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Kindness is Contagious campaign spreads goodwill near and far

Susan Bromley
Staff Writer

When a woman's purse was stolen at Walmart last month, Police Officer Tom Ivezaj responded to the call. And while he couldn't fix everything, a few kind, simple gestures made the day better.

The elderly woman's credit card had already been used for more than \$1,000 in fraudulent charges and she was particularly distraught over the theft of her driver's license, as she was

supposed to drive to her son's home for dinner that night, just a few days before Christmas. Ivezaj gave her an information card that would allow her to drive. When he learned she was worried about the cost of obtaining another license, he gave her a second card, too — this time a \$25 gift card to Target.

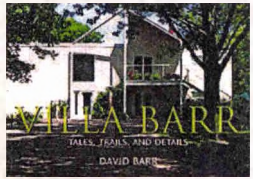
"She started crying and saying, 'God bless you,'" Ivezaj said. "It's moments like that I still think about more than a month later. The reason you do police work is to make people feel good."

He was able to do the act of kindness, as well as another when he gave a gift card instead

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Fire Capt. John Martin said handing out gift cards at random made tough situations a little better for residents. "What we are doing is trying to pay it forward to anyone we encounter out there," he said.



Find "Villa Barr Tales, Trails, and Details" at the library.

Local read

Interested in a good read for the new year? The Novi Public Library has the book for you.

The Novi Historical Commission is selling *Villa Barr Tales, Trails, and Details* by world renowned artist David Barr. If you are interested in learning more about the artist, the home, grounds and sculptures of Villa Barr, this book is for you.

This is a great commemorative piece of Novi history. Books are selling for \$20 and are available to purchase at the checkout desk in the library's main lobby.

For more information about *Villa Barr Tales, Trails, and Details* or the library, call 248-349-0720. The library is at 45255 W. 10 Mile.



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Luke Ehricht of Toledo grooms Peter, his shih-tzu, at the Jan. 22 Michigan Dog Show at Novi's Suburban Collection Showplace. The three-day event featured dogs from all over the Midwest and was sponsored by the Livonia and Oakland County Kennel Clubs.

Dog show judge follows passion for canines across the country

Susan Bromley
Staff Writer

Last weekend, Alan Dorfman was celebrating Novi going to the dogs as chairman of the Michigan Winter Dog Classic.

The Oakland County Kennel Club president loves the sport of showing dogs, in which he has

been involved for 19 years, and hopes it doesn't go the way of horse racing, a sport whose popularity he said has declined dramatically.

"This can be a very interesting place to hang out," Dorfman said as dogs of all kinds walked by or were carried in the arms of owners and handlers and barks

periodically rang out at the Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi. "I've seen a lot of good and bad things, but overall, it's a great hobby and a great business."

Dorfman, like most of his human counterparts at the show where more than 8,500 dogs were expected to appear, loves

canines and has a special affinity for boxers and standard poodles. He has five at home and two more in Florida.

Unlike most dog owners, however, he took his affection for the animals to the next level by entering the dog show world after

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St. James volunteers seek applicants for Rebuilding program

Joanne Maliszewski
Staff Writer

Let's just say that Northville resident Bob Harmer and Novi resident Kevin Clark are handy. The former engineers are gearing up — with the help of Pam Coles of St. James Catholic Church — to kick off the 2016 Rebuilding Together Oakland

County effort.

That means the members of St. James are on the search for residents in need of help making repairs on their homes. The popular program is income-based and designed to improve housing.

"We are not out building homes," Harmer said. "We are repairing and bringing them up."

This is the 11th year that the Catholic church in Novi has participated in the program. "We were approached with a person involved with Rebuilding Oakland and they extended the offer to us," said Coles, St. James Christian service director.

In the first year, St. James joined forces with Holy Family Catholic Church. Since then, St.

James members have done their own program, more often than not delivering a cadre of 50-70 volunteers, including youths. Typically, St. James volunteers, led by Harmer and Clark — a member of the Northville Lions Club — work on one or two houses.

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retiring as a podiatrist in 1996. He moved to Florida and found the weather was too hot and the people too old. He was bored.

"I've got to keep busy," said Dorfman, 67, a West Bloomfield resident who now works as a paramedic in the emergency room of McLaren-Oakland. "I got tired of looking at feet; paws are a lot cuter."

After his pet died, he went to a local boxer breeder and picked out a puppy. When the dog, named T-Bone, was 5 months old, the breeder seemed to have regrets about letting him go. She asked Dorfman if he would consider showing his dog, because it was becoming clear he was the best she had ever bred.

T-Bone would go on to top 20 competition and was ranked 10th in the nation for boxers. He got



Bill Webb (left) and Blue, his Bouvier de Flanders, await their turn in front of a judge.

into the ring the way most purebreds who show promise through both their physical stature and temperament do — by taking classes.

Dorfman does not put his dogs in obedience class, though, as they do not ever sit in the confirmation ring.

"They learn how to go around the ring and you try to give them some brains," Dorfman said, laughing. "Boxers don't

get brains until they're 5... show training gives them confidence. And they have to want to win. When they come back from the down and back, they need to look at the judge and say, 'Hey, you better pick me.'"

Show quality

Breeders can tell a dog's owner whether their pet is show quality and dogs can get in the ring as early as 6 months. Last Friday, Dorfman, who added dog show judge to his resume in December, awarded a schipperke named Alexie, age 6 months, with a first-place ribbon for best puppy.

Alexie's competition included a Dalmatian, Chinese sharpei, French bulldog, Boston terrier



A St. Bernard and its tongue await judging in the large breed ring Jan. 22.

and a Lhasa Apso, all of which Dorfman judged to the standard for each breed, feeling their musculature, watching their gait as they trotted around the ring with their handlers and checking their temperament.

He admits it's a subjective art, but each judge tries to come as close as they can to determining which dog best represents its breed standard, in physical appearance and temperament. To become a judge, applicants much choose which breed they want, then take that breed's anatomy exam, a procedure exam on how to judge and then pass an interview as well. After three provisional assignments, judges can apply for status as a judge for that breed, then apply for other breeds if they wish.

Dorfman will judge

numerous events across the country this year, one of the most enjoyable aspects of being involved with dog shows.

"Showing dogs has taken me to places I would have never gone," he said, adding that in the last year he went to 125 shows and put 100,000 miles on a leased vehicle. "I would never imagine I would want to go to Mobile, Ala. It's so nice down there. I had never been to Pennsylvania and seen areas of the Civil War and now I have. I never knew how many different kinds of corn there are in Iowa. Now I do."

He has met a lot of people in the world of dog shows and said they are a great group that takes care of each other.

His own champions

Over the years, Dorfman has had 20 champions and three generations of best-in-show boxers. Only purebreds can compete in confirmation shows, in which they can score points for placement. A dog must have 15 points, which is typically earned over several shows, to become an AKC champion.

He has previously taken three of his boxers — T-Bone, Smarty and Splash — to the most famous show in the country, the Westminster

Kennel Club Dog Show, to be held at Madison Square Garden in New York City next month and the nation's second oldest sporting event (the first is the Kentucky Derby).

While Westminster is well-attended, Dorfman notes that American Kennel Club registrations are down and attendance at many other dog shows across the country has also decreased.

"People aren't breeding as much; it's expensive," he said. "I don't want to see what happened to horse racing happen to dog shows."

While other shows decline, Dorfman has found a way to keep local shows like the Michigan Winter Dog Classic successful — by hosting events that draw families and inviting attendees to bring their own pets, including mixed breeds, for activities like dock diving and agility courses.

"Without dog shows, we'd lose breeding lines and those are important to keeping a breed healthy and according to its standards," Dorfman said. "We would also lose a place to exhibit dogs to the public and other people in the fancy."

For more information on the Oakland Kennel Club, go to oaklandcountykennelclub.com.

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Though volunteers complete repairs in one day — this year set for 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, April 30 — the process involves many days of planning and prep work. Lunch and refreshments are provided during the work day.

In this first step, St. James is seeking low-income applicants who own homes in Novi or Northville. Harmer and Clark visit applicants' houses to determine what needs to be done, how it will be done, what sup-

plies are needed and how much it will cost. "We go out and visit and give the homeowner an idea of improvements," Harmer said.

Applicants are vetted to be sure they qualify for the program. The program specifically provides housing repairs to low-income homeowners who are elderly, disabled, military veterans and families with children who are unable to repair and revitalize their homes themselves.

Rebuilding's mission is to bring volunteers and communities together to improve the homes and lives of low-income neighbors. Throughout the county, some 30-40 homes are repaired annually.

In 2015, the county Rebuilding program helped more than 115

low-income residents and nonprofit agencies with much-needed upgrades and repair. It also increased the market value of neighborhoods by some \$600,000, according to Rebuilding Together Oakland County. Since the program began in 1992, the organization estimates that volunteers have improved homes and delivered \$7.8 million in market value with work in 23 communities.

Plus, bringing together volunteers of all ages and skills builds camaraderie and the sense of community at St. James. "In some cases, families volunteer to do this as a project," Clark said.

The local program, Coles said, involves all facets of the St. James parish. "Without these volunteers, we wouldn't have the program," she

said. "We also tap into members of the parish who own businesses."

While the county Rebuilding group screens the applicants, Harmer and Clark check to be sure they and volunteers are able to do the work. Volunteers are usually divided into paint crews, landscaping crews and even fencing crews. "We have an assortment of skilled and unskilled (in home repairs) volunteers," Clark said.

When an applicant is chosen for the program, Harmer and Clark develop a budget that is reviewed and confirmed by the county organization. Parish members also contribute financially to the effort. "We are not funding this on our own," Coles said, adding the county group also contributes.

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By mail:

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Novi Woods students share kindness in classroom



Novi Woods students are busy writing notes to their fellow classmates.

Philip Allmen
Staff Writer

Novi Woods Elementary fourth-grade teachers Michelle Donberger and Marietta Leon were tickled to see their students embrace kindness.

The teachers took a staff activity, coupled with Novi's new Random Acts of Kindness campaign, and applied it in the classroom.

Each student made a sign, which they hung around their own neck. From there, the students went around and wrote compliments on the backs of their classmates.

From comments like "always smiling" and "great partner to work with" to "treats others well" and even "you smell good," the students took

advantage of this chance to make a positive impact on their classmates.

"The comments were given with a good heart and kind intentions and it was a beautiful thing to see," Donberger said.

After writing the comments, the fourth-graders had a chance to see what others wrote about them. Donberger said that second part of the activity was just as exciting to watch.

"The looks on their faces was indescribable," she said. "Their faces had such joy, reading such positive things about themselves."

A new Facebook page, Novi Spreads Kindness, is aimed at spreading good deeds of those living and working in the community. The page de-

scription states: "Being kind at its core is simply caring about others and treating them the way you wish to be treated. It comes with no strings attached, but with the hope that they too are inspired to share their own version of kindness with someone else. So in an effort to celebrate and share Novi's kindness across the world, we are inviting individuals, schools, community groups, service clubs, businesses, health care institutions and churches to help us make not just Novi, but the world, a better place."

Find the page at www.facebook.com/groups/NoviSpreadsKindness.

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of a ticket to a mother who was short on money to fix a broken taillight, as a result of a the donation of 46 \$25 Target gift cards from the owner of Moe's on Ten, 39455 W. 10 Mile Road. The gift cards were distributed to police officers and firefighters to distribute during the holiday season at their discretion to citizens they felt could use a boost.

New campaign

The cards also kicked off Novi's Kindness is Contagious campaign. The city's 2016 calendar features the theme and the community relations department staff is also supplying residents and employees with business cards declaring, "You have been touched by an act of kindness" to pass out when they do something nice for another.

"When the fire department responds to anything, it's not a good time," Fire Capt. John Martin said. "During the holidays, a lot of people were feeling the crunch, with bills due to be paid and trying to buy gifts. What we are doing is trying to pay it forward to anyone we encounter out there."

When Martin was on his way to a meeting last month and came upon a stranded motorist with a flat tire, he stopped to try to help. The woman's spare tire was rusted to the bottom of her van and couldn't be used. He blocked the road until a tow truck could arrive and, in the meantime, gave her one of the gift cards to Target.

"Even though I couldn't help with the tire, I could do something to make her day better during the holidays," he said. "She was elated. She didn't expect anyone to stop and help. A lot of people nowadays don't stop and help others. A gift card to Target won't buy a new tire or fix a flat, but it took the negativity of the situation and made it more of a positive."

Fire Protection Officer Andy Copeland also found an opportunity to turn a chronically stressful situation into a positive experience when he responded to a medical call where a bed-ridden grandmother was having difficulty breathing.

Copeland soon learned that two teenagers at the home, the woman's 14- and 15-year-old grandchildren, were helping care for the family's matriarch.

"They were taking shifts to take care of her and they had to sacrifice a lot," said Copeland,

who, along with his colleague Ryan Burn, gave a gift card to each of the teens. "The recognition was pretty special. They could not believe it; no one has ever recognized what they do like that."

Pay it forward

Copeland told the teens to take an hour and go treat themselves to something nice with the cards and then it was his turn to be surprised when the grandson told him his grandmother liked a particular kind of Christmas candy and he would use part of the gift card money to buy some for her.

That is precisely the idea behind the campaign — that one kind act begets another.

Although the gift

cards have all been distributed, Nathan Mueller, community relations specialist for the city of Novi, hopes the campaign continues all year and for years to come. While the Target cards were a generous donation, kindness is free. He advocates a handwritten thank you note to someone you value, shoveling snow from a neighbor's front walk or even just a kind word.

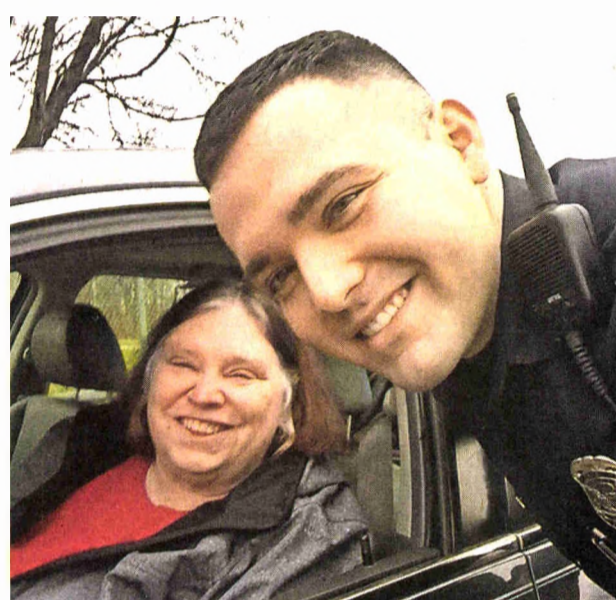
For those looking for volunteer opportunities, the city offers plenty of those as well — give your time coaching in one of the city's many recreation programs, help clean up the parks, serve older adults at the Meadowbrook Activities Center or contact one of the city's many churches to

learn how you can help in a soup kitchen or food pantry.

"We want to spread this beyond Novi and throughout the state and world," Mueller said. "It's not just about Novi, but how we can impact people everywhere ... We want this to be innate and grow organically."

You can share your stories of kindness on the city's Novi Spreads Kindness Facebook page. For more information on the campaign or how to obtain the Kindness is Contagious cards to give when you perform a random act of kindness, call Mueller at 248-735-5628.

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Police Officer Tom Ivezaj said the response after giving out a gift card to a woman is one he still remembers more than a month later. "The reason you do police work is to make people feel good," he said.

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Teaching fundamentals helps students thrive

Six weeks ago, I had my hip replaced for the fourth time.

The hip replacement process has changed fairly significantly since 1976, when I had my first surgery as a 19-year-old. Recovery time, weight bearing, the size of the incision and much more have changed rather dramatically over time for this surgery. In some ways, this was a completely different experience for me, even though technically it was the same surgery.

As I reflected on my surgery over the last several weeks, I began to wonder how much have schools changed since 1976? Are schools completely different now than they were 40 years ago?

My sense is schools have



Steve Matthews
SUPER TALK

not changed that much.

While it is true that schools have changed in some ways quite dramatically since 1976, much of that change is somewhat superficial. In 1976, technology was an IBM Selectric typewriter with a changeable font ball. Now we have iPads and Chromebooks and WiFi throughout our schools. In 2016, we no longer have mimeograph machines. Instead, our schools have up-to-date copiers. Instead of encyclopedias, our students now consult Google or Wikipedia for in-

formation.

But those changes — while significant — are very shallow. Those changes by themselves do not necessarily alter the fundamental dynamic of a classroom. If a student is using an iPad or a Chromebook just to access information or only looks at information directed by the teacher, then the technology is just a faster version of a textbook. The student is not discovering information. The student is still passive — receiving information instead of discovering it.

The explosion of knowledge in the last 40 years has made it impossible for any one person to keep up. If they ever could, it is no longer possible for teachers to know everything. Our schools must come to re-

flect this rather dynamic change.

Our classrooms must continue to help students learn fundamental skills — how to read, how to write, how to calculate. We must do this well.

But the reason for teaching students these skills is not so that they will be good at the skill. The purpose for teaching a student to read is so that they can find information to answer their questions. The purpose for teaching a student to write is to ensure that the student can communicate clearly and powerfully with others. The reason to teach a student to calculate is to ensure that students can solve problems — problems that we do not even know exist yet.

No longer can we afford to

have schools that reflect the world of 40 years ago. We must continue to build schools that reflect the world that we live in today.

We need schools that will help our students develop the skills they need to engage in our fast-paced, challenged-filled world. We need students who can think, create, communicate and solve problems. Our schools need to help our students learn to apply their knowledge, so that the problems that our world faces can be solved by the students who will live in that world.

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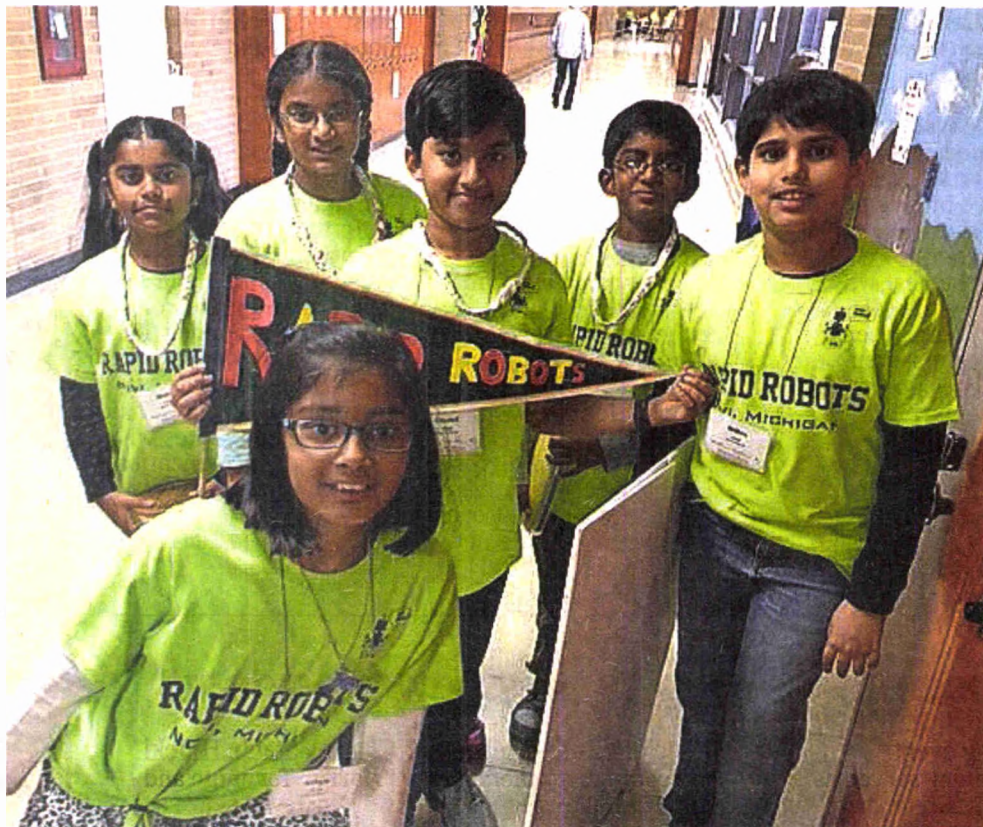
Novi First LEGO League robotics team wins state title

Rapid Robots, a First LEGO League robotics team of six Novi students, won the state championship tournament last month in Monroe.

FLL is a global competition involving 233,000 children ages 9-16 from more than 80 countries. An FLL tournament consists of three categories that include the robot game, core values and project. The team that demonstrates exceptional performance in all three categories wins the championship.

This year's FLL challenge is TrashTrek and, as part of the project category, the team performed an extensive study on recycling and its awareness. The team presented its project in front of various forums and implemented its solutions within the Novi community, including contributing to the city of Novi recycling request for proposal, the replacement of Styrofoam products at a local place of worship cafeteria with paper products and many more.

This is the second year of FLL Robotics for the team, consisting of fifth-graders from Novi Meadows: Krithi Palakodati, Grace Chacko, Nithin Jayaraju, Vishal Boyapati and Soumit Addanki, plus fourth-grader Ishya Morasa from Novi Woods. The team won the state championship and the opportunity to represent Michigan at the Invitational Worlds, scheduled for May 22-25 at LegoLand, Calif.



