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Author to discuss book

Author Kristin Meekhof will discuss *A Widow's Guide to Healing: Gentle Support and Advice for the First 5 Years* at 7 p.m. Thursday at Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 17111 Haggerty Road in Northville.

The book offers a blueprint for grieving widows to face the often, overwhelming challenges of their new reality.



The Rev. Jamie Kjos, Brightmoor church pastor, welcomes parishioner Dr. Roberta Wright as they celebrate the church's efforts to gather coats for Detroit's Neighborhood Service Organization. They're hoping to donate more than 1,000 coats this winter.

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Celebrating MLK Day

Holiday should be a day on, not a day off, for race relations

Susan Bromley
Staff Writer

"Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter." — Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Sheilah Clay is unsure how far we have come as a country in terms of race relations since the 1950s and '60s, when Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. led the civil rights movement.

She thinks of the many famous quotes by King and believes they are still appropriate nearly 48 years after his assassination as she ponders the "black lives matter" movement, law enforce-

ment incidents involving the black community and the racial intolerance she has observed in the presidential campaign.

"Dr. King was ahead of his time or we have a lot of work to do," said Clay, president and CEO of Neighborhood Service Organization. "I think there has been progress in terms of where people can work, being able to live in areas where they weren't able to live before and advances in education. ... In other ways, institutional racism drives disparities in the way people are treated and their access to services, as well as our economy. We still have racism that is

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Christian School Jazz Band and Novi High School Choir and is expected to draw more than 600 people.

Day of service

Founded by the Rev. Jamie Kjos, Brightmoor's pastor, along with Larry Smith and Dr. Roberta Wright, the event is what the church promotes as the largest MLK Day prayer breakfast in Novi.

Wright is a Brightmoor church member in her 90s and the widow of Dr. Charles H. Wright, after whom the Museum

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Taking a smarter approach to learning

School district eyes move toward standards-based approach in grades 7-12

Susan Bromley
Staff Writer

Education is always changing. Old practices are discarded as more effective ones are found.

The idea of teaching students a concept, testing on it and moving on is one that needs to be put away, said Charles LaClear, Novi High School assistant principal.

"That was long ago," he said during last week's Board of Education meeting as he advocated for a standards-based learning and grading approach. "Standards-based includes improvement of student achievement and mastery of defined learning outcomes. Grades are supposed to reflect overall knowledge."

LaClear said he has been working for the past 5½ years at the secondary level to apply different fixes and make grading more accurate. At the elementary level, standards-based

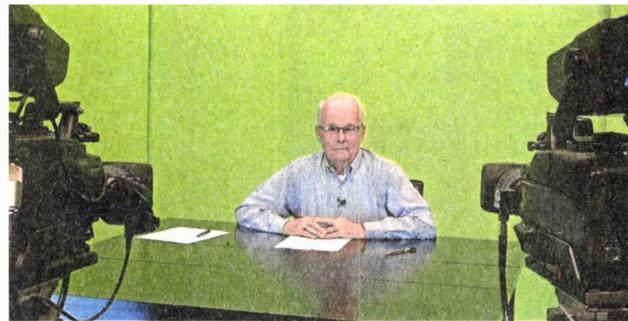
learning and grading is more intuitive.

Students learn at different rates and their understanding of content may not be reflected in a grade that also scores on whether an assignment was turned in. So, he continued, standards-based grading is a better approach than traditional grading, in which behavior, homework and practice may all be factored into an overall score. Thus, if a student gets poor grades on assignments leading up to an exam, then aces the test, showing clear understanding of a subject, he or she may still be penalized for lack of understanding leading up to the final test.

"Standards-based learning honors a student where they are at," LaClear said. "We have to continue to practice and increase strengths until they get there."

He emphasized that there is no one way to practice standards-based learning, but it is a basic philosophy in which averaging everything a student does — including participation

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RICK COULTER

John Fountain, who worked and volunteered as a sports broadcaster for almost 50 years, now records two sports shows each week that air on Fox Run's in-house TV channel.

Former EMU voice finds new audience at Fox Run

Meghan Streit
Correspondent

John Fountain, the former broadcast voice of Eastern Michigan University football and basketball, today has new audiences at Fox Run in Novi, where he now records two sports shows each week that air on the retirement community's in-house TV channel.

Fountain has always loved sports reporting and play-by-play broadcasting. Throughout his life, he has found opportuni-

ties — both paid and unpaid — to do what he loves most.

When Fountain was in the U.S. Navy and stationed in Libya, he volunteered on top of his regular duties as an electric technician to keep his fellow service members up to date on sports back home. He discovered a radio station at a nearby military base, so he started a regular sports show that was broadcast from the facility.

"One of the coolest things I

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in class or failing to turn in a homework assignment — isn't the best way to measure achievement. While behavior such as punctuality, willingness to collaborate and mindfulness are important, LaClear said there are other ways to record responsibility.

He wants to move to formative assessments of students, which is like the educational equivalent of a yearly physical exam in which different components of health are measured. Currently, many teachers use a summation assessment, which he compares to an autopsy.

"We can do something with a formative assessment — we can learn from it," LaClear said. "(Kindergarten) through (sixth grade) is doing a great job with detailed

report cards. At the high school or secondary level, you get one letter composite grade and it doesn't really tell you where you're at as a reader or what you need to work on and that is something we need to work on."

Moving to standards-based learning and grading does not conflict with any state mandates and LaClear said it also is not something that will add to teachers' existing workloads. Indeed, the biggest hurdle at this point, he said, is overcoming belief that standards-based grading is something that must be added on to traditional grading. Instead, it should be considered a replacement and one the district is working toward.

LaClear has presented standards-based learning and grading to several parent groups and said the response has been enthusiastic. The ap-

proach appeared to be well-received at the school board meeting, as well, and he plans to have further conversations with Superintendent Steve Matthews, currently on medical leave, as well as Assistant Superintendent of Academic Services R.J. Webber, who was at the Jan. 7 meeting and supports full implementation of the change.

"The clearer we can make expectations for our kids, more successful they will be in attaining them," Webber said. "When you make expectations clear, it is easier to hit the target. The important thing to us is we are providing kids with every opportunity. They will earn grades based on the composite of standard acquisitions. If you didn't turn in an assignment, it doesn't tell you about the standard, it tells you that you didn't turn in an assignment."

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did was a play-by-play of the 1955 World Series," Fountain said. "It was on a 10-second delay and I was being fed information from Yankee Stadium."

When Fountain returned to the U.S., he worked his way through college with sports broadcasting gigs. After he graduated, he took a job broadcasting University of Michigan basketball and got to travel with the team. He said that job was rewarding but, like so many of the coolest jobs, it wasn't lucrative enough to support his growing family. So Fountain took a job as an administrator at Eastern Michigan University.

He never gave up on sports broadcasting. He continued to broadcast Eastern Michigan football and basketball on a National Public Radio station based in Ypsilanti.

Now retired, Fountain and his wife Marge live at Fox Run, where he has discovered a new way to explore the field of sports broadcasting.

He records two sports-related shows each week that air on the community's in-house television station. He does one scripted show that takes a look at the week ahead in sports, while his other show is an unscripted talk show that he films with two staff members. Both shows are recorded in Fox Run's state-of-the-art studio.

"It's a wonderful facility," Fountain said of the studio. "It's one of the benefits of living here — to be able to do something you love."

The Fountains were living in a condo in Ann Arbor before they moved to Fox Run five years ago.

"Once I really retired, I found as the years went by, I was spending more time at home, getting up in the morning, going to the gym to work out, occasionally going out to lunch or dinner, but I had

the feeling that my mind wasn't being challenged," he said.

Recording sports shows in the on-site TV studio is just one of Fountain's many activities. Together, he and Marge belong to the political awareness committee and the genealogy club and they take classes through the community's Center for Continuous Learning. Fountain is also a member of Fox Run's Hot Stove League, a group of baseball fanatics who get together every week to discuss the Detroit Tigers and other teams.

The Fountains have four daughters, 10 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren, who all live in Michigan. Fountain says the farthest family member lives just 45 minutes from Fox Run, so there is not a week that goes by that he and Marge don't see their kids or grandkids. Recently, the entire clan took a trip to New York City, where they visited the Brooklyn Bridge and Yankee Stadium.



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of African American History in Detroit is named. It was after a tour of the museum with Roberta Wright that Kjos said an event was needed on MLK Day to bring racial unity. The prayer breakfast is followed by active service in the community. This year, there will be a medical outreach tent at the museum in the afternoon, serving low-income Detroit residents. Physicians and dentists from Henry Ford Health Services will offer free medical and dental care; volunteers are needed.

"We go off the theme that MLK Day was never meant to be a day off, but a day of, service," Kjos said. "People think they don't have to go to work, they can lay around the

house, but Dr. King wanted us to be involved in service."

Besides the medical outreach, Brightmoor has also been working with Neighborhood Service Organization in a coat drive, with a goal to gather more than 1,000 coats, hats and gloves to distribute to those in need.

Kjos notes the racial makeup of his church is 50-percent white, 40-percent black and the remaining 10 percent Romanian and Hungarian immigrants.

"We have a lot of unity and, on MLK Day, they will go out and serve and lock arms together," Kjos said. "Some people work 60 hours a week and are tired, but it has become a holiday we have taken off instead of serving each other. MLK served his brothers and sisters very well and we can take from that and do the

same today."

Racial disparities take years to overcome, as demonstrated by the struggles still faced decades after King fought for equality, but Clay said she hopes that those weary of the battle do not give up.

"Some people become complacent and believe that is the way things are," she said. "We have to break generational poverty. That is an attitude and cultural issue. There is an opportunity gap that manifests itself as an achievement gap, too. The playing field is not level."

But there is hope in breaking cycles, she adds, and that hope lies in those who can provide opportunity and are willing to give of their time.

"You can mentor, you can tutor, maybe if you have money, you can donate for technology," Clay said. "You can im-

pact the life of a child who may not have resources. You have to break the cycle of poverty and the main way is to educate children. ... You have to get involved in changing the trajectory of what is happening in our country. If you really want to have an impact, get involved with a non-profit organization and help."

Tickets for the prayer breakfast are \$10, with all proceeds donated back to the Charles H. Wright Museum of African American History. For more information on how you can serve on MLK Day, call Brightmoor Church at 248-668-7000. To volunteer or learn more about Neighborhood Service Organization, go to www.nso-mi.org.

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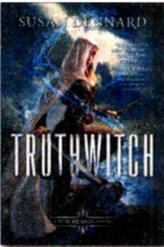
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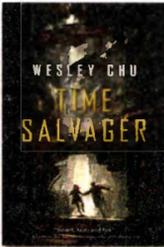
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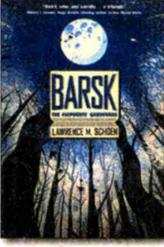
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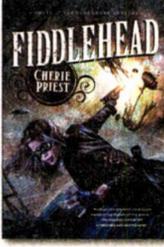
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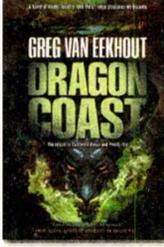
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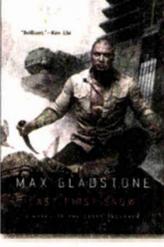
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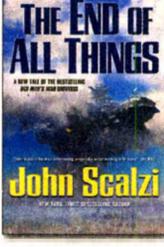
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Drunken woman arrested while paying court fines

Susan Bromley
Staff writer

A woman who came to the 52-1 District Court at about 2:18 p.m. Dec. 22 to pay court fines found herself in more trouble when it was determined she was intoxicated.

Court administrators said they could smell alcohol on the woman and contacted police. A preliminary breathalyzer test showed the woman had a blood-alcohol content of 0.131 percent. A BAC of 0.08 percent is considered legally drunk.

She said she had been drinking vodka the night before at a holiday party and had stopped drinking about 10 p.m. She woke up that morning, ran some errands, drove to her mother's home in Milford, then drove to the court to pay fines.

She said she had not consumed any alcohol since arriving at the court. She said she felt hung over, but not like she was drunk. She was arrested for operating while intoxicated.

Woman arrested in theft

An Albanian woman in the country without legal permission allegedly continued breaking the law when she was found stealing more than \$200 in various items Dec. 22 from TJ Maxx.

The store's loss prevention officer observed the apparent thefts and called police, who arrested the woman for retail fraud. At the Novi Police Department, the suspect was unable to provide a valid form of identification and said she was an immigrant from Albania, but did not have permission to be living here.

The officer made several attempts to contact the Albanian Consulate, with no luck. He contacted Immigration and Customs Enforcement and spoke with an agent who indicated the woman has an immigration hearing scheduled for June. The agent requested further information, but said he would not be placing a detainer on the woman at this time.

Racing engine stolen

A racing car engine was reported stolen from Novi Muffler Co. three days before Christmas. The business owner told police the disappearance of the eight-cylinder, big block, 1,300-horsepower, 632-inch, aluminum Chevy engine, valued at \$40,000, occurred some time between 7:30 p.m. Dec. 21 and 6:50 a.m. Dec. 22.

An engine stand valued at \$200 was also stolen. A glass window was broken on an overhead door to apparently gain access. The engine is not covered under insurance.

Christmas plans shot

A Novi police officer responded to Macy's, 27550 Novi Road, at about 8:35 p.m. Dec. 23 after a loss prevention employee discovered a man allegedly trying to steal multiple pairs of jeans and other clothing items totaling \$1,159.42 in value.

The man said he was stealing he merchandise to sell in Detroit and with the profits he had intended to buy his son an Xbox 1 for Christmas. Instead, he was arrested for retail fraud.

Can't say no

A woman was arrested on a retail fraud third-degree charge after she was found allegedly stealing lip gloss at Kohl's by loss prevention employees. The woman got into line with relatives and her grandmother purchased items she had selected.

When she exited the store, she was stopped and gave employees two lip glosses from her purse. She said she knew her daughter wanted them and she felt bad telling her no, a police report stated.

2, 3, 4 drinks, tops

A Novi police officer was parked at the Pavilion Court Apartments at about 12:25 a.m. Dec. 24 when he was approached by a resident who said he had been following a white Dodge Durango on Haggerty Road that was driving erratically and hitting curbs. He last saw the vehicle pulling into the Taco Bell on Haggerty.

The officer found a vehicle matching the description at that location and began following it when it left, observing it change lanes without using a turn signal. He made a stop on the vehicle and, when he began speaking to the driver, asked the man why his seat belt and pants were fully undone. The reportedly driver responded it was because he was on his way home from the bar.

The man smelled strongly of intoxicants, the report stated, but said he was completely OK to drive; he'd only had "two, three, four drinks, tops." A preliminary breathalyzer test showed he had a blood-alcohol content of 0.13 percent. He later admitted to consuming two Moscow Mules and two Labatt Lights over a two-to-three-hour period. He was arrested for operating while intoxicated.

'One' white Russian

A Novi police officer responded to a traffic crash at Novi Road, south of West Oaks, at 4:35 p.m. Dec. 24 that occurred when the driver of a Chrysler 300 rear-ended a Hyundai Electra. There

were no reported injuries.

As the officer was speaking to the driver of the Chrysler, he noted in a report that he could smell intoxicants. The man initially denied drinking, but then said he had "one white Russian." He failed field sobriety tests and initially refused to take a preliminary breathalyzer test. He was arrested for operating while intoxicated and taken to the Novi Police Department, where he consented to a PBT, which showed he had a blood-alcohol content of 0.29 percent.

Grinch

Police responded Dec. 27 to Thatcher Court after a woman reported someone had cut the Christmas lights on the exterior of her home. This is the second time her Christmas lights have been damaged, the woman told police.

Close shave

Police responded to the CVS store on 10 Mile Road at about 1:39 p.m. Dec. 28 after the manager reported a woman walked in, went to the rear of the store where the razors are displayed and stole six packages of Gillette razors, valued at \$35 apiece. She set off alarms leaving the store, a report said.

The entire incident apparently was caught on video, but there was no plate on the suspect's vehicle, which appeared to be a dark color Chevy Suburban. The model name plate on the vehicle had also been removed.

Breaking and entering

Police reported to a home on Ardmore Court at about 9:40 p.m. Dec. 28 for a report of breaking and entering. The homeowner and her family left the residence at about 1:30 p.m. and returned to find the front door had been damaged and was opened.

She and her husband took their children to a neighbor's residence and returned to check the inside of the house, discovering that \$1,000 was taken from a wallet in the top drawer of a night stand, as well as a wallet that contained \$120 in a dresser drawer and \$20 from a wallet that was on a bed. Multiple dresser drawers were opened in the main floor bedroom, but no other rooms appeared to have been gone through.

Pry marks were on the door and prints were tracked in the snow to a parking lot, where tire tracks were also found. The complainants have no idea who could have broken into their home and said no one knew of the money.

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Novi schools empower students through social justice

The function of education, therefore, is to teach one to think intensively and to think critically. ... Intelligence plus character – that is the goal of true education. The complete education gives one not only power of concentration, but worthy objectives upon which to concentrate.” Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., in a college newspaper *The Maroon Tiger*, wrote those words.

Here in the Novi Community School District, we try to embody the meaning of Dr. King’s words. As the superintendent of our school district, I understand that parents send their children to our schools so that we can teach them. Parents, rightly so, want their daughters and sons to learn how to read, write and do math. Parents want us to help their children learn history and science and the arts. Parents want our teachers and our



Steve Matthews
 SUPER TALK

schools to ensure that students will have the knowledge that they need to be successful.

And we take that responsibility seriously. Teachers in our district have worked together to ensure that our students are presented a rigorous and challenging curriculum. Our teachers have worked together, totaling almost 20,000 hours of effort, to ensure that across buildings and between classrooms, our students have access to and are taught the same standards and the same content.

We assess our students to ensure that they are learning what we teaching. The state’s M-STEP assessment results

show that our students achieve at some of the highest levels in the state. Our teachers also work together to create benchmarked classroom assessments that give us insight in what our students are learning.

But learning facts, figures and formulas is not enough. Our students need to learn why knowing information is important.

That is why in our district we have a Social Justice pillar. This pillar ensures that we also focus on the “worthy objectives” of education. We want to ensure that every student, staff member, parent and community member understands that “knowing stuff” is not the goal of education. The goal of education is to ensure that our students will be able to make meaningful and purposeful contributions to society.

In grades K-6, we have implemented the Leader in Me

program to ensure that our students receive a solid grounding in how to work together, how to advocate for themselves and others and how to manage themselves and their team.

In grades 7-8, our students are learning the principles of Restorative Practice. This process helps students learn how to build positive relationships and how to create community to prevent conflict and wrongdoing.

In grades 9-12, we are providing students with opportunities to learn skills in leadership and cooperation through our freshman orientation and support program Link Crew, our collaborative project with Haven, our collaborative project with Play Works and multiple opportunities in clubs and sports.

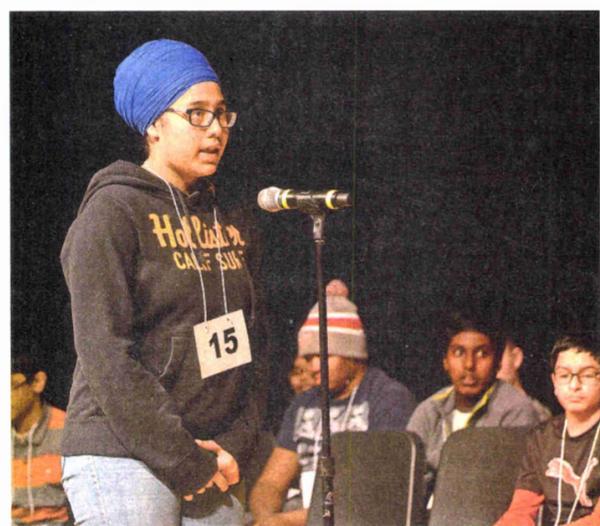
Evidence of how our high school students develop skills

beyond the classroom will be evident at 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 18, in the Novi High School Auditorium, when our SPUD club, Students Promoting Unity and Diversity, sponsors our Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration. All are invited to attend this community event.

Education, as Dr. King rightly noted, is about more than knowing. Education combines knowledge with the insight and desire to make a positive difference in the world. Here in the Novi Community School District, we are committed to giving our students “not only power of concentration, but worthy objectives upon which to concentrate.”

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Can you use that in a sentence?



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Novi Middle School student Vismaad Nagra spells the word “nationalism” during the school’s Jan. 7 spelling bee. The event was organized by Assistant Principal Andrew Comb and had about 30 participants.

Novi schools receive Japan Business Society of Detroit donation

The Consulate General of Japan in Detroit announced the Japan Business Society of Detroit Foundation has donated \$77,000 to support 47 charitable causes, community initiatives, educational programs and student exchange programs throughout the state of Michigan.

The donations were presented Dec. 4 at an award ceremony in Novi.

Among the recipients were: Detroit Historical Society, Alternatives for Girls, Ennis Center for Children, Ikebana International, Detroit Symphony Orchestra, Mosaic Youth Theatre of Detroit, University of Michigan, Novi Community School District, Eastern Michigan University Foundation, Japan Center for Michigan Universities, Downtown Boxing Gym Youth Program, Ann Arbor Public Schools and the city of Detroit/Toyota Sister-City Exchange Program.

“The Japan Business Society Foundation is a great sup-



The Japan Business Society Foundation recently announced a donation to the Novi Community School District.

porter of programs that promote goodwill and innovation in the community and in our public schools and universities. The foundation has contributed about \$1.7 million worth in grants to non-governmental organizations and academic facilities for over 23 years and has sent 159 U.S. high school and university students to Japan to study over 17 years,” said Mitsuhiro Wada, consul

general of Japan in Detroit. “We are proud to support an organization like the JBSD Foundation for all its contributions throughout the Detroit metro area.”

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Oakland FlexTech Academy opens maker space

Oakland FlexTech Academy announced the launch of its state-of-the-art maker space. Community members of all ages are invited to tour the space, experiment with the new tools and technology, participate in hands-on activities and enjoy light refreshments 4-6 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 14.

Oakland FlexTech Academy aims to instill in its students a love of learning by making school a place to explore real problems in an environment that emphasizes creativity and craftsmanship. In line with its belief that students learn best by doing, the academy is launching a state-of-the-art maker space.

Maker spaces are community studio spaces where people gather



Oakland FlexTech Academy 11th-grader Shannon Queen and 10th-grader Gabby Wilber display a handcrafted wood design they made using the laser engraver.

together to build, share resources, experiment with new tools and technologies, tinker and create.

Students at the academy will tackle challenging tasks, work together

in teams and prototype new ideas using cutting-edge technology like laser engravers, 3D printers, vinyl cutters and design software.

"The addition of the maker space has activat-

ed in our students a sense of agency and ownership over their school work and projects," Sarah Pazur, the school's principal, said in a press release. "They are inspired by the tech-

nology to create things to make our school a better place, all while learning important 21st century skills like creativity and collaborative problem solving."

Oakland FlexTech students have developed physical prototypes of their ideal high school, used CAD to create a custom aquarium stand, engraved original pieces of artwork to accompany a piece of short fiction and 3D printed a model organism for a biology project.

"As a project-based learning school, we are always looking for new and innovative ways for our students to add variety to our projects. The creation of the maker space has given us the opportunity to explore more projects that in-

volve skills used in designing, building and engineering," said Chris Quiambo, Oakland FlexTech's science teacher.

Officials at the academy said these unique learning experiences help students synthesize content across disciplines into visible artifacts that demonstrate what they've learned. Through these projects, students have refined their research and critical thinking skills and learned how to present their ideas to public audiences.

Oakland FlexTech Academy is a tuition-free public charter school. Learn more online at www.oaklandflextech.org. The school is at 24245 Karim Boulevard in Novi.

Walled Lake school district names Teachers of the Year

The Walled Lake Consolidated School District announced the Teachers of the Year for 2015-16.

The elementary Teacher of the Year is Lisa Ellis from Loon Lake Elementary. The middle school Teacher of the Year is Amy Rzeppa from Geisler Middle School. The high school Teacher of the Year is Kristen Woodard from Walled Lake Northern High School.

"Walled Lake Schools' professional educators care about the children they serve as if they were their own. Their first priority is developing strong relationships that promote learning with each child," Superintendent Kenneth Gutman said in a release. "They differentiate instruction, maximize the use of technology to engage students in learning, and communicate

with parents so full collaboration is taking place. Our 2015-16 Teachers of the Year know and care about their students and deliver instruction to help every child, every day."

In their nomination essays:

Ellis said: "I love the process of helping children learn the skills they need to make positive change. It is especially exciting when my youngest students are finally able to name a feeling and use a coping skill to resolve a problem. Students teach us what they need and how they best learn it. I am so inspired by their courage and perseverance. It is a great joy to see them begin to react differently, to problem solve in a new way, and to build friendships."

Rzeppa said: "I teach because of students past

and present. Because of the shy, sweet, seven-year-old, who would partner with the student no one else would and who now is a speech pathologist. Because of a former second-grader who had to work harder than the others to learn her math facts and who was recently admitted into the business school at MSU. Because of a selective mute, a visually impaired student, and an autistic eighth-grader who each faced their own challenges and encourage me to work harder every day."

Woodard said: "I enjoy learning. I hope to be a positive influence for my students by sharing my passion for learning, love of technology, work ethic, and I want to provide them with real-world opportunities. In web design, I have assisted advanced web students



Walled Lake Consolidated Schools announced its district Teachers of the Year. Pictured are (from left) Kenneth Gutman, superintendent; Lisa Ellis, Loon Lake Elementary School; Amy Rzeppa, Geisler Middle School; Kristen Woodard, Walled Lake Northern High School; and Marc Siegler, Board of Education president.

in learning technologies that help them run a business or be successful at an internship. I also sponsor the GET IT GIRL Club to encourage young girls to explore information technology

and I teach financial literacy, an essential life-skill topic that all students need."

The 2015-16 Teacher of the Year recipients are: Lori Sparks, Commerce Elementary; Ma-

rie Loveland, Dublin Elementary; Carla Colwell, Glengary Elementary; Kathy Murray, Guest Elementary; Jane Eyre, Hickory Woods Elementary; Nashella Zarek, Keith Elementary; Lisa Ellis, Loon Lake Elementary; Lori Wetzel, Meadowbrook Elementary; Kathy Yutzy, Oakley Park Elementary; Molly Mensch, Pleasant Lake Elementary; Ben Malonis, Walled Lake Elementary; Sharrie Chapman, Wixom Elementary; Jennifer Barrett, Sarah Banks Middle School; Carol Ernst, Walnut Creek Middle School; Amy Rzeppa, Geisler Middle School; Kim Quinn-Haver, Clifford Smart Middle School; Jenn Caulford, Central High School; Kristen Woodard, Northern High School; and Patrick Dudzinski, Western High School.

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Walled Lake district gives to families, community

Students and staff from throughout the Walled Lake Consolidated School District are supporting hundreds of families, schools and community groups with a variety of outreach efforts. Giving is in high gear in all of the WLCSD buildings as it strives to ensure all of our students and families have a warm holiday season.



Wixom Elementary students helped a Toy and Gift Drive for Hospitality House in Walled Lake collecting more than 250 items. Pictured (from left) are Adrianna Inch, Kendra Henriksen, Mallory Czarnik, Jillian Bancroft, Elizabeth Whiting and Kristianna Mikha.

Commerce Elementary: Organized a food drive for the Hospitality House; food and supplies drive for local animal shelters; and the Commerce Cares Giving Tree project assisted more than 50 families with gifts, gift cards and requested items.

Dublin Elementary: Collected some 270 pairs of pajamas for the Open Door Outreach Center; hundreds of books for the Caleb White Project; and provided holiday gifts for 17 families from various organizations.

Glengary Elementary: Donated 442 pounds of food to Hospitality House; conducted a winter clothing drive for Hospitality House during December; several grade levels have adopted a family for the holidays; purchased supplies for snack packs, including hand-warmers, for Cass Community Services; and Destination Imagination teams visited local nursing homes to sing.

Guest Elementary:

Collected 1,420 pounds of food with Boy and Girl Scout projects; purchased holiday gifts for more than 50 families in the community; and provided holiday meals with a gift card drive.

Hickory Woods Elementary: Collected \$311 from their Hats Helping Others program which benefits the Detroit Rescue Mission's Thanksgiving Dinner program. They also organized the Wacky Hair Day and Pajama Day to benefit the Holiday Care Fund to support families in need with gift cards.

Keith Elementary: Packaged more than 12,000 meals for Kids Against Hunger and collected an additional \$500 with the Keith Student Council Hat Day also for Kids Against Hunger.

Loon Lake Elementary: Collected hundreds of socks, mittens, hats and undershirts for St. Vincent DePaul with a

Warming the Mitten Sock Drive.

Meadowbrook Elementary: Delivered all of the canned food items to the Hospitality House and received a donation recognition slip for 1,112 pounds of food to be distributed locally amongst the families in our area. MBE third-graders made and donated blankets to donate to Fleece and Thank You, the organization that works with Children's Hospital to provide blankets for children.

Oakley Park Elementary: Participated in Adopt-a Family with the WLCSD Head Start Program. The OPE staff and families provided basics such as clothing, coats, pots and pans, as well as toys, books and even gift cards to the movies. We have a "sleigh full of gifts" to help lighten the load of a family in need.

Pleasant Lake Elementary: Raised \$1,000 for the Scarlet Smile

Foundation; raised \$600 for Kid's Kicking Cancer Foundation in Matthew Shounia's name and donated four bins of shoes to the Jewish Council of Women.

Walled Lake Elementary: Helping over 28 families with the WLE "Giving Tree" project! This project includes students, staff and community members from WLE, the ESC and other groups.

Wixom Elementary: Conducted a Toy and Gift Drive for the Hospitality House in Walled Lake in November and early December; collecting over 250 toys, gifts, hats, gloves, books, and stockings filled with toys for local families; conducted a canned food drive for the Cass Community Social Services to help the homeless families in Detroit, and coordinated "Sponsor a Family" program for holiday gifts in conjunction with local businesses and private donors for more than 12 families.

Clifford H. Smart Middle School: Supported the Caleb White Project by sponsoring one of 10 libraries that are being built within Detroit homeless shelters. The students at Smart are responsible for the design, furnishings and books for the library; Smart students also collected money via various fundraisers and con-

tinued the long-standing tradition of shopping and providing Thanksgiving dinners for 22 local families.

James R. Geisler Middle School: Conducted a school-wide can drive before Thanksgiving raising \$500 and collecting 1,532 items of food that were donated to Hospitality House.

Sarah Banks Middle School: Collected more than \$1,700 in proceeds to help Banks families in need. Banks staff organized two events to raise funds: One, a silent auction at the staff annual holiday pot luck lunch. Second, a coordinated effort between art teachers, for the first ever, "Painting with Purpose."

Walnut Creek Middle School: Submitted Letters to Santa with the Macy's Make A Wish-Believe Campaign 2015 as a writing assignment in Tracy Jackson's English classes. For each letter written, Macy's will donate \$1; hosted a canned food drive and collected 400 items that were donated to Hospitality House.

W.L. Central High School: Made more than 230 blankets for the Fleece and Thank You to benefit Children's Hospital Blanket drive. The goal for the Giving Tree volunteer group at W.L. Central is simply to give and to help make people's day brighter. Many student groups and other organizations joined in to make blankets that were donated to terminally ill children at Children's Hospital. A personalized,

encouraging video of the person who made the blanket and/or a letter is given with each blanket.

W.L. Northern High School: Conducted a Red Cross Blood Drive collecting 44 pints of blood and donated more than 100 pairs of shoes to benefit the Salvation Army; National Honor Society students organized these projects.

W.L. Western High School: Raised more than \$70,000, with an estimated \$340,000 raised over the past five years via the fifth Warriors for Warriors event. Checks will be presented to Susan G. Komen Detroit Race for the Cure, St. Baldrick's Foundation for Pediatric Cancer and the American Cancer Society, at the W.L. Central vs. W.L. Western girls and boys basketball games at W.L. Western on Feb. 5.

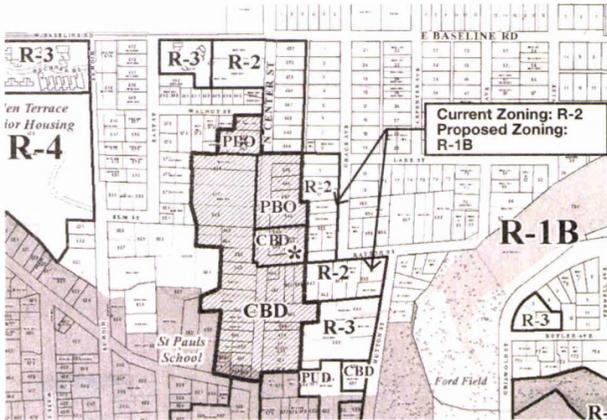
Educational Services Center: Each department adopted District families and purchased gifts, gift cards, food and other family needs to ensure a good holiday and collected food, toiletries and monetary donations for the Hospitality House.

Lakes Area Youth Assistance: The children of some 45 families with 114 children were adopted and gifts were purchased, wrapped and delivered to them. They also helped 45 children with the Shop with a Hero program.

Walled Lake Food Service: The Food Service Staff donated toys and monetary donations to the Hospitality House.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF NORTHVILLE

The City of Northville is proposing to amend the Zoning Map by re-zoning thirteen (13) properties along Grace and Rayson Streets from R-2, Second Density Residential District, to R-1B, First Density Residential District. A number of older buildings on these parcels have been replaced with new single-family residences, which is more consistent with the proposed zoning district. The properties proposed for rezoning are shown on the map below (437, 443, 453, 465 and 483 Grave Ave; 265 Hutton St; 119, 120, 131, 134, 200 and 250 Rayson St; and 128 Rayson St. Tax Id #48-001-04-0660-000). A draft map showing the parcels proposed for rezoning is also available through the Building Department during normal business hours of Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and is available on the City's website (www.ci.northville.us - go to Services, Building Department, Planning Commission).



The Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on the amendments to the Zoning Map on February 2, 2016 at 7:30 pm in the City of Northville Municipal Building - Council Chambers, 215 West Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, 248-449-9902. The purpose of the hearing will be to receive public input on the proposed map amendments. Written comments will also be received at the above address.

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CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS OFFICE CLOSING

The Charter Township of Northville Administrative Offices will be closed on Monday, January 18, 2016 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. The offices will reopen at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 19, 2016.

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ZF moving its headquarters to Livonia

David Veselenak
Staff Writer

Add one more company moving its global headquarters to Livonia. This time, it's a company that already has a strong presence in the city.

ZF North American, based in Northville, announced during the North American International Auto Show in Detroit this week it plans on moving east to Livonia. ZF Group bought the former Livonia-based TRW about a year ago for more than \$12 billion.

The auto parts supplier, which focuses on drive line and chassis technology, as well as autonomous driving technologies, will move into the former TRW headquarters, 12001 Tech Center Dr., in Livonia.

The move will allow employees who work closely with others in similar divisions the opportunity to be closer to one another, said Bry-



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ZF North America is moving headquarters from Northville to Livonia.

an Johnson, head of corporate communications for ZF North America.

"We're going to name the Livonia location the headquarters for the global group," said Johnson, a Canton resident. "It really provides us with the

opportunity to bring certain areas of the business together.

"In Livonia, we already had a global operation, so we had a good infrastructure in place for that. And in Northville, it was more of a regional group."

A transition team will evaluate needs over the next six months and it could take 18-24 months to completely transition from the Northville site to Livonia.

The Livonia office has about 1,200 employees, while the Northville of-

ice has about 400; both have employees coming from across the region. No new construction or building enhancements are expected to the current Livonia office to accommodate the move.

The Northville facility will continue to be used, mostly as a sales and engineering facility. The number of employees at each location is not expected to change immediately, though it could in the future with more hiring planned for the company.

"Once we can move out of the corporate people, we already have open positions," Johnson said. "We're hiring at both locations."

The company is the latest in the past year to move its headquarters to Livonia. Taylor-based Masco Corp. announced last summer it would move its world headquarters to Livonia in a brand-new building at Schoolcraft College. That

project broke ground in the fall and is expected to wrap up work sometime this year.

John Wilkerson, a senior communications manager with ZF TRW, said with the company being in Livonia since 1993, it has built a strong report with many local entities, including local government and education.

"We have a really good relationship with the school system in Livonia, with the city," said Wilkerson, who said he formerly sat on the Livonia Chamber of Commerce board. "It's been an excellent place to work. It has a great location in the metro area, very centrally located. It's been a really good relationship and it's something we certainly want to continue."

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Novi police, fire take to the ice with Red Wings alumni

Victor Lauria got involved with the Novi Police and Fire Benevolent Association when it was created five years ago because he wanted to provide support for police officers and firefighters during their time of need.

The recently-retired assistant chief of police for the Novi Police Department never imagined he would need the association's help himself someday. He was a model of fitness, one of the first ones in the gym every morning to lift weights and run and even skated in a hockey league at least one night a week.

But that all changed in 2013, when Lauria was diagnosed with Hodgkin's lymphoma and soon was confined to a wheelchair. His diagnosis shook not only the Lauria family, but his public safety family as well.

"To have a guy of his caliber and see him go through something like that was hard," said Rick Mitchell, communications manager for the Novi Police Department.

In an effort to support Lauria, the association came up with an idea to have a charity hockey game pitting members of Novi's public safety team against the Detroit Red Wings Alumni Association. The inaugural benefit game took place in 2014 and Lauria was blown away by the response at the sold-out Novi Ice Arena.

"It was really humbling for me and my family," he said. "To see all of the support and the people that truly cared about me and my family is something that changed my life. I knew when I got sick I had friends I could count on, but it was all the other people and businesses that came out to support us that was really moving for me."

Mitchell said it was "tear-jerking" to watch Lauria take the ice that night with the help of a walker and address the crowd.

"Seeing him in the midst of his struggle and having the opportunity to do something for his benefit is something you cannot put a price on," he said.

Lauria, who now teaches in the Criminal Justice Department at Madonna University, said his cancer is in remission, but there are some "leftover challenges" with his legs that make it difficult to walk and stand.

"I don't dwell on what I don't have, I dwell on what I do have," he said. "I'm just happy to have a second chance to live my life."

Lauria is continuing to work with the benevolent association and will be on hand for the third annual hockey game at 7 p.m. Friday, Jan. 22, at the Novi Ice Arena. Tickets are \$10 and proceeds go to the association to support public safety person-

nel and their families from Novi and the surrounding area who need some financial assistance.

The two hockey games have raised nearly \$27,000, while the association as a whole has raised more than \$350,000 in five years. Novi Director of Public Safety and Chief of Police David Molloy, who started the nonprofit association, said he never expected that type of response, but is proud of all

the work people have done to support police officers, firefighters and all those in need, like the families its members adopted during the holidays.

In terms of the hockey game, Mitchell said they are extremely grateful to have the support of the Detroit Red Wings Alumni Association and noted that many of the players stick around after the game to sign autographs for fans.

"To see these guys

giving back to their community and helping local police and firefighters raise funds for their cause is incredible," he said.

The ultimate goal for Lauria is to one day join his friends and former NHL stars like Mickey Redmond, Joe Kocur, Darren McCarty and Larry Murphy on the ice.

For more information about the Benevolent Association or to purchase tickets, go to www.novipfba.org.



Victor Lauria, former assistant chief of police in Novi, was the catalyst for a charity hockey game between Novi's public safety team and the Detroit Red Wings Alumni Association.

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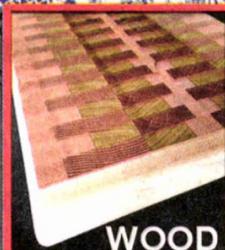
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Year ends with nearly 270 bills signed into books

Kathleen Gray
Michigan.com

The Michigan Legislature passed nearly 270 laws last year, but they repealed a bunch, too.

Among the bills signed by Gov. Rick Snyder in recent weeks were the repeals of more than 80 antiquated laws, including the crimes of swearing in public or singing a nontraditional version of "The Star Spangled Banner."

"Modernizing state government is an ongoing effort," Snyder said in a statement. "I appreciate the work of the legislature in analyzing the criminal code and eliminating statutes that no longer make sense in the 21st century."

The pair of bills giving big tax breaks to computer data storage facilities — exemptions from both the state's sales and use taxes — also was signed by Snyder in the final days of the year.

Bills recently signed into law:

PA 197 (HB 4904): Allow local issues to be held on presidential primary election ballots. Sponsor: Rep. Ed McBroom, R-Vulcan.

PA 198 (HB 4836): Modify longer term care insurance to comply with federal requirements to establish partnership programs. Sponsor: Rep. Lisa Lyons, R-Alto.

PA 199 (SB 213): Revise reporting requirements for workplace health and safety injuries. Sponsor: Sen. Tonya Schuitmaker, R-Lawton.

PA 200-201 (SB 225-226): Modify the pistol transfer process for heirs who inherit firearms. Sponsor: Sen. Mike Shirley, R-Clarklake.

PA 202 (SB 349): Revise notice provisions for delinquent property tax notices. Sponsor: Sen. Jim Stamas, R-Midland.

PA 203 (SB 372): Pro-

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vide for reciprocity for firefighter certification. Sponsor: Sen. Dale Zorn, R-Ida.

PA 204-205 (SB 369-370): Expand tangible personal property eligible for industrial processing exemption. Sponsors: Sens. Wayne Schmidt, R-Traverse City; Jack Brandenburg, R-Harrison Township.

PA 206-207 (HB 4159, SB 516): Expand waiver for certain individuals to carry weapons in gun-free zones to corrections, probation and parole officers. Sponsors: Rep. Joel Johnson, R-Clare; Sen. Rick Jones, R-Grand Ledge.

PA 208 (SB 274): Modify maximum length for saddle mount vehicle combinations. Sponsor: Sen. Rick Jones, R-Grand Ledge.

PA 209 (SB 427): Expand Good Samaritan Law to include licensed emergency medical service providers. Sponsor: Sen. Geoff Hansen, R-Hart.

PA 210-216 (HB 4248-4250, 4501, 4709-4711): Repeal antiquated laws, including swearing in front of women and children, singing non-traditional versions of *The Star Spangled Banner*, trespassing in various fruit marshes and fields, banning endurance contests like walk-a-thons, making it a crime to refer to people as human monstrosity, or violate certain camping rules. Sponsors: Reps. Chris Afendoulis, R-Grand Rapids; Michael Webber, R-Rochester

Hills; Robert VerHeulen, R-Walker; Kurt Heise, R-Plymouth; John Bizon, R-Battle Creek; Andrea LaFontaine, R-Columbia.

PA 217 (HB 4713): Modify refunds and exemptions on real estate transfer tax. Sponsor: Rep. David Maturen, R-Vicksburg.

PA 218 (SB 556): Repeal sunset on Commercial Rehabilitation Act. Sponsor: Ken Horn, R-Frankenmuth.

PA 219 (HB 4059): Allow a school district retiree to be employed under certain circumstances, such as a substitute teacher, without forfeiting retirement allowance or health care coverage. Sponsor: Rep. Holly Hughes, R-White River Township.

PA 220 (HB 4843): Exempt minors from criminal penalties if they're seeking emergency medical help for themselves or others in the case of a prescription drug overdose. Sponsor: Rep. Al Pscholka, R-Stevensville.

PA 221 (HB 4438): Allow and limit liability to prescribers who prescribe and pharmacists who dispense auto-injectable epinephrine devices. Sponsor: Rep. Lisa Lyons, R-Alto.

PA 222-223 (HB 4594, 4790): Expand shared time participation and reimbursement to include kindergarten. Sponsor: Rep. Ed McBroom, R-Vulcan.

PA 224-226 (SB 400-402): Modify liquid industrial hazardous waste program. Sponsors: Sens. Wayne Schmidt, R-Traverse City; Jim Stamas, R-Midland; Tonya Schuitmaker, R-Lawton.

PA 227-228 (SB 529-530): Modify Relative Guardianship Assistance Act to include a successor guardian provision and add definition of "relative" to include sibling in Foster Care Act. Sponsor: Sen. Judy Emmons, R-Sheridan.

PA 229 (SB 151): Remove sunset for the filing deadline for a petition seeking review of DNA evidence. Sponsor: Sen. Steve Bieda, D-Warren.

PA 230-233 (HB 5028-5030, SB 531): Allow electronic access to courts. Sponsors: Reps. Clint Kesto, R-Commerce Township; Kurt Heise, R-Plymouth; Amanda Price, R-Park Township; Sen. Rick Jones, R-Grand Ledge.

PA 234-235 (SB 532-533): Establish judicial electronic filing fund and allow courts to set fees for electronic filing. Sponsors: Sens. John Proos, R-St. Joseph; Tonya Schuitmaker, R-Lawton.

PA 236-237 (HB 4212, 4215): Eliminate sunset on the transfer of functions of a county road commission to the county board of commissioners. Sponsor: Rep. Roger Victory, R-Georgetown

Township. **PA 238-239 (4596-4597):** Provide campaign finance filing waiver for incumbent judges under certain circumstances. Sponsor: Rep. Lisa Lyons, R-Alto.

PA 240 (SB 500): Modify employment security benefits provision related to taxable wage base reductions. Sponsor: Sen. Ken Horn, R-Frankenmuth.

PA 241 (HB 4095): Provide for supplemental appropriations, authorizing projects at Ferris State University, Lake Michigan College, West Shore Community College and the Michigan State Police forensic laboratory in Rockford. Sponsor: Rep. Al Pscholka, R-Stevensville.

PA 242 (SB 538): Streamline audit process for uniform unclaimed escheated property act. Sponsor: Sen. Jack Brandenburg, R-Harrison

Township. **PA 243 (HB 4930):** Allows transfer of a life estate or lease to immediate family members without subjecting the property to pop-up property taxes. Sponsor: Rep. Aric Nesbitt, R-Lawton.

PA 244-245 (SB 177-178): Require notice of divesting or acquiring a controlling interest in an insurance company. Sponsor: Sen. Joe Hune, R-Whitmore Lake.

PA 246 (HB 4581): Allows for a 75-cent increase in the offset fee that the Liquor Control commission pays when it purchases a case of liquor from a vendor. Sponsor: Rep. Kathy Crawford, R-Nov.

PA 247 (SB 552): Reduces groundwater discharge permit fees for smaller volume facilities like campgrounds, laundromats and car washes. Sponsor: Sen. Mike Green, R-Mayville.



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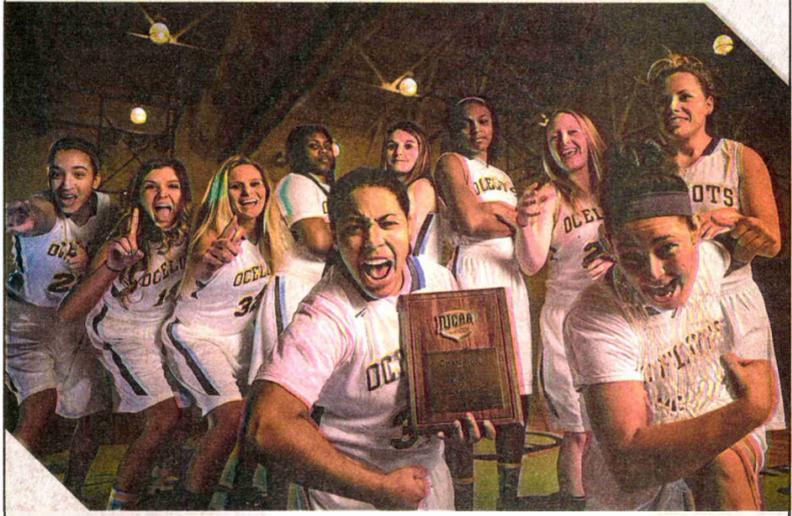
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OUR VIEW

Celebrate King holiday, explore religious and ethnic diversity close to home

There's a great line in the movie *The American President* from a couple of decades back. Michael Douglas, as the U.S. president, says, "America isn't easy. America is advanced citizenship. You gotta want it bad, 'cause it's gonna put up a fight."

The specific context in which Douglas, as President Andrew Shepherd, spoke in the 1995 movie was a personal attack on him and a loved one by a political rival. The film's larger point shows that, throughout our nation's history, we have indeed faced advanced citizenship while striving to live up to the ideals of our founders. The state of the world today, with terrorism and fear on the rise, is dividing our nation once again.

This month, many communities will celebrate observances of the late Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., whose leadership of the U.S. civil rights movement in the 1950s and 1960s forever changed America. Some communities take a more active role than others do in honoring the King and discussing how America has changed and hopefully advanced since his 1968 assassination.

Locally, many of our communities are changing, too, becoming more ethnically diverse and becoming home to those of multiple faiths.

This is particularly important in a time of fear in

the U.S. and worldwide, as evidenced by the recent attacks in Paris and closer to home. It's understandable to worry for the safety of your loved ones, but we must avoid becoming a nation so gripped by fear that we stereotype those who are different and fail to see our commonalities.

In the wake of World War II, many Germans struggled with their role in the Nazi Holocaust, which killed millions of Jews and others. If more in their nation had spoken out earlier — and been more informed by a free press of their government's actions — who knows how different history would have been?

It's all too easy now to look at Muslims and others of Middle Eastern background with suspicion, to question their motives and allegiance to this country, where many are U.S. citizens. We must not let history repeat itself by allowing legitimate law enforcement concerns and practices to be overridden by fear and abuse of power.

Why not participate in your local Martin Luther King Jr. Day observance or visit a nearby community if no such observance is available? Milford is hosting events Sunday. Brightmoor Church in Novi has something planned for Monday. The public schools are closed for students Monday. Schools that remain in

session for MLK Day typically focus on age-appropriate curriculum on civil rights and related issues in their classrooms.

Students live in an increasingly complex world and will be expected to live and work with those of many diverse backgrounds. If their childhood and teen experiences have been limited to others similar to them, how well-prepared will they be for that world? Don't forget, too, that many public libraries offer a wealth of information on issues of racial and ethnic diversity, with librarians who choose those materials well-informed on what will suit readers and viewers of varying ages.

Dialogue is the key to welcoming new neighbors to our communities whose backgrounds vary from our own. Don't think your question is silly; speak up in the forums that are available in which to learn about people's heritage, beliefs and religious practices.

Don't underestimate the power of food, either, in such gatherings. There's a Christian hymn that says, "May we who eat be bread for other," and often the simple but common act of breaking bread together (and learning of foods of different cultures) helps to "break the ice."

LETTERS

Legislators don't serve residents

Your paper's title for a recent story about our area's state legislators, "State legislators from area look forward to serving in '16" might have been closer to the truth had it said, "State legislators from area look forward to serving

the DeVoses in '16."

Sens. Mike Kowall and David Robertson and Reps. Kathy Crawford and Jim Runestad have been faithful proxies for the DeVoses and the far right groups they fund, like GLEP, Michigan Freedom Fund and The Mackinac Center. It is hard to come up with a better, but unfortunate,

example than what happened last week when Gov. Rick Snyder signed Senate Bill 571 into law.

SB 571 started as a basic campaign finance law. At 10 o'clock at night on the last night of the session in December, Lisa Posthumus Lyons added a 41-page amendment. The orphan amendment (Mrs. Lyons has no idea where it came from) added a lot of anti-democratic provisions, but the one that offends me most forbids local officials from communicating with their constituents about a proposed millage or ballot issue in the 60 days prior to an election. Who can imagine the benefit of criminalizing mayors, city managers

and librarians for providing factual information prior to an election? How does silencing school officials on bond issues improve my children's education?

The bill does give us the freedom (and liberty?) to be bargained with whatever false and misleading information the latest anti-tax, anti-civilization PAC wants to provide — all the way up to election day. Nobody thought to take away a PAC's right to speech and the barrage of misinformation will not be something a few parents can overcome with some yard signs.

These four legislators voted to pass this bill. A few other Republicans

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

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who had voted to pass it encouraged Snyder to veto it once they realized what they had voted for, but I don't know what's worse: an elected representative actually supporting this awful anti-democracy bill or that representative blindly approving legislation in the middle of the night.

In your story, they all

talked about it being their "job" to vote. I wish it were apparent that they also believe it is their job to vote for bills that actually benefit the communities they represent — and not billionaires in Grand Rapids.

Kathleen Hood
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American Red Cross seeks blood, platelet donations

The American Red Cross has an urgent need for blood and platelet donations to prevent a shortage this winter.

Busy holiday schedules in November and December contributed to about 1,700 fewer blood drives held across the country compared to the two previous months, which has resulted in about 50,000 fewer donations and reduced the blood supply. Donation appointments can be scheduled by using the Red Cross Blood Donor App, going to redcrossblood.org or calling 800-RED CROSS.

"A decline in the blood supply after the winter holidays is not uncommon, but it can be replenished when generous volunteers roll up their sleeves to help save lives," said Todd Kulman, external communications manager for the Red Cross Southeastern Michigan Blood Services Region. "We encourage our generous donors who are eligible, as well as new donors, to make an appointment to give blood or platelets and help ensure blood products continue to be available for patients. Every



Many blood drives are scheduled in the coming weeks around the community.

two seconds a patient in the U.S. needs blood."

January is National Blood Donor Month, which has been observed since 1970 with the goal

of increasing blood donations during the winter — one of the most difficult times of year to collect enough blood and platelet donations to meet patient

needs. In addition to winter bringing busy holiday schedules for many regular donors, severe winter weather can cancel blood drives,

and seasonal illnesses, like the flu, may cause donors to be temporarily unable to give.

Upcoming donation opportunities

- » Jan. 16, 9 a.m. to 2:45 p.m., Bill Brown New Cars, 32222 Plymouth Road, Livonia
- » Jan. 18, 2-7:45 p.m., Woodside Bible Church, 9000 Highland Road, White Lake
- » Jan. 21, 2-7:45 p.m., Memorial Church of Christ, 35475 Five Mile Road, Livonia
- » Jan. 23, 8 a.m. to 1:45 p.m., Farmington Hills Blood Donation Center, 31150 Haggerty Road, Farmington Hills
- » Jan. 23, 9 a.m. to 2:45 p.m., St. Matthew Lutheran Church, 48380 Pontiac Trail, Wixom
- » Jan. 24, 8 a.m. to 1:45 p.m., St. Mary Our Lady of the Snows, 1851 E Commerce Road, Milford
- » Jan. 24, 8 a.m. to 1:45 p.m., Our Lady of Victory Social Hall, 133 Orchard Drive, Northville
- » Jan. 27, 2-7:45 p.m., Sports Club of Novi, 42500 Arena Drive, Novi
- » Jan. 27, 2:30-8:15 p.m., Orchard Hills Elementary, 41900 Quince

Drive, Novi
» Jan. 31, 7:30 a.m. to 1:15 p.m., First United Methodist Church, 777 W. Eight Mile Road, Northville

How to donate blood

A blood donor card or driver's license or two other forms of identification are required at check-in. Individuals who are 17 years of age (16 with parental consent in some states), weigh at least 110 pounds and are in generally good health may be eligible to donate blood. High school students and other donors 18 years of age and younger also have to meet certain height and weight requirements.

Blood donors can now save time at their next donation by using RapidPass to complete their pre-donation reading and health history questionnaire online, on the day of their donation, from a home or work computer prior to arriving at the blood drive. To get started and learn more, go to redcrossblood.org/RapidPass and follow the instructions on the site.

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BALDWIN, MSGR. EDWARD
January 29, 1930 - January 8, 2016 www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com



BREWER, COLLEEN K.

Age 58, died on January 3, 2016 with her wife and a few of their closest friends by her side. Her passing came after a courageous battle with breast cancer that was initially diagnosed 17 years ago as Stage 4. She was an inspiration and guiding light to many survivors, friends and family. BrewerStrong was the phrase used to describe her determination and optimism in the face of great odds. Colleen was born in Milan, Michigan on December 7, 1957 to Richard Brewer and Gloria (Brewer) Zimmer. She is survived by her partner of 17 years (wife of 49 days), Kim Memeger; brothers, David Brewer (Debbie), Dan Brewer, and Darren Brewer (Lori); sisters, Laurel Sanders (Larry) and Kelley Arndt (Lauren); and 11 nieces and nephews. Colleen moved from Northville, Michigan to Vienna, Virginia in 1982 and began working for CACI International shortly thereafter. At her death she had been working for CACI for 33 years and was the manager of the Accounts Receivable department. She managed her team with great pride, accomplishment and love. She never stopped working as she battled through years of treatment. Colleen loved her family, friends, pets, and a cold beer. She was generous with her love and made a lasting impression on anyone she met. Her shock red hair and bright smile will be greatly missed. Her family wishes to extend their gratitude to all of the people who treated, cared for, cheered on, and supported Colleen, especially Dr. Catherine Broome and the nurses at MedStar Georgetown University Hospital, and the team at Johns Hopkins University Hospital. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the Hackerman-Patz Patient and Family Pavilion associated with Johns Hopkins University Hospital where Colleen spent several months in 2014 while undergoing a Bone Marrow Transplant to treat Myeloid-Dysplastic Syndrome (MDS). The goal is to establish an endowment fund to lift the economic burden for those that cannot afford to stay at the facility. If we raise \$15K, a plaque with Colleen's name will be prominently displayed at the entry of Room 407 (the apartment where she and Kim resided). You can use this link: Johns Hopkins Medicine to access the website and make a donation. Please indicate that it is "In Memory of Colleen Brewer" to ensure that the funds are properly allocated. Contact family for details about the celebration service.

DRAGON, BETTY JEAN
January 4, 1933- January 4, 2016 L. J. Griffin Funeral Home-Northrop Sassaman Chapel

HARTMAN, MARY JO
January 19, 1959-January 6, 2016 www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

LEWIS, PATRICIA
Age 72, passed away December 23, 2015, after a long battle with MS and cancer. A memorial luncheon is planned for friends and family Saturday, January 16, at 1:30 p.m. at 24388 Kings Pointe, Novi, Michigan, 48375. Arrangements by O'Brien & Sullivan Funeral Home. www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

LIDDELL, NANCY A.
Age 83, Longtime resident of Northville, passed away January 7, 2016. Share condolences at casterlinefuneralhome.com



LIZZET, BARBARA B.
Longtime resident of Milford area and Detroit, died peacefully on January 4, 2016 at the age of 87. She was preceded in death by, Charles J. Lizzet, her husband of 66 years and daughter, Lynn. She is survived by her children, Larry (Gayle), Linda (Lee) Marble, LuAnn (John) McKay, Chip (Sheri); grandchildren, Jenny, Andy, Susie, Eric, Brian, Audra, Kevin, Katie, Gary, Michael, Alison and Amanda; great-grandchildren, Charlie, Luke, Jake, Alex, Elle, Madeline, Griffin, Logan, Joey, Mia, Gracelyn, and Emma; sister, Gladys Strom; sister-in-law, Marjorie (Jack) Still; son-in-law, Dan (Pat) Sorvari and many extended family and dear friends. A Funeral Service was held at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, 404 E. Liberty, Milford on Friday, January 8, 2016. Memorials may be made to Alzheimer's Association or American Cancer Society. For further information phone 248-684-6645 or visit LynchFuneralDirectors.com



MUELLER, JOYCE ANN

A longtime resident of Milford, Michigan passed away peacefully on January 6, 2016. She was 74 years old. Joyce is survived by her beloved husband, Robert; sons, Scott (Andrea) and David (Shana); daughter, Heather Duffey; grandchildren, Kathryn, Meghan, Sarah, Joshua, Sydney and Theodore. Also survived by many loving extended family members and dear friends. A Memorial Service will be held at Milford Presbyterian Church, 238 Main Street, Milford on Friday, January 15 at 11 AM. Pastor Bryant Anderson will officiate. Family and Friends may gather one hour prior to service. Memorial contributions may be made to Autism Speaks, 1060 State Road 2nd Fl, Princeton, NJ 08540. For further information please call Lynch & Sons Funeral Directors-Milford at 248-684-6645 or visit LynchFuneralDirectors.com.

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MULLIGAN, JOANNE
August 21, 1931 - January 1, 2016 www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com



ROGER NORMAN EDWARD
Age 92, of Caseville, died January 11, 2016. WWII US Army veteran and retired from Burroughs/Unisys. Husband of Mary; father of Cindy (Michael) Yantus, Lynda (Greg) Bednarczyk, Holly (Curt) Pavia and Michael; grandfather of seven. Funeral mass 11:00 am Friday at St. Roch-OLPH Catholic Church, Caseville. Interment 1:00pm Friday, January 22nd at Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holly. Visitation 2-8 pm Thursday at Champagne Funeral Chapel of Caseville, 989-856-3662, www.cfcCaseville.com

SINGER, MARY ANN
December 19, 1945 - January 6, 2016 www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

WALTER, CLAUDIA LILLIAN
October 26, 1960-January 9, 2016 L.J. Griffin Funeral Home-Northrop Sassaman Chapel

WELLS, KENNETH
Of Brighton, July 31, 1930 - January 3, 2016. Arrangements by Phillips Funeral Home, www.phillipsfuneral.com

WHITE, MARK ALLEN
September 17, 1957-January 5, 2016 L. J. Griffin Funeral Home-Northrop Sassaman Chapel

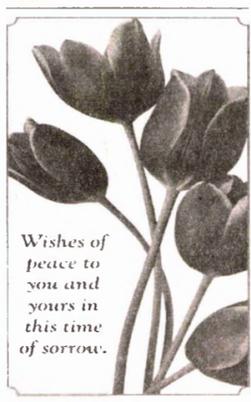
WHITSON, BEVERLY
March 15, 1927 - January 2, 2016 www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

WILLIAMS, MARVIN
November 28, 1920 - January 5, 2016. Arrangements by Phillips Funeral Home, www.phillipsfuneral.com

WOLLENWEBER, ERIC
June 24, 1960- January 6, 2016 www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

YOUNG, JACK E.
June 22, 1924 - January 5, 2016 L. J. Griffin Funeral Home-Northrop Sassaman Chapel

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Asst. Pastor: Ashaki M. Moseley

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Location: 34567 Seven Mile, Livonia
Web: www.emmanuel-livonia.org
Contact: 248-442-8822
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Youth group: 7 p.m. Wednesday
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Faith Community Presbyterian Church

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Contact: 248-349-2345
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Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.

Women's Group: 12:30 p.m. third Thursday
Children's Faith Club: 5 p.m. Wednesday

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

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Contact: 248-348-7600
Web: www.dfcnazarene.org

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Men's Bible Study
Tuesday: 9:25 a.m. - Women of the Word
Women's Bible Study
Wednesday: 6:30 p.m. - Caravan Scouting program for kids ages 4 through fifth grade; Club 45 for fourth-and fifth-graders; Merge Middle School Worship night; Bible Study with Troy Ogle; Little Critters preschool program; Alpha class from 6:30-8 p.m. - an opportunity to explore life and the Christian faith in a friendly, open and informal environ-

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Contact: 248-344-4465

Holy Cross Episcopal

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ment. Alpha is for high school to adult.

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Location: 51395 10 Mile Road, Novi
Contact: 248-348-2380

First Presbyterian Church of Northville

Location: 200 E. Main, Northville
Contact: 248-349-0911
Web: www.fpcnorthville.org
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Sunday School: 10:30 a.m. (for all ages)

First Presbyterian Church

Location: 205 E. Lake St., South Lyon
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Beacon Square community celebrates grand opening

Beacon Square Assisted Living and Memory Care Community, the newest facility for Pomeroy Retirement Services, kicked off its new life in the community with a grand opening ribbon-cutting ceremony in mid-December.

Beacon Square is a 71-bed assisted living and memory care community at 40033 Eight Mile Road,

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The community has three resident neighborhoods, two for assisted living residents and one for those needing secure memory care. All staff receive specialized Beacon of Light Memory Care training. The Beacon of Light goal is to fill residents' lives by engaging them physically, spiritually, socially and

through continuing education.

The community has 24-hour on-site nursing for all three neighborhoods. Residents have meals prepared by a chef, use of a dedicated chapel for bible study, prayerful meditation and services. Residents can also enjoy a movie in the community theater or work out in the fitness

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Beacon Square is designed to be an intimate environment, focusing on residents and delivering life and activity right to their door. Services are delivered not as a one-size-fits-all, but with compassion, dignity and respect by engaging them throughout the day in group or individual activities.



Kelley Fulkerson (from left), Beacon Square community relations director, Stefan Stration, president of Pomeroy Living, Keith Pomeroy, chairman of Pomeroy Living, Bob Nix, Northville Township supervisor, Jason Pomeroy and Kristie Nagle, executive director of Beacon Square Northville, celebrate the opening of the new senior residence.

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Some serious fun for homeless families

Teen's philanthropic efforts include a few games of Monopoly

By Lori Higgins
Michigan.com

Some people look at homeless people and question their life choices. When Caleb White sees them, he only wants to help.

And that's what this 13-year-old Commerce Township teen has done since he was 6 years old and was first hit with the reality that some people live on the streets.

Caleb's philanthropic efforts — which rely on the help of friends, family, classmates and others — have evolved since then. He went from handing out a few Christmas packages full of toiletries, food and winter weather accessories to handing out hundreds. He has been involved in big efforts to raise money and provide backpacks and coats to needy children and adults. He just launched a fundraising effort to provide welcome baskets to homeless women transitioning to permanent housing. And earlier this year, he created his own foundation to coordinate his activities.

But a monthly game night he hosts at Genesis House II, a Detroit residence for homeless women and children, has added a different twist to his mission. It's not about volunteering, raising money or providing es-



SALWAN GEORGES

Antonio Whitley, 8, of Detroit (from left); Melissa Kennedy, 33, of Commerce Township; Sai Diaz, 10, of Detroit; Caleb White, 13, of Commerce Township, and Colin Stewart, 14, of Novi play Monopoly during game night at Detroit Rescue Mission Genesis House II. Caleb hosts the event at the shelter once a month. Last year, he created his own foundation to coordinate his activities to help homeless people.

sential items. It's about pizza and pop, Monopoly and Operation — and having fun.

"It's just a great night for us and for them," said Caleb, an eighth-grader at Clifford Smart Middle School in Commerce Township. He was honored last year as one of the top 10 youth volunteers in the nation through the Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program.

"I love it," said Kisha Woods-Mathis, director of the Detroit Rescue Mission Ministry's Genesis House II, which provides transitional housing and employment and educational services to women and children. "The kids love him."

They also love game night. Jade Diaz's favorite part? "The pizza," the 13-year-old said.

For her sister Sapphire Diaz, 11, the best

part is the funny people who come to eat and play games with them. Every time, there are new faces, she said.

"We have good memories, good times," Sapphire said.

The two were chowing down on pizza, talking about their favorite games. Apples to Apples 2 is a big draw, they said. So is Monopoly.

"It's like Life, but fast," Sapphire said of Monopoly.

For the kids, game night is important, Woods-Mathis said: "They've been through so much. They've been through hurt. Some have been evicted. Some have dealt with domestic violence."

And Caleb? She said she's awed to see someone so young have such drive to help others.

"Caleb doesn't come in here like he's somebody

different," Woods-Mathis said. "He does everything with the kids. And they love it."

Caleb's mother, Melissa Kennedy, describes her son as one of those kids who gets an idea and has the fire to get it done.

"He sees a need and he just follows up," Kennedy said.

His mission began on a frigid day when he was 6. He and his family were in Detroit for a circus and, while driving around, he spotted a man in the street. After learning the man was homeless, Caleb was inspired to help.

"Everybody just assumes, 'Oh, they're homeless because they

made bad choices,'" he said. "It's not that way for everyone. A lot of people have stories that are really, really sad."

And as he has heard these stories over the years, Caleb has learned that "they're just like us."

He counts the kids at Genesis House II among his friends. But he's also become someone the kids look up to, Woods-Mathis said.

"They say, 'When we get out of here, we're going to give back,'" Woods-Mathis said.

That's exactly what Caleb hopes to inspire.

"I just think that I can set an example for other people, so when I'm doing this, they can see it

and they can go out in their community and it can spread," he said.

His younger brother Noah Kennedy, 8, is already picking up the torch. Game night actually evolved because Noah had decided he wanted to get involved. Playing games is his favorite activity.

Caleb has also inspired adults like Pete Hayek of Northville, a regular game night participant. He said that so often, people wait until they're older and established to do the kind of work Caleb is doing.

"He's challenging a lot of us who may have been sitting on the sidelines," Hayek said.

Eimers Foundation fundraiser aims to help feed the homeless

Brad Kadrich
Staff Writer

Four years ago, Robby Eimers accompanied his grandmother and a friend on a trip to provide blankets to the homeless in downtown Detroit.

As a 9-year-old boy, Robby had no idea of the scope of a problem as vast as "homelessness." He knew there were such people, but at 9 had no clue how widespread it was.

He does now. And he's doing something about it.

Robby has founded The Eimers Foundation, a charitable organization dedicated to easing the problem for the homeless. It started small, by doing what he calls "Sharing" and going down to feed homeless people and give them anything he can — hats, coats, gloves, socks and the like — to make their lives a little easier.

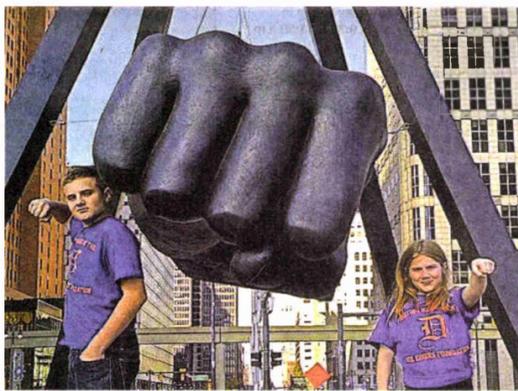
For more than four years now, he and his sister, Emma (now 10) have gone down to the shelter in downtown Detroit to feed the people. And later this month, he's hoping a fundraiser will help him achieve his goal — getting an actual food truck so he can expand his reach — attainable.

"When I went down there (the first time) there were, like, 30 homeless people," Robby recalled. "Going down and seeing so many made a big impact on me. I just felt like I had to do something."

The folks at Andiamo's restaurant took Robby under their collective wing, helping with a food truck and teaching him how to run one. Now Robby wants to buy his own food truck (his uncle would drive it) so he can help even more people (the homeless group he feeds now reaches between 100 and 300 people, depending on the weekend).

Why the truck? "Not all of the homeless people are in front of the shelter," Robby said simply. "I want to get to more places."

Toward that end, The Eimers Foundation is sponsoring a food and



THE EIMERS FOUNDATION

Robby Eimers, with his sister Emma at the Joe Louis fist in downtown Detroit, started The Eimers Foundation to help the homeless.

wine tasting event, "Fighting Hunger in the D," from 6-8:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 21, at the Great Lakes Culinary Center, 24101 W. Nine Mile in Southfield.

The event will feature food-wine tasting tables from some 20 organizations — among them Schoolcraft College's

culinary arts program, Ironwood Grill, Treat Dreams, Scotty O'Hotty and others — along with a silent auction, raffle and entertainment from the band, Power Play Detroit.

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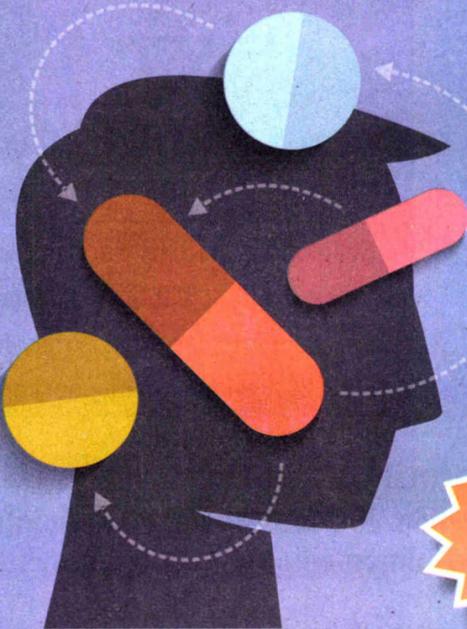
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Soccer dome coming to Schoolcraft College

David Veselenak
Staff Writer

Schoolcraft College doesn't seem to sleep on new improvements to its campus. College President Conway Jeffress hopes the surrounding community will get a kick out of the next development planned.

The Livonia-based college, along with Southfield-based Universal Properties and Management Inc., announced a 110,500-square-foot soccer dome will be constructed on the southeast corner of the campus, near I-275 and near the new Masco Corp. world headquarters, which remains under construction and is expected to open later this year.

"We're rather excited about it," Jeffress said. "There's no facility like this close by. We can make good use of it."

Other indoor soccer facilities in the area are located in Farmington, Novi and Canton, which had a dome open off Michigan Avenue last year.

The dome is expected to have construction begin shortly. Jeffress said the plan is to open the year-round facility by August.

"I'd like to get started moving dirt now," he said. "I like to get things rolling as soon as we can. The dirt that Masco wanted out of here, we'll leave it here and use it to create a base for the soccer environment."

The dome also has a client for usage in the



A rendering of the proposed soccer dome and adjacent outdoor turf soccer field planned for Schoolcraft College. The dome is expected to begin construction soon and wrap up by August.

next few decades: The Michigan Wolves and Hawks Soccer Club, an organization that has several teams for boys and girls ages 4-19, agreed to a 25-year deal to make the facility its official home for games and practices.

The club, which has more than 800 participants, has agreed to lease space in the dome, the nearby outdoor competition turf soccer field and some office space, according to the college.

"We are really excited about this partnership,"

said Ed McCarthy, president of the soccer club and a Birmingham resident. "It really is an enormous project. The modern design of that facility is something we're excited about."

The college's athletic teams are also expected to utilize the dome and it could also be used for other college and community events.

"In addition, we're landscaping the area, so that the outdoor soccer field that we already have will be adjacent to that, along with parking

and green space," Jeffress said. "I think it's going to look pretty good."

No taxpayer money being used

Jeffress said the possibility of adding the dome came after it became clear private money would be available for construction costs. The expected price tag for construction of the dome is about \$6 million.

"With this partnership, it's all funded by all non-taxpayer money," he said. "That's kind of a

crucial thing."

That's how Universal Properties and Management Inc., got involved in the project. The company also recently acquired the Seven Mile Crossing complex in Livonia.

"I am confident this project will be successful and we are so pleased to continue our investment in the college, city of Livonia and western Wayne County," Gordon R.A. Fishman, chairman of Universal Properties and Management Inc., said in a prepared statement.

Jeffress said he saw the dome as a way to continue adding resources for the community to use. Finding uses for buildings that will benefit the most people, including students and community members, is a goal of this project and others at the college, he said.

"That's kind of what's been in our head, certainly among all of my time here," he said.

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LIBRARY LINES

The Northville District Library will be closed Monday, Jan. 18, for Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Winter Storytimes

Time/Date: January through March
Details: For details about Winter Storytimes, go to www.northville-library.org or call the library at 248-349-3020.

Winter Reading Program for Ages 12 and Up

Time/Date: Jan. 2-30
Details: Pick up your bingo card, read five books or complete simple tasks to earn a spin on the Wheel of Prizes! For ages 12 and up.

Battle of the Books 2016 Registration

Time/Date: Now through Jan. 29
Details: Register now for this fun reading competition for middle school students who live or go to school in Northville. Teams start your reading! Check the website for complete details.

Drop-In Little Me Storytime

Time/Date: 10:30-11:15 a.m. Friday, Jan. 15
Details: Little ones, babies to 2-year-olds, along with parents or caregivers, enjoy simple stories, music and playtime. Infants and preschoolers also welcome to attend. Just drop in.

Tween Event: Vision Rocks Craft

Time/Date: 4:15-5 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 20
Details: For ages 9-12. Rocks, paper, scissors – YOU win! What's your vision for the new year? Design your own fun, inspiring vision rocks and hold your dreams in the palm of your hand. Limit 30 attendees. Register. 248.349.3020.

KIDZ TIME

Time/Date: 4:30-5:15 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 21
Details: Join this fun after school program featuring stories, games and crafts. Limit 20. Registration required.

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Democrats to meet

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 19
Details: Democrats of West Oakland County will hold its monthly meeting at the Novi United Methodist Church, 41671 W. 10 Mile. For more information, go to www.dwoc.info.

Digging up Your Roots

Time/Date: 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 20
Details: Learn about the family history resources that are available online and at the library. This program is aimed at beginners, but anyone is welcome. Pre-register for this free genealogy class at Wixom Public Library by calling 248-624-2512, online at wixomlibrary.org or stop by the library at 49015 Pontiac Trail, Wixom.

Blood drive

Time/Date: 2:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Jan. 27
Details: Orchard Hills Elementary and the American Red Cross are hosting a blood drive at the school cafeteria, 41900 Quince Drive, Novi. There are 30 openings. Call Susan Ackerson at 248-449-1400 to make an appointment or go to www.redcrossblood.org.

Older Adult Services programs

Time/Date: 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 28
Details: Novi Group Travel Presentations. Ellen Creager, travel columnist for the *Detroit Free Press*, has traveled to 45 countries, 31 states and through most of Michigan. She will discuss some of the funniest and most interesting

questions posed to her by the newspaper's readers. Experts from several travel companies will be on hand to present itineraries, answer travel related questions and provide fliers on upcoming trips. Your only concern is to get ready for the fun. Raffle prizes and refreshments will be provided at this free event.

For more information, contact city of Novi Older Adult Services at 248-347-0414.

Time/Date: Noon to 2 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 11

Details: Honey Won't You BEE My Valentine? Luncheon. Gather for a "honey" of an afternoon filled with musical entertainment and sweet treats. Hum along with the musical entertainment by Joel Palmer and reminisce about previous valentines received. This program is presented in partnership with Maple Manor Rehabilitation. Tickets are \$7 per resident and \$8.50 per non-resident.

Time/Date: Noon to 2 p.m. Thursday, March 17

Details: Leaping Leprechauns Luncheon. An afternoon of toe tapping music is just what the doctor ordered. A traditional Irish meal will be on the menu along with entertainment by musician Tom Slatton. Don't forget to wear green to prevent getting pinched by a sneaky leprechaun. This program is proudly presented in partnership with Enriched Life Home Care Service. Tickets are \$7 per resident and \$8.50 per non-resident.

Tickets for special events must be purchased in advance and are available at the Older Adult Services office, 45175 10 Mile Road and the Meadowbrook Activity Center, 25075 Meadowbrook Road. For more information, contact city of Novi Older Adult Services at 248-347-0414.

Art on display

Time/Date: Exhibit through Jan. 30.

Details: The Northville Art House presents an exhibition of textiles and mixed media by Barbara Bushey and Susan Moran, two established fiber artists whose work develops from close observation of the Michigan landscape. Art House hours, 215 W. Cady Street, Northville, run noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and noon to 4 p.m. Saturday.

Reach Northville Art House at 248-344-0497 or www.northvilleart house.org.

Home, school collaboration

Time/Date: 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 3

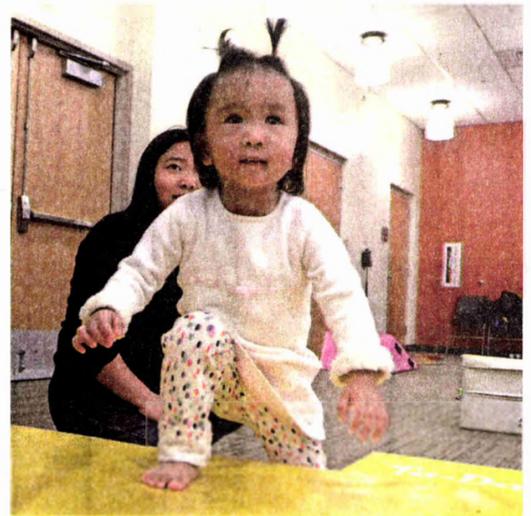
Details: Novi Woods Elementary, 25195 Taft Road in Novi, will host a Novi Schools special education parent advisory committee forum focusing on creating successful strategies for home and school collaboration. Topics include: What are common misunderstandings and assumptions that create barriers to successful partnerships? What are the unspoken words of parents that school personnel need to understand? What are the unspoken words of school personnel that parents need to understand? What are common defense mechanisms that cause barriers to effective communication? How can data help to make collaboration easier and more successful?

Masquerade ball

Time/Date: 7 p.m. to midnight Saturday, Feb. 6.

Details: Kyyba Kidz Foundation, dedicated to improving the lives and education of orphans and underprivileged individuals, will host its 2016 Charity Fundraiser Gala Dinner at the Suburban Collection Showplace in

Get the wiggles out



Reecy Yu, 2, is watched by her mom Jinghua Huang as she climbs over some soft obstacles Dec. 30 while they take advantage of an activity at the Novi Public Library. Kids got to enjoy a morning of learning basic tumbling and balance skills in a fun, safe environment in an activity hoping to "get their wiggles out."

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PREP SPORTS

Can new makeover keep KLAA intact?

Proposal B addresses plans to realign divisions

Brad Emons
Staff Writer



After only eight years in existence, realignment appears to be a distinct possibility for the Kensington Lakes Activities Association. And in order to keep the KLAA intact, athletic directors believe Proposal B appears to

be the best route to maintain a competitive balance and solve a disparity of enrollments among the 24 schools, which range from largest in Grand Blanc (2,727 students) to the

smallest in South Lyon East (923).

The KLAA athletic directors met recently and mulled over four different proposals for realignment, but the most positive feedback was for Proposal B, a plan that could be approved within the next month by a three-fourths majority vote by the member schools' principals.

The KLAA is currently divided in two conferences, the Kensington and the Lakes. It features four different divisions of six schools each – the South, Central, West and North.

"We're looking to see if we

can build something that's a little better probably than we have right now, not to say what we have isn't good ... we like it, but we're just trying to improve upon it a little bit," Churchill A.D. Marc Hage said.

Current alignment

The current alignment for the Kensington Conference's South Division, according to MHSAA fall enrollment figures, includes Canton (2,076), Plymouth (2,057), Westland John Glenn (1,817), Wayne Memorial (1,643), Livonia Churchill (1,620) and Livonia Franklin (1,615).
The Kensington's Central

Division member schools are Northville (2,281), Salem (2,068), Novi (2,017), Livonia Stevenson (1,831), South Lyon (1,224) and South Lyon East (923).

Meanwhile, the Lakes Conference's current West Division set-up includes Grand Blanc (2,727), the second largest enrollment in the state; Howell (2,567), which is ranked eighth; Brighton (2,221), Hartland (2,017), Milford (1,484) and Pinckney (1,326).

The North Division of the Lakes Conference has White

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GIRLS BASKETBALL



Novi's Ellie Mackay (15) gets the shot off between Mahrianna Petree (21) and Jala Petree (23).

PREP SOCCER

Novi coach steps down from both varsity jobs

O'Leary led Wildcats to five girls state titles, along with one boys

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Brian O'Leary was one who never sought the limelight during his highly successful run as the varsity girls and boys soccer coach at Novi High.

But it's undeniable that he walks away as the school's most decorated coach.

After guiding the Wildcats to five MHSAA Division 1 girls state championships in 14 years and one state crown during his 20 seasons with the boys, the 46-year-old O'Leary decided to step down from both positions last month.

"It's basically my kids' activities," O'Leary said. "The fall was easy, because this fall I was coaching (boys soccer), but (son) Connor was a senior on the team. But soccer is every Tuesday and Thursday and so is volleyball, so I missed every single one of my daughter's (Erin) volleyball games as a sophomore."



O'Leary

Erin O'Leary, a sophomore all-state setter who helped Novi capture its first Division 1 state crown last November, travels the country during spring playing for the high-level Legacy Volleyball Club. She has already committed to play at the University of Michigan.

Meanwhile, son Connor was an All-Area midfielder who helped the Wildcats to an 11-6-2 record during his senior year and will be moving on in the fall to attend Grand Valley State University.

"It's high school volleyball in the fall for me and club volleyball in the spring for me," O'Leary said. "This spring it's also Connor's last season of club soccer and I'll try and go to as many of those games as I can."

O'Leary guided the Wildcats to five state girls soccer titles: 2005, 2006, 2007, 2010 and 2011.

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Novi rebounds to sink Salem Rocks, 39-31

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Wildcats' third-quarter surge nets triumph

It couldn't have started out any worse for the Novi girls basketball team during Friday's Central Division opener against host Salem.

The Wildcats found themselves down 2-0 before the opening tip-off when they were assessed a technical

foul by one of the game officials for a failure to designate their five starters in the official score book within 10 minutes of game time.

And to make matters worse, Novi shot only 4-of-33 from the field during the first half, yet trailed by only

four, 12-8, at intermission.

But despite things going a little haywire, the Wildcats regrouped to outscore defending KLAA Association champion Salem 31-19 in the second half en route to a 39-31 triumph.

"I think we were a little

nervous from the beginning of the game and at halftime we just talked about getting ourselves together and really playing as a team," said Novi sophomore guard Ellie Mackay, who finished with a team-high 13 points. "And I feel in the second half, we really got things going and started

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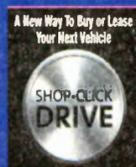
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BOYS HOCKEY

Saunders Rock-solid in 5-1 win over Northville

Mustangs whistled for 16 penalties in crossover loss

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Salem got the most out of its thin lineup Jan. 7, skating to a 5-1 Kensington Conference crossover victory over penalty-plagued Northville at Novi Ice Arena.

The Rocks, who won their fifth straight while improving to 7-4-1 overall and 4-1-1 in the KLAAs South Division, had only eight forwards and five defensemen available for the game.

"We're a little short-handed and have some fairly significant injuries," Salem coach Ryan Ossenmacher said. "Last night (6-2 win vs. South Lyon Unified), we had nine and five. One of our guys went down in the first two minutes, so he was out tonight. No excuses, you play who is here and sometimes it's actually easier, because guys got to know you got to go and find their legs. We've won five in a row, so we're moving pretty good."

One player who was moving really well all three periods was junior forward Jake Saunders, who figured in four of Salem's five scores with two goals and two assists.

"I think he's just kind of figuring it all out," Ossenmacher said. "He's a big body and skates well for a big body. He's probably the strongest physically on our team. He's just adjusting to this level and I think the sky is the limit for him. He's bigger and stronger than most of the guys he's playing against."

Northville (5-3-2, 2-1 KLAAs Central) struck first on Kyle Dann's fourth goal of the season off an assist from Jimmy Dales at 4:24 of the first period.

But Salem's Zach Goleniak answered on a power-play goal from Saunders at 11:18 of the same period to knot the game at 1-1.

Northville, which took five penalties in the first period, was whistled for eight more in the second and Salem respon-



Northville's Jack Sargent speeds up the ice against Salem.

DAVE DONOHER

ded with two more goals as Saunders scored the first of his two at 1:53 on a power play off assists from Marty Mills and Matt Schaumburger.

"We started out well," Northville coach Jon Gates said. "Had them 1-0 and had the momentum. We just kept going to the box and (Salem) got a goal. Then they got another one and I think we spent six minutes in that second period down five-on-three. And that just can't happen."

Saunders' second of the night came from Joey Driscoll and Nick Callegari with 44.4 seconds remaining in the second to make it 3-1.

With 5:30 left in the second period and Northville killing

off a pair of five-on-threes, Salem goaltender Tristan Rehling (21 saves) robbed Riley Brass from point-blank range on a breakaway effort to maintain its one-goal lead.

"After the game in the locker room, I said that was the key save right there because at that point they've killed off and they're making a push," Ossenmacher said. "If they score on that opportunity, that's momentum. That's a big save because we come down and score after that. That was the turning point in the game for us."

Salem added two more goals in the final period to put the game out of reach, with Driscoll scoring from Sean

McCormack and Saunders at 1:05 followed by Mills' unassisted goal off a shot from just inside the blue line only 1:21 later.

"We didn't score on a five-on-three and, typically, when you don't score on a five-on-three, you're in trouble," Ossenmacher said. "Not only we didn't score on one, but we didn't score on two. So from that standpoint, I thought we got a little bit lucky."

At one point during the second period, Northville had a total of five players sitting in the penalty box together, putting immense pressure on junior goaltender Brett Miller, who finished with 21 saves.

"The proof is in the score

sheet ... 16 penalties," Gates said. "That's unacceptable. They (Salem) are a good team. They had a short bench, but sometimes it's addition by subtraction. They played well last night and we knew it was going to be a good game. We came out strong and got a goal right away, controlled the play and then kept going to the box. One thing led to another. It's the players' choice ... they can be as good as they want to be. We can get them to the water, but we can't make them drink it. And it's up to them if they want to be a good team. They have the potential."

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PREP BOWLING

Northville squeaks past Novi in Battle for the Pin matches

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Every shot counted, down to the 10th frame, Jan. 5 as Northville swept rival Novi in a KLAAs Central Division girls and boys bowling encounter at Novi Bowl.

Northville also won the coveted Battle for the Pin prize.

Total pins determined the girls winner as Northville and Novi were deadlocked at 15-15. The victorious Mustangs had a total pin count of 1,423, while the Wildcats had 1,401.

Northville (1-2, 1-4) won the first Baker set (alternating shots), 143-136, while Novi took the second, 119-103.

The two teams also split a pair of very competitive regular games, with Northville taking the first, 726-702, while the Wildcats won by two pins in the second match, 699-697.

Beatrice Nayh proved to be the difference for Northville with a two-game set of 184-225-409, while teammate Katie Craig chipped in with a first game of 192.

Marissa Huth scored two points for Novi (1-5, 0-3) with games of 138-106-244, while Megan Harmus added another

point with a 176-166-342 two-game set.

Meanwhile, the Northville boys (2-3, 1-2) pulled out a 19-11 victory in another competitive duel against the Wildcats (2-4, 0-3).

In the Baker sets, Northville captured the first, 20-155, while Novi rebounded to take the second, 225-161.

Northville pulled out both regular games, which came down to the final frames, 928-906 and 884-848, as Collin Fowler led the way with a 222-185-407 two-game set.

Josef Mansi's 190-172-362 and Simon Long's 190-170-360 also paced the Mustangs,

Scott Pryson, who struck out in the 10th frame along with Fowler, scored two points for the Wildcats with 249-186-435.

"All the matches were good," Novi coach John Osborne said. "They won it and we didn't lose it. We squeezed them and they answered."

Novi swept

The Novi boys and girls squads both fell Monday to Plymouth in a KLAAs Central Division match at Super Bowl in Canton.

The Novi boys were defeated, 29-1, losing both Baker

sets, 159-148 and 177-132, along with boys regular games, 760-666 and 878-795.

Peter Koolmen scored the lone point with 145 for Novi (2-3, 0-2).

Plymouth improved to 3-1 overall and 2-0 in the division.

On the girls side, Plymouth (1-4, 0-2) rolled to a 23-7 victory, taking both regular games, 751-713 and 630-575. Novi took the second Baker set, 121-111, after losing the first, 140-121.

Madison Murphy (181), Nicole Kilikevicius (126) and Khadeeja Zahoor (98) each scored a single point for Novi (1-4, 0-2).

P-C-5 Tourney

In Saturday's Plymouth-Canton-Salem Tournament at Super Bowl, which featured Allen pattern oil lanes similar to the MHSAA regional set-up (Feb. 26-27), the Novi girls finished 16th overall with a total of 1,696 as Madison Murphy posted the girls high game with 151.

The Novi boys placed 22nd overall with a score of 1,996 for the 14 games, including a 191 Baker. Scott Pryson's 155 was the single game high.

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BOYS HOCKEY ROUNDUP

Shamrocks win battle of state champs, 3-2

No. 1-ranked CC bounces back with MIHL victory

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It was a meeting of state championship-pedigree teams Saturday as host Novi Detroit Catholic Central earned a 3-2 boys hockey victory over Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook.

The defending MHSAA Division 1 state champion and top-ranked Shamrocks improved to 9-3 overall and 6-1 in the North Division of the Michigan Interscholastic Hockey League.

The Shamrocks jumped out to a 2-0 lead in the first period on goals by Cody Borke at 1:44 (from Jared Lee and Glynn Robitaille) and Kam Ottenbreit at 2:54 (from Michael Considine). Cranbrook (6-5, 2-2), last year's Division 3 state champion and ranked No. 4, cut the deficit to 2-1 on a Joey Dumas power-play goal at 13:39 of the same period from Cole Adaskaueg.

CC's Anthony Esser made it a two-goal cushion at 6:54 of the second period, from Brian Kearns and JoJo Mancinelli.

But the score remained that way until just 0.03 seconds were left in the game, when Cranbrook's Blake Johnson scored with the extra attacker off an assist from Alec Regula.

CC goaltender Alec Calvaruso stopped 21 shots, while Cranbrook's Stephen Friedland had 26 saves.

NORTHVILLE 11, CANTON 3: Zac Osaer, Luke Skilman and Nick Bonofiglio each notched their first varsity goal of the year Monday as the Mustangs (7-4-1, 3-2, KLAAs Central) downed the host Chiefs (1-8, 0-6 KLAAs South) in a Kensington Conference crossover at Arctic Edge.

Kyle Dann scored two goals and added four assists for Northville, which led 5-1 after two periods before breaking it open with six goals in the final period.

Anthony Solack and Bonofiglio both scored two goals, while Daniel McKee, Riley Brass and Ian

Welsh also all added a goal. Skillman contributed two assists.

Brian Oldani had a goal and two assists, while Marcus Cook and Michael Gaffka each added a goal and assist for Canton.

Darsh Dhlokia went all the way in goal for Northville, while Donald Jardine and Isaac Salinas split time in net for Canton.

STEVENSON 4, NORTHVILLE 2: Nate Sudek scored a pair of goals Saturday as state-ranked Livonia Stevenson (8-3-1, 7-1) stopped the Mustangs (6-4-1, 2-2) in a KLAAs Central Division game at Novi Ice Arena.

Sudek scored at 11:06 of the first period off assists from Alex Siroky and Nick Beers, but Northville's Anthony Solack tied it at 14:34 of the same period from Nick Williams.

Northville went up 2-1 at 1:50 of the second period on Ian Welsh's unassisted power-play goal, but Stevenson notched the next three to take a 4-2 advantage going into the third.

The Spartans, ranked No. 4 in Division 2, got goals from Alex Walkuski at 4:58 (from Beers and Adam Olson), John Beaune at 12:55 (from Ben Kowalske), and Sudek at 14:52 (from Beers and Shane Leonard).

Northville goalie Brett Miller made 28 saves, while Cullen Barber had 20 saves for the Spartans.

HANCOCK 5, NOVI 2: The Wildcats (4-7-1) completed their two-game trip to the Upper Peninsula with a non-league setback Saturday to the Bulldogs (8-4) at the Houghton County Arena.

Novi jumped out to a 2-0 first-period advantage on power-play goals by Andy Mizerowski at 10:45 (from Brennan Martin) and Ryan Fonda at 12:06 (from Jake Cyr).

But Hancock took the lead for keeps with three unanswered second-period goals by Jack Fenton at 0:47 (from Teddy Randell and Alex Nordstrom), Tim Martin at 10:25 (from Tanner Givens and Deyvin Lacourt), and Cory Tourtillo at 11:37 (from Fenton and Nordstrom).

Randell scored twice in the final period to put it away, with an unassisted short-handed goal at 12:47 followed by an empty-netter at 15:42 from Fenton.

Dawson Kero made 18 saves for Hancock, while Josh Richardson had 23 stops for Novi.

U-D JESUIT 2, DETROIT CC 1: University of Detroit-Jesuit (6-2-1, 4-1 MIHL South) made pair of first-period goals hold up Friday as the fourth-ranked Cubs upended top-ranked Novi Detroit Catholic Central (8-3, 5-1 MIHL North) in a Michigan Interscholastic Hockey League crossover game at Hazel Park Arena.

U-D Jesuit jumped out to a 2-0 first-period lead on goals by Brendan Gumbel at 7:16 (from Teddy Apap and Josh Piepazowski) and Apap at 15:38 (from Tim Johnson and Gumbel).

Nick Macari scored a goal for the defending Division 1 state champion Shamrocks from Sheldon Wasik and Kyle Mulka at 0:19 of the second period to trim the deficit to 2-1.

But the Shamrocks were unable to score the equalizer against Cubs goaltender Jake Robinson, who made 23 saves.

Senior Alec Calvaruso had 19 saves for the Shamrocks.

CALUMET 3, NOVI 1: The Wildcats (4-6-1) took 28 minutes in penalties in a non-conference setback Friday against the host Copper Kings (9-3) at the Calumet Colosseum.

Calumet, ranked No. 3 in Division 3, led 2-0 after one period on goals by Ed Beiring at 7:57 (from Jake Anderson and Josh Larson) and Ryan Nelson at 16:29 (from Rory Anderson and Jack Nelson).

The Copper Kings increased their lead to 3-0 at 3:19 of the second period on Trevor Johnson's goal from Rory Anderson and David Lehto.

Novi got a power-play goal by Brennan Martin at 4:07 of the same period, from Zach Perrieh and Cam Czapski.

Novi goaltender Josh Richardson made 23 saves, while Calumet's Ian Carroll had 14 saves.

The Wildcats were 1-for-8 on the power play, while Calumet was 0-for-7.

BOYS HOCKEY

Baseline Outdoor Classic set for Saturday

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Staff Writer

The long-range weather forecast appears to be favorable for Saturday's Baseline Outdoor Classic, featuring the Northville and Novi boys hockey teams.

The game will be played at historic Clark Park, located at 1130 Clark Street in Detroit,

and the outlook calls a high of 32 degrees (with some snow). The face-off is scheduled for 4:30 p.m.

Parking is available at the adjacent Earhart Elementary School, 1000 Scotten Avenue, or Western International High School, 1500 Scotten.

In case of inclement weather, the game will be played at 8:30 p.m. the same day at Novi

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BOYS SWIMMING

Novi repeats as Laker Invite champion

Diver Ciolli posts high point total in victory

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The Novi boys swim team finished off the week scoring a team-high 304.5 points to earn the Laker Invitational title Saturday at West Bloomfield.

Diver Jimmy Ciolli got things rolling by scoring enough points to be considered for All-American status.

"This was a special win for our seniors who have never lost this meet during their high school career," Novi coach Brent Pohlonski said.

Novi three different individual winners in Heat 4, which featured the fastest groupings.

Among those included: Siddhardha Kareddy, 200-yard individual medley (2:05.43) and 100 butterfly (53.97); Ryan Katulski, 50 freestyle (22.0) and 100 freestyle (48.74); and Joey Berman, 500 freestyle (5:04.21) and 100 backstroke

(57.24).

Each individual event featured four heats, while each relay had three heats with Novi winning all nine races.

Novi wins dual

Ryan Katulski earned his third individual state qualifying time of the season leading Novi to a 134-49 dual meet boys swim victory Jan. over host Hartland.

The Wildcats, who improved to 5-1 overall, swept the first three places in three individual events and won all three relay races.

Katulski, who figured in four firsts, captured the 200-yard freestyle with a state cut clocking of 1:47.15, while also adding an individual victory in the 500 freestyle (4:57.51).

Katulski then teamed up with Phillip Billiu, Joey Berman and Alexander Yuan for a win in the 200 freestyle relay (1:32.21). He also joined forces with Berman, Brian Son and Siddhardha Kareddy for a first in the 400 freestyle relay (3:28.11).

Billiu figured in four firsts as well with individual wins in



BRENT POHLONSKI

Novi's senior class of Justin Lee, Narayan Mannivanan, Andrew Kilponen, Bradley Huang, Alan Yu, Anthony Rose and Ryan Katulski has won four straight Laker Invitational titles.

the 50 freestyle (23.0) and 100 butterfly (56.06). He also teamed up with Narayan Mannivanan, Kareddy and Yuan for a triumph in the 200 medley relay (1:43.79).

Meanwhile, Yuan captured

the 200 individual medley (2:11.85) and 100 breaststroke (1:06.8).

Other individual firsts for the Wildcats came from James Ciolli in the 1-meter diving (231.75 points) and Kareddy in

the 100 freestyle (51.28).

Hartland (1-2) got its lone victory from Jonathan Loshinski in the 100 backstroke (59.68).

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GIRLS BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

Northville turns it up a notch in 49-20 victory over Lions

Liggett's Ahart nets 34 in MIAC win against Warriors

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Following the same script for much of the season, the Northville girls basketball team flipped the switch once again at halftime in Friday's KLAA Central Division opener.

Junior forward Jessica Moorman led the way with 12 points, while 11 of their 13 players scored as the Mustangs improved to 6-1 overall with a 49-20 triumph over South Lyon.

Northville led 9-0 after one quarter and 16-8 at intermission before outscoring the

Lions 19-5 in the third quarter to break the game wide open.

"That's been the story of our season," Northville coach Todd Gudith said. "Their zone slowed us down, but our kids kept with it and wore them down as the game wore on, but they're young and inexperienced."

Sam Swain led South Lyon (1-6, 0-1) with seven points.

Northville was 9-of-19 from the foul line (47.3 percent), while South Lyon was 11-of-18 (61.1 percent).

LIGGETT 49, FRANKLIN ROAD 38: Nia Ahart scorched the nets for a game-high 34 points Friday to power Grosse Pointe Woods University-Liggett (7-3, 2-0) to a Michigan Independent Athletic Conference Blue Division win over host Novi Franklin Road Christian (2-6, 1-4).

Hannah Rayburn and Rachel Gause scored 14 and 10 points, respectively, for the Warriors, who trailed 28-20 at halftime and 40-31 after three quarters. Liggett was 14-of-19 from the foul line, while

Franklin Road made 2-of-6. **NOVI 61, ROCHESTER 27:** Sophomore guard Ellie Mackay's 19 points and three assists Jan. 5 propelled the Wildcats (5-0) past the visiting Falcons (1-5) in a non-conference game.

Novi led 31-9 at halftime and put it away with an 18-2 third-quarter run. Senior center Allie Lipson chipped in 10 points, nine rebounds, a steal and a block, while junior guard Cara Ninkovich also scored 10 points to go along with five rebounds and four steals.

The Wildcats shot 41.1 percent from the floor (23-of-56) and 64.3 percent from the foul line (9-of-14). Jenna Norgrove scored 11 points for the Falcons, who shot 10-of-32 from the field (31.2 percent) and only 2-of-10 (20 percent) from the free-throw line.

FRANKLIN ROAD 41, OAKLAND CHRISTIAN 29: Junior forward Hannah Rayburn tossed in 15 points Jan. 5 to lead host Novi Franklin Road Christian (2-5) to an MIAC crossover victory over Auburn Hills Oakland Christian.

Senior guard Danielle Fusco contributed 11 points for the Warriors, who led 27-23 after three quarters before pulling away in the final quarter with a 14-6 spurt.

Franklin Road made 9-of-13 free throws (69.2 percent). Lex Powers and Melanie VanSloten scored seven and six points, respectively, for the Lancers, who connected on 8-of-14 from the foul line (57.1 percent).

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playing as a team."

Novi, which improved to 6-0 overall, outscored Salem 15-5 in the third quarter to take command, getting six free throws from junior guard Cara Ninkovich, who finished with 10 points.

"I think we maybe went through three different offenses and didn't get anything going," Novi coach Bill Kelp said. "We were just out of sync and maybe that technical played a little part into it, but I don't know."

Kelp also made a slight adjustment to start the third quarter at the guard position.

"I think putting Cara at the point and playing Ellie over on the wing ... and, of course, them getting in a little bit of foul trouble helped out," Kelp said. "I think one of the things I thought is that we got into the paint a little bit more in the second half than the first half."

Allie Lipson, a senior forward, added five of her seven points to start the fourth quarter as Novi built a 10-point lead that eventually grew to 12 with 4:45 left on a basket by Mackay. Lipson also had a team-high nine rebounds.

Salem (5-2, 0-1) was unable to get any closer than seven the rest of the way as a full-court drive by Mackay with 1:57 remaining put Novi up nine and sealed the victory.

"It was the tale of two halves," Salem coach Lindsay Klemmer said. "Not being able to score in the first half was OK because we played some defense. But we couldn't score in the second half and we couldn't stop anybody. Thirty-one points in the second half is not OK. We're trying to keep people under 30 for an entire game."

The Rocks shot only 8-of-32 from the field (25 percent). "(Novi) locked down one



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Novi's Cara Ninkovich (right) dribbles down the sideline against Salem defender Darby Scott.

our best players, but our execution and our discipline was not good and they know that," Klemmer said. "I told them, 'We got a target on our back' and they need to understand that every single team in the division is coming after us. Our intensity needs to go up. I thought we matched their intensity in the first half and then we lost it in the second half."

Lasha Petree, a sophomore forward, paced Salem's scoring attack with 14 points, including the two technical free throws to start the game.

Novi shot 14-of-59 from the field (23.7 percent) and 10-of-17 from the foul line, while committing 16 turnovers.

Meanwhile, the 2-0 hole appeared to get Novi's bench fired up.

"I was a little confused," Mackay said. "I really didn't know what happened there."

We always talk about intensity on the bench. The bench is another player on the team and once they get going, it gets us going."

Kelp thought his entire team was engaged in the game for all 32 minutes, despite the early struggles.

"That's what I love about these kids," he said. "They root for each other."

Kelp thought the technical foul was unwarranted, particularly after only 15 minutes were put on the clock during the warm-up period. Normally there's 20 minutes allowed between the JV and varsity games.

Salem, which also got eight points from sophomore Jala Petree, connected on 13-of-22 free throws (59 percent). The Rocks committed a total of 22 turnovers.

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BOYS SWIM RESULTS

**BOYS SWIM RESULTS
LAKER INVITATIONAL
Jan. 9 at West Bloomfield**

TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Novi 304.5 points.

FINAL RESULTS

200-yard medley relay (Heat A): 1. Novi (Joey Berman, Narayan Mannivanan, Siddhardha Kareddy, Ryan Katulski), 1:39.47;

(Heat B): 1. Novi (Maxwell Williams, Andrew Kilponen, Brian Son, Bradley Huang), 1:48.11;

(Heat C): 1. Novi (Minjae Kim, Daniel Chung, Alan Yu, Ben Robbins), 1:55.17.

200 freestyle (Heat 4): 1. Phillip Billiu (Novi), 1:50.34.

200 individual medley (Heat 4): 1. Kareddy (Novi), 2:05.45; **(Heat 3):** 1. Joel Kotyk (Novi), 2:10.21; **(Heat 2):** 1. Son (Novi), 2:10.84; **(Heat 1):** 1. Preston Harrell (Novi), 2:13.54.

50 freestyle (Heat 4): 1. Katulski (Novi), 22.0; **(Heat 3):** 1. Huang (Novi), 23.87.

100 butterfly (Heat 4): 1. Kareddy (Novi), 53.97; **(Heat 3):** 1. Son (Novi), 56.94; **(Heat 2):** 1. Harrell (Novi), 57.1; **(Heat 1):** 1. Erik Halboth (Novi), 1:00.63.

100 freestyle (Heat 4): 1. Katulski (Novi), 48.74; **(Heat 2):** 1. Williams (Novi), 52.2.

500 freestyle (Heat 4): 1. Berman (Novi), 5:04.21; **(Heat 1):** 1. Justin Lee (Novi), 5:35.22.

200 freestyle relay (Heat A): 1. Novi (Billiu, Mannivanan, Kareddy, Huang), 1:32.41;

(Heat 2): 1. Novi (Robbins, Tomoki Moriya, Calvin Liu, Kim), 1:40.53; **(Heat D):** 1. Novi (Lucas Quinn, Nitin, Kinra, Lee, Albert Tan), 1:41.5.

100 backstroke (Heat 4): 1. Berman (Novi), 57.24; **(Heat 3):** 1. Billiu (Novi), 56.45; **(Heat 2):** 1. Halboth (Novi), 59.33; **(Heat 1):**

1. Williams (Novi), 58.95.

100 breaststroke (Heat 4): 1. Mannivanan (Novi), 1:06.09; **(Heat 2):** 1. Kotyk (Novi), 1:07.85; **(Heat 1):** 1. Kilponen (Novi), 1:08.37.

400 freestyle relay (Heat A): 1. Novi (Billiu, Son, Berman, Katulski), 3:24.23; **(Heat B):** 1. Novi (Robbins, Kinra, Kotyk, Williams), 3:38.07; **(Heat C):** 1. Novi (Chung, Kim, Lee, Tan), 3:46.35.

**DUAL MEET RESULTS
NOVI 134, HARTLAND 49
Jan. 5 at Hartland**

200-yard medley relay: 1. Novi (Phillip Billiu, Narayan Mannivanan, Siddhardha Kareddy, Alexander Yuan), 1:43.79; 3. Novi (Minjae Kim, Bradley Huang, Maxwell Williams, Joel Kotyk), 1:59.94.

200 freestyle: 1. Ryan Katulski (Novi), 1:47.15; 2. Joey Berman (Novi), 1:53.06; 3. Brian Son (Novi), 1:57.49.

200 individual medley: 1. Yuan (Novi), 2:11.85; 2. Williams (Novi), 2:14.1; 3. Erik Halboth (Novi), 2:16.73.

50 freestyle: 1. Billiu (Novi), 23.0; 3. Kareddy (Novi), 23.63.

1-meter diving: 1. James Ciolli (Novi), 231.75 points; 2. Nathan Pellerito (Novi), 218.70; 3. Mitchell Russell (Novi), 160.40.

100 butterfly: 1. Billiu (Novi), 56.09; 2. Williams (Novi), 58.52.

100 freestyle: 1. Kareddy (Novi), 51.28; 2. Berman (Novi), 51.5.

500 freestyle: 1. Katulski (Novi), 4:57.51; 3. Son (Novi), 5:08.96.

200 freestyle relay: 1. Novi (Katulski, Billiu, Mannivanan, Kareddy, Huang), 1:32.41; 2. Novi (Williams, Stephen Siitari, Ben Robbins, Son), 1:39.6.

100 backstroke: 1. Jonathan Loshinski (Hartland), 59.68; 3. Kotyk (Novi), 1:01.04.

100 breaststroke: 1. Yuan (Novi), 1:06.8; 3. Daniel Chung (Novi), 1:08.27.

400 freestyle relay: 1. Novi (Katulski, Berman, Son, Kareddy), 3:28.11; 3. Novi (Huang, Siitari, Mannivanan, Kotyk), 3:41.19.

Dual meet records: Novi, 5-1 overall; Hartland, 1-2 overall.

THE WEEK AHEAD

BOYS BASKETBALL

Friday, Jan. 15

Northville at Stevenson, 7 p.m.
South Lyon at Novi, 7 p.m.
Detroit CC at Country Day, 7 p.m.
Oak. Christ. at Franklin Rd., 8:30 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 19

S.L. East at Northville, 7 p.m.
Novi at Stevenson, 7 p.m.
Franklin Rd. at Ply. Christian, 7 p.m.
U-D Jesuit at Detroit CC, 7:30 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 22

Northville at Novi, 7 p.m.
St. Mary at Detroit CC, 7:30 p.m.
Franklin Rd. at Inter-City, 8:30 p.m.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Friday, Jan. 15

Luth. N'west at Franklin Rd., 5:30 p.m.
Stevenson at Northville, 7 p.m.
Novi at South Lyon, 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 19

Northville at S.L. East, 7 p.m.
Stevenson at Novi, 7 p.m.
Franklin Rd. at Ply. Christian, 7 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 22

Northville at Novi, 5:30 p.m.
Franklin Rd. at Inter-City, 7 p.m.

BOYS HOCKEY

Friday, Jan. 15

Northville vs. Churchill at Edgar Arena, 6 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 16
Northville vs. Novi at Detroit's Clark Park, 4 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 19

Northville vs. South Lyon at Novi Ice Arena, 7:45 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 20

Detroit CC vs. Brother Rice at Oak Park Arena, 7:40 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 21

Novi vs. Howell at Grand Oaks, 7 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 22

Detroit CC at Culver (Ind.), 7:30 p.m.
Northville vs. South Lyon at Kensington Valley I.H., 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 23

Franklin at Novi (Ice Arena), 3 p.m.
Detroit CC at Culver (Ind.), 6 p.m.

PREP WRESTLING

Friday, Jan. 15

Detroit CC at Brighton, 6 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 16

N'ville, Novi at Chelsea Inv., 9 a.m.

Sunday, Jan. 17

CC vs. Hartland, Grandville at CMU's McGuirk Arena, 10 a.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 20

S. Lyon, S.L. East at N'ville, 5:30 p.m.
Goodrich at Detroit CC, 6 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 23

Novi at Utica Invitational, 8 a.m.

BOYS SWIMMING

Thursday, Jan. 14

Northville at Stevenson, 6:30 p.m.
South Lyon at Novi, 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 16

CC at E. Grand Rapids Inv., noon.

Tuesday, Jan. 19

Detroit CC at Stevenson, 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 21

South Lyon at Northville, 6:30 p.m.
Detroit CC vs. U-D, DeLaSalle at Livonia Comm. Rec., 6:45 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 23

Detroit CC at Groves Inv., 10 a.m.

PREP GYMNASTICS

Saturday, Jan. 16

Caruss Inv. at Lakeland, TBA.

Tuesday, Jan. 21

Northville vs. Livonia Blue at Churchill H.S., 6:30 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 17

Northville at Birm. Groves, 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 23

Northville at Holt Inv., TBA.

PREP BOWLING

Friday, Jan. 15

Detroit CC vs. DeLaSalle at Oak Lanes, 3:30 p.m.

Sunday, Jan. 17

Oakland County Tourney at Astro Lanes, 8 a.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 19

Detroit CC vs. Brother Rice at Hazel Park Lanes, 3:30 p.m.

(at Novi Bowl)

Novi vs. John Glenn, 3:30 p.m.
Northville vs. Wayne, 3:30 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 21

Detroit CC vs. Notre Dame at Drakeshire Lanes, 3:30 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 22

(at Town 'N Country Lanes)
Novi vs. Salem, 3:30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 23

Detroit CC at Tri-County at Five Star Lanes, 8:45 a.m.

COMPETITIVE CHEER

Saturday, Jan. 16

Plymouth Invitational, TBA.

Wednesday, Jan. 20

Northville, S. Lyon, S.L. East at Novi Quad, 6 p.m.
TBA - time to be announced.

PREP WRESTLING

Despite going 0-4, CC Super Duals is beneficial

National, Midwest power St. Edward wins all four

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

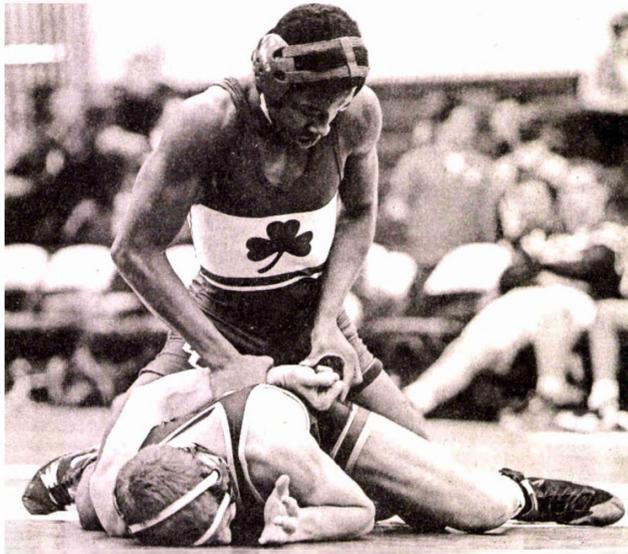
Although going an uncharacteristic 0-4 Saturday in its own Super Duals tournament, Novi Detroit Catholic Central's wrestling team hopes to reap the benefits down the road.

Last year's national champion and ninth-ranked Oak Park (Ill.) River Forest defeated the Shamrocks in the opener, 40-24, while Portage (Ind.), ranked sixth in its state rankings, downed CC, 41-22.

Two highly-regarded Ohio schools, Lakewood St. Edward, ranked No. 7 nationally by *USA Today*, and Brecksville defeated the Shamrocks by scores of 58-11 and 40-29, respectively.

St. Edward captured all four matches on the day to improve to 16-1 overall. The Eagles' lone loss this season is to No. 3-ranked Buchanan (Calif.).

"Our guys made a choice to attend Catholic Central to be challenged academically, athletically and spiritually," said CC coach Mitch Hancock, whose



Catholic Central freshman Kevon Davenport (top) won all four of his matches at 120 pounds in the CC Super Duals, including a win against Lakewood (Ohio) St. Edward.

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team took on four of the Midwest's prep powers while slipping to 6-5 overall. "We have an intense schedule this year and

it's to prepare our guys for the postseason. Records shift to 0-0 in the postseason." Leading the way with four

wins apiece on the day for the Shamrocks were junior Ty Morland (182 pounds) and freshman Kevon Davenport (120). Heavyweight Nick Jenkins finished 3-1, while Connor Curnutte (195) went 2-2.

"We could've wrestled at a local tournament up the road, possibly gone 5-0 on the day and walked out like super heroes," Hancock said. "We wrestled three of the toughest teams in the country and saw many bright signs from our guys. I'm proud of the way they competed and wrestled."

The Shamrocks return to action at 6 p.m. Friday when they travel to take on defending MHSAA Division 1 state champion Brighton in a battle of top-10 ranked teams.

Dual setback

Two of the state's Division 1 wrestling titans collided Jan. 6, with visiting Davison escaping with a 29-23 dual meet triumph over host CC.

Davenport (125 pounds) and Cam Amine (135) started the meet with victories for CC before the Cardinals won five straight weight classes to take a 23-8 advantage.

Morland stopped the bleeding for the Shamrocks when he bumped up to 189 to decision top-ranked Brendan McRill, 3-1. Jackson Ross (215) followed with a win over No. 5-ranked Tanner Thomas, while Jenkins (285) pulled CC within striking distance with a pin.

At 103, Rhett Newton battled, but lost on what was to be a tying take-down at the end of regulation. Junior David Rastique then earned a 7-2 victory over Raymond Cole at 112 to pull the Shamrocks to within three, 26-23.

Davison, which knocked CC out of last year's quarterfinal in Battle Creek, sewed up the victory at 119 pounds when state champ A.J. Facundo decisioned Stone Moscovic, 8-2.

"Our guys always compete hard," Hancock said. "That was an 8-6 dual, with us losing several close matches that could have gone either way. We have to get tougher, improve our leg 'D' and learn how to limit bonus points. That starts with our seniors. We have a great group of seniors and they are the backbone of this team."

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BOYS BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

Shamrocks stun DeLaSalle, 77-75

Laurentius' free throws clinch divisional victory

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Gio Genrich connected on six 3-pointers Friday to lead Novi Detroit Catholic Central to a 77-75 Catholic League Central Division boys basketball win over host Warren DeLaSalle.

The 5-foot-10 junior guard, who finished with a team-high 22 points, scored eight in the final quarter as the Shamrocks (3-1, 1-0) rallied from a 52-45 third-quarter deficit with a 32-23 fourth-quarter run.

Junior forward C.J. Baird added 17 points, including eight in the fourth.

But the big play came with only 0.03 seconds remaining, when senior guard Tyler Laurentius, who scored nine of his 10 in the final quarter, nailed a pair of free throws after being fouled in the lane while grab-

bing a rebounding following Kevin McKay's running 3-point attempt that missed.

McKay, a 6-4 senior swingman, finished with a game-high 35 points. The Central Michigan University signee had four triples and went 9-of-11 from the line.

Quinton Glaspie added 17 for the Pilots (4-2, 0-1), who made 15-of-24 free throws (62.5 percent).

"I'm just really happy with how we responded after Tuesday's loss (59-54 to Detroit Loyola) and just really excited to win a close game on the road at tough place in front of a packed house," said CC coach Bill Dyer, whose team made 14-of-17 foul shots (82.3 percent).

LIGGETT 46, FRANKLIN ROAD 44: Novi Franklin Road Christian (5-3, 2-2) shot only 30 percent from the floor Friday in a Michigan Independent Athletic Conference Blue Division setback against visiting Grosse Pointe Woods University-Liggett (3-4, 3-1).

The Warriors, who trailed from start to finish, made only 15-of-50 shots from the floor and only 8-of-16 free throws. Liggett led 20-11 at halftime and 34-29 after three quarters before Franklin Road rallied with a 15-12

run, but came up short after a late 3-pointer from senior guard Gavin Harris (15 points).

Senior guard Austin Hearn added 12 for the Warriors.

Spencer Ewing scored a game-high 19 points for the Knights, who made 10-of-14 foul shots. Anthony George added 11.

LOYOLA 59, DETROIT CC 54: Detroit Loyola (4-3) erased a seven-point halftime deficit before charging back for a non-league victory Jan. 5 over host Novi Detroit Catholic Central.

The Bulldogs, who improved to 4-3 overall, got a team-high 22 points from De'quan Powell, while Keith John and Romari Ennis chipped in 12 and 11, respectively.

Catholic Central (2-1), playing its first game in 23 days, got a game-high 25 points from C.J. Baird. The junior forward scored 15 of his points in the opening half to stake the Shamrocks to a 27-20 halftime advantage.

Baird added seven in the third quarter, but had only a triple in the final quarter — one of his five on the night — as CC was outscored 21-14.

Gio Genrich, a junior guard, added 11 points for the Shamrocks, who went 3-of-5 from the foul line. Loyola made only 8-of-17 from the foul stripe (47 percent).

"We got beat to a lot of loose balls," CC coach Bill Dyer said. "Losing those 50/50 balls was our real demise. (Loyola) wanted it more and they executed late and we did not."

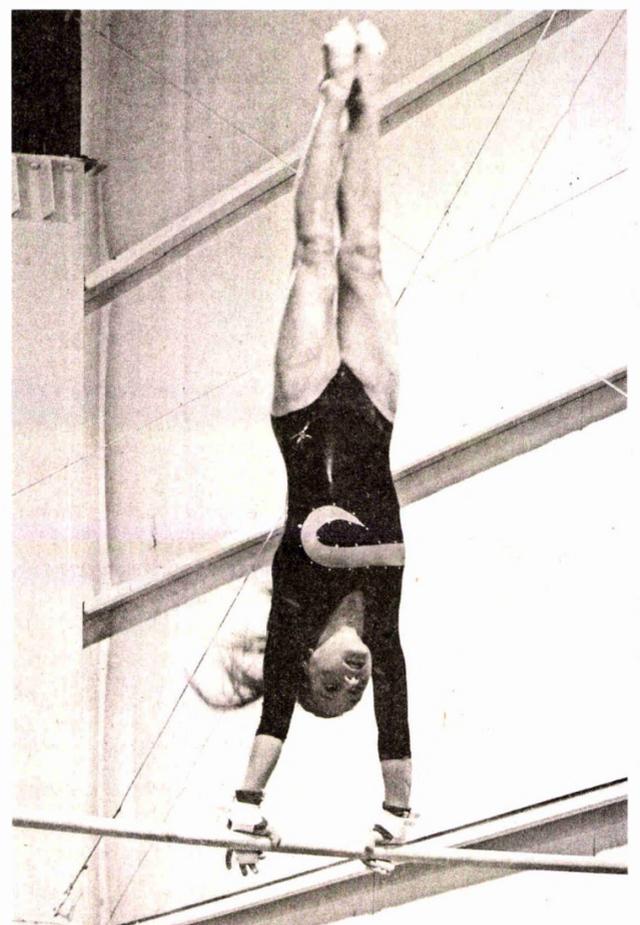
FRANKLIN ROAD 63, ROEPER 20: Senior center Joshua Bause poured in a game-high 24 points to lift Novi Franklin Road Christian (5-2, 2-1) to a Michigan Independent Athletic Conference Blue Division triumph Jan. 5 over Birmingham Roeper (1-6, 0-2).

The 6-foot-7 Bause also had 12 rebounds and six blocks as the Warriors led 35-10 at halftime and 59-17 after three quarters.

Senior guard Austin Hearn also added 17 points, 10 assists and six steals. The Warriors made all eight free-throw attempts.

Randy Pierce scored six points for the Roughriders.

High-wire act



DIANA SHANAHAN

Northville freshman Maddy Lewis (pictured) posted a career-high score of 8.85 on the uneven parallel bars as the Mustangs finished third in a quad meet Jan. 7 at Bounce Gymnastics at the Hartland Sports Center. Host Howell and Brighton finished first and second with scores of 141.40 and 140.325, respectively, while Northville was third with 135.275. Waterford was fourth with 128.70. Northville freshman Mackenzie Willson also posted a career-best 8.975 on the balance beam, while sophomores Lauren Shanahan and Maddie Dragon both turned in a score of 8.65 on vault. Sophomore Erin McCallum posted the top floor routine with 8.7. The Mustangs (2-3) return to action at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 12, at Plymouth.

BOYS SWIMMING

CC second, Northville fourth at Rock-Kilgore

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Some of the state's top-ranked Division 1 boys swim teams collided Saturday in the Rock-Kilgore Invitational at Salem with Saline emerging the winner with a team-high 333 points.

Novi Detroit Catholic Central was runner-up with 231 followed by Zeeland (229), Northville (173), Livonia Stevenson (108) and the host Rocks (81).

Saline's Daniel Keith figured in three firsts as he swept the 200- and 500-yard freestyle events in 1:42.11 and 4:42.55, respectively. He also anchored the Hornets to a first in the 400 freestyle relay (3:13.85).

Catholic Central's Jonathan Lee won the 100 breaststroke in 1:01.17 and added a third in the 200 individual medley (2:01.97). He also teamed up with Matt Loniewski, Kyle Tschannen and Tommy Wiaduck for a second in the 200 medley relay (1:40.67), which was won by Saline.

Northville's top individual placer was Kirk Maibach, who took thirds in the 50- and 100 freestyles with times of 21.97 and 48.73. James Xue contributed a third in the 100 butterfly (55.49), while Trevor DeGroot was also third in the 500 freestyle (4:59.59).

"On Saturday we did a neat thing by splitting our squad, kind of like spring training baseball," Northville coach Rich Bennetts said. "We sent half of the team over to Salem for the invitational and kept the other half home here to swim in a double dual that we hosted."

"Saline, Catholic Central and Zeeland are three of the best teams that we will see all year. Obviously we would have done better on the scoreboard

if the whole team was there, but it was still a rather humbling experience. We had some nice swims with the younger kids on the team and we are starting to figure out who will be in the mix to make the league meet team."

The Mustangs captured the double-dual defeating Canton, 109-74, and Hartland, 102-78, to improve to 5-2 overall.

"I was really impressed with how the boys did at the double dual meet," Bennetts said. "However, we had some top notch competition with the Salem Invite and we did not fair as well. We still have a tough time going up against the best the state has to offer."

Other individual winners for the Mustangs included Larry Zhao, 100 freestyle (50.91) and 100 backstroke (58.02); Travis Nitkiewicz, 200 IM (2:03.25); Jason Nitkiewicz, 100 butterfly (57.31); and Nikolai Arton, 100 breaststroke (1:05.4).

Zhao also teamed up with Chris Geng, Jason and Travis Nitkiewicz for a first in the 200 medley relay with a time of 1:44.79.

ROCK-KILGORE INVITATIONAL Jan. 9 at Salem
TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Saline, 333 points; 2. Novi Detroit Catholic Central, 231; 3. Zeeland, 229; 4. Northville, 173; 5. Livonia Stevenson, 108; 6. Salem, 81.

FINAL EVENT RESULTS
200-yard medley relay: 1. Saline (Jared Ehrman, Matt Lau, Max Duong, Alex Calder), 1:39.84; 2. Detroit CC (Matt Loniewski, Jonathan Lee, Kyle Tschannen, Tommy Wiaduck), 1:40.67; 4. Northville (Kirk Maibach, Roman Grossi, James Xue, John Duan), 1:44.23.

300 freestyle: 1. Daniel Keith (Saline), 1:42.11; 3. Kyle Tschannen (CC), 1:50.65; 4. Trevor DeGroot (N'ville), 1:51.39.

200 individual medley: 1. Jacob Ehrman (Saline), 1:57.6; 3. Jonathan Lee (CC), 2:01.97; 4. James Xue (N'ville), 2:04.52.

50 freestyle: 1. Gabriel Trevino (Zeeland), 21.47; 3. Maibach (N'ville), 21.97; 5. Tommy Wiaduck (N'ville), 23.38.

100 butterfly: 1. Trevino (Zeeland), 51.86; 2. Tschannen (CC), 53.85; 3. Xue (N'ville), 55.49.

100 freestyle: 1. Jackson O'Dowd (Stevenson), 47.76; 3. Maibach (N'ville), 48.73; 5. Wiaduck (CC), 51.17.

500 freestyle: 1. Keith (Saline), 4:42.55; 3. DeGroot (N'ville), 4:59.59; 5. Dan Vela (CC), 5:04.02.

200 freestyle relay: 1. Zeeland (Trevino, Philip DeJonge, Mac Robertson, Micah DeJonge), 1:28.75; 4. Detroit CC (Logan Mills, Jimmy Connor, Andrew

Campbell, Ethan Bezzina), 1:37.02; 6. Northville (Duan, Connor Lepish, Troy Stacer, DeGroot), 1:37.92.

100 backstroke: 1. Austin Mills (Zeeland), 53.75; 4. Chris Barron (CC), 59.56; 5. Ali Pazooki (N'ville), 1:01.4.

100 breaststroke: 1. Lee (CC), 1:01.17; 5. Haotian Jiang (N'ville), 1:06.5.

400 freestyle relay: 1. Saline (Jacob Ehrman, Klempter, Jared Ehrman, Keith), 3:13.85; 3. Catholic Central (Tschannen, Wiaduck, Loniewski, Lee), 3:21.7; 4. Northville (Xue, DeGroot, Alameddine, Maibach), 3:24.16.

DOUBLE-DUAL RESULTS

TEAM SCORES: Northville 111, Hartland 65; Northville 109, Canton, 74; Canton 102, Hartland 78.

FINAL EVENT RESULTS
200-yard medley relay: 1. Northville (Larry Zhao, Chris Geng, Jason Nitkiewicz, Travis Nitkiewicz), 1:44.79; 2. Northville (Arthur Greenlee, Nikolai Arton, Acheng Da, David Handy), 1:47.52.

200 freestyle: 1. Dan Mullen (Canton), 1:48.18; 2. Taiyo Ichikawa (N'ville), 1:55.44; 3. Jack Breuch (N'ville), 1:57.65.

200 individual medley: 1. T. Nitkiewicz (N'ville), 2:03.25.

50 freestyle: 1. Alec Green (Hartland), 23.08.

1-meter diving: 1. Charles Carey (Canton), 139.0 points; 2. Nicholas Remington (N'ville), 115.0.

100 butterfly: 1. Zhao (N'ville), 50.91.

500 freestyle: 1. Mullen (Canton), 5:05.45; 3. Ichikawa (N'ville), 5:11.28.

200 freestyle relay: 1. Canton (Gerard Hiermann, Jemal Vaunado, Derek Goders, Mullen), 1:35.21; 3. Northville (Cameron Heaven, Geng, Arton, Ryan Smelt), 1:38.09.

100 backstroke: 1. Zhao (N'ville), 58.02; 2. Greenlee (N'ville), 59.09.

100 breaststroke: 1. Arton (N'ville), 1:05.4; 2. Geng (N'ville), 1:06.67; 3. Heaven (N'ville), 1:09.53.

400 freestyle relay: 1. Hartland (Corey Nelligan, Michael Harris, Greene, Jonathan Loshinske), 3:27.91; 2. Northville (T. Nitkiewicz, Ichikawa, Smelt, Zhao), 3:30.04.

Northville's dual meet record: 5-2 overall.

DUAL MEET RESULT
NORTHVILLE 112, BRIGHTON 72
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200-yard medley relay: 1. Northville (Larry Zhao, Chris Geng, Kirk Maibach, Travis Nitkiewicz), 1:42.42; 3. Northville (Ali Pazooki, Haotian Jiang, Jason Nitkiewicz, Nikolai Arton), 1:49.91.

200 freestyle: 1. James Xue (N'ville), 1:50.32; 2. John Duan (N'ville), 1:58.2; 3. Connor Lepish (N'ville), 1:58.72.

50 freestyle: 1. Dominic Florini (Brighton), 23.87; 2. T. Nitkiewicz (N'ville), 24.11; 3. Cameron Heaven (N'ville), 24.52.

1-meter diving: 1. Christain Field (N'ville), 193.75 points.

100 butterfly: 1. Maibach (N'ville), 54.41; 2. DeGroot (N'ville), 58.11.

100 freestyle: 1. Zhao (N'ville), 51.34; 3. David Alameddine (N'ville), 53.63.

500 freestyle: 1. Xue (N'ville), 5:14.87; 2. Jason Nitkiewicz (N'ville), 5:16.69; 3. Duan (N'ville), 5:24.61.

200 freestyle relay: 1. Northville (Zhao, DeGroot, T. Nitkiewicz, Xue), 1:35.31; 2. Northville (Connor Lepish, Alameddine, Shane Boran, Heaven), 1:38.35.

100 backstroke: 1. C.J. Aeschbacher (Brighton), 1:02.94.

100 breaststroke: 1. Brennan Panz (Brighton), 1:07.3; 2. Heaven (N'ville), 1:08.93; 3. Jimmy Huang (N'ville), 1:11.28.

400 freestyle relay: 1. Brighton (J.T. Lengua, Spencer Gottschalk, Panz, Aeschbacher), 3:45.73; 2. Northville (J. Nitkiewicz, Pazoooka, Jacob Tebbe, Kenta Kikumori), 3:45.83.

Dual meet records: Northville, 3-2 overall; Brighton, 2-2 overall.

KLAA BOYS BASKETBALL

Northville tames Lions as Gibbons scores 21

Novi misses late shot in loss against Salem

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Make it seven straight victories for the Northville boys basketball team.

Senior forward Justin Gibbons tallied 10 of his game-high 21 points in the final period as the Mustangs held off visiting South Lyon, 54-45, in the KLAA Central Division opener for both teams.

Gibbons' three-pointer with 2:28 left gave the unbeaten Mustangs (7-0, 1-0) a nine-point cushion and help clinch the victory.

"We really battled tonight," Northville coach Todd Sander said. "South Lyon plays tremendous defense and they made us work for every score. We didn't shoot it well, but still found a way to get it done."

Senior forward Nick Wilds chipped in with a double-double finishing with 12 points

and 12 rebounds. He made 4-of-5 fouls shots.

Jake Justice added eight points, including 4-of-4 from the line, while senior guard Justin Zimbo went 5-of-6 at the foul stripe and scored all seven of his points in the final period.

Senior forward Josh Remstad scored a team-high 16 points for the Lions.

Northville connected on 18-of-23 free throws (78.2 percent), while South Lyon was 7-of-11 (63.6 percent).

SALEM 55, NOVI 52: Sophomore Camren Barden scored 15 points and senior center Kenny Topolovec added 13 Friday to propel the Rocks (5-2, 1-0) to a KLAA Central Division triumph over the host Wildcats (3-4, 0-1).

Topolovec iced the game with a pair of late free throws after Novi coach Brandon Sinawi, whose team was outscored 10-7 in the final quarter after it was tied 45-45. "They (Salem) killed us on the offensive glass. We did not play to our size at all. It was a disappointing effort on the glass."

Novi's last-ditch three-point try to tie missed as Salem held on for the win.

Junior Alec Bagers added 10 points for the Wildcats, who made 10-of-16 free throws (62.5 percent).

"We had opportunities to tie and got some good looks," said Novi coach Brandon Sinawi, whose team was outscored 10-7 in the final quarter after it was tied 45-45. "They (Salem) killed us on the offensive glass. We did not play to our size at all. It was a disappointing effort on the glass."

Salem, meanwhile, was only 12-of-23 from the foul line (52.1 percent).

RUNNING

Samuelson still in it for the long run

Olympic marathon gold medalist visits Gazelle Sports

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Joan Benoit Samuelson's accomplishments and stories still resonate with runners, even after 31 years.

The inaugural women's marathon winner of the 1984 Los Angeles Summer Olympic Games, the 58-year-old Samuelson made an appearance Jan. 7 at Gazelle Sports in Northville and continues to serve as an inspiration and ambassador of the sport.

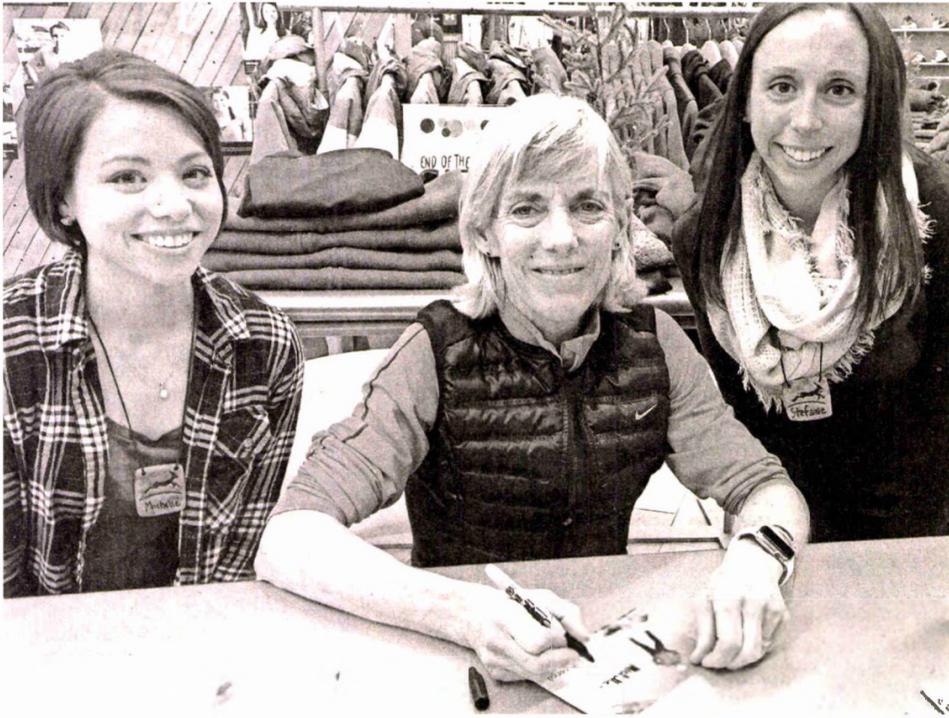
"Balance in life is crucial to success for the mind, body and spirit," she said. "If you don't have passion, you don't have fire. It has to come from within."

Samuelson still follows her same creed — her four P's — that began when she was a high school runner in Cape Elizabeth, Maine.

"It takes patience, passion, perseverance and persistence," said Samuelson, who eventually moved on to Bowdoin (Maine) College, where her career soared as she earned All-America honors in cross country and track.

In 1979, while returning as a student to Bowdoin after competing at N.C. State, Samuelson won the first of her two Boston Marathons, setting both an American and course mark. Boston was uncharted territory at the time for Samuelson, who never scouted the 26.2-mile course while convincing herself, "What I don't know can't hurt me."

Never one to look back over



Joan Benoit Samuelson (center), the inaugural women's marathon winner at the 1984 L.A. Summer Olympic Games, appeared Jan. 7 for a talk at Gazelle Sports in Northville, where she greeted store employees Michelle Dryer (left) of Royal Oak and Stefanie Perri of Farmington.

her shoulder, Samuelson captured the Boston race again in 1983 with a world record time (2:22.43). Just a year later, at age 27, she won the gold medal at the '84 Summer Games (2:24.52) while capturing the hearts of a national TV audience. The victory came just two weeks she had arthroscopic knee surgery.

In 1985, Samuelson broke new ground by winning the Chicago Marathon with an American record time of 2:21:21, a mark that stood for 18

years.

But at the peak of her running career, Samuelson took a sabbatical as she got married and started a family. She and her husband Scott have two grown children, including a daughter (Abby), who ran step-for-step with her in a 2012 marathon.

Samuelson called that transition period "B.C. and A.C." — before children and after children.

Samuelson picked up her running torch once again when

she celebrated personal anniversaries by running races in New York, Chicago and Athens, Greece. In the 2008 U.S. Olympic Women's Marathon Trials in Boston, at age 51, she ran a sub-2:50.

In 2010, Samuelson ran 2:47:50 to place 43rd at the Chicago Marathon — the site of her American record 25 years earlier — while just missing her goal of qualifying for an eighth U.S. Olympic Trials race by 1:50. She did, however, record the fastest-ever perfor-

mance by a woman over 52.

In 2013, Samuelson celebrated the 30th anniversary of winning Boston by running 2:50:20, beating her personal goal of 2:52:43. But the finish was marred by the horrific bombings, which left six dead and another 280 injured.

Samuelson was at Boston again in 2014, but this time as a spectator, cheering on runners at the finish line, calling it "one of the happiest moments of my life" and a "special moment" as she was there to greet one of the bombing victims who ran the race.

Samuelson, who turns 59 in May, helps maintain her current fitness with cross training. She is an avid Nordic skier and said she hasn't stepped on a track in two decades. She says she rarely runs more than once a day "because we can't carry the same loads that we did when we were younger."

Samuelson's mission is to continue to promote running as an "affordable sport in the midst of a health care crisis" while protecting the environment. She serves as a consultant for Nike, has authored two books and continues to make motivational appearances for countless running, health and fitness groups through talks and clinics.

Samuelson also told the Gazelle audience that, "You don't have to run a marathon to be a runner."

She tells parents that their children should "enjoy and play the sport of the season until age 14," while recalling her days of getting the chance to play baseball with her brothers.

"You have to live in the moment," Samuelson said. "There's no finish line in life."

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O'LEARY

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Novi also reached the state semifinals in 2013.

During his 14-year run, O'Leary won nine district and six regional titles, while also leading the Wildcats to KLA Association, Kensington Conference and Central Division titles in 2013. Novi also captured the Central Division crown outright twice, while sharing the title two other times.

"He's been a role model for the athletic department and how to conduct yourself in a very professional way," Novi athletic director Brian Gordon said. "There is no other coach that I've seen, especially in the sport of soccer, who prepares the way Brian prepares. He prepares his team, he prepares himself."

Due to health reasons, O'Leary did not coach the Novi girls in 2015 as JV coach Todd Pfeiffer filled the void, leading the Wildcats to a 9-4-4 overall mark and a KLA Association co-title with Northville.

On the boys side, O'Leary's 1998 team captured the Division 1 state championship with a 4-0 win over Brighton. The Wildcats boys won a total of five district and two regional titles, along with two Central divisions since the KLA Association was formed in 2008.

"He never says much during games, but with him the hay is in the barn when it comes to coaching at practice," Gordon said. "Watch him practice; he coaches hard. It's the way he pays attention to detail that other coaches don't see. We will certainly miss that."

Gordon said both varsity positions have been posted and interviews will begin within the week. During the boys season last fall, Rachel Kain served as a co-coach with O'Leary.

"Soccer has been one of those programs that has been an absolute strength for Novi for years and much of that is the kids and the talent that comes in every day, but it certainly takes a special person to be able manage the number of kids that do come in with the different personalities," Gordon said. "Those kids walk away with a life lesson every single day from Brian."

Despite entering another phase in his sporting life as supportive parent and fan, O'Leary, a high school math teacher, said he'll miss the interaction and relationships built with his players.

"You see them at school, but you also get to help them off the field," O'Leary said. "I think the two things tie together — being successful at life through their participation in sports tied into with how they do in school. I enjoy that."

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MAKEOVER

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Lake Lakeland (1,770), Walled Lake Central (1,766), Waterford Mott (1,651), Walled Lake Western (1,611), Waterford Kettering (1,512) and Walled Lake Western (1,662).

"What we're basically trying to do as far as one of the main objectives is to shrink that disparity in enrollment, which exists in several of the divisions," Hage said. "We're trying to decrease that a little bit, while keeping in mind we also make sure we maintain the core philosophy of proximity. We don't want to travel too far. We want to keep close proximity within the divisions while addressing the enrollment disparity."

New proposal

Under Proposal B, the new format will keep the two conferences intact with 12 schools apiece, but both will be realigned into three divisions instead of the current two.

"The premise going into this for some of the smaller schools was to look at competitive equity based on enrollment," said Huron Valley Schools athletic administrator Greg Michaels, who oversees Milford and Lakeland. "We looked at a lot of data, because we had eight years of data in the KLA Association to look at wins and losses, and enrollment differential."

The Kensington South would maintain John Glenn, Wayne, Churchill and Franklin, while the Central would feature Canton, Plymouth, Salem and Stevenson. The new Midwest Division would see both Milford and Pinckney switching conferences to join South Lyon and South Lyon East.

Meanwhile, Northville would be switching conferences to join the Lakes North, which would include all three Walled Lake schools (Central, Northern and Western). Novi would also be changing conferences as well, to the Lakes' East Division, with Lakeland, Mott and Kettering. The West Division would keep four of its six schools intact with Grand Blanc, Howell, Brighton and Hartland.

Grand Blanc would travel a KLA Association-high of 34.07 miles (from 28.98) each way within the confines of its conference, while other teams would be on buses longer going to events.

Extra travel

Northville's average trip each way would jump from 6.05 to 15.3 miles; Novi, 6.5 to 19.73; Milford, 16.7 to 22.24; and Pinckney, 21.86 to 23.9. The travel distances would also increase for South Lyon (11.01 to 13.83) and sister school East (7.05 to 14.83).

"We drive right past Walled Lake to go to Waterford," Novi A.D. Brian Gordon said. "In some cases it could be as much as an hour one way on bus. Transportation is a challenge for all school districts right now and you can see money is getting tighter. They can't find school bus drivers and that's true across the board. Some school districts have one-way transportation and some have no transportation, de-

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BRIAN GORDON

Novi athletic director

pending on the sport. It's a new challenge. It isn't all done yet. We'll see how it ends up."

But Gordon remains committed to the KLA Association and Proposal B seems to have found a consensus amongst the league's athletic directors for now.

"We're not completely happy with it, but the number one thing from our prospective was to keep the league together," Gordon said. "I think the KLA Association is one of the finest leagues in the state of Michigan and there's a lot of things that went on before I came to Novi by a lot of people who built the league. It isn't about who you play, it's about schools having rivalries and the people who work at those schools, the coaches and the athletic directors, the administrators that just build a culture with it for high school athletics."

"The league has come too far to disband, in my eyes. And whenever this stuff happens, some people have to give a little and some get a little."

Under scrutiny

Northville, probably the KLA Association's most successful athletic program in terms of championships and wins, is mulling Proposal B.

"I would say in this proposal that we would be making sacrifices," Northville A.D. Bryan Masi said. "Honestly, I don't know which way we're going to vote yet. If Proposal B is not approved by three-fourths vote, then we revert back to the current schedule. We may very well vote no, because we're in a better current situation with our schedule. I'm in more favor of keeping our current schedule."

Masi said he has kept in constant communication with both Superintendent Mary Kay Gallagher and Principal Tony Koski.

"We're still going to be a 12-team conference (but) with three divisions (if Proposal B is approved)," Masi said. "That's what we (athletic directors) approved on. I didn't approve it to say I like it better than the other." Scheduling, such as football, would have to be tweaked significantly. Currently there are as many as two non-conference games set aside to go along with five required division games and one KLA Association crossover.

In the other sports under Proposal B, there would be six different division champs crowned, while allowing for conference and Association-wide champions to be crowned as well.

Staying put?

"I don't see it as a challenge," Michaels said. "I see it as a unique opportunity to build some pretty creative schedules. I think we got the green light to start from the ground up. We got a good foundation in place with schedules. We've got by-laws, we've got philosophies. We got a pattern to fall back on, but I think now we can still meet the needs of our kids and do the best things when we're scheduling. I embrace the change; I like it. It impacts the smaller schools and Milford happens to be one, enrollment-wise."

If Proposal B does not get approval by the principals, the rumors might start again that as many as 10 KLA Association schools would form their own league or look elsewhere, whether it's the Southeastern Conference or Oakland Activities Association.

"Those subjects are always out there and there's always somebody kicking around stuff," South Lyon A.D. Mike Teagan said. "You always have other schools that are trying to do things for their programs, as well, and other leagues looking to bring other schools or see if they can move."

"The KLA Association has been good for everybody. It's just not athletic relationships. It's activity relationships, as well. The fundraisers, the student councils, the student leadership activities that the KLA Association puts on across all 24 schools is phenomenal. There's more than just athletics involved in those decisions. Those are things you want to see maintained."

The downturn of the economy prior to the KLA Association being formed in 2008 caused some disparity in the enrollments within the Association. Howell Parker, a new high school that never opened, was eventually replaced by Grand Blanc as the 24th member.

"I don't care who's in the room, the best and the brightest, I'm not sure anyone could anticipate how taxing that economic decline would be on schools," Michaels said. "One of the good things about this league is that we have good minds in there and we're not afraid to change. And we're going to try and put the best product out there. We pride ourselves on being one of the stronger conferences in the state of Michigan and we're just trying to put together a better product with the people in the room."

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Nurses say St. John Providence Health System fired them in labor dispute

Health system hires new contractor for anesthesia services

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The St. John Providence Health System has fired 68 certified registered nurse anesthetists at its Southfield and Novi hospitals who refused to take jobs with a new outside contractor despite comparable pay, according to the nurses' attorney.

The health system said it will continue its outsourcing move and the new contractor defended the quality of the job offers it extended to the nurses.

The hospitals — Providence Park Hospital of Novi and Providence Park Hospital of Southfield — remain open, but with anesthesiologists supplied by the new contractor. The contractor is a newly-formed company called PSJ Anesthesia, affiliated with Dr. Dominick Lago, an anesthesia specialist at both hospitals.

The 68 non-union nurses were offered jobs with the contractor, but repeatedly rejected the terms of the offered employment contracts for reasons unrelated to pay, said attorney David

Shea of Southfield-based Shea Aiello PC, who is representing the nurses.

The contracts offered the nurses similar base pay, but different work rules and scheduling and a lack of disclosure on other policies and procedures, Shea said.

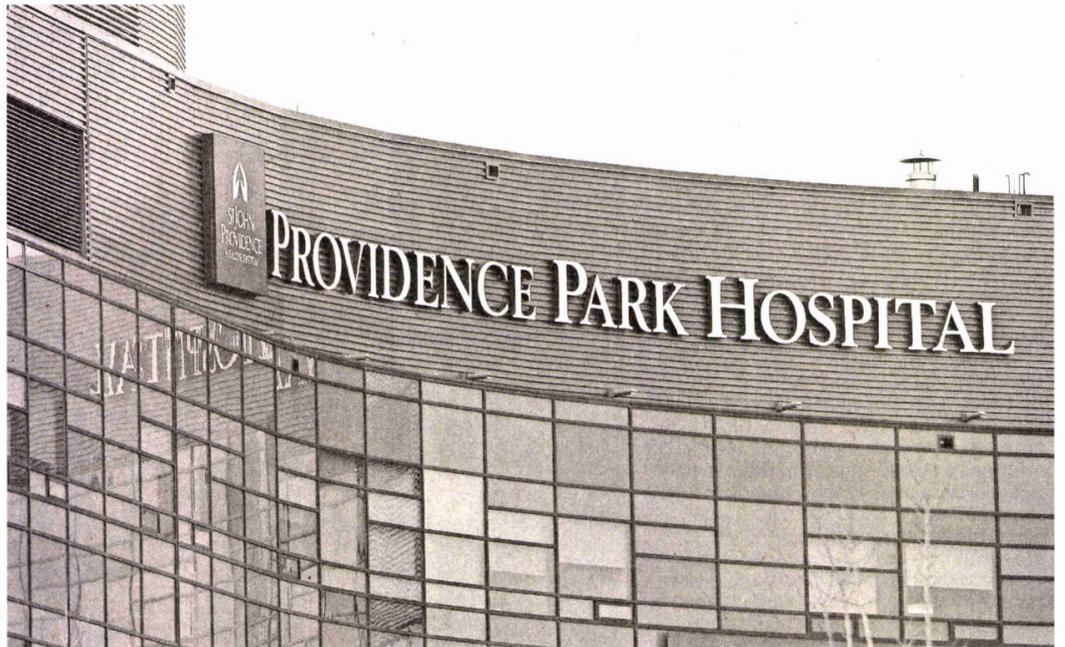
"Although their base pay was the same, there were problems with the rest of the compensation package," he said.

The nurses' main sticking point was having to work under Dr. Lago and his new company, Shea said.

"They would rather lose their jobs than work for PSJ," Shea said. "And now the question for Providence is, 'What is more important for them, PSJ or their nurses?'"

St. John Providence officials would not give an interview, but did release a statement saying that the health system will continue its planned transition of nurse anesthesia services at both hospitals with PSJ.

"PSJ Anesthesia was formed by anesthesiologists who have provided care to patients at Providence for more than 40 years as part of Northland Anesthesia, a nationally respected anesthesia provider," the health system said in the statement. "It is a common practice for health



Scores of certified registered nurse anesthetists were fired from the St. John health system after the hospitals contracted with a private anesthetist company. The nurses refused to sign contracts with the newly-formed company, reportedly because they weren't given specifics of the contract terms.

systems to contract with business partners to provide certain services."

Shea said the nurses received notice in mid-October that their jobs would be outsourced to PSJ effective Jan. 1. The nurses received termination letters last month that took effect at 11 p.m. Dec. 31. However, the health system contends it

did not actually fire or lay off the nurses because they were offered comparable jobs with PSJ, according to Shea.

"And the impact of that is that they can't even apply for unemployment," Shea said. "I am going to fight that, but that is what they're telling their people, some of whom have worked there for decades."

Shea said that only a handful of the affected nurses accepted the job offers with PSJ.

An attorney for Lago declined to answer questions. In a released statement, PSJ said it "has been committed to recruiting the (nurse anesthetists) currently employed by Providence and, toward that end, offered a compensation

package comprising the identical base salary as the CRNAs currently earn, as well as a competitive benefits package."

St. John Providence's hospitals are part of the nonprofit St. Louis-based Catholic health system Ascension Health, which operates in the state as Ascension Health Michigan.

Ace Cutting a top Minnich dealer for 2015

Minnich Manufacturing awarded its Northern Region's Top Dealer Award to Ace Cutting Equipment.

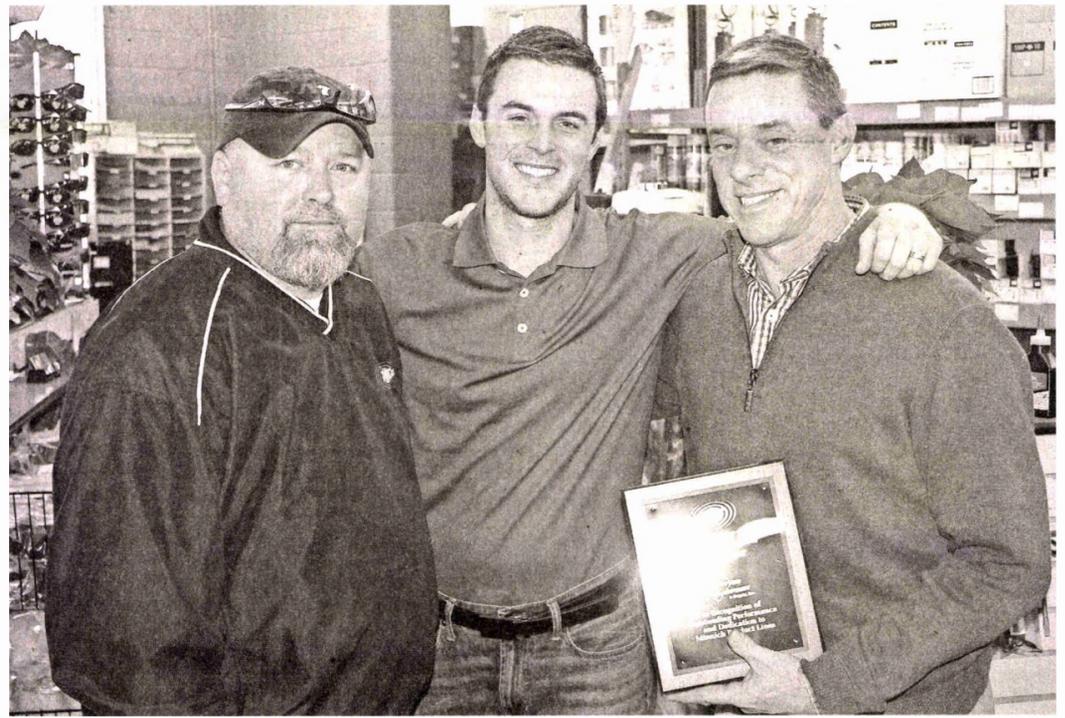
Ace Cutting led Minnich's Northern Region, which includes 21 states, in sales and represented a majority of its products. With its high attention to customer service and satisfaction, Ace Cutting has proven to be a big part of the Minnich Family of dealers, the company said.

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ence in the industry allows it to offer the market's widest and most innovative and powerful range of concrete and masonry cutting equipment and diamond tools.

Ace Cutting is at 25806 Novi Road in Novi. Find it online at acecutting.com.

Ace Cutting Equipment in Novi was recognized recently as the region's top Minnich Manufacturing dealer. Pictured are (from left) Mike Sansom, Minnich Northern Region sales representative; Steve Measel, Ace Cutting salesman; and Ron Measel, Ace Cutting owner.



Stay the course during turbulent times

Rutal — that is the only way you can describe how the markets began the new year. Across the board, markets were down on average 6 percent during the first week of 2016. This makes it the worst opening week on Wall Street in history.

The news is full of doom and gloom and, as a result, investors are nervous. That's why I think it's important to take a step back and understand what's happening before you decide to make a move. Remember, one of the keys of investing is don't let short-term comfort cause long-term pain.

If you take a step back and analyze what's happening, it's clear that China has been the main reason for the downturn. China, which has been the fuel that's driven the world's growth over the last number of years and whose economy has been growing at an incredible pace, has started to slow down. As a result, the markets have had an adverse reaction. It's not that we didn't know that China was slowing, but every time there's a new report that confirms it, markets are adversely



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affected. It is important to understand China is the second largest economy in the world. When the Chinese economy slows down, it has a domino effect throughout the world.

The other major reason for the market sell-off has been oil prices, which continue to fall. In fact, oil prices are now around \$33 a barrel, where they were in 2004. A drop in energy prices is a double-edged sword. As consumers, we love the fact that we can fill up our tanks at less than \$2 a gallon. The other side is that many economies throughout the world are dependent upon energy prices, including ours. Numerous oil wells throughout the United States have been shut down because of low energy prices. As a result, jobs are lost and local economies are hurt.

The question we're faced with as investors is, What do we do? Do we sell off and wait it out or do we stay the course?

My problem with selling out is that, now what? Do you leave your money in cash that is paying virtually nothing? You are losing purchasing power because we know the cost of living is going up much faster than the return you're getting in the bank.

I know it hurts when the market goes down. I am an investor and, when markets retreat, my accounts retreat as well. What I constantly focus on are my goals and objectives, not where the market is at any given point in time. Markets are volatile and fickle, but my goals and objectives are not. If you maintain focus during these turbulent and volatile times, you will prosper over the long run. But if you try to constantly time the market, it's no different than the hamster and the wheel — you run and run, but you've gone nowhere.

Good luck!

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CITY OF NOVI VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO SERVE ON CITY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Notice is given that the Novi City Council will be interviewing applicants for appointment to the following Boards & Commissions:

- Beautification Commission
- Building Authority
- Construction Board of Appeals
- Housing & Community Development Advisory Committee
- Library Board
- Zoning Board of Appeals

If you are a registered voter and interested in volunteering to serve on a City Board or Commission, information about the various Boards and Commissions is available at cityofnovi.org or at the office of the City Clerk, 45175 Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375, (248)347-0456.

The deadline for filing an application (available online at cityofnovi.org or at the City Clerk's office) is Friday, January 29, 2016. Applicants will be contacted by the City Clerk's Office regarding the date and time of interviews.

Maryanne Cornelius, MMC, City Clerk

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CITY OF NORTHVILLE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL MARY ALEXANDER COURT DUMPSTER ENCLOSURE ADDITION

The City of Northville, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan, requests sealed requests for proposals for the construction of an addition to the Mary Alexander Court dumpster enclosure. All interested bidders should see the application to submit a proposal. Proposal details may be received by contacting the Architect, David Mielock, Mielock Associates, Inc., 114 Rayson Street, Suite 2C, Northville, MI 48167 (248) 349-2708.

A Pre-Bid meeting will be held at the project site on Mary Alexander Court, which is located between Main Street and Cady Street, east of Center Street, Northville, Michigan at 11:00 A.M., Thursday, November 14, 2016. Pre-Bid attendance is not required but is highly recommended. An original proposal and two (2) copies must be submitted by Thursday, January 21, 2016, at 2:00 p.m. at which time they will be opened and read to: Dianne Massa, City Clerk, 215 West Main Street, Northville, Michigan 48167. Proposals must be sealed in an envelope marked "PROPOSAL - Mary Alexander Court Dumpster Enclosure Addition". Faxed and emailed proposals will not be considered. The City of Northville reserves the right to accept and/or reject any or all proposals and to waive any irregularities in the proposals that are in the best interest of the City of Northville. Northville City Hall Chamber is handicap accessible. Arrangements to reasonably accommodate special needs including handicap accessibility or interpreter are requested to contact the City Clerk at least 72 hours prior to the start of the meeting.

DIANNE MASSA, CITY CLERK
An electronic version of this Request for Proposal can be obtained from the City's web site. <http://www.ci.northville.mi.us/Services/PurchasingAndRFPs/ProposalsBids.asp>.

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Home Builders Association buoyed by late 2015 report data

Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Mild weather late in 2015 meant that home builders could keep on working. "I've got to believe that it is" a key factor, Michael Stoskopf, CEO of the Home Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan, said of a late December report showing home permits in the region going strong. "Last winter, we spent a lot of time blaming the weather. It's nothing like what it's been the last couple of years," he said of late 2015 weather and home construction.

Residential construction "is a very seasonal activity here in the Midwest," he said. "When it does get cold, people get laid off from their (construction) jobs."

The extra hours and income are helpful to many, he added. "It helps bless a lot of families."

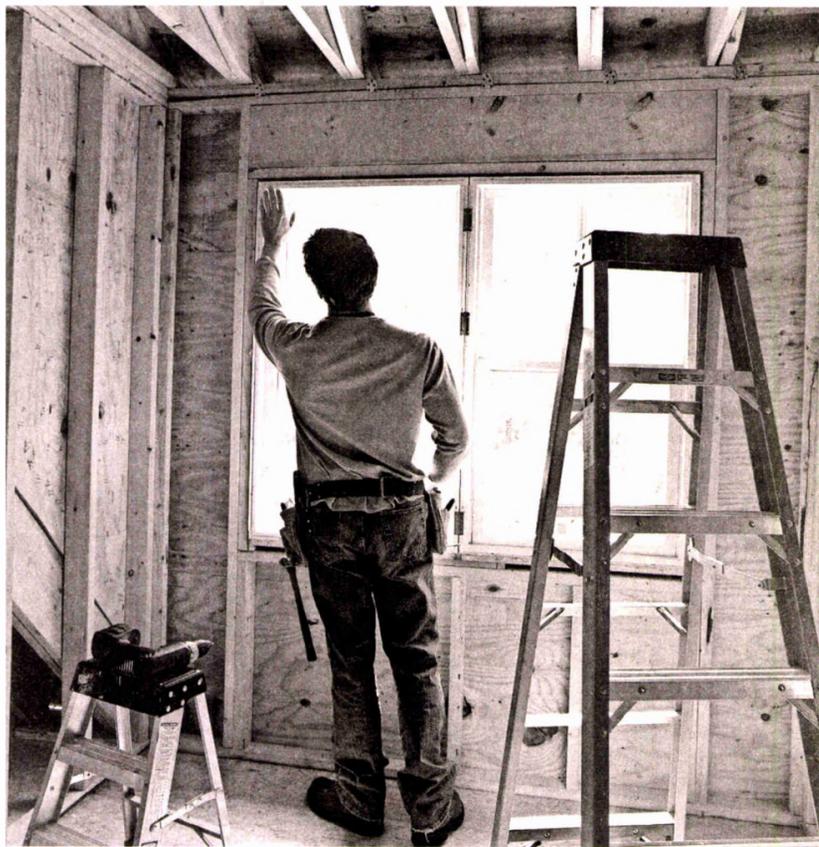
Based on single-family new home permit data compiled by the Home Builders Association of Southeastern Michigan and reported in the *HBA Southeastern Michigan Residential Building Activity Report*, a total of 308 single-family permits were issued in Macomb, Oakland, St. Clair and Wayne counties in November 2015. That's the highest November total since November 2006 (404).

Activity was 32% higher compared to a November 2014's total of 233 permits, reflecting the milder weather this year. Oakland County led the way with 163 new home permits issued during the month, nearly matching its revised October 2015 result of 167 permits. This was also Oakland County's highest November permit total dating back to 2005 (249), the report notes.

The region's multi-family construction continued its strong year with another 246 permits issued in November. Similar to the single-family results, this was the highest November multi-family permit total dating back to 2006 (263). November's activity also marks the 14th consecutive month with multi-family permit activity, the longest such streak since a 19-month run dating from July 2004 to January 2006, the report notes.

Based on the econometrics used in the forecast calculations, the *HBA/ASA New Housing Permit Forecast* projects a total of 2,516 permits will be issued in the six-month, December-to-May time frame.

Stoskopf noted Canton, Macomb Township and Lyon Township building of



Contractor working on window in new home

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homes "that have led the way and are continuing to do that." It's "at a pace people can buy at and the market can absorb," he said.

"Canton is probably the closest to being built out" of those three, with Macomb Township next, followed by Lyon Township, he said.

The HBA's 2016 Homearama will be the second half of September and first half of October in Macomb Township, featuring some 10 model homes.

"It should be a real nice time of year weather-wise," Stoskopf said. The homes will be in the \$350,000-\$600,000 price point range.

"We're really excited about being back

out in Macomb Township," he said. "We're excited about returning to Macomb Township."

He added of the December building report, "It's just really exciting to finish 2015 on a high note. We're actually looking at 2016 as having a probability of dating back to 2006" in construction levels.

"We've got that chance in 2016 to get up to that level," he said. "I don't see a recession in the next couple years. Things look real positive for 2016."

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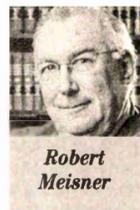
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Question arises on email addresses, phone numbers

Q: I am president of our association and am wondering whether we have to provide email addresses and phone numbers to a request for information from a member.

A: There is a new amendment to Michigan Nonprofit Corporation Act that provides various questions which have to be satisfied before members are given the right to the access of the books and records of the association. That is yet to be determined and it is on a case by case basis. However, in the case out of Utah, the Utah Court of Appeals on a similar statute held that an association was not obligated to provide a member with the email addresses or phone numbers of other members, although it was not a unanimous decision. Obviously, this is the kind of thing that needs the review by the association's legal counsel as to the purpose for the inquiry and a number of other factors that the new Nonprofit Corporation Act requires.



Robert Meisner

Q: We are members of a subdivision association wherein all of the owners have easements over the association's own parks and streets. However, the association is threatening to give permission to one of our owners to construct a private deck on the park property next to his lot. Several of us have objected to the deck and we are wondering whether we have a basis to stop the association from authorizing the private use of what we think to be a common area.

A: I think you are on firm ground, particularly based upon a recent decision from the Michigan Court of Appeals that clearly determined that constructing a private deck in the common area was contrary to that subdivision's restrictions and the dedicatory language on the plat. The court reasoned that an easement is a right to use land owned by another, but it does not include the right to occupy and possess the land in the same way as the property's owner. In essence what the court said was where a plat dedicates land for use by all subdivision lot owners, they have an irrevocable right to use it. That should help a lawyer you retain to advise you on this matter.

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

REAL ESTATE BRIEFS

Investors

The Real Estate Investors Association of Wayne will have an open forum. Investors will answer questions and offer a market update. Meetings are at 6-9 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at the Red Lobster on Eureka in Southgate.

Members are free, guests \$20, which will be applied to their membership. The Red Lobster is next to 7-Eleven, near Trenton Road.

For more information, call Bill Beddoes at 734-934-9091 or Wayne Koehler at 313-819-0919.

Short sales

If you owe more than what your house is worth, you may be interested in a free informational seminar on short sale procedures.

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

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HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Aug. 10-14, 2015, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses and sales prices.

BEVERLY HILLS

21699 Corsaut Ln \$314,000
22656 Highbank Dr \$555,000

BINGHAM FARMS

30275 Oakview Way \$265,000
32840 Outland Trl \$667,000

BIRMINGHAM

1331 Cedar Dr \$650,000
1320 Dorchester Rd \$465,000
1388 E Melton Rd \$247,000
1679 Graefield Rd \$137,000
1946 Graefield Rd \$123,000
531 Graten St \$375,000
959 Hazel St \$788,000
1948 Hazel St \$705,000
1221 Hillside Dr \$782,000
880 N Adams Rd \$112,000
1041 N Old Woodward Ave #1 \$285,000
1265 S Bates St \$328,000
1400 Smith Ave \$670,000
155 Wimbleson Dr \$485,000
980 Wimbleson Dr \$900,000
2280 Yorkshire Rd \$323,000

BLOOMFIELD HILLS

5576 N Adams Way \$287,000
4475 Burnley Dr \$250,000
6363 Dakota Cir \$563,000
3178 E Bradford Dr \$276,000
1790 Huntingwood Ln \$495,000
4830 N Harsdale Rd \$60,000
437 S Williamsbury Rd \$309,000
4216 Sedgemoor Ln \$315,000
902 Tartan Trl \$425,000

BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP

3131 Berkshire Dr \$278,000
928 Bloomfield Knoll Dr \$1,055,000
3871 Carriage Rd \$480,000
6785 Cedarbrook Dr \$345,000
4563 Chelsea Ln \$860,000
383 Concord Pl \$90,000
120 Devon Rd \$690,000

6488 Maple Hills Dr \$230,000
3320 Squirrel Rd \$675,000
5543 Westwood Ln \$360,000

COMMERCIAL TOWNSHIP

4570 Achilla St \$165,000
5680 Blackmoor St \$220,000
4295 Bluebird Cir \$455,000
5244 Bridge Trl E \$455,000
5485 Bueli Dr \$320,000
4536 Darlene Dr \$352,000
4900 Juniper Dr \$290,000
4705 Kara Ct \$428,000
3759 Loch Bend Dr \$830,000
8070 Mario St \$145,000
2809 Orenda St \$155,000
4625 Racewood Dr \$440,000
2784 Red Arrow Dr \$160,000
185 Robin Rd \$175,000
1595 Salishan Ln \$310,000
1656 Trace Hollow Dr \$317,000
430 W Grand Traverse St \$250,000
9033 War Bonnet Dr \$299,000

FARMINGTON

33796 Glenview Ct \$150,000
22808 Manning St \$144,000
23060 Manning St \$175,000
26347 Palmetto Dr \$350,000

FARMINGTON HILLS

21822 Albion Ave \$91,000
21908 Albion Ave \$96,000
24907 Arden Park Dr \$305,000
22307 Atlantic Pointe \$94,000
31691 Belmont St \$225,000
27590 Bridle Hills Dr \$235,000
21990 Cass St \$201,000
38655 Cedarbrook Ct \$365,000
29817 Edgell Ave \$115,000
27697 Forestbrook Dr \$275,000
27714 Forestbrook Dr \$212,000
30084 Fox Club Dr \$420,000
36117 Fredericksburg Rd \$375,000
38543 Horton Dr \$315,000
34897 Huntington Ct \$490,000
22159 Inkster Rd \$125,000
35872 Johnston Rd \$286,000
27848 Kendallwood Dr \$186,000
28401 Lake Park Dr W \$239,000
25597 Livingston Cir \$365,000
32341 Nestlewood St \$213,000
25220 Pimlico Ct \$158,000
29551 Pine Ridge Cir \$128,000

21830 River Ridge Trl \$270,000
29771 Sierra Point Cir \$170,000
29779 Sierra Point Cir \$190,000
23159 Tuck Rd \$136,000
30040 W 13 Mile Rd \$147,000
37859 Windwood Dr \$275,000

FRANKLIN

26125 Woodlure Rd \$460,000

HIGHLAND

3812 Chapin Dr \$270,000
3481 E Clarice Ave \$150,000
2794 Golfers Dr \$110,000
2083 Highland Trl \$115,000
2257 N Millford Rd \$62,000
282 Taras Dr \$161,000

LATHRUP VILLAGE

28714 Blackstone Dr \$115,000
27060 Eldorado Pl \$190,000

MILFORD

375 E Summit St \$269,000
719 Friar Dr \$157,000
305 Highland Ave \$190,000
201 Lone Tree Rd \$350,000
285 Napa Valley Dr \$340,000
1250 Old Millford Farms \$386,000
850 Panorama Dr \$136,000
54655 Pontiac Trl \$273,000

NORTHVILLE

1222 Charleston Ct \$190,000
51768 Curtis Ct \$526,000
49551 Deer Run \$650,000
52314 Fairfax Ct \$457,000
45150 Mayo Dr \$351,000
938 McDonald Dr \$512,000
978 McDonald Dr \$252,000
487 Welch Rd \$579,000
876 Yorktown Ct \$179,000

NOVI

45627 Addington Ln \$440,000
25570 Anthony Dr \$200,000
30665 Ardmore Ct \$115,000
30695 Ardmore Ct \$123,000
24580 Bramblewood Dr \$385,000
28209 Carlton Way Dr \$210,000
28435 Carlton Way Dr \$306,000
18387 University Park Dr \$400,000
28121 DeLaration Rd \$400,000
44149 Durston St \$174,000
22162 Edgewater \$142,000
24154 Elizabeth Ln \$425,000
22481 Fuller Dr \$395,000

46590 Galway Dr \$270,000
25614 Gina Ct \$170,000
40342 Guilford \$190,000
24361 Kings Pointe \$136,000
29930 Martell Ct \$147,000
23720 Maude Lea St \$275,000
27113 Maxwell Ct \$175,000
24447 Olde Orchard St \$308,000
24619 Olde Orchard St \$120,000
109 Parklawn St \$288,000
24849 Reeds Pointe Dr \$560,000
24252 Saybrook Ct \$650,000
41614 Sleepy Hollow Dr \$218,000
351 South Lake Dr \$725,000
25186 Sutton Ct \$540,000
23677 Valley Starr \$190,000

SOUTH LYON

1008 Carriage Trace Blvd \$400,000
59007 Cobblers Ct \$355,000
225 Columbia Dr \$308,000
788 Fox Ct \$210,000
52432 Fremont Dr E \$473,000
22965 Fremont Dr N \$490,000
322 Harvard Ave \$185,000
1213 Horseshoe Dr \$339,000
25400 Meadow Ct \$383,000

SOUTHFIELD

27327 Apple Blossom Ln \$190,000
17382 Bonstelle Ave \$526,000
16191 Edwards Ave \$650,000
27416 Everett St \$457,000
15870 Fairfax Ct \$351,000
21671 Frazer Ave \$512,000
17348 Hilton St \$265,000
23250 Russell St \$529,000
16750 Sherrill Pl \$177,000
25720 Southfield Rd # A206 \$45,000
29746 Spring Hill Dr \$110,000
19114 Starlane St \$150,000
28295 Tavistock Trl \$252,000
24604 Templar Ave \$159,000
5000 Town Ctr # 2205 \$105,000

WHITE LAKE

490 Berry Patch Ln \$437,000
252 Decca Dr \$156,000
9050 Glasgow Ct W \$231,000
107 Osborn Lake Rd \$195,000
460 Rosario Ln \$265,000
1292 S Williams Lake Rd \$120,000
8213 Sequoia Ln \$195,000
8034 Springdale Dr \$225,000

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE COUNTY

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CANTON

779 Adams St \$355,000
838 Adams St \$309,000
48520 Antique Rd \$545,000
2375 Arcadia Dr \$140,000
2249 Berwick Dr \$162,000
3768 Brooklyn Dr \$283,000
4210 Candlestone Dr \$262,000
43269 Candlewood Ct \$260,000
7605 Claremont St \$169,000
378 Constitution St \$280,000
39709 Coronation Rd \$282,000
45126 Danbury Rd \$183,000
43581 Emrick Dr \$484,000
8188 Endicott Ln \$175,000
463 Georgetown St \$456,000
48005 Gladstone Rd \$188,000
7367 Green Meadow Ln \$55,000
46722 Gunner Dr \$173,000
42411 Hanford Rd \$315,000
3016 Hawthorn Dr \$225,000
44419 Heather Ln \$225,000
44619 Heather Ln \$225,000
45429 Holmes Dr \$341,000
4564 Hunters Cir W \$118,000
46462 Inverness Rd \$349,000
1625 Manton Blvd \$217,000
44524 Meadowcreek Ln \$192,000
1556 N Beck Rd \$211,000
45370 Old School Ln \$75,000
45176 Quaker Hill Dr \$250,000
41817 Ravenwood St \$188,000

45009 Rolling Ridge Ct \$280,000
44125 S Umlerland Cir \$170,000
201 Scarlett Dr \$293,000
4241 Sherwood Cir \$275,000
48585 Times Square Ct \$263,000
43569 W Arbor Way Dr \$103,000
1310 Wagon Wheel Rd \$246,000
48807 Westbridge Dr \$198,000
41830 Winter Ct \$210,000

GARDEN CITY

30751 Bock St \$99,000
28952 Elmwood St \$65,000
6142 Harrison St \$65,000
31500 James St \$87,000
32459 John Hawk St \$96,000
250 Lathers Dr \$80,000
33633 Marquette St \$135,000
30950 Pierce St \$105,000
36616 Angeline Cir \$120,000
36713 Angeline Cir \$170,000
36010 Ann Arbor Trl \$75,000
11401 Arcola St \$120,000
38008 Birch Run \$221,000
15658 Brookfield St \$140,000
33005 Brookside Ct \$405,000
9307 California St \$167,000
34032 Coventry Dr \$290,000
28419 Elmira St \$130,000
28483 Elmira St \$130,000
14194 Meadow Hill Ln \$189,000
14613 Gary Ln \$140,000
9403 Gillman St \$145,000
16186 Golfview St \$206,000
9043 Hanlon St \$165,000
16777 Inkster Rd \$98,000
19903 Inkster Rd \$32,000
33411 Mungey St \$131,000
34412 Mungey Dr \$185,000
19161 Osmus St \$170,000
34324 Parkdale St \$185,000
34657 Pinehurst Ct \$249,000

34500 Pinetree St \$100,000
15408 Richfield St \$200,000
8858 Saville Row \$70,000
319,000
17953 Stonehouse Ave \$319,000
18387 University Park Dr \$180,000
15625 Westbrook St \$195,000
31860 Wyoming St \$145,000

NORTHVILLE

16793 Abby Cir \$490,000
405 Covington Ct \$360,000
19369 Crystal Lake Dr \$145,000
16836 Dover St \$160,000
39679 Dun Rovin Dr \$335,000
45753 Fermanagh Dr \$410,000
39771 Golfview Dr \$689,000
40217 Hickory Ct \$438,000
41285 Lehigh Ln \$145,000
17411 Maple Hill Dr \$315,000
46161 Neeson St \$385,000
19514 Northridge Dr \$98,000
48725 Stoneridge Dr \$594,000
15811 Winding Creek Ct \$240,000
9396 Baywood Dr \$626,000
40422 Cove Ct \$426,000
40826 E Ann Arbor Trl \$280,000
44475 Gov Bradford \$280,000
41688 Greenbriar Ln \$280,000
42066 Lakeland Ct \$529,000
14194 Meadow Hill Ln \$180,000
292 N Holbrook St \$250,000
8955 Pine Trail Ct \$400,000
40530 Pinetree Dr \$186,000
10273 Red Maple Dr \$365,000
11841 Russell Ave \$180,000
48358 Sherwood Dr \$562,000
14185 Terrace Ct \$230,000
15120 Thornridge Dr \$243,000

REDFORD

15523 Centralia \$43,000
9103 Dale \$80,000

8869 Fenton \$105,000
19163 Gaylor \$51,000
12741 Hemingway \$65,000
16943 Kinloch \$112,000
24860 Levee \$72,000
24961 N Sylbert Dr \$90,000
20070 Negaunee \$195,000
9655 Saleem \$58,000
9175 Winston \$80,000
15474 Woodbine \$35,000
12843 Wormer \$90,000

WAYNE

35328 Ash St \$118,000
4541 Fletcher St \$70,000
34216 Arrowhead St \$110,000
35510 Avondale St \$100,000
32664 Birchwood St \$111,000
8001 Chestnut Ln \$272,000
37534 Colonial Dr \$74,000
428 Ethan Dr \$252,000
33626 Fairchild St \$96,000
32539 Fernwood St \$82,000
1629 Flynn St \$90,000
7339 Garden St \$147,000
30608 Grandview Ave \$231,000
320 Larchmont Dr \$170,000
4843 Butler St \$29,000
37635 N Mather Cir \$120,000
7402 N Hawthorne St \$110,000
38324 N Jean Ct \$117,000
5840 N Karle St \$64,000
636 N Linville St \$160,000
2026 N Rickett St \$82,000
38173 N Parkham Ct \$137,000
39350 Northampton St \$135,000
34615 School St \$140,000
20126 Stacy St \$130,000
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Take the next step after job rejection

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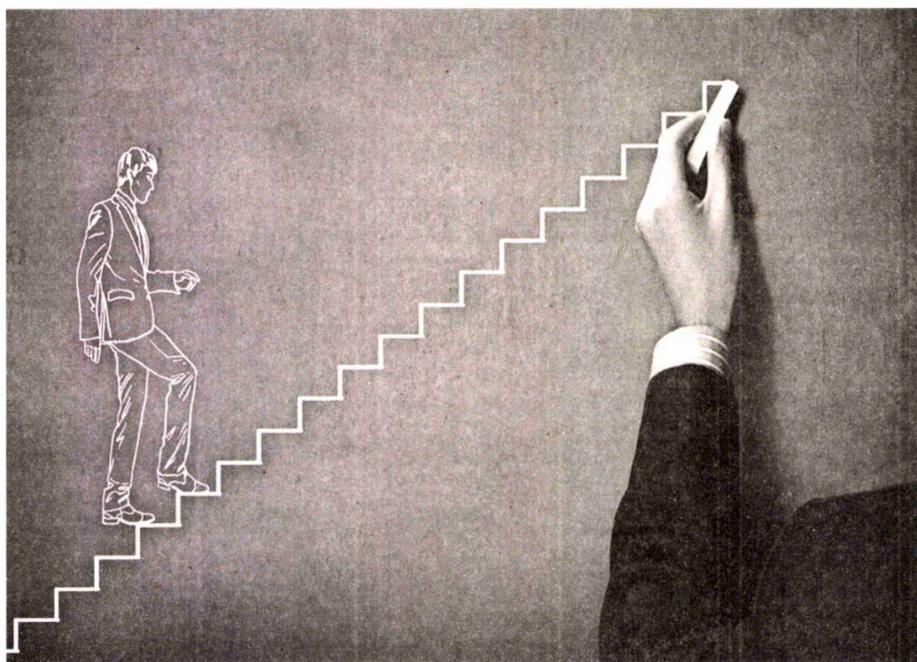
Nobody is immune from rejection — especially in the unfortunate circumstance of getting passed over for a job opportunity. What will set you apart, however, is how you handle the rejection and, more importantly, how you move forward with your job search.

Here are some tips for getting back on your feet after a rejection.

Don't take it personally.

The job market is tough — not everybody lands the ideal job on the first try. If you've been rejected by an employer, do yourself a favor and try not to take it personally.

"The reality is there are a lot of people applying for jobs, and there are a lot of reasons organizations reject people for jobs. It might have nothing to do with you personally," says Joanie B. Connell, an author and founder of consulting firm Flexible Work Solutions. "One of my colleagues recently went through 16 interviews for a particular job, and at the last second, the organization decided to cancel the position. Resilience is key for the job seeker. It's important to remember it's a process that requires time and patience."



THINKSTOCK

Maintain a positive attitude.

Andrew Fennell, director of résumé-writing company StandOut CV, urges job seekers not to get disheartened. "You need to remain positive and upbeat when speaking to recruiters and employers," he says.

It may be easier said than done, but try to keep your chin up even in the face of rejection.

"Don't let one — or 10 — rejections cause you to give up," advises Kelly Poulson, vice president of talent and operations at advertising agency Allen & Gerritsen. "Take a break for a day or two? Sure. But don't let it lead you to wallow

in self-pity. That's not helping anyone. Each rejection leads you to the role that you're actually supposed to be in. Try to think of it that way."

Turn your weakness into a strength.

Fennell recommends following up and asking the employer for feedback to help you improve your employability.

"It pays off to find out the core reasons the employer decided not to hire you," he says. "Maybe it was a skills gap on your (résumé) that you could fill with training, or maybe it was a few poor answers at the interview stage that you

could learn how to handle better next time. Always look to understand your weaknesses and turn them into strengths."

Think, reflect and talk it out.

Ashley Gary-Roper, a senior HR business partner at Mercedes-Benz Research & Development North America and a certified career coach, suggests setting aside some time for self-reflection. "Gathering constructive criticism about what went wrong from a mentor or trusted adviser is key to preventing the same mistake from happening again," she says. Thinking about it and talking

it out could even lead you to experience an "aha" moment.

"Maybe you need to consider whether you are applying to jobs you want to do versus jobs you are qualified to do," says Jill Tipograph, co-founder of Early Stage Careers. "Either reconsider your current job goals or find new and stronger ways to reach out to those who are seeking someone like you."

Don't give up on the employer that rejected you.

"Remain on good terms with the rejecting firm and stay on their radar, (because) you may be in a better position the next time they are hiring," Fennell says.

You may not have been a good fit for the position you applied for, but other, more relevant opportunities could open up at the same company.

"Never burn bridges; hiring managers remember finalists," Poulson says. "You might not have been right for that immediate role, but leaving a solid last impression leaves you top of mind when the next opportunity arises."

Deanna Hartley is a writer for the Advice & Resources section on CareerBuilder.com. She researches and writes about job-search strategy, career management, hiring trends and workplace issues.

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Responsible for: receiving & delivering of raw materials, components & finished product. Operate yard truck to move trailers within the company & outside warehouse. Perform computer inquiries in order to adjust, locate, ship & receive inventory. Repair or replace any damaged sacks or cases of finished product. Verify pallet patterns of all finished products & case codes. Move trailers in & out of dock doors & to & from the yard. Must be skilled in maneuvering trailers in tight, limited spaces & have a minimum 3 yrs Hi-Lo exp. a Michigan Drivers License & a Michigan Commercial Drivers License (CDL) - Group A.

We offer a competitive wage & benefit package including: a 401K & Tuition Reimbursement program.

Please fax resume to: HR Dept, 248-624-0506 dfannon@korex-us.com

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METRO DETROIT AREA GOURMET MARKET
Accepting applications for:

- **Closing Produce Manager** must have open availability, be able to work nights, manage staff of 20+ and have food handling experience.
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Send resume, salary history to: livoniamarket@yahoo.com

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Payroll Auditor
Company seeks an individual for a full time position as a Payroll Auditor to audit Multi-Employer Benefit Funds. This individual will be responsible for reviewing payroll, tax, and benefit records. QUALIFICATIONS: MS Excel proficient, detail-oriented, strong communication & organizational skills. Salary: \$16-\$18/hr. Benefits BCBS, 401K. Resume to: aud550res@gmail.com

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PURCHASING MANAGER SHOES & CLOTHING
Canton, MI
Job Description,

- Evaluate suppliers based on price, quality, and delivery speed
- Interview vendors and visit suppliers' plants and distribution centers to examine and learn about products, services, and prices
- Analyze price proposals, financial reports, and other information to determine reasonable prices
- Negotiate contracts on behalf of their organization
- Meet with staff and vendors to discuss defective or unacceptable goods or services and determine corrective action
- Evaluate and monitor contracts to be sure that vendors and suppliers comply with the terms and conditions of the contract and to determine the need for changes
- Maintain and review records of items bought, costs, deliveries, product performance, and inventories

Job Snap Shot:
Employment Type: Full Time
Pay: Very Competitive with Benefits
Job Type: Shoes & clothes
Education: 4 year Degree
Experience: 2 Years
Industry: Pre-owned Clothing & shoes
Required Travel: Up to 50%

Please send your resume and salary expectations to: salts@axint.com
Reference: Purchasing Mgr

Help Wanted - Dental

Dental Hygienist
Seeking individual Monday-Thursdays for South Lyon office.
Fax resume: 248-437-0115

DENTAL RECEPTIONIST
Livonia, Full time. An experienced experience needed.
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Novi/Wixom: 248-946-4425
New Hudson: 248-437-7535

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Leading Construction Equipment Dealer is looking for an experienced AP/AR person. If you are detail oriented with exceptional customer service skills we would like to hear from you! Full time Blue Cross 401K. Apply at: jobs@aisequip.com

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Part-time, Bridal & Social Media skills exp. preferred, some evenings and weekends. Please email resumes: elizabeths402@aol.com

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Full-Time, Entry Level, Farmington Hills. Install, configure & upgrade computer hardware, peripherals & software as directed at clinic offices. Provide technology assistance to staff as directed. Must have reliable transportation. Call phone, laptop, car allowance are provided. Please respond with cover letter and resume to: dlincoln@mhpdoctor.com

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ELECTRICIAN
Wanted for MFG. Co. in Brighton, to wire and build control panels. Send resume: billmontgomery@hoffmannfilter.com

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- BARTENDERS
- DISHWASHERS
- FRONT DESK
- NIGHT AUDIT
- MAINTENANCE

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ADMINISTRATIVE
Company seeks a focused individual for a full-time position to perform administrative functions: answer phones, filing, copying, sending letters/emails, database & client file maintenance. Qualifications: Proficient in MS Office. Detail oriented, strong organizational/communication skills. Starting salary \$13-\$15/hr. Benefits: BCBS, 401k. Resume to: aud350res@gmail.com

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FRONT DESK PATIENT COORDINATOR
Full-time, experience preferred for energetic, fast paced office, some Saturday's and evening hours.
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ADMINISTRATIVE/ MEDICAL ASSISTANT
Medical office seeks exp'd receptionist. Must have strong computer and medical insurance knowledge. Full/Part time-excellent pay and benefits including 401K. No weekends/No evenings! Ann Arbor area. a2derm@aol.com

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WAIT STAFF & DISHWASHERS
Afternoons
COOKS, Exp'd.
Days & Afternoons
Ram's Horn
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Part-Time, Eve Shifts. Cleaning banks, office bldgs Northville, Plymouth, Westland and surrounding areas. No experience required. Pd training. Job sites 5-10 miles from your home.

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ACROSS
 1 Opera start
 5 "Yes, yes, Juan!"
 9 Take — (taste some)
 13 Cheeky type
 19 Road, in German
 20 Foretoken
 21 Lovett of country
 22 No longer surprised by
 23 Ram forcefully?
 26 Frito Lay chip
 27 December mail hirees
 28 Teeny
 29 Greeting sent by a cosmetics company?
 31 "Agnus —"
 32 Cache
 34 Southeast Kansas city
 35 Where lots of mail deliverers scuba-dive?
 40 Not at all nigh
 44 Most robust
 45 Kazan of film directing
 46 Hilo "hello"
 47 In days past

DOWN
 48 "Lo-o-ovely!"
 49 Set crossword hints to music?
 53 Prefix with pathology
 56 The Big Apple, briefly
 58 Fissile rock
 59 Middy sleep
 60 Divide by type
 62 Contract out
 66 TV title alien
 67 Water whirl
 68 Required maintenance items?
 73 Face cover
 76 From — Z
 77 Big fair
 78 Character
 82 "Scat!"
 83 Prologue
 85 Upsilon's follower
 88 Qdoba treats
 89 Inelegat five-member band?
 94 66-Across et al.
 96 Salt's "Help!"
 97 Muslim palace area
 98 Hal around

DOWN
 99 Number of magazine subscribers, e.g.
 102 Writer Haley
 103 Long to look at a periodic table?
 107 Feng —
 108 Poetry Muse
 109 White-haired
 110 Library cubicle in which Chablis is served?
 116 Jackie O.'s "O"
 117 New York state prison
 120 Is wild for Robinson?
 121 Writes hacky computer programs?
 124 Chemist's "I"
 125 Nursing school subj.
 126 Bit of help
 127 In awe
 128 Naval units sticker abbr.
 130 Barley brews
 131 Guru's discipline
 1 Essentials
 2 "Fame" star
 Irene

DOWN
 3 Very loud
 4 Alternatively
 5 — chef
 6 Unruly kid
 7 Fit for sailing
 8 Ready to be driven
 9 Pugilist
 10 Muhammad
 11 1942 role for Ingrid
 12 "The Dick Van Dyke Show" surname
 13 Ballet dancer Nureyev
 14 "Sitting on — ..." ("Mrs. Robinson" lyric)
 15 Blood bank fluids
 16 Nero's 404
 17 Quintillionth: Prefix
 18 "Crazy" bird
 24 Aristide's land
 25 Eagles' nests
 30 Female deer
 32 Is sporting
 33 Hoagie shop
 35 Its capital is Accra
 36 Is very angry
 37 Co. kahuna
 38 — Tin Tin

DOWN
 39 Tatty cloths
 40 Exclusively
 41 Ran across
 42 In the future
 43 Harsh-toned
 46 Top gun
 50 Spicy cuisine
 51 Stop moving
 52 Pixieish
 54 Stone
 55 — pro nobis
 57 Amigo of Fidel
 61 Sedative drug, informally
 63 Berg stuff
 64 Stout of mysteries
 65 Seer's skill
 67 This, to Pedro
 69 Dying rebuke
 70 "Me neither"
 71 Sponge up
 72 Scarf down
 73 Crazy flavor
 74 Auditory
 75 Rubberneck
 79 West Coast coll. in La Jolla
 80 Hen's perch
 81 Swirly letters
 83 Suffix with 90-Down
 84 Being aired, in a way
 86 Like religious dissenters
 87 Writer
 90 Gender
 91 Tip of a sock
 92 Suffix with major
 93 Azadi Tower locale
 95 Holy Fr. woman
 100 Ham it up
 101 City-circling route
 103 Goes after
 104 1921 Karel Capek play
 105 Stability-improving auto part
 106 Vocalist Kitt
 107 Hound's trail
 110 Homeless kid
 111 Sacred cow
 112 Center point
 113 The "E" of HOMES
 114 Practically forever
 115 Jet name
 117 Gets the total
 118 Stop up
 119 Kelp, e.g.
 122 Brand of motor oil
 123 A single

19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38 39 40 41 42 43 44 45 46 47 48 49 50 51 52 53 54 55 56 57 58 59 60 61 62 63 64 65 66 67 68 69 70 71 72 73 74 75 76 77 78 79 80 81 82 83 84 85 86 87 88 89 90 91 92 93 94 95 96 97 98 99 100 101 102 103 104 105 106 107 108 109 110 111 112 113 114 115 116 117 118 119 120 121 122 123 124 125 126 127 128 129 130 131

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Here's How It Works:
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1	8		3	6		7		3
3	9					1	5	
		2	4	1	6			
			5	6	9	3		
	6	3				2	1	
7		4				9		5
				7	8			

9	8	4	8	2	7	1	6	9
9	8	6	8	9	1	4	2	7
7	1	2	9	4	6	8	9	8
1	2	8	6	8	9	9	7	7
8	4	5	7	8	2	9	1	6
6	7	9	1	9	4	2	8	8
2	5	1	4	7	8	6	8	9
8	9	7	2	6	9	8	8	1
4	6	8	9	1	3	7	2	2

FINANCIAL WORD SEARCH

WORDS

ACCOUNT INTERNATIONAL BANKING INVESTMENT BANKRUPTCY LENDING BILLS LOAN BLACK MONEY BONDS NET BUDGET PREDICTION CREDIT RED CURRENCY SAVING DEBIT SILVER DEFICIT SPENDING DEPOSIT STOCKS ECONOMY SURPLUS EXPENSES TAXES FINANCIAL TRADE FUNDING WALLET FUNDS WEALTHY GOLD WITHDRAWAL

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 A E Y E B P R T I S O P E D I V N C C U
 V D M W V B R P O O G S N A M P C L U T
 I I O T A L F U N D S S E P L O R O P I
 N C N K N L I L G K T N S U N D M A V C
 G T O W C E L S A N V H I N N D R N D I
 I I C C R A M E W N I C T D U E B R B F
 B O E O L S L T T S O D O G E U P H K E
 R N O F Y W U B S P E I N W N R M X F D
 B C K W Y H T L A E W X T E A L C I E S
 R A I E W B Y M P M V M A L I N C Y L
 T N N A D S K Y S R N N G T N A U A Y S
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 N B O R Y U O T O D G L I E D O N T K X
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 S X A O V N S T E S Y L C B V I Y T N C U I
 F U N D I N G W C E Y L I U N F T N K E M
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Crossword Answers

ACTI SISI ASIP RASCAL
 BAHN OMEN LYLE USEDTO
 CRASHUPAGAINST DORITO
 SUNDAS WEE CARDOFAYON
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 GREATCARRIERREEF AFAR
 HARDIEST ELIA ALOHA
 AGO OOH SINGTHECLUES
 NEURO NYC SHALE NADP
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 MASK ATO EXPO NATURE
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 IODINE ANAIT HAND AOGG
 FLEETS MSRP ALES YOGA

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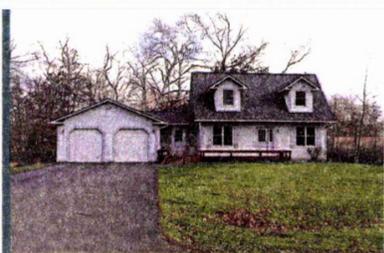
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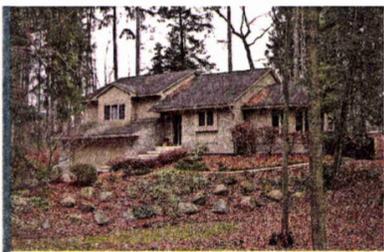
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