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Trash info

Novi city officials remind residents that trash service transfers to the city contract next week. Residents need not worry about canceling their service if they pay quarterly or month-to-month.

Providers are aware the city assumes responsibility July 1.

However, residents who have a contract instead of subscription service should contact the city at 248-735-5640. Those residents on a contract will not be billed by the city if showing proof of an existing contract.

Go to cityofnovi.org for more information.

City council green-lights Novi Road rehabilitation

James Mitchell
Correspondent

Construction is expected to begin by mid-July on a nearly \$2 million rehabilitation of a one-mile stretch of Novi Road, funded by the city in participation with a Federal Surface Transportation Program grant.

Novi City Council members unanimously approved a resolution Monday to share project costs with the Michigan Department of Transportation. The city will contribute just over \$1 million for the rehabilitation of Novi Road between 12 and 13 Mile roads. Federal grant funds will add about \$700,000 to the project.

Mayor Bob Gatt said that the city's portion will be allocated from its major street and drain funds and the project will be administered by MDOT.

Earlier this month, a few council members questioned some of the design work for the project, stalling final approval. The project was first proposed in 2013 as a basic repaving and repair of the existing five-lane section of Novi Road. Subsequent budget discussions resulted in several alternatives designed to "reduce the amount of pavement and improve the aesthetics of the road," according to a memo presented to council by Director of Public Services Rob Hayes. One of five

options, which met grant-required guidelines issued by the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials, was approved in September 2015.

Council members supported the project, which will result in a four-lane cross-section road with a depressed, landscaped center median. Should the council have de-

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Walking tour

MSU Tollgate Farm & Gardens "Sunset in the Gardens" free mid-day Garden Tour gives you the opportunity to view the 20 distinct gardens in the late afternoon and early evening hours.

The program runs 4-7 p.m. Saturday, July 16, at 28115 Meadowbrook Road. Call 248-347-3860, ext. 251, or go to www.tollgate.msu.edu.



Redford volunteer Jeff Keyandwy puts the finishing touches on cabinets at the new home built for army veteran Leonard Addison.

TOM BEAUDOIN

Disabled veteran to get new home

Compo Builders donates services as a way to give back veteran, his family

Scott Daniel
Staff Writer

For Leonard Addison, life changed forever in a single moment.

During an Army training mission in 2000 at Ft. Campbell, Ky., he was preparing to rappel off of a Black Hawk helicopter to the battlefield. Instead, he fell

more than 30 feet to the ground on his back.

"The helicopter went hard left and I was on a rope at the time," Addison said. "When it moved so fast, I lost my balance and fell."

The Westland resident has been trying to regain balance in his life ever since. Fortunately, one piece of that puzzle is about to fall into place. In August, Addison and his family will move into a brand new home in Redford - free of charge.

Since meeting Addison in 2012, brothers David and Chris-

topher Compo have been on a mission to provide the home as a way of thanking him for his service to the country.

"This guy has been through hell and back," said David Compo, who helps run Novi-based Compo Builders. "If there's someone that's deserving, it's him. He still had a great attitude, a loving attitude. I don't see this relationship ever changing. He's a part of our family."

Addison was an army specialist at the time of the accident, a year away from completing a four-year enlistment. Up until

then, he had been extremely active, playing sports like basketball and football.

But that all changed when he lost his grip on the rope. Falling on his weapon, an M4 assault rifle, which was slung over his back, didn't help.

Medics rushed him to the base hospital. Knee and back surgeries followed. But it wasn't his broken body he was thinking about after the accident.

"When it occurred, I felt bad that I didn't have a chance to

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Fire in garage spreads to destroy two homes

Philip Allmen
Staff Writer

A Saturday evening fire appears to have destroyed two homes on Sullivan Lane in Novi's Cedar Springs subdivision.

Director of Public Safety/Chief of Police David Molloy said the initial call came in at about 8 p.m. on a report of a garage fire at 25172 Sullivan. The family's adult son was at home and was one of the first 9-1-1 callers.

Firefighters arrived on the scene, located between 10 Mile and 11 Mile roads and Novi and Taft roads, six minutes after the call came in and found the first home fully engulfed in flames. The blaze had also spread to the home next door, 21542 Sullivan.



Two homes in Novi's Cedar Springs subdivision appear to be completely destroyed following a Saturday evening fire.

Molloy said dry grass and heat was a concern for firefighters in it spreading. Witness-

es said the fire spread somewhat along the grass toward other homes, but firefighters

were able to extinguish the flames before they spread any further.

With the radiant heat from the garage, Molloy said it is "very common for that to spread to an adjacent home."

Tuesday morning, the city fire marshal was at the scene talking with the insurance companies. Novi, Oakland County and insurance investigators continue to investigate the fire. Molloy said there's "nothing suspicious of the fire at this point in time." The insurance companies will decide if either home is a total loss.

While the investigation continues, Molloy noted the family of the first home had been stain-

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clined to approve the resolution or requested further design changes, city engineers said that the federal grant support would have been in jeopardy.

"It's moved along so far that it wouldn't be possible to revisit the design," councilman Andrew Mutch said. "A more fully landscaped median would help reduce noise. I would have liked more council input earlier and hope we learn from the process."

Mutch was one of the council members who previously voted against the final approval.

Hayes said in his memo that landscaping concerns had been taken into consideration and recommended that council approve the resolution with the understanding that a spring 2017 planting contract be designated to install several species of trees in the depressed median, joining the wildflowers expected this year.

About 13,000 vehicles per day travel Novi Road between 12 and 13 Mile roads.

Fox Run retirement community rewards 32 student workers

Fox Run retirement community has celebrated its 32-member class of 2016 student scholars at a recent award ceremony at its Novi campus. The student workers earned four-year collegiate scholarships in the amount of \$10,000 each from money raised by residents.