Members of the Novi First LEGO League state championship LEGO robotics team.

Kortlandt remains Novi school board president

The Novi Board of Education held its annual organizational meeting Jan. 7, which included the election of officers.



Kortlandt

A press release from the district stated two elected school board members were nominated for the position of board president: George Kortlandt

and Bobbie Murphy. After a roll call vote, Kortlandt retained his position on the board as president. Murphy was nominated and elected vice president.

Willy Mena and Tracey Cadwell were nominated for the office of board secretary; Cadwell was voted to another year in the position. Dennis O'Connor was nominated and elected board treasurer.



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Pet owners find furr-ever friends at Michigan Humane Society

Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Ryan McTigue's home has five dogs — and a 9-month-old baby.

"We've got a busy household," said McTigue, spokesman for the Michigan Humane Society. "Luckily, our dogs are older. We run the gamut of breeds."

The family has two labs, the other dogs mixes, plus a couple of cats who now stay with other family elsewhere.

McTigue is among many animal-loving staffers and volunteers at the Michigan Humane Society, which has shelters in Westland, Detroit and Rochester Hills. He talked just after Christmas about what it takes to be a good pet owner.

"Having compassion for animals. I think that sets you off on the right foot," he said. "You certainly want to be aware of your time commitment."

Puppies and kittens take more time and care. McTigue noted veterinary care costs such as yearly vaccinations.

"Things sneak up on you and that's going to be a financial consideration," said McTigue, a Royal Oak resident who's been with the MHS three years said.

MHS adoption counselors cover what you'll need to know and offer handouts on such topics as what to do while you're away at work in the day.



Moo, 2, a female pit bull mix, greets Ryan McTigue of the Michigan Humane Society.

JULIE BROWN

"We want to make sure people leave very comfortable with the pet they're bringing home," he said. A couch potato pet owner, for example, would be best with a dog rated by the MHS as "easygoing green." That five-point system for dogs goes up to "high-octane purple."

"Sometimes once you get them home, it ends up being a perfect fit," he said. The MHS has a 60-day adoption guarantee in which you can get

your fee back or another, more suitable pet.

"We want to make sure we're making perfect matches," he said. Some pet owners feel bad returning an animal within the 60 days; McTigue noted they shouldn't and that that gives the MHS more information for adopting out the pet elsewhere.

The color coding for energy levels in cats is being tried now in Rochester Hills only. He noted cats behave differ-

ently in a shelter: "If they're in a home environment, you get a better idea of what they're like."

He and others at the Michigan Humane Society see the impact of the local economy on pet owners. "When times are tough, people make a tough decision," he said, and may need to give up a pet.

The MHS helps with a free pet food bank for low-income pet owners, as well as low-cost vaccinations and micro-chipping assistance. Free straw is available for doghouses. The MHS doesn't recommend pets be outdoors in winter, but aims to help those who are.

All MHS cats adopted out come micro-chipped, with a discount offered for dog micro-chipping. When animals are turned in to the MHS as missing or strays, a chip check is done immediately to try to find the owner.

"People seem to be more focused on adoptions these days. We're very thankful for that," McTigue said.

In the lobby of the adoption part of the Westland shelter is a large cutout of Detroit Lions player Golden Tate on an indoor window. Tate and his fiancée foster MHS dogs and are among area athletes who support the organization, McTigue said.

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The cast of Walled Lake Western's "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown" has been rehearsing daily and look forward to sharing this production with the entire community. Tickets are available now at www.wlcstickets.com.

Western students to perform 'Charlie Brown'

Walled Lake Western High School performing arts presents *You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown*, Feb. 4-6 at Walled Lake Western High School (600 Beck Road, Walled Lake).

The show starts at 7:30 p.m. each night and tickets are \$12 for students and senior citizens. Tickets are on sale at www.wlcstickets.com; tickets will also be sold at the door before each show.

You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown features an ensemble cast of 15 students. The students involved in the production include: Mitchell Kenrick, Lindsey Schei-

ler, Lucas Bouey, Nik Barishaj, Hayley Wagner, Derek Orr, Clare Fitzgerald, Jowan Rashid, Sophia Lada, Ella Kethledge, Michelle Hallogian, Garrett Freed, Brendan Kramer, Eli Sepulveda and Claire Murphy.

You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown, by Clark Gesner and John Gordon, is the story of the beloved Charlie Brown and the rest of the Peanuts gang. Though considered a "good man" by his friends, Charlie Brown can't seem to win the heart of the Little Red-Haired Girl or his friend Lucy, nor her crush, the piano-playing Schroeder.

Novi Parks Foundation names Landry new president

The Novi Parks Foundation announced that David Landry has been named president. As president, Landry will lead the board of directors in gaining funding, recommending projects and overseeing the executive director to enhance



the recreational and cultural programs and facilities in the city of Novi.

Landry will replace Linda Blair as president. During Blair's tenure, the Novi Parks Foundation contributed to many projects, including ITC Corridor Pathway planning, the inclusive design playground installation at Power Park, the development of Pavilion Shore Park with the installation of the Fate of Empires sculpture, numerous soccer field improvements and the inaugural Pour on the Shore fund-

raising event.

Landry served as Novi's mayor from 2005-11. Prior to being elected mayor, Landry was a city council member. He also served as a member of the planning commission. Landry is a graduate of the University of Detroit Law School and a partner in the Landry, Mazzeo & Dembinski, PC, law firm. In addition to his involvement with the Novi Parks Foundation, he is a member of the Novi Police and Fire Benevolent Association.

"It is an honor to serve the people of Novi in this manner and to work with volunteers on the board and businesses in the Novi community to make Novi an even better place for all," Landry stated in a release. "We all owe a debt of gratitude to outgoing president Linda Blair for her tireless volunteer efforts and her leadership of the parks foundation."

The Novi Parks Foundation is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization with a board of directors com-

posed of business leaders and community members with a volunteer spirit.

Current members include Blair, Randy Balconi, Kim Capello and

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Gutman named region's top superintendent

The Walled Lake Schools Board of Education recently announced that Kenneth Gutman, superintendent of Walled Lake Consolidated School District, has been named Region 9 of the Michigan Association of School



Administrators Regional Superintendent of the Year. MASA Region 9 encompasses school districts in Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties.

Gutman was recognized for his 24 years of collective educational experience, from teacher to superintendent.

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- » 8:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 28
- » 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, Jan. 29
- » 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 30

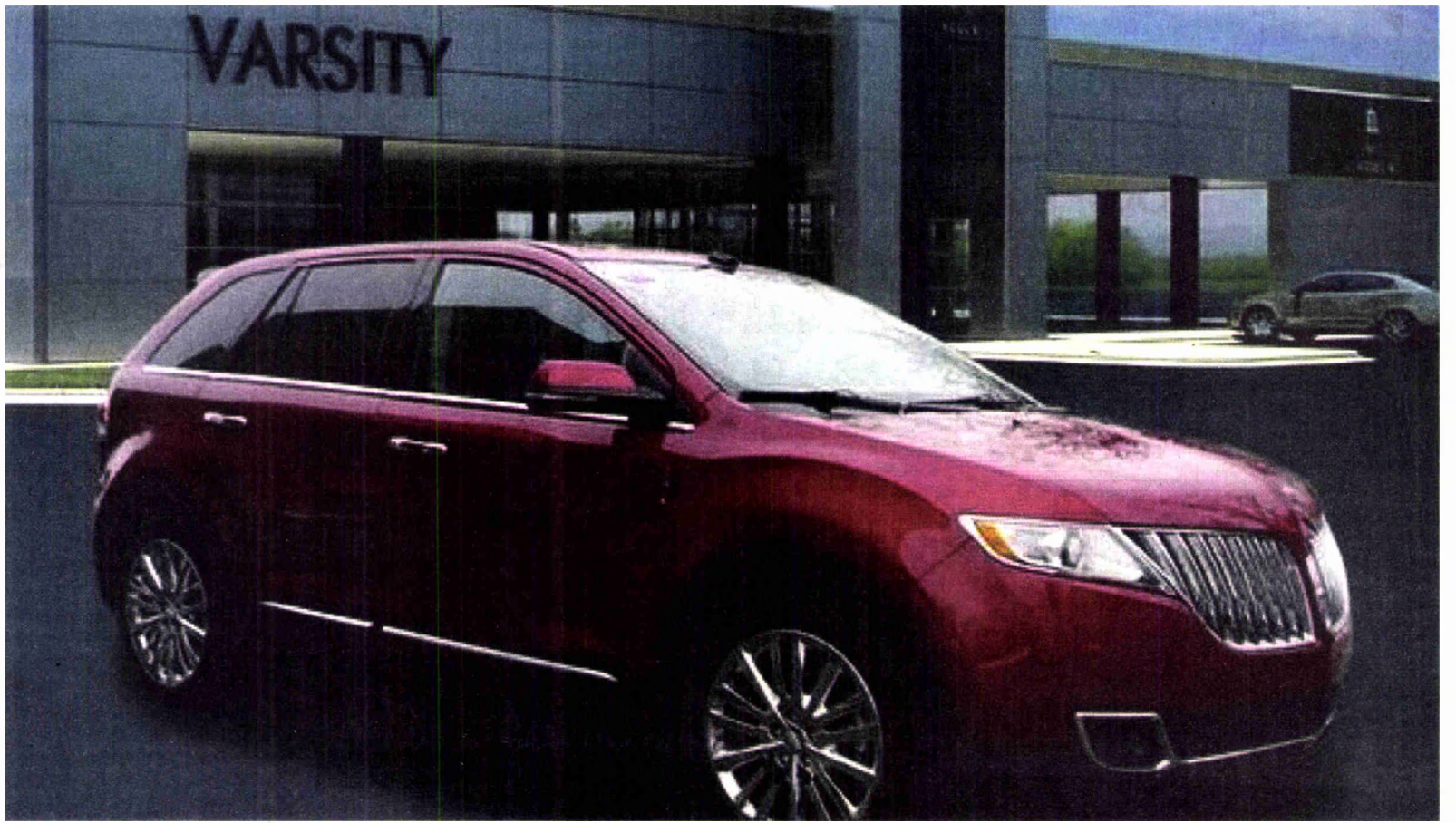
Right now, Varsity Lincoln is also offering a Complimentary Maintenance Plan for Certified Pre-Owned Lincoln vehicles. This includes an oil change, tire rotation and multi-point inspection every 7,500 miles for 1 year/15,000 miles.*

In addition to service specials, more than 100 Certified Pre-Owned vehicles are on-site and ready to go. Certified Pre-Owned Lincoln vehicles are available for as little as \$7,995.*

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Varsity Lincoln recently celebrated their 20th anniversary and won six prestigious automotive awards. They encompass the Triple Crown Award, Lincoln Leaders of Excellence, President's Award, Ford One Hundred Club, CPO



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- » Complimentary 24/7 roadside assistance

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that's important, especially with two girls in college," said five-time customer Julie Wilk.

"There are numerous benefits of purchasing a Certified Pre-Owned, including the outstanding warranty that comes with the vehicles," said Jere Law, Varsity Lincoln's General Sales Manager and Pre-Owned Director. "The 100,000-mile free bumper warranty that comes alongside all Certified Pre-Owned purchases is better than a new car warranty! Additionally, any time the vehicle is in for a service visit, you can receive a loaner for no cost exclu-

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ART HOUSE HAPPENINGS

The Northville Art House is at 215 W. Cady Street in historic downtown Northville and is celebrating 10 years of providing art enrichment and education to the community through classes, art shows and public art. Online registration is now available for winter and spring classes. Check out winter classes and workshops for artists, children, teens and adults at www.northvillearthouse.org. Register early as classes fill quickly. Art House hours are noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, noon to 4 p.m. Saturday and 1-9 p.m. first Fridays only. Call 248-344-0497.

Upcoming events

The current exhibit features textiles and mixed media by Barbara Bushey and Susan Moran, two established fiber artists whose work develops from close observation of the Michigan landscape. Both of these award-winning artists have had their

work in exhibitions and collections throughout the United States, including work in the White House permanent collection in Washington, D.C. The exhibit continues through Jan. 30 during Art House hours.

The 10th annual Member Exhibit will be held Feb. 5 through March 19. Go to www.northvillearthouse.org for more information. Entry deadline is Jan. 25.

The Art House will host a series of DIA "Behind the Scene" art talks this upcoming season. Each talk will be delivered by a DIA docent in the Upper Gallery. Check www.northvillearthouse.org for specific dates and times.

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Featured Store artist through January is Carolyn Barritt, an Ann Arbor artist. Barritt uses acrylic ink on paper to explore the tension between forced

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The winter and spring classes and workshops for tots, preschoolers, older children, teens, adults and artists are available online and brochures are available at the Art House. Unique workshops open to teens and adults include creating a Terracotta tile with artisans from Detroit's Pewabic Tile for a fun night 7-9 p.m. Jan. 29. Express yourself Feb. 5-6 in beautiful lettering with the Artful Letters Workshop. Then make a Wire Wrapped Heart Pendant with master jeweler Mary Kernahan on Feb. 7.

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Volunteer Carol Hall begins to organize some of the boxes of food to be donated to low-income seniors at the Novi Civic Center. The center hosts a Focus Hope food distribution the second Tuesday of each month. To determine eligibility, call the Older Adult Services at 248-347-0414.

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Mill Race Historical Village is at 215 Griswold Ave., north of Main Street, near Ford Field. Buildings will re-open Sundays in June. Grounds open daily dawn until dusk. Mill Race relies on rentals and memberships to maintain the Village. Consider becoming a member or making a donation today; go to www.millracenorthville.org for details.

Upcoming events

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Days and Camp Life. New School Church at Mill Race Village. No fee. Donations accepted. This lecture sponsored by the Northville Gallery and Spice Merchants.

Dinner With Rose and Joe Kennedy: 6:30 p.m. Feb. 12. Fundraiser for the Northville Historical Society. Event to take place at Genitti's Hole in the Wall. Contact Genitti's for tickets at 248-349-0522

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To the Qualified Electors of the City of Novi, Oakland County, Michigan. Notice is hereby given that Monday, February 8, 2016 is the LAST DAY TO REGISTER for the March 8, 2016 election. The Novi City Clerk's office, 45175 10 Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 will be open from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. for the purpose of receiving applications of qualified electors in the City of Novi who are not already registered. If you are not currently registered to vote in the City of Novi at your present address, you may do so in any of the following ways:

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- At the Novi City Clerk's Office, 45175 Ten Mile Road, Novi 48375 M-F, 8-5 p.m.
- At any Secretary of State Branch Office during normal business hours.

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By Mail:

- By obtaining and completing a Mail-in Voter Registration Application and returning it to the Novi City Clerk's office by the close of registration deadline, **FEBRUARY 8, 2016**.

You may contact the Novi City Clerk's Office by calling 248-347-0456 or by email to: elections@cityofnovi.org

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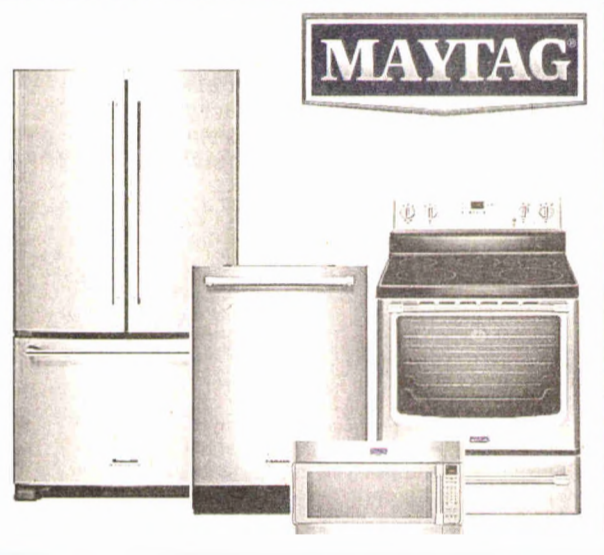
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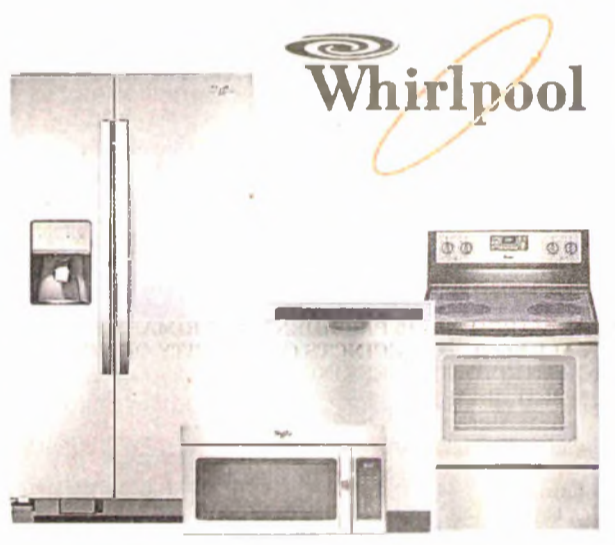
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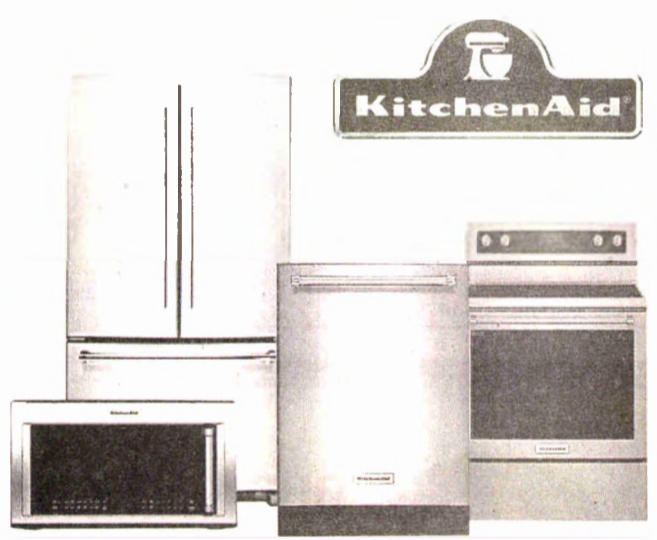
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Let Dr. Lori appraise your attic treasures at Novi show

Sharon Dargay
Staff Writer

Oh, the treasures Lori Verderame has seen.

During her appearances at more than 150 home improvement shows every year, Verderame, the antiques appraiser known as "Dr. Lori" from Discovery channel's *Auction Kings*, has appraised thousands of items from the public, including:

- » A \$250,000 Calder sculpture
- » A \$500,000 Tiffany lamp
- » A \$2.5 million good luck charm once owned by Napoleon
- » An Apollo 13 moon boot
- » Queen Elizabeth II's coronation shoes

"Fabulous, big numbers, interesting objects," she said. "I could go on for years talking about this. So many objects ... Thomas Jefferson's writing desk ... Abraham Lincoln's campaign pin ... George Washington's wallet. The

wallet was found at a show, just like the show I'm going to do in Novi."

She'll bring her "Dr. Lori's Antiques Appraisal Comedy Show" to the Novi Home Improvement Show, Friday through Sunday, Jan. 29-31, at the Suburban Collection Showplace, 46100 Grand River. During her appearances, which will run 3-5 p.m. and 6-8 p.m. Friday, 1-3 p.m. and 4-6 p.m. Saturday and noon to 2 p.m. and 3-5 p.m. Sunday, visitors can get one free appraisal. Additional appraisals are \$25 each. A photograph can be substituted for items that are too big to bring to the show.

"I'm the appraiser who will tell you the truth about your object, so you can learn the value and sell it for your own gain," she said during a phone interview last week. "Bring in what you want so I can teach you — here's where you can sell it, here's what it is worth, here's how you



Lori "Dr. Lori" Verderame talks about art, antiques and collectibles during one of her appraisal shows.

can identify it properly."

Verderame said she'll entertain and appraise at the same time while looking at a collection of items from audience members at the Novi show. Everyone who brings an item will receive an appraisal. She'll also offer advice on preservation, sale negotiation, exhibiting items and more.

"It's nothing like you've ever seen in terms

of appraisals," she said.

"It's fun and you're not waiting in line. Everyone hears everything: 'You have a \$250,000 piece. That's a piece of junk. This is a reproduction.' That's what I do throughout the show. People will sit at my events and enjoy them for learning about everybody else's objects. I want you to love history and love objects the way I do, because you know what?

It's a hell of a lot of fun."

Academic background

Verderame, who was raised in Connecticut and now lives in Pennsylvania, regularly appears on Fox Business Network's *Strange Inheritance*, writes a syndicated column, blogs, has authored more than 30 books and maintains a website and social media presence, including a YouTube channel.

She graduated in 1987 with an undergraduate degree in history from the University of Michigan and earned a Ph.D. in art history from Pennsylvania State University. Verderame has taught at universities and colleges and worked at several galleries and museums, including Yale University Art Gallery.

Through the years, she has collected bird houses, American art and, occasionally, crystal and stresses that she never buys items from her own shows.

"Most pieces I find are from my 93-year-old mother and her sisters," she said, laughing.

Verderame advises against selling items at home yard sales and claims that Americans are "giving away the farm on the front lawn."

"They don't know what they have. They don't know what they're worth," she said. "The \$425,000 painting that was sold in California at a yard sale for \$18 now hangs in the Houston Art Museum. The person at the yard sale wouldn't have taken \$18 if they knew what they had."

"I'll tell you what it is. You've got the stuff. It's in your house. You want someone to tell the truth about it, I'm your girl."

Go to Verderame's website at drloriv.com. See a complete list of Novi Home Improvement Show presentations, displays and vendors at novihomeshow.com.

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Yankee Air Museum will hold the line on prices for historic aircraft flying in 2016

The Yankee Air Museum will hold the line on Flyable Historic Aircraft Experiences pricing in 2016. The decision to keep prices stable on the meticulously restored World War II B-17 Flying Fortress, B-25 Mitchell, C-47 Skytrain and Waco Biplane comes in the midst of ambitious winter maintenance. YAM members will continue to be rewarded with generous discounts on flights.

Flying on vintage aircraft has become a seasonal favorite with many aviation enthusiasts in southeast Michigan. The museum hopes even more people will take their first "ride on the historic side" when the flying season opens

with the Waco and C-47 flights Saturday, April 9, at Willow Run Airport. The B-17 and B-25 flights will begin in May.

"Our operating expenses have risen, largely due to the cost of parts for these rare aircraft," said Ray Hunter, YAM chairman of the board of directors. "However, the price of fuel has been lower, which allows us to keep our rates stable."

Hunter said that a 30-minute living history flight experience on board the B-17 Yankee Lady will remain at \$450 and on the B-25 Yankee Warrior stays at \$400. The cost of a 15-minute air tour on the C-47 is \$195 and on the Waco biplane it stays at \$325



The B-25 Yankee Warrior.

for two passengers or \$225 for one passenger.

Hunter calls the aircraft "flying history books." He says scheduled maintenance is par-

amount and the museum is always taking extra steps to freshen the restorations on the aircraft. Keeping the airplanes in pristine condition is just one way the museum honors veterans and



The Waco Bi-plane.

pioneers of aviation.

"Visiting an aviation museum is one thing; flying on one is totally another thing," said Kevin Walsh, executive director of the Yankee Air

Museum. "We want the visitor experience to be as unique and rich as possible."

"In 2015, we set yet another ridership record on the B-17. These were people of all ages, male and female. People came from all over," Walsh said.

Walsh said that each of the four planes in the museum's stable provides a unique flying characteristic and people always walk away smiling. The heritage of Yankee Air Museum is based on principles allowing visitors to get up close to the airplanes and make it personal with a ride like none other. The museum exists to stimulate the imaginations of kids, honor veterans and pay tribute to pioneers of aviation.

Walsh added that people can reserve an April 9 ride on the C-47 and the Waco now by writing to: C47rides@yankeeairmuseum.org or biplane-rides@yankeeairmuseum.org and communicating directly with the scheduler.

Guests are encouraged to book the rides early as Saturday, April 9, promises to be very busy at the Yankee Air Museum Hangar with both the 21st annual Bomber Buffing event and the inaugural Detroit Aviation and Airline Collectibles Show beginning at 9 a.m. Hangar One is on the west side of Willow Run Airport at 801 Kirk Profit Drive, Ypsilanti.

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SYNOPSIS

JANUARY 21, 2016 - REGULAR MEETING
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

DATE: Thursday, January 21, 2016
TIME: 7:00 p.m.
PLACE: 44405 Six Mile Road

CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor Nix called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.
PRESENT: Robert R. Nix II, Supervisor, Sue A. Hillebrand, Clerk, Marjorie F. Banner, Treasurer, Symantha Heath, Trustee, Mindy Herrmann, Trustee, Fred Shadko, Trustee
ABSENT: Mary Gans (Excused)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

1. Agendas:
A. Approve the Regular Agenda and the Consent Agenda items - approved.

2. Appointments, Presentations, Resolutions & Announcements: None

3. Public Hearing: None

4. Brief Public Comments: None

5. New Business:
A. S.E.M.C.O.G. Annual Dues - approved
B. Public Safety - Vehicle Purchases - approved
C. Public Safety - Detective Bureau Vehicle Lease - approved
D. Stonewater HOA Amended and Restated Consent Judgment - approved

6. Unfinished Business: None

7. Ordinances: None

8. Check Registry:
A. In the amount of \$2,411,868.50 for the period of 12/05/15 to 01/08/16 - approved

9. Board Communication & Reports from the following:
Robert Nix, Sue Hillebrand, Marjorie Banner, Symantha Heath, Mindy Herrmann, Fred Shadko and Chip Snider.

10. Any other business for the Board of Trustees: None

11. ADJOURN: Meeting was adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

This is a synopsis, the draft minutes will be available February 2, 2016.

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

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NOVI TOWNSHIP
NOTICE OF CLOSE OF REGISTRATION FOR THE
MARCH 8 PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARY ELECTION

To the Qualified Electors of the TOWNSHIP OF NOVI, County of Oakland:

Notice is hereby given that the last day to register for the March 8, 2016, Presidential Primary Election will be **Monday February 8, 2016.**

If you are not currently registered to vote or need to register at a new address, you may do so at the following locations and times:

In Person:

- Novi Township Clerk's office, 44020 Cottisford Rd.
- County Elections Division, 1200 N. Telegraph Rd., Pontiac, MI 48341, Monday - Friday, 8:00am - 4:30pm.
- Secretary of State Branch Offices.
- At specified agencies for clients receiving services through Family Independence Agency, the Department of Community Health, Michigan Jobs Commission and some offices of the Commission for the Blind.
- At military recruitment offices for persons who are enlisting.

By Mail:

- Voter Registration Application - Mail to the election official as directed on the application by the close of registration deadline.

Note: Persons registering by mail are required to vote in person unless they have previously voted in person in the state or are at least 60 years of age or are handicapped.

The Presidential Primary election will be conducted at the Novi Twp. precinct at 44020 Cottisford.

Derwood Haines, 44020 Cottisford Rd., (248) 231-6210, Novi Twp. Clerk

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'Alice In Wonderland,' AAUW annual children's play, has anti-bullying theme

Profits benefit scholarships for women re-entering workforce

Julie Brown
Staff Writer

There's a proud history to children's plays and the American Association of University Women, dating back to 1959. This year, *Alice in Wonderland* will be staged by the Plymouth-Canton branch of the AAUW.

Show dates are Feb. 4-6 at Garden City High School's O'Leary Auditorium, on Middlebelt north of Ford Road. Co-director Kay Paupore of Canton noted AAUW uses the profits for scholarships for women re-entering the workforce.

"They're ready to take the next step in college," said Paupore, a retired Garden City Schools art teacher of 36 years. "We want to help them."

Thursday, Feb. 4, will be the traditional Scout Night for Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts who earn a participation badge. Garden City High students give a presentation on theater before the show, including lighting, sound, stage sets and costumes.

There's still a lot of work behind the scenes that's just as important as acting," Paupore said



(Bottom row) Michelle Churchill of Novi, Sue Bellows of Garden City, (top row) Helene Lusa of Livonia and Mickey Edell of Canton have more than 70 years combined experience performing AAUW plays. It is the biggest fundraiser for the AAUW group.

TOM BEAUDOIN

of theatrical productions. The group also encourages kids to consider later joining AAUW, which advocates for equity for girls and women in education, the workforce and elsewhere.

Thursday, Feb. 4, is a 7 p.m. showtime, with the Scout presentation at 6:15 p.m. Other show times are 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 5; 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 6 (a family show time with a 10:15 a.m. presentation before the show); and 2 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 6.

Tickets can be purchased at www.PlymouthCanton-mi.aauw.net. The price is \$6 online and \$7 at the door. For more informa-

tion, call 734-716-1833.

A new twist this year is an anti-bullying theme, as show presenters each year modify the script a bit. "That's what we thought we would add this year," Paupore said. "It's an interesting combination of different kinds of conversations they have. They can be a little abrupt," she added of some characters who interact with Alice.

Educators use the

term "upstander" now to not take a back seat to bullying. "You have to speak up and not let it go on," Paupore said of the lesson shared in the AAUW production. "We add current things that would promote different attitudes for kids, make it a little more relevant."

There are about 25 women in the cast, many of them current and retired teachers. Lisa Noel, a Redford resident and



(Back row) Laurie Kempisty of Novi, Monica Nick of Plymouth, Lori Demski of Garden City, (bottom) Marie Mack of Westland and Shirley Zaetta of Plymouth are looking forward to the upcoming production of "Alice in Wonderland."

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Wayne-Westland Schools elementary teacher, is the show's director.

A graphic artist member, Amanda Lawrence of Westland, designed the

poster. Melissa Uhl of Plymouth did the play program.

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ALVEY, MARY
January 24, 1916 -
January 19, 2016. Arrangements by Phillips Funeral Home, www.phillipsfuneral.com



ARMSTRONG, MARY ELIZABETH (MCKENZIE)

passed away on December 29, 2015 in Los Angeles, California at the age of 85. She was a long-time resident of Northville, Michigan before moving to Los Angeles, CA. Born on February 17, 1930 to Constance Blanche Loveday and Walter Ingles McKenzie. Mary was raised in Detroit and graduated from Redford High School. She is survived by daughter Robin Armstrong-Hugg (Larry) from Los Angeles, CA; son Randal (Becky Wangeman) Armstrong from Northville; granddaughter Courtney Armstrong Gordon (Patrick) and great-grandchildren Jack and Lily from Novi; three sisters: Nancy Keller (Tucson, Arizona), Dorothy Urban (Stratford, Ontario), and Peggy Midener (East Jordan, MI). She was preceded in death by another son, Walter Cyril Armstrong (1984) and her oldest sister, Barbara Holmquist (1976). Mary's ashes will be interred in the Memorial Garden at St. John's Episcopal Church in Plymouth, MI on her birthday.



BREEN, MARY

Of Plymouth, 82, passed away December 27, 2015. Beloved wife of Maurice. Mother of Melinda Hale, Maurice II and Moira (Thomas) Haas. Nana of Patrick aka PJ (Lindsey) Sullivan, Matthew Sullivan, Samantha, Jeffrey and Sabrina Hale. Great-Nana of Keira, Shane, Fiona, and Brady Sullivan. Memorial service will be held at Schoolcraft College, VisTaTech Center, 18600 Haggerty, DiPonio Room VT500, Livonia, Saturday, February 6 at 11:30 a.m. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made with checks payable to "The Schoolcraft College Foundation," memo "Mary Breen Award of Excellence" mailed to: The Schoolcraft College Foundation, Attn: Mary Breen Award of Excellence, 18600 Haggerty Road, Livonia, MI 48152.



BUELL, LYDE GLORIA

Age 81 of Howell, passed away peacefully Saturday evening, January 23, 2016. Born in Milford, Michigan on March 30, 1934, she was the daughter of Joseph and Mamie (McLendon) Bailey. A Howell area resident since 1962, Lyde raised six children and worked with her husband James on the Dairy Farm. She was an excellent baker and cook. Lyde enjoyed gardening, reading, raising her own chickens and had her own egg delivery route. Both Lyde and her husband James enjoyed traveling. Beloved wife of the late James C. Buell who preceded her in death on July 19, 2011. Loving mother of James J. (Teresa) Buell of Lebanon, Tennessee, Kathie M. (John) Kenney of Durand, Nancy M. Mazurek of Perry, Judy A. Buell of Owosso, Becky L. (Brian) Bailey of Gregory and Denise R. (David) Fogo of Fowlerville. Proud grandmother of 14 grandchildren and 26 great-grandchildren. Also survived by her sister, Evelyn Myers of Fenton and brother, Wallace J. Bailey of California; numerous nieces and nephews. Visitation Friday, January 29, 2016 from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. with funeral services Saturday, January 30, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. at MacDonald's Funeral Home, Howell (517-546-2800). Interment will follow at Lakeview Cemetery in Howell. Memorial contributions are suggested the Alzheimer's Association. Please sign the family's online guestbook at www.macdonaldsfuneralhome.com

GALLAGHER, RUTH A.

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LIPTAK, CHERYL A.

March 22, 1946 - January 17, 2016. Arrangements by Phillips Funeral Home, www.phillipsfuneral.com

McLEAN, VIRGINIA

Age 91, of Hitchcock, TX formerly of Novi, MI, passed away January 20, 2016. Condolences at casterlinefuneralhome.com

PERKINS, JANET C.

Age 94, January 21, 2016, of Milford (formerly of Commerce Twp.). Share a memory of Janet at www.cremationmichigan.com

RICHARDSON, MARGARET MAE

May 13, 1923 - January 20, 2016 L. J. Griffin Funeral Home-Northrop Sassaman Chapel

ROSS, PETER M., JR.

Age 78, of Northville passed away January 22, 2016. Beloved husband of Karen. Cherished father of Stephen (Rita), Michael (Danielle) and Thomas (Nichole). Adored grandfather of Allison, Sydney, and Kaley. Dear brother of the late Martha Joannise and brother-in-law of Lee and Shirley Engwall. Also loved by his extended family Sam and Ann Horn and their children Mason and Ethan. A Funeral Mass was held Tuesday, January 26, 2016 at Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church in Northville. Contributions appreciated to Capuchin Soup Kitchen or Wounded Warrior Project. Please share condolences at casterlinefuneralhome.com



WHEELER, GEORGE W.

85, of South Lyon, died January 19, 2016. Beloved husband of the late Betty J. Wheeler. Loving father of Linda (the late Gary) Cockfield, Mike (Kendra) Wheeler, Lori (Diamond) Mace, and Sheri (Brian) Sciatto. Cherished grandfather of 11 and great-grandfather of three. He is survived by his two sisters, Shirley (Dolly) Sirovey and Sharon Stemp. Predeceased by his brother, Chet Wheeler. Korean war veteran, 2nd infantry division sergeant. Double Purple Heart recipient. Retired Health & Safety Representative at Ford Motor Company. Retired head of security at Diamond Castle Jewelers. He was also known as Michigan's Great Pretender, a charity performer for senior citizen centers and senior living facilities. A Military Honors service is being planned for Memorial Day weekend. The family would like you to share your favorite memory of George at www.caringbridge.org/visit/georgewheeler.



WILLINGHAM, ROSEMARY (BOYA - GIAN)

January 23, 2016. Age 89 of South Lyon, formerly of Dearborn. Beloved wife of the late Francis. Dear daughter of the late George and Mary. Loving mother of Vicky (Willingham) Hoffman and Robert. Dear grandmother of William Smith and the late Nicholas Smith. Dear sister of Virginia (late James) Shuman, Armen (late Lillian), Kay (Sharon), and the late Annabelle (Jack) Tarry, and John (Catherine). Dearest aunt of many nieces and nephews. Funeral Thursday 11 a.m. at the Dearborn Chapel of Howe-Peterson Funeral Homes. Visitation Tuesday 2-8 p.m. and Wednesday 11-8 p.m. Burial Oakland Hills Cemetery.



May peace be with you in this time of sorrow.

Keeping an eye out for signs of human trafficking

There is a growing problem. A problem maybe you're aware of, maybe you're not. Maybe this is the first time you're hearing about it. Maybe you have heard about it and thought this really doesn't affect me. Maybe you think this can't happen here or it's a big city problem, but not mine. Maybe after your read this, you'll call someone, do something and recognize the problem when you see it.

January is Human Trafficking Awareness Month. Human trafficking is a form of modern-day slavery. It occurs around the world and in the United States. It is a market-based economy that exists on principles of supply and demand. It thrives due to conditions that allow for high profits being generated at low risk. Human trafficking involves acts of recruiting, transporting, transferring, harboring or receiving a person through force, fraud or coercion. Anyone can become a victim of human trafficking and anyone can become a trafficker.

Every year, as many as 2.8 million children run away in the United States. These children are put at risk for commercial sexual exploitation. Approximately 100,000 to 200,000 children and adults are taken into human trafficking each year. These people are forced to perform labor and/or services in conditions of involuntary servitude, peonage, debt bondage or slavery. The desired age of the victims is 12-13, boys and girls. They become victims through different methods. Some are kidnapped, others are sold into trafficking. However, a majority of these children are tricked into trafficking by someone they trust, like a boyfriend or a "best friend."



Sgt. Michael Sura

ASK A TROOPER

Now that we know what human trafficking is, what are some of the warning signs? A victim may have unexplained absences from school or the inability to attend school on a regular basis. They may chronically run away from home or make a reference of frequent travels to other cities. They may demonstrate a sudden change in behavior or material possessions. A victim may make reference to sexual situations that are beyond age-specific norms. The victim may also begin to use or are using drugs. They can appear malnourished, seem disoriented. They may have no identification or documents, avoid eye contact, be fearful of authority figures and can't come and go independently. These are all indicators of possible human trafficking.

The next question, who can I call or what can I do? A place to start is just by picking up the phone; the number to the National Human Trafficking Hotline is 888-373-7888. You can also go online to several websites: Polaris Project at www.polarisproject.org, Traffick Free at www.traffickfree.com, The Free2BMe Project at www.thefree2bme.org and Traffick 911 at www.Traffick911.com. Remember, as I said above, anyone can be a victim, anyone can be a trafficker, but also, anyone can help and prevent this from happening.

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

AAA offers tips for driving safely in Michigan's winter conditions

As Michiganders deal with difficult winter weather conditions, AAA sent out a statewide alert reminding motorists that when it comes to driving in winter weather conditions, the most important is safety.

A forecast for snow, sleet and ice can produce conditions that will likely challenge even the most seasoned driver. AAA

recommends:

- » Restrict driving privileges for teen or new drivers who have never driven in snowy conditions.

- » Provide new drivers with an adult-supervised opportunity to test their driving skills in an empty, snow packed/icy parking lot or low-traffic volume road.

- » Help new drivers

understand how vehicles operate differently in snowy conditions along with building their driving confidence and skills.

- » Take extra care with seniors who may face other driving challenges.

- » Access AAA roadside assistance with the free AAA app for iPhone, iPad and Android at AAA.com/mobile.

- » Submit road service

requests online at www.aaa.com.

AAA's top tips

1. Before starting out, remove snow from the entire car so it doesn't blow onto your windshield or the windshields of other drivers. Make sure your mirrors and lights are clean as well.
2. Don't use cruise control in precipitation

and freezing temperatures.

3. Remember that four-wheel drive helps you to get going quicker, but it won't help you stop any faster.

4. Familiarize yourself with your vehicle's braking system. Drivers with anti-lock brakes should apply firm, constant pressure while those without may need to

pump the pedal in order to avoid loss of traction while stopping.

Additional winter weather driving tips are available in AAA's *How To Go on Ice and Snow* booklet, which can be downloaded at: <http://exchange.aaa.com/wp-content/uploads/2012/09/How-To-Go-On-Ice-and-Snow.pdf>.

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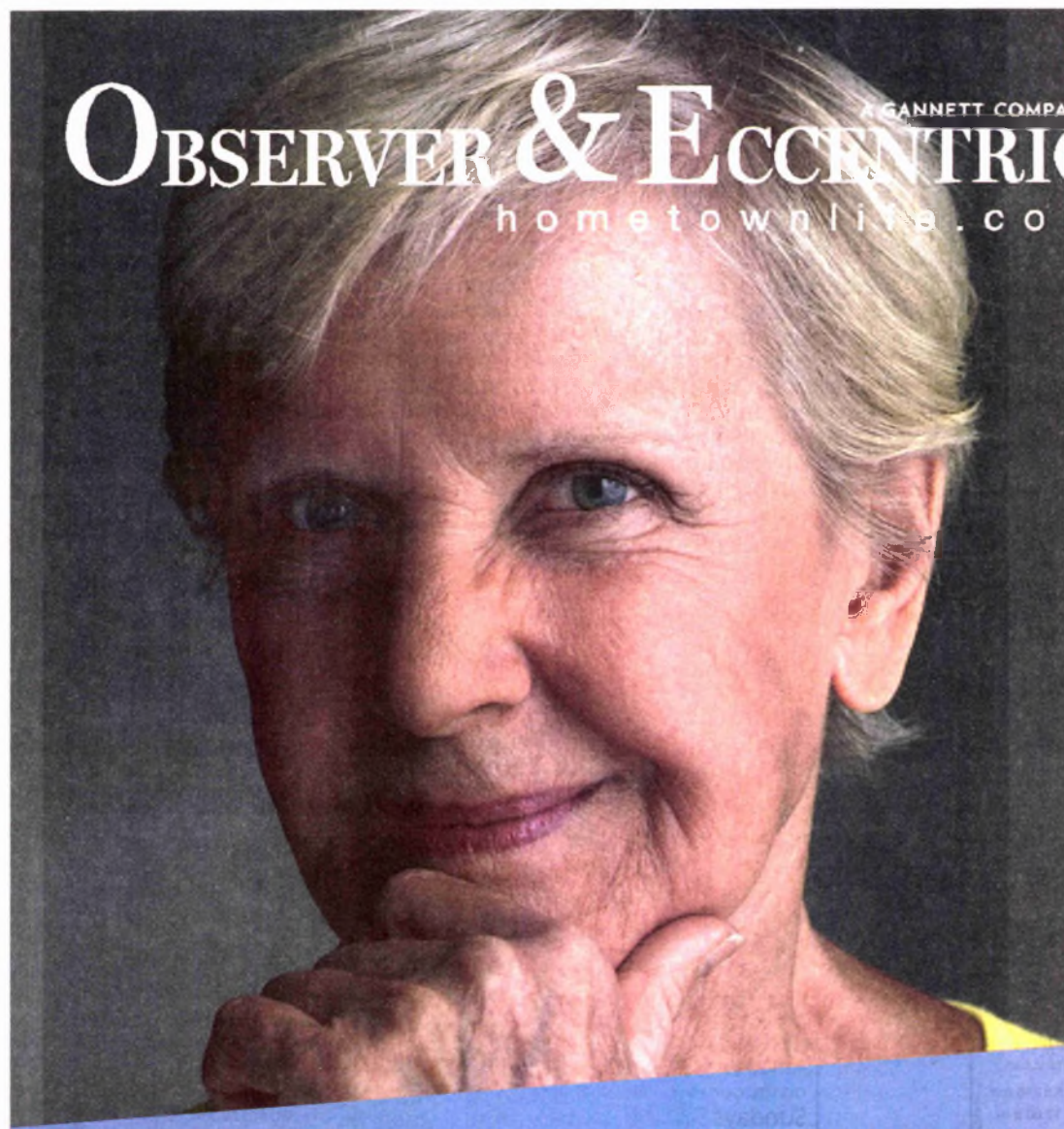
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More than \$60,000 cash reported stolen from home

Susan Bromley
Staff Writer

The owners of a local restaurant in Novi reported to police that \$60,000 was stolen from their home, as well as 300,000 Japanese yen (about \$2,500), their passports, green cards, a pearl necklace valued at \$1,000 and some chocolates.

The alleged burglary of the home occurred some time between 9:30 a.m. and noon Jan. 16. The complainant reported when she returned home, she found her master bedroom had been ransacked. There were open storage boxes all over the floor and comforters on two beds in the room were partially pulled off. She checked the rest of the house and found the front door side window had been smashed in and the door was partially open. Rooms upstairs had also been rifled through.

All the storage boxes in the master bedroom had been stacked on a closet shelf. There was a jewelry box left on the bed and nothing appeared to be missing from it. Besides the master bedroom, everything else on the main floor appeared un-

touched, except a box of chocolates which now had some pieces missing.

The woman reported that 300,000 yen was stolen, as well as the Gucci wallet in which it was stored. Also stolen was \$60,000 kept in an envelope. She knows of no disgruntled employees or anyone who knew they kept large amounts of cash in their home.

The complainant's husband reported that five or six days earlier, he had been followed home from the restaurant by a suspicious vehicle, a black Cadillac. The vehicle followed him into the subdivision and he noticed it drive by a second time as he went into his house. The case is open.

Reckless

A motorist nearly hit a man at the Speedway station at Novi and 10 Mile roads, earning herself a flat tire and an arrest for operating while intoxicated.

The incident occurred shortly after 1 a.m. Jan. 16, a Novi police report stated. The man told police the suspect entered the driveway, drove over the curb, then drove the wrong way between gas pumps, nearly hitting

him. The station manager also witnessed the incident and it was captured on surveillance video.

The suspect smelled strongly of alcohol, police stated, and when asked how much she had to drink, said she had one beer. She failed field sobriety tests and a preliminary breathalyzer test indicated she had a blood-alcohol content of 0.16 percent. A later test showed she had a BAC of 0.21 percent. A BAC of 0.08 percent is considered legally drunk.

She was lodged at the jail and a warrant request was made to the prosecutor's office for operating while intoxicated, high BAC.

Missing Ramen

A husband and wife were the victims of two thefts of packages delivered to their apartment on Wellington Drive within a two-week span.

The wife reported she ordered from Amazon a 24-count package of Ramen mushroom noodles Dec. 24 and was notified the package was delivered five days later, but she never received it. She was refunded the cost of the noodles. A few days

later, Jan. 1, her husband ordered various items from Amazon, including record sleeves, two art books and a video game. Amazon reported the packages were left on his doorstep 10 days later at 12:49 p.m. Jan. 11, but when he arrived home at about 5:30 p.m., they weren't there. They were advised by police to use the sign for delivery option to prevent theft of any future packages.

Derailed fitness

A resident of Spring Lake Boulevard had her fitness plans derailed when an elliptical she ordered was stolen from in front of her apartment Jan. 5, along with another package that contained Hollister jeans. FedEx confirmed the elliptical, weighing 150 pounds, had been delivered at 11:43 a.m. that day. A neighbor reported seeing the package about 4:30 p.m. outside the door and then hearing two male voices and sounds like a package being opened between 5:30 and 6:30 p.m., but she did not investigate.

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Milford man remains chair of road commission

The three-member Road Commission for Oakland County Board re-elected Ron Fowkes of Milford to a second term as board chairman and Eric Wilson as vice chairman.



Fowkes

The third board member is Greg Jamian. The board traditionally elects

its officers at the first meeting of the new year in January.

"I am looking forward to the opportunities ahead of us in 2016," Fowkes said. "We are committed to providing the safest roads in Michigan and Oakland County has consistently had the lowest traffic fatality rates of any county in the state. This didn't happen overnight. We have been a leader in using crash-data evaluation as a primary basis for selecting future road projects for more than 30 years."

Fowkes has served on the RCOC board since 2011. A resident of the village of Milford, he has frequently advocated for better roads and highways in Oakland County. Fowkes served on the Milford Village Council from 1999 through 2006, including serving as its president in 2003. He owns and operates Seal-tite Inspection Co.

Fowkes added that, in addition to crash data analysis, RCOC has introduced changes in road design and safety enhancements such as using center-line rumble strips and paved shoulders to reduce traffic fatalities. Other projects that have improved motorist safety in Oakland

County have included constructing modern roundabouts, which have been shown to reduce intersection fatalities by 90 percent (Oakland County has the highest concentration of roundabouts in the state), as well as RCOC's system of "smart" traffic signals (the second-largest system in the country).

Fowkes also was re-appointed as the road commission representative to the Oakland County Parks and Recreation Commission for 2016.

Wilson is an attorney in private practice and former member of the Oakland County Board of Commissioners and the Orion Township Board of Trustees. He was first appointed to the RCOC board in 2007 and re-appointed in 2013.

Jamian has served on the RCOC board since 2009 and was re-appointed to a second

term in 2015. He is a resident of Bloomfield Township and former member of the Oakland County Board of Commissioners and the Bloomfield Township

Board of Trustees. For more than 30 years, Jamian has been president and CEO of an integrated health-services corporation in Troy.

Road Commission board members are appointed by the Oakland County Board of Commissioners and serve for six-year terms.

Wilson



Jamian

Law named presiding judge at 52-1 District Court

Judge David Law was recently named presiding judge of the 52-1 District Court, which serves the communities of Novi, Lyon Township, South Lyon, Commerce Township, Walled Lake, Wixom, Milford Township, village of Milford and Highland Township. Law was appointed to



Law

the 52-1 District Court bench in February 2015 by Gov. Rick Snyder.

"Since being appointed by Gov. Snyder back in February 2015, I have worked

hard to become a well-rounded and fair judge," Law said. "I am honored that my fellow judges on the 52-1 District Court bench saw fit to elevate me to presiding judge."

The presiding judge performs leadership and management functions for the court. The duties


may include, but are not limited to: establishing policies and procedures for the court, organizing meetings of the judges, managing the court's calendar and other administrative duties.

Law's term as presiding judge will last for two years, expiring Dec. 31, 2017.

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LETTERS

Dangerous drivers

I just had to write about an issue that happened earlier this month in the Twelve Oaks parking area near JC Penney. It was and is very upsetting. To think, I could have been hit by a big black truck.

As I was about to turn to leave the parking lane, I looked both ways to make sure no car was coming. All of a sudden, this big black truck comes racing up on me with his car horn blaring. I stopped and moved back. He raced around me and waved to me and turned in around Nordstrom.

I wish I had gone after him and at least got his plate number. I did not see a security car around, either, at that

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

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

Web: www.hometownlife.com

Email: pallmen@hometownlife.com

Online: Due to space limitations, not all letters submitted can be published in our print edition. However, all letters will be published online each week at www.hometownlife.com.

I would like to see better traffic control in Novi. Drivers seem to do

as they please on the road and in the mall's parking areas. Rarely does a week go by that there isn't an accident or two that happens.

It still upsets me thinking about this and that he got away driving like that.

Christine Roznowski
Novi

More on plants

I appreciate your coverage of plant-based diets in "Local diabetes expert promotes plant based diet" Nov. 16, 2015.

A plant-based diet is beneficial and economical if we eat in season and buy local produce. The plant-based diet does not mean we have to give up meat. Instead, this diet allows us to eat fish and lean meat in moderation. The important

point is by eating more fruits, vegetables, legumes and whole grains, we can prevent chronic diseases, such as hypertension and diabetes, plus lose weight.

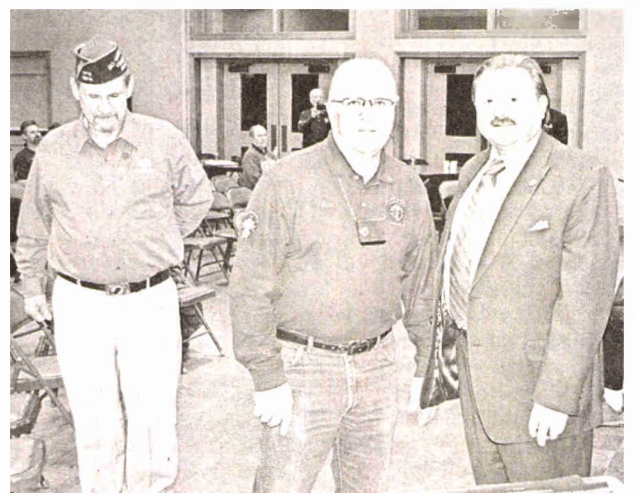
As you mentioned, type 2 diabetes is preventable and much research suggests a plant-based diet to reverse it.

One simple change to diet can help reverse diabetes and allow Americans with diabetes or pre-diabetes reduce or get off of their medication completely.

I admire Caroline's efforts to educate and support people to make changes to their lifestyle.

Sincerely,
Gita Sohizad
Novi

Recognizing Vietnam vets



Michigan Senate Majority Floor Leader Mike Kowall, R-White Lake, stands with Army veteran Tom Oltesvig (left), fourth-degree Knights of Columbus and VFW Post Commander 9914; and Air Force veteran Bob Szymanski, Knights of Columbus 8500, financial secretary. Kowall awarded the men and several other Vietnam War veterans a lapel pin at a ceremony Jan. 12 at the Holy Spirit Church in Highland.

GUEST COLUMN

Challenging times for law enforcement, public alike

These are challenging and anxiety-provoking times. For law enforcement, this has been especially true.

Recently, there have been a number of videos showing police misconduct. As a law enforcement executive, I believe when there is wrongdoing it should be disclosed and rectified. This helps build trust and enhance confidence in police agencies.

Law enforcement executives across the



Michael J. Bouchard

GUEST COLUMNIST

country agree with this strategy. With close to 800,000 police officers in America, it seems a very small percentage that have done wrong have tainted the view of the vast majority.

We are a microcosm of the society we serve. This is especially true in

the age of technology, which includes a concerted effort to fill 24 hours a day with "news." The public sees bad situations played over and over again for weeks at a time.

Unfortunately, the news does not cover all cases where police are doing their jobs well and without incident. To highlight that point, consider how many times you have seen a particular bad incident replayed across various mediums.

Now, consider how many times you have seen the footage of the San Bernardino police officer telling employees from the Inland Regional Center, "I'll take a bullet before you do," while ushering them to safety. I don't watch a lot of TV, but if you saw the same thing I did, the numbers aren't even close.

My point is this — the vast majority of men and women who put on a uniform at home or abroad do so because they want to make a difference in our world and are willing to "take a bullet" for their fellow citizens. This includes all first responders and all of our military. They want to help others and protect our way of life.

The footage from Colorado and San Bernardino are two recent examples of that dedication. In Colorado, six officers were shot rushing toward the danger that a human instinctively seeks to flee. That is the heart and soul of the men and women I am honored to serve with every day.

During these anxious times, it is important to know we are doing ev-

erything we can to prevent danger from affecting you or your loved ones. We will continue to train and equip ourselves for any threat we can foresee. We hope and pray a tragedy never occurs, but in our business hope is not a strategy — preparation is.

Evil exists and when efforts cannot prevent a dangerous situation from occurring, know that men and women will be rushing to confront the threat head on.

For your part, please do not be consumed by the threats and evil in the world. If you see something, please say something. We must all be involved at some level. You should think and prepare in advance for any situation, not only for terrorist attacks or active shooter situations. It

should be for all emergencies, including fires or natural disasters.

Take stock of your capabilities, including your ability to defend yourself, and plan in advance for what you might do should an emergency occur. Situational awareness is critical and can save your life. To help prepare your family, there are some ideas and downloadable items on our web page at oakland-sheriff.com.

Remember, every minute of every day, men and women in uniform stand ready to face any threat to our communities.

Michael J. Bouchard is sheriff of Oakland County. He is vice president and government affairs chair for the Major County Sheriffs' Association of America.

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Bills aimed at DPS sick-outs, Flint water introduced in legislature

Kathleen Gray
Michigan.com

Two of the most vexing problems facing the state, the Flint water crisis and the financially struggling Detroit Public Schools, were the subjects of bills introduced by lawmakers in Lansing last week.

Three bills regarding what constitutes a teacher strike and penalties for teachers and school districts where strikes occur — teacher strikes are illegal in Michigan — were introduced by Senate Republicans. The bills are in response to teacher sick-outs in Detroit that have resulted in the closure of dozens of schools over the past three weeks.

One bill would simplify the procedure and shorten the time it takes to declare that a teacher strike is occurring. The other two bills would suspend the teaching certificates of teachers engaged in a strike, and another would deduct 5% of school aid payments to districts where school officials don't deduct the pay of striking teachers.

Another bill, introduced by Senate Democrats, would require that the Legislature and the governor's office be subject to the Freedom of Information Act, which requires public disclosure of documents. The issue has been hot this year in light of the Flint water



Various Detroit Public Schools buildings closed last week because of teacher sick-outs.

FIND OUT MORE

To get information and track the progress of bills, go to www.legislature.mi.gov. To contact the governor's office, go to www.michigan.gov/snyder. To contact legislators, go to www.house.michigan.gov/MHRPublic and www.senate.michigan.gov/senatorinfo.html.

crisis because both the Legislature and governor's office are exempt from FOIA laws. Michigan is one of only two states with such an exemption. The Free Press and other organizations have called for an end to the exemptions.

House bills

HB 5221: Repeal section of a new law that prohibits local officials from communicating

about ballot proposals in the 60 days before an election. Sponsor: Rep. Andy Schor, D-Lansing.

HB 5222: Maintain 31 judges in 36th District Court in Detroit. Sponsor: Rep. Brian Banks, D-Detroit.

HB 5223: Return the schools in the Education Achievement Authority (all in Detroit) to the control of the original school district. Sponsor: Rep. Brian Banks, D-Detroit.

HB 5224-5226: Create fund-raising license plates for prostate cancer awareness and provide checkoff options for state income taxes for the prostate cancer foundation fund. Sponsor: Rep. Paul Muxlow, R-Brown City.

HB 5227-5229: Revise disclosure procedures for nonpublic credit unions, banks and savings bank's financial

information to third parties. Sponsors: Reps. Jeremy Moss, D-Southfield; Peter Lucido, R-Shelby Township, and Jim Runestad, R-White Lake.

HB 5230: Prohibit indemnity agreements in snowplow and deicing services contracts. Sponsor: Rep. Ken Yonker, R-Gaines Township.

Senate bills

SB 712: Eliminate distance exemptions for specially designated resort liquor license distributors. Sponsor: Sen. Jim Marleau, R-Lake Orion.

SB 713-715: Provide for changes in provisions concerning designating what is a strike by teachers, and require suspension of teaching certificate for teachers engaging in strikes and deduct 5% in school aid payments from schools who don't dock pay of striking teachers. Sponsors: Sens. Phil Pavlov, R-St. Clair; David Robertson, R-Grand Blanc, and Joe Hune, R-Whitmore Lake.

SB 716: Require the legislative branch and governor's office to be subject to the Freedom of Information Act. Sponsor: Sen. Coleman Young II, D-Detroit.

SB 717: Provide for alternative means to protect against exposure to environmental hazards from leaking underground storage tanks. Sponsor: Sen. Tom Casperson, R-Escanaba.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Send Novi items to pallmen@hometownlife.com and Northville items to jmaliszews@hometownlife.com by 9 a.m. Monday for consideration for the Thursday edition.

Older Adult Services programs

Have you been diagnosed with "cabin fever"? Friends and fun are the prescription for feeling better and events hosted by Novi's Older Adult Services are the perfect place to begin treatment.

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 Slatten. 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.northvillearthouse.org.

Storytellers Bob and Audrey Allison

Time/Date: 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 30

Details: Celebrate Black History Month at the library. Bob and Audrey Allison tell stories, play musical instruments and share their instruments with the audience so you can try to play, too. This program is geared toward families with children ages 2-10.

Pre-register for this free program at Wixom Public Library by calling 248-624-2512, online at wixomlibrary.org or stop by the library at 49015 Pontiac Trail, Wixom

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 Novi (46100 Grand River). Evening features a silent auction and raffle, dinner and dancing. All are welcome to bring their own masks or purchase them on-site by making a donation. Open to those 18 years and older, individual tickets are \$150 each and a table of 10 is \$1,000. The deadline for pre-registration, which is mandatory, is Friday, Jan. 22, and can be completed at www.kyybakidzfoundation.org.

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BOYS BASKETBALL

U-D High, Winston stymie CC cage bid

No. 1-ranked Cubs cruise to 77-56 victory vs. Shamrocks

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

It's tough enough trying to get a handle on University of Detroit-Jesuit's star point guard Cassius Winston.

And then there's another whole set of problems dealing with the Cubs' 6-foot-9 twin towers in Ikechukwu Eke and Gregory Eboigbodin.

Novi Detroit Catholic Central had no answers for the talented trio, which combined for a total of 50 points Jan. 19 as the state's No. 1-ranked team in Class A rolled to a 77-56 victory over the host Shamrocks.

The 6-foot-1 Winston, a Michigan State signee and leading candidate for Mr. Basketball, finished with a game-high 19 points despite sitting out much of the second quarter with two fouls.

Eboigbodin and Eke added 16 and 15, respectively, as they controlled the paint as the high-flying Cubs improved to 11-0 overall and 3-0 in the Catholic League's Central Division.

After Eke started the game with a steal and dunk, CC (5-2, 2-1) came out hot by hitting its first three triple tries for a 9-4 advantage.

"That was our concern coming into the game," U-D coach Pat Donnelly said. "They've got a number of guys that can knock down 3-pointers. I thought we did a poor job on a couple of ball screens that allowed C.J. Baird to get

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CC's David Weber (right) shoots from the corner over U-D Jesuit's 6-foot-9 Ikechukwu Eke.

BOYS BASKETBALL



Novi's Johnny Davis (left) tries to get a hand on the layup by Northville's Justin Zimbo, with teammate Kevin Morrissey (right) entering the fray.

JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

BUZZER BEATER: MUSTANGS WIN

11-0 Northville cagers stun Novi on Morrissey's triple

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Kevin Morrissey's fifth and final shot of the game couldn't have come at a better time Friday night as far as the Northville boys basketball team was concerned.

With his team down two and the final seconds winding down against rival Novi, the 6-foot junior guard caught the ball at the top of the key and let it fly.

Count it. Game over. "I don't think I've ever hit a shot like that before," said Morrissey, whose clutch 3-pointer gave the visiting Mustangs a dramatic 56-55 win. "Once I let it go, I was just hoping for the best. I had confidence, but taking a shot like that, you're always a little bit surprised to see it go in."



Morrissey

Northville's unbeaten season continues at 11-0, coupled with a 5-0 record in the KLAA's Central Division.

Justin Zimbo, a senior guard who paced Northville's scoring attack with a game-high 19 points, was trying to find a hole in the Novi defense on the final possession after the Wildcats missed a contested layup with 16 seconds left.

Zimbo, however, had to go with his next best option while dribbling beyond the 3-point line.

"I was going to try to shoot it, but I knew I couldn't get a good shot off and I threw it to Kevin, he chucked it up there and somehow it went in," Zimbo said. "I was hoping

we didn't (call timeout). I was hoping to play, get it over with and, hopefully, make a shot and it worked well."

Senior forward Justin Gibbons added 16 points, while Jake Justice and Morrissey added nine and eight, respectively.

Morrissey, who hit 3-of-5 shots from the floor on the night, was mobbed by teammates and Northville fans afterward. The final play seemed like a blur, but the guard was cognizant of the scoreboard.

"Didn't have any time, maybe three seconds left on the clock when I caught the ball," he said. "As soon as I caught it, I looked up at the clock and knew how much time I had to work with."

Novi (5-6, 2-3) fought its way

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GIRLS BASKETBALL

Northville fends off late Wildcats rally

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Even with a 19-point advantage early in the fourth quarter, the Northville girls basketball team found out that no lead is safe — especially when it comes to playing rival Novi.

The visiting Mustangs were dominant over the first 25 minutes and 24 seconds of the game, but had to hold on for dear life to secure a 42-35 victory in a battle for first place in the KLAA's Central Division.

"I think we were going a little too fast in the fourth

(quarter)," said Northville coach Todd Gudith, whose team improved to 10-1 overall and 5-0 in the Central. "I just think we need to pace ourselves a little bit. Kids were pressing."

Six fourth-quarter turnovers did not help matters, either, as Novi (9-1, 4-1) got within a possession, 38-35, thanks to two free throws by Mikayla Lynch with 43 seconds left.

But just three seconds later, sophomore guard Kendall Dillon fouled and the Mustangs went on to make 4-of-6 free throws to help seal the victory.

"Novi started to make a couple of baskets then, all of the sudden, your lead goes from double digits to single digits and the kids are watching the scoreboard more than they're playing," Gudith said. "And I think that was part of our issue. We just need to move the scoreboard a little bit and finally got into a foul situation where we got to the line. Then we knocked down foul shots and that helped us out a lot."

Northville, which led 22-9 at halftime and 32-18 after three quarters, took its biggest lead of the night at 37-18 with 6:36 remaining on a pair of free

throws by junior forward Jessica Moorman, who finished with a team-high 12 points.

"I thought our intensity was great," Gudith said. "I thought we matched Novi's intensity. They're always a real strong defensive team. And we made a few shots. Brook (Adams) was really good early on, Jess (Moorman) made a couple things early on. I think that kind of helped us. You get a couple of baskets against Novi and that gives you a little bit of momentum. Novi really hasn't been down this year. They've pretty much led most nights

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Novi's Allie Lipson (left) gets a finger on Northville's Brook Adams' shot during Friday's KLAA Central contest.

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PREP GYMNASTICS



KAREN MCCALLUM

Northville freshman Maddy Lewis was the team's top individual finisher at the Holt Invitational, with third on balance beam.

Northville girls wind up 5th at Holt Invitational

McCallum, Lewis lead Mustangs' meet effort

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Sophomore Erin McCallum turned in a solid performance Saturday as the Northville gymnastics team placed fifth in the second annual Holt Invitational. Livonia Blue took top team honors with a score of 141.700 points, while Northville scored 134.925. McCallum was 10th in the all-around with 34.125, including ninth on vault (8.675) and 10th on the uneven bars (8.45). Freshman Maddy Lewis

earned the team's top individual finish, taking third on the balance beam with a career-best 9.025. Sophomore Grace Janowski also took sixth on the uneven bars (8.55), while freshman Mackenzie Willson was 11th on vault (8.65). On Jan. 19, Northville posted its second highest score of the season, but it wasn't enough as host Livonia Red earned a 139.375-137.125 win at Churchill High School. Waterford United rounded out the tri-meet with 124.35. The Mustangs, who slipped to 3-4 overall and 1-2 in the KLAA's Kensington Division, excelled on the balance beam, led by career- and meet-high bests from

Maddie Dragon and Willson with matching 9.425. Other high beam scorers included Grace Janowski (8.8), Neha Vallabhaneni (8.3) and Lauren Shanahan (8.0). Other outstanding performers for the Mustangs included McCallum on floor exercise (8.9) and uneven parallel bars (8.55) and Ellie Cotter on vault (8.8). Livonia Red improved to 4-2 overall and 2-0 in the Kensington Division. The Mustangs return to action at 4 p.m. Saturday at Bounce Gymnastics in Hartland with a tri-meet against Huron Valley (Lakeland-Milford) and Waterford United.

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MaxPreps honors Novi volleyball team



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

The 11th annual MaxPreps Tour of Champions, presented by the Army National Guard, honored the MHSAA Class A state champion Novi volleyball team Friday at halftime between the boys and girls basketball games against Northville. The Wildcats (54-2), who lost only one set in the postseason en route to a four-set win over Romeo in the finals, finished No. 17 in the MaxPreps national rankings, No. 1 in Michigan, No. 1 in Class A and No. 5 in the MaxPreps Xcellent 25. Novi also captured the KLAA Association, Kensington Conference and Central Division titles.

NORTHVILLE

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against everybody, whereas we've been the opposite. We know how to come back from behind because that really helped us out." Although they appeared down and out, the Wildcats refused to fold, even with leading scorer Ellie Mackay (17 points) and Jessie Bandyk both fouling out in the final 2:13. "I'm proud of how hard they played and continued to play," Novi coach Bill Kelp said. "Our best defender and our best offensive player fouled out and that hurt us even more." Novi outscored the Mus-

tangs 17-9 in the final quarter, but it just wasn't enough. "I'm proud of the comeback, of course," Kelp said. "But we've got to work on some things. I think we knew they were going to ball-fake and drive and they did. They got by us, cut in front of us and we let them do it. Offensively, we dribble the basketball too much right now. We got to work on some things." Brook Adams, a junior forward, added nine points, while Dillon chipped in seven as the Mustangs shot 14-of-37 from the floor (37.8 percent) and 13-of-19 from the foul line (68.4 percent). Northville used a 1-2-2 zone defense for much of the night to keep Novi off-balance. "We were fouling too much

man-to-man," Gudith said. "We didn't play a great zone, but we did enough to run some clock off, too. It took a little bit longer for them to get into their sets, too, by playing zone instead of attacking our players one-on-one." Allie Lipson, a senior for-



ward, added 10 points for the Wildcats, who shot 8-of-37 from the field ((21.6 percent) and 17-of-26 from the foul line (65.3 percent). But Kelp thought offense wasn't the issue, despite the spotty shooting. "I thought we stood around

THE WEEK AHEAD

- BOYS BASKETBALL**
Thursday, Jan. 28
Northville at South Lyon, 7 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 29
Novi at Salem, 7 p.m.
DeLaSalle at Detroit CC, 7:30 p.m.
Greenhills at Franklin Rd., 8 p.m.
Tuesday, Feb. 2
Salem at Northville, 7 p.m.
S.L. East at Novi, 7 p.m.
Divine Child at Detroit CC, 7 p.m.
Franklin Rd. at Clarenceville, 7 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 5
Stevenson at Northville, 7 p.m.
Novi at South Lyon, 7 p.m.
Detroit CC at U-D Jesuit, 7 p.m.
GIRLS BASKETBALL
Thursday, Jan. 28
South Lyon at Northville, 7 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 29
Baptist Pk. at Franklin Rd., 6:30 p.m.
Salem at Novi, 7 p.m.
Tuesday, Feb. 2
Northville at Salem, 7 p.m.
Novi at S.L. East, 7 p.m.
Clarenceville at Franklin Rd., 7 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 5
Northville at Stevenson, 7 p.m.
South Lyon at Novi, 7 p.m.
Chandler Pk. at Franklin Rd., 7 p.m.
BOYS HOCKEY
Thursday, Jan. 28
Northville vs. Brighton at Kensington Valley I.H., 7 p.m.
Friday, Jan. 29
Detroit CC at Cranbrook, 7:15 p.m.
(MPHS Showcase at Chelsea)
Northville vs. E. Kentwood, 4 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 30
(MPHS Showcase at Chelsea)
Northville vs. Chelsea, 6 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 31
(MPHS Showcase at Chelsea)
Novi vs. Troy, 12:15 p.m.
Tuesday, Feb. 2
Novi vs. Brighton at Kensington Valley I.H., 7 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 5
Novi vs. Churchill at Livonia's Edgar Arena, 6 p.m.
(Trenton Showcase)
Northville vs. Cranbrook, 4 p.m.
Detroit CC vs. Grand Rapids CC, 6 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 6
(Trenton Showcase)
Detroit CC vs. Notre Dame, 10:20 a.m.
Northville vs. U-D Jesuit, 4:50 p.m.
GIRLS HOCKEY
Friday, Jan. 29
Northville vs. West Bloomfield at Berkley Ice Arena, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 30
Northville vs. Port Huron at McMorgan Place, 2 p.m.
Thursday, Feb. 4
Northville vs. Skyron at Livonia's Edgar Arena, 4 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 6
Northville vs. A.A. Pioneer at Veterans Ice Arena, 7 p.m.
Sunday, Feb. 7
Northville vs. Ladywood at Livonia's Edgar Arena, 5 p.m.
PREP WRESTLING
Saturday, Jan. 30
Novi at Utica Tourney, 8 a.m.
Observeland at Churchill, 9 a.m.
Wednesday, Feb. 3
Novi, N'ville at KLAA South, 5:30 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 6
KLAA Tourney at Howell, 8 a.m.
Catholic League at Rice, 9 a.m.
BOYS SWIMMING
Thursday, Jan. 28
Novi at Northville, 6:30 p.m.
CC, A.A. Richard, N.D. Prep at Livonia Comm. Rec., 7 p.m.
Thursday, Feb. 4
W.L. Western at N'ville, 6:30 p.m.
Stevenson at Novi, 6:30 p.m.
Friday, Feb. 5
Oakland County Diving at Lake Orion, 4 p.m.
Northville at Wayne Co. Inv. at Grosse Pte. South, TBA.
Saturday, Feb. 6
Oakland County Meet at Lake Orion, 9 a.m.
Northville at Wayne Co. Inv. at Grosse Pte. South, TBA.
PREP GYMNASTICS
Saturday, Jan. 30
Northville vs. Huron Valley at Bounce Gymnastics, 4 p.m.
Tuesday, Feb. 2
N'ville at W.L. Central, 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 6
N'ville at Canton Inv., 9:15 a.m.
PREP BOWLING
Thursday, Jan. 28
Detroit CC vs. U-D Jesuit at Bowl One, 3:30 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 31
CC at Ladywood Tourney at Super Bowl, 9:30 a.m.
Novi vs. Wayne, 3:30 p.m.
Monday, Feb. 1
Detroit CC vs. DeLaSalle at Sterling Lanes, 3:30 p.m.
(at Canton's Super Bowl)
Novi vs. Canton, 3:30 p.m.
Northville vs. Plymouth, 3:30 p.m.
Tuesday, Feb. 2
(at Town 'N Country Lanes)
Novi vs. Plymouth, 3:30 p.m.
Northville vs. Salem, 3:30 p.m.
Wednesday, Feb. 3
Detroit CC vs. Brother Rice at Airway Lanes, 3:30 p.m.
Saturday, Feb. 6
Detroit CC at Mercy Tourney at Drakeshire Lanes, 10 a.m.
COMPETITIVE CHEER
Saturday, Jan. 30
Northville Invitational, TBA.
Saturday, Feb. 6
KLAA Inv. at Novi, 9 a.m.
TBA - time to be announced.

GIRLS BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

Northville survives two OTs with East

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

It was survival of the fittest Jan. 19 as Northville escaped host South Lyon East with a 51-47 girls basketball victory. Junior forward Jessica Moorman scored a game-high 25 points for the Mustangs, who improved to 9-1 overall and 4-0 in the KLAA's Central Division. Junior forward Brook Adams also chipped in 10 points. South Lyon East got a team-high 16 points from senior Peyton Jones, while junior Abby Jones added 11. Danielle Waranauckas and MacKenzie Mallory chipped in nine apiece. The Cougars stayed close by making 25-of-36 free throws (69.4 percent), while the Mustangs were 7-of-12 (58.3 percent). "Northville played much better than us, but we hung in

there and had a couple of chances to win the game in regulation and at the end of the first OT," East coach Rob Leadley said. **INTER-CITY 51, FRANKLIN ROAD 44:** Karalynn Goering scored a game-high 22 points Friday to lift host Allen Park Inter-City Baptist (5-5, 3-3) to the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference Blue Division win over Novi Franklin Road Christian (4-7, 2-6). Hannah Rayburn, a senior guard, scored a team-high 20 points for the Warriors, who 28-20 at halftime and 42-34 after three quarters. Franklin Road made 13-of-17 free throws (76.4 percent), while the Chargers hit just 7-of-18 (38.8 percent). **NOVI 35, STEVENSON 23:** Sophomore guard Ellie Mackay finished with 20 points, two assists and three steals Jan. 19 as the KLAA Central Division-leading Wildcats (9-0, 4-0) downed Livonia Stevenson (5-5, 1-3). Allie Lipson added six points, seven rebounds and two steals as Novi jumped out to a 15-2 first-quarter lead. Cara Ninkovich added five rebounds and five steals. Junior forward Kelly Newman scored eight points for the Spartans, who committed 31 turnovers. **FRANKLIN ROAD 43, PLYMOUTH CHRISTIAN 35:** Senior guard Hannah Rayburn scored a game-high 27 points, leading Novi Franklin Road Christian (4-6, 2-5) to a MIAC Blue Division triumph Jan. 19 at Plymouth Christian Academy. Franklin Road, which outscored PCA 24-13 in the second half, connected on 15-of-22 free throws (68.1 percent). Kennedy Horne scored seven points for the Eagles.

BOYS BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

Franklin Road topples Inter-City

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Bradley Fressell.

The Novi Franklin Road Christian boys basketball team broke new ground Friday night. Senior guard Austin Hearn finished with a game-high 24 points and grabbed 10 rebounds as the Warriors defeated host Allen Park Inter-City Baptist for the first time in school history, 54-40. Senior center Joshua Bause chipped in nine points, 10 rebounds and eight blocks as the Warriors improved to 8-4 overall and 4-2 MIAC Blue. Franklin Road led 28-22 at halftime and 43-29 after three quarters before holding off the Chargers (6-5, 2-3), who got a team-high 18 points from

DETROIT CC 51, ST. MARY PREP 34: Freshman Austin Brown paced a balanced scoring attack with 12 points Friday as host Novi Detroit Catholic Central (6-2, 3-1) posted the Catholic League Central Division win over Orchard Lake St. Mary's (4-5, 2-2). **NORTHVILLE 71, S.L. EAST 31:** Justin Gibbons and Jake Justice each tallied 13 points for the Mustangs (10-0, 4-0) in a KLAA Central Division win Jan. 19 over visiting South Lyon East (0-9, 0-4). Justin Zimmo and Nick Wilds added 12 and 10. **STEVENSON 89, NOVI 80:** Junior guard Ian Knoph and senior forward Kyle Malkowski scored 28 and 25 points, respectively, leading Livonia Stevenson (6-4, 3-1) to the KLAA Central Division win on Jan. 19 over the visiting Wildcats (5-5, 2-2). Sophomore guard Traveon Maddox, Jr. paced Novi's scoring attack with 20 points, while junior guard Alec Bagers and senior center Naji Zezir chipped in 19 and 18, respectively. **FRANKLIN ROAD 79, PCA 66:** Senior guard Gavin Harris tossed in a game-high 31 points and dished out eight assists to spark Novi Franklin Road Christian (7-4, 3-2) to a MIAC Blue Division victory Jan. 19 over visiting Plymouth Christian Academy (3-6, 0-4). Senior guard Austin Hearn added 23 points and 10 assists, while senior center Joshua Bause finished with 11 points and 17 rebounds. Kyle Malcolm and Luke Yakuber each scored 20 points for the Eagles.

defensively in the first half," he said. "We stood around and (Northville) cut and moved and we stood and watched. And I think that was the difference in the game that first half. We also got to take the ball to the basket and we failed to do that." The two teams will meet again Friday, Feb. 12, at Northville. "Playing them on the road is hard, too, but we know there is a lot of basketball left to be played," Gudith said. "We know we see them again in 2½ weeks and it's going to more of the same. Novi is certainly not out of it and they're going to be in the thick of things when we play them at the end." bemons@hometownlife.com

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open for some easy threes. He it a couple of that were in our face, too."

But U-D seemed unfazed as it led 25-15 after one quarter. And it seemed every time the Shamrocks committed a turnover, the Cubs were sprinting down on the other end on a fast break resulting in either a tip-in, a dunk or a layup.

"I thought we did a much better job guarding the 3-point line after they hit those threes," Donnelly said. "I was just mentioning to our guys that there's a lot of emotion when you start the game. And they (CC) were playing with a lot more emotion. I'm glad our guys didn't panic and start throwing the ball around. I thought we maintained and got the lead back."

CC's Connor Nally made a put-back with 5:12 left in the second quarter to pull the Shamrocks to within five, 28-23, but U-D closed the half with a 13-2 run to lead 41-25 at intermission.

"We do have some guys that can shoot it, but they're just a little better than us in a lot of aspects," CC coach Bill Dyer said. "We just didn't turn it over and they'd just set it up. We turned it over and they punished us tonight like every good team would."

In the third quarter, U-D outscored the Shamrocks 21-13 to lead 62-38 and put the game out of reach. For the game, the Cubs shot a blistering 53.5 percent from the field (30-of-56).

"That's when we're at our best, when we can get out in transition and then score and put pressure on people," Donnelly said. "If we can get out in the running game and get some easy baskets ... scoring in the half-court against anybody is difficult, so the more easy baskets we can get, the better we are."

Meanwhile, CC was 18-of-41 from the floor (43.9 percent) and 12-of-23 from the foul line (52.1 percent). The Shamrocks committed 17 of their 18 turnovers during the first three quarters.

"It's a little bit of a helpless feeling," Dyer said. "I think our kids are realistic about where they're at and where



Catholic Central's Gio Genrich (right) dribble drives on U-D Jesuit freshman defender Julian Dozier.

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we're at. We just approached this game at trying to get better and give it our best effort. We gave effort, but their athleticism, their speed and their savvy really hurt us."

Junior guard Gio Genrich was CC's top scorer with 18 points, while Baird, a 6-5 junior forward, added 12.

"We just tried to come out and play," Dyer said. "We're just going to try and learn from this. This is only our seventh game and we've got a lot more to go. We just try to see what we look like in a game like this with this kind of stuff."

The Shamrocks will travel Friday, Feb. 5, to face Winston, along with the junior twin towers.

"Cassius has always been Cassius," Donnelly said. "He's solid fundamentally. He can distribute the basketball. He can score. He's shooting the ball a little bit better from the perimeter than he did last year.

"Greg and Ike have improved leaps and bounds. You saw some great post moves from Greg. You saw Ike getting out in transition and finishing strong. In transition, he hit a nice 16-, 17-foot jump shot. Their development in the last two years has been incredible. They're ceiling is really, really high, but they have a long way to go."

Against CC, Winston showed his versatility, making 6-of-10 shots from the floor, including a pair of triples, to go along with 3-of-4 free throws. He also dished out six assists.

"He's had that repertoire for three, four years," Dyer said. "He looks the same to me. He's always looked great to me. He doesn't look any less great this year. He shoots it better, I will say that. He's definitely improved his mid-range game. He had a lot of twos tonight inside the arc. He shot well tonight."

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BUZZER

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back from a nine-point third-quarter deficit and cut the lead to four, 45-41, entering the fourth on a basket by Traveon Maddox, who had a team-high 11 points.

Northville then went scoreless for the first 3:57 of the fourth and Novi eventually took the lead, 47-45, on a basket by Maddox with 6:20 to go.

And with just 2:11 left, it appeared the Wildcats were ready to nail down the victory after freshman Giovanni Miles grabbed a rebound, put it back up and was fouled. The subsequent free throw for the three-point play made it 55-50.

But Morrissey's rebound basket, coupled with a Novi turnover and a free throw by Justice sliced the deficit to 55-53 with just over 40 seconds left.

Novi then played keepaway while trying to draw a foul, but a miss by Jay Duarte inside gave Northville new life and the ball with 16 seconds remaining.

"I don't think Kevin wanted to shoot it until he absolutely had no choice," Northville coach Todd Sander said. "But all year long, when we were playing Salem earlier in the year, when we played Stevenson, he makes big plays when we need it."

The loss seemed like a punch in the gut for the host Wildcats, who honored both their state championship volleyball and boys tennis teams in a pregame ceremony.

"They weren't going for the tie, they were going for the win and it worked out," Novi coach Brandon Sinawi said of the final play. "Defensively, late in that last possession, knowing they were going to shoot a three ... it was kind of a scramble and (Sander) didn't call a timeout, to his credit, and just let his kids play. Morrissey found a way to let it fly and to knock it down."

Novi trailed 18-13 after one quarter and 30-27 at halftime.

The Wildcats, who shot 22-of-45 from the floor (48.8 percent), also got 10 points from senior point guard Kam



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
Novi's Kam Hankerson (left) blocks the attempt by Northville's Jack Burke.

Hankerson, while Naji Ozeir and Tredon Hankerson added nine and eight, respectively.

"It's absolutely a kick in the butt ... losing the way we lost (Tuesday) at (Livonia) Stevenson and now coming home here at the buzzer, it's not easy," Sinawi said. "We've got guys in the locker room that are hurting. But the thing is that we've got players picking them up. We got a great, strong group of kids that are going to continue to fight and continue to battle. As somber as it was in the locker room the first couple of minutes, it turned around. We got kids that want to get better and want to pick each other up."

Northville shot 18-of-50 from the field (36 percent), but nine of those makes were 3-pointers. The Mustangs went 11-of-15 from the foul line, while Novi was 5-of-7.

"Division game on the road, Northville-Novu ... we were hot early and then went cold and they were able to break us down, but our guys kept fighting and battling," Sander said. "They never stop believing. They hate to lose and, like we've had all year, a different guy seems to make a really big, key play."

The victory proved sweet in more ways than one for the Mustangs.

"It's huge, 5-0 in the (Central) division so far, got to play at South Lyon on Thursday, but that was a huge win," Zimbo said. "The atmosphere was great in there."

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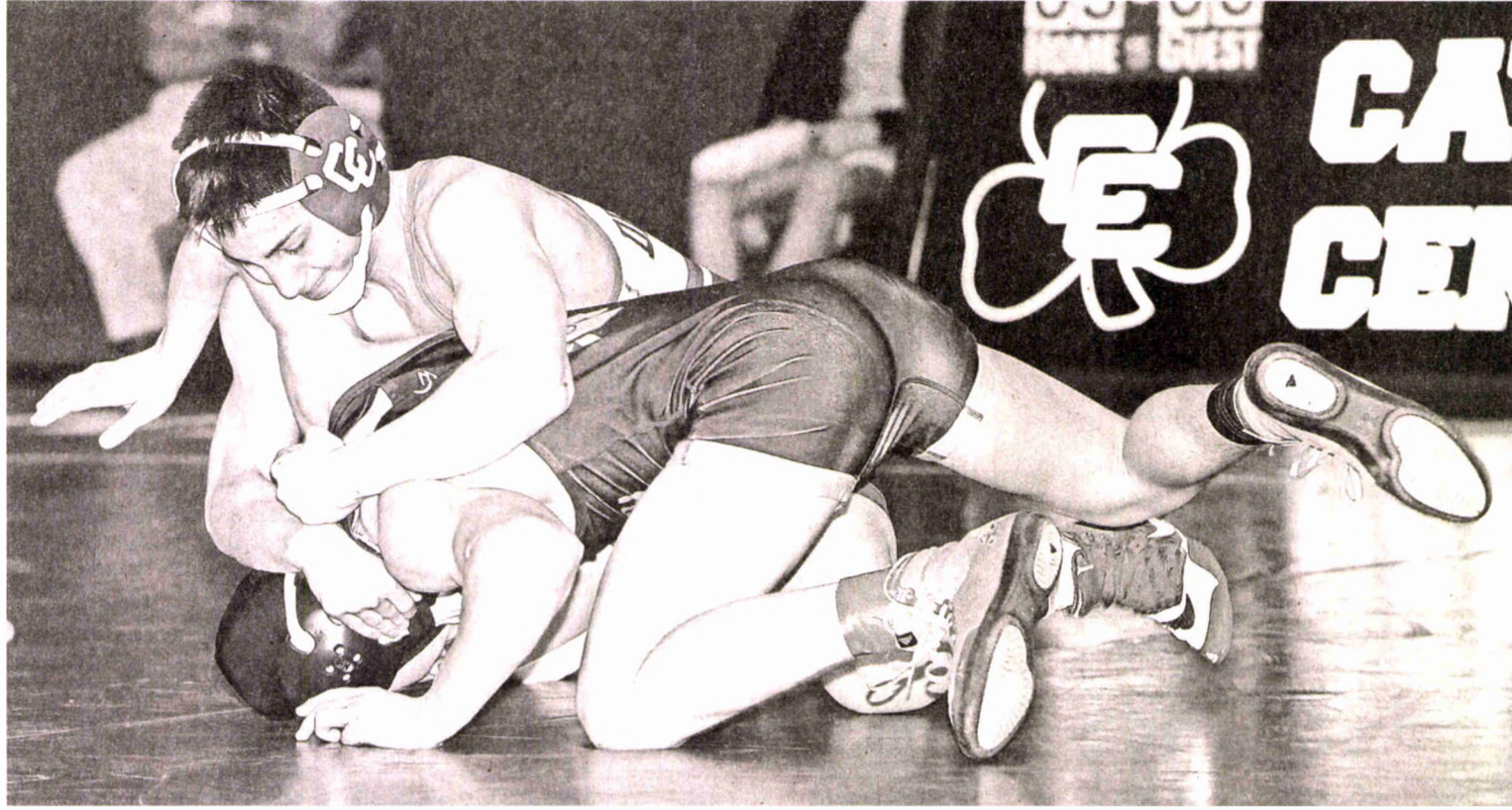
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Catholic Central's Ben Kamali (top) takes control against Goodrich's Caleb Teague at 112 pounds.

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BOYS SWIMMING

Lifted by Maibach, Northville motors to dual win over SLU

Northville improves to 7-2 with 126-60 victory

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Kirk Maibach was the catalyst Jan. 21, leading host Northville to a 126-60 KLAACentral Division boys swimming victory over visiting South Lyon Unified.

Maibach figured in four first-place finishes as the Mustangs captured 10 of the 12 events to improve to 7-2 overall and 2-0 in the Central.

"We had some good swims tonight, we had some bad ones and some average ones, too, so a mixed bag of everything," Northville coach Rich Bennetts said. "We are in the middle of our hardest two weeks of training for the season right now, so the boys are real sore and pretty tired."

Maibach captured the 50-yard freestyle (23.49) and 100 butterfly (56.01), while also teaming with Travis Nitkiewicz, James Xue and Larry Zhao for first in the 200 medley relay (1:42.42).

The foursome of Maibach, Xue, Zhao and Troy Stacer also captured the 200 freestyle relay (1:33.18).

Trevor DeGroot was also a double-winner, in the 200 and 500 freestyles, with times of 1:49.47 and 4:53.42, respectively.

DeGroot also teamed with David Alameddine, Connor Lepish and Nitkiewicz for a victory in the 400 freestyle relay (3:29.45).

Other Northville first-place finishers included Xue, 200 individual medley (2:04.29); Zhao, 100 freestyle (51.18); and Nikolai Arton, who led a sweep in the 100 breaststroke (1:03.24).

"We are just trying to get healthy, get some of our athletes back and, once we do that, we will see where we are at," Bennetts said. "It's a long season and we have five weeks left until the conference meet, so we will have to use every day to its fullest in order to be ready for that meet."

South Lyon Unified (2-3, 0-2) posted a pair of firsts, by Matt Meadows in the 1-meter diving (272.15 points) and Logan Boals in the 100 backstroke (58.03).

"We were a bit over-matched against Northville," South Lyon coach John Burch said. "They are the favorite to win the (Kensington) conference and showed why against us. We struggled to compete against their top swimmers and will need to improve in order to compete against Salem next week."

"Max Kempisty in the 200 IM and Logan Boals in the 100 back had great performances in this meet."

DUAL MEET RESULTS
NORTHVILLE 126
SOUTH LYON UNIFIED 60
Jan. 21 at Northville

200-yard medley relay: 1. Northville (Kirk Maibach, Travis Nitkiewicz, James Xue, Larry Zhao), 1:42.42; 2. South Lyon (Logan Boals, Brandon Bell, Max Kempisty, Oliver Joy), 1:44.9; 3. Northville (Ali Pazooki, Chris Geng, John Duan, Roman Grossi), 1:49.61.
200 freestyle: 1. Trevor DeGroot (N'ville), 1:49.47; 2. Christian Etnyre (SLU), 1:53.47; 3. David Alameddine (N'ville), 1:54.72.
200 individual medley: 1. Xue (N'ville), 2:04.29; 2. Kempisty (SLU), 2:06.26; 3. Zhao (N'ville), 2:10.13.
50 freestyle: 1. Maibach (N'ville), 23.49; 2. Joy (SLU), 23.6; 3. John Perry (SLU), 24.57.
1-meter diving: 1. Matt Meadows (SLU), 272.15 points; 2. Christian Field (N'ville), 205.15; 3. Thomas Rys (N'ville), 160.25.
100 butterfly: 1. Maibach (N'ville), 56.01; 4. Jason Nitkiewicz (N'ville), 57.04; 3. Etnyre (SLU), 58.69.
100 freestyle: 1. Zhao (N'ville), 51.18; 2. Kempisty (SLU), 51.27; 3. T. Nitkiewicz (N'ville), 52.48.
500 freestyle: 1. DeGroot (N'ville), 4:53.42; 2. Alameddine (N'ville), 5:05.03; 3. Joy (SLU), 5:08.32.
200 freestyle relay: 1. Northville (Xue, Zhao, Troy Stacer, Maibach), 1:33.18; 2. South Lyon (Zach Denny, Joy, Kempisty, John Perry), 1:35.2; 3. Northville (Cameron Heaven, Jack Breuch, Shane Boran, Connor Lepish), 1:40.8.
100 backstroke: 1. Boals (SLU), 58.03; 2. Arthur Greenlee (N'ville), 58.14; 3. T. Nitkiewicz (N'ville), 58.46.
100 breaststroke: 1. Nikolai Arton (N'ville), 1:03.24; 2. Geng (N'ville), 1:03.54; 3. Xue (N'ville), 1:04.67.
400 freestyle relay: 1. Northville (DeGroot, Alameddine, Lepish, T. Nitkiewicz), 3:29.45; 2. South Lyon (John Perry, Etnyre, Boals, Bell), 3:34.24; 3. Northville (Breuch, Heaven, Stacer, Jacob Grimm), 3:41.19.
Dual meet records: Northville, 7-2 overall, 2-0 KLAACentral Division; South Lyon, 2-3 overall, 0-2 KLAACentral.

Shamrocks sitting in No. 1 chair

Catholic Central pins Goodrich on senior night

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

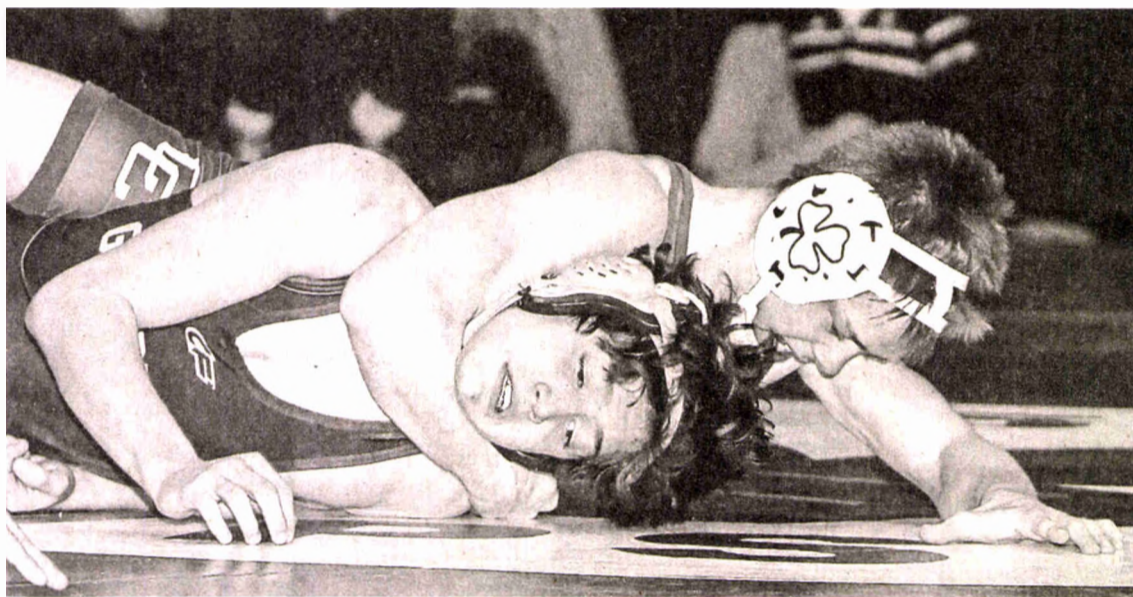
For the first time in 16 months, Novi Detroit Catholic Central's wrestling team has the target on its back after earning the top spot in the Division 1 state rankings by MichiganGrappler.com.

The Shamrocks earned the top billing after defeating three of the state's top 10-ranked teams in Division 1, including host Brighton (Jan. 15) along with Hartland and Grandville (Jan. 16) at Central Michigan University's McQuirk Arena (site of this year's team state finals Feb. 26-27).

On Jan. 20, the Shamrocks continued to roll with a convincing 50-12 senior night triumph over Goodrich, the No. 3-ranked team in Division 2.

CC won 12 of 14 matches while scoring bonus points in seven.

"That's a testament to our seniors and the work they've put into getting this team back to the top," CC coach Mitch Hancock said. "That's a really good team (Goodrich). Those guys beat Clarkston and Eaton Rapids and lost a tight dual to Brighton earlier in the year. Our guys performed really



Catholic Central's Stone Moscovic (top) decisively pinned Goodrich's Dominic Edwards, 4-2, at 119 pounds.

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well and did a nice job in picking up bonus points."

Aaron Rehfeldt (135 pounds) scored a pin, while Ben Kamali (112) making his varsity debut, and Tyler Morland (171) both won by a technical fall for the Shamrocks.

Earning a major decision for CC were Kevon Davenport (125), Cameron Amine (130), Aiden Waugh (145) and Nick Jenkins (285).

"I thought our guys were very aggressive tonight," said Hancock, whose team improved to 10-5 overall. "We scored 39 take-downs to their

six. We have to continue building on this and continue to improve."

Other wins came from Rhett Newton (103), Stone Moscovic (119), Connor Cox (160) and Conner Curnutte (189), while Jackson Ross (215) won by forfeit.

Meanwhile, Kamali, Amine and Morland all defeated top 10-ranked wrestlers.

"I was worried about their legs, seeing that haven't had a day off in over a week," Hancock said. "They looked great tonight as I think they were very motivated to send the

seniors out the right way."

DUAL MATCH RESULT
DETROIT CATHOLIC CENTRAL 50
GOODRICH 12

103 pounds: Rhett Newton (CC) decisively pinned Tristin Katulski, 7-2; **112:** Ben Kamali (CC) won by technical fall over Caleb Teague, 21-6; **119:** Stone Moscovic (CC) dec. Dominic Edwards, 4-2; **125:** Kevon Davenport (CC) won by major dec. over Carson Turnbow, 19-8; **130:** Cameron Amine (CC) won by major dec. over James Penfold, 17-6; **135:** Aaron Rehfeldt (CC) pinned Cody Orcutt, 3-53; **140:** Nathan Ellis (Goodrich) p. Joe McGrath, 2-39; **145:** Aiden Waugh (CC) won by major dec. over Sebastian Foglio, 10-1; **152:** Honour Kline (Goodrich) p. Tyler Johnson, 2-33; **160:** Connor Cox (CC) dec. Nick Foglio, 3-2; **171:** Tyler Morland (CC) won by tech. fall over John Penfold, 24-9; **189:** Conner Curnutte (CC) dec. Alex Van Fleteren, 4-1; **215:** Jackson Ross (CC) won by void; **285:** Nick Jenkins (CC) won by major dec. over Blake Coffell, 11-3.
CC's dual match record: 10-5 overall.

PREP SKIING

Goodman leads Novi boys past dual foes

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

The Novi boys ski team improved its record to 5-0 by defeating Birmingham Brother Rice, 28-45, and Milford, 20.5-57.5, in a combined Southeast Michigan Ski League Alpine Division meet Jan. 20-21 at Alpine Valley.

Novi defeated Rice for the first time in 10 years by winning slalom, 15-21, as Mitch Goodman and Ross O'Donnell finished first and third, respectively.

In giant slalom, Goodman and Jack Grove took first and third, respectively, in a 13-24 victory.

Against Milford, Goodman and O'Donnell finished one-two in slalom for a 10-29 victory. Goodman and Grove also went one-two in giant slalom against the Mavericks in a 10.5-28.5 victory.

In the girls meet, the Wildcats stand 3-2 after a 20-63 loss to Birmingham Marian and a 39-41 victory over Milford.

Unie Gu and Ellie Oegema took sixth and seventh in a 10-30 girls slalom loss to Marian, which also captured giant slalom, 10-33, as Gu placed sixth and Tori Engler eighth.

Against Milford, Gu and Oegema placed third and fourth, respectively, in slalom for an 18-22 victory. The Mavericks took giant slalom, 19-21, as Gu took third and Engler fifth.

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Top GLIAC keeper



MARK HAUSTEIN

Ferris State University's Maddie Haustein (Novi) was selected 2015 Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Goalkeeper of the Year and to the NCAA Division II Midwest all-region team for the nationally-ranked Bulldogs, who finished 14-5-1 overall and 9-2-1 in the GLIAC's North Division (behind NCAA champion Grand Valley State). The 5-foot-6 senior started all 20 games, posting a 0.98 goals-against average and an .888 save percentage with seven shutouts.

BOYS SWIMMING

CC claims second in Groves quad

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Novi Detroit Catholic Central's swim team capped a hectic three-meet week by finishing runner-up in Saturday's Birmingham Groves quad meet.

Warren DeLaSalle scored 554 points to capture the title, followed by CC (488), the host Falcons (442) and Beverly Hills Detroit Country Day (287).

Earning first-place finishes for CC were Jonathan Lee in the 200-yard individual medley (2:01.07) and Robert Vance in the 1-meter diving (222.05 points).

Lee also was second in the 100 breaststroke (1:00.3) and teamed with Matt Loniewski, Kyle Tschannen and Tommy Wiaduck for second in the 200 medley (1:040.66) and 400 freestyle (3:20.92) relays.

TRI-MATCH RESULTS
Jan. 21 at Livonia Rec. Center
TEAM SCORES: Novi Detroit Catholic Central 133, University of Detroit Jesuit 52, Warren DeLaSalle 110, Detroit CC 76, DeLaSalle 140, U-D Jesuit 45.
FINAL EVENT RESULTS
200-yard medley relay: 1. DeLaSalle (P.J. Desmet, Jake Huttenlocher, Jack Kucharzyk, Zach Milke), 1:40.68; 2. Detroit CC (Matt Loniewski, Jonathan Lee, Kyle Tschannen, Tommy Wiaduck), 1:40.68; 3. Detroit CC (Chris Barron, Logan Mills, Charlie Walsh, Jimmy Connor), 1:45.63.
200 freestyle: 1. Josh Hodges (DLS), 1:47.19; 2. Tschannen (CC), 1:51.35; 4. M. Loniewski (CC), 2:01.47; 5. Walsh (CC), 2:03.25.
200 individual medley: 1. Kucharzyk (DLS), 1:57.37; 2. Lee (CC), 2:00.05.
50 freestyle: 1. Desmet (DLS), 22.37; 5. Wiaduck (CC), 23.2.
1-meter diving: 1. Pierce Gordon (UD), 246.20 points; 2. David Debaacker (CC), 240.30; 3. Robert Vance (CC), 214.80; 4. Brendon Connolly (CC), 203.55.
100 butterfly: 1. Tschannen (CC), 53.49; 5. Walsh (CC), 55.38.
100 freestyle: 1. Milke (DLS), 48.69; 3. Wiaduck (CC), 50.8.
500 freestyle: 1. Daniel Frederick (DLS), 4:53.63; 3. Dan Vela (CC), 4:58.32; 4. Ethan Bezzina (CC), 5:07.57; 5. Bennett Loniewski (CC), 5:09.64.
200 freestyle relay: 1. DeLaSalle (Mitch Livingston, Hodges, Nick Scott, Milke), 1:32.67; 2. Detroit CC (Connor Mills, Andrew Campbell, Bezzina), 1:36.33.
100 backstroke: 1. Desmet (DLS), 53.94; 2. M. Loniewski (CC), 54.77; 4. Barron (CC), 57.38.
100 breaststroke: 1. Kucharzyk (DLS), 59.82; 2. Lee (CC), 1:00.41; 5. Mills (CC), 1:04.83.
400 freestyle relay: 1. DeLaSalle (Livingston, Hodges, Kucharzyk, Desmet), 3:17.62; 2. Detroit CC

(Tschannen, Wiaduck, M. Loniewski, Lee), 3:29.32.
CC's dual meet record: 3-2 overall, 1-1 Catholic League.

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200-yard medley relay: 1. Detroit CC (Chris Barron, Matt Loniewski, Kyle Tschannen, Tommy Wiaduck), 1:42.68; 2. Detroit CC (Jimmy Connor, Logan Mills, Charlie Walsh, Ethan Mekjian), 1:48.96.
200 freestyle: 1. Jonathan Lee (CC), 1:49.94; 2. Dan Vela (CC), 1:52.38.
200 individual medley: 1. Jackson O'Dowd (LS), 1:58.8; 2. Walsh (CC), 2:05.59; 3. Tschannen (CC), 2:05.77.
50 freestyle: 1. Wiaduck (CC), 23.6; 3. Mills (CC), 24.58.
1-meter diving: 1. David Debaacker (CC), 251.10 points; 2. Robert Vance (CC), 226.35; 3. Brendon Connolly (CC), 191.10.
100 butterfly: 1. O'Dowd (LS), 54.12; 2. Walsh (CC), 56.8; 3. Wiaduck (CC), 59.06.
100 freestyle: 1. Tschannen (CC), 51.22; 3. Andrew Campbell (CC), 52.34.
500 freestyle: 1. Benjamin Rojewski (LS), 4:55.51; 2. Vela (CC), 4:56.95; 3. Ethan Bezzina (CC), 5:04.24.
200 freestyle relay: 1. Stevenson (Connor Beck, Gabe Curtis, Rojewski, O'Dowd), 1:36.33; 2. Detroit CC (Campbell, Connor Mullaly, Giovanni Haddad, Vela), 1:39.86.
100 backstroke: 1. M. Loniewski (CC), 55.5; 3. Barron (CC), 58.32.
100 breaststroke: 1. Lee (CC), 1:01.38; 2. Mills (CC), 1:06.18; 3. Andrew Schenkus (CC), 1:08.0.
400 freestyle relay: 1. Stevenson (Beck, Luke Sant, Parker Wasielewski, O'Dowd), 3:29.15; 2. Detroit CC (Mullaly, Matthew Krakowiak, Bennett Loniewski, Bezzina), 3:43.25; 3. Detroit CC (Wiaduck, Lee, M. Loniewski, Eric Maahs), 3:46.65.



The AT&T authorized retailer store, Prime Wireless, on Traditions Road, held a grand opening Friday afternoon. The store is the 10th for owner Ralph Kattula. He also has locations in Royal Oak, Flint and Fort Gratiot.

Prime Wireless opens in Northville Township

Prime Wireless, an AT&T store opened by owner Ralph Kattula, has a showroom of 1,500 square feet at 18845 Traditions Road in Northville Township.

"AT&T continues to invest in Michigan," said Jim Murray, president, AT&T Michigan. "This new store for Northville and ones like it in neigh-

boring communities help better connect residents with the devices and services they are asking for."

Between 2009 and 2014, AT&T invested close to \$140 billion, including investments in its wireless and wire line networks and acquisitions of wireless spectrum and operations.

Down market may be good time to covert to Roth IRA

There's no doubt that markets have recently taken a retreat. How long markets will stay low is anyone's guess. As I've mentioned in the past, when markets are volatile, investors need to be cautious. That being said, investors should also look for opportunities when markets temporarily head south. One of the opportunities investors should explore is a Roth conversion.

There are two basic types of IRAs: a traditional IRA and a Roth IRA. The main difference is how they are taxed. In a traditional IRA, money grows on a tax-deferred basis; when money is withdrawn, it is subject to ordinary income tax. In addition, in a traditional IRA, once you turn 70½, you must begin taking required minimum distributions. In a Roth IRA, the tax consequences are totally different. First, money in a Roth IRA grows tax-free; when money is withdrawn, there are no taxes owed. In addition, Roth IRAs are not subject to required minimum distributions. You can let a Roth IRA grow tax-free for as long as you choose.

For those who have money in a traditional IRA, a conversion is where you take money from the traditional and move it into a Roth. The advantage is that you've converted tax-deferred money into tax-free money and you're not subject to the 70½ rule. Doing a Roth conversion not only



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makes sense economically, but also from a tax standpoint. When markets are down, it allows you to convert more shares from a traditional IRA into a Roth IRA.

Let's say you owned a stock that a few months ago was selling for \$15 a share, but it is now selling for \$10 a share. If you owned 100 shares of that stock and you converted it when it was \$15 a share, you would have a \$1,500 tax consequence. If you did it at \$10 a share, the tax consequence would only be \$1,000. Because markets are temporarily low, it creates opportunities for more and more people to take advantage of a Roth IRA conversion.

My general rules for doing a Roth IRA conversion are 1) You have to have the money to pay the tax on the amount converted without touching any of the converted funds; 2) Paying the tax on the conversion would not throw you into a higher tax bracket and 3) You can leave the money in the Roth IRA for at least five years. If you meet those requirements, converting into a Roth IRA can make sense.

I am a big fan of Roth IRAs and I encourage more and more people to look into them. My reasoning is twofold. Money growing tax-deferred is not worth nearly as much

as money growing tax-free. Also, I believe they give you greater flexibility than a traditional IRA. There are many people who, once they turn 70½, don't need the money and would prefer to it in the traditional IRA, growing on a tax-deferred basis. You can't do this because of required minimum distributions. In a Roth IRA, you have flexibility because you can let it grow tax-free for as long as you choose.

Many people who consider a Roth IRA conversion generally wait until the end of the year. Why wait? If you're thinking about doing a Roth conversion, the down market creates an excellent opportunity for you.

Like everything else in the financial world, Roth IRA conversions are not for everyone. If you meet the criteria that I've outlined above, a Roth IRA conversion can provide an excellent opportunity for you.

You and I cannot control the market, but we can look for opportunities to take advantage of it. The key is, don't procrastinate or try to time the market. Since the market has taken a significant downturn, now is a great opportunity to take advantage of a Roth conversion.

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Livonia city officials review plan for new shopping center

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Staff Writer

The plans for Livonia's newest proposed shopping center continue to move forward.

The city's planning commission took one of its first looks last month at the site plan for the proposed Haggerty Marketplace development on Haggerty between Seven and Eight Mile, giving the plan its recommended approval.

The redevelopment would replace the former Haggerty Tech Center, which has been mostly vacant for several years. Crews have worked to demolish some of the existing structures in recent months and the developer recently got approval from the city for its commercial rehabilitation certificate.

The plan would add three new structures to the site, though the tenants were not yet announced.

"The plans we're reviewing this evening show three new buildings: one multi-tenant retail building and two restaurants, all of which would be constructed along the front third of the site," said Mark Taormina, the city's planning director. "And once the users are identified, (they would) submit more plans for your review."

Of the three buildings on the original site, one has been demol-



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The proposed site of a new shopping center on Haggerty.

ished, one partially demolished and the last one will remain intact, though those buildings were not included in the site plan petition and the use for them is unknown right now, Taormina said.

Frank Jonna, with Jonna Realty Ventures, said company officials are working to determine proper parking situations for the complex, seeing if there's a way to spread out parking during the day.

He said one of the concepts being looked at for one of the restaurants is a dinner-only concept, which could help alleviate parking concerns during other parts of the day.

"We do have a lot more land here and we hope the remainder uses of this property will result in a mixed-use and the type of benefits that will create parking opportunities for one use to take advantage at peaks of the others," he said. "We're hoping that will play

into the mix." The site plan now goes to the city council for review, which is expected to take place sometime this month. If approved, it would be the most recent shopping center brought to town, following the Livonia Commons center at Schoolcraft and Middlebelt.

Planning commissioner and city councilman-elect Scott Bahr said he likes how that stretch of road has seen successful development and added he looked forward to more coming in that part of Livonia.

"The comment that was made was that when high-end restaurants look to come to this area, the two places they look at is Big Beaver in Troy or Haggerty in Livonia," he said. "That's exciting. That's great to hear."

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Credit union accepting applicants for college scholarships

Community Choice Credit Union is accepting applications for its annual scholarship program, which awards \$100,000 in scholarships to graduating high school students who pledge to attend college in Michigan and commit to giving back to the state by building their careers here.

Now in its eighth year, the Community Choice Scholarship Program is one of the largest scholarship programs in the credit union industry



The Community Choice Foundation Scholarship Program awarded 20 metro Detroit high school students a total of \$100,000 in scholarships in 2015 for pledging to attend college in Michigan and committing to give back to the state by building their careers here.

both in Michigan and nationally. It has awarded more than \$700,000 in scholarships to 140 students in the Detroit area since 2009.

New this year, Community Choice announced that the scholarship program is opening eligibility to all high school seniors in the state.

Scholarships of up to \$5,000 each will be awarded to those who demonstrate outstanding academic achievement, involvement in extracurricular activities and dedication to community service.

Applications are being accepted online at communitychoicefoundation.com through Feb. 15.

Winter fire safety: Space heaters, fireplaces present dangers

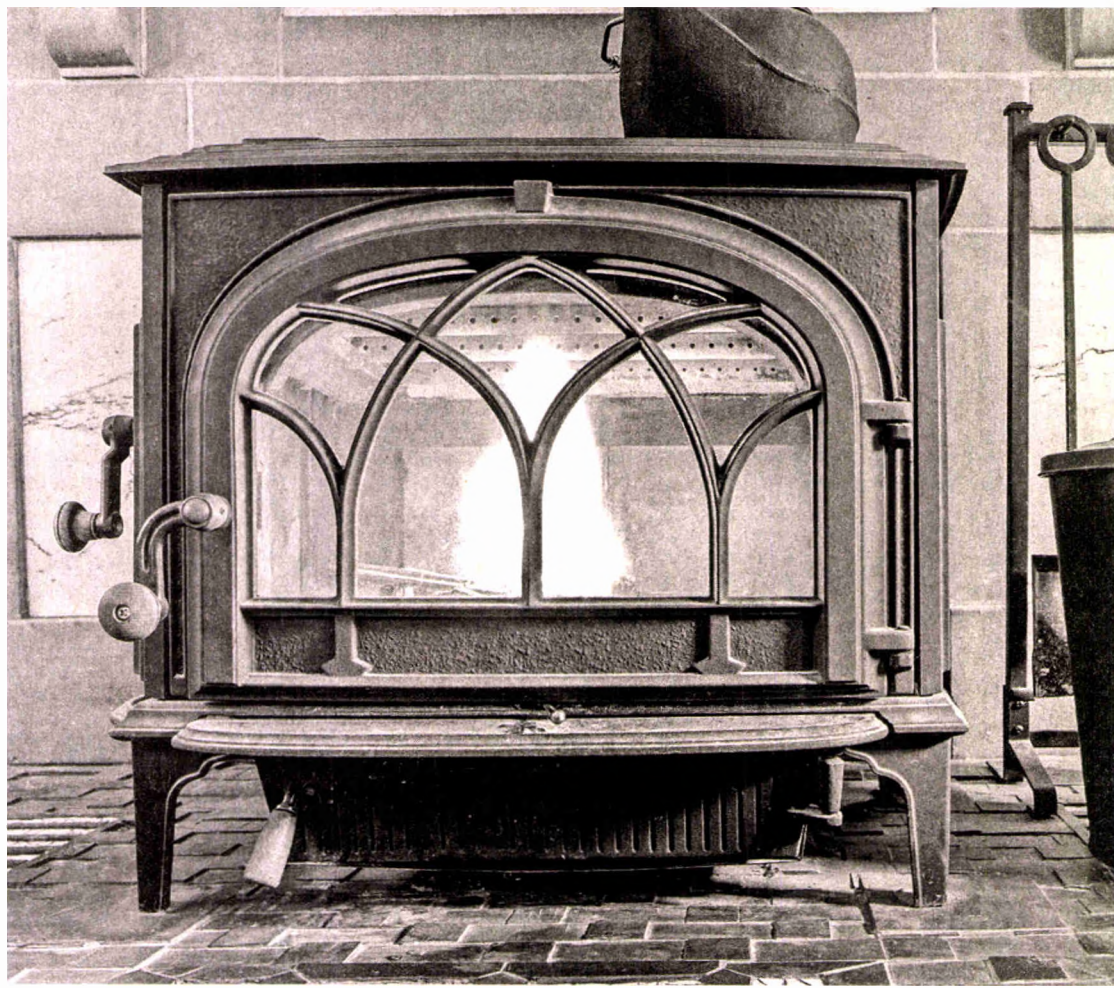
The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) is reminding homeowners about the fire dangers associated with heating equipment. Improper use of such equipment like portable or stationary space heaters, wood burning stoves and fireplaces can be incredibly dangerous, and their misuse is a leading cause of U.S. home fire deaths.

According to NFPA, half of home heating equipment fires are reported during the months of December, January and February. More than half of the home heating fire deaths resulted from fires that started when something that could burn — like upholstered furniture, clothing, blankets and bedding — was too close to heating equipment.

During the colder months there is also an increased risk of carbon monoxide (CO) poisoning. Fuel-burning equipment, including vehicles and generators running in an attached garage, can produce dangerous levels of CO and should be vented to the outside to avoid it from building up in your home. In a 2012 NFPA report, U.S. fire departments responded to an estimated 80,100 non-fire CO incidents in which carbon monoxide was found, or an average of nine such calls per hour in 2010. The number of incidents jumped 96% from 40,900 incidents reported in 2003. This surge, according to NFPA, is most likely due to the increased use of CO detectors, which alert people to the presence of CO.

Some heating equipment requires proper installation to reduce the risk of fire injuries. When installing wood burning stoves or gas heaters, NFPA recommends following the manufacturer's instructions or having a professional perform the installation.

Installing and maintaining CO alarms can also help reduce the risk of carbon monoxide poisoning. If you smell gas in your gas heater or other appliance, do not light it.



High-efficiency cast iron wood stove burning firewood

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Leave the home immediately and call your local fire department or gas company.

To ensure a safe and cozy winter this year, NFPA offers some easy tips to follow:

» Use your oven to cook food only. Never use it to heat your home.

» Hire a qualified professional to clean and inspect heating equipment and chimneys every year.

» Turn portable heaters off when leaving the room or going to bed.

» Place a sturdy screen in front of your fireplace to prevent sparks from flying into the room, and burn only dry, seasoned wood. Allow ashes to cool before disposing them in a metal container, and ensure

that they are kept a safe distance from the home.

» If you need to warm a vehicle, remove it from the garage immediately after starting it. Do not run a vehicle or other fueled engine or motor indoors, even if garage doors are open. Make sure the exhaust pipe of a running vehicle is not covered with snow.

» During and after a snowstorm make sure vents for the dryer, furnace, stove and fireplace are clear of snow build-up.

» Test smoke alarms and CO alarms monthly. Properly maintained alarms can save lives in the event of a fire.

Find additional resources including tips sheets, videos,

reports and more about heating safety and carbon monoxide by visiting NFPA's website.

Founded in 1896, NFPA is a global, nonprofit organization devoted to eliminating death, injury, property and economic loss due to fire, electrical and related hazards. The association delivers information and knowledge through more than 300 consensus codes and standards, research, training, education, outreach and advocacy; and by partnering with others who share an interest in furthering the NFPA mission. For more information, visit www.nfpa.org. All NFPA codes and standards can be viewed online for free at www.nfpa.org/freeaccess.

Consult attorney on leasing prohibition

Q: We manage a condo and one unit in our project is listed with AIRBNB. We have a prohibition on short-term or transient leasing. What do you recommend?

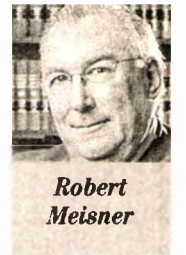
A: Consult with your community association lawyer as to whether your restriction regarding "short-term leasing or transient tenant" fits the description set forth in AIRBNB.

Determine whether the co-owner is attempting to anticipatorily breach the Condominium Documents and have your attorney advise what should be done. Also, you may want to tighten your restrictions to deal specifically with this type of situation if you wish to preclude it more effectively.

Q: I am an attorney relatively new in real estate, but have been retained by a homeowner-run board recently turned over from the developer. The developer still retains control of the architectural review board and also has to consent to any covenant amendments. The developer is getting ready to construct homes that are significantly smaller than the homes originally constructed by the developer in the subdivision. These smaller homes are being built in both the next phase and the vacant lots still being built in the first phase. This means that significantly smaller homes are being built directly across the street from larger original homes. The homeowner-run board is concerned that the smaller homes may negatively affect the value of the larger homes and that the smaller homes are not in harmony with the appearance of the original homes. What is your opinion?

A: You, as their attorney, should thoroughly review the deed restrictions and bylaws, hopefully to find a provision that requires the developer and/or the architectural control committee to approve only homes which are substantially similar to the original homes constructed and are aesthetically in compliance with them. In the absence of such a provision, you may also make the argument that there must be a good-faith undertaking by the architectural review committee before they approve homes significantly smaller than the homes presently in the subdivision and, perhaps, you can claim that there was an intentional diminution in value of the present homes by asserting that claim against the developer. You also may wish to seek the advice of an attorney who has had more experience in this area. Good luck.

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Robert Meisner

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Aug. 24-28, 2015, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses and sales prices.

City	Address	Sale Price
BEVERLY HILLS		
16080 Dunblaine Ave	\$306,000	
16008 Hummel Dr	\$177,000	
16966 Kirkshire Ave	\$235,000	
31174 Pickwick Ln	\$340,000	
8 Riverbank Dr	\$590,000	
32323 Sheridan Dr	\$265,000	
BIRMINGHAM		
969 Bennaville Ave	\$540,000	
1064 Bennaville Ave	\$713,000	
411 Bryn Mawr St	\$465,000	
848 E Lincoln St	\$685,000	
1524 Emmons Ave	\$190,000	
1548 Hazel St	\$215,000	
820 Hazelwood St	\$850,000	
1391 Humphrey Ave	\$210,000	
2313 Pembroke Rd	\$350,000	
662 Purdy St # 322	\$230,000	
1332 S Bates St	\$425,000	
1332 S Bates St	\$375,000	
1789 Washington Blvd	\$357,000	
111 Willits St Unit 49	\$815,000	
BLOOMFIELD HILLS		
1758 Saint Johns Ct	\$355,000	
1350 Conge Dr	\$640,000	
774 Kingston Ct	\$1,635,000	
1333 Knollcrest Cir # J-40	\$225,000	
BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP		
6081 Eastmoor Rd	\$350,000	
3832 Far Hill Dr	\$365,000	
2418 Heronwood Dr	\$695,000	

1138 Meadowglen Ct	\$320,000
2383 Mulberry Sq Apt 71	\$100,000
804 N Valley Chase Rd	\$444,000
4156 Orchard Hill Dr	\$483,000
5160 Provincial Dr	\$440,000
6094 Rocky Spring Rd	\$450,000
3883 Top View Ct	\$395,000
25860 W 14 Mile Rd	\$367,000
COMMERCETOWNSHIP	
1883 Bay Mist Ln	\$372,000
5505 Brentwood Ln	\$405,000
4175 Bluebird Dr	\$515,000
5470 Ridge Trl E	\$234,000
8322 Cascade St	\$205,000
3730 Ellisia Rd	\$157,000
2116 Glen Iris Ct	\$209,000
1755 Harry	\$115,000
4655 Kara Ct	\$288,000
2554 Massena St	\$65,000
8876 Wintercove Dr	\$310,000
FARMINGTON	
35201 Drake Heights Dr	\$247,000
33812 James Ct	\$169,000
32008 Valley View St	\$35,000
32010 Valley View St	\$160,000
FARMINGTON HILLS	
23487 Barfield St	\$138,000
27162 Cambridge Ln	\$485,000
30941 Cedar Creek Dr	\$260,000
21863 Colgate St	\$75,000
22335 Diamond Ct	\$175,000
29240 Fieldstone	\$321,000
29435 Glen Oaks Blvd E	\$145,000
33600 Longwood Dr	\$176,000
33840 Longwood Dr	\$201,000
21779 Manchester Ln	\$350,000
21700 River Ridge Trl	\$270,000
26666 Rose Hill Dr	\$279,000
30123 S Stockton Dr	\$145,000
30222 S Stockton Dr	\$142,000
21262 Sycamore Ct	\$184,000

28324 Timberview Ct	\$90,000
37205 Timberview Ln	\$90,000
22040 Tredwell Ave	\$149,000
36463 Valley Ridge Dr	\$320,000
21602 Wheeler St	\$110,000
FRANKLIN	
27198 GARDENWAY RD	\$107,000
32949 Grimby Ln	\$358,000
HIGHLAND	
119 Aberdeen	\$270,000
4598 Desert Bridge Ct	\$222,000
4556 Ethel Dr	\$370,000
1392 Ludean Dr	\$360,000
3657 Tara Dr	\$205,000
1165 W Highland Rd	\$147,000
LATHRUP VILLAGE	
26825 Meadowbrook Way	\$230,000
MILFORD	
804 Bishop St	\$141,000
1841 Burns Rd	\$125,000
2875 E Commerce St	\$425,000
3175 Hillside Dr	\$82,000
3901 Lone Tree Rd	\$180,000
1787 Mystic Hills Dr	\$525,000
841 Old Millford Farms	\$660,000
969 Panorama Dr	\$142,000
1023 Pearson Dr	\$264,000
863 Rockwood Ct	\$259,000
1001 S Tipico Lake Rd	\$187,000
400 Walnut Rdg	\$260,000
NORTHVILLE	
47995 Bellagio Ct	\$1,350,000
21203 E Glen Haven Cir	\$162,000
21106 W Glen Haven Cir	\$158,000
NOVI	
41999 Arrowhead Dr	\$157,000
24219 Bashian Dr	\$96,000
22669 Bertram Dr	\$429,000
24938 Bloomfield Ct	\$629,000
41706 Brownstone Dr	\$195,000
22101 Cascade Dr	\$286,000

25848 Cheyenne Dr	\$508,000
39431 Country Ln	\$165,000
39930 Crosswinds	\$130,000
22267 Heatherbrae Way S	\$309,000
41761 Independence Dr	\$165,000
40688 Kinsley Ln	\$360,000
118 Mauldin St	\$110,000
42551 Park Ridge Rd	\$250,000
22114 Picadilly Cir	\$548,000
24278 Roma Ridge Dr	\$335,000
23615 Stonehenge Blvd	\$60,000
22368 Worcester Dr	\$454,000
SOUTH LYON	
824 Downy Nest	\$217,000
640 E Crest Ln	\$172,000
875 Huntington Dr	\$318,000
25626 McCroy Ln	\$329,000
56515 Nine Mile Rd	\$225,000
23774 Spy Glass Hl N	\$515,000
58436 Winnowing Cir N	\$118,000
SOUTHFIELD	
27295 Berkshire Dr	\$128,000
28545 Brentwood St	\$38,000
29673 Farmbrook Villa Ct	\$78,000
30128 Marshall St	\$91,000
30625 Nadora St	\$212,000
23592 Plumbrook Dr	\$155,000
22717 S Bellwood Dr	\$170,000
28755 San Carlos St	\$130,000
29946 Sparkleberry Dr	\$370,000
29918 Spring River Dr	\$67,000
17266 W 11 Mile Rd	\$70,000
29504 Westbrook Pkwy	\$68,000
30035 Wildbrook Dr # 205	\$68,000
WHITE LAKE	
9291 Camelot St	\$312,000
9701 David Ln	\$255,000
625 Island Dr	\$479,000
79 N Hulbert St	\$174,000
490 N Ponchartrain St	\$290,000
8034 Wildwood Ln	\$238,000

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Sept. 14-18, 2015, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses and sales prices.

City	Address	Sale Price
CANTON		
795 Adams St	\$335,000	
854 Adams St	\$302,000	
870 Adams St	\$301,000	
7588 Admiralty Dr	\$250,000	
50436 Amberley Blvd	\$590,000	
6757 Ardley Dr	\$123,000	
43543 Argonne Ct	\$180,000	
1632 Bennington Ct	\$113,000	
50434 Black Horse Ln	\$390,000	
2041 Brookfield St	\$173,000	
45428 Brunswick Dr	\$203,000	
747 Buchanan St	\$300,000	
46766 Camelia Dr	\$245,000	
44442 Cape Cod Way	\$268,000	
635 Cherry Stone Dr	\$307,000	
43511 Cherywood Ln	\$210,000	
48100 Deer Trail Dr	\$356,000	
45800 Fixel Rd	\$195,000	
47414 Fox Run Dr	\$328,000	
48162 Gladstone Rd	\$390,000	
49218 Hawksbury Rd	\$313,000	
7366 Hillside Dr	\$210,000	
46417 Killarney Cir	\$200,000	
47880 Lindenhurst Blvd	\$377,000	
2080 N Woods Ct	\$248,000	
44429 Newburyport Dr	\$78,000	
46756 Overhill Ln	\$365,000	
43658 Palmer Rd	\$43,000	
174 Prospect Hill St	\$417,000	
170 Queens Way	\$190,000	
4074 Sherwood Cir	\$275,000	
1736 Thistle Dr	\$245,000	
900 Westfield Ct	\$240,000	

44091 Westminister Way	\$208,000
2133 Woodmont Dr W	\$189,000
GARDEN CITY	
31714 Alvin St	\$145,000
28948 Balmoral St	\$84,000
111 Central Ct	\$119,000
28529 Dawson St	\$38,000
31523 Florence St	\$84,000
29236 Ford Rd	\$150,000
28952 Marquette St	\$85,000
28952 Marquette St	\$98,000
812 Middlebelt Rd	\$84,000
1048 W Rose Ave	\$165,000
LIVONIA	
32460 6 Mile Rd	\$157,000
14307 Alexander St	\$178,000
36734 Ann Arbor Trl	\$157,000
38236 Ann Arbor Trl	\$80,000
19467 Antago St	\$112,000
15136 Auburndale St	\$130,000
14390 Barbara St	\$246,000
19024 Blue Skies St	\$185,000
19415 Brentwood St	\$150,000
29106 Broadmoor St	\$40,000
32941 Brookside Cir	\$238,000
17190 Brookside Dr	\$253,000
35418 Brookview Dr	\$283,000
9562 Deering St	\$145,000
17158 Dolores St	\$141,000
15616 Doris St	\$123,000
10054 E Clements Cir	\$125,000
33387 Fargo St	\$49,000
18614 Floral St	\$70,000
15145 Golfview Dr	\$241,000
32935 Grennada St	\$230,000
11260 Haller St	\$122,000
16576 Harrison St	\$280,000
35925 Hees St	\$148,000
15681 Inkster Rd	\$168,000
14398 Knolton St	\$153,000
8954 Lamont St	\$215,000
38702 Lapham Ct	\$250,000
17760 Loveland St	\$285,000
9914 Marie St	\$168,000

17250 Mayfield St	\$275,000
33491 Michele St	\$170,000
37432 N Laurel Park Dr	\$139,000
34600 Norfolk St	\$215,000
11034 Oxbow St	\$141,000
17428 Parklane St	\$207,000
16741 Quakertown Ln	\$260,000
31756 Scone St	\$205,000
39115 Stacey Dr	\$227,000
20009 Sunbury St	\$153,000
33601 Trillium Ct	\$242,000
18995 Whitby St	\$145,000
NORTHVILLE	
42419 Bradner Rd	\$396,000
50457 Briar Ridge Ln	\$695,000
422 Covington Ct	\$350,000
16744 Dover Dr	\$165,000
18167 Mission Pt	\$860,000
16031 Morningside	\$169,000
17292 Pon Valley Dr	\$130,000
17322 Stonebrook Dr	\$670,000
50437 Tamarack Trl	\$931,000
50682 Tamarack Trl	\$1,079,000
PLYMOUTH	
343 Arthur St	\$635,000
44510 Brookside Rd	\$300,000
45801 Denise Dr	\$355,000
14700 Dogwood Dr	\$214,000
650 Jener Pl	\$220,000
1739 Lexington St	\$250,000
42101 Mill Race Cir	\$137,000
40334 Newport Dr	\$157,000
40812 Newport Dr	\$105,000
49926 Pointe Xing	\$155,000
549 Provincetown Ln	\$240,000
45369 Stonehedge Dr	\$273,000
405 Sunset St	\$325,000
319 W Ann Arbor Trl	\$400,000
REDFORD	
9939 Arnold	\$55,000

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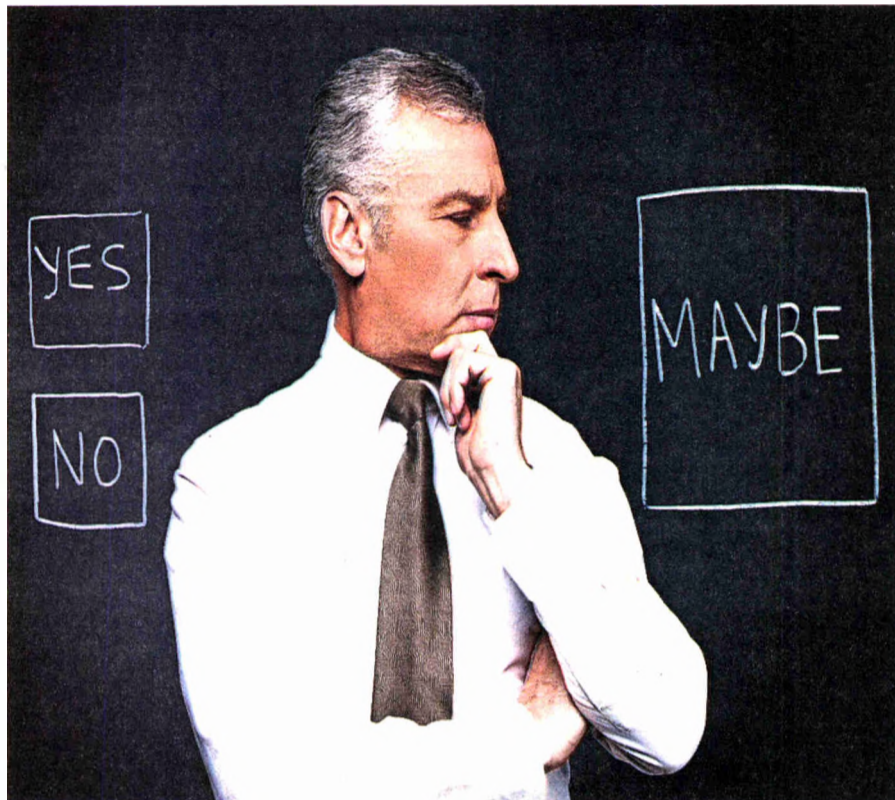
Congratulations! After weeks of updating your résumé, applying for jobs and enduring the rigorous interview process, you finally have a job offer. So why haven't you accepted it yet? Perhaps you are having reservations about leaving your current job, torn between offers or simply not sure this one is the right fit. Whatever the reason, it's important to explore it. Here are some expert-approved do's and don'ts to consider before accepting a job offer.

Don't be rash.

"Taking that proverbial step back and really evaluating the opportunity is key," says Lela Reynolds, a senior career consultant at Resume Strategists Inc. After all, changing jobs is a major life decision and warrants serious evaluation. Even if you have been out of the job market for a while, taking a position because you feel desperate could backfire. "If you take a role because you don't believe another will come along, you may find yourself back in the job market again because it wasn't the right fit," Reynolds says.

Do watch out for red flags.

Has there been high turnover at the company or in the position? Do the employees appear unenthusiastic, overworked or otherwise unhappy? Does the company seem more interested in selling itself to you than learning about you as a candidate? These could be red flags indicating deeper problems within the organization. Ask



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follow-up questions to address these concerns. If the company refuses to answer or dances around them, that could also be a red flag that something isn't quite right.

Don't ignore your gut.

"If your gut tells (you) there is something wrong, listen," says Donna M. Lubrano, an adjunct faculty member at Northeastern University College of Professional Studies. There's probably a good reason your instincts are telling you to run the other way, she says. "Seventy percent of communication is nonverbal, so you might be picking up nonverbal cues from the interviewer or others in the organization telling you that something isn't right."

Do think long-term.

"The main thing to consider is, 'Will this role bring me closer toward my career dreams and desires?'" says Darrell W. Gurney, author of "Never Apply for a Job Again! Break the Rules, Cut the Line, Beat the Rest." While the job in question may not be your dream job, it could be a stepping-stone to a better job later on. "Like in relationships, (this job) could be Mr. or Mrs. Right ... but it might be Mr. or Mrs. Right Now."

Don't sell yourself short.

"Never accept a job that is not paying the going market rate," says Katie Donovan, an equal-pay consultant and professional speaker. She recom-

mends checking out sites where you can get free salary information based on occupation, location and experience level. What happens if you find out that the employer is lowballing you? "There is always room to negotiate the first offer," Donovan says. If the final offer is still below market, it may be time to look elsewhere.

Do your research.

Career experts agree that doing background research on the company is key when considering a job offer. Start by checking its career site and social media pages to find out what the company values as an organization. See what employees say about the company on sites such as Glassdoor, and talk to people in your network who may know someone who works there to get firsthand insight into what the culture is really like.

Don't settle.

If the values of the organization are not in line with your values, the job is probably not right for you, says Kristina Butler, CEO of KB Career Solutions. "One of my favorite questions candidates can ask during the interview process is, 'Tell me what makes this a great place to work.'" The answer to that question will provide insight into the culture and help you assess if the job is the right fit for you.

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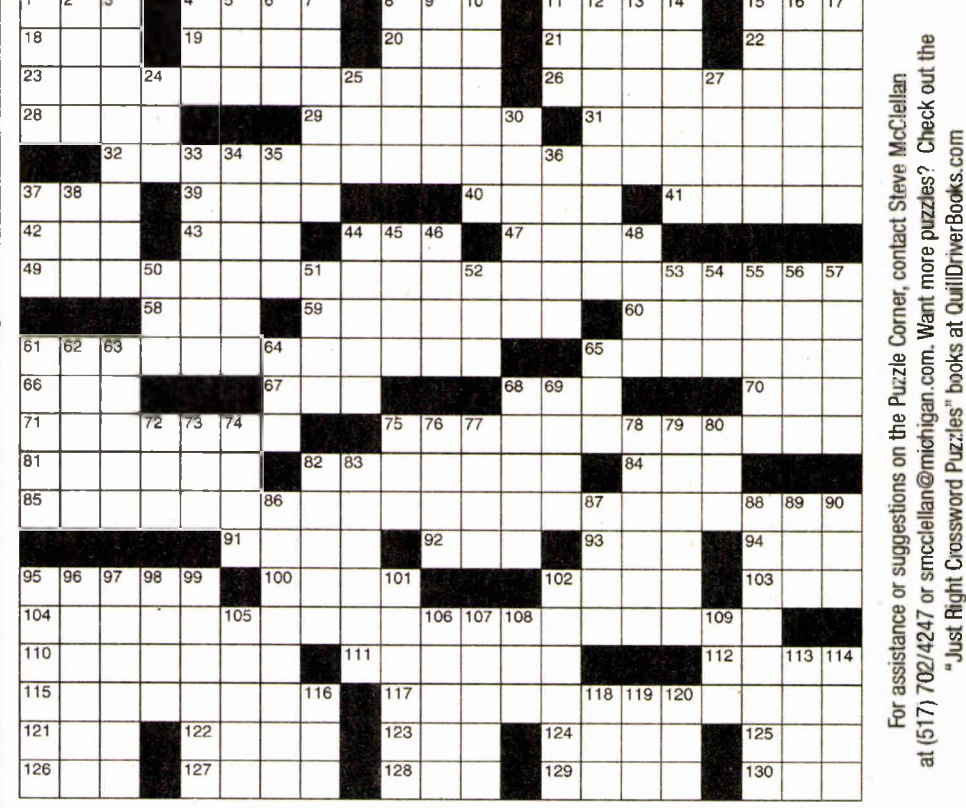
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| 1 Jan. and Feb. | 44 Peaty place | 100 Misfortunes | 8 Fit for a king | 50 Cry in Berlin | 82 Functional |
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| 11 Salt Lake City athletes | 58 U.S. snoop gp. | 110 Intercept and turn aside | 111 Gin joint | 53 General —'s chicken | 87 "— Rock" (1966 hit) |
| 15 Speedy WWW hookup | 59 Creameries | 112 Oohs and — | 115 "You have my word" | 54 "There — tide..." | 88 "Heavenly!" |
| 18 Nibble away | 60 State as fact | 112 Oohs and — | 115 "You have my word" | 55 Abate | 89 Liquid filling la mer |
| 19 Funny Bombeck | 61 First riddle's answer | 121 Cinematic Spike | 122 Purple fruit | 56 Event with evidence | 90 A couple |
| 20 Trio after N | 65 Zagreb site | 122 Purple fruit | 123 Go — rant | 57 Gawk | 95 For some time |
| 21 12-point-wide type | 66 "My Man" singer Yoko | 123 Go — rant | 124 Black-and-white treat | 58 Actor Murphy | 96 Prison, informally |
| 22 Lemur kin | 67 Pre-58- Across org. | 124 Black-and-white treat | 125 — culpa | 59 Main point | 97 Began to cry, with "up" |
| 23 Start of the first riddle | 68 Immodesty | 125 — culpa | 126 Cut out | 60 Glenn | 98 Prefix with Chinese |
| 26 Ship routes | 70 Old fed. led by Nasser | 126 Cut out | 127 Aug. follower | 61 History unit | 99 Chances |
| 28 Henry of Time and Life | 71 Hydrogen atom's lack | 127 Aug. follower | 128 April follower | 62 "— a nap!" | 101 Ski race |
| 29 The Teletubby that's yellow | 75 Start of the second riddle | 128 April follower | 129 Simple | 63 Pianist Glenn | 102 "Some Like It Hot" actress |
| 31 Certain citrus grove yield | 81 Holds up | 129 Simple | 130 Purported psychic gift | 64 History unit | 105 Cyber-submit to the IRS |
| 32 Middle of the first riddle | 82 Cybernames | 130 Purported psychic gift | | 65 Fishcake fish | 106 Massey of "Rosalie" |
| 37 Lingerie garment | 84 English rocker Brian | | | 66 Actor Murphy | 107 "Never ever!" |
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| 42 Wrestling pad | 93 Org. giving tows | 3 Detached, musically | | 70 Surround with a saintly ring | 116 First-aid ace |
| | 94 See 75-Down | 4 Jiffy | | | 118 History unit |
| | | 5 Ace | | | 119 — Moines |
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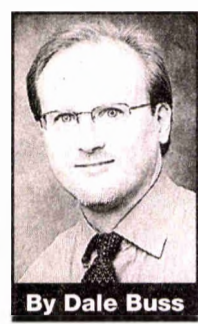
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Car Report

GM, Southeastern Michigan On the Move To Capture Business from Changes in Driving



By Dale Buss

Facing negative trends in car ownership and the sea changes being wrought by self-driving right in the face, General Motors got deeper into the ride-sharing business by launching a new personal mobility brand: Maven. And it'll get its start in Ann Arbor.

Meanwhile, southeastern Michigan business leaders and the state government are working to secure a prominent role for the area in an important aspect of the future of driverless automobiles: testing. In addition to the MCity facility that the University of Michigan already opened in Ann Arbor, economic-development interests are backing the creation of something called the American Center for mobility on 335 acres at the former B-24 manufacturing plant at Willow Run in Ypsilanti Township.

"We felt one of the ways we could really solidify the base of [the self-driving] transformation was to ensure that most of the research, testing and validation of those technologies occurred in Michigan rather than other places," said Doug Rothwell, president and CEO of the Business Leaders for Michigan.

Indeed, the American Center for Mobility will be designed to address the reality that the biggest roadblock to fulfilling the dream of a truly self-driving automobile isn't their technology but the lack of a nationwide system of smart infrastructure, traffic rules, safety regulations and legal framework that would make autonomous driving possible.

That's also why, capping off displays and unveilings at the Consumer Electronics Show and the North American International Auto Show in Detroit, the Obama Administration announced a 10-year, \$3.9-billion investment to accelerate development of autonomous cars, as part of the

2017 budget proposal.

The new policies would lay a regulatory framework and remove obstacles that automakers say must be addressed before they can safely put their self-driving vehicles on the nation's highways and byways.

"We're entering a new world here and we know it," Transportation Secretary Anthony Foxx said on the floor of the Detroit auto show. "We have to have one foot grounded in what we know about safety and apply our thinking to manage this transition. But we also have to have a healthy dose of learning from the industry—that they know—taking into account the possibility that the ways we thought about safety have to change."

While in Detroit, Foxx met with a handful of auto company CEOs to conclude what several described as a "historic" new agreement meant to improve automotive safety up front, cutting the number of accidents and recalls.

Various automated technologies and features have been available on cars up and down the price range for a while now, ranging from lane-change warnings to "adaptive" cruise control that essentially takes over driving the car and maintains safe distances from the vehicle in front.

Lately, even further technical advances by auto and tech companies have been pushing the envelope on existing regulations and underscoring the fact that the regulatory regime needs to catch



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up if the U.S. is going to lead the way in autonomous driving.

The government's initial project is only the beginning of a federal role to make self-driving a reality. And regulators will have to be prepared for the likelihood that, down the road, what car and tech companies want from them in some cases is to be left alone to finish their wenders.

For its part, GM plans to begin Maven in Ann Arbor partially because of the University of Michigan's sprawling campus and thousands of students and faculty. Maven users will be able to request the use of Chevrolet vehicles for as little as \$6 an hour, a la Zipcar, ranging up to \$12 an hour for a large SUV. The program will begin with vehicles available at 21 parking spots around town.

Maven will launch in more major U.S. cities later this year. It

includes an app for tracking down and reserving vehicles by location or car type, remote unlocking and functions such as starting and heating. It offers "seamless smartphone and keyless integration with the vehicle" through Apple CarPlay, Android Auto, GM's OnStar telematics service and Sirius XM radio. And Maven users will have "direct access to Maven leadership and core team members" via the WhatsApp messaging application.

"GM is at the forefront of redefining the future of personal mobility," President Dan Ammann said in a press release.

The company has no choice but to move in this direction. GM expects 25 million global customers will use ride-sharing services—including Uber—by 2020, up from about 5 million today.

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- Granite kitchen with wood floors and open floor plan
- Covered front porch to enjoy views of the river

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- Five bedroom, three and half bath stunning Colonial
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- New wood floors and carpet throughout
- Fabulous home, great location

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- Four bedrooms, two and half bath located in a family neighborhood.
- Granite countertops, main floor laundry
- Walk out basement
- Beautiful garden with large deck

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Welcome Home!

- Four bedrooms, two and half baths on 1.84 acres.
- Two story ceramic foyer with vaulted ceiling
- First floor laundry
- Finished three car garage

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This is not Ranch but looks like it!

- Four bedrooms, two bathrooms
- Completely Updated
- Great yard for pets or children
- Move in Ready!

MLS 215063351 248.684.1065 \$199,900



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- 1.5 story home on a 3/4 acre lot.
- First floor master suite with large fenced yard.
- Beautiful yard with deluxe pool, deck, fire pit and play-structure.
- Move in Ready!

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- Custom home on five lush acres
- Four bedrooms, Five bathrooms
- First floor laundry, pantry, dining room and office.
- Finished walkout with bedroom, bathroom, second laundry, kitchen and wet bar.

MLS 215075647 248.684.1065 \$610,000



Beautiful Ranch Condo

- Two bedroom, two bathroom end unit condo
- Many upgrades, jetted tub, extra pantry
- Hardwood flooring, granite countertops
- Views of the lake from the front porch

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Private Condo!

- Two bedroom, two bathroom, spacious condo
- Awesome location, private setting
- Updates throughout
- Move in Ready!

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Brick Ranch in the Village of Milford!

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