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Most projects wrapping up in time for first day of school

Cal Stone Staff Writer

When voters overwhelmingly approved a \$70.9 million bond proposal in May, the Novi Community School District wasted little time getting projects start-

And, yes, the district will be ready for students when the doors open Tuesday, Sept. 8, for the 2015-16 school year.

"We're still finishing up this week for the first day of school," said Steven Barr, the district's assistant superintendent of business and operations. "Everything will be done that affects classrooms."

Every school building in the district is benefiting from the bond and much of the work being done is to accommodate current and projected growth.

"Most districts are declining," Barr said. "We're one of the few growing."

Key projects

The projects Barr considers key in the community's eyes include four-classroom additions at Novi Meadows and Deerfield and a six-classroom addition at Parkview. Novi High School had its indoor track refinished and the outdoor track and tennis courts completely rebuilt.

"The tennis courts are complete, except for a little fencing to finalize," Barr said. "And the public uses those 12 gorgeous courts extensively, so it supports our community and our state champion boys tennis team and the girls tennis team."

Likewise, the outdoor track,

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Novi High School senior Teja Bayya registers for classes Aug. 24 in the school's auditorium. Students that day received classes, locker assignments, parking passes and school IDs. The first day of school is Tuesday, Sept. 8.



CAL STONE

Bob Cummings, with just a sample of his Michigan State Fair memorabilia collection, at the press conference kicking off this year's event.

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COLLECTING MEMORIES

State fair memorabilia fuels local's passion

Cal Stone Staff Writer

For the past 20 years, Bob Cummings has been building a collection as the Michigan State Fair's official historian – and it'll all be on display at this year's Sept. 4-7 event at the Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi.

Four years ago, Cummings contacted Blair Bowman, owner of the Showplace and the one

responsible for reviving the state fair.

"I said, 'I've got this large collection. Would you like me to bring it?" Cummings said.

Bowman, who was launching the privately-funded Great Lakes State Fair after the state's official fair was shut down in 2009, said yes, so Cummings has brought his display each year since. (Since 2013, the event has been called the Fifth Third

Bank Michigan State Fair.)
"They give me a little more
room to display it and are very
accommodating," Cummings
said. "It's cool."

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Novi unifying trash service; ordinance raises concerns

Action causes confusion

Cal Stone Staff Writer

The city of Novi is finally going to have just one trash hauler – and that smells sweet to

some, but like garbage to others. Historically, each homeowner or subdivision has made separate arrangements for service on either a contract or subscription basis, resident Peter J. Winter said.

"Hornback Disposal was a family-owned company that provided outstanding and satisfactory trash and related services to Novi residents for many years," Winter said. "Suddenly, and without warning at the end of 2014, Hornback sold the company, contracts and subscrip-

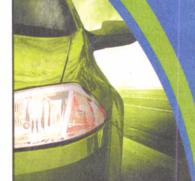
tions to Advance Disposal, a larger regional/national company. The transition was not seamless and was not satisfactory to many customers."

Time line

According to Sheryl Walsh, Novi's director of communications, around February, the city started getting a large number of complaints about solid waste pickup in several areas of the city – garbage being scattered across lawns, receptacles not being picked up on the date scheduled, recycled waste not being picked up or being picked up on other days than garbage, etc.

In April, city council directed administration to review licens-

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which is being finished this week, is for the community as well as school programs.

Other projects, like roofing at Parkview and the high school, may not seem as dramatic as others, but, Barr noted, they're extremely important for a conducive learning environment.

Perhaps the most eye-catching is the new building being constructed where the tennis courts used to be, on the southwest portion of Taft and 11 Mile roads - the Early Childhood Education Center.

Expected to be completed in August 2016, the 39,000-square-foot ECEC will accommodate 3-yearolds to young 5s, a rapidly growing program in the district. Construction started in July and the walls will be going up in

October.

2016 projects

"We also plan projects vears in advance, in terms of design," Barr said, adding that some 2016 projects will start in November.

Key ones include a 5,700-square-foot fitness room addition on the back of the high school that will tie in with the indoor track. That will serve more than 2,000 high school students, not just athletes, Barr added.

"That's going to be a beautiful and integral addition to our physical education and athletic program," he said.

The arts, however, will not play second fiddle in this district. Fuerst Auditorium will see significant renovations next summer, including better acoustics for orchestra, choir, dance and plays. Upgrades include the stage flooring, upgraded lighting, upgraded audio equipment and an acous-



There is still a bit of work to do on the Parkview school.

tic wall and ceiling shell.

"These are things in the final design stages now and will be out for bid in the next couple of months," Barr said. "Our fine arts program is an integral part of the district.

The facility is also used for after-school programming and rented to non-district groups.

Technology upgrades are in planning stages and may start this winter, with updates that will benefit students and teachers. Upgrades to the TV and radio broadcasting program are also in the planning stages.

"And a lot of work that people might not really care about - a ton of mechanical, lighting, plumbing, roofing - those are all part of \$25 million starting in December." Barr said.

Bond details

The bond funds a wide variety of projects, starting this year and going through approximately 2020. The list of projects comes from a Facility Assessment Report of district facilities that the firm of Plante Moran Cresa was contracted to perform beginning in June 2013 in conjunction with school district staff. Plante Moran performed the assessment of technology, while district staff performed the assessment of buses, furniture and equipment.

The \$70.9 million in funding breaks down to \$35.26 million for facilities and sites; \$15.15 million for building capacity and class sizes; and \$25.12 million for technology, security, furniture, equipment and

The district is utilizing \$1.2 million from its recreation fund and \$4.4 million from sinking funds to cover costs of the bond projects.

Currently with more

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Deerfield: four-classroom addition; mechanical; external PA system speakers

Parkview: six-classroom addition; kitchen renovations; mechanical; external PA system speakers; roofing; relocate baseball field from ECEC site

Novi Woods: sound attenuation in media center Village Oaks: sound attenuation in gym; external PA system

speakers; enhanced classroom security pilot Orchard Hills: new corridor flooring and painting; sound attenuation in gym; PA system in corridor; external PA system

Novi Meadows: four-classroom addition (sixth grade); classroom marker board and tack boards; new cafeteria floor (fifth grade): external PA system speakers

Novi Middle School: parking lot control; goal post/soccer

Novi High School: indoor track refinishing; outside track rebuild; tennis courts rebuild; baseball/softball field turf (September and October); performance gym sound system replacement; orchestra pit filler replacement; roofing

Early Childhood Education Center: began July 2015; completion August 2016

Technology: upgrade wired/wireless network; upgrade telephones; Meadows projector/SMART board replacement; upgrade UPS/Electrical; infrastructure and technology in classroom additions; disposal of obsolete technology

Furniture & equipment: replacement of custodial equipment; replacement of nine school buses; furniture for class-

The status of bond projects is updated and posted at http://www.novi.k12.mi.us/district/bond/.

than 6,500 students, the district is budgeting for 50 more in 2015-16.

"We know the community supports all of this, which is just fabulous,' he said. "We're lucky to have an opportunity to do this for our kids and community when a lot of districts are closing schools.'

The main reason for the classroom additions,

Barr said, is to maintain reasonable and quality class sizes. In fact, Novi has some of the lowest class sizes in the tricounty area. "And we'll continue to do that because it makes a difference in a child's education," he said.

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STATE FAIR

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This year, he'll be stationed inside near the home crafts area and pie competition.

And so it begins

Although he only went to the former state fair once or twice as a kid. Cummings volunteered for the soccer World Cup at the Pontiac Silverdome in 1994. The woman in charge of that event decided she was going to take on the Michigan State Fair.

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way to care

"I said, 'Sign me up!" he said.

He started to volunteer at the old state fair (on Woodward in Detroit) in '95, pretty much just as a joke, he said.

"I was there for 12 years," Cummings said. "I said I'll search eBay and see what pops up. I think it was a 1954 program for \$5 or something. So I said, what the heck. I bought it and brought it into the state fair's volunteer headquarters and everybody got a chuckle out of seeing the old ads and entertainers."

Cummings decided to see what else was out there. From there it snowballed, he said, into "an obsession, I guess you'd call it.

He discovered many pieces of ruby glass engraved with "Michigan State Fair" and the year (from 1905-50).

"I tell people, this was their souvenir before hats and T-shirts," he said.

He has amassed 72 programs; several dozen pins (brass, steel and plastic); seven pendants; four colorful posters; and many other "cute" items from different years.

The 61-year-old has lived in the Novi-Northville area his entire life and he keeps the collection stored in numerous Rubbermaid boxes in his basement.

"It doesn't get displayed anywhere but the state fair," he said.

He said he still has gaps in his program collection to fill, with only three from the 1970s in his display.

"I'd like almost anything from the 1800s, but was there much even printed then?" he said.

"I've got one program I think is unique. It's got the Simpsons characters on it. It's pretty neat; from the late '80s.'

Sources, recollections

He looks at garage sales, but eBay remains Cummings' best source for items. He's also had a lot of folks donate pieces.

"They're like, 'If you want 'em, come and get 'em!' I've gotten quite a few that way," he said, adding that he has created a flier crediting all who have donated items.

To help recoup some of his costs, Cummings sells duplicates. And he does have a limit of how far he'll go price-wise when bidding.

A woman gave him some of her collection, including a framed newspaper clipping with the singer Ricky Nelson. A woman saw it at the Novi event and told Cummings she was in the parade with Nelson and wanted to get her picture taken with it.

"I said, 'Absolutely!'
That's the joy of doing this," he said, adding he gets a kick out people's reactions when they see particular pieces in the collection.

His program from the 1961 Michigan State Fair indicates then-Sen. John F. Kennedy was going to

be at the band shell.
"A friend of mine was there and heard him speak," Cummings said.

Entertainers like Bob Hope and Alice Cooper were common occurrences at the old state fairs and Cummings said country western music would pack the fairgrounds back in the day.

One woman visiting his display last year

noted that she had won the pie-eating contest when she was young. Then she pointed to her son, who had just won the same contest that day.
"She said she was a

little disappointed because they were small pies and she had to eat one of the big nine-inch blueberry ones and her son had hardly got any smudges on his face!" Cummings said.

Two years ago, a man was pushing an older lady in a wheelchair around the inside of the Showplace when they came upon Cummings' display. He said she was very frail and the man locked the brakes on her wheelchair so she could stand up and look into

the display cases. "He's talking and says she's been to 50 state fairs. I thought, wow, that's got to be a record." Cummings said. "The guy asks, 'What's the oldest piece?' I said a program from 1879. And she turns and looks at me and says, 'I wasn't at that one!"

She got back in her wheelchair and they left. Cummings then realized he had blown an opportunity to get her picture. Fortunately, she (Ruthy Noga) returned to last year's fair in Novi and Cummings got her picture that time.

Yes, it's in the collection.

If you have any Michigan State Fair memorabilia you'd like to see in Cummings' collection, contact him at bob_cummings@ sbcglobal.net.

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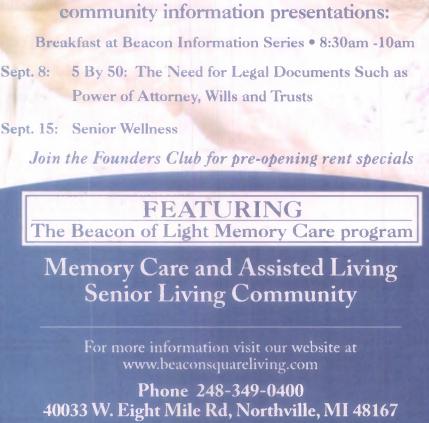
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TRASH

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ing of refuse haulers. Shortly after, an online survey was pushed out to Novi's various homeowners association leaders and 30 responses came back. Those indicated that prices for current services range from \$155 to \$226 per year, with an average at \$192, from five different companies.

Around 2,500 city households have contracts. Approximately 17,000 have month-tomonth subscriptions, like cable, which can be canceled at any time, Walsh said. Results from a National Citizen Survey indicate Novi rates below the national norm for

trash/recycling services. In May, city staff reviewed the issues at a meeting where all homeowner associations were invited. Council then directed administration to draft an ordinance toward a single hauler for the city.

In late June, the city's Ordinance Review Committee met to discuss the proposed ordinance, including examples from other communities. In mid-July, that committee met to discuss the proposed Request For Proposals and review draft ordinances to:

1) Address nuisance complaints related to limit the hours for refuse collection in residentialzoned districts and adding a new section stating that the penalty for violation shall be a civil infraction.

2) To provide for future collection of solid waste from residential premises pursuant to a contract with a designated waste hauler and provide for the administration of a solid waste

The first reading of the ordinance was approved July 27 by city

ORDINANCE NO. 15-184

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE NOVI CITY COUNCIL HAS ADOPTED ORDINANCE NO. 15-184 TO AMEND THE CITY OF NOVI CODE OF ORDINANCES, AT CHAPTER 16, "GARBAGE AND REFUSE," TO ADD ARTICLE IV, "COLLECTION, RECYCLING AND DISPOSAL," TO PROVIDE FOR FUTURE COLLECTION OF SOLID WASTE FROM RESIDENTIAL PREMISES PURSUANT TO A CONTRACT WITH A DESIGNATED WASTE HAULER, TO PROVIDE STANDARDS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR THE SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED. TO PROVIDE FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF A SOLID WASTE PROGRAM, AND TO PROVIDE PENALTIES FOR FAILURE TO COMPLY.

"The Ordinance was adopted by the City Council on Monday, August 10, 2015 and the provisions of the ordinance shall become effective fifteen (15) days after its adoption. A complete copy of the Ordinance is available for public use and inspection at the office of the City Clerk, 45175 Ten Mile Road, during the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., prevailing local time." – Maryanne Cornelius, City Clerk

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TOM DUNCAN owner, Duncan Disposal Systems

council, while the second reading and adoption

were approved Aug. 10. At that meeting, council member Andrew Mutch made a motion to hold off approving the ordinance until after two public information meetings scheduled for Aug. 18 (at the Civic Center) and Aug. 25 (at Hickory Woods Elementary).

"I would hate to lose the opportunity to give the public the chance to speak specifically about this issue," he said.

Mayor Bob Gatt said even going full speed ahead, the new service wouldn't be implemented until the end of first quarter 2016.

Mutch's motion failed (5-2) to pass, but it resonated with residents like Winter.

Already passed

"Obviously, ordinary procedures for the adoption of an ordinance were most likely followed,"

Winter said. "However, this is a substantial change in policy for the city and citizenry and most residents were totally unaware that this was under discussion and occurring. Residents of our subdivision were made aware of an 'informational' meeting to be held by the city last Tuesday (Aug. 18) by posting of a notice by our association board mem-

Winter said that, like many, he didn't fully read the posted PDF announcement circulated by the city, which made it fairly clear that the ordinance had already been adopted.

bers on a community site,

NextDoor.com."

"When I attended, I was under the impression that the concept was to be discussed, as were many others," he said of the Aug. 18 gathering. "At the meeting, there was considerable heat, as well as light, regarding

the issue."

What didn't help matters was a notice published on the city's website, stating that the informational meetings were regarding a "draft ordinance."

Walsh said the city's home page was updated immediately when it was discovered that the web provider inaccurately posted the notice. The new notice then indicated the Aug. 25 meeting would be regarding "the recent adoption of a new ordinance.'

"But think how much more democratic it would have been to find out what residents would like before city council decided it," resident Bob Moreillon wrote in a letter to the editor (see Opinion page inside) of the Novi

A public hearing was not scheduled, but for ordinance amendments, two readings of the ordinance at two meetings is standard procedure, according to Pete Auger,

city manager.
"This has been in the works since February, I believe," Auger said. "The public has the opportunity to weigh in two times at every council meeting. They (city council) also amended the ordinance, which takes two readings and was on the agenda. The largest hue and cry at city hall to city council (and DPS) from residents was to do something to fix the trash issue that came up when the largest hauler in the city sold their business."

Questions

Moreillon posed several questions, including if curbside leaf pickup in the fall would be part of the service, which is something city council asked administration to look into.

"What we found when we met with our haulers is that the haulers do not offer this service," Auger said. "Therefore, we

would have to purchase the equipment and have our DPS provide the service."

Doing this, he said, would take hundreds of thousands of dollars to perform and take DPS employees away from other task. In addition, the city does not have all curb and gutter, therefore making it more challenging with all the open ditches and road shoulders, Auger noted.

After the system is up and running, this will be a contract oversight situation, according to the city manager, and DPS will have the closest working arrangement with contractor. No additional personnel will be hired.

Auger said a citizen survey after implementation has been discussed and the city council has been very responsive to residents' concerns. Like any other contract council approves, there will not be a vote by the public at large.

City staff is preparing the RFP to be distributed to possible vendors for the contract.

"It is anticipated that the RFP will require the vendor to pick up trash, recycling, garden waste and bulk items," Winter told his North Hills Estates community in an email. "Whether this will resolve issues some have with our new provider when it is replaced remains to be seen; however, whatever the decision, it will mostly be out of our hands.'

Walsh said once the contract is approved, it will take six months for the new service to take effect. The city has contacted all five of the current trash haulers. Their contracts will be honored through June 30, 2016, and then residents will be charged for the new service on their summer and winter tax bills.

"It'll be the same charge for everybody,"

Walsh said. "We don't know the cost yet, because the RFP is still being developed and that should be awarded in late November or Decem-

Whichever company wins the bid, Walsh said a customer service representative will be dedicated solely to Novi.

Current hauler displeased

At the Aug. 24 council meeting, the owner of Duncan Disposal Systems spoke of several concerns regarding the new ordinance. Tom Duncan and his two sons run the family-owned business, which started 42 years ago in Novi and provides service to thousands in the city.

'I'm disappointed that this ordinance did not contain accommodations for a public hearing. This affects every person in every house in the city," he said, adding that he was told in a meeting with the city manager that there would be one.

"There is no way for you to claim to be a business-friendly government when you so arbitrarily strip us of our right to do business with our own customers," said Duncan, who acknowledged that one of his competitors doubled in size, "but to force us out .. it's outrageous."After he reached his threeminute time limit during the audience comment portion of the council meeting, his son Scott

"Why rush to make this dramatic change without citizen input and public hearing?" he asked. "Fast tracks lead to train wrecks."

Go to the city's website for answers to frequently-asked questions regarding the ordinance.

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Main Street Bank Celebrates a Decade of Service

t is with great pride that I write this Ten Year Anniversary Newsletter on behalf of Main Street Bank. Just sixty (60) days after our grand opening in 2005, the first headlines appeared in all of the newspapers signaling the beginning of what has become known as the Great Recession. This period turned out to be the worst financial crisis in the United States since the Great Depression began in 1929.

It was clear that our business plan could not be executed as proposed. Not knowing what was going to transpire next, the bank decided to turn extra cautious and move very slowly ahead. That meant growing the bank in a manner that would preserve our capital and allow us to monitor economic events that could further effect the bank's plans.

During the first three years of the bank's existence we did in fact, grow very slowly, preserved our capital and kept a watchful eye out for signs of any possible changes. As the dust was settling after the 2008 financial meltdown, it appeared the mortgage brokers and mortgage banking industry were going to take most of the blame for the problems in the economy. It became apparent that substantial changes were going to be made within the banking regulatory environment. Certainly the changes to be made would emphasize the residential mortgage side of the business. After much discussion, we concluded it was the right time

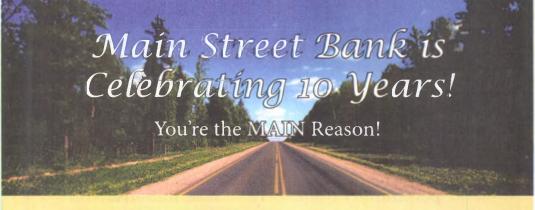
to jump into originating residential mortgages, just as others were exiting the business.

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Northville officials considering adding Mandarin to curriculum

Brad Kadrich Staff Writer

With experts believing China could eclipse the U.S. as the world's No. 1 economy as early as next year, advocates are urging Northville Public Schools to add Mandarin to its list of languages taught next

At the Aug. 25 Committee of the Whole meeting, a variety of speakers pleaded the case for adding Chinese, which they say is the most-spoken language on the planet, to the district's curriculum.

Among the presenters were the director of the Confuscious Institute at Wayne State University, a Novi-Detroit Catholic Central **High School Chinese** teacher and a Michigan State University junior who's been speaking Chinese since the sixth grade.

But the most impassioned plea came from Northville resident Tom Watkins, former state superintendent of edu-

Watkins, now CEO of the Wayne County Mental Health Authority, said he understands financial difficulties might make this a tough time to add such a course, but he believes it would be a significant addition.

"It's a critical time to step up and do what's right by offering Mandarin Chinese to our students," said Watkins, who advises the MEDC on issues involving China. "One-fifth of all humanity speaks Chi-



Watkins

"It's a critical time to step up and do what's right by offering Mandarin."

TOM WATKINS

former state education official

portion of my life building bridges with the People's Republic of China. If we can build those bridges ... it will affect all humanity."

As the district ponders possible changes to its 2016-17 curriculum, **Board of Education** Trustee Roland Hwang and others are encouraging administration to add Mandarin to its list of languages offered (French, Spanish and German), either as a replacement or an addi-

Among the proponents at the meeting was Nina Fang, who's been teaching Mandarin at Novi-Detroit Catholic Central for four years. She said she was the first teacher at CC and taught one class; four years later, she said, the school offers Chinese

Fang read a letter composed by one of her students that offered several reasons school districts should offer Chinese: 1) It's hot and popular. 2) Globalization. "China's economy is growing and China has many economic partners." 3) Learning it offers students educational and professional opportunities. Companies like to hire people who are bi-lingual, Fang pointed out, and with

darin is a logical educational alternative.

'The Chinese language is a worthy option for education," Fang said. "There is no real downside."

Julian Sanders, a 2013 graduate of Troy Athens High School who has been studying Chinese since the sixth grade, recalled meeting a Chinese neighbor not long after he began learning the language and being able to have a pleasant, if rudimentary, conversation in the gentleman's native language.

Sanders, now a junior studying business at MSU, also recalled moving into his room at the university's international dorm and finding his roommate to be Chinese. Mandarin, Sanders pointed out, is spoken in the dorm nearly as much as English.

"Chinese is the most commonly spoken language on the planet ... it has been a large part of who I am today," said Sanders, a member of the 2013 Chinese Quiz Bowl championship team. "You can connect with people. Whether it's with someone in your own neighborhood or someone 6,000 miles away, you can connect."

Watkins, who made his first trip to China in 1989, said he tried to

Watkins, China has the second-largest economy in the world and he said experts expect it to surpass the U.S. next

"Chinese is the mostspoken language on the planet and one-third of students entering MSU as freshmen are Chinese," Watkins said. "It's really an investment. I know it's a difficult one in these tough times ... but it will make a difference in our children's lives.'

Board Vice President Scott Craig, who is resigning effective the end of the month, expressed support for the

"I'm convinced this is a language we should be offering," Craig said. "We need to have our kids prepared to engage with our Chinese counterparts."

Board President Lyndy Jankowski agreell in theory, but pointed ut there's a long way l >tween agreeing wit the idea and making it appen. Course commi ments have to be considered and, of course there will be budge questions.

"I don't think you re going to find anyon who disagrees with that," Jankowski tol Craig. "But there's a significant amount work to be done if verre going to add this to ext year's curriculum.'

The board is expected to take up the qu stion again later this year, after school st rts.

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Angela Colasanti and Melody Arabo in front of the White

Walled Lake teachers attend D.C. summit

Melody Arabo and Angela Colasanti, teachers in the Walled Lake Consolidated School District, recently participated in the Teach to Lead Summit in Washington, D.C. The summit was sponsored by the U.S. Department of Education.

Arabo and Colasanti were invited to attend the summit after submitting a proposal on hybrid roles for teachers within a district.

"Angie and I submitted an idea that will advance teacher leadership roles and it was selected to be part of the summit, where they paired us with U.S. Department of Education leaders and critical friends to help us develop the idea to its fullest potential," Arabo said. "It was a powerful and

uplifting experience all around.

In coordination with supporting organizations like the National Board for Professional Learning Standards, America Achieves and the National Network of State Teachers of the Year, Teach to Lead hosts Regional Teacher Leadership Summits to help spotlight and advance the groundbreaking, teacher-led work that is happening across the country. This initiative was developed by Secretary of Education Arne Duncan and the U.S. Department of Education. Duncan made an appearance at the summit for the first time ever and addressed the group to thank teachers for their

hard work and innova-



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It's been a busy summer; now it's time for school

n my first day of kindergarten in Albuquerque, N.M., my mother drove my friend Woodrow and I to school. It was the best choice for her, really, as Woodrow and I were going to kindergarten in the building where she was a first-grade teacher.

I don't remember much about the day except that Woody cried when we picked him up and cried until we turned the corner at the end of the block. At that point, Woody couldn't see his mother anymore so he stopped crying. Just like

Woody cried like that



for the first week of school. Every morning, he'd cry when we picked him and stop when we turned that first corner. I don't know if his crying made his mom feel good or bad. I suspect she didn't like it much.

School starts Tuesday in Novi. My guess is that there may be a few tears shed that day.

Some students will be starting school for the first time in Novi. Others

will be starting at a new school. Students who ended last year in fourth grade will all be in fifth grade at Meadows. Our sixth-graders are going to Novi Middle School and our eighth-graders will be freshmen at Novi High School.

These new starts produce some anxiety. Who will be in my class? Will I like the teacher?

Even for experienced students, there are new worries. For those with lockers for the first time, there is the question of will I remember my locker combination? At the high school, freshmen contemplate the best way to navigate getting from the band, orchestra or choir rooms to the academic hallways at the other end of the building - in five minutes!

We also have new staff. We had retirements and resignations over the summer. Some staff members have changed positions and will be handling a new grade level or new responsibilities this year. Even adults get a bit nervous when beginning a new

My hope is that these new staff and those in new positions don't shed any tears!

There are new class-

rooms in the districts - at Deerfield, Parkview and Novi Meadows. We also have an upgraded wireless network, new roofs at Parkview and the high school, new tennis courts and a new track at the high school and new carpet and paint at Orchard Hills. We fixed noise problems at Village Oaks and Novi Woods and added parking lot

middle school. We shed a few tears this summer, wondering if everything would be ready. Not to worry, we made it and our schools look wonderful!

enhancements at the

It has been a busy

summer – and now we are ready for school!

This will be my fifth opening day in Novi. It will be a great day! I look forward to seeing parents as they drop off their children and students as they enter their classrooms. If there are tears, they will soon be replaced by smiles as everyone learns or remembers that Novi is a great place to go to school!

Steve M. Matthews, Ed.D., is superintendent of the Novi Community School District. He can be reached at smatthews@ novischools.net.

W.L. hosting retiree reception

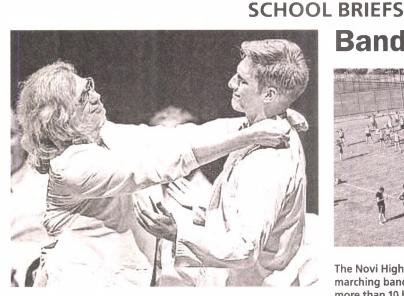
Walled Lake Consolidated School District retirees are invited to kick off the 2015-16 school year and the Foundation for Excellence commemoration of its 25th anniversary at a special reception 1-3 p.m. Friday, Sept. 11, at the **Educational Services** Center (850 Ladd Road,

Bldg. D, Walled Lake). The Foundation for Excellence and Walled Lake Schools welcome retirees to be their guest and enjoy this opportunity to re-unite with colleagues and receive an update on the status of the Foundation and dis-

For more information, contact the foundation office by phone at 248-956-2116 or e-mail at michellebianco@ wlcsd.org.

White Coat ceremony

Daniel J. Klarr, a 2008 graduate of Northville High School, recently participated in the University Of Michigan's Medical School White Coat Ceremony.



Daniel J. Klarr, a 2008 graduate of Northville High School, gets cloaked with the "white coat" by Dr. Patricia Klarr, a staff member at University Hospital.

Dr. Patricia Klarr, a staff member at University Hospital, cloaked him with the traditional "white coat."

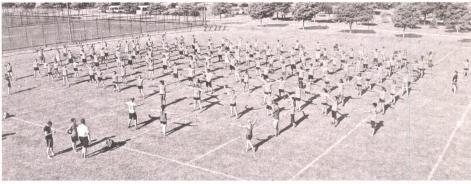
Some 170 future physicians, from 25 states, selected from 5,726 applicants, marched across the stage at Hill Auditorium.

After a two-week orientation, the Class of 2019 is now engaged in their medical education in Ann Arbor.

Co-Op open house

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

Band camp



The Novi High School Marching Band held its week-long band camp at the school Aug. 3-8. The marching band's show this year is titled "The Order of X." During band camp, students spent more than 10 hours a day working hard to improve their music and marching technique. The camp concluded with a parent performance. Fanfare, the annual marching band competition hosted by Novi High School, will take place Saturday, Oct. 3. It will be the 25th anniversary of

Host families needed in Novi

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

and a supportive home environment.

Educatius International is providing a monthly stipend to host families to offset the costs for hosting international student(s) into your home; depending on how many students, a referral bonus of \$100 to any individual that refers a family that hosts; an orientation program for the international students, host families and

the school; access to a local residential coordinator who will be available 24 hours a day; support as needed from **Educatius International** staff; and 24/7 emergency line.

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





Weds - 5:30pm

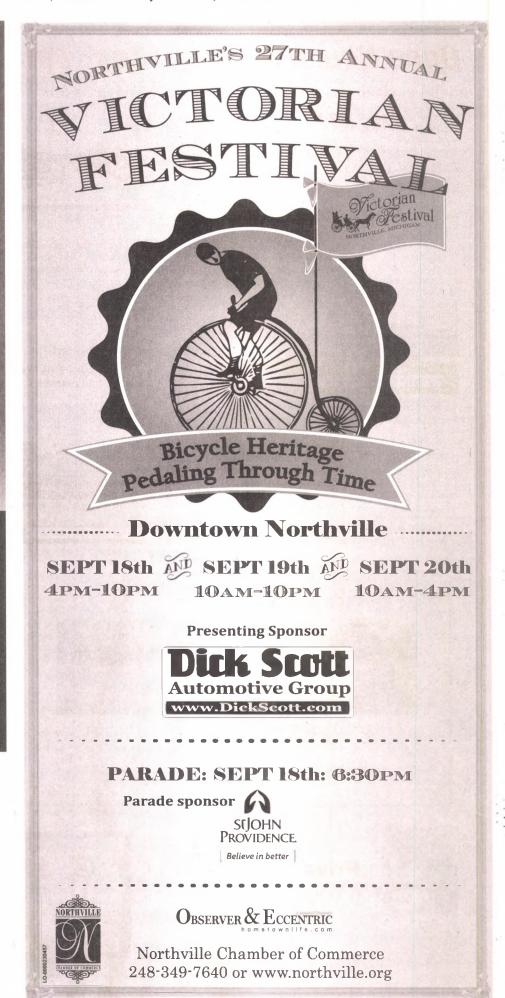




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Brightmoor Christian

Location: M-5 and 13 Mile,

Contact: 248-668-7014; CelebrateRecovery@brightmoorcc.org

Web: www.brightmoorchurch.org

Celebrate Recovery Time/Dates: 7 p.m. Monday Details: Worship, teaching or testimony and open-share recovery groups. Organizers offer the principles and tools to bring healing for the hurts, deliverance from life-controlling habits and freedom from the hang-ups that keep us from developing strong and healthy

relations with God and others. Enter at Door D on the south side of the building. No cost; free child care is available for children birth through fifth grade. Pre-register.

Church of the Holy Family

Location: 24505 Meadowbrook Road, Novi Contact: 248-349-8847

Web: www.holyfamilynovi.org Mass Schedule: 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. Monday through Friday; 7 p.m. Monday and Tuesday; 4:30 p.m. Saturday; 6:30 p.m. Saturday (Spanish)

Holy days: 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. Reconciliation: beginning 9 a.m. Saturdays or by appointment

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

Crosspointe Meadows

Location: 29000 Meadowbrook Road, south of 13 Mile,

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

BOLDEA, CHARLES

Age 88, of Livonia. August 27

2015. Service to be held at VFW

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CASKEY-CLARK.

PAMELA

Northville Mi. Pamela was born

Dec 8 1954 in Detroit Mi.,she

left this world Aug 23 2015. She

leaves behind her beloved hus-

band Sherman and son Robert

Norton. She is also survived by her loving parents Philip and

Patricia Caskey, as well as grand

children and lights of her life Emma And Maddie Norton, sis-

ters Cindy Young, Louann Nagy

and extended family and dear

friends. A memorial service will

be held at Oakpoint Church, 1250 South Hill RD. Milford Mi

DOUGLASS.

ARCHIE D. JR.,

Passed away August 26, 2015.

He is survived by his sons Stephen (LisaCavins) and Scott

Blane, Raeden, Hudson, Wyatt and Walker. He is preceded in death by his wife Ruth.

www.phillipsfuneral.com.

grandchildren:

(Elizabeth),

4012 Northville, more details at

Web: www.crosspointemeadows.org

Sunday worship: 11 a.m. Bible study classes: 10 a.m. for all ages

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

Destiny Worship Center

Location: Ridge Wood Elementary School, 41355 Six Mile, Northville

Contact: DestinvW3C@Gmail.com Web: www.DW3C.org

Detroit Japanese Christian Fellowship

45301 Eleven Mile Road, Novi Reverand: Kanji Fuki Contact: 248-756-3336

Dominion Church

Location: P.O. Box 605, Novi Contact: 248-767-1366 Pastor: James H. Moseley Jr. Asst. Pastor: Ashaki M. Mose-

Emmanuel Lutheran

Location: 34567 Seven Mile, Livonia

Web: www.emmanuel-livonia.org

Contact: 248-442-8822

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

Youth group: 7 p.m. Wednes-Special Needs Ministry: Judy

Cook, 248-442-8822 **Women's Coffee Break Bible** Study: 10-11:30 a.m. Monday -"WHY? Making Sense of God's

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

Faith Community Presbyterian Church

Location: 44400 W. 10 Mile Contact: 248-349-2345 Web: www.faithcommunity-

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RELIGION CALENDAR

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Sunday Worship: 10 a.m. Bible Study: 9 a.m. Sunday Christianity - The First Three Centuries*

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

First Baptist Church of Northville

Location: 217 N. Wing, North-

Contact: 248-348-1020 Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m. and 5:45 p.m.

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

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

First Church of the Nazarene

Location: 21260 Haggerty, north of Eight Mile Contact: 248-348-7600

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

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

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

Wednesday: 5:30 p.m. family dinner; 6:30 p.m. Caravan Scouting program for ages 4 through fourth grade; Club 56 for fifth- and sixth-graders; Surge Youth Group, Bible Study with Pastor Troy Ogle; and Little Critters for preschool age Sunday Services: 9:30 (classic) and 11 a.m. (contemporary)

Sunday School: 9:30 and 11 **Children and Teen Sunday**

Worship at 11 a.m Bible Study: Thursdays at 6 a.m. -- Men of Purpose Prayer Group and Bible Study; and Wednesday at 6:30 p.m (through the summer) in Room

www.hometownlife.com

First Free Will **Baptist Church**

Location: 51395 10 Mile Road,

Contact: 248-348-2380

First Presbyterian Church of Northville Location: 200 E. Main, North-

Contact: 248-349-0911

Web: www.fpcnorthville.org Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m. Sunday School: 10:30 a.m. (for all ages)

First Presbyterian Church

Location: 205 E. Lake Street, South Lyon Contact: 248-437-2875

First Presbyterian Church

Location: 26165 Farmington Road, Farmington

First United Methodist Church of Northville

Location: 777 W. Eight Mile, Northville

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

Frank Turner **Ministries**

Location: Novi Civic Center 45175 W. 10 Mile Road Contact: 810-599-7392

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

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Location: 41415 Nine Mile,

Contact: 248-349-0565 Sundays: 8:45 a.m. Sunday School and Bible study; 10 a.m. worship

Grace Immanuel **Bible Church**

Location: 21900 Meadowbrook Road, Novi Pastor: Charles Sexton Contact: 248-344-4465

Holy Cross Episcopal

Location: 40700 W. 10 Mile, Novi

Contact: 248-427-1175; holycrossnovi@gmail.com Web: www.holyCROSSnovi.org Sunday Worship: 7:45 and 10

Sunday School and Nursery Care: 10 a.m. worship service Alzheimer's Support Group:10 a.m. second Saturday

Hope Lutheran Church

Location: 39200 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills

Lakes Baptist Church Location: 309 Decker Road.

Walled Lake

Legacy Church

(formerly First Baptist Church and Orchard Hills Baptist

Location: 23455 Novi Road,

Contact: pastor Jon Hix, 248-

349-5665 Web: www.legacychurch.us Sunday School/Small

Groups for all ages: 9:45 a.m. Worship Services: 11 a.m. Bible Study/Prayer: Wednesday 7 p.m.

Livonia Church of Christ

Location: 15431 Merriman, Livonia

Contact: 734-427-8743 Web: www.livoniachurch.net Sunday Worship: 11 a.m. Bible School: Sunday 10 a.m.;

Meadowbrook Congregational Church

Wednesday 7 p.m.

Location: 21355 Meadowbrook Road, Novi Contact: the Rev. Arthur P.

7757; office@mbccc.org Web: www.mbccc.org Sunday Worship: 10 a.m. **Church School and Nursery** Care: provided during worship Fellowship Hour: 11 a.m.

Ritter, senior minister; 248-348-

Memorial Church of Christ

Location: 35475 Five Mile Road, Livonia Minister: Mark McGilvrey Web: www.5milechurch.org Contact: 734-464-6722: churchoffice@5milechurch.org

NorthRidge Church

Location: 49555 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth Contact: 734-233-3621; pheaton@northridgec hurch.com

Northville Christian Assembly

Location: 41355 Six Mile Contact: 248-348-9030

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

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

Novi-Northville Center for Jewish Life

Details: Events, programs and activities for all ages throughout the year — children's programs, Sunday school, adult Jewish classes, youth clubs, holiday services and programs and community social events. Contact: Rabbi Avrohhom and Leah Susskind; 248-790-6075; rabbi@novijewishcenter.com Web: www.novijewishcenter-

Novi United Methodist

Location: 41671 W. 10 Mile,

Contact: 248-349-2652 Web: www.umcnovi.com Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/pages/Novi-United-Methodist-Church/59782031433

Sunday Worship: 9:45 a.m. **Healing Service and Holy** Communion: 9:45 a.m. first Sunday

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

OakPointe Church

Location: 50200 W. 10 Mile, Novi

Contact: 248-912-0043 Web: www.oakpointe.org/ lifegroups

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

ReNew Life Group Ministries: 7-9 p.m. Monday (groups meet weekly) Women's Life Groups Minis-

tries: 7 p.m. Tuesday; 9:30 a.m. Wednesday Men's Life Groups Minis-

tries: 6 a.m. Friday; at the

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Oakland Baptist Church

church and various locations

Location: 23893 Beck Road,

Contact: 248-982-4041 Web: www.oaklandbaptistnovi.org

Orchard Grove Community Church

Location: 850 Ladd Road, Walled Lake

Contact: 248-926-6584 Web: www.orchardgrove.org Back 2 School Bash: 7-10 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12. All sixth grade through 12th grade students in the southeast Oakland County area have an opportunity to enjoy a final summer fling" with a variety of activities, refreshments, and a chance to win an opportunity to meet well-known professional surfer, Bethany Hamilton, when she speaks at the church on Oct. 18. The event will also include a car bash. inflatables, and giveaways. Snack food and drinks will be available for purchase. All interested students must fill out a waiver form to attend. The form can be downloaded at www.orchardgrove.org.

Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church

Tickets can be obtained in

\$15, or at the door for \$25.

advance on the website for

Location: 47650 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth Township Contact: 734-453-0326, ext.

Our Lady of Victory

Location: 132 Orchard Drive, Northville Contact: 248-349-2621 Web: www.olvnorthville.org Saturday Worship: 5 p.m.

Sunday Worship: 7:30 a.m.,

9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

Our Savior Apostolic

Lutheran Church Location: 54899 Eight Mile, Northville

Contact: 248-374-2268 Children (5-10) & Adult Sunday School: 10 a.m. Bible Study: Wednesdays at 7

Our Shepherd

Presbyterian Church Location: 1200 S. Sheldon,

Plymouth Contact: pastor Bill Burke; 734-927-0891

Wednesday Bible Study: 7 p.m.

Sunday Bible Study: 9:30

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

Pentecostals of Novi

Location: Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. 10 Mile

Contact: 248-697-8158

Plymouth St. John's

Web: www.thepentecostalsof-

Episcopal Church Location: 574 S. Sheldon in

Plymouth Contact: 734-453-0190, ext. 16 Web: www.stjohnsplymouth-

Praise Baptist Church

Location: 45000 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth Contact: 734-748-3898

Prince of Peace Lutheran

Location: 28000 New Market Road, Farmington Hills Phone: 248-553-3380

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

for more information. CLASSES (call the church office to register; space is limited):

Through the Fire: an eightweek recovery workshop for those dealing with divorce; 7 p.m., beginning Sept. 3.

Hope for Tomorrow: an eight week workshop for those dealing with the death of a loved one; 7 p.m., beginning Sept. 3

Financial Peace University: a nine-week seminar to help people better understand their finances and plan for the

See CHURCH, Page A7



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

LEOTA "LEE" A long time resident of Commerce Township and member of Milford Presbyterian Church, died on August 30, 2015 at the age of 87. She was preceded in death by Thomas M. Fisher, her beloved husband of sixty-two years, in 2013 and is survived by her children, Sharon (John) Liddell, Thomas Kevin Fisher, Pamela (Gary) Fisher Durante and Matthew Alton Fisher; grandchildren, John T. Liddell, Elizabeth Cole Durante and Katherine Alida Fisher; sister-inlaw, Katherine Fisher Haldane and much extended family and many dear friends. Visitation will be held at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, 404 E. Liberty St., Milford, on Friday, September 4, from 4-9PM. A Funeral Service will be held at the Milford Presbyterian Church, 238 N. Main St., Milford, on Saturday, September 5, at 10AM with Pastor Bryant Anderson officiating. Burial will follow in Milford Memorial Cemetery. Memorials may be made in her name to the Milford Presbyterian Church or to a charity of choice. For further information please phone 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFu

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GARDY, AL "ALVIN"

Age 66, passed away August 30, 2015. He retired from the F.A.A. after 38 years of dedicated service. He is survived by his wife of 45 years, Janet; his brother, Leo; his large, loving extended family and his dog, Gracie. Al was preceded in death by his beloved son, Michael in 2015. Please visit www.phillipsfuneral.com

HANNAH, RICHARD June 24, 1940 - August 20, 2015. Arrangements by: PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME.

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LINDER, BOB January 24, 1957 - August 30, 2015. Arrangements by PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME. www.phillipsfuneral.com

MARKIEWICZ. CHRISTOPHER P

Age 43, passed away August 30, 2015. He was born on April 8, 1972 in Detroit, son of Michael Florence Markiewicz. Christopher was a proud veteran serving with the Marines during Desert Storm. He is survived by parents, Michael and Florence; his siblings: Sean (Melissa), Nicole (Donny Jones), and Brian (Kimberly). He is also survived by his very special nieces: Sierra and Payton, his nephews: Riley, Brian, Bryce and Jason, his great-aunt, Helen Falls and many cousins, aunts and uncles. Christopher was preceded in death by his special niece, Madison in 2002. Visitation will be held Wednesday, September 2 from 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. and Thursday, September 3 from 3:00p.m. - 9:00 p.m. at PHIL-3:00p.m. - 9:00 p.m. at PHIL-LIPS FUNERAL HOME, 122 W. Lake St., South Lyon. A funeral Mass will be celebrated Friday, September 4 at 12:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 830 S. Lafayette, South Lyon. He will be laid to rest in Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly where military honors will be rendered. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Disabled American Veterans

> www.phillipsfuneral.com Shillips FUNERAL HOME AND

or the family



Highland home on Saturday, August 29, 2015 after a year long battle with cancer. He is survived by his wife of 54 years, dren, Bryanna (Nick) Webb, September 3, 2015 at 11 a.m. made in his name



RUTKA, LAWRENCE "LARRY" F. Passed away peacefully in his

Josie; their sons, Brian (Holly) and Leonard (Lynn); grandchil-Kali, Alan and Kevin as well as nieces, nephews, extended family and friends. A Funeral Mass will be held at St. Mary Catholic Church on Thursday, with gathering beginning at 10:30 a.m. Friends may visit ed Lynch & Sons Funeral Home on Wednesday, September 2nd Memorial contributions may be Seasons Hospice. For further information phone Lynch & Sons, Milford at 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirec tors.com

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future; 7 p.m., beginning Sept. 10. ESL (English as a Second Language): lessons from 1:30-3 p.m. Mondays; 11 a.m. to noon conversational sessions on Saturdays.

St. James Catholic

Location: 46325 10 Mile, Novi Contact: 248-347-7778 Web: www.sjnovi.net

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

St. John Lutheran Church

Location: 23225 Gill, Farmington Hills Contact: 248-474-0584

Web: www.stjohn-lutheran.com Saturday Worship: 5:30 p.m. Sunday Worship: 9, 11:15 a.m. Sunday School: 10:15 a.m.

St. Paul's Lutheran

Location: 201 Elm Street, Northville (behind Hiller's)

Web: www.stpaulnorthville.org Contact: 248-349-3140

Sunday worship: 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.; nursery care provided during worship services

Sunday Morning Coffee Hour: 9:30 Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.

Sunday Youth Bible Study: 9:45 a.m. in the Youth House across Elm street

Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study: 10 a.m. Confirmation Classes: 7 p.m. Mondays. AA: 8 p.m. Fridays.

The Relational Church

Location: 24139 Brentwood Court, Novi

Pastor: Michael Zerkich Contact: 248-767-8626

Unitarian Universalist Church of Farmington

Location: 25301 Halsted, Farmington

Web: www.uufarmington.org **Details:** This religious education program is open to the public and

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currently enrolling new students. Classes are grouped into grades K-5, 6-8 and 9-12 with age-specific educa-

tion materials for all. Contact: Jennifer Teed; 248-478-

7272; dre@uufarmington.org

Details: Six weeks exploring different topics like religion, philosophy, science, health, social and political issues. No advance registration necessary; a \$5 donation is suggested. Drop in and pick the class that interests you most at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Farmington.

Contact: 248-478-7272; uufarmington.org/uucf/re-lifespan

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Preschool, Pre-K & Kdg. - Mo. Synod 620 General Motors Rd., Milford Church office: (248) 684-0895 orship Services: Sunday 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Bible Study: Sunday 10:45 a.m. Rev. Martin Dressler

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MILFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Pastor Bryant Anderson 238 N. Main Street, Milford MI (248) 684-2805 www.milfordpc.org
Sunday Worship: 16:00 a.m.
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Back to school: Parents can help ease anxieties for young students with these tips

Julie Brown Staff Writer

Karen Paciorek is a veteran of sending kids off to school. resid

Her two grown children navigated the waters from grade school to college. Paciorek, a Novi resident and past president of the Northville Public Schools Board of Education, is a professor at Eastern Michigan University.

"There are going to be some tears, probably," said Paciorek, who earned her Ph.D. at Peabody College of Vanderbilt University in Tennessee and is a professor and program coordinator, Early Childhood Education, at EMU's Department of Teacher Education.

She has advice for parents sending a child off, especially to kindergarten. "Many of our children now have had a preschool experience before kindergarten," she said. "Help your child be independent."

That includes being sure pants can be snapped and unsnapped for toileting and shoes and jackets taken on and off. "If I can take care of myself as a child, I will have less anxiety," Paciorek said.

Agreeing is kindergarten teacher Jennifer
Wichmann of Cleveland
Elementary School in the
Livonia district. "I think
it's a good time to start to
encourage a lot of that

independence," said Wichmann, a Plymouth resident who's starting her 14th

Paciorek

year in LPS and her fifth at Cleveland.

Paciorek told her sons to buddy up, to get help with school assignments from friends.

Let's get organized

Being organized in the morning is key. Children should pick their clothing and put out their backpack the night before. "Even if the child wears a uniform, they can choose their underwear," Paciorek said. "We rush off to work and we're frantic and frazzled. It just sets a bad tone for the day."

Reading for pleasure should continue all year, with 20 minutes a day a good rule of thumb, the professor said. That can be the child reading independently or with a parent.

"Sometimes before bed, we're tired; they're ready to nod off," Paciorek said. It's fine to read for 10 minutes earlier and then 10 minutes at bedtime.

"They need to have that opportunity to hear vocabulary and language. It's the best and least expensive thing we can do for children," she said of reading, adding public libraries have a wealth of materials.

"Oh, absolutely,"
Wichmann, mom to two
daughters entering third
and sixth grades, said of
daily reading. "That's one
of my main readiness
tips, reading aloud to
your child daily. Kids see
their parents reading."

Regular reading at home helps children learn parts of a sentence, as well as the beginnings and ends of words, Wichmann said. "It's also just a wonderful time to cuddle with your child," she added

Wichmann said it's typical for children starting kindergarten to feel nervous and that family routines like breakfast, bath time and brushing teeth help children.
"Those are really important to keep, especially when a child is starting something new in life,"

Wichmann said.

"Parents want to help get their children organized" for homework, Paciorek said. Early elementary homework, usually minimal, is designed to prepare children for middle school and high school, which are more demanding.

Even a young child needs a place to do homework, not in front of a TV, she said, as well as materials required. Paciorek urges parents to watch a child doing homework.

"Is the homework too hard? Are they having problems?" she said. Generally 10 minutes of homework per grade level per day is usual, so a third-grader struggling for an hour and a half raises questions.

Writing a note to the teacher in that case is recommended, said Paciorek, who touts email as a good way to communicate and which allows the teacher to respond when he or she gets time.

"Then the teacher knows how to adjust," Paciorek said, noting some lessons may have caused difficulty for multiple children in a classroom.

'Communicate problems'

Many teachers now have websites and private Facebook pages to help families. "Communicate problems you notice your child is having," Paciorek said.

You want to first get the whole story from your child if an issue arises. It's best to then approach the teacher; you can go to the principal if that doesn't answer questions.

Schools have administrators for curriculum, as well as those who handle behavior issues, and they can help if the principal isn't able to do so, Paciorek added.

"The kindergartners keep us very busy during the school day," Wichmann said. Some teachers may not be able to answer an email until the next day, she said.

Paciorek and Wichmann agreed families need to share at some level if there are problems at home, such as an ill grandparent or a separation. "Life is a little hectic or disruptive for us now," can be said. "You don't have to bare your soul," Paciorek added.

"There may be resources at school for help," such as with a custody issue, Paciorek noted.

Knowing of difficulties at home helps, "just so we can kind of get a better idea of the child's experience and where they may be coming from," Wichmann said. She meets with parents before or after school or at lunch, "to try to make a plan to work things out" if needed.

Some families from foreign countries relocate here and Paciorek noted technology enables those a long distance away to get information on their child and the school. Educators shouldn't assume an announcement will be understood by all, with Paciorek's example of Halloween being the same as previous years.

"Is there a family that knows the area well that can serve as a mentor family?" Such mentoring is vital, the professor said, "because U.S. education can be very different from other coun-

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SAFETY FIRST

The American Academy of Pediatrics offers these tips for students traveling to and from school:

SCHOOL BUS

Children should always board and exit the bus at locations that provide safe access to the bus or to the school building.

Remind your child to wait for the bus to stop before approaching it from the curb.

Make sure your child walks where she can see the bus driver (which means the driver will be able to see her, too).

Remind your student to look both ways to see that no other traffic is coming before crossing the street, just in case traffic does not stop as required.

Your child should not move around on the bus.

If your child's school bus has lap/shoulder seat belts, make sure your child uses one at all times when in the bus. (If your child's school bus does not have lap/shoulder belts, encourage the school system to buy or lease buses with lap/shoulder belts.)

CAR

All passengers should wear a seat belt or use an age- and size-appropriate car safety seat or booster seat.

Your child should ride in a car safety seat with a harness as long as possible and then ride in a belt-positioning booster seat. Your child is ready for a booster seat when she has reached the top weight or height allowed for her seat, her shoulders are above the top harness slots, or her ears have reached the top of the seat.

Your child should ride in a belt-positioning booster seat until the vehicle's seat belt fits properly (usually when the child reaches about 4foot-9 in height and is between 8 to 12 years of age). This means that the child is tall enough to sit against the vehicle seat back with her legs bent at the knees and feet hanging down and the shoulder belt lies across the middle of the chest and shoulder, not the neck or throat; the lap belt is low and snug across the thighs, not the stomach.

All children younger than 13 years of age should ride in the rear seat of vehicles. If you must drive more children than can fit in the rear seat (when carpooling, for example), move the front-seat passenger's seat as far back as possible and have the child ride in a booster seat if the seat belts do not fit properly without it.

BIK

Always wear a bicycle helmet, no matter how short or long the ride.

Ride on the right, in the same direction as auto traffic.
Use appropriate hand signals.

Respect traffic lights and stop signs.

Wear bright-colored clothing to increase visibility. White or light-colored clothing and reflective gear is especially important after dark.

Know the "rules of the road."

WALKING TO SCHOOL

Make sure your child's walk to school is a safe route with well-trained adult crossing guards at every intersection.

Identify other children in the neighborhood with whom your child can walk to school. In neighborhoods with higher levels of traffic, consider organizing a "walking school bus," in which an adult accompanies a group of neighborhood children walking to school.

Be realistic about your child's pedestrian skills. Because small children are impulsive and less cautious around traffic, carefully consider whether or not your child is ready to walk to school without adult su-

If your children are young or are walking to a new school, walk with them the first week or until you are sure they know the route and can do it safely.

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Bright-colored clothing will make your child more visible to drivers.



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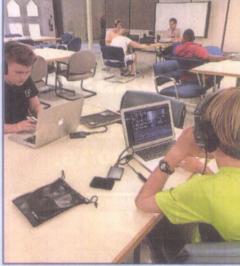
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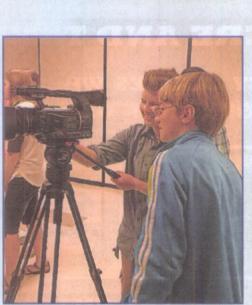
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World-famous artist David Barr passes away at 75

Cal Stone Staff Writer

The Michigan Legacy Art Park and iconic sculptures like the gleaming 63-foot arch in downtown Detroit, Transcending, are here now for all of us to enjoy, but the artist who created them - David Barr - died Aug. 28 after a brief illness.

The 75-year-old artist lived in Novi for the past 34 years. His Sonata, a 16-foot sculpture he created in 1999, is located at Fuerst Park on the southeast corner of Taft and 10 Mile roads.

"It's a wonderful feeling for me and I'm overjoyed to do it," Barr said in 2010 when he loaned it to the city. "I'd like to do more and leave some identity here.

He certainly did that, not only here in Novi, but all over the world.

In 2012, the city purchased his four-acre Villa Barr property on Napier, between Eight Mile and Nine Mile roads, to use as city of Novi Park, Sculpture Garden and Cultural Education Center.

'I love the idea of it serving the community," Barr said of the agreement. "It's a place that incorporates nature with art, so it's very peaceful and perfect as a park setting."

More than 30 sculptures and art pieces are arranged on the property and the 3,800-square-foot home will now be used as an arts residence program space for classes and lectures.

The city purchased the home, studios and sculpture garden – as well as six pieces of sculpture for \$375,000 with the stipulation that the Barrs could live continue to live there. David's wife, Beth Dwaihy-Barr, died in December 2013. She was a dancer, teacher, writer and her husband's collaborator.

"David Barr was a man blessed with a vision a vision expressed in his many sculptures that adorn our new Villa Barr art park," Novi Mayor Bob Gatt said. "David epitomized that which is Novi: A unique city filled with many great people working together, even though their visions may be completely opposite to one another.'

Gatt recalled a dinner honoring Barr a few years ago when then-Mayor David Landry said, referencing Villa Barr, that "art speaks to

"Forevermore, the legacy of David Barr,

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tries." Involvement by parents is key, Paciorek said: "Get up in the morning. I

know those school buses come early for high school students." Asking specific questions about the student's

day, such as "What made you think?" or others, is essential. "Be creative in your questioning, because that will give you more information," Paciorek said.

Keeping up with school, showing interest at home and taking children places where they can explore and learn all boost their education, Paciorek added. If your work prevents you from getting to parent conferences, ask about Skype

options. "They help the parents stay involved and feel connected," Paciorek said of using such tech-

nology. Wichmann added, "I think every parent wants the best for their child, both academically and socially." She added, after a busy day of professional development with colleagues, "I think it promises to be a wonderful year at Cleveland."

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artist, sculptor, Novi resident and friend, will yell out to people who visit the sacred grounds that will house many of his art pieces," Gatt said "All the citizens of Novi are grateful that Mr. Barr passed our way, in our time. Heaven has gained an artist. We shall miss him dearly."

Barr had said public art can bring apprehension over spending and it's key to prepare people and explain the work.

"Public arts are things people go all over the world to see," he told the Novi News in January 2013. "It can tell you so much about the civilization and the culture.'

For him, art was a way of life. In 1995, just seven vears after receiving the Governor's Michigan Artist Award, he founded the 30-acre Michigan Legacy Art Park at Crystal Mountain, southwest of Traverse City in Thompsonville.

'He was such a compassionate friend and a great mind - a person who when he talked, you just hung on every word and let it sink in and become a part of you," Renee Hintz, MLAP's executive director, said on the organization's website. "I can truly say I am a better person for having known him. He created a body of work - sculptures, reliefs, books and the Art Park - from which great lessons about humanity can be learned. And I know just how proud he was of how the park has grown and the plans we have for the

Barr earned a master's



David Barr

DETAILS

David Barr is survived by his children, Heather Adamczyk and Gillian Copeland, A memorial will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 12, at Villa Barr, 22600 Napier, Novi. The family suggests memorial donations be made to the MLAP or Livonia-based Angela Hospice.

Explore Barr's work online at http://paul-manganello-56ic.squarespace.com/.

of fine arts degree from Wayne State University and was an associate professor of sculpture at **Macomb Community** College in Warren for 37 vears.

He worked on perhaps the largest sculpture in the world, the Four Corners Project, with installations at Greenland, Africa, Irian Jaya (New Guinea) and Easter Island. His sculptures are located all over the state of Michigan, but perhaps his most recognizable is Transcending, a blend of bronze, steel and granite that acknowledges the contributions of Detroit's laborers and skilled tradespeople.



PHOTOGRAPHER **Artist David Barr's Napier** Road home and its grounds are filled with dozens of examples of his works. The city of Novi purchased his Villa Barr property and, with his death, it will become the city of Novi Park. Sculpture Garden and Cultural **Education Center**

JOHN HEIDER I STAFF

long to live," Landry said. "He wanted to talk to the city about acquiring his property as an art park."

Landry was instrumental in negotiating the

deal for Villa Barr. 'David was a very dedicated artist and dedicated to protecting the artist," Landry said.

Barr told the mayor that one of the problems a sculptor has is when he or she dies is the family doesn't know what to do with these large pieces, so they begin selling them for well below their true value. That, Barr explained, devalues the artist's other pieces that others have already bought.

"His theory on sculpture is when people think of sculptures like Michelangelo's David, those artists were illustrators before there was cameras," Landry said of Barr. "His idea was to open up nature with sculptures that would explain natural phenomenons. He was very into mathematical sequences.'

Landry said he saw Barr at the Pour on the Shore event in late July, when his Fate of Empires piece was dedicated at Pavilion Shore Park.

'Two weeks later, he had a massive stroke, Landry said. "I visited him at home with hospice and he said, 'Look, don't feel sorry for me. I've had a full life. I'm doing fine, just take care of my art and I hope the city continues its commitment to all art - not just mine.' He was an amazing human being and a tre-

people already know what they mean," he said. "There's no new experience to it. What interests me is providing a new way of seeing things." Friendship formed Landry got to know Barr and became close to him around 2009, about two years before Landry's last term as mayor. lived in Novi," Landry said, "and we had no idea

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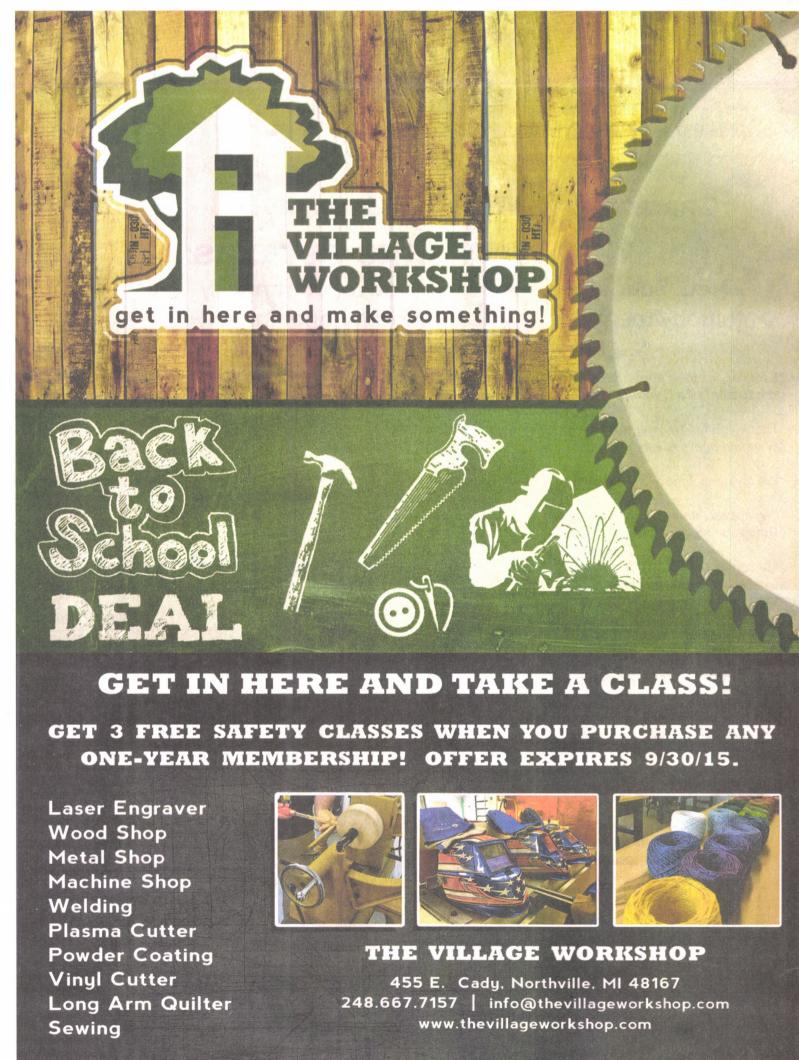
nowned artist. Landry and Kim Capello, mayor pro tem, were on a mayor's exchange in Dublin, Ohio,

which has a very vibrant public art program in which artists donate pieces for the city to display for a year. We thought this

would be a great idea in Novi," Landry said. "Capello knocked on David's door out of the blue. We had no idea this guy had pieces of art all over the world!" Barr then emailed

Landry to have lunch and told the mayor he had been trying for 20 years to do something similar to Ohio's program here in Novi.

"We met again and he confided in me that his health was poor and that he didn't think he had



Sweet new year



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Molly Schaad, 7, (right) tries out some apples and honey at the Novi Public Library as she, Eva Baker, 4, and others learn about the upcoming Jewish holidays and Rosh Hashanah. Led by Lead Susskind of the Novi Jewish Center, kids enjoyed the treats and wished all a sweet a new year.



Science-faith connection focus of Novi church talk

Julie Brown Staff Writer

Faith Community Presbyterian Church of Novi will present a Sept. 19-20 seminar at the church, 44400 W. 10 Mile. It will run 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sept. 19.

Deborah Haarsma, president of BioLogos, will talk about the harmonv between science and faith. She is an astrophysicist with a Ph.D. from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and a Christian. BioLogos is an organization formed by Dr. Francis Collins, head of the National Institutes of Health. Its mission is to talk with scientists about faith and with Christians about science and to help both understand that there doesn't have to be conflict between science and serious faith.

"I think it's an issue that is a question for a lot of people," said the Rev. Richard Henderson, senior pastor of the Novi congregation. Some Christians are like Haarsma, who had her faith issues challenged in college.

"She had to question what she was taught in Sunday school," Henderson said, noting some Christians "have difficulty understanding new concepts in science."

Haarsma will talk about the harmony between modern science and biblical faith and Christian understandings of evolution and creation. This may be a controversial subject for some Christians but organizers believe it is an important issue for people of faith to address, said Henderson.

Previously, Haarsma served as a professor and chair of physics and astronomy at Calvin Col-

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Her Novi
program
will include:
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urday morning: "Harmony Between Modern Science and Biblical

Faith"

» Saturday afternoon:
"Christian Perspectives
on Creation, Evolution
and Design"

» Sunday sermon: "The Heavens Declare the Glory of God."

Henderson noted
Christians' belief in the
Genesis account of the
world's creation "and also
believing what science
says to be true. We're
hoping it will be helpful
and informative for a lot
of people. She does a very
good job explaining."

Henderson heard
Haarsma speak a couple
of years ago at a conference. A church committee in Novi has been
working more than six
months to coordinate the
local September program.

"I think it'll be a great event, really top-notch people," he said. "Just a wise presentation on how we understand this."

There will also be a panel of theologians and scientists responding to her message in Novi. The panelists are: the Rev. Stephen Murray, president of Ecumenical Theological Seminary in Detroit; Robert Salter, instructor in theology and ecumenism at Novi-Detroit Catholic Central High School; and Dr. Patrick McLaughlin, professor of radiation oncology at the University of Michigan and medical director of the **Assarian Cancer Center**

at Providence Park.
The panelists are all

Christians, Henderson said, including physician McLaughlin. "He does a lot with cancer patients," Henderson said. "A lot of smart people who can speak to the subject well. We're really looking forward to it."

Sept. 12 is the registration deadline for the Faith Community Presbyterian Church seminar. Cost to attend is \$12 and \$6 per child under 10 (on-site child care offered). A catered lunch is included for all.

Payment can be made in cash (if submitted in the church office), by check or through PayPal (including credit cards). Brochure/registration forms are available in the church office or by mail upon request.

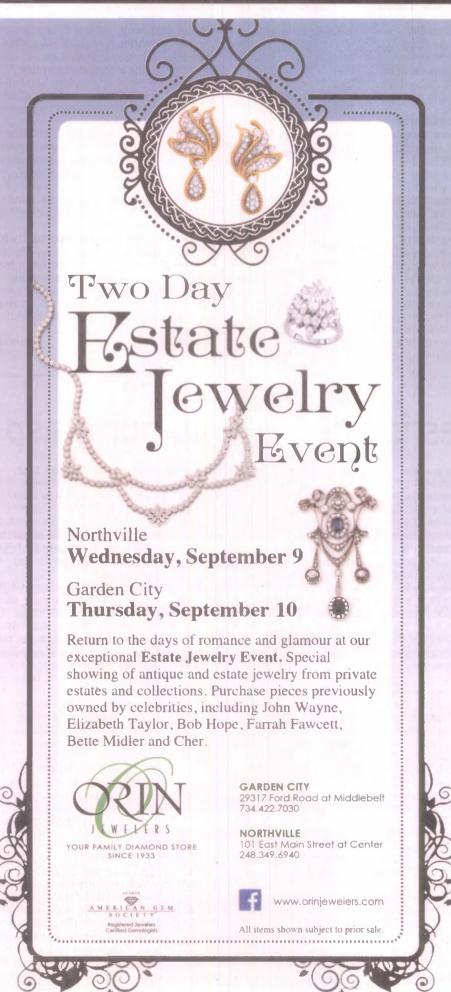
There is no charge for students (middle or high school) to attend the meeting Sunday after worship. Advance signup is requested for the Sunday student luncheon.

If you want to cancel or modify your registration, call 248-349-2345 or email the church office at office@faithcommunity-novi.org. The website is www.faith community-novi.org.

This is the Novi Presbyterian church's first such program on science and faith, Henderson said. He and others are eager to draw in middle school and high school students, particularly for the Sept. 20 lunch with Haarsma, "just to help them understand as well. Hopefully, we'll draw quite a few younger people," he said.

The church is on 10 Mile, between Novi and Taft roads, across from the Novi Police Department.

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OBSERVER & ECCENTRIC MEDIA

Sending children back to school can be a challenge

Like the Christmas holiday, the back-to-school season has shoppers poring over advertisements, checking online and running in and out of stores for supplies their kids need as the the new academic year gets underway Sept. 8.

For many families, the shopping frenzy may not register as even a blip on their expenditures. For others, however, back-to-school supplies are a very real financial concern and difficulty.

The National Retail Federation conducted a back-toschool survey recently by Prosper Insights & Analytics that showed parents will spend an average of \$630.36 per student this year. That estimate is actually a drop from last year, when the average was \$669.28. Still, this year alone, the NRF estimates that parents will spend up to \$24.9 billion on stuff for school, including electronics, clothing and supplies.

The NRF estimates that over last 10 years, spending on school supplies has increased some 42 percent.

If you have one child, the av-

erage \$630.36 may not be a huge pinch. But what about families in need who have two, three or four kids? With four kids, that spending total increases to more than \$2,500. That's not an easy pill to swallow if you are struggling to put food on the table and a roof over your kids' heads.

Most school districts ask families to help supply classrooms these days too. Let's be honest. It's not a secret that teachers as a whole tend to spend out of their own pockets for stuff in their classrooms.

That stuff — and the public may certainly donate cludes Kleenex, loose leaf paper, hand sanitizer, Kleenex, glue sticks, dry erase markers and red pens.

Meanwhile, the start of school is about three weeks

So what can you do if you are overwhelmed and don't know how you are going to afford getting a child off to school this year? The first step is simply reaching out for help. Ask members of your extended family to help out first. This is a time when family counts and helping each other is what familv does.

If a family member can't help, turn to an organization like the Assistance League of SouthEast Michigan. The nonprofit group helped more than 18,000 people from our area last year and has special programs designed to help children get back to school.

Call 248-656-0414 for more information or go to the organization online at: http:// www.semich.assistancelea-

LETTERS

New trash rules snub citizen input

On Tuesday, Aug. 25, Novi residents found out how our Novi City Council snubs public input on trash collection. That is, those who read the small paid advertisement in the Novi News Aug. 20 or read the city

This second and final public information meeting on Novi's new trash and recycling program was scheduled to be heard at Hickory Woods Elementary School. Coincidentally, the timings chosen for the both city information meetings were Tuesday evening, just minutes after deadline for the Novi

However, terms of the new trash program had already been decided upon by the Republican-dominated city council. They passed it Aug. 10 in Ordinance No. 15-184 (available on the city's website).

Residents will likely be billed for the program only twice a year. Expect bills to come along with the city's two regular tax bills. A moneysaver for the sender, but not a happy time for residents to receive bigger bills.

Some residents may not like that the service does not include picking up residents' piles of leaves at the curb in the fall. Northville does this for its residents.

Some things are misleading in the public Trash Talk bulletin put out by the city. It's not realv for residents only.

Trash and recycling pickup for the city's own municipal buildings is to be included in the hauler contract. City council will then decide how much residents will have to pay ver-

Non-payments or late payments will constitute a lien on the property site of generation, with monthly penalties. Outstanding balances owing to the "contractor" (city?) ... as of Oct. 1 ... will be placed on the city public delinquent tax roles.

Many details will be decided by the city when it puts out its Request for Proposals to interested trash hauling vendors

The city manager is to decide who will answer residents' complaints about the service. It could be either the trash hauler - to whom we pay nothing - or the city, whom we pay directly for the service.

One city council person said a major reason for the city taking the trash decisions away from residents is that up to three different trash haulers have been working the same street on the same day, causing a noisy, traffic mess. Couldn't this have been handled with a simple council restriction on number of haulers that can operate on city streets on the same day?

One sensible point in the new system is help for needy residents. Those coming under the national poverty line in income will have the services for free. Residents in real hard times will not be forced to leave their trash pile out, unsightly and rat infested.

It was fine for the city to hold the information meetings, even just after the Novi News deadlines. But think, how much more democratic it would have been to find out what residents would like, before city council

Council has already decided on it. At least you can decide on the council on election day.

Bob Moreillon Northville (Novi resident)

Supports socialism

I want to reassure James uddleston's grandson that his grandfather isn't guilty of plagiarism. He is showing his support for the socialist views that he has consistently expressed in these columns. Bernie Sanders has no problems describing himself as a socialist who like Obama wants to "fundamentally change this country.

Under our freedom of speech, they can express these views. One would be hardpressed to believe that Mr. Huddleston failed to notice the socialist viewpoints they have both articulated for years. Socialist ideology can include everything from Marxist communism, nationalism to fascism, etc. It's just a matter of which flavor they find most appealing. They all lead to tyr-

Mr. Huddleston's dream team is a socialist program that excludes our constitutional republic. Perhaps his grandson needs to be educated with the Frankfort School of Germany and the Gramsci prison papers. He would have a clearer picture of where his grandfather's socialism is coming from. As for people thwarting Obama, we have yet to see an "honorable thing that he has proposed" from this administration. His crude reference to the urinating cat is pure Alinsky demonizing. But that is also a trademark of socialist strategy. Avoid objective truth and call names, obscure/ignore facts.

Though he gets tedious with consistent ranting, Mr. Huddleston has a right to be heard in print and serves the purpose of clarifying what I oppose from the socialist agenda. God bless America.

Joanne Sonnenberg Canton

Food for the poor

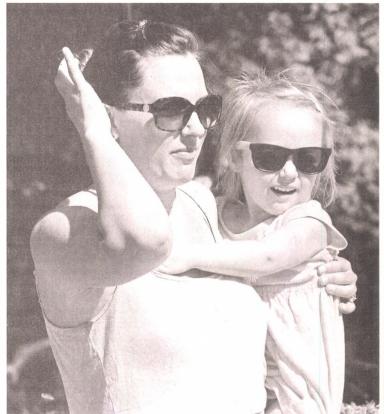
Each day I sit down to a lunch with the right amount of food for my serving. It is usually something I like. I enjoy it.

Each day someone else weeps themselves to sleep at night in despair or rage because they cannot provide the equivalent of what I have for lunch for their family through the day.

I am not gorging on my food. I am eating what is available to me and what is recommended for me. I then work hard to earn my next meal. I don't think that these people who are struggling are so much different from me — though their circumstances certainly are.

More than 48 percent of school-aged children are eligible for free or reduced-price school lunch. To be eligible for reduced-priced lunches, kids must live at 185 percent of poverty, or about \$44,000 a year for a family of four. To receive free lunches, kids must live at 130 percent of poverty, or about

Tunes on Tuesday



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

With their sunglasses on to counter the strong rays of the summer sun, Jennifer Loiselle and daughter Colleen, 3, take in the Tunes on Tuesday event July 28 at Northville's Town Square. The all-in-the-family band Crossroads entertained the morning gathering that day.

\$31,000 for a family of four. Forty-two percent of the Michigan children who receive free or reduced-price school lunch live in Livingston, Macomb, Monroe, Oakland or

Wayne counties Gleaners Community Food Bank can help you start or participate in a food drive at work, place of worship or in your neighborhood.

Why not call today to find out more? 866-453-2637

Alfred Brock Wayne

Science supports climate change

I am an active practicing

geologist with a degree in geophysics. I have followed the developments in climate change over the last decade and I understand the science.

I am a supporter of free

speech, but it is time to stop the irrational rants of the climate change deniers. A recent letter to the editor was just that. That letter was so biased and full of deceptions that one could only conclude that it was purposefully false.

As if spouting misinformation and ill-founded and goofy calculations will somehow stop the coming changes to our climate? You deniers are causing much more harm than the public realizes and history will prove this out.

We have an opportunity to decrease the pain, but time is running out. So, you deniers out there, please come to your senses. Stop letting your personal biases drive your thinking. Get on board with solutions or get out of the way.

Steve Hoin South Lyon

GUEST COLUMN

A real fix for state's road woes is finally within our grasp

Both the House and the

funding through re-prioritiza-

continue to build roads to our

\$700 million would still leave

us \$500 million short of the

consensus \$1.2 billion in in-

current quality standards, this

cremental funding that is need-

Senate plans featured \$700

million in incremental road

tion of existing funds. If we

re you anxious to fix our roads? So am I. The good news is that I believe that we are close to producing a sustainable solution to our state road woes.

In the wake of the May 5 ballot vote when our citizens rejected the tax increases in Proposal 1 by a 4-1 margin, both the Senate and the House have now passed road plans. The House passed a road plan June 10 championed by Speaker Kevin Cotter. The Senate passed a plan July 1 championed by Majority Leader Arlan Meekhof. Cotter's plan featured \$1.16 billion in incremental road funding while limiting tax increases to \$119 million. Meekhof's plan featured \$1.5 billion in incremental road funding, including an \$800 million increase in taxes and fees.

House and Senate leader-



ship discussions in Lansing over the summer have focused on finding "middle ground" between the \$119 million increase passed by the House and the \$800 million increase passed by the Senate.

A sufficient number of House members under Cotter's leadership have made it clear that \$119 million in new taxes and fees is the maximum they are willing to pursue. We would seem to be at an impasse - if we were to remain focused on tax or fee increases. Let's shift our focus instead upon what the Senate and House plans have in common.

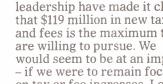
ed to keep our roads from degrading further. What if we were to go forgo politics as usual, actually listen to voters and build better roads that last If we were to spend an additional \$700 million per year, we could repair 8,319 lane-miles

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Grace Perry,

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per year if we remain with our current "version 1" roads. Our state has 252,709 lane-miles in our road system; 37,148 of these lane-miles are in poor condition. Every year 4,728 lane-miles go from fair to poor at current funding levels. In order to achieve a "sustainable" solution for our roads, we simply need to improve our roads faster than they degrade to "poor" condition.

How could we do this? Well, the politics-as-usual approach would be to simply increase our taxes. Looking back at Proposal 1, 81 percent of our voters have already rejected one cut at this approach in a

manner that earned bonus points for style.

What other options do we

have? I believe that the best approach arises from listening to citizens who are demanding higher quality roads that last longer.

So what would happen if we were to upgrade our roads to a higher quality "version 2" road system? First of all, it would cost 15 percent more in labor and materials per lane-mile in exchange for increasing the design life by as much as four times that of our "version 1" roads. This would reduce our repair rate from 8,319 lanemiles per year to 6,430 lanemiles per year. Even at this reduced rate of construction, we would improve our roads faster than they would degrade. In other words, we would have a sustainable solution to our road woes. Road quality needs to be Job 1.

So ... I said we are close to a solution. What do we need to do to make this happen? The House simply needs to say yes to several bills already passed by the Senate that would encourage competition, require warranties and dedicate existing funds to fixing our roads. This path translates to the passage of HB 4610, HB 4611, HB 4613 and SB 414 without

"tie bars" to the bills that would increase our taxes. This approach could be further improved by moving the 50year road provisions in HB 4615 to HB 4613 and ensuring that all of the money restricted in SB 414 would go directly to road repair.

Let's stop focusing on differences and start focusing on what we have in common. If we were to simply pass what is common ground between the House and Senate road plans and satisfy the demand for higher quality roads from our citizens, we would have a sustainable path to fixing our roads that protects the pocketbooks of working families. Michigan has struggled to find a sustainable way to maintain our roads for decades under both Republican and Democratic leadership. A solution that finally fixes our roads without draining our wallets would be worth the wait.

State Sen. Patrick Colbeck represents the 7th District, which encompasses the cities of Livonia, Northville, Plymouth and Wayne and the townships of Canton, Northville and Plymouth. To contact Colbeck, go to www.SenatorPatrick Colbeck.com or call 517-373**OUR VIEW**

New school year is good time for parents to get involved

On Tuesday, students in the Novi Community School District will be heading back to school. Parents, teachers, staff and administrators have spent weeks getting ready for the first day.

Teachers have been preparing their rooms and working on their lesson plans. The custodial staff has spent the summer making sure schools are as clean as a whistle. And parents have been busy getting clothing, backpacks and school supplies their children will need.

But new clothes, new shoes and a new backpack don't necessarily mean a child will be successful. Over the past decade, education has changed radically. Education is aimed at making sure students at all grade levels are on track to be college- and careerready when they graduate. It definitely isn't the education parents experienced.

Changes in curriculum and state requirements have required teachers to step up their game to ensure student

success and an integral part of that is parent participation. We're not talking about asking your child if they did their homework, we're talking about getting into the trenches and being actively involved in your child's education.

Parental involvement is an important component of learning. Teachers can teach, but a support network needs to be in place to reinforce the lessons learned. "It takes a village" isn't a wornout, trite saying, it is a fact. Investing time and effort pays off in the success of each and ev-

The earlier in a child's educational process parent involvement begins, the more powerful the effects. The most effective forms of involvement are parents working directly with their children on learning activities at home. It's easy to say, "Have you done your homework?" but it's far better to sit with your child and see what he or she is doing and helping where necessary.



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Kailyn Bondoni, a Northville High junior and member of the Honor Society, hauls around a cart of books in the school Aug. 24. School starts for Northville students Sept. 8.

The Michigan Department of Education is challenging teachers to take their effort to the next level and get their students' parents engaged to increase academic results. The benefits:

» Students achieve more, regardless of socioeconomic status, ethnic/racial background or the parents' education level

» Students have higher grades and test scores, better attendance and complete homework more consistently.

» Students have higher graduation rates and greater enrollment rates in post-secondary education.

» Educators hold higher expectations of students whose parents collaborate with the teacher.

» Student achievement for disadvantaged children not only improves, but can also reach levels that are standard for middleclass children. In addition, the children who are farthest behind make the greatest gains.

» Children from diverse cultural backgrounds perform better when parents and professionals collaborate to bridge the gap between the culture at home and at the learning institu-

Today's isn't the school of 15, 10, even five years ago. Learning begins with kindergarten and grows from there. Parents need to be in tune with what's happening in the classroom. Take time to get to know your child's teacher and talk about what will the expectations are. Attend parent-teacher conferences, but if you see a

then to discuss it. School-age children spend 70 percent of their waking hours, including weekends and holidays,

problem or have a con-

cern, don't wait until

outside of school. With only 30 percent left for learning, it's critical that educators and parents work together with students to make sure that they achieve personal and academic success.

On the first day of school, we have three wishes:

1. That teachers have classrooms filled with students who are excited about learning and parents ready and willing to be active participants in their children's educa-

2. That students get good grades, renew old friendships and have excellent teachers and parents who are involved in their education.

3. That it is a troublefree start to the new year. That includes drivers slowing down near schools and in residential areas, particularly in the mornings and afternoons, and stopping for school buses that are loading and unloading students.

It will take all of us to make the 2015-16 school year the best for every-

CITY OF NOVI NOTICE OF ADOPTION **ORDINANCE NO. 15-99.16**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE NOVI CITY COUNCIL HAS ADOPTED ORDINANCE NO. 15-99.16 TO AMEND THE CITY OF NOVI CODE OF ORDINANCES, AT CHAPTER 15, "FIRE PROTECTION AND PREVENTION," ARTICLE II, "FIRE PREVENTION CODE," TO ADOPT THE INTERNATIONAL FIRE CODE, 2012 EDITION, BY REFERENCE WITH CERTAIN AMENDMENTS.

The Ordinance was adopted by the City Council on Monday, August 24, 2015 and the provisions of the ordinance shall become effective fifteen (15) days after its adoption. A complete copy of the Ordinance is available for public use and inspection at the office of the City Clerk, 45175 Ten Mile Road, during the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., prevailing local time.

Published: September 3, 2015

Maryanne Cornelius, City Clerk

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on September 29, 2015 at the Northville Township Municipal Offices, 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, Michigan 48168. The Planning Commission will receive comments on the township's 2016- 2021 Capital Improvement Plan (CIP). The CIP is required under the Michigan Planning Enabling Act of 2008 and identifies multi-year capital improvements and projects for the purposes of long range planning for the township. The meeting will begin at $7:00\,\mathrm{PM}$.

The public is invited to attend this public hearing and express their comments or ask questions. The CIP will be available for viewing at the Township office between 8:00 A.M. and 4:30 P.M., Monday through Friday and on the Township's website beginning September 18, 2015, at www.twp.northville.mi.us. Written comments will be received by the Northville Township Planning Commission at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48168

Tim Zawodny, Chair Planning Commission

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OF THE **CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE** NOTICE OF ORDINANCE AMENDMENTS

The Charter Township of Northville Board of Trustees will consider approval of Amendments to Chapter 170, Zoning Ordinance, Article 18, Schedule of Regulations; Article 19, Public Recreation and Open Spaces (PROS); Article 22, Nonconforming Uses, Buildings and Structures; Article 23, Tree and Woodlands Replacement; Article 24, Landscape Standards; Article 26, Off-Street Parking and Loading; Article 27, Access Management; Article 28, Private Roads; Article 30, Special Land Use Standards and Procedures; Article 32, Impact Assessment; Article 33, Site Plan Review; Article 34, Land Division, Combination or Reconfiguration; Article 35, Site Condominiums; and Article 37, Temporary Uses, Events, Structures and Buildings, at the regularly scheduled Board of Trustee meeting on Thursday, September 17, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

A full set of the articles with the proposed amendments can be viewed in the Planning Department at the Northville Township municipal office building during regular business hours of 8:00 A.M. - 4:30 P.M., Monday-Friday.

The Public Hearing on the amendments was held on June 30, 2015 by the Planning Commission and is being recommended for approval by the Board.

Sue Hillebrand, M.M.C. Clerk

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CITY OF NOVI PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on Monday, September 14, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider **NOVI PROMENADE. SITE PLAN NUMBER 14-30. FOR** REVISED PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN, WETLAND PERMIT AND STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN APPROVAL. THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IS LOCATED IN SECTION 17, ON THE EAST SIDE OF WIXOM ROAD, SOUTH OF GRAND RIVER AVENUE, EAST OF 27100 WIXOM ROAD AND SOUTH OF 27300 WIXOM ROAD. The applicant is proposing to relocate the existing detention basin and construct wetland mitigation for adjacent Grand Promenade development. Plans are available for review at the Community Development Department in the Novi Civic Center.



All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments may be heard at the hearing and any written comments must be received by the Community Development Department, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 during the cities regular business hours, Monday through Friday, 8am to 5pm, it must be received by 4:00 P.M., Wednesday, September 09, 2015.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE PLANNING COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING AMENDMENTS TO THE ZONING ORDINANCE - Chapter 170

The Planning Commission has scheduled a public hearing to consider amendments to Chapter 170, Zoning Ordinance, Article 1, Introduction and Applicability; Article 5, Zoning Districts, Maps and Requirements; Article 6, Single Family Residential Districts (R-1 thru R-4); Article 7, Multi-Family Residential (RM-1); Article 8, Senior Housing District (SH); Article 9, Public Recreation and Open Space District (PROS); Article 10, Office Service District (OS); Article 11, Northville Road Mixed Use District (NRMU); Article 12, Local Business District (B-1); Article 13, General Business District (B-3); Article 14, Commercial Recreation District (CR); Article 15, Office, Research and Technology District (ORT); Article 16, Industrial District (I-1); Article 17, Consumer Industrial District (CI); Article 21, Lighting Standards; Article 40, Administration and Public Notice; Article 42, Building Permits; and Article 43, Amendments. A full set of the articles with the proposed amendments can be viewed at the Northville Township municipal office building during regular business hours 8:00 A.M. - 4:30 P.M., Monday-Friday.

The public is invited to attend this hearing and express their comments or ask questions. Written comments regarding the proposed changes will be received by the Township Planning Commission, 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48168. The Planning Commission meeting begins at 7:00 P.M.

Timothy Zawodny, Chair

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Planning Commission

Culinary 2015 Extravaganza A Food and Wine Event







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Oakland County using facial recognition technology to return lost dogs to owners

Oakland County Animal Control and Pet Adoption Center is the first shelter in Michigan to utilize a new, hightech tool to help return dogs to their owners. The Finding Rover app and website uses facial recognition technology to identify lost dogs with 98 percent accuracy.

"Finding Rover will revolutionize how we return lost dogs to their



said Bob Gatt, manager of Oakland County Animal Control Division

and mayor

of Novi. "We really encourage every dog owner to upload a photo of their dog to this free

Using a smart phone, a pet owner takes a front-facing shot of their dog that includes a clear view of the eyes and nose. They are the two most important features in facial recognition technology. Then the pet owner uploads the photo to the Finding Rover app or website. Once approved, Finding Rover keeps the photo in its database.

If a person finds a lost dog, he or she can take a photo in the same manner and upload it to the Finding Rover app or website. Finding Rover then scans its database for a match.

If there is a match, Finding Rover notifies the owner, who can then call the person who found their pet to arrange a pickup.

As of August, Oakland

County Animal Control and Pet Adoption Center staff will register every dog that enters the shelter on Finding Rover. The center's staff will scan Finding Rover for matches. Finding Rover members can also look at every dog in the shelter when attempting to find their lost pet.

In addition, the center's adoptable dogs will also be on Finding Rover.

"Now it is easier than ever to search for your missing dog or adopt a new family member," Gatt said.

Finding Rover is free and available to anyone to using an iPhone or Android product or a personal computer. It's simple to register using Facebook or email.

For more information, go to www.findingrover-

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Newcomer breakfast

Time/Date: 10 a.m. Wednesday, Sept. 9

Details: Northville Newcomers & Neighbors hosts its 2015-16 membership kickoff breakfast at Northville Hills Golf Club, 15565 Bay Hill Dr. A prize will be awarded for the best-dressed adventure seeker. Cost is \$25 for a membership (which includes breakfast) or \$13 for the break-

RSVP by Aug. 22 to nnnmember@aol.com

Time for a Declutter!

Time/Date: 6 p.m. Wednesday,

Details: Do you feel that the stuff you have in your space is overwhelming you? The Novi Oaks Charter Chapter of the American Business Women's Association presents Time for a Declutter by professional organizer Soo Porter. Getting organized is about changing habits that are currently not working for you. This is the 101 of organizing and will offer tips and suggestions to help motivate you with your organizing project. Meeting at the DoubleTree in Novi (42100 Crescent Boulevard) for networking; dinner and program follow. Go to www.abwa-novi.org for registration and payment informa-

Novi TasteFest

Time/Date: 5 p.m. Sept. 11 **Details:** The Novi Athletic Boosters will hold their ninth annual TasteFest event at the high school. It's one of the organization's major fundraisers for the Novi Athletic Boosters, which supports middle school and high school athletes and sports teams. Last year, the Boosters donated more than \$140,000 to the high school and middle school programs.

TasteFest runs in conjunction with Novi's home football game (vs. Livonia Stevenson); the game starts at 7 p.m. Local vendors include Ascension Brewery, Applebee's, BD's Mongolian Grill, Buffalo Wild Wings, Library Pub and Stuart's Ice Cream, plus pizza and drinks. On the Novi practice field will be Pump It Up with bouncers for the kids. This year, Boosters are also partnering with the Novi Educational Foundation, which will run a dunk tank on the practice field. There will also be carnival games in the fieldhouse and food and fun for the whole

Genealogical meeting

Time/Date: 1:15-4 or 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 13

Details: The Northville Genealogical Society hosts the program "Researching the World," at the Northville District Library, 212 W. Cady. Curious about your ancestors? Think you have to spend a lot of money or travel all over to find out their history?

Come to the September meeting of the Northville Genealogical Society to find easy and inexpensive ways to research your family around the world. The September meeting will be members sharing their stories, discoveries and techniques. We are a friendly group who love to help others. Call 248-349-3020 for details.

Moms with Tots

Time/Date: 10-11 a.m. Monday,

Details: Immanuel Lutheran Church hosts a Moms with Tots program for children birth to 4 years old each Monday during the school year. The church is located at 330 E. Liberty, South Lyon. For details call the Rev. Scott Miller at 248-437-2289.

Gardeners of Northville & Novi

Time/Date: 6:30-8 p.m. Sept. 14 Details: Learn how to create spectacular upright "Living Walls" with James Rizzo of Bright Green, USA, in Novi High School's Room 198C; \$5 for

Outdoor concert

Time/Date: 6 p.m. Friday, Sept.

Details: Christian singer/songwriter Chris Driesbach headlines a free outdoor concert at Immanuel Lutheran Church. Free hot dogs will also be available.

The church is located at 330 E. Liberty in South Lyon. For details, call the Rev. Scott Miller at 248-437-2289.

World Peace Day

Time/Date: 1 p.m. Thursday,

Details: Plymouth Canton Interfaith Community Outreach World Peace Day 2015, sponsored by The Interfaith Leadership Council of Metropolitan Detroit, Canton and Plymouth Hindu Community, Geneva Presbyterian, Gurdwara-Sahib Hidden Falls, Living Peace Church, Muslim Community of Western Suburbs, Singh-Saba of Michigan Gurdwara.

Prayers for World Peace in Kellogg Park at 1:15 p.m. in Plymouth. Faith Learning event with refreshments served at 2 p.m. at Plymouth Cultural Center, 525 Farmer. This event will have representatives from all faiths to teach the community about their neighbors, games and food.

Tour de Ville ride

Time/Date: Sunday, Sept. 20 **Details:** Preparations for Tour de Ville Bicycle Ride are building momentum. The second annual ride will feature three routes (10, 30, and 75 miles) along Hines Drive, a light breakfast, a hearty lunch and a bicycle raffle following the ride. Find detailed ride information and register online at www.tourdeville.org.

Power Play Camp



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Ashley Wines, 12, screams as she slides across a sheet of watery plastic during an Aug. 18 session of Novi's Power Play Camp. The camp, held at the Novi Civic Center through the summer, had lots of fun outdoor activities for youngsters.

'Little Red Riding Hood'

Date: Through Sept. 20 **Details:** Enjoy a musical version of the classic Little Red Riding Hood at the Marquis Theatre in downtown Northville. This story is about a girl who one day travels alone through the woods on her way to Grandma's house. When Little Red Riding Hood arrives, Grandma strangely resembles a wolf! What happened to Grandma? (This wolf has a comic twist!) Come see this fun, not scary, musical with lots

of singing and dancing. Showtimes are 10:30 a.m. Aug. 13-14; 2:30 p.m. Aug. 15, 22, 29 and Sept. 12 and 19; and 2:30 p.m. Sept. 13 and 20. Tickets for all performances are \$9. No children under the age of 3. Group rates and reserved seating for groups of 20 or more. Birthday parties and Scout Days available. For more information, call 248-349-8110, email marquistheatre@sbcglobal.net or go to www.northvillemarquis

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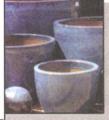


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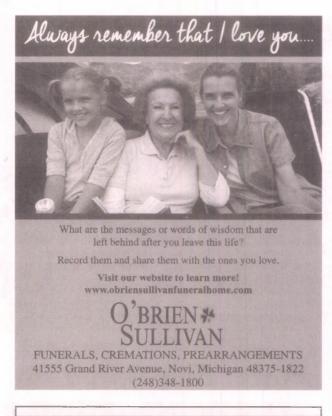
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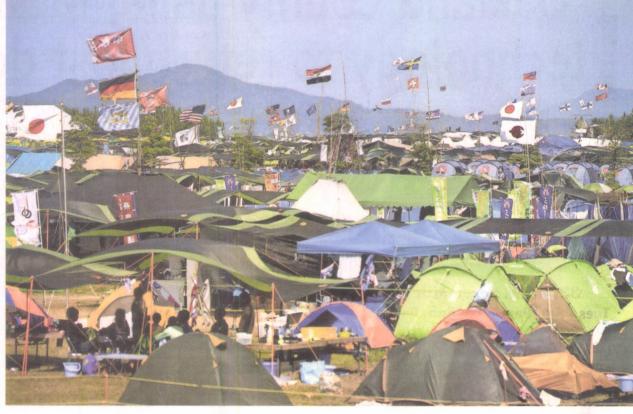
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Northville Scout joins World Jamboree

Joshua Osgood, a Boy Scout with Northville's Troop 755, was one of 11 Scouts from Michigan to represent the United States at this summer's 23rd World Scout Jamboree in Kirara-Hama,

The World Scout Jamboree is held every four years in a different host country, offering Boy Scouts and Girl Guides from around the globe the opportunity to come together for 12 days of camping, cultural exchanges, collaborative problem-solving and fellowship.

This year's jamboree welcomed 33,000 participants from 147 different countries and included a tour of the Hiroshima Peace Memorial, nature hikes throughout Yamaguchi Prefecture, interactions with Japanese students at local schools and visits from Japan's Crown Prince Naruhito

and the UN Secretary General's Envoy on Youth, Ahmad Alhendawi.

Osgood said the highlight of the World Scout Jamboree was "being able to meet and communicate with so many Scouts from so many different countries in such a short period of time."

"It was amazing," he said. "Where else will I ever be able to experience that?"

Osgood's Jamboree troop, which was composed of Boy Scouts and (girl) Venture Scouts from Michigan, Ohio and West Virginia, camped right alongside troops from Japan, Malaysia, Chile, Ecuador, Sweden, Algeria, the Czech Republic, Taiwan, South Africa, Norway and Brazil

The Scouts cooked for one another and spent their evenings sharing songs, games and dances from their home countries, trading neckerchiefs and patches and getting to know one another both as Scouts and as fellow world citizens.

The next World Scout Jamboree is set for 2019 at the Summit Bechtel Scout Reserve in West Virginia. Osgood will be too old to attend as a participant again, but is considering applying for a staff position.

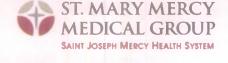


Northville Boy Scout Joshua Osgood (left) gets to know a Scout from Algeria as they travel by bus to an off-site program during the jamboree.

In the meantime, he said he's looking forward to his upcoming adventures with Boy Scout Troop 755, which include

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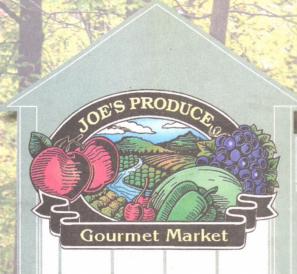
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PREP FOOTBALL



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Catholic Central ball carrier Alex Bock goes airborne to avoid the tackle by Muskegon's Raiquan Dowdell.

Have a Day: CC holds off Muskegon, 15-12

Brad Emons Staff Writer

Novi Detroit Catholic Central's Plan A was to run the football Friday night right at state power Muskegon.

But when that wouldn't work in the first half, the Shamrocks had no choice but to go with Plan B during the second half as CC offensive coordinator Michael Mach decided to put the ball in the hands of a sophomore, who had never started a varsity game.

Theo Day then had a big day, completing 7-of-13 passes for 118 yards and two touchdowns to lead a second-half comeback as the host Shamrocks earned a

hard-fought 15-12 season-opening win over the Big Reds.

Muskegon, which upended CC 21-14 in last year's season opener, missed on a game-tying 24-yard field-goal attempt as time expired after driving the ball 52 yards in tense final 2:11.

Day, who was just 2-of-6 for 21 yards in the opening half, settled down, throwing 28-yard strike to Alex Bock on fourth-and-10 with 8:27 left in the third quarter to cut the deficit to 12-7

And then on a pivotal third-and-10 on the first play of the final quarter, he scrambled toward the sidelines, averted going out-of-bounds and hit Michael Edwards for another 10-yard TD pass to put CC ahead for keeps, 13-12.

"Actually, I thought there was a guy in front of our tight end and I thought I was going to throw an interception, but it got right over him, so that's good, Day said.

The Shamrocks then decided to try for two and go up by a field goal and Day delivered again, this time connecting with Bock just over the goal line

"I think we were going for it all the way," Day said of the two-pointer. "It's a play we've been working on and it works all the time, so why not go for it?"

After struggling in the first half, Day

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Northville quarterback Justin Zimbo gets wrapped up by Lakeland tackler Tyler Shaw (left) in Friday's opener.

PREP FOOTBALL

Mustangs' quick start beats Lakeland, 31-15

Brad Emons Staff Writer

Northville built a 24-3 advantage through three quarters Friday and held off a late White Lake Lakeland rally to earn a 31-15 season-opening football triumph.

The Mustangs won despite being out-gained 382-284 in total offense, but senior quarterback Justin Zimbo proved effective, rushing for a gamehigh 134 yards on 24 carries to go along with 7-of-10 passing

for 85 more yards. "Justin played well," Northville coach Matt Ladach said. "He ran the ball real well. He was pretty effective throwing the ball, too. We didn't throw it much, but he had a good game.

Northville jumped out to a 10-0 first quarter lead on a 27-yard field goal by Jake Moody followed by Jack Barnes' 45-yard interception return for a TD.

Lakeland's Clay Purvis countered in the second quarter with a 25-yard field goal, but Northville went into halftime with a 17-3 lead thanks to Zimbo's 10-yard scoring run.

Zimbo's 5-yard TD run capped a 10-play, 77-yard scoring drive and Moody's third straight extra point made it

24-3 in the third quarter. With 31 seconds left in the third quarter, Lakeland's Jason Wooster scored on a 3yard TD run as the Eagles drove the ball 73 yards in 11

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PREP FOOTBALL

Brighton defense stymies Wildcats

Bulldogs blank Jackson, Novi in opener, 17-0

> **Brad Emons** Staff Writer

Brighton's defense pitched a shutout Aug. 27 en route to a season-opening 17-0 football victory over

The host Bulldogs limited Novi to 96 yards total of-fense, putting the clamps on standout running back Emanuel Jackson, a senior who has committed to Western Michigan University.

Jackson rushed for only 30 yards on seven carries, also catching six passes for 41 yards.

Brighton allowed Novi only 21 net yards in the second half.

"We fell behind and couldn't complete a pass," Novi coach Jeff Burnside said. "I don't care how good a player you are, if you have no blocking, you're not go-ing to get a lot of great plays.

After a scoreless opening quarter, Brighton got on the board with 3:04 left in the first half on Matt Buschman's 7-yard touchdown pass to Grant Dunatchik. Micah Charlick's extra point to make it 7-0.

With 5:40 left in the third quarter, Joe Clifford scored on a 3-yard TD run and Charlick added the pointafter to make it 14-0. Clifford was the game's top rusher with 153 yards on 23

Charlick, who had 44yard field goal blocked in the second quarter, capped the scoring with a 37-yard field goal with only 44 seconds remaining in the third

Dunatchik was 13-of-21 essing for 186 yards and one interception (by Johnny Davis), while Novi junior Alec Bageris completed 10-of-22 passes for 76 yards.

Bageris was sacked four times, twice by Porter Groce and once each by Aedan Eisenhart and Eric Conquest. Jack Aigner led the Bulldogs with six solo tackles and one assist.

"We just had a few breakdowns in the O-line a little bit," Burnside said. "And usually, it was just one person. It was just one person that just kind of went haywire. We had some breakdowns there and it's stuff that we just got to get fixed."

Spencer Vankirk paced Novi's defense with seven solo tackles and two assists. Brent George (five solo) and Nick Sabo (four solo) each contributed nine tackles. Anthony D'Annibale had six solo tackles.

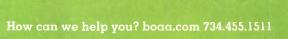
Van Kirk also forced a fumble that was recovered by Sabo.

"The kids played well; they played hard defensively," Burnside said. "There are things there we got to get fixed there, too. What I like about is that they fought, they got to the ball. They played well together. We got to do a better job of winning first down and do a

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PRESEASON OUTLOOK

Northville girls cross country just might be better than ever

Brad Emons Staff Writer

It's only appropriate that Northville is nicknamed the Mustangs, especially when it comes the girls cross country

Third place a year ago and MHSAA Division 1 state champions in 2013, coach Nancy Smith has another stable of talented runners for the 2015

The Mustangs ran their first unofficial meet of the year Friday in the End of the Summer Classic hosted by the Ann Arbor Running Co. at Hudson Mills Metropark.

Although no team scores were tabulated, Northville was the top performer in the 14school field, placing four runners in the top 10 and five in the top 15.

Senior captain Lexa Barrott, who finished 15th last season in the Division 1 state finals with five-kilometer time of 18:18.1, led Northville's End of Summer contingent with thirdplace clocking of 18:29

Others top performers for the Mustangs included junior Cayla Eckenroth, fifth (19:07); senior Emma Herrmann, ninth (19:28); junior Emma Smith, 10th (19:51); freshman Olivia Harp, 13th (19:52); sophomore Ana Barrott, 20th (20:37); and senior Hailey Harris, 21st (20:38)

Last season, Eckenroth was the KLAA champion and Division 1 regional runner-up. She also earned All-Area Runner of the Year honors after finishing 11th in the state meet with a career-best 18:08.7. Harris also made all-state after winding up 27th in last year's finals with a clocking of 18:32.2

Northville is the Division 1 favorite this fall based on its enormous depth, which also includes Herrmann (33rd, 18:46), along with second team All-Area selections Emma Smith (106th, 19:45.4) and sophomore Rachel Zimmer (19:37).

Add to the mix the promising freshman Harp and Ana Barrott, who migrated from the girls swim team, and you have a team that will be tough to beat.

"I was really happy with what I saw today and that the summer conditioning helped us prepare for the season,' Smith said. "It was a good start for them as they continue to work to improve each meet. Newcomers Ana Barrott and Olivia Harp ran their first 5K cross country race of their careers and showed they have what it takes to become great cross country runners.

With Northville being so



Northville returns its top six runners from a year ago, including (bottom row, from left) Lexa Barrott, Cayla Eckenroth and Hailey Harris, all all-staters and (back row, from left) Emma Herrmann, Emma Smith and Rachel Zimmer.

dominant in the KLAA's Central Division, the fight will be for second place.

The area's next best team, Milford, is no slouch either.

The Mavericks finished fourth a year ago in Division 1 and 20th-year coach Brian Salyers has a team to be reckoned with thanks to the return of first team All-Area selections Mallory Barrett, a junior, and Nicole Grindling, a sopho-

Barrett finished 17th overall in Division 1 (18:21.8) and was the KLAA Lakes Conference champion, while Grindling also made all-state after placing 26th in the finals (18:31), along with a third-place finish at the regional.

Also returning for the Mavericks are second team All-Area picks Gabrielle Byndas, a senior; Emilie Kennedy, a sophomore; Rebecca Bradsher, a sophomore; and Sarah Ausum, a senior.

"We have the largest incoming freshman class in my tenure," said Salyers, who guided Milford to KLAA West, Lakes Conference and regional titles in 2014. "We do not yet know which ones will have the opportunity to make an impact, but we did take four of them to our varsity camp."

Another team to watch is Novi, which lost all-state runner Hannah Lonergan (Northern Michigan), but returns a slew of juniors led by Jacalyn Schubring and Jessica Lypka.

'We were only five points from third place in our regional, so a lot of those girls who were juniors have a taste in their mouths and have been hungry and they've been working hard all summer," Novi coach Marsha Reid said.

Also fighting to move up the ranks in the KLAA's Central Division will be South Lyon, led by senior captain Mackenzie Flannery, and South Lyon East, paced by senior captain Kayla Zielinski.

White Lake Lakeland, a member of the KLAA's North Division, will be led by sophomore Oliva Clymer, an individual state qualifier who placed 85th last year in 19:24

In Division 4, Novi Franklin Road Christian took fifth in the regional and hopes to move up in the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference paced by sophomore Audrey Govan.

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GIRLS SWIMMING

Second-place Mustangs earn state cuts at Huron Invitational

The competition proved to be fierce Aug. 27 as Nortvhille finished runner-up to defending MHSAA Division 1 champion Saline in the 14th annual

Ann Arbor Huron Invitational. The Hornets scored a teamhigh 414 points to win the eightteam all-relay meet, while Northville was second with 372. South Lyon United placed fifth with 330.

'There are some great teams and some different events that we don't normally swim," Northville coach Brian McNeff said. "These were some of the best teams in the state last season and will be again this year. For us to come in to this meet and not only compete, but beat a lot of them, was great for us. I've been telling the team all season that we were really good this year and this meet proved that."

Northville's lone first came

in the 200-yard freestyle relay as Kelsey Macaddino, Nicki Pumper, Gillian Zayan and 500 freestyle state champ Laura

Westphal were clocked in

The Mustangs' 200 medley

(1:52.82) and 400 freestyle (3:43.58) also earned Division 1 state meet qualifying cuts.

"All three of our relays got their state cuts, which was good to get out of the way now," McNeff said. "The 200 medley relay was faster than it had been all last season. We also had some great relay splits from not only our top swimmers, but from a lot of our 'B' relays. They showed that they have put in a lot of hard work in the off-season and are ready to perform this year. I was very happy at the end of the meet.'

Tri-champions

South Lyon United opened its season Wednesday by sweeping host White Lake Lakeland (166-143), Hartland (174-141) and Canton (231-78) in a quad meet.

All 32 of South Lyon's individual entrants earned points for their team as depth and diving dominance fueled the triple victory

Junior Caitlyn Canadi finished first overall in the 1meter diving, while junior Starr Bryan was second and senior Alicia Schmitt placed

Meanwhile, junior Carolyn Bischoff captured first in the 50-yard freestyle.

Each victory earned three first-place finishes.

Junior Melanie Dunnuck contributed a pair of firsts, in the 200 individual medley and 500 freestyle, for a total of four individual wins.

Sophomore Anna Smith added two firsts in the 100 butterfly, while freshman Avery Covert collected two firsts in the 100 breaststroke.

Other individual firsts were recorded by Emily Kososki (200 freestyle) and Carolyn Bischoff (100 freestyle).

South Lyon relays also accounted for four first-place

GIRLS SWIM RESULTS

ANN ARBOR HURON **GIRLS SWIM INVITATIONAL** Aug. 27 at Ann Arbor Huron TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Saline, 414 points; 2. Northville, 372; 3. (ite) Ann Arbor Skyline and Ann Arbor Huron, 338 each; 5. South Lyon United, 330; 6. Dexter, 326; 7. Ann Arbor Pioneer, 276; 8. Brighton

FINAL RELAY RESULTS
200-yard medley: 1. Skyline (Katie Portz,
Georgia Mosher, Emma Cleason, Emily Lock), 1:48.23;
4. Northville (Darby Mroz, Erin Szara, Kelsey Macaddino, Nicki Pumper), 1:52.82.

400 freestyle: 1. Saline (Maddie Luther, Amelia Armstrong-Grant, Maddy Murphy, Allison Eppinga), 3:36.36; 3. Northville (Gillian Zayan, Elena Pando,

Katelyn McCullough, Laura Westphal), 3:43.58; 6. South Lyon (Melanie Dunnuck, Emily Kososki, Carolyn Bischoff, Taylar Sciborski), 3:51.86. 400 individual medley: 1. Dexter (Amelia Kinnard, Kate Mesaros, Lizzy Merriman, Annette Schultz), 4:04.71; 5. Northville (Mroz, Szara, Shannon Name, Jonafor Octowicki, 4:24.23)

ennifer Ostrowski), 4:34.39 200 butterfly: 1. Saline (Sarah Burchart, Maddy Robison, Gillian Gatecliff, Lisa Gross), 1:50.18; 2. South Lyon (Megan Mieske, Kososki, Abigail O'Reilly, Anna Smith), 1:50.63; 6. Northville (Brittany Nayh, avannah Manley, Brooke Verble, Julia Scavnicky),

200 backstroke: 1, Skyline (Lock, Cleason, Kaelan Oldani, Portz), 1:47.94; 5. Northville (Mroz,

Sabrina Lee, McCullough, Pumper), 1:54.62.

800 freestyle: 1. Brighton (Taylor Seaman, Lilia Staszel, Kellie House, McKenna Resconich), 7:55.24; 2. Northville (Westphal, Macaddino, Zayan, McCullough), 7:58.55; 6. South Lyon (Lexi Abernethy, Dunnuck, Smith, Kososki) 8:32.70.

200 breaststroke: 1. Dexter (Mesaros, Kinnard Schultz, Merriman), 2:04.39; 6. Northville (Ostrowski, Hayes, Hann Craig, Szara), 2:21.86. 200 freestyle: 1. Northville (Macaddino, Pumper Zayan, Westphal), 1:39.09; 6. South Lyon (Smith, Sciborski, Mieske, Bischoff), 1:43.45.

2 x 50 diving: 1. Huron (Georgia Plagens, Izzy Holcomb); 3. South Lyon (Alexis Bidwell, Caitlyn Canadi); 5. Northville (Alethia Blough).

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY TEAM CAPSULES

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Head coach: Marsha Reid, 11th season. League affiliation: KLAA Kensington Conference (Central Division)

Last year's finish: Fourth, Division 1 regional, Kensington Conference, KLAA Central

Notable losses to graduation: Hannah Lonergan (all-state, first team All-Area)

Leading returneees: Jacalyn Schubring, Jr.; Jessica Lypka, Jr.; Shaily Fozdar, Soph.; Hadley Peterson, Jr.; Yash Patil, Jr.; Heather Blair, Jr.

Promising newcomers: Katherine Ray, Fr.; Ashley Yarberry, Jr.; Kirsten Anderson, Fr.; Addison Lentz, Soph. Kacy Shaheen, Soph.; Ashley Jamison, Fr.

Reid's 2015 outlook: "Lonergan was a huge loss in terms of leadership, but Jessica Lypka is stepping up into that role nicely. And Jacalyn Schubring looks like she's ready to compete. And we have some other great leadership. Heather Blair is stepping up, so those girls, who were all varsity girls last year and lost that last state meet qualifying spot by five, have been on a mission. So all those girls ... Yash Patil, Lypka, Schubring, Blair, Peterson ... they're all focused with a common goal and intent.

NORTHVILLE

Head coach: Nancy Smith, 14th season. League affiliation: KLAA Kensington Conference (Central Division).

Last year's finish: First, Division 1 regional, Kensington Conference, KLAA Central Division (5-0); third, Division 1 state meet

Notable losses to graduation: Mirai

Leading returneees: Cayla Eckenroth, Jr. (all-state, All-Area Runner of the Year; Kensington champion; 17:59); Lexa Barrott, Sr. (all-state, first team All-Area; 17:55); Hailey Harris, Sr. (all-state, first team All-Area; 18:32); Emma Herrmann, Sr. (first team All-Area; 18:42); Rachel Zimmer, Soph. (second team All-Area); Emma Smith, Jr. (second team All-Area); Taylor Gattoni, Jr.; Paige Zimmer, Sr.; Helena Bryans, Sr.; Megan Krygier, Soph. Katie Chevoor, Jr.

Promising newcomers: Ana Barrott, Soph.; Olivia Harp, Fr.; Dora Koski, Fr.; Kaleigh Line, Fr.; Sinclare Smith, Fr.; Emily Barrett, Jr.

Smith's 2015 outlook: "We are excited for the season. We bring back our entire top six from our 2014 state team, where we finished third. We are extremely talented and deep this year and, if we can remain healthy, we hope to make a run at the state title again this year. We also hope to win the conference and the regional title again this year. We are looking forward to the Bath and Spartan Invites, which are early in the season, to see what we need to do to go after the state title again. We have a lot of newcomers that will make an immediate impact and cause competition amongst the team to help reach our potential.

FRANKLIN ROAD CHRISTIAN

Head coach: Andrew Schmid, sixth season. League affiliation: Michigan Independent Athletic Conference

Last year's finish: Fifth, Division 4 regional; seventh, MIAC

Notable losses to graduation: None. Leading returnees: Audrey Hicks, J Audrey Govan, Soph.; Sydney Lipovsky, Soph.; Maddie Austin, Soph.; Shelby Buis, Fr.

Promising newcomers: Madelyn Holleman, Soph.; Gretchen Brockway, Fr.; Grace Alex, Jr.; Megan Holleman, eight-grade.

Schmid's 2015 outlook: "We're very young, with no seniors. Overall, with the experience they gained last year, the team hopes to continue to improve on their individual results from last year and, subsequently, their team results. Barring injuries, they hope to get a state qualifier in the process. The team should be much stronger with Govan leading the way. Hicks, Shelby Buis and Allie Lee added to last year's cross country fitness by also competing in track (all winning regional medals). All of last year's starters (Lipovsky, Austin and Hannah Fulford) improved tremendously, but they will be fighting to be starters as the team has added more strong runners this year."

SOUTH LYON

Head coach: Dave DeSilvio, 17th season. League affiliation: KLAA Kensington Conference (Central Division)

Last year's finish: Fourth, KLAA Central (2-3); tied for sixth, Kensington Conference; 10th, Division 1 regional.

Notable losses to graduation: Madis

Swiatlowski, Maiju Oksanen.

Leading returneees: Mackenzie Flannery, Sr. (captain); Sydney Kanthook, Sr.; Emily Hudgens, Jr.; Anna Boyle, Jr.; Emily Settembrini, Soph.; Karyn Graham, Jr.; Hailey Green, Sr. (captain); Alexa VanOrd, Sr. (captain)

Promising newcomers: Maddy Toth, Fr.; Rylee McDermott, Fr.; Delaney McDermott, Jr.

DeSilvio's 2015 outlook: "I think our team will find plenty of success this year, if we can stay healthy. Camp was a success with good running and a strong team bond emerging. Team captains Flannery, Green and VanOrd have worked very hard to develop a nice team of runners. The newcomers will play a crucial role. If healthy, expect big things from junior Karyn Graham. Several other runners have worked hard over the summer and could play a major role in the team's performance."

SOUTH LYON EAST

Head coach: Dave Testa, first season. League affiliation: KLAA Kensington Conference (Central Division)

Last year's finish: Sixth, KLAA Central; ninth, Division 2 regional; 11th, Kensington

Notable losses to graduation: Erin O'Donnel, Lea Fields, Jessica Lavoie.

Leading returneees: Kayla Zielinski, Sr. (captain); Olivia McKeever, Jr. (captain); Natalie Domanico, Sr. (captain).

Promising newcomer: Lauren Clark, Fr. Testa's 2015 outlook: "Both Kayla (Zielinski) and Olivia (McKeever) had some significant drops in their PRs last track season and have increased the quality and quantity of their mileage. There was great turnout and participation in summer running, which resulted in some quality mileage. The captains - Domanico, Zielinski and McKeever - have done a great job of welcoming the newer girls into the fold. As a result, the girls are working incredibly hard and enjoy being around each other. As a team, we want to improve how we prepare for and approach each practice and meet. We also want to see race times drop throughout the season and improve upon our conference and regional team finishes from a year ago. Our numbers are

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small, but the girls are all mighty in spirit."

Head coach: Brian Salyers, 20th season. League affiliation: KLAA Lakes Confer-

Last year's finish: First, Division 1 regional; second, Lakes Conference; KLAA West (4-1); fourth, Division 1 state finals.

Notable losses to graduation: Madison Paquette (first team All-Area).

Leading returneees: Mallory Barrett, Jr. (all-state, first team All-Area; regional champion 18:20); Nicole Grindling, Soph. (all-state, first team All-Area; 18:31); Gabrielle Byndas, Sr. (second team All-Area); Emilie Kennedy, Soph. (second team All-Area); Rebecca Bradsher, Soph. (second team All-Area); Sarah Ausum, Sr. (second team All-Area); Regan Lobodzinski, Soph.; Abby Hiipakka, Soph.; Eve Hemingway, Sr. Promising newcomers: To be deter-

Salyers' 2015 outlook: "We have the largest incoming freshman class in my tenure. We do not yet know which ones will have the opportunity to make an impact, but we did take four of them to our varsity camp."

LAKELAND

Head coach: John Kababik, 10th season. League affiliation: KLAA Lakes Conference (North Division)

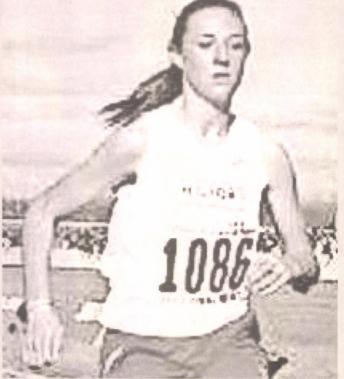
Last year's finish: Third, KLAA North (3-2); sixth, Division 1 regional; eighth, Lakes Confer-

Notable losses to graduation: Kara

Leading returneees: Olivia Clymer, Soph. (second team All-Area; state qualifier); Miranda Reinhart, Sr.; Marisa Sailus, Jr.; Margaret McDonald, Jr.; Rachel Martell Jr.

Promising newcomer: Madeline Rehm,

Kababik's 2015 outlook: "Our team is trying to get over injuries from last spring in track. We are cross-training many girls who are rehabilitating. Our season will start slowly, as we will sit out a number of returnees. Once we get healthy, we will be OK. No predictions until we can all run. The teams in our North Division to be favorites are Walled Lake Northern and Waterford Mott. The extra week before our first meet should help us, with school starting a week later



Gabrielle Byndas is one of several returnees for the Mavericks.

PRESEASON OUTLOOK

Prep boys cross country teams ready to soar again

Brad Emons Staff Writer

Once again, it appears there is no shortage of talent when it comes to area boys cross coun-

Four of the eight area teams earned a berth last season in the MHSAA Division 1 state finals and this year should be no different, led by White Lake Lakeland, which was second only to KLAA North Division rival Waterford Mott in every major meet last season, including the Lakes Conference, regional, Oakland County and state finals.

The Eagles return another strong squad, led by all-state runner Jackson Grzymkowski, who placed 23rd overall in Division 1 with a time of 15:23 (for 5,000 meters).

Also returning this season is first team All-Area selection Kyle Garbovits, a senior, who ran 15:57 last fall (36th overall in Division 1), along with second team selection Drew Wenger, a sophomore.

"Last season, I think a lot of teams were surprised when we were runner-up at the state finals," Lakeland coach Joe Verellen said. "There will be no hiding this year. We look to continue to improve throughout the season, with the finals being our end goal. The team has a proven front-runner in Grzymkowski and a large pack of runners close together behind him. The group thrives off one another and accepts the challenge of finding a legitimate fifth guy."
Northville, which earned its

best team finish in school history with fourth in Division 1 a year ago, will be paced by senior Conor Naughton (32nd, 15:51), a first team All-Area pick.

"Admittedly, we are a work in progress this season and it could be early October before we see this team's full potential," Northville coach Chris Cronin said. "There will be a lot of healthy competition for those top seven varsity spots

PREP FOOTBALL

Thursday, Sept. 3 Wat. Kettering at Novi, 7 p.m. W.L. Central at Northville, 7 p.m. Wat. Mott at South Lyon, 7 p.m.

Lakeland at S.L. East, 7 p.m Franklin at Milford, 7 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 4

BOYS SOCCER

Thursday, Sept. 3

Novi at W.L. Northern, 4 p.m. Clarenceville at Franklin Rd., 5 p.m.

Salem at Lakeland, 5 p.m. Northville at W.L. Western, 7 p.m. Detroit CC at F.H. Harrison, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 8 Huron Valley at Franklin Rd., 4:30 p.m. Salem at Novi (Meadows), 7 p.m. South Lyon at Northville, 7 p.m.

S.L. East at Stevenson, 7 p.m. Milford at Grand Blanc, 7 p.m. akeland at W.L. Northern, 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 9

South Lyon at Salem (CEP), 7 p.m. Detroit CC at Clarkston, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 10 Stevenson at Novi (Meadows), 7 p.m S.L. East at Northville, 7 p.m.

roit CC at Temp.-Bedford, 7 p.m. Milford at Pinckney, 7 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 11

VOLLEYBALL

Thursday, Sept. 3

Friday, Sept. 4

Wednesday, Sept. 9

Northville at South Lyon, 6:30 p.m West Bloomfield, A.A. Pioneer

Thursday, Sept. 10

at Bedford Tourney, TBA. Tuesday, Sept. 8

6:30 p.m.

erkley at South Lyon, 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12 lichael's at Detroit CC 2

W.L. Central at Lakela



Lakeland senior Jackson Grzymkowski (right) was the key member of last year's Division 1 state runner-up squad.





Naughton

Plaetinck

this season and I believe we'll see some newer faces emerge.

Novi and Novi Detroit Catholic Central have strong teams returning after placing 15th and 17th, respectively, in the Division 1 state meet.

Novi welcomes back senior Joost Plaetinck, the All-Area Runner of the Year who earned all-state honorsby placing 13th at MIS with a career-best time of 15:39.5. Second team All-Area selection Scott MacPherson, a junior, also returns.

'If we stay healthy, we should be competitive in every race we run in," Novi's 33rdyear coach Robert Smith said. "I'm very excited about the make-up of this team.'

Catholic Central coach Tony Magni, entering his 42nd season, returns two second team All-Area runners in Scott Smith and Bailey Hobson.

Season-ending injuries to Brendan Canavan and Ben Ludtke, however, could set the Shamrocks back. But the coach of the Catholic League champi-

THE WEEK AHEAD

Pinckney at Milford, 7 p.m

Lakeland at Wat. Mott, / p.m. **Saturday, Sept. 12** N'ville at Mt. Morris Inv., 8 a.m. Milford at Flushing Tourney, 8 a.m. S. Lyon at Mich. Elite Inv., 9 a.m. Novi Varsity Tournament, TBA.

CROSS COUNTRY Thursday, Sept. 3

Milford Inv. at Kensington, 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 8 ord at Lakeland, 4:30

Thursday, Sept. 10

th Lyon at Wayne, 4 p Friday, Sept. 11

Saturday, Sept. 12

CC at Averill Inv. (Kensington), 9:30 a.m. Salem Inv. at Willow Metropark, 10 a.m.

GIRLS SWIMMING Thursday, Sept. 3

S.L. Unified at A.A Huron, 6 p.m. W I Central at Milford, 6 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 10

8irm. Marian at Novi, 6:30 p.m. Northville at G.P. South, 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 12

Milford at Fenton Relays, 8 a.m BOYS TENNIS

BOYS TENNIS
Thursday, Sept. 3
N'ville at A.A. Huron Quad, 9 a.m.
South Lyon at S.L. East, 4 p.m.
U-D Jesuit at Detroit CC, 4 p.m.
Hartland at Milford, 4 p.m.

Lakeland at W.L. Central, 4 p.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 9
S.L. East, Okemos at Novi, 4 p.m.
Northville at Salem, 4 p.m.

Stevenson at South Lyon, 4 p.m. Brighton at Milford, 4 p.m. Lakeland at Wat. Kettering, 4 p.m

Thursday, Sept. 10 Cranbrook at Detroit CC, 4 p.m S. Lyon, Saline at Novi, 4 p.m.

Lakeland at Wat, Mott,

ons remains optimistic.

"If we run as a group, the team will do well," Magni said. "The young runners have to respond as varsity runners.'

Last season, perennially strong Milford found itself on the outside looking in after placing fifth at the St. Johns regional. Juniors Jack Aman and Dakota Giles are the Mavericks' top two regional meet returnees.

"Last season was the first time since 1996 that our boys did not qualify for the state finals," Milford coach Brian Salvers said. "A combination of graduation and injuries created an obstacle we were unable to overcome. Despite that, we had a solid season, winning four dual meets and enjoying the growth and development of our underclassmen.'

In the KLAA Central's Division, which features stateranked Northville and Novi, both South Lyon East and South Lyon face uphill climbs.

East, Division 2 school, returns individual state qualifier Adam Caruso, while South Lyon is led by junior Josh Chezick.

Meanwhile, Novi Franklin Road Christian hopes to crack the top three at the Division 4 regional, led by senior Will Govan.

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Stevenson at Northville, 4 p.m.

Salem at S. Lyon East, 4 p.m. W.L. Western at Lakeland, 4 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 12 Detroit CC at Saline Quad, 8 a.m. Huron Valley Inv. at Milford, 8 a.m.

N'ville at A.A. Pioneer Quad, TBA.

GIRLS GOLF

Thursday, Sept. 3
South Lyon at Rock-Wildcat Inv.

Fox Hills G.C., 8 a.m. Novi vs. Northville

at Northville Hills G.C., 3 p.m.

at Northville Hills G.C., 3 p.m. South Lyon vs. S.L. East at Tanglewood G.C., 3 p.m. Milford vs. Hartland at Prestwick Village G.C., 3 p.m. Lakeland at W.L. Central, 3 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 8

Milford at Howell, 3 p.m. W.L. Northern at Lakeland, 3 p.m.

at Fox Creek G.C., 3 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 9

Thursday, Sept. 10

Novi vs. Salem at Fox Hills G.C., 3 p.m.

S.L. East vs. Stevenson

at Tanglewood G.C., 3 p.m. Lakeland at Wat. Mott, 3:30 p.m

Friday, Sept. 11 South Lyon at N. Farm. Inv at Glen Oaks G.C., 9 a.m.

South Lyon East at Perry Inv

Saturday, Sept. 12

GIRLS FIELD HOCKEY

Wednesday, Sept. 9

Friday, Sept. 11

TBA -- time to be announced

BOYS CROSS COUNTRY TEAM CAPSULES

NOVI

Head coach: Robert Smith, 33rd year. League affiliation: KLAA Kensington Conference (Central Division)

Last year's finish: Second place, KLAA Central Division (4-1), Division 1 regional, Kensington Conference; 15th, Division 1 state finals.

Notable losses to graduation: Sahisnu Malapati (second All-Area), Nathan Hall, Cameron Misko, Collin Thomas, Casey Croad, Declan

Leading returnees: Joost Plaetinck, Sr. (all-state, All-Area Runner of the Year: 15:39.5): Scott MacPherson, Jr. (second team All-Area); John Landy, Jr.; Adam Ditri, Sr.

Promising newcomers: Gabe Mudel Soph.; Aric Landy, Jr.; Scott Beaton, Sr.; Alex Schafer, Soph.; Trey Mullins, Fr.;

Smith's 2015 outlook: "The season could prove to be quite interesting. We are bringing back four guys with state meet experience. We have five or six more right behind them. We are blessed with hard-working, dedicated athletes."

NORTHVILLE

Head coach: Chris Cronin, 22nd year. League affiliation: KLAA Kensington Conference (Central Division)

Last year's finish: First, Division 1 regional, Kensington Conference, KLAA Central (5-0); fourth, Division 1 state finals.

Notable losses to graduation: Nick Noles (first team All-Area), Jason Ferrante (first team All-Area), Sean McCullough (second team All-Area); Sam Kremke, Ryan Flanagan.

Leading returnees: Conor Naughton, Sr. (first team All-Area; 15:50); Ben Cracraft, Jr.; Kenny Goolsby, Sr. (captain); Christian Frieburger, Sr.. Promising newcomers: Thomas Smither,

Sr.; Jeff Baxter, Sr.; Peter Bejin, Jr.; Jacob Blackmore, Jr.; Evan Ferrante, Jr.; Ryan Draybuck, Soph.; Nick Couyoumjian, Fr.; Sean Sullivan, Fr.

Cronin's 2015 outlook: "Coming off of what was arguably the two greatest years in Northville men's cross country history, it's hard to think this year's team, having lost so much talent and depth, can once again compete with the state's finest - but I think they can. We had a lot of talent on our roster that never had the chance to race at the varsity level because of our amazing seniors last year. This year, it's their turn and this team is hungry."

NOVI DETROIT CC

Head coach: Tony Magni, 42nd year. League affiliation: Catholic League (Central Division)

Last year's finish: First, Central Division (4-0), Catholic League; third, Division 1 regional; 17th, Division 1 state finals.

Notable losses to graduation: Brian

Leading returnees: Scott Smith, Sr. (second team All-Area); Bailey Hobson, Sr. (second team Alf-Area); Avery Felty, Sr.; Matthew Fosdick, Sr.; Mark Borek, Jr.; Ty Buckley, Jr.; Ben Racine, Jr..

Promising newcomers: Andrew Clark, Jr.; Brennan Koehler, Jr.; Joseph Saval, Soph. Magni's 2015 outlook: "Brendan Canavan and Ben Ludtke were lost for the season due to

injuries. Both ran in the state meet as sophomores last year. If we run as a group, the team will do well. The young runners have to respond as varsity runners.

FRANKLIN ROAD CHRISTIAN Head coach: Andrew Schmid, sixth year. League affiliation: Michigan Independent

Last year's finish: Seventh, Division 4 regional; eighth, MIAC. Notable losses to graduation: None.

Leading returnees: Will Govan, Sr.; Erick Westphal, Sr.; Maxwell Holleman, Jr.; Nate Austin, Jr.; Nate Buis, Fr.

Promising newcomers: David Brooks, Fr. Schmid's 2015 outlook: "This year's team should be able to improve on last year's results and could be Franklin Road Christian's best cross country team ever. Last year's team had many first-year runners, but they are returning this year knowing what is expected in practice and races. Govan should be the team leader again and should continue to improve in his second year of running cross country. His goal this year is to get to states, as he was close to making it last year."

SOUTH LYON Head coach: Scott Smith, 25th year. League affiliation: KLAA Kensington

Conference (Central Division). Last year's finish: Fifth, KLAA Central (1-4); 10th, Kensington Conference; 12th, Division 1

regional.

Notable losses to graduation: Bryce Van Asselt, Jordan Odkie, Brandon Wenner.

Leading returnees: Brent Peruski, Sr.; Marshall Thelen, Sr.; Jonathan Allen, Soph

Promising newcomers: Jerod Allen, Sr.; Brian Harmon, Sr.; Tim Slavik, Sr.; Josh Chezick, Jr.; Joey Younkin, Soph.; Jake Rousch, Soph. Adam Lyons, Sr.: Jack Gomori, Sr.

Smith's 2015 outlook: "The state rankings came out last week - Northville and Novi are in our six-team (Central) division, they were fourth and fifth in the preseason state rankings. Life is going to be tough. It's going to be challenging. That said, I'm expecting to be a scrappy team. My kids had an excellent summer of training. We're entering the season being competitive with everyone, but we're not under the illusions that it's going to be easy."

SOUTH LYON EAST

Head coach: Randy Smith, first year. League affiliation: KLAA Kensington Conference (Central Division).

Last year's finish: Sixth, Division 2 regional; KLAA Central (0-5); 11th, Kensington Conference. Notable losses to graduation: Jon Kesler, Aaron Hoorn,

Leading returnees: Adam Caruso, Sr. (state qualifier); Joshua Clark, Jr.; Carter Reeds, Jr.; Alexander Cronin, Soph.; Charles Marchand, Sr. Promising newcomers: Matt Meyerink, Sr.; Austin Foley, Jr.; Jack Marchand, Fr.; Max

Smith's 2015 outlook: "I think things are looking up, but we're still the smallest school in a 24-school league. And we're the only D2 school, so we're beating our heads against the fairly hard ceiling, but we're going to surprise a few people

this year. We're better than we've ever been. We would hope to qualify the team for states out of our regional, but that will depend upon on just how healthy everybody is."

MILFORD

Head coach: Brian Salyers, 20th year. League affiliation: KLAA Lakes Conference

Last year's finish: Second, KLAA West (4-1); fifth, Division 1 regional; sixth, Lakes Conference. Notable losses to graduation: Sean Noone (first team All-Area), Kevin Bradsher, Nick

Leading returnees: Jack Aman, Jr.; Dakota Giles, Jr.; Nolan Bailey, Soph.; Nick Martin, Soph.; Luke Sakkinen, Jr.; Elliot Seymour, Jr.; Nathan Punches, Sr.; Kurt Black, Soph.; Josh Deradoorian,

Promising newcomers: To be determined. Salyers' 2015 outlook: "The team we will put on the course this year has been diligently preparing for this season since the completion of the last. Our 2015 team may not be eye-catching, but they will be unified and effective. We see our team being able to position our top seven runners withing 15-20 seconds of each other. Our charge should be lead by Aman, Dakota Giles and Martin. After that, we have an additional eight runners working hard to minimize the gap. We will be tested early and often and we welcome all of the challenges. We have a nice class of 10 freshman boys. A number of them I believe will grow into contributing varsity members in two to three years."

LAKELAND

Head coach: Joe Verellen, sixth year. League affiliation: KLAA Lakes Conference

Last year's finish: Second, Division 1 state finals, regional, Lakes Conference, KLAA North Division (4-1) Oakland County of

Notable losses to graduation: Blake McComas (first team All-Area), Trevor Learmont (second team All-Area), Ian Fulton.

Leading returnees: Jackson Grzymkowski, Sr. (all-state, first team All-Area; 15:45); Kyle Garbovits, Sr. (first team All-Area; 15:57); Drew Wenger, Soph. (second team All-Area); Zack

Promising newcomers: Jacob Broman, Sr.; Hunter Lukes, Jr.; Luke Moore, Jr.; Joel Woody, Jr.; George Drallos, Soph.; Angelo Savich, Soph.; Harrison Grzymkowski, Fr.

Verellen's 2015 outlook: "The season looks extremely bright for this group of runners. They have recommitted and want to compete with the best in the state. I believe this group has put the work in this summer and is going to be ready come finals. Jackson (Grzymkowski) looks to continue to improve on his 2014 cross season and his record-setting track season. Kyle (Garbovits) and Drew (Wenger) are both looking to improve to the next level by the end of the season. I look forward to seeing what Zack Werth can do this season. I would like him to match the improvement that Kyle made between his sophomore and

BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

Novi three-peats at South Lyon Invite

Wildcats place three runners among top four

Brad Emons Staff Writer

The Novi boys cross country team made it look easy Saturday, capturing its third straight South Lyon Invitational at Island Lake State Recreation Area.

The Wildcats, taking three of the first four places, scored 24 points, with Howell (90), South Lyon (100), South Lyon East (102) and Allen Park (106) rounding out the top five.

"It was a race for second place today," Novi coach Robert Smith said. "We were the

class of the field." Livonia Franklin's Tony Floyd was the individual winner in 16 minutes, 23 seconds, while Novi senior Joost Plaetinck placed second (16:30) in

the 5,000-meter race. "I was very pleased with his time," Smith said Plaetinck. "It's a fast time for this early in the season.'

Junior John Landy and sophomore Gabe Mudel finished third and fourth, respectively, with clockings of 16:44 and 16:51 for the Wildcats

"Taking three out of the first four places was something that I didn't expect,' Smith said. "These guys have really upped their game over last year already."

Junior Aric Landy (17:09) was seventh, while senior Adam Ditri (17:14) took eighth.

"Aric and Adam will join Joost, John and Gabe in the 16s in the next meet or two," Smith

Meanwhile, both Scott Beaton (12th, 17:39) and sophomore Alex Schafer (13th, 17:49), also captured a medal.

"It's important for number six and seven (runners) to keep the opposition at bay," Smith said. "They did a great job with that."

SOUTH LYON INVITATIONAL CROSS COUNTRY MEET Aug. 29 at Island Lake BOYS TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Novi 24 points; 2. Howell, 90; 3. South Lyon, 100; 4. South Lyon East, 102; 5. Allen Park, 106; 6. Livonia Franklin, 121; 7. Clay

Individual winner: Tony Floyd (Franklin), 16:23

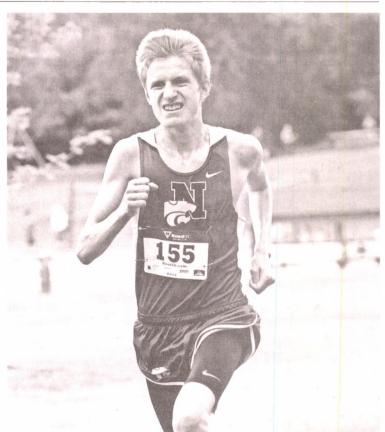
Novi finishers: 2. Joost Plaetinck, 16:30; 3. John Landy, 16:44; 4. Gabe Mudel, 16:51; 7. Aric Landy, 17:09; 8. Adam Ditri, 17:14; 12. Scott Beaton, 17:39;

South Lyon finishers: 11. Joshua Chezick, 17:36; 14. Jerod Allen, 17:50; 18. Matt Meyerink, 18:00; 21. Brent Peruski, 18:26; 24. Marshall Thelen,

South Lyon East finishers: 6. Adam Caruso Alexander Cronin, 17:53; 25. Joshua Clark, Carter Reeds, 19:19; 37. Brian Harmon, 19:35; 40. Charles Marchand, 19:47; 45. Austin Foley GIRLS TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Wyandotte, 49

points; 2. Clay (Ohio), 51; 3. Livonia Franklin, 72; 4. South Lyon, 108; 5. Plymouth, 108; 6. Allen Park, 136; Individual winner: Haley Hess (Clay), 18:55

South Lyon finishers: 9. Emily Hudgens. 21:18; 16. Mackenzie Flannery, 22:00; 20. Sydney Kantho6, 22:30; 27. Emily Settembrini, 22:51; 36. Maddy Toth, 23:47; 43. Karyn Graham, 24:45; 47.



ROBERT SMITH

Novi's Gabel Mudel took fourth overall in the South Lyon Invitational at

BOYS SOCCER

Mustangs' PK sinks defending state champ Canton

Brad Emons Staff Writer

Northville's 2014 boys soccer season ended in the regional final on penalty kicks cour-tesy of Canton, which went on to claim the MHSAA Division 1

In the rematch Wednesday night, Northville turned the tables on the defending state champs thanks to a PK of its own with only 16:12 left as junior midfielder Matthew Mitchell buried a shot just under the crossbar to give the Mustangs a 1-0 victory.

Mitchell's game-winning goal came as a result of handball in the box and the 3-0 Mustangs were able to hold off a late Canton push to post their third straight shutout.

"I thought defensively we've been pretty good in the early part of the season,' Northville coach Henry Klimes said. "Garret Weaver has been a man amongst boys in the back there ... Bobby Lubisco, Ian (McBroom).

"And Jordan Martindale had a tremendous game today. He wasn't starting. He's a senior we brought back after being cut as a junior last year. And he had a phenomenal

In the early stages of the



Northville players celebrate after Matthew Mitchell (17) scored the game's only goal on a penalty kick.

first half, Canton had the best two chances as senior captain Hunter Olson's shot rang off the left post. And in another sequence during the 31st minute, Lubisco covered for goalkeeper Evan Treiber, who came off his line, to save another Chiefs' attempt.

"Defensively, I'm happy," Klimes said. "The first half could have gone either way. Both teams made some mistakes where they could have capitalized, but apparently it was a legit handball that went in. So it was a call and we'll take it. We'll take the outcome.

It was a great game since it was in the early part of the season.

Northville opened the second half pushing forward and had three good cracks on McGrath, the Canton keeper, but couldn't find the target.

"We like playing a 4-4-2 and

Canton really has a deep mid-field that works their tails off, so what we did was sort of adjust and have our guys pinch more inside to give the middle halfbacks some opportunities," Klimes said. "We did make some adjustments there."

And when Northville continued to press inside the Canton, they got their big break when a handball was called with Mitchell being the designated shooter.

"I was surprised they gave it to Matty, but he buried it and he was composed,"Klimes said. "We don't want to go to PKs like that. I'm really pleased in the early part of the season how everybody is contributing, the young sophomores that we brought up.'

Canton (2-2) lost six starters off last year's state championship squad, while another three were out with injuries.

"I thought it was a good match both ways," Canton coach Mark Zemanski said. "Northville is good team. They pushed and had some good opportunities and we had some opportunities. They got the call and they won the game. I'm not going to yell at them (the officials) here, but I don't think it was the right call."

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BOYS SOCCER WRAP

Northville remains unbeaten with rout

Novi earns 2-2 draw against Grand Blanc

> **Brad Emons** Staff Writer

Northville got a pair of goals Monday night from Nick Toupin in an 8-0 mercy-rule rout of visiting Pinckney in a KLAA boys soccer crossover match.

Johnny Rodriguez also contributed a goal and assist for the Mustangs, who improved to 4-0 overall.

Ben McCauley and Matt Mitchell each added their third goal of the year, while Owen Marshall, Jordan Martindale and Corbin Woellecke also tallied a goal apiece.

Other assists went to Felipe McCarthy, Troy Borawski and Tyler Belanger. Goalkeeper Evan Treiber

made one save to notch his fourth straight shutout.
NOVI 2, GRAND BLANC 2: The host Wildcats (2-1-1) and the Bobcats (2-0-1) fought to a draw Monday in a KLAA crossover at

Meadows Stadium Novi scored in the opening minute on Matt Netter's corner kick to Adam Dellavecchia, but Grand Blanc answered at the 14-minute mark on a penalty kick after the Wildcats were whistled for a foul in the hox

Grand Blanc tallied its second goal with just two minutes remaining in the match, but Novi's Connor O'Leary answered with a PK of his own. Amossi Bujaga led Novi off the bench with determination and energy in the midfield, while Garrett Miller and Omer Saeed controlled play in the midfield for Grand Blanc Luke McDonald made five saves in goal for

FRANKLIN ROAD 1, BAPTIST PARK 0: Senior Jamie Brockway scored off a cross from Gavin Harris early in the second half Monday to give Novi Franklin Road Christian (1-0, 1-0) the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference Red

Division win at Taylor Baptist Park (2-2, 1-1). Goalkeeper Daniel Weaver, with defensive help from freshman sweeper Blake Johnson and center-defender Paul Alex, made 13 saves to post NOVI 1, ROCHESTER ADAMS 0: Senior

Connor O'Leary converted a penalty kick with only 34 seconds left to give thee Wildcats (2-1) a non-conference victory Saturday at Rochester Adams (4-1-1). The PK was called after Novi's Nick Harder

The PK was called after Novi's Nick Harder dribbled the ball down the field and crossed the ball into a group of players where an Adams defender was called for a handball.

Novi (2-1) peppered a total of 12 shots at Adams goalkeeper goalie Dylan Brown, who starred in goal.

Meanwhile, the Wildcats' keeper Sam Sheeran made four excellent plays in the box to record

made four excellent plays in the box to record his first shutout of the season and the second for

Novi co-coach Rachel Kain also saluted the play of first-year player Taira Uozumi, who "did a great job coming off the bench and staying calm **DETROIT CC 1. DEARBORN 0: Matt**

Turton's header off a corner kick from Charlie Trevisan in the 10th minute proved to be the difference as Novi Detroit Catholic Central (5-0) earned a non-league win Aug. 26 over the host Pioneers (0-1).
CC senior goalkeeper Peter Kirouac recorded

NOVI 1, SKYLINE 0: After 78 scoreless

NOVI 1, SKYLINE 0: After 78 scoreless minutes, something finally had to give and Matt Netter converted a free kick by Connor O'Leary from 35 yards out to give the host Wildcats (1-1) a non-conference win Aug. 26 over Ann Arbor Skyline (1-2-1) at Meadows Stadium.

Nick Harder dribbled the ball up the field and was fouled to set up the game-winner off a free kick with only two migrates remaining as Novi

kick with only two minutes remaining as Novi evened its overall record at 1-1. According to Novi co-coach Rachel Kain, Skyline's Aksel Ozor did a great job controlling

the middle of the field and it led to the Eagles getting three shots on goal, but none past Wildcats' keeper Luke McDonald, who earned

Kain also lauded the play of forward Adam Dellavechia, who did a great job creating scoring opportunities for the Wildcats.

CLUB LACROSSE

U-17 Michigan Mavericks eye Florida tourney

Brad Emons Staff Writer

The Michigan Mavericks, an under-17 club lacrosse team, is headed to the Dick's Sporting Goods Tournament of Champions this December in Wesley Chapel, Fla., after a highly successful summer season.

The Mavericks, composed of area high school players, finished 22-1 overall, capturing three of four tournaments in the top division, including the Roller Coaster Rumble (Sandusky, Ohio), Great Lax Bay Classic (Saginaw) and the Pipe City Shootout (Vernon Hills,

Their only loss of the season came in overtime during the finals of the Notre Dame Team Cup held in South Bend, Ind. They are 44-4 over the last two

Team members from Northille High included: Tv Kilar. attack; Josh Bentley, midfield; Ryan Figueroa, midfield; Spencer Gonda, midfield; Jack Harrigan, midfield; Gannon

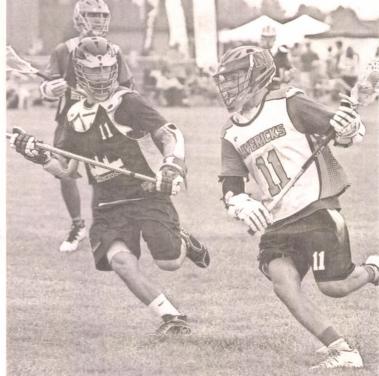
Henke, midfield; Nate Holoway, midfield; Danny Scorzo, midfield; Kyle Condino, long stick midfielder; Abe Khoury, defense; Nick Williams, defense; Connor Wright, defense; and Anthony Salamone, de-

Representing Novi Detroit Catholic Central are Cole Gingell, attack; Nick Capatina, midfield; Patrick Brandemihl, long stick midfield; Michael Molchan, defense; and Zach Downey, goalie.

Rounding out the Maverick' squad were goalie Gary Cutler and midfielder Colton Tinsley, both of Birmingham Groves; midfielder Joey Mielke, South Lyon; and midfielder Ian Rush, Orchard Lake St. Mary's.

The coaching staff consist ed of local and experienced college coaches, including Scott Tynan (Michigan State/ Pepperdine) and T.J. Braun (Central Michigan), along with Northville's Nick Melucci (Uni versity of Detroit/MSU) and Tyler Gozdor (Michigan).

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GREG DURHAM

Northville's Nate Holoway (right) helped the U-17 Mavericks to a 22-1 summer lacrosse record.

BOYS SOCCER ROUNDUP



MISSY WOLSCHLAGER

South Lyon East's Nick Ruschak tallied the game-winning goal in a season-opening 1-0 win over Waterford Kettering.

Lakeland's Reiter gets four goals against Pats

Brad Emons Staff Writer

Eric Reiter poured in four goals Monday as White Lake Lakeland outgunned host Livonia Franklin in a KLAA boys soccer crossover, 5-3.

Heath Sucharski also added a goal for the victorious Eagles, who improved to 2-1 overall.

The Patriots (1-2) got a goal and assist from Ryan Bieth, while Matt Conley and Austin Corona also added a goal apiece. Bobby Mandrink chipped in an assist.

Owen Christmas was in goal for Lakeland, while Zach Robinson was in net for Lakeland.

"(Reiter) had an outstanding game and we couldn't contain (Chase Rospond), Franklin coach Vic Rodopoulos said. "Offensively, we were doing the right things, but we couldn't follow through. It was the little things that did not occur and the end result is that we didn't play to our potential."

MILFORD 3, SOUTH LYON 2: Goals by David Bonard, Matt Villemure and Brian Woigdka carried the Mavericks (2-1) to a KLAA crossover triumph Monday over the host Lions (0-2).
Tyler Welch assisted on the first goal, while
Villemure scored off a header from Dante D'Aloisio.
Joseph Poti tallied the third assist. Danish exchange student Oliver Ravn tallied both

HARTLAND 3, S.L. EAST 1: Ray Ifuku's second-half goal wasn't enough Monday as host East (1-2) fell to the Eagles (3-0) in a KLAA

All of Hartland's goals came in the opening half, wo by Brad Walker and another by Troy Cole.

LAKELAND 3, S.L. EAST 2: Senior midfielder Brent Weakland scored twice, but it wouldn't hold up as White Lake Lakeland (1-1) stormed back with three goals during a six-minute span late in the second half Aug. 26 to beat East (1-1). Goals by Tyler Green and Andrew Long started the comeback with 11 minutes left and Brent Peterson tallied the game-winner. Owen Christmas was in goal for Lakeland, while East used two goalkeepers, junior Justin Schmitz

HARTLAND 4, SOUTH LYON 0; Brady Walker scored twice and Jack Iden scored on a penalty kick with 90 seconds remaining Aug. 26 as W.L. NORTHERN 2, MILFORD 0: Host Northern (1-0) controlled the first half Aug. 26 which resulted in a pair of goals to down the

Mavericks (1-1).

The Knights scored 10 minutes into the match and with 30 seconds left in the opening half, while Milford had a goal disallowed by an offside call. Allford had a goal disallowed by an offside call.

S.L. EAST 1, KETTERING 0: Junior midfielder Nick Ruschak tallied the game-winning first-half goal off a well-placed corner kick from senior midfielder Brent Weakland to propel host East (1-0)

to a season opening win Aug. 24 over visiting Waterford Kettering (0-1). Senior goalkeeper Nico Macellari posted the shutout, with defensive help from backs Zaco Satawa, a senior, and Evan Fleck, a junior

SPORTS ROUNDUP

Novi TasteFest game

The Novi Athletic Boosters will stage the ninth annual TasteFest 5-7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 11, prior to the Livonia Stevenson at Novi varsity football game at Wildcat Stadi-

Last year, the Novi Athletic Boosters donated more than \$140,000 to the high school and middle school programs.

TasteFest will offer carnival games in the field house, along with a photo booth, candy walk and glitter tattoos There will also be a Pump It Up with bouncers for children. TasteFest will also partner with the Novi Educational Foundation, which will have a dunk tank on the practice field as well.

Among the local food vendors are Ascension Brewery, Applebee's, BD's Mongolian Grill, BWW, Library Pub and Stuart's Ice Cream, plus pizza and drinks.

Lakeland concessions

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

All slots for these events are open to any volunteer from any team. Open and closer slots are also open to anyone to sign up for. A SignUp-Genius schedule for the remainder of the fall sports season will be created and sent to team coaches/contacts for allocation of volunteer

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

Novi sports passes

All-sports passes are available through the Novi Athletic Boosters for the 2015-16 year

during registration at Novi High School and Novi Middle

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

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

Only by purchasing an allsports pass can fans guarantee that all of the proceeds will be directed to Novi athletics. Regular gate admissions proceeds go to the Novi Community Schools general fund.

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

Mini kickers

The Livonia City Soccer Club and AC Milan will hold an outdoor instructional school (boys and girls ages 3-5) 9-10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 12, 19 and 26 and Oct. 3, 10 and 17, at the Dickinson Soccer Complex, 18000 Newburgh Road, Livonia.

The cost is \$105 (includes six sessions and jersey).

To register online, go to acmilandetroit.com. For more information, call 734-464-8575 or email ken.s@livoniacitysoccerclub.com.

VOLLEYBALL ROUNDUP

Top-ranked Novi sweeps Grand Blanc tournament

Brad Emons

Novi is now the top-ranked team in Class A after sweeping all six opponents in straight sets last weekend in the Grand Blanc Tournament.

The Wildcats, last year's state runners-up, defeated Clarkston in the finals, 25-20, 25-18, after downing Oxford in the semifinals, 25-9, 25-9, to improve to 12-0 overall.

In pool play, Novi scored victories over Detroit Cass Tech (25-12, 25-17), Clarkston (25-23, 33-31), Flint Kearsley (25-10, 25-11) and Flint Powers Catholic (25-13, 25-19). Sophomore setter Erin

O'Leary had a big day with a total of 119 assist-to-kills, 39 digs and 22 kills.

Junior right side hitter Ally Cummings added 43 kills and 22 digs, while senior outside hitter Victoria Iacobelli contributed 44 kills, 52 digs and 12 ace serves. Twin sister Paulina Iacobelli also racked up 55 digs to go with 38 kills.

Northville takes first

Senior outside hitter Katie O'Malley finished with 44 total kills and setter Rachel Holmes chipped in with 80 assists as Northville opened its season by capturing the Saline Tourna-

The Mustangs (4-1) defeated Farmington Hills Mercy, 25-18, 25-22, in the finals after ousting the host Hornets, 25-16, 25-18, in the semifinals as Rebecca Quinn made a successful debut as varsity coach.

Other contributions from the Mustangs came from Bryce Quick (21 kills) and

Kiera Borthwick (48 digs). In pool play, Monroe St. Mary Catholic Central defeated Northville, 2-1, while the Mustangs rebounded to beat Ann Arbor Pioneer, 3-0.

Northville then defeated St. Mary's CC in the first round of elimination, 16-25, 25-21, 15-5.

BOYS TENNIS ROUNDUP

Novi squeezes out quad meet win by a point

Wildcats edge host Pioneer, Country Day

> **Brad Emons** Staff Writer

Only one point separated three teams as Novi emerged the winner Aug. 26 at the Ann Arbor Pioneer Invitational boys tennis tournament. The Wildcats, defending

MHSAA Division 1 state champions, scored 16 points to edge host Pioneer and fivetime defending Division 3 champ Beverly Hills Detroit Country Day with 15 apiece. Troy Athens was fourth with two points.

Novi sophomore Alex Wen went 3-0 at No. 2 singles, while the Wildcats' No. 3 doubles tandem of seniors Sai Gotur and Abhishek Subash also went undefeated with straight set victories.

Novi's No. 1 and No. 3 singles players, senior Koushik Kondapi and junior Aakash Ray, each captured two matches.

Doubles teams going 2-1 for Novi included senior Maxx Anderson and junior Daniel Yu (No. 1), along with sophomores Robert Chen and and Aditya Chitta (No. 2).

Aakash Ray (No. 3) finished with one victory, as did the doubles teams of Tim Tanaka

and Venkatesh Nagalla (No. 4) and Kamal Khan and Rishik

Marneni (No. 5). "It was a good tournament with a lot of close and hard-fought matches," Novi coach Jim Hanson said. "We were missing (freshman) Sid Amarnath (No. 4 singles) due to injury (arm), but we should be back in another week. Country Day was missing its No. 2 and 3 singles.

Mustangs rule quad

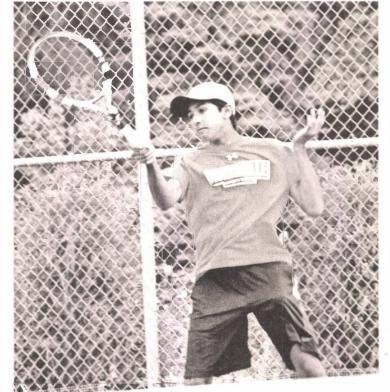
Host Northville captured five of six doubles flights Aug. 26 and scored a team-best 23 points to win a quad meet over Saline (13), Ann Arbor Skyline

(12) and North Farmington (6).
Among the Mustangs' doubles teams earning firsts were Samir Rajani and Giuliano Daniel (No. 2); Hooh Oh and Jonathan Bi (No. 3); Robert Hong and Evan Simoff (No. 4); Jimmy Dales and Charles Gao (No. 5); and Victor Lee and Yannis Bi (No. 6).

Skyline's Jesse Cheng and Kai McKeaney captured the No. 1 doubles flights.

In singles, Northville's Connor Johnston (No. 1) and Stephen Freeman (No. 4) came away with individual titles, while teammates Janak Mukherji (No. 2) and Michael Pui (No. 3) took runner-up

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Northville's Janak Mukherji won two-of three matches at No. 2 singles.

GIRLS GOLF ROUNDUP

Rochester rules Next Tee tourney; Novi finishes sixth

Brad Emons Staff Writer

Rochester came away with the high school girls division title Monday in the Next Tee Scholarship Golf Tour event held at Oakland University's Katke Cousins course.

The Falcons shot a fourplayer total of 316 to lead the 21-school field, with Troy (337), Bloomfield Hills (341), Lake Orion (343), Plymouth (353), Novi (355), Davison (357), Beverly Hills Detroit Country Day (361), Northville (374) and Troy Athens (376)

rounding out the top 10. Rochester Stoney Creek's Lauren Ingle was individual medalist with even-par 72.

Maya Grandstaff was Novi's top finisher in 15th with 84, followed by Alexa Hatz, tied for 24th (87); Lauren Henry, 34th (91); Abigail Livingston, tied for 40th (93); and Leah Kiura, tied for 51st (96).

Jen Kowalczyk was Northville's lead scorer, tied for 20th with 86, followed by Alyse Clevenger, tied for 35th (92); Allison Zwarka, tied for 53rd (97); Paige Rosinski, tied for 58th (99) and Hannah Dygert, tied for 81st (99).

Kensington tourney

Plymouth, posting a fourplayer total of 340, unseated Novi (344) as defending KLAA Kensington Conference pretourney champion Aug. 25 at Northville Hills Golf Club.

South Lyon, led by individual medalist Priscilla Harding's 75, finished third with

Rounding out the 10-team field were Livonia Stevenson (357), Salem (359), Northville (369), South Lyon East (394), Livonia Franklin (415), Canton (422) and Livonia Churchill

For Novi, Hatz and Grandstaff tied for sixth with 83 each, while Livingston tied for ninth with 86, followed by Kiura tied for 17th with 92. Novi's non-scorer was Henry, who tied for 25th with 95.

Kowalczyk led Northville in 13th place with 89, followed by Dygert, tied for 17th (92); Rosinski, tied for 21st (93); Clevenger, tied for 25th (95); and Megan Karian, tied for 38th (104).

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settled in nicely over the final

two quarters. "A lot nerves, but I got over it," he said. "I missed a lot of easy throws, but I got used to it going on."

Day threw a life preserver to CC's anemic first-half offense, which accounted for just 13 total yards.

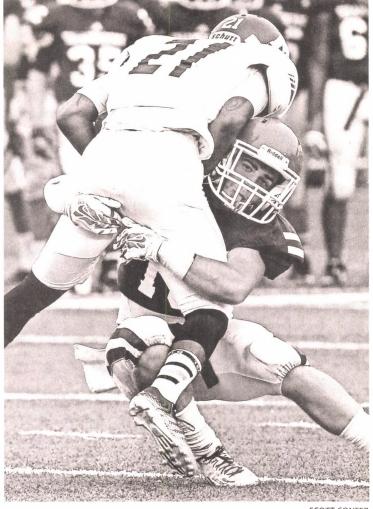
"They had eight guys up front, pushing us around a little bit in the first half," said CC head coach Tom Mach, who is celebrating his 40th season. "We were getting 2 yards a crack, but that wasn't enough to say, 'We can take it to these guys.' This guy (son Michael Mack) decided the plays in the game. He decided the two points and he decided to throw the second half. The credit goes to his thinking and his managing the plays and so forth. I'm just standing there hoping he does a great job."

CC's defense also did the job, although the Big Reds had a decided advantage in total yardage (312-156).

The Shamrocks gave up a first-quarter 6-yard TD run to Jared Pittman, followed by a 75-yard slant pass for another score in the third quarter, when Kalil Pimpleton hit Jacorey Sullivan, for a 12-0 advantage. But the Big Reds failed to convert both pointafter attempts and it came back to haunt them.

And on another critical play in the second quarter, Muskegon completed a long pass down to the CC 1, only to be

called back by a holding call. "That was a game-changer,



Catholic Central's Tyler Larentius (right) makes the tackle on Muskegon's Raiguan Dowdell.

not going down and scoring there," Muskegon coach Shane Fairfield said. "We knew we had to capitalize and we knew our defense would be stout, but we ended up playing too many downs because we went three-and-out too many

times. If we capitalize there, we can start doing different things, then we can start taking more chances.'

The Shamrocks also won the turnover battle, getting three interceptions - one each by Chyle Johnson (first quarter), Matthew Young (second quarter) and Tyler Laurentius (fourth quarter).

Laurentius, a 5-foot-10, 175-pound defensive back, made several big plays and seemed to be all over the field, especially in the second half. He had seven tackles and one

"We knew it was going to come down to defense and everybody has to do their job," Laurentius said. "That's what we put our focus on all week ... do your job, trust in everyone

The Shamrocks were also able to withstand the scrambles by the speedy, 5-7, 155pound Pimpleton, who rushed for a game-best 129 yards on 21 carries to go along with 102 yards passing (8-of-17)

Other CC tackle leaders included Philip Schmitz (five solo, five assists), Tyler Morland (three solo, five assists) and Austin Darkangelo (three solo, four assists).

"That was the goal, but we really worked on what our option responsibilities were all week," Laurentius said of the elusive Muskegon QB. "We focused to that. We didn't get out of our keys. We did all of our own jobs. We took care of each other.'

Not only was it the bendbut-don't-break defense that stood out, but it was also the clutch play of Day, who got the call during training camp to start his first varsity game.

"You really don't know what a sophomore is going to do who hasn't played in a varsity game, especially against the great talent he was going against," Tom Mach said.

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plays. But Northville blocked the PAT to make it 24-9.

Lakeland scored again with 6:12 remaining in the game on a 48-yard TD toss from Alec Ramirez to Liam Bagby to slice Northville's lead to 24-15.

The Mustangs then thwarted the two-point attempt thanks to an interception by

"That was a big play, because his interception kept the score at nine (points)," Ladach said. "It kept it a two-possession game. Had they completed that, it would have been a seven-point game."

Northville then put it away with 4:35 remaining on Zimbo's 11-yard touchdown pass to

Terrell Cunningham.
Wooster rushed for a teamhigh 104 yards, while Hunter Roberts added 69 for the Eagles. Ramirez was 6-of-12 passing for 133 yards. Bagby had three catches for 94 yards.

The loss spoiled the debut of

new Lakeland coach Joe Wood-

"We were up and down," Ladach said. "I felt like we played pretty well minus some big plays and mistakes on of-fense with a couple of fumbles. We gave up a big play on de-fense. But our defense also had an interception return for a touchdown.'

Ryan Nelson was in on 19 tackles, including four solo, to lead Northville's defense. Jack Burke added four solo and 10

Meanwhile, Trenton Gutherie finished with seven solo, including a sack, and three assists. Zach Prystash also was in on 11 tackles (two solo).

"Ryan got to the ball quite a bit," Ladach said. "Obviously, the big play was by Barnes. He also had an interception on a two-point conversion."

At 7 p.m. Friday, Northville will host Walled Lake Central (0-1), a preseason top 25 pick.

"That's going to be a battle," Ladach said. "That's a really good team. They just lost to a really good East English Village (56-20) team."

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Lakeland's Jason Wooster (left) tries to get off the throw in front of Northville's Ian Rachelson.

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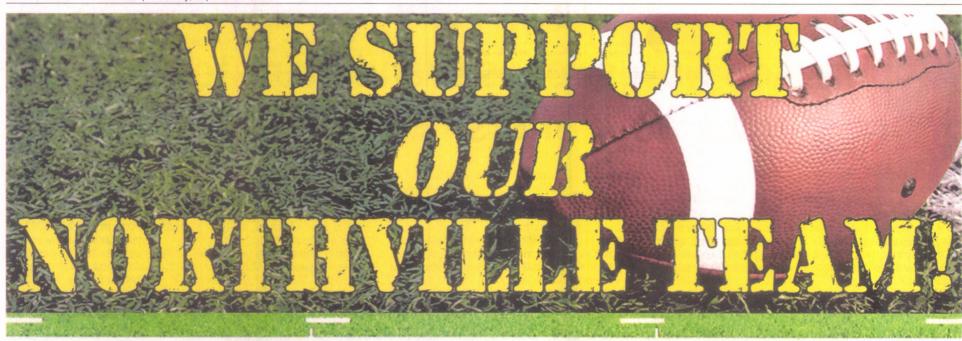
better job of getting off the field on third down. There were a couple of instances where it's third-and-one and they get 2 yards, third-andeight and they get 9. We talk about trying to (gain) 80-percent conversion rate on third down and we were somewhere in the mid-50s, I think.'

Brighton also enjoyed the big edge in time of possession against the Wildcats, 28:10 to

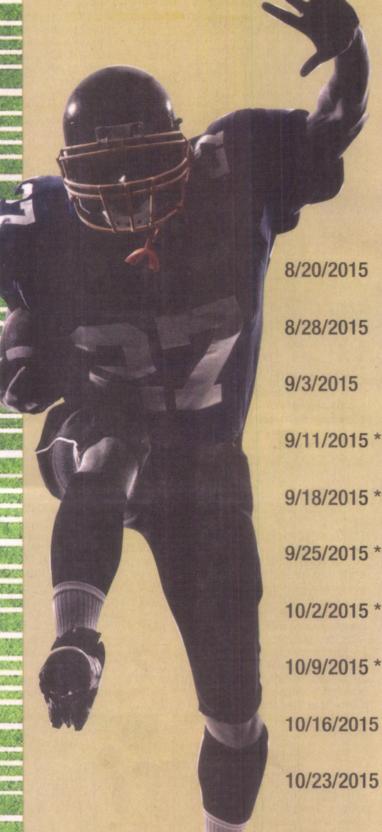
"We were on the field for quite a bit," Burnside said.
"They ran 65, 70 plays, something like that. But we got some takeaways. Johnny Davis had a great interception. Van Kirk forced a great fumble on the Clifford kid. They did all the things we wanted them to do. We asked them for three takeaways and they gave us two. We needed one more. Sometimes that's the difference between shutting a team out and giving up 17 points. Just a couple little things here and there. We hadn't seen a power football team yet and that was good, smash-mouth football to prepare our kids for

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the remainder of the season."



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Women to Work offers help with job search

Julie Brown

Women — and men — who've been out of the paid workforce tending to family responsibilities often need to return to paid work.

If you're in this situation, you're not alone.
Southfield-based JVS has for a number of years offered free of charge the Women to Work program to help such people. Displaced homemakers or those who've been caring for elderly loved ones often need to enter or re-enter the paid

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"It's been well over 20 years," Women to Work coordinator Judy Richmond said of the program, which she's administered about seven years. "It's to provide job search assistance to women who find they need to return to the workforce or sometimes enter the workforce."

The program is intended for women who have not worked recently, or only sporadically, and are highly motivated to return to the workforce as soon as possible. It consists of computer

training in Microsoft Office Suite 2010 and includes sessions on resume writing, interviewing, networking, stress management, job search skills and more.

Richmond noted women often need employment following divorce, separation, a spouse becoming disabled or the need for a second family income.

An information meeting will be held 9-11 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 10, at JVS in Southfield at 29699 Southfield Road, between 12 Mile and 13 Mile. The program be-

gins the following Wednesday, Sept. 16, at the Hermelin ORT Resource Center in West Bloomfield.

Computer skills are needed for nearly all jobs now, Richmond said: "That's precisely why we include computer training in this program." Those who finish Women to Work training get a Microsoft Office Suite 2010 certificate.

"Sometimes people don't have very much self-confidence because they haven't worked in a while," she said. The program includes reminders that family life and volunteer work often develop skills useful in the paid labor force.

"Anything in health care is growing," Richmond said. "Anything in computer skills as well." Women to Work doesn't provide specific job skills such as those required to become a registered nurse.

The focus is on jobs in growth areas. "The more training people have, the better," Richmond said. "The point is to be qualified for the jobs they're applying for."

All sessions take place

from 9 a.m. to noon Monday, Wednesday and Thursday for 12 weeks, ending Dec. 16. Call Richmond at 248-233-4232 for more information and to register for the program, including advance registration for the Sept. 10 information meeting.

The Women to Work group averages 12-14, she said. "We don't turn anybody away, of course." It draws from the entire metro Detroit region, Richmond said.

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Lawrence Tech to host workshop: 'What Drives Customers' Choices'

TiE Detroit, the Detroit chapter of the global nonprofit organization for entrepreneurs, will host the "What Drives Customers' Choices" workshop 5:30-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 10, at Lawrence Technological University in Southfield. The event will take place in the UTLC Gallery, T210, 21000 W. 10 Mile Road, Building 9.

As a follow-up to the organizaton's growth strategy session in July with philanthropist and entrepreneur Raj Vattikuti, TiE Detroit will

welcome Joe Urbany, Ph.D., professor of marketing at the Mendoza College of Business at the University of Notre Dame, and entrepreneur Gary Gigot to the workshop. The co-founders of Vennli Inc. will discuss the core reasons behind consumer choices.

Vennli Inc., of which Gigot is CEO, is a twoyear-old company focused on driving the creation and execution of growth strategies.

Prior to starting Vennli, Gigot spent nearly two decades in advertising and marketing for companies, including Leo Burnett and Microsoft.

There is no cost to attend, but space is limited. Registration, which is mandatory, is available at www.detroit.tie.org and includes a list of questions for attendees regarding their company. Answers will help Urbany and Gigot prepare for audience quesions

For more information, contact Sarah Myrand at 248-254-4043 or sarahm@kyyba.com.

Getting ready



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The Menards at 10400 Assembly Drive, off Wixom Road, began interviewing prospective job seekers Aug. 19. The large do-it-yourself hardware store has not given an official opening date as of yet. Menards will occupy about 16 acres at the site. An already-opened General RV center is located just to the west.

NEWSMAKERS

Cooper Standard appoints Banas to

Novi-based Cooper-Standard Holdings Inc. appointed Jonathan P. Banas to vice president, corporate controller and chief accounting officer, effective Sept. 14. In this position, Banas will oversee all aspects of Cooper



Banas

function, including ensuring regulatory compliance; setting and enforcing accounting

Standard's

accounting

policies; maintaining financial records; and developing world-class financial best practices. Based at Cooper Standard's world headquarters in Novi, Banas will report to Matthew Hardt, executive vice president and chief financial officer.

"With more than 20 years of diverse, global experience in corporate finance and public accounting, Jon has demonstrated he is a proven leader, skilled at building strong teams and putting continuous improvement ideas into practice," Hardt said. "I am confident that Jon will provide the technical and financial leadership necessary to support our global growth."

Before joining Cooper Standard, Banas spent 11 years at ZF TRW (formerly TRW Automotive Holdings Corp.) in Livonia, where he served in roles of increasing responsibility. Most recently, he was director, financial reporting, where he was responsible for

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worldwide financial reporting, including SEC, consolidation and technical accounting processes. He joined the company as senior manager, financial reporting and technical accounting in 2004

Prior, he held corporate accounting positions at Hayes Lemmerz International, Inc. in Northville and KPMG LLP in Detroit, as well as served as president of a financial management and accounting services firm, 664 Consulting Group, PC, in Plymouth.

Banas earned a bachelor of business administration degree in accounting at Wayne State University and a master of business administration degree in finance and accounting from the University of Michigan. He is a certified public accountant and a member of the American Institute of CPAs.

Women in Law

Susan D. Koval, a partner in Detroit-based Nemeth Law, P.C., was named to the 2015 class of Women in the Law by Michigan Lawyers' Week-



Koval

The legal trade publication salutes 30 high-achieving women

attorneys

throughout

the state who are committed to excellence in the practice of law, serve as an inspiring and accomplished leader in the profession and a mentor to other women and contribute significant time and effort to volunteerKoval is a management-side employment litigator with more than 30 years of legal experience. After a clerkship with a federal judge in her home state of West Virginia, she moved to Michigan to practice employment law.

Koval's personal and professional development was greatly influenced by her mother Nedra Koval, who was in an orphanage as a baby, dropped out of high school and married young. She ultimately went back to school and obtained a bachelor's degree and master's degree in fine arts and received a law degree from the West Virginia University College of Law, where she graduated in the class just ahead of her daughter.

"The Women in the Law award means a great deal to me," Koval said. "I was strongly influenced by my mother's tenacity and am deeply committed to woman-to-woman mentoring to facilitate the success and retention of female attorneys, especially in litigation."

Koval participates in the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure activities and contributes considerable support to breast cancer research. She previously served as a volunteer mediator for the EEOC mediation program and has also volunteered her time to high school youth groups. She holds a bachelor of arts degree in political science from West Liberty State College in West Virginia and a juris doctorate from West Virginia University College of Law. Koval is a resident of Northville.

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248-858-0783.

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Thursdays from 9:30 a.m. to noon and 1:30-4:30 p.m.: Entrepreneurs who want to start a business but do not know where to begin can receive confidential, one-on-one advice from an experienced business counselor with no appointment necessary. Counselors will provide direct answers to start-up questions, sug-

gest next steps and provide guidance on business planning tools. Sessions will be limited to 15 minutes and available on a first come, first served basis. No fee.

Capital Raise

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Study: Millennials like walkable living spaces

Julie Brown

Millennials prefer walking over driving by a substantially wider margin than any other generation, according to a recent poll conducted by the National Association of Realtors and the Transportation Research and Education Center at Portland State Univer-

"I think that's what we're finding," agreed Tony Bruscato, director of the Plymouth Downtown Development Authority. "Nowadays, people want to be able to walk to where they live and work. I think that's why Plymouth has become a popular place.'

Bruscato said younger people often like to consider livability and walkability first. "They live in places and then find a job, that's what the studies have shown," the Canton resident said.

Many don't want to own a car, Bruscato noted, and often delay home ownership as well, not having to mow the lawn or tend to other duties.

"I think we're finding many young people aren't necessarily looking to get into home ownership. That doesn't mean they never want to do that," he added.

Agreeing on millennials' preferences is Annette Knowles, executive director of the Farmington Downtown Development Authority and a

Farmington resident. "The survey says that millennials seek out walkable areas that contribute to a higher quality of life. They don't want to commute long hours. Traditional downtowns offer a better pedestrian atmosphere and independent



Knowles

business climate that ranks high with that generation. I think that millennials watched their parents work long hours and travel far to work each day

and that lifestyle does not appeal to them," Knowles, mom to a millennial son, wrote in an email.

She is also assistant to Farmington's city manager.

The 2015 National Community and Transportation Preference Survey found that millennials, those ages 18-34, prefer walking as a mode of transportation by 12 percentage points over driving. Millennials are also shown to prefer living in attached housing, living within walking distance of shops and restau-



Walkable communities include Plymouth with its inviting Kellogg Park in

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the center of downtown.

likely age group to make use of public transportation. The poll also found that millennials show a stronger preference than other generations for expanding public transportation and providing transportation alternatives to driving, such as biking and walking, while also increasing the availability of trains and buses. Millennials likewise favor developing communities

where people do not need to

drive long distances to work

Bruscato said many people like Plymouth's walkable downtown. "A lot of those folks want to live in or near the downtown (Plymouth) area," he said. A new housing development on Plymouth Road across from the Courthouse Grille restaurant will be a big draw, he said.

In downtown Plymouth, some smaller and older homes are being purchased and replaced with larger ones, which has raised some concerns in the community. Bruscato noted Plymouth's strong mix of housing options.

"We've kind of got the best of both worlds," he said. "Downtowns are becoming very popular. There's certainly enough to spread around where everyone can be successful," Bruscato added, when asked about competition from such downtowns as Northville and Farmington.

Knowles agreed of her

community, "Farmington offers the best of both worlds; it has a charming, thriving downtown surrounded by neighborhoods with a variety of housing to fit any budget and it is within a short distance to all the action - Detroit, Ann Arbor and the airport, for example. You can make connections locally and expand your horizons within a

mere 20-minute drive." She added, "Events do add appeal to the community. They bring a level of excitement and energy; something to see and do locally. You can be a tourist in your town!"

Bruscato noted, "There are a lot of great downtowns. They tend to be older and more unique." Events in downtowns draw in many at all times of the day and week, Bruscato added.

"Of course, you can do your shopping and have fun at night," he said.

As a whole, the survey found that Americans prefer walkable communities more so than they have in the past. Forty-eight percent of respondents reported that they would prefer to live in communities containing houses with small yards but within easy walking distance of the community's amenities, as opposed to living in communities with houses that have large yards, but they have to drive to all amenities. And while 60 percent of adults surveyed live in detached, single-family homes, 25 percent of those respondents said they would rather live in an attached home and have greater walkability.

When choosing a new home, respondents indicated that they would like choices when it comes to their community's transportation options. Eighty-five percent of survey participants said that sidewalks are a positive factor when purchasing a home, and 79 percent place importance on being within easy walking distance of places. Women in particular value walkability in their communities, with 61 percent indicating that having sidewalks with stores and restaurants to walk to is very important.

When it comes to respondents' thoughts on transportation priorities for the government, 83 percent indicated that maintaining and repairing roads and bridges should be a high priority, with expanding roads to help alleviate or reduce congestion as the next highest priority, at 60 percent. While consumers' top two concerns are related to driving, over half of survey participants stated that expanding public transit and providing convenient alternatives to driving should also be

high priorities. TREC's research on active transportation and urban housing choices provided a foundation to build upon in working with NAR for this poll. "It's great to work with an organization that reaches so many professionals and has such an effect on people as they decide where to live," said Jennifer Dill, director of TREC. "This poll shows again how strong a role transportation plays in housing deci-

The survey of 3,000 adult Americans living in the 50 largest metropolitan areas was conducted by American Strategies and Meyers Research in May 2015 and analyzed by researchers at Portland State University.

TREC, the Transportation Research and Education Center at Portland State University, produces timely, practical research useful to transportation decision makers and supports the education of future transportation professionals. TREC houses the National Institute for Transportation and Communities, the Initiative for Bicycle and Pedestrian Innovation and the Portal transportation data

The National Association of Realtors website contributed to this report.

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Heed insurance pro's advice on liability issue

Q: I am a board member in our condominium association and currently there is a question before the board regarding an insurance issue. Specifically, our complex includes both attached and detached units. Do all of the units need to be covered by the association's Master Insurance Plan Policy for liability purposes?

A: In most instances, if the project is completely residential, all

of the units will need to be covered regarding the common element areas and for structural replacement by the



Master Plan Insuring Agreement, irrespective of whether the units are designated as "attached" or "detached." The association's bylaws will typically address whether unit co-owners are responsible for insuring the remaining items in the interior of the unit and will set specific parameters for coverage purposes. Some community association insurers also offer to associations so-called "all-In" insuring agreements as a policy option. These policies may provide coverage for property items that are typically over and above what is listed in the association's governing documents. You are best advised to consult a knowledgeable insurance adviser.

Q: Our homeowner association recognizes that there is a new Nonprofit Corporation **Act Amendment that may** adversely affect us, but the board wants to go to the homeowners to decide whether we need to get our association documents changed. What is your feeling on that? I don't think it is a good idea.

A: You are very correct. It is not the decision of the homeowners initially to take the necessary steps to upgrade vour community association documents as that is a board function. My experience is that the homeowners since they are not fiduciaries to the association will, no doubt, resist the expenditure of funds, particularly, since they can operate in their own best interests, whatever those may be. To the contrary, the board has a fiduciary duty to do the right thing and it is the board that should make that decision in terms of retaining experienced and competent counsel to draft what is essentially the constitution of the community devel-

Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and the author of "Condo Living 2: An Authoritative Guide to Buying, Selling and Operating a Condominium." He is also the author of "Condominium Operation: Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track," second edition. Visit bmeisner@meisner-law.com. This rued as

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1413 Bennaville Ave	\$525,000
1990 Birmingham Blvd	\$290,000
850 Forest Ave	\$618,000
928 Poppleton St	\$655,000
2248 W Lincoln St	\$300,000
BLOOMFIELD HILLS	,
1546 Indianwood Ct	\$790,000
5051 Kellen Ln	\$318,000
561 Woodway Ct	\$325,000
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1251 Woodcrest Cir	\$310,000
BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP	
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Ford looks to be bringing back its Ranger small pickup. Fiat Chrysler CEO Sergio

By Dale Buss

different ways.

Marchionne is

reassuring dealers that the company will be around for the long haul. And Buick is using the normally fallow end-of-summer car-marketing season to dimensionalize its brand with a campaign that positions GM's near-luxury brand as a sort of Aquarian curator.

"From the refined and sculptural design of our vehicles, to the environment of our showrooms, to our award-winning customer service, happiness and a sense of well-being are inherent in everything we do," said Buick US vice president Duncan Aldred in the 24 Hours of Happiness Test Drive campaign press release.

In a series of online videos, podcasts, digital images and other touch points, Buick is combining its renewal of a one-day-long test drive with a very new identity as a purveyor of "happiness" and relaxation — and even aromatherapy.

A YouTube video series supports the campaign, bringing together what the brand called "some of America's leading experts on happiness and well-being."

It includes a video of Israeli supermodel and yogi Bar Refaeli conducting poses outside a Buick Encore

and relaxation exercises within; Dr. Dot, a Hollywood masseuse, demonstrating some self-relaxation techniques to help drivers battle stress; and advice from "happiness researcher" Shawn Anchor.

Additionally, Amanda Chantal Bacon, wellness guru and Mon Juice founder, takes a ride in a Buick Enclave with jewelry designer Irene Neuwirth — but only after they mix an original scent for Buick out of essential oils and designed a unique diffuser for it to bring some olfactory branding to the multisensory experience.

With the #Buick Happiness campaign emphasizing the zen of driving, Buick is making its boldest bid yet for a demographic that once was basically off-limits to the brand, millennials.

Marchionne Meanwhile. apparently told Fiat Chrysler dealers recently: "Never mind." All of the Chicken Little-ism that he demonstrated a few weeks ago controversially conducting an open campaign to find a merger partner - should be relegated to yesterday like the K-Car, he indicated.

The CEO reportedly told his company's 7,000 dealers at a meeting in Las Vegas that Fiat Chrysler actually could stand on its own just fine. He said he "isn't under pressure to merge with another car company, and ... the company can finance a competent product portfolio on its own," the Wall Street Journal reported.

Specifically, Automotive News

reported, Marchionne insisted that his high-profile lobbying to sell a Fiat Chrysler merger to GM was "not a slash-and-burn strategy" and that any potential merger, anyway, "will not have an impact on dealers."

To underscore his point about the viability of Fiat Chrysler, at the dealer meeting Marcionne showed off a number of redesigned or entirely new models, including three Jeeps and a plug-in hybrid minivan. He also reportedly updated the company's ambitious newproduct plan for the next few

vears. As for Ford, the company appears about to deliver a quadruple win for the U.S. auto market. By bringing production of a new Ford Ranger small pickup truck back to the United States, the company would reinsert itself into a hot segment, give American consumers another choice in that category, please leadership of the United Auto Workers with whom the company is negotiating a new labor contract, and put another feather in the cap of domestic manufacturing.

All of those possibilities are comprised in reports by Detroit newspapers that Ford is considering re-entering the segment by committing to build the Ranger later this decade at the Michigan Assembly Plant near Detroit. Ford stopped

making Ranger in the U.S. in 2011 as it doubled down on the importance of it full-size F Series line of pickups, which are America's best-selling vehicle nameplate.

Ford executives have insisted that the company didn't need to bring back Ranger because there remained limited demand in the segment and because its new F-150 — with the aluminium body — would provide competitive fuel economy for truck buyers.

In the meantime, however, gasoline prices have swooned, and mid-size pickups have enjoyed rejuvenation in the U.S. market along with the robust automotive recovery.

But only Ford's rivals have benefited. General Motors

smartly brought back its Chevrolet Colorado and GMC Canyon nameplates last year after a hiatus of a few years out of the segment and put them on

an all-new line of small trucks. Ford recently announced that it is moving production of its Focus and C-Max small cars out of the sprawling facility in Dearborn, likely to Mexico something that hasn't sat well with UAW negotiators who are working toward a September 14 deadline with their counterparts at Ford. The company previously said only that it will build future, unidentified products at the plant, which currently employs about 4,500



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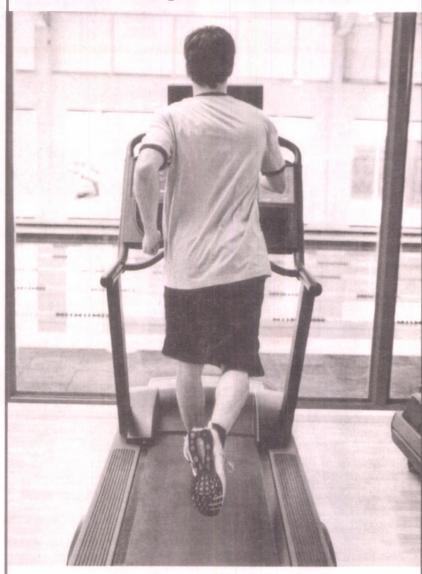
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he American dream is built upon the belief that if you work hard and do your job well, the rewards will come. Unfortunately, not every workplace is a perfect meritocracy, and some workers may feel taken for granted. So if steady results aren't cutting it, what can you do to get the attention you deserve?

Here are five tips to help you get noticed at work.

1. Be vocal

Simply put, the best thing you can do to get noticed is to take action. The company is filled with people who are successfully doing their jobs day in, day out. When you're working on something that deserves attention, make sure your boss knows it.

"You must continue to 'sell yourself' after you are hired. Keep your boss informed of things you are working on, including projects others ask you (to) assist with, requests from other executives, etc.," says Bonnie Scherry, director of corporate HR at G&A Partners, an HR and risk management professional employer organization. "Assume your boss doesn't know what you are working on - remember, they are busy and can't possibly keep up with every single direct



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report that they have. You must make yourself stand out among the crowd."

2. Balance ambition with humility

At the same time, make sure not to push it too far. Take pride in your work and know your value, but don't forget to be a team player.

"Employers love ambition, but be sure yours doesn't make you look cocky," says Tim Elmore, president of Growing Leaders, a nonprofit organization focused on youth leadership development. "Many call this balance 'humbitious' — humble, yet ambitious. Your boss may value your new ideas and insight, but help the company with their current ideas first, before proposing new methods or ideas. Business leaders want to see a sermon, not hear one. Let them know you've got ideas, but you're hungry to help with theirs as well."

3. Mirror the boss' language

Properly communicating your ideas is essential to getting noticed by the boss, and the way you choose to phrase a thought can demonstrate that you're on the same wavelength.

"One psychologically savvy technique to get noticed is to mirror your boss' language. Simply notice the metaphors they use," says leadership and career coach Shawna Burkhart. "They might say things like, 'going to battle,' 'planting our feet,' or 'getting in the boat.' These can clue you into how they are thinking about a situation. By using similar metaphors to respond, they will notice you understand their point of view and you can quickly build a better relationship."

4. Show a consistent work

"Demonstrate the same level of work ethic on the tasks you're less than excited about as those you're passionate about," Elmore says. "Sometimes, your work on the project that isn't glitzy says more about your work ethic than anything else. Can you show some passion for the smaller, mundane task you'll do as you stand on the bottom rung of the career ladder? If so, you're more likely to move up quicker, moving on to the tasks you're more passionate about."

5. Be proactive

Odds are, you're not just looking for attention — getting noticed is really a means to an end. Be sure you know what your true goal is, and find a way to communicate that ambition to your boss.

"Your boss can't keep an eye out for special projects and opportunities for you if he/she doesn't know what you want," says Elene Cafasso, founder and president of executive coaching company Enerpace, Inc. "Help your boss to look good and achieve her top goals, and your boss will be more likely to include and support you in other key initiatives. Responsibility, proactivity and communication lead to getting noticed, managing up and career success."

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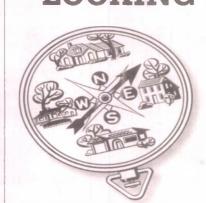
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