In the previous 12 years, the Fox Run Scholars Program has raised more than \$1.2 million, assisting 253 students to advance their collegiate careers. This year's student

scholarship recipients are: Hannah Bahnam, Marian; Justine Bahoura, Mercy; Betty Bowles, Walled Lake Western; Eric Coleman, Walled Lake Central; Conner Dabish, Walled Lake Western; Courtney Gabel, Walled Lake Western; Micah Giermanski, Franklin Road Cristian; Michael Gluck, Detroit Catholic Central; Diamond Gray, Walled Lake Western; Jade Gray, Walled Lake Western; Josie Green, Walled Lake Western; Caela Griggs, Herndon-Farmington Central; Janelle Grigor-

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sel, Frankel Jewish Academy; Saad Shafqat, North Farmington; Balsam Sheena, Walled Lake Western; Zach Snowden, Novi; Jalen White, Harrison; and Dilan Yaldo, North Farmington.

To be eligible for a scholarship, the students employed in the Dining Services Department must work a minimum of 1,000 hours between their junior and senior years of high school, build positive relationships with residents and maintain a strong work record while employed at Fox Run.

CORRECTION

A listing of the People's Choice 2016 winners should have listed Gina Agosta Salon, 39831 Grand River Ave., Novi, as the winner of the People's Choice Award winner for best spa. Reach the business at 248-477-2266.

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complete the mission," Addison said. "I felt like I let everyone down."

His injuries went beyond his knee and back. Addison suffered inflammation of the sciatic nerve, a hypertensive vascular condition and degenerative arthritis of the spine, which means some days are better than others as far as his mobility. He now suffers from a major depressive disorder as well.

Addison is classified as 100-percent disabled by the U.S. Army. After returning home at the end of his tour, which he did complete, he met and married Nicole. Addison described her as his angel.

"She has helped me with a lot of the pain I've gone through," he said.

And given him his biggest joys in life, sons Nicholas and Lathan and daughter Lola. The youngest of the three, Lola, 2, battles her own physical problems with cerebral palsy and spastic quadriplegia, which requires the use of a wheelchair.

The Compos are building the three-bedroom brick ranch with Leonard and Lola's mobility challenges in mind. Doorways are extra wide, bathrooms are barrier-free and stairs going to the lower level will have a lift system.

The home, which sits south of Seven Mile and east of Inkster Road, is nearing completion. Chris Compo said many of the company's employees and subcontractors have donated their time to make construction possible. Some materials have also been donated.

The Compo family owned the lot the home now sits on for more than a decade.

"It feels good to help," David Compo said. "Leonard has had a tough lot in life."

It was nearly a miracle that the two even met.

Addison was at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Detroit when he happened to spot a brochure the Compos had left offering their help. He called and heard back from David a few weeks later.

An interview followed. Compo talked to other vets in the early going, but a second interview convinced him Addison was the right choice.

"He came to our house and took pictures," Addison said. "I wasn't expecting anything."

When he learned that his family would get the house, he said he was in complete shock. His thanks to the Compos goes beyond gratitude, however.

"Serving my country," Addison said, "to get respect back ... I wasn't expecting it. To see it makes me feel good, really good."



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Volunteer Jerome Consiglio of Tri-Star Construction gets molding ready for the home built in Redford for local army veteran Leonard Addison.

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Novi pharmaceutical wholesaler to close

Philip Allmen
Staff Writer

A century-old Novi business is closing its doors at the end of the month.

Once one of the largest independent drug wholesalers in the nation, the Frank W. Kerr Co., will cease operations at the end of the month, company spokesman Michael Layne said.

As the market continued to change in the past decade, the retail pharmacy sector has consolidated significantly. Pressure on profit margins and the rapid expansion of publicly traded pharmacy operations with national reach affected the Novi company, he said.

The company notified state officials earlier this month that it will lay off its remaining 60 employees by the end of the month as a result of "an unexpected business circumstance." Layne said a large customer with locations nationwide, responsible for much of Kerr's operational profitability, reached an agreement with a large national wholesaler.

Kerr was a critic of mandatory mail-order programs promoted by the pharmacy benefits managers that own them, thus limiting competition. Kerr advocated for the repeal of Michigan law prohibiting mail order and then its owners formed Michigan's first mail-order pharmaceutical distribution company, NoviXus Pharmacy Services, which will continue to operate.

Kerr's customers included chains such as Arbor Drugs, Cunningham's, Apex, Savon and Sav-Mor. Kerr was involved in the opening of the first Meijer pharmacy in 1962 and the first Kmart pharmacy in 1969.

Formerly known as the Frank W. Kerr Chemical Co., the company opened in Detroit in 1913. The company made its mark on the pharmacy industry with the emergence of discount pricing and larger store formats. Outgoing president Ann Newman started at the company as a janitor in 1952. A Polish immigrant, she rose through the ranks from the warehouse to purchasing to become a partner and then controlling stockholder.

"It's really a sad situation," said Jim Devine, president of the Chain Drug Marketing Association, an industry group that rents space in the same building. "They



Frank W. Kerr Co. on Nine Mile Road in Novi is closing at the end of the month. The pharmacy wholesaler started in 1913 in Detroit.

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served a lot of stores. For 50 years, they ser-

vised Meijer and, 2½ years ago or so, Meijer

decided to go to (another) big hit." company and that was a

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FIRE

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ing their deck that day and several oily rags were inside the garage, which may have played a factor in the fire.

"That causes a very combustible situation," he said.


Because the home was fully engulfed when firefighters arrived, crews took a defensive position in battling the blaze. The of Northville City Fire Department assisted on the call. No one was reported injured.

"We went into defensive fire operations mode instead of an offensive one," Molloy said, adding that such a fire can double in size multiple times within a minute.


Molloy said minutes matter in responding to 9-1-1 emergency calls.

"Whenever you smell smoke or see that there's fire, you have to enact that 9-1-1 process," he said. The emergency dispatcher asks a series of questions, including if everyone is out of the home, before the emergency is toned out to firefighters. "The sooner we can be alerted of a fire or any dangerous situation, the sooner we can respond."

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Dear Friend,

As we celebrate the 240th Anniversary of our Nations Independence, it should be a special time to reflect on the profound words found in the early passages of the Declaration of Independence. As a people governed by the Rule of Law and not by the Rule of Men, the language and text enacted into laws by our legislature or imposed upon us by an activist judiciary has often departed from the guiding principles and values as set forth in our Nations founding document. As it was written:

"We hold these **truths** to be **self-evident**, that all men are created equal, that they are **endowed** by their **Creator** with certain **unalienable** Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.- That to **secure** these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, **deriving** their just powers from the **consent** of the governed."

While these two sentences can be read quickly, the guiding principles forming the cornerstone of our Country are often overlooked and any thoughtful discussion of the direction of our Country should revisit the meaning of the words found in the Declaration of Independence.

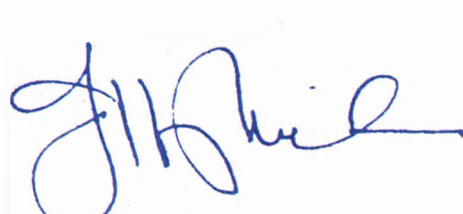
Moral relativism has been readily embraced by those advocating a progressive agenda. Moral relativism is inconsistent with the concept of "Truth" which is something that has been proven or accepted as true. The progressive agenda even questions whether something can be universally true or not. This question presented no difficulty to Thomas Jefferson in writing the Declaration of Independence as he recognized that certain "truths" are "self evident" meaning that they are clearly true and require no further proof or explanation.

The liberal progressive agenda also embraces the belief that our rights and civil liberties flow from and are subject to the control by the government. Jefferson disagreed by recognizing that the fundamental rights we possess come from our Creator and are not subject to cancellation. By "endowing" us with these rights, our Creator permanently gave us something of immense value. And in endowing us with "unalienable" rights, our possession of these rights can not be taken away from us.

The proper role our government should play with respect to our rights is to institute and enforce the rule of law to "secure" our rights so that they will not be diminished, lost or taken away. And the manner in which the government secures our rights is conditioned upon a government whose powers are "derived" from the people with their "consent".

Sadly, we find ourselves in a time where our liberties set forth in the Bill of Rights are under assault. It is therefore appropriate in celebrating the 4th of July to consider the splendid words of the Declaration of Independence to decide whether our elected leaders are committed to the principles upon which our nation was established. I am proud to be a fighter for the foundational values so eloquently expressed in the Declaration of Independence.

God Bless America and have a wonderful 4th of July!



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Novi grads finalists in duct tape contest

James Mitchell
Correspondent

Duct tape wasn't the strangest material that Claire Krueger had ever used to make a dress, but may be the one that helps pay for her studies.

"People who have seen it are used to the fact that I don't use fabric," Krueger, 17, said of the prom outfit she created out of Duck brand's tape. The art student's wardrobe has featured clothing made from grocery bags, paper clips, CDs and yarn. Duct tape was a challenge and an opportunity, courtesy of the manufacturer's annual "Stuck at Prom" scholarship contest.

Krueger joined forces with fellow Novi High School graduate, 18-year-old Julie Vu, who likewise will continue her artistic studies this fall, to create adhesive outfits for this year's prom. Their efforts landed them among the top 10 finalists vying for a \$20,000 scholarship.

"I'd found the contest last year, but didn't have anyone to do it with me," Krueger said. "This year, I got Julie to do it. Both of us are going to art



Claire Krueger (left) and Julie Vu are finalists in the Duck brand's annual "Stuck at Prom" scholarship contest.

CHRISTINE TON NU

school."

Krueger will begin fall classes at Carnegie Mellon University with hopes of doing

costume design for film and television. Vu is enrolled in fashion design courses at Kent State University and said the

contest was a fun opportunity to boost her portfolio.

"We're both real dedicated," said Vu, whose previous cre-

ations include a dress made of coffee filters dyed pink. "We just jumped into it."

Inspiration for the dresses was, in part, a tribute to loved ones recently lost. Krueger's grandmother had died earlier this year, while Vu lost an uncle several months earlier. The outfits were designed as "throwback" creations to the '70s and '80s, with pastel colors and disco-era silver highlights.

"The idea was we wanted to do something positive," Krueger said. The light-hearted approach has met with equally enthusiastic response from prom attendees, friends and contest judges.

"They don't look like duct tape," Krueger said. "Julie and I made our own patterns out of scrap fabric."

Now among the finalists, the budding designers are reaching out for votes through the contest's deadline Wednesday, July 6. Supporting ballots can be cast at <http://stuckatprom.readyssetpromo.com/vote-cat1.html?entry=6952476>. Krueger's non-fabric works can be seen on her Instagram portfolio at <https://www.instagram.com/cmyk.runway/>.

REUNIONS

CRESTWOOD HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1976

40th reunion is 6 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15, at Kickers Allstar Bar & Grill, in Canton. For more information, go to <http://bit.ly/Crestwood76>.

DEARBORN HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1976

40th class reunion and golf outing is Sunday, Aug. 13. For more information, go to <http://www.dhs1976.myevent.com>

DETROIT CODY CLASS OF 1966

50-year reunion is 6-11:30 p.m. Sept. 10 at Laurel Manor in Livonia. For more information, call Gary Berriman at

313-300-4470 or Barbara (Doherty) Kalinski at 734-320-6545.

FARMINGTON HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1981

The 35-year reunion is set for Saturday, July 16, at the Holiday Inn in Farmington. Cost is \$60 per person. Call Jeri Martin Stam at 734-895-9026 or go to Farmington High class of '81 on Facebook.

GARDEN CITY HIGH SCHOOL EAST & WEST CLASS OF 1966

The 50th reunion will be held Sept. 10. Find more event information on the G.C.H.S. class of 1966 East & West Facebook page.

GARDEN CITY HIGH SCHOOL WEST CLASS OF 1976

40th reunion Motown Dinner Dance Cruise on the Princess Riverboat. Boarding 6-7 p.m., cruise 7-9:30 p.m. Aug. 27. \$65 per person. Call 877-338-2628.

LIVONIA FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1966

50th reunion will be held Aug. 25-28. Contact Larry Ruzsas at 810-599-3509 or lruzsas187264mi@comcast.com.

MILFORD HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1986

30th reunion is 7-11 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 13 at 59 West Banquet center in Highland. Cost is \$25 per person at the door, which covers appetizers, Mexican buffet

and non-alcoholic beverages. Go to the Facebook event link at <https://www.facebook.com/events/1046427258783445/>.

PLYMOUTH HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1966

50-year reunion dinner and celebration set for 5-11 p.m. Sept. 17, at the Summit in Canton. For more details, check the Plymouth High School Class of 1966 Facebook page or email jerrynorquist@gmail.com.

CLASS OF 1967

50-year reunion planned. Go to Class Creator-Plymouthmi67.com for information or call Lynette Thayer at 419-726-2088.

SOUTH LYON HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1976

40th reunion set for Aug. 13 at Baker's of Milford. For more information, email Southlyonclass1976@yahoo.com or go to South Lyon Class of 1976 on Facebook.

WESTLAND JOHN GLENN HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1971

45th reunion set for 6 p.m. to midnight Sept. 24, at Mama Mia, 27770 Plymouth Road, Livonia. Mail \$25 to JGHS class of 71 in care of Gary Pack, 38128 Cherry Hill Road, Westland, MI 48185. Pre-reunion party is 7-11 p.m. Sept. 23, at Westland Bowl, 5940 N. Wayne Road. For more information, call JoAnn Keenan at 734-516-6443, Gary Pack at 734-377-9133 or Darla Webb at 734-262-1132.

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Count the Rev. Bryan Smith, 55, among happy baby boomers. "I feel valued and cared for," he said. "My wife Jennifer is a very loving person. I have two wonderful kids."

Study: Baby boomers lead the way on happiness

Julie Brown
Staff Writer

A considerable 74 percent of baby boomers (born between 1947 and 1963) are said to be happy almost every day — "in complete optimal mental health" in research terms — compared with 68 percent of those born between 1982 and 1997, according to a study led by University of Toronto social work professor Esme Fuller-Thomson.

"It turns out the majority of us are doing well, are happy almost every day," said Fuller-Thomson, who set the bar high to measure happiness: "If you're happy just once a week, you didn't make my cut."

Canton's the Rev. Bryan Smith, 55, isn't surprised to hear of the study. Smith, pastor of Geneva Presbyterian Church of Canton, said, "I think for me there are a lot of things that go into that. My faith gives me a reason to have hope."

He acknowledges suffering worldwide, but his spiritual view "allows me to interpret the struggles of life."

'Someone who's there for you'

The Canadian study found having a confidant/confidante is the true secret to a happy, healthy state of mind at all ages. "You're 350 percent more likely to be in 'complete optimal mental health' if you have someone to confide in than if you don't; someone who's there for you and provides a sense of emotional security and well-being," Fuller-Thomson said.

"My wife Jennifer is a very loving person," Smith said. "I feel valued and cared for. I have two wonderful kids. I feel like I'm able to do things in my work life that make a difference."

He's with people at times of birth, weddings and death. Smith is also pleased to have close friends: "I feel like I've got a pretty strong support network."

Compared with millennials, Fuller-Thomson said, boomers are more likely to have financial security, to be in a firmly established relationship, to be anchored and less likely to be in flux, all of which helps. As for the in-between Gen Xers, 71 percent of them ranked as happy most days.

"I think I tended to be more angry when I was younger," Smith said. "I was a perfectionist. I think I'm more accepting really of what it means to be human, to have foibles." That happened for him around age 40 when he became "less upset by things that really got under my skin."

Smith sought counseling on his childhood issues, which helped him, and now talks to others who are supportive in everyday life. "You want to know there are people you can talk to and things won't be shared," he said.

Smith was born in Winnipeg, Manitoba, and left as a baby. He returns with family summers to Barrie, Ontario, about 100 kilometers north of Toronto, where the happiness study was done.

"My perception is just getting older physically

doesn't do that," he said of perspective with age. Those hurt in childhood often struggle.

"I think those issues can be problematic until people die. I'm not sure just getting older means you get more mature or more compassionate," Smith said.

In the life coaching he does, he encourages "practicing gratitude." Smith notes there are genetic factors, although some 40 percent of perspective is based on one's own behavior.

"I feel that's really true," he said.

Family, friends key

Concurring with Smith is Jeff Juenemann, 57, a Northville Township resident who owns Juenemann Insurance Agency of Westland.

"Good family, good health, good friends, good

career," said Juenemann, married for nearly 35 years to Linda and father to two grown children.

"I agree," Juenemann said of having someone to confide in. "That's where the friends and family come in."

Of getting older and having a sense of perspective, he noted, "Some of those things are inconvenience and not tragedy."

Juenemann has learned, "If you want to go do something, do it now. You may not get another chance."

In having a bad day, he says, "I'm now having a good day. I'm starting my day fresh. From this point on, things are going to go better. Your personal attitude is your reality," Juenemann said.

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Meads Mill Girl Scouts earn Silver Award

The determined members of Girl Scout Troop 40045 finished rebuilding an after-school room at the Livonia YMCA to earn their Silver Award. This room was an old racquetball court turned after-school room/tutoring room/storage space. Some of the kids that go there after school are young and come for daycare/after-school care. Others are being tutored.

Troop 40045 is an eighth-grade group from Meads Mill Middle School in Northville.

First, the scouts spent many days emptying

and cleaning this room. The girls spent about 10 months raising money by holding garage sales, selling cookies (of course), a book drive and other work. Then the group took the money raised and bought paint and materials and spent many hours updating this space. The troop repainted the room and fixed up the tables.

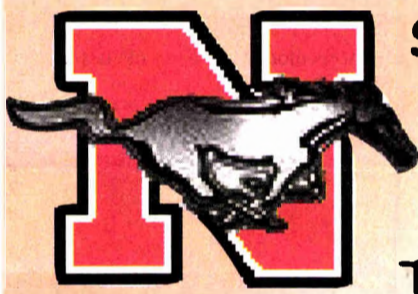
Each girl also added her own special touch by putting up canvases with inspirational quotes from Dr. Seuss, Winnie the Pooh, Oscar Wilde, etc. The girls reached for their Silver Award

and found that by redoing this room for the kids, it was a very rewarding and life-changing experience. Troop leaders said the scouts represent the change everyone wants to see in the world and together they are the motivation to get out in the community to make a difference.

The scouts wanted to say a special thanks to Jennifer Siegert, Angie Armstrong, Michelle Manross and Julie Ptashnik, their troop leaders and Silver Award ambassadors.



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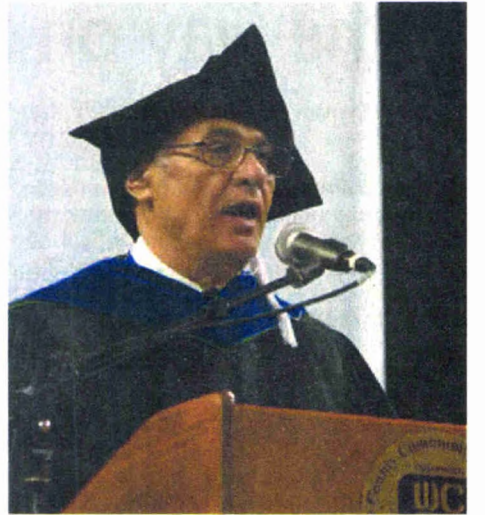
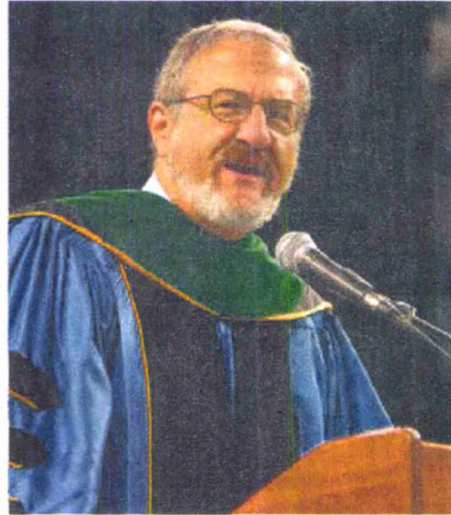
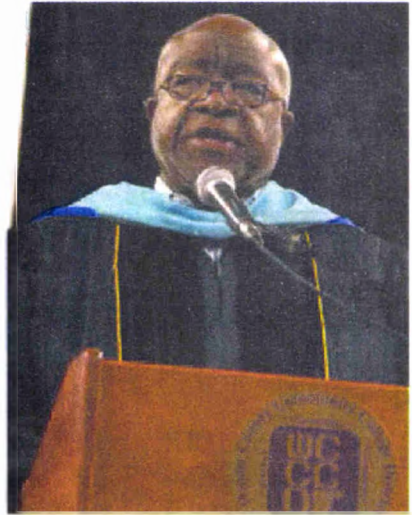
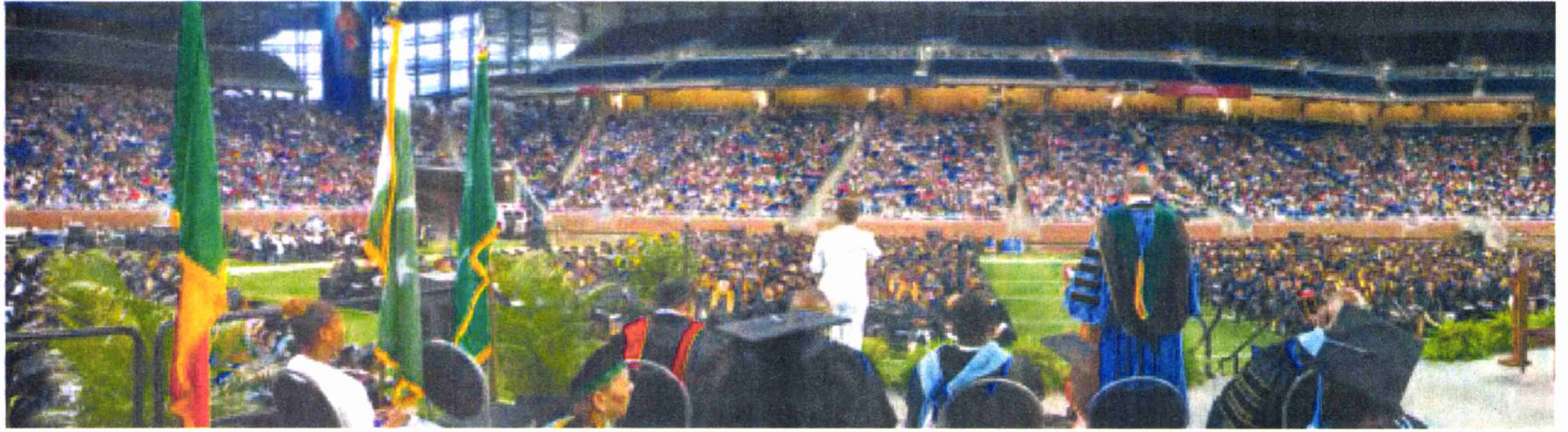
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Wayne County Community College District's Forty-Seventh Annual Commencement Ceremony



Dr. Mark S. Schlissel, the 14th President of the University of Michigan, delivered the keynote address for the Wayne County Community College District's (WCCCD) 47th commencement ceremony at Ford Field in Detroit on Saturday, June 4th. More than 1,800 students received degrees and certificates in various disciplines.

"I want to give a very special shout out to Chancellor, Dr. Curtis L. Ivery for his amazing 21 years of leadership of the District and opening the doors to higher education for the people of Wayne County," Dr. Schlissel went on to say.

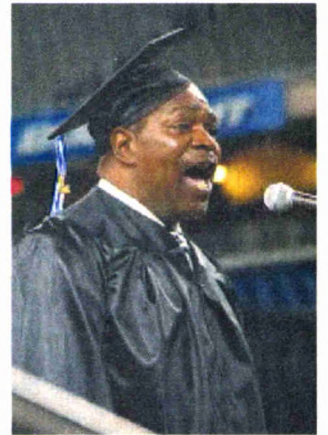
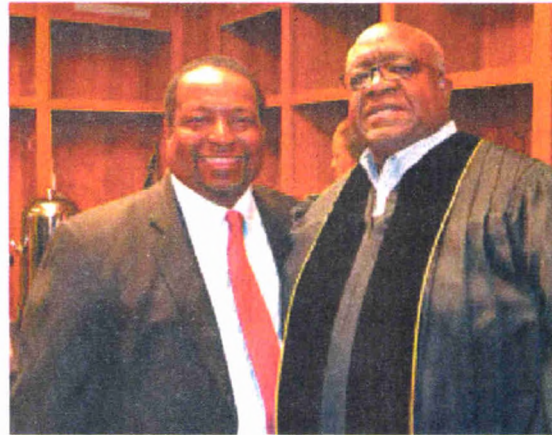
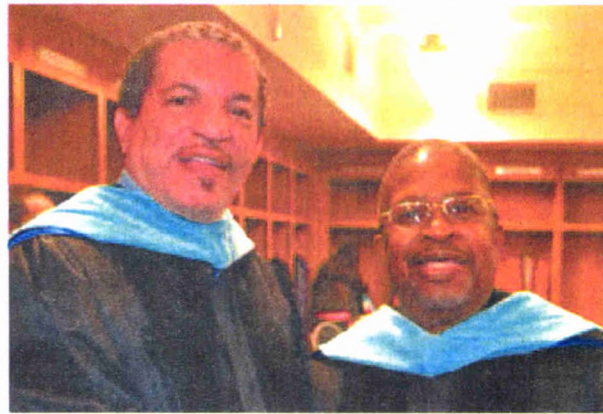
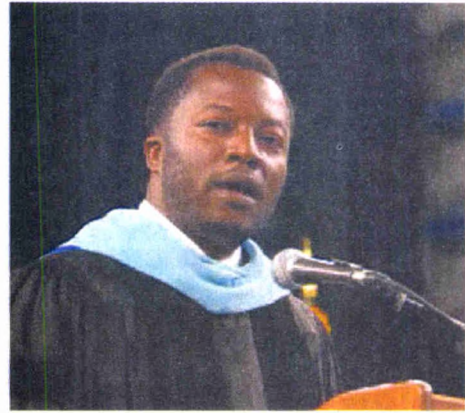
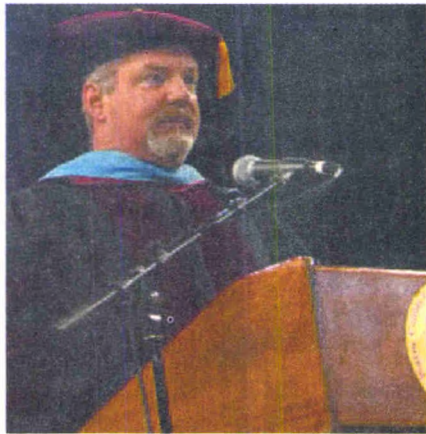
"The key to thriving through change is education, and the benefits extend beyond enhancing careers. It enhances life – for you as graduates and everyone you interact with," Dr. Schlissel told the graduates. "Education is the gift that keeps on giving. It informs how we interact as citizens, how we vote, and how we approach our greatest challenges."

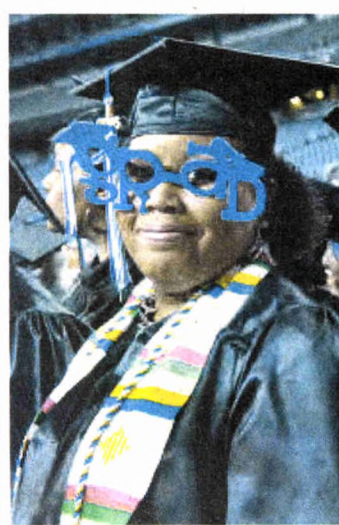
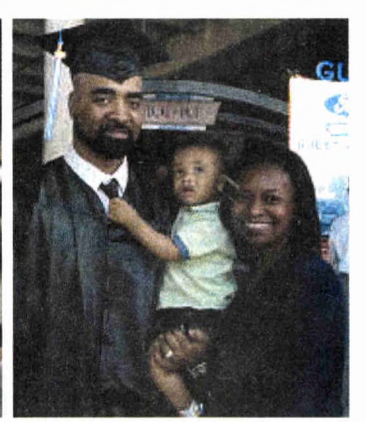
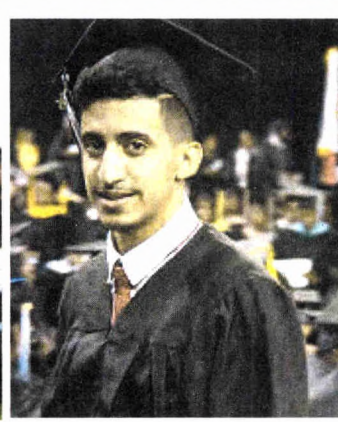
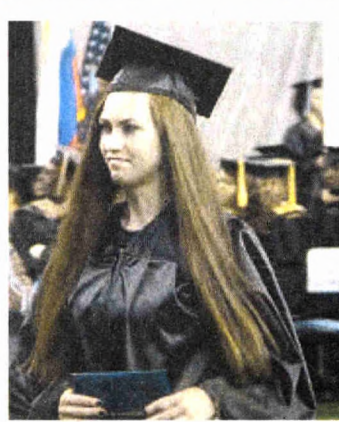
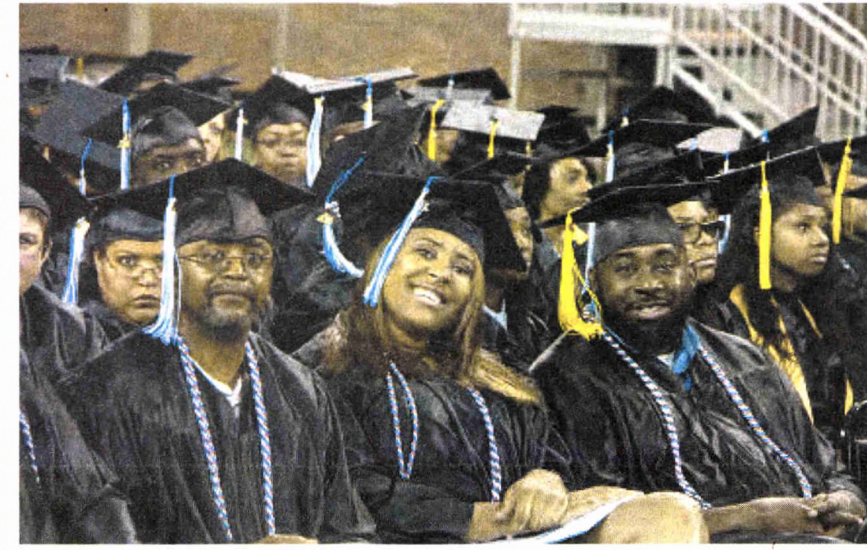
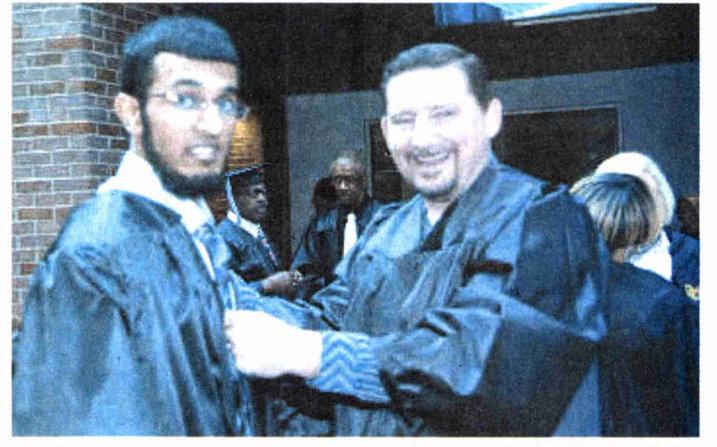
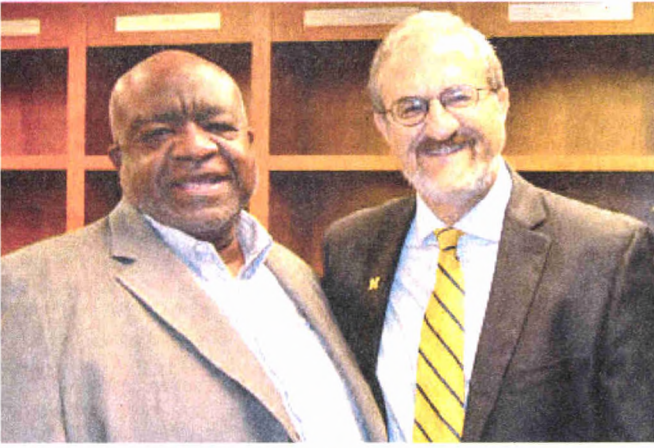
Among this year's graduates was Ms. Ruby Watson Parker, a great-grandmother, received her nursing degree at age 87. Ms. Parker

enrolled at WCCCD in 1969, and remembers her journey here at WCCCD. Also making news was Meranda Sawabini, the mother of quadruplets, who graduated with her nursing degree.

Dr. Curtis L. Ivery who conferred the various degrees and certificates reminded the students that "As we approach our 50th anniversary, education continues to be the key to achieving success. Our students leave with the assurance that they step forward into this changing society with the knowledge and tools they need to succeed."

These sentiments were echoed by Dr. Schlissel when he said, "We need college graduates. Twenty-five percent of Michiganders over the age of 25 have some college but no degree. Yet, the Business Leaders for Michigan estimates that by the year 2020, 70 percent of the jobs in Michigan will require education beyond high school level. Think about the problems we face as a society in our state, in our schools and neighborhoods. These problems can best be solved by educated citizens who understand what communities need. Congratulations! You made it!"





UPCOMING EVENTS

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

Older Adult Services programs

Time/Date: Noon to 2 p.m. Thursday, June 30
Details: "All Decked out in Red, White and Blue" luncheon. Celebrate the Fourth of July with a star-spangled afternoon barbecue followed by entertainment from Special Blend. The program is sponsored by Wal-tonwood at Twelve Oaks. Tickets are \$7 per Novi resident and \$8.50 per non-resident and are available at the Older Adult Services office at 45175 Ten Mile Road. Deadline to register is June 23.
Time/Date: 12-2:30 p.m. Thursday, July 21
Details: Picnic and Putt Putt at Holden's in Milford. Gather with buddies for a friendly competition at Kensington Mills Falls Miniature Golf. After a picnic lunch, the golf pro will lead the way to an 18-hole adventure. Please register online or in

person at the Older Adult Services Office. Novi residents are \$15 each and non-residents are \$18 each. Deadline to register is July 15.
Time/Date: Noon to 2 p.m. Thursday, July 28
Details: A Tiki-rific Luau Luncheon. Let the mood of this "Tiki" luncheon transport you to the early days of Polynesia as you enjoy music from Craig Marsden, dance and food. This program is sponsored by Whitehall Health Care Center of Novi. Tickets are \$7 per Novi resident and \$8.50 per non-resident and are available at the Older Adult Services office. Deadline to register is July 21.
 Go to cityofnovi.org or call 248-347-0414 for complete program information

Intro to geocaching

Time/Date: 10-11:30 a.m., Saturday, July 9
Details: Join the Friends of Maybury, as they introduce you to geocaching. Get started with this fun high tech "treasure hunt." Participants will walk on and off paths, so appropriate foot wear is required. Bring bug spray and a GPS unit if you have it (or download a Geocaching

App on your smart phone). Suitable for all ages. We will run this program rain or shine.
 Meet at the Trailhead Building, using the Eight Mile Road entrance. Recreation Passport required for entry. For more info, call the park office at 248-349-8390.

Family Yoga at Fuerst Park

Time/Date: 10 a.m. each Tuesday, July 12 to Aug. 2
Details: Adults and kids will have a blast getting physical while learning about body awareness, focus and balance during this 45 minute class. Children ages 3-10. \$48. To learn more, go to cityofnovi.org or call 248-347-0414.

Tollgate Farm walking tour

Time/date: 4-7 p.m. Saturday, July 16
Details: MSU Tollgate Farm & Gardens "Sunset in the Gardens" free mid-day Garden Tour gives you the opportunity to view the 20 distinct gardens in the late afternoon and early evening hours. Take photos of

the many plants in full bloom while enjoying the music, vendors, informal presentations and hayrides around the farm. Bring a prepared picnic dinner and watch the sun set. The farm will provide drinks and cookies. No pets or alcohol are allowed.
 The program is at 28115 Meadowbrook Road in Novi. Call 248-347-3860, ext. 251, or go to www.tollgate.msu.edu.

Grub crawl

Time/Date: 6-10 p.m. Tuesday, July 19
Details: The Northville Chamber presents the 11th annual Northville Grub Crawl. Indulge in Northville's unique collection of restaurants as you sample their signature specialties. Participating restaurants are offering free samples of appetizers and entree items along with cash bar specials for "crawlers."
 Crawlers can use free shuttle transportation to each restaurant or "crawl" on their own. Participating restaurants include: Brann's Sizzlin' Steaks & Sports Grill, Brick's of Northville, French Toast Bistro, Northville Center Brewery with Tony Sacco's Pizza, Northville Sports Den, Poole's Tavern/Bak Bar, Rusty Bucket Park Place, Rusty Bucket Restaurant and Tavern and WOK Asian Bistro. Restaurants can still apply to participate.
 Tickets are \$30 per person, who

must be 21 or older. Tickets are on sale at the Good Time Party Store or the Northville Chamber of Commerce. Go to www.northville.org for more information.

Orchard Grove VBS

Time/Date: 9 a.m. to noon Monday through Thursday, Aug. 1-4
Details: Orchard Grove Community Church will be sponsoring a Kids Camp (Vacation Bible School) for children 4 years old through sixth grade. The camp is \$10 per child, maximum of \$30 per family. Kids Camp is all about fun, friends and faith. Inflatables, sports and water slides, as well as a chance to learn about God's game plan for their lives. Online registration is available until July 18. After that, registration at the door for \$15.
 Orchard Grove Community Church is located at 850 Ladd Road, Building C, Walled Lake. Contact Shawna Schwaninger at 248-926-6584 or shawna.schwanger@orchardgrove.org or go to www.orchardgrove.org.

Summer meal program

Time/Date: Through Friday, Aug. 19
Details: Walled Lake Consolidated Schools will participate in

the Summer Food Service Program. This program provides meals to children ages 1-18 without charge. Young adults from age 19-26 are also eligible if they're enrolled in programs for the mentally or physically disabled. These programs must be recognized by a state or local public agency. Adults may purchase a meal for \$2.
 Breakfast will be served from 8:15-8:45 a.m. and lunches will be served from 11 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. each weekdays at the Walled Lake Community Education Center, 615 N. Pontiac Trail, Walled Lake. Call 248-956-3080.

Walk Our Way walkers

Time/Date: 9 a.m. each Tuesday, through Aug. 30
Details: Walk your way to a healthier you and reap the benefits of a regular walking routine by lifting your mood, strengthening your bones and maintaining a healