHugh); Alissa Moore, 30th minute (unassisted); and Maddy Westenberg, 33rd minute (from Sarah Park). The offensive onslaught continued in the second half on goals by Jenna Marotta, 51st minute (from McHugh); Krygier in the 58th and 61st minutes (both from McHugh); and Estes, 63rd minutes (from Schembri).

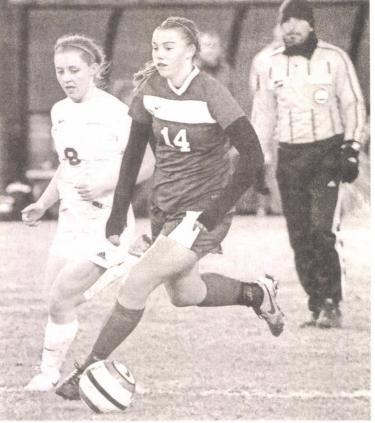
McHugh): and Estes. 63rd minute (from Schembri). "It was great to see this team generate some offense," Northville coach Eric Brucker said. "I think we ended up with 26 shots and 18 of them were on

net. They have been putting a lot of hard work at practice on finishing and it started to pay off.
"Kelly McHugh was everywhere tonight; she really played great. Sydney Schembri continues to put pressure on opposing defenses."

Senior goalies Emily Maresh and Olivia Ulman split time as they each registered a save in Northville's

fourth straight shutout.

"I stressed the importance of starting our division schedule strong and I think we were able to accomplish that tonight," Brucker said.



JOHN KEMSKI | EXPRESS PHOTO

Novi's Megan Riley (right) scored the game-winner early in the first half during a win over Salem.

PREP BASEBALL ROUNDUP

### Tobias sets table in 4-1 Novi win

**By Brad Emons** Staff Writer

Novi got a workman-like performance April 1 from senior right-hander Adam Tobias as the Wildcats notched their first baseball victory in three starts, 4-1, against Westland John Glenn.

Tobias went all seven innings, allowing just three hits. to pick up the victory. He struck out eight, walked four and hit two batters as the Wildcats improved to 1-2 overall and 1-0 in the KLAA's Central Division.

"He only threw 12 of 29 first strikes, which could be better, but he seemed to come back when he fell behind in the count," Novi coach Rick Green said of his ace.

Offensively, Novi tallied two runs in the first and added two more in the sixth as Brendan Wexler led the way with three hits.

Jason Pastore also went 2-for-3 with an RBI, while Tobias (double), Joey Carn and Alec Bageris also



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER The Mustangs' Diaz Saunderson takes a pitch in the leg during a 10-0 victory over Livonia Churchill.

knocked in a run apiece.

John Glenn starter Brendan Wetmore went the first five innings, allowing two earned runs on five hits and a walk. He struck out three before reliever Jacob Damian came on in the sixth and gave up a pair of runs on three hits.

Zach Croft had the lone RBI for the Rockets (0-1, 0-1 KLAA South Division).

The Wildcats return to action Saturday, April 11, at the Coldwater Tournament. NORTHVILLE 10, CHURCHILL 0: P

Evan Flohr and Ian Borthwick combined on a two-hitter April 1 as the host Mustangs (3-0, 1-0

KLAA Central) won in six innings over Livonia Churchill (0-1, 0-1 KLAA South) in a Kensington Conference crossover. Flohr struck out eight, walked two and allowed just two hits over the first four innings, while Borthwick pitched two scoreless innings with three strikeouts and a walk strikeouts and a walk.

strikeouts and a walk.

"It was a very well-pitched game again by Evan
(Flohr) and lan (Borthwick)." Northville coach John
Kostrzewa said. "We played solid defense and had a
number of great at-bats early in the game with two
strikes that got things going."

Top hitters for the Mustangs included Connor
Walters (2-for-4, three RBIs); Tyler Lowe (2-for-4,
two RBIs, three runs); and Dugan Darnell (1-for-3,
RBI two runs).

Tach Pystash and Nate Wixon also drove in runs.

"The middle of our order with Dugan (Damell),
Tyler (Lowe) and Connor (Walters) got things going
early for us," Kostrzewa said. "We had a lot of
contributions throughout the lineup. Great team
effort and a great start to conference play. We
wanted to get off to a condistart and we did that wanted to get off to a good start and we did that scoring in the first and second innings." Churchill starter Robert Copciac, who gave up eight runs (five earned) on six hits in 3½ innings,

DeLaSALLE 6-5, DETROIT CC 1-0: Host

Warren DeLaSalle (2-0, 2-0) took both ends of a Catholic League Central Division double-header April 1 against Novi Detroit Catholic Central (1-3,

1-3).

Dan Michalak pitched 6% innings in the opener.

CC starter Jack Hintze, who took the loss, pitched six strong innings, allowing just two earned runs on seven hits and two walks. He struck out six.

Sean Garcia collected two hits in a losing cause. In Game 2, DeLaSalle pitcher Addison Pawalek went 6½ innings to pick up the victory. CC starter Matt Bocketti, who worked 1½ innings,

took the loss. Luke Hargis then came on and pitched 4% scoreless innings, giving up just three hits and fanning six.

Justin Green collected three hits for Catholic

GIRLS LACROSSE ROUNDUP

### Wildcats perfect 4-0 entering spring break

**By Brad Emons** Staff Writer

There's a lot to like about Novi's start to the 2015 girls lacrosse season as far as firstyear coach Amy Kilgore is concerned.

The Wildcats made it four in a row March 31 as they held off Plymouth in the final quarter for a 10-9 victory in the KLAA Kensington Conference opener for both teams.

Morgan Statetzny paced Novi's offensive attack with four goals, while Willow Guenther contributed two.

Katie McMaster, Gina Salemi, Mina Cunmulaj and Alanna Clark added one each as the Wildcats led 7-4 at halftime and and held off a late Plymouth rally after going up 10-7 in the final quarter.

"For the last 2½ to three minutes, we did a beautiful job of holding possession and kill-ing time," said Kilgore, whose team improved to 4-0 overall and 1-0 in the conference. "Megan Yarberry defensively had a great game."



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Morgan Statetzny scored four goals as Novi is off to a 4-0 start after a victory over Plymouth.

The loss dropped Plymouth to 3-1 overall and 0-1 in the Kensington Conference.

Novi is now off for spring break until 7 p.m. Monday, April 13, at Farmington in a

rescheduled match.
NORTHVILLE 9, SALEM 4: Emma Dietrich racked up four goals and added one assist and Audrey Tatge added a hat trick April 1 as the Mustangs (6-0, 1-0) downed the host Rocks (2-4, 0-1) in a Kensington

1-0) downed the host Rocks (2-4, 0-1) in a Kensington Conference encounter at Centennial Educational Park. Liz Hansell also had a goal and assist, while Grace Guibord tallied the other Northville goal. The Mustangs, who led 4-2 at halftime, got six saves from goalie Gabby Goree. Shayla Croteau and Paige Croteau also came up with interceptions defensively. "We're looking to come back even stronger when we get back from spring break," said Northville coach Amanda Asher, whose team plays next 7 p.m. Monday, April 13, at home against Plymouth.

### Northville, Wildcats chalk up softball wins

By Brad Emons Staff Write

Northville used a timely a second-inning homer from Ashley Schiffer and Allison Zwarka pitched a two-hitter April 1 as host Northville opened KLAA Kensington Conference softball play with a 2-1 triumph over Livonia Churchill.

Melissa Swart and Schiffer each went 2-for-3 for the Mustangs, who improved to 3-0 overall and 1-0 in the KLAA's Central Division.

The Mustangs got a run in the first when Zwarka, the



IOHN HEIDER I STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Northville's Ashley Schiffer slides into second base during a 2-1 victory over Livonia Churchill.

lead-off hitter, doubled down the right field line and came around to score following consecutive singles by Sarah Hige and Swart.

**Novi Madness runners-up** 

Churchill scored in the fourth and threatened again in the sixth, but couldn't manage to get a run across against Zwarka, who recorded her

second win of the year. The loss dropped Churchill to 0-1 overall and 0-1 in the KLAA's South Division.

NOVI 14, JOHN GLENN 1: Senior Jenna Lowney went 3-for-4 with three RBIs and sopho-more pitcher Ally Cummings scattered four hits over five innings as the host Wildcats (2-0, 1-0 KLAA Central Division) rolled to a Kensington Conference crossover victory over Westland John Glenn (1-1, 0-1

Cummings struck out seven and walked only one to pick up the victory. Also contributing offensively for Novi was Nicole Ireland (3-for-4, RBI, three runs); Megan Hrit

(2-for-4, RBI triple); and Hope Kapelanski and Allison Purtell (two RBIs each). Glenn's Mackenzie Huren suffered the loss.

### Novi eludes Hornets, 7-6; Crawford lifts CC to triumph

**By Brad Emons** Staff Writer

It wasn't easy, but the Novi

boys lacrosse team found a way to win April 2 at Saline. The short-handed Wildcats made a three-goal lead in the final quarter stand up as they edged the host Hornets in a

non-conference match, 7-6. "We go into the break on a high note after a couple of close games," said Novi coach Eric Hoffman, whose team

improved to 3-2 overall. Tommy McMaster paced Novi's scoring attack with a pair of goals, while Pat Wojtylo, Michael Werth, J.T. Lyon, Ian Patters and Michael Leone

added one apiece. Anthony Zagaro, Patterson and goalie Dan Savela, who made three saves before going

down with an injury in the opening quarter, added one assist apiece. Peter Minor came on in net for the Wildcats and finished

the game with 10 saves as Saline (2-4) was able to pull within one with three minutes remaining, but couldn't score the equalizer

"We got a couple of penalties and (Saline) got a couple of man-up goals," Hoffman said. "It was tough for us tonight,

but it was good to get a win."

DETROIT CC 14, BRIGHTON 13: Senior
captain Zack Crawford scored five goals and added
four assists April 1, leading host Novi Detroit Catholic Central (3-2) past the Bulldogs (4-1) in a non-league encounter.
Crawford scored the game-winning goal with 1:33

left after the Shamrocks rallied from being three rett after the Shamrocks rallied from being three down in the final quarter.
"We changed our defense and got some turnovers," said CC coach Dan Wilson, who also got three goals from Nick Capatina.

Senior Mickey Williams (first half) and Hunter Braun (second half) split time in goal for CC. "Hunter made some great outlets from the goal and we converted." Wilson said.

NORTHVILLE 16, SALEM 1: The Rocks (3-3, 0-1) tallied game's first goal, but the visiting Mus-tangs (3-3, 1-0) scored the next 16 en route to a lopsided KLAA Kensington Conference victory April 1 at Centennial Educational Park. Senior All-American Alec Melucci had a big

offensive night with five goals and three assists. Connor and Brennan Sweeney chipped in two goals and two assists apiece, while Brendan Hicks also

and two assists apiece, while Brendan Hicks also tallied two goals.

Ty Kilar and Nate Holloway contributed one goal apiece, while other assists went to Nick Williams, Matt Bryndza and Anthony Salamone.

"It was good to win before spring break," said Northville coach Greg Durham, whose team led 12-1 at halftime. "We moved better without the ball and that always leads to good offense. We played hard."

Goalies Alex Justice and Jack Breuch split time and combined for nine saves.

NOVI 8, PLYMOUTH 7: Anthony Zagaro scored the game-winner with seven minutes left April 1 as the host Wildcats (2-2, 1-0) rallied from a 6-4 third-quarter deficit to beat visiting Plymouth (2-3, 0-1) in a KLAA Kensington Conference encounter. Michael Werth paced Novi's offense with three

goals and two assists, while Ryan Moore contributed two goals and one assist. Tyler Graver and Pat Wojtylo also added goals. Hoffman lauded the defensive efforts of Tommy McMaster (one assist), Jimmy Hole and Wojtylo.
"We did a good job defensively of clearing the ball

and Dan Savela (10 saves) came up with some big saves in key spots," Hoffman said. "We played real DETROIT CC 7, EISENHOWER 6: Cole

Gingell's four goals March 31 carried Novi Detroit Catholic Central (2-2) past Utica Eisenhower (2-2) in a non-league match. The Shamrocks led 3-2 at halftime.

### KALENIECKI

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named the NAHL's MVP. Kaleniecki scored 64 career goals and added 26 assists in four seasons at U-M, where he helped the Wolverines to one NCAA Frozen Four and three regional tournament appearances, along with two CCHA titles. As a senior (2005-06), he served as the team's alternate captain while earning Big Ten scholar-athlete honors.

Upon graduating from

Michigan in 2006, the forward embarked on a career in the East Coast, Central and International hockey leagues, including stints with the Las Vegas Wranglers, Gwinnett (Ga.) Gladiators, Wichita Thunder and Port Huron Icehawks, scoring a total of 49 goals and adding 41 assists. "Brandon has devoted his life to the game of hockey and the overall development of

scholar-athletes both on and

off the ice," Babicz said. "The Detroit Catholic Central family

is excited, blessed and honored

to welcome back Brandon back

The Novi Madness '02 girls softball team earned a runner-up finish in the 14-and-under division recently at Oakland Yard. After going 2-1 and winning their pool, the Madness downed ICE Black, 10-4, in the semifinals,

Abbey Barta, Maggie Murphy, Olivia Vitale, Sierra Kersten, Kylie Millhorn and Angela Schmidt.

before falling to the Cardinals in the finals, 12-4. Team members include (front row, from left): Gaby Cummings, Cassidy Brendtke, Grace Nieto, Stephanie Schmunk and McKenna King and (back row, from left) Chelsea Collins,

home to lead his Shamrock

After retiring from pro hockey, Kaleniecki spent one season as an assistant coach at Grosse Pointe North under Scott Lock (also a CC grad) and was the Shamrocks' assistant for one season for Todd Johnson before taking the job at Divine Child, where he posted records of 16-9-2, 17-9-2 (losing to Division 3 state champ Farmington in the regional final 3-1) and 9-13-4.

Kaleniecki worked two years as an OSD Analyst for Central Transport and will be completing his graduate degree in education this December at Wayne State University. With his new coaching job at

CC comes intense scrutiny. It comes with the territory of being one of the state's elite prep hockey programs.

'It's a very unique situation to be walking in as a new head coach that's won the last two Division 1 state titles, so certainly there's pressure," Kaleniecki said. "At the same side of it, it's Catholic Central and there's expectations to win. That's the mentality in everything you do. You want to make sure you're doing it to the best of your ability and doing it all in the right way, with how you're carrying yourself and how you're representing your program. Babicz said he'll leave it up

to Kaleniecki to put together a staff of assistant coaches. "He had a couple of CC guys

on the staff at Divine Child, two of the former players for us, so I completely trust him and I'm sure he'll put something solid together for the school and the team," he said.

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**ALL-AREA BOYS BASKETBALL** 

### Morrissey always gave Northville shot in the arm

By Jeff Theisen and Brad Emons Sports Writers

When it comes to shooting the basketball, Northville's David Morrissey is the man with the golden arm.

The 6-foot-3 senior guard, who averaged 19.7 points per game this season for the Mustangs (14-8), broke the school record for made 3-pointers in a game (nine) and season (68), while shooting an eye-popping 46.2 percent from beyond the arc (68-of-147).

Morrissey, named boys basketball All-Area Player of the Year, also contributed in other ways as he snagged 4.6 rebounds, while dishing out 2.4 assists and making 2.7 steals per game. He shot 72.5 percent from the foul line (68-of-147) and 45.5 percent from 2-point range (82-of-180).

'It's been a tremendous privilege and honor to coach David," Northville's Todd Sander said of the all-KLAA pick. "He never took a day or possession off. He came in and quietly went about his business every moment of every practice and game.'

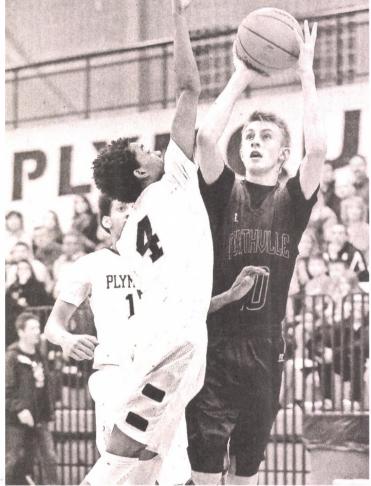
Morrissey, who is getting strong interest from Hope College, also excels as a scholar-athlete with a 33 ACT score and a 3.6 grade-point average.

"He started his career with the reputation of being a great shooter, but he finishes it with a reputation of being a great player," Sander said. "He's one of the best players ever to come through our program and we wish him all the best in the future.'

#### First team **Trent Willenborg South Lyon East**

Few teams suffered more off-the-court issues than the Cougars, but the senior forward still managed to produce through it all. Willenborg averaged 15.7 points a game with a season-high 32 in an overtime win against Carleton Airport in the district. He also stuck his nose in on the boards with nine

"Holds points scored and rebounds school records for East with most points in a



JOHN KEMSKI EXPRESS PHOTOS

Northville 3-point sharpshooter David Morrissey (right) was named boys basketball All-Area Player of the Year.

game, season and career, same with rebounds," coach Ron Levin said. "Always the focal point of the opposing defense, (he) still manages to score both from the paint and perimeter. Led East to a school record with eight wins.

Trent was the face of SLE athletics for the past four years. He will be sorely missed."

#### Naji Ozeir Novi

The 6-6 junior forward averaged 15.7 points, nine rebounds and shot 85 percent from the foul line for the Wildcats (12-9).

"Naji is a special talent that can play both inside and out," Novi coach Brandon Sinawi said of the all-KLAA selection. "At 6-6, he can finish around the basket and rebound, but has a terrific stroke from behind the 3-point line and is a tough match-up for players his

#### **Connor Young Milford**

The senior guard bombed away from outside while also being able to break down defenses with penetration to feed other players. Young averaged 12 points a game with 35 triples in this season and 72 in his career. He made six 3-pointers in one game for second alltime for the Mavs. Young was also strong at the free-throw line, hitting 74 percent.

'Connor has been a mainstay in our back court the last two seasons, as well as serving as one of our captains this season," coach David Gilbert said. "Connor has led us in scoring the past two seasons due to his strong basketball IQ

#### **ALL-AREA BOYS** BASKETBALL

**PLAYER OF THE YEAR** David Morrissey, Northville

#### **FIRST TEAM**

Trent Willenborg, South Lyon Naji Ozeir, Novi Connor Young, Milford Jake Menzel, Lakeland C.J. Baird, Detroit CC

#### **SECOND TEAM**

Ryan Roberts, Northville Joe Newman, South Lyon Max Yanke, Novi Kyle Valden, Milford Austin Hearns, Franklin Road

#### HONORABLE MENTION

Northville - Justin Zimbo (jr.), Nick Wilds (sr.) Novi - Kam Hankerson (jr.), Brad Dotinga (sr.) Catholic Central - Ike Marchie (sr.), Champ Kozlowski (sr.), Tyler Laurentius (jr.) Franklin Road Christian - Joshua Bause (jr.), Joshua Betcher

South Lyon - Anton Skupin (sr.), Josh Remstad (jr.) South Lyon East - Luke Trent (jr.), Josh Smith (jr.) Milford – Devin Vogel (sr.), Sam Jaklic (sr.) Lakeland - Timmy Brotherton (sr.), Grant Osborne (sr.)

and ability to score in a variety of ways. Being the competitor that he is, Connor is not afraid of the big moment and has hit

some big shots over the past

#### two seasons. Jake Menzel Lakeland

The senior post player was the focal point of every opponent's game plan and he still averaged 12 points a game with eight rebounds. Menzel regularly worked through double teams, but he made the offense work while also leading the team on the boards as well.

"Jake was one of the best back-to-the-basket post-up players in the entire KLAA," coach Bob Brugger said. "Every team we played formed their defense to deny, double or stop Jake Menzel. Jake played his best games against our toughest competition." **Detroit Catholic Central** 

The 6-5 sophomore earned all-Catholic League Central Division honors while scoring a team-high 220 points (11.5 per game) for the Shamrocks (10-

"C.J. was our top player," coach Bill Dver said. "He led us in rebounds, field-goal percentage and was second in

#### Second team Ryan Roberts Northville

The 6-7 senior center, who is bound for Northern Illinois University on a football scholarship, helped control the paint for the Mustangs while averaging eight points, six rebounds and four blocks per game en route to all-KLAA honors.

#### Joe Newman

**South Lyon** The senior guard was a do-it-all player this year. Newman was voted team MVP after posting 130 total points, 73 assists, 58 rebounds and 33 steals. He also hit 67 percent of his free throws.

### Max Yanke

The 6-2 senior swingman, who earned all-KLAA-honors, averaged 13.5 points, 3.5 assists and 4.3 rebounds per game while shooting 88 percent from the foul line.

#### Kyle Valden Milford

The senior post player hauled down 183 rebounds for eighth all-time in Milford history for a season. He also put in 10 points a night on 54-percent shooting and swatted away 30 shots. He was strong at the line at 70 percent. Valden also finished the year on a roll with 14 points and nine rebounds over the last 10 games.

#### **Austin Hearns Franklin Road**

The 6-0 junior point guard, who made first team all-Michigan Independent Athletic Conference, averaged 15.3 points and three rebounds per game while shooting 42 percent from the field en route to team MVP honors

ALL-AREA GIRLS BASKETBALL

### South Lyon East's Bird flies to the top of talented squad

By Jeff Theisen and Brad Emons Sports Writers

Every team playing against South Lyon East this year knew who it had to stop, but few were able to do so.

Gabi Bird a senior, led the Cougars to their first district title while completely rewriting the record books along the way. She capped it off by being named girls basketball All-Area Player of the Year.

Bird played both inside and outside. She scored 17 points per game with 9.3 rebounds, 3.4 steals and nearly two assists. She hit 34 percent of her 3-pointers.

Both her 1,270 career points and 749 career rebounds are school records.

"Gabi is a fundamentally sound basketball player who is an inside and outside threat,' coach Rob Leadley said. "Gabi is an outstanding player, teammate and student and has been fantastic to coach. She broke almost every single-season and career record at East.

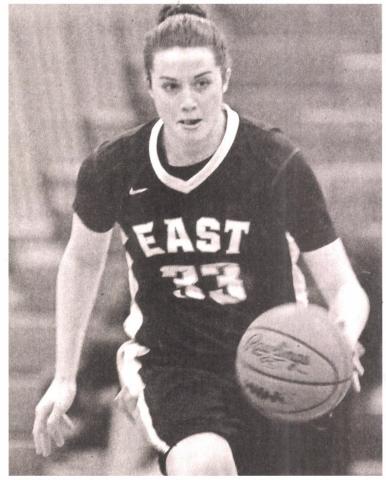
"She led the KLAA in scoring for the past two years, averaging a double-double last year and a near double-double this year, despite constant defensive pressure on her by our opponents."

Bird will continue her career at Central Michigan University.

#### First team **Amanda Lock** Lakeland

After missing her entire junior season with knee injuries, Lock came back to average a double-double as a senior with 12 points and 11.7 rebounds per game. She scored a season-high 22 points against Walled Lake Western and pulled down 22 rebounds in the district final against Walled Lake Central.

"Among the best rebounders I have ever seen on a court and certainly one of the best offensive rebounders in the state," coach Mike Head said. "While averaging a doubledouble through the season, Amanda showed particular skill on the offensive boards,



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South Lyon East's Gabi Bird rewrote the school record books and finished her career at the 2015 All-Area Player of the Year.

grabbing 5.7 per game. Considering she lost an entire season of practice and game experience. Amanda's return to the court as a premier player in the KLAA was particularly

impressive. She also has a GPA just under 4.0, plus she's been involved with numerous school and community activities during her high school career."

#### **Elise Gustafson** Milford

The senior inside player capped a four-year run on varsity with averages of 8.5 points and 7.4 rebounds. She is third all-time for Milford in career rebounds (733) and fourth in career points (728).

"Elise is a player that knows the amount of effort and work that it takes to succeed on and off the court in basketball,"

coach David Browne said. "She is one of the best on-court leaders that I have had in my coaching career."

#### **Ellie Mackay** Novi

The 5-6 point guard, who earned all-KLAA honors, enjoyed a stellar freshman year, averaging 10.2 points, 4.5 rebounds, 2.7 steals and two assists per game, while shooting 79 percent from the foul line for the Wildcats (13-8).

"Ellie is one of the most coachable players I have ever had," coach Bill Kelp said. "She has an incredible work ethic that matches her passion for the game. She led us in scoring, assists, steals, free throws, 3-pointers and was third in rebounding, all while being a freshman point guard. Her potential is limitless. It

### BASKETBALL

**PLAYER OF THE YEAR** Gabi Bird, South Lyon East

### **FIRST TEAM**

Amanda Lock, Lakeland Elise Gustafson, Milford Ellie Mackay, Novi Jessica Moorman, Northville Peyton Jones, South Lyon East

### SECOND TEAM

Emily Maresh, Northville Mariah Modkins, Northville Alex Felice, Novi Breanna Lovera, Milford Alana Weyer, Lakeland Hannah Rayburn, Franklin

#### HONORABLE MENTION Northville - Kendall Dillon (fr.)

Novi - Kelsey Miller (sr.), Allie Franklin Road Christian - Katie Larabell (sr.) South Lyon - Madison Swiatlowski (sr.), Emily Heinrich (sr.) Milford - Mallory Barrett (soph.)

Lakeland - Amanda Berci (sr.), Molly Stec (jr.), Lena Tiedeman

will be fun to watch her progress the next three years." Jessica Moorman Northville

The 5-11 sophomore guard averaged 8.6 points per game, while shooting 38 percent from the field and 71 percent from the foul line en route to all-KLAA honors.

"Although Jessica started as a freshman, she made huge strides this season offensively," coach Todd Gudith said. "She has the ability to shoot long range, but can take her defender off the dribble and that makes her a such a tough cover. She is also one of our top defenders, using her length and quickness."

#### **Peyton Jones South Lyon East**

The junior guard/forward took advantage of teams trying to lock down on Gabi Bird and used her shooting touch scored 11.7 points per game while also snagging 3.4 rebounds.

"Peyton is an excellent shooter, especially from 3point range," Leadley said.
"She is also good at getting to the basket and converting at the free-throw line. She was a key player in East's success this year and helped East advance to the regionals."

#### Second team **Emily Maresh Northville**

The 5-11 senior center, a three-year varsity player who made all-KLAA, averaged 7.8 points and six rebounds per game while shooting 44 percent from the floor for the Mustangs (13-8).

#### **Mariah Modkins** Northville

The speedy 5-2 freshman point guard averaged a teambest 8.9 points points to go along with three assists per game while earning all-KLAA honorable mention recognition. **Alex Felice** 

Novi The versatile 5-10 senior forward, a third-year varsity player, was the team's second leading scorer (7.5 points per game) and rebounder (5.5 per game), while coming up with 1.5 steals per outing as she earned all-KLAA honorable

#### **Alana Weyer** Lakeland

mention recognition.

The senior post player was a perfect complement inside with Amanda Lock. The two dominated the boards. Weyer finished with 5.9 points, 4.3 rebounds and 1.6 blocks a night. She had five blocks against Walled Lake Central.

#### **Breanna Lovera** Milford

The senior shooting guard was a stat sheet filler with 7.5 points, 3.6 rebounds, 3.8 steals and 2.2 assists per game. She had a season-high nine steals against Pinckney and finished with 119 steals in two years of varsity play.

#### Hannah Rayburn **Franklin Road**

The 5-6 junior point guard earned all-Michigan Independent Athletic Conference Blue Division honors, averaging 11.7 points, five rebounds and 4.3 assists per game.

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Bad habits are hard to break. But by making small changes one at a time, you can overcome your hurdles for a healthier lifestyle.

### Celebrity fitness trainer offers tips for reaching goals and staying motivated

Staying healthy doesn't have to mean overhauling your lifestyle. Sometimes small changes can have big impacts. Take it from celebrity fitness trainer Latreal "La" Mitchell: "Everyone can reach their health and fitness goals. It's all about setting attainable goals and staying motivated to see results."

To look, feel and live better, Mitchell is offering tips for small lifestyle changes you can make that can inspire you to make more in the future.

### **Get moving**

If exercise is not a part of your life now, don't worry. "In a short time, you can be doing quality exercises," Mitchell said. "The key is to start small.

Try short sets of pushups, planks, squats and lunges and work your way up. Ten minutes can make a real difference. Remember, little things like taking the stairs instead of the elevator will keep you feeling great

Just be sure to make exercise non-negotiable. Life is busy and it's easy to find any number of reasons to skip a workout. Make yourself a fitness schedule and stick to it - and then don't let anyone or anything stop you from staying on track.

### **Eat right**

The small goal of adding more fiber to your diet can lead you to better nutrition choices. Aim to get 25 to 38 grams of fiber every day. In addition to upping your fruit and vegetable intake and swapping out processed white bread and pasta for the whole wheat variety, fiber supplements can help you meet your fiber goals. But choose wisely, as some options have additional benefits beyond supporting digestive

For example, Meta offers products made with psyllium fiber which has multi-health benefits. Try adding Metamucil powder to a morning smoothie. Also try new MetaBiotic probiotic supplement.

For many people, snacking can be a downfall, especially during a busy workday. Try substituting your usual temptations with healthier options. For example, almonds and light popcorn are a good substitute for chips and are more satisfying. If you have a sweet tooth, ditch the after-noon pastry that's high in calories, but won't actually help you feel full. Instead, look for a delicious, easy-topack snack like a Meta Health Bar that helps satisfy hunger as a health-

Lastly, stay hydrated. Skip sugary sodas and sports drinks and opt for water throughout the day. If you need a boost of flavor, add a lemon wedge, cucumber slice or some fresh herbs. Water helps you feel full and process fiber, while helping to keep you hydrated.

More tips can be found at www.metawellness.com.

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Paula Swain

### How to bring up difficult topics with aging parents

eople are living longer today, so many of my clients are finding that their aging parents are in need of assistance. Caring for your aging parent is something you hope will never happen, but it is something you need to think about just in case it

I, as well as other local professionals, have been hosting an "Aging Parents" workshop for the last couple of years helping to educate and answer questions on taking care of an aging parent. I thought would share some of what I have learned in this column.

» Bringing up difficult topics. You may find some resistance. First step is to open up a dialogue with your parent. Make sure to choose the right time and place. Ideally you want privacy. Express your concerns and then simply listen to them (no interrupting). Acknowledge their feelings and share your perspective. Hopefully, you will find a common ground. If not, reach out to someone whose opinion they value - doctor, clergy, adviser, other family members or friend. Ask them to talk with your parent.

» If you can, open up the lines of communication. Find out their needs and wishes. Ask them about long-term care (what would they like to happen if this issues arises), funeral arrangement, finances investments, medical care decision and insurance. Also, who are their advisers? Ask if you can meet them. Ask where all the documents are kept.

The following legal documents are needed: will, trust (or both) and financial power of attorney (arranges for someone to han-

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### Stay on track with your wellness goals

With dreams of bettering their lives, people of all ages pledge to create resolutions with the start of every year. Many people discover, however, that it's easy to make a resolution but difficult to stick

With these helpful tips from Sunsweet and Dawn Jackson Blatner, registered dietitian, certified specialist in sports dietetics and licensed dietitian nutritionist, it's easy to get back on a healthy living track:

1. Get back on track
Falling off the wagon can be discouraging, but don't let your mind get in the way of your might. Track your daily meals and snacks to help you stay focused on what and how much you are eating. Writing in a food journal is a great way to look back over your week to see what you did well and could do better next week.

2. Pack your lunch Being in control of what



Staying on track takes will power and determination, but by squeezing a few easy hacks into your day you'll be on your way to reaching your wellness goals.

you eat throughout the day is powerful in staying on track with your resolutions. Why hit the greasy food truck outside when you can whip up a fresh salad at home? Sunsweet's

Quinoa, Grape and Prune Salad is an easy, protein-packed lunch that will power you through the day.

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### Revisiting those new year resolutions

o now that it's spring, how are we doing on those new year resolutions? Yeah, remember those? Every year we make those promises to ourselves and, every year, many of us break them - usually in the first month.

The good news is we survived another Michigan winter. The bad news is we are seeing the effects from hibernating all season long – not only physically, but mentally. Winter can take its toll on our minds, even more so than our bodies. Spring is the time to rev up and recharge. Dust off those running shoes and get to work.

When talking about our health and wellness, make small changes and set attainable goals to encourage a permanent lifestyle change rather than trying to make a complete overhaul overnight. That will



Barbara Deyo

set you up for failure. It's a good idea to re-assess every so often. I find the change of seasons is a good time to evaluate what's working, what's not and fine-tune our goals.

Here are a few things to keep in mind as you set your workout goals for the future:

1. Show up: The hardest part is putting on your workout clothes and getting in the car. No matter how badly you don't feel like doing it, once you get there, you will be glad you did. Now that the weather has

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### Plan the perfect Alfresco gathering

Tips for delicious pairings and decorations for your next outdoor event

The days of chilly air and dull skies have been replaced with the sights and sounds of warmer weather. This change in the season is cause for celebration, so pull out all the stops for an outdoor gathering guests will long remember.

From festive decor to the bright colors of seasonally inspired cuisine, use these tips for setting up your alfresco spread:

Make a memorable entrance. Invite guests into your gathering with warm and cheerful decor, starting with your door. Hang a moss-adorned wreath with a few vibrant sprigs of pink roses or yellow tulips, which you can keep up long after the event.

Deck the table. Make sure your centerpiece provides a bright and welcoming ambiance. A low key gathering calls for the downhome elegance of daisies and grasses shooting from mini terra cotta pots or aluminum canisters. More formal events will shine with fresh cut lilies, roses and tulips placed in short cube or rectangle glass vas-

Start with small bites. Serve a few appetizers for your crowd to enjoy as they wait for other guests to arrive. You can't go wrong with deviled eggs garnished with fresh herbs or cheese and crackers. Aim for three cheeses - one hard (Parmesan), one soft (Brie) and one

Serve pairings that please. Spring foods pair perfectly with a fruit-forward wine like pinot grigio. Choose one of high-quality from the northern region of Italy such as Barone Fini Valdadige Pinot Grigio (\$12). This crisp and clean wine goes well with seafood, chicken or white-sauce pasta en-

Embrace spring flavors. Bring the garden to your table with fresh fruits and vegetables. Plump, red strawberries look and taste wonderful atop a bed of fresh spinach



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Pull out all the stops for an outdoor gathering guests will long remember.

#### CHICKEN BREASTS WITH TOMATOES AND OLIVES

Yield: 4 servings

- 4 (6-ounce) skinless, boneless chicken breast halves 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground pepper
- 1 cup multicolored cherry or grape tomatoes, halved 3 tablespoons oil and vinegar dressing, divided
- 20 olives, halved
- ½ cup (2 ounces) crumbled feta cheese

Prepare grill to medium-high heat.

Sprinkle chicken evenly with 1/4 teaspoon salt and 1/4 teaspoon freshly ground

Place chicken on grill rack coated with cooking spray, and grill 6 minutes on each side or until chicken is done.

Combine tomatoes, dressing and olives in skillet over medium heat; cook 2 minutes, stirring occasionally.

Cut each chicken breast half into 3/4-inch slices. Top each chicken breast half with 1/4 cup tomato mixture. Sprinkle each serving with 2 tablespoons cheese and torn basil leaves, if desired.

with a drizzle of balsamic vinegar. Fresh asparagus stems give quiche and egg casseroles texture, while also making a great sauteed side dish. Also try this Chicken with Tomatoes and Olives recipe that's easy to make and sure to please.

From simple floral arrange-

ments to the colorful foods you serve, creating a lovely alfresco gathering is easier than you think. For more ideas to make your event memorable, visit facebook.com/ BaroneFiniWines.

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dle the finances). Also discuss patient advocate - health care power of attorney arrangements for someone to handle medical issues. I have this document drawn up for my children on their 18th birthday. When your child turns 18, they are considered an adult and you will not be able to make health care decisions for them anymore. This is a very important document that everyone should have.

There are many forms of dementia. Alzheimer's is a form of dementia. There are some medical problems that can mimic the symptoms of dementia - urinary tract infection, dehydration, overmedication and depression. Some tips for keeping your mind sharp – walk, eat healthy, do crossword or mind puzzles, read and change your rou-tine. Try brushing your teeth with the opposite

hand - it's not that easy. Understanding the definition of being admitted to the hospital or being admitted under "observation" when you are on Medicare. When a patient who meets Medicare's three-day formal admission requirement moves to a skilled nursing facility, the program covers 100 percent of the first 20 days. Patients leaving the hospital for a nursing facility after an "observation" stay pay the full cost out of pock-

Taking care of an aging parent can be overwhelming. Make sure to take care of yourself. Ask for help. Join a caregiver sup-

port group. Don't try to do this alone. There are a many organizations and programs willing to help.

websites. » www.aaa1c.org-Senior Alliance - senior

Check out some of these

- resources » www.alz.org/gmc-Alzheimer Association
- www.caregiver.com -Great articles on all aspects of aging parents
- » www.caring.com-Search for housing options in your area

www.caremanager.org -Looking for local or out of state care manager

» Eldercare Locator 800-677-1116, referral service sponsored by the federal government that can direct you to resources in your area

Preserving your relationship with your parents is extremely important. Understand that they may be un-willing to talk to you. They may resent you for interfering. You may have to try different approaches to get them to open up with you. Don't be afraid to ask for help.

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3. Choose right at snack time

The 3 p.m. slump is almost unavoidable. You're three hours past lunch and it's too soon for dinner. Instead of reaching for an unsatisfying bag of pretzels or chips, bring Sunsweet Ones Individually Wrapped Prunes or nuts from home to curb the afternoon hunger. Ones are lower in sugar than other

dried fruit and have a low glycemic index of only 29. Prunes are digested and absorbed slowly by the body, which helps to sustain energy over a longer period of time compared to foods with a higher glycemic index.

4. Get moving

Everyone has a lot on their plate and with a busy schedule comes loads of stress and anxiety, but much of that can be alleviated with exercise. If you think about it, 30-40 minutes of exercise a day is only 2 percent of your day. Small changes,

like walks around the block or using an app to count steps is a great way to track your movement throughout the day.

5. Make it fun Instead of making drastic resolutions early in the year, and inevitably falling off the wagon

a month or two later, embrace a healthy living lifestyle. The key to lasting, lifelong health is to make changes you enjoy. Make eating well and exercising fun and it won't be hard to stick with.

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### **DEYO**

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warmed up, it certainly makes it easier to get motivated.

2. Make an appointment: Hire a trainer, get a work out buddy or commit to a class schedule. It makes it easier to show up if someone is holding you accountable. Once you have arrived, you will have a more successful workout if someone is there with you to help guide you or cheer you

3. Warm up: A proper warmup increases blood flow to your muscles, reducing stiffness and risk of injury and will improve your overall performance. It also gives your mind time to prepare for the task at hand.

4. Break a sweat: You might as well make your time worth it. No sense in showing up and phoning it in. Sweating stimulates

the lymphatic system (allowing the body to dispel toxins), controls mood swings, helps prevent colds and other illnesses, clears up your skin and, of course, burns

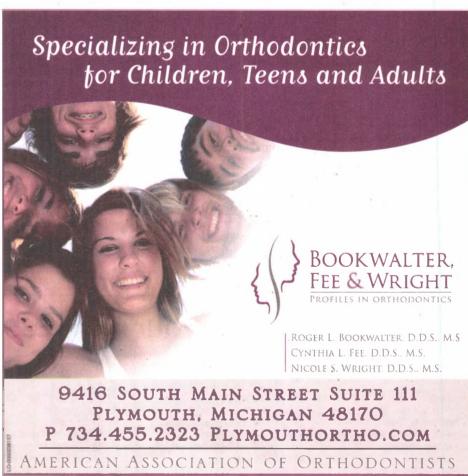
calories!. 5. Breathe: When you breathe deeply, it keeps you calm and focused. maintains your heart rate, oxygenates the blood and helps to release endorphins. Proper breathing is just as important as completing your reps.

6. Hydrate: Drink water before, during and after your workout. In fact, drink water all day. Something as simple as drinking enough water throughout the day will increase your metabolism, curb your appetite, aid in digestion and help you perform at peak efficiency. A good rule of thumb is to drink a halfounce to one ounce of water per pound of your body weight daily.

7. Cool down: You need to gradually reduce your heart rate once you are done and allow the oxygenated blood to circulate and deliver muchneeded nutrients to your body to help grow and repair your newly worked-out muscles. A post workout stretch also helps to eliminate lactic

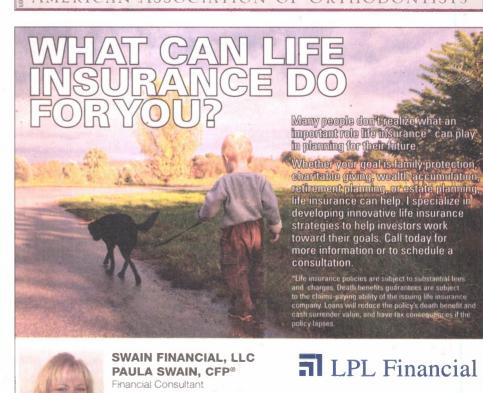
acid in the muscles. Whatever your goals are, remember to be kind to yourself and make the commitment to yourself first. Remember step one - show up. The rest will fall into place.

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# Housing grant to help low-income disabled people

Michigan has been selected to receive more than \$5.5 million in U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funding to provide affordable rental housing and supportive services to extremely-low income persons with disabilities. The Section 811 Project Rental Assistance (PRA) grant application process was a collaborative effort between the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA) and the Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH).

'This is a great opportunity to help create and encourage independence for people with disabilities," Michigan Lt. Gov. Brian Calley said. "These grants will give those who are capable of living on their own the chance to build a home for themselves and their families, ultimately leading to a higher quality of

The funding, announced recently, will be administered by MSHDA. A work group consisting of representatives from MSHDA and MDCH will collaborate to identify, refer and support target popula-

tions throughout Michigan.
"This grant will help connect hundreds of low-income adults with disabilities to permanent affordable housing and the supportive services they need for a quality life," said Wayne Workman, acting executive director for MSHDA. "I am proud of the way MSHDA and MDCH worked together to identify and apply for this opportunity to help Michigan residents in a comprehensive way.

Closely aligned with Gov.



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Michigan has been selected to receive more than \$5.5 million in HUD funding to provide affordable rental housing and supportive services to extremely-low income persons with disabilities.

Rick Snyder's "River of Opportunity" model for government and service delivery, the grant is intended to provide rental assistance to help prevent unnecessary institutionalization, and in some cases, homelessness.

"Promoting communitybased services and systems of care for persons with disabilities is essential to ensuring that all of our residents have the support they need to lead healthy, productive lives," said Nick Lyon, director of the MDCH and interim director of the Department of Human Services. "This grant is a testament to inter-departmental collaboration, and I look forward to continued partnership with MSHDA as we work to provide stable, inclusive environments for those individuals and families

who need it most."

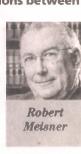
Michigan was one of 25 states selected to receive funding from the Section 811 PRA program. For more information about the Section 811 Supportive Housing program, please visit: http://portal.hud.gov

For more information about housing programs in Michigan, please visit the MSHDA website at www.michigan.gov/mshda

The Michigan State Housing Development Authority provides financial and technical assistance through public and private partnerships to create and preserve decent, affordable housing for low- and moderate-income residents and to engage in community economic development activities to revitalize urban and rural communities.

### Cuban land sales still nixed for U.S. citizens

Q: With assumed normalization of relations between the United States and Cuba, I am wondering if I can purchase land in **Cuba at this** point for development purposes as an American



citizen? A: You still have to be a Cuban National in order to purchase property, and most Cubans cannot afford to do so. I did meet one Cuban on my recent trip to Cuba who not only owned a house, but a farm. He obviously had connections with the government. However, what is interesting is that many hotels and restaurants are now partially privately owned in Cuba which may open the door for further private investment. Whether the possible normalization of relations between Cuba and the United States leads to investments by American com-panies and/or interests in Cuba is still debatable. The tobacco industry is "foaming at the mouth" about the opportunity to have relationships with Cuban farmers and the Cuban government. That may be the first area of entry in terms of American direct participation in the Cuban economy.

Q: I want to review my condominium association's books and records to see if it has received bids for repairing the swimming pool. Am I permitted to do this, and if so, how should I do it? Your association must be aware of significant new and extensive changes to the Michigan Nonprofit Act.

A: You are permitted to review these bids if they are deemed to be for a proper purpose. Whether they are for a proper purpose will depend on the facts. For example, have these bids previously been made available to the members, and if so why do you need to see them again? Is repair of the swimming pool a current issue, or is it something you would like the association to do but it previously decided not to

If the facts show you are requesting the bids for a proper purpose, then you should make a written demand for them. In your written demand, you must describe with reasonable particularity both the records sought for inspection, and the purpose of the inspec-tion. The records sought must be directly connected with the proper purpose. A proper purpose is defined as one that is reasonably related to a person's interest as a member.

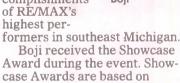
If inspection is not timely permitted, or if the association imposes unreasonable conditions on the inspection, the member is entitled to seek a court order compelling the inspection. If the court orders inspection of the requested records, it must also order the association to pay the costs and reasonable attorney fees incurred by the member to obtain the court order, unless the association proves that if failed to permit the inspection in good faith.

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#### **Industry kudos**

Carol Boji, broker and own-er of RE/MAX Classic, was recently honored at the annual RE/MAX of Southeastern Michigan

Awards Gala. The event was held at the Detroit Marriott at the Renaissance Center and celebrated the accomplishments of RE/MAX's



agent growth, average yearly

commission per agent and

percentage of productive agents. RE/MAX Classic of Canton was recognized for achieving the highest average of agent commissions for an office category of 26 agents or

"Carol Boji is an exceptional real-estate professional," said Magnus Sublett, chief executive officer, RE/MAX of Southeastern Michigan. "Carol and her team have worked extremely hard over the last year. It is a pleasure to see them rewarded for their ef-

RE/MAX is one of the leading real estate franchise companies with the most productive sales force in the industry and a global reach of more than 80 countries.

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### **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 or additional information.

#### **Investors**

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

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

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

#### Seminar each Tuesday, **Thursday**

A free seminar on government-insured reverse mortgages is offered by Colonial Mortgage Corp. at 6:30 p.m. each Tuesday and at 2 p.m. each Thursday at various loca-

RSVP with Colonial Mortgage at 800-260-5484.

### Free foreclosure tours

Free foreclosure tours are 1 p.m. every other Sunday. Meeting place is Panera Bread on the southeast corner of Middlebelt and I-96.

Email Georgia@addedvaluerealty.com or visit FreeForeclosureTour.com.

#### SACTIONS-OAKLAND COUN HOMES SOLD/REAL ES

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Nov. 10-14, 2014, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

BEVERLY HILLS	
31739 Verona Cir	\$281,000
BINGHAM FARMS	
24102 Bingham Pointe Dr	\$235,000
BIRMINGHAM	
1847 Bowers St	\$210,000
2191 Manchester Rd	\$228,000
487 N Eton St # B6	\$120,000
1047 N Old Woodward	\$200,000
Ave	
411 5 Old Woodward Ave	\$299,000
Unit 723	
1773 Villa Rd	\$237,000
463 W Merrill St	\$875,000
1757 Winthrop Ln	\$433,000
BLOOMFIELD HILLS	
4430 Stoneleigh Rd	\$450,000
2049 E Hammond Lake Dr	\$252,000

2645 Pinto Dr **FARMINGTON** 23167 Hawthorne 36801 Heatherton

1607 Peninsula Ct

	\$130,000
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Ave	\$510,000
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	27491 Cranbrook Dr
	24586 Creekside Dr
	27677 Doreen St
	26300 Holly Hill Dr
	20721 Indian Creek Dr
	35970 Johnstown Rd
	29089 Kendallwood Dr
	24509 Lakeland St
	23944 Noble Dr
	29793 Palmer Ct
	22791 Purdue Ave
	28218 Quail Hollow Rd
	20915 Robinson St
	28038 S Harwich Dr
	22520 Vacri Ln
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	FRANKLIN
	27315 Gardenway Rd
	31055 Woodside Dr
	HIGHLAND
	2986 White Oak Bch

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\$160,000	LATHRUP VII
	27877 Rainbo
\$176,000	MILFORD
\$210,000	3766 N Shore
\$185,000	850 Ridgeside
\$134,000	1974 Scenic D
\$195,000	865 Union St
\$78,000	2725 Wixom
\$77,000	NORTHVILLE
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3766 N Shoreline Dr	\$828,00
850 Ridgeside Dr	\$235,00
1974 Scenic Dr	\$557,00
865 Union St	\$30,00
2725 Wixom Trl	\$143,00
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41532 Belden Cir	\$220,00
27476 Belgrave Pi	\$285,00
25911 Clark St	\$165,00
39460 Country Ln	\$130,00
27570 Cromwell Rd	\$320,00
40005 Crosswinds	\$165,00
26388 Fieldstone Dr	\$305,00
26004 Island Lake Dr	\$470,00
41675 Juniper Cir	\$163,00
40796 Kingsley Ln	\$405,00
24561 Olde Orchard St	\$125,00
40225 Sandpoint Way	\$125,00
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	24953 Carriage Ln	\$73,000	
	1092 Chestnut Ln	\$295,000	
	26123 Cornell Dr	\$374,000	
	971 Oak Creek Dr	\$252,000	
	61328 Saddlecreek Dr	\$360,000	
	52365 Trailwood Dr	\$497,000	
	SOUTHFIELD		
	27501 Abington St	\$135,000	
	20275 Brookshire St	\$125,000	
	29085 Marshall St	\$108,000	
	29625 Marshall St	\$130,000	
	29419 Stellamar Dr	\$203,000	
	18412 Stratford Dr	\$113,000	
	28585 Tavistock Trl	\$225,000	
	WHITE LAKE		
	1055 Pinecrest Dr	\$262,000	
	9115 Southeastern St	\$160,000	
	9693 Steephollow Dr	\$440,000	
	1165 Union Lake Rd	\$164,000	

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CANTON	
43159 Applewood Rd	\$131,000
45485 Augusta Dr	\$351,000
41525 Conner Creek Dr	\$260,000
1756 Crestview Dr	\$246,000
6422 Durham Dr	\$179,000
44555 Fair Oaks Dr	\$190,000
6507 Fox Hills Rd	\$250,000
45599 Hanford Rd	\$260,000
49384 Hawksburry Rd	\$224,000
42828 Keystone Ln	\$153,000
430 Merrimac Rd	\$167,000
45544 Morningside Rd	\$287,000
45169 N Spring Dr	\$260,000
42264 Oakland Dr	\$259,000

	41520 Pineridge Ct
	45085 Seabrook Dr
	42000 South Dr
	1201 Terrell Ct
	437 W Canford Park
	42664 Woodwind Ln
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	32365 Bridge St
	7041 Helen St
	28447 Hennepin St
	28620 Krauter St
	6517 Lathers St
	33723 Marquette St
	552 Radcliff St
	31204 Sheridan St
	LIVONIA
	33727 Angeline Ave
	15026 Arden St
	19503 Bainbridge Ave
	12132 Cavell St
	31696 Fairfax St

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\$270,000	36172 Fairway Dr
\$185,000	19029 Harrison Ave
\$332,000	19805 Inkster Rd
\$190,000	37958 Lyndon St
\$210,000	31064 Mason St
\$355,000	9351 Merriman Rd
\$299,000	15224 Middlebelt Rd
	11316 Milburn St
\$115,000	37100 Muirfield Dr
\$44,000	32466 Pembroke St
\$152,000	17511 Rougeway St
\$50,000	29948 Saint Martins S
\$67,000	38779 Summers St
\$48,000	29027 Sunnydale St
\$123,000	18142 Ventura Ct
\$66,000	32446 Wisconsin St
	NORTHVILLE
\$225,000	51275 7 Mile Rd
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\$195,000	16410 Brooklane Blvo
\$85,000	16705 Carriage Way
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15698 Spyglass Dr
16461 Weatherfield [
PLYMOUTH
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44734 Clare Blvd
650 Herald St
40718 Ivywood Ln
15015 Maplewood Lr
44434 Marc Trl
243 N Mill St
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16296 Delaware Ave
14393 Dixie
26626 Dover
17315 Indian
25505 Ivanhoe
19312 Negaunee

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5139 Ash St	\$44,000
633 S Hubbard St	\$23,000
VESTLAND	
600 Barns Dr	\$214,000
8991 Currier Ave	\$103,000
891 Deerhurst Dr	\$115,000
5841 Fernwood St	\$134,000
7629 Garden Ct	\$83,000
445 Hartel St	\$109,000
037 Herbert St	\$38,000
127 Melvin Ave	\$100,000
058 Minerva St	\$145,000
582 Muirfield Dr	\$165,000
129 N Henry Ruff Rd	\$92,000
2065 Parkwood St	\$40,000
60 Pattingill St	\$65,000
331 Rahn St	\$82,000
0657 Rustic Ln	\$76,000

Crossword Puzzle

Mixed Blessing

3 Disneyland's

5 Snare sound

6 DC doubled

7 Warlike deity

Descartes

Chapman -

11 Latex, e.g.

12 Money spent

14 German man

13 Sailor's site

4 Barrett of

gossip

8 Thinker

9 Carrie

10 Drop

15 Deny

16 Borrowed

18 - of Berlin

(snack

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29 Late film

31 — -la-la

33 Sitcom

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21 More crafty

27 Get less taut

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his patients

Girls" airer

38 Steed breed

40 Comb insect

41 Kev near F1 42 Sea, to Gigi

30 Happy times

17 Not smooth

94 Fold, spindle

97 Bottle near a

100 Cannonballs

103 Pro-learning

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114 "Viva Las

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116 Ancient

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119 — Stanley

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124 Actor Mike

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that's "mixed"

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104 Healthful

105 Backlash

111 Banks of

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and such

union: Abbi

99 Smell

or mutilate

salad bowl

57 Arrest, as a

58 Tiddlywink or

Frisbee

(DIYers)

books)

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66 Camphor or

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72 Road salt

73 "It's about

time!"

74 Separates

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75 Edifice

77 — Khan

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76 Debate side

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78 Wide shoe

79 Building up

88 Parliament's

89 "With a Little

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House of -

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63 Novelist

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45 Flustered

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48 Chilling, as

49 Playwright

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52 Having no

service

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54 Congregate

56 — Artois 61 "... — will

(threat

ender)

slangily

64 Holy artifact

65 Jose's "that"

67 Psychic skill

68 Prefix with

70 Turf groups

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76 So-so link

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71 Real

77 Slip ---

80 Made a

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81 Hulk of a

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62 — Geo Wild

55 Gobble down

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53 -- fly

51 Star, in Nice

50 City in North

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82 Furiousness

84 Essen "a"

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83 Slugging stat

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86 Deteriorating

87 Paddled tool

91 Girl told not

to cry in

song

92 "Uh-huh"

93 "I'm - loss

94 Ran quickly

95 Carotid, e.g.

97 Outspoken

98 Receiving a

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Palmer, to

101 High-IQ crew

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106 Like venison

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### Car Report

### For Lexus, the Stakes Couldn't Be Higher in **Launching New RX This Year**



In decades of covering the auto industry, the vehicle that - in my opinion. anyway - comes closest to perfection has always been the Lexus RX.

From the day it hit the market in 1998 even to today. its combination of pleasant styling, flawless handling

and ride, technological interpretation, interior amenities and reasonable gas mileage has always brought RX first to mind when

quarter, but Lexus is making darn sure in the meantime that we all know what's coming.

Meantime, the market has tried to catch up with RX over the last 17 years, but I would argue that it really hasn't. At least, in my mind, I'd still rather drive RX than any other mid-size luxury SUV in the market.

"Seventeen years ago, we were about the only one" in the segment, Jeff Bracken, vice president and general manager of the Lexus brand, told me. "Now we have 16 competitors. Yet RX

best whack at actually improving a near-perfect vehicle now in its fourth generation. Styling is one of the most important aspects of the transformation.

The new vehicle presents dramatically rakish and lowerprofile new styling as well as an upgraded V64 engine, enhanced handling, and the first installation for the Lexus brand of the innovative Lexus Safety System+

As Lexus put it in a release. RX has a "completely new front end [that is] highlighted by an emboldened spindle grille, more aggressive front bumper and available triple L-shaped LED headlamps. Together with the all-new LED fog lamps and LED daytime running lights, the RX has a more sophisticated and advanced look. Muscular front fender flares add to the vehicle's sporty attitude."

Or, as Bracken told me, "When RX was introduced 17 years ago, it was an immediate home run. So the idea of taking the No. 1-selling vehicle for the brand and applying aggressively re-imagined styling is a big deal for us - like playing with fire.

But Toyota CEO Akio Toyodal is always pushing us to come up with the next "wow" design. That's why the fourth-generation RX has been engineered in a manner we call 'sophistication with an edge.'

Meanwhile, Lexus Safety System+ pushes the brand further down the road toward autonomous driving by integrating several of the brand's existing active-safety technologies.

Lexus executives Takayuki Katsuda (left) and Mark Templin pose with the 2016 Lexus RX at the New York International Auto Show.

including a Pre-Collision System that detects sudden stops by the vehicle ahead of the RX, engaging automatic gracing in some circumstances. There's also a Lane Departure Alert that issues an audible signal if RX strays out of its intended lane.

"Historically," Bracken explained, "adding these features and systems as options might have cost thousands of dollars. Now, we have bundled them at a price of under \$650; that's a great value. Our strategy is to make that kind of package available on almost all of our models by the end of 2017."

"Our ambition has been to make a bold and completely new statement in this segment while building on and staying true to the pioneering values of previous RX generations," Takayuki Katsuda, chief engineer of the new RX,

said in a news release.

Initial reviews were positive by automotive cognoscenti. "For many shoppers, the RX is simply the go-to vehicle when looking for a luxury SUV," said Brian Moody, site editor for Autotrader. "I expect this will continue and the new look should attract a distinctly younger audience.'

Added Karl Brauer, senior analyst for Kelley Blue Book: "Lexus is stepping beyond its comfort zone with the new RX's styling. The redesigned crossover reflects a desire to inject more personality and passion across the Lexus model line, and the new RX certainly conveys both." The new model's "combination of advanced features and value pricing," Brauer concluded, "should keep the RX at the top of the luxury-crossover sales charts."

someone asks me, "Of everything you drive, what's your favorite?"

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The nameplate is the best-seller in the brand's 26-year history, with global sales of more than 2.1 million units representing three out of 10 vehicles ever sold by Lexus. This version won't go on sale until the fourth

I volume vehicle but also to have 25-percent market share. And this is still one of the biggest premium segments

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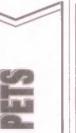


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The survey takes a closer look at the personalities and preferences of those who occupy the corner office, hopefully helping to remove some of the mystery surrounding them.

#### **Dressing to impress?**

They say to dress for the job you want, not the job you have, but if you already have the top job, you might as well be comfortable. According to the survey, only 1 in 5 executives (20 percent) consider a business suit typical office attire. Most executives (57 percent) outfit themselves in business casual clothing, while 18 percent usually wear jeans or shorts to work.

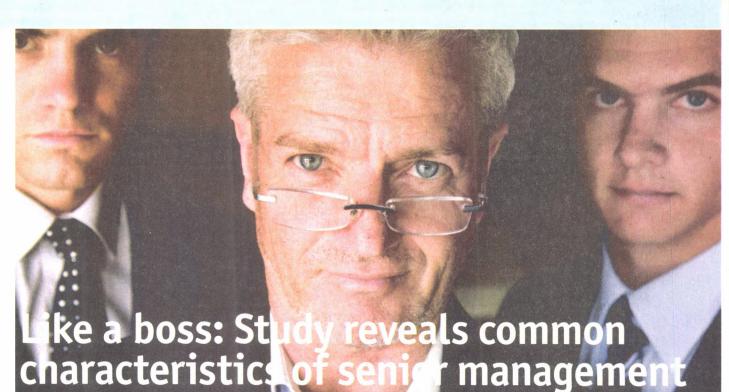
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"Get a clue how to run our company."

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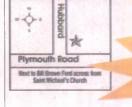
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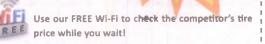
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IN MAIL-IN REBATES\* when you use the Quick Lane Credit Card. See Quick Lane Manager for



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purchases only. Requires presentation of competitors current price ad/offer on exact tire sold by Quick Lane within 30 days after purchase. See Quick Lane Manager for details through 12/31/15.





Check | Brake Inspection | Vehicle Check-Up | Fluid Top-Off Battery Test | Filter, Belts and Hoses Check

PLUS Motorcraft® Air Filter



WITH COUPON

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**Limited Time** 

Offer

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Includes inspection of the following: Air Conditioning & Heating System, Belts, Hoses & Filters, Braking System Components, Engine Cooling System, Exhaust System Components, Fluid Check & Top Off, Windshield Wipers & Washers Check

**Dealership Quality at After Market Prices!** 

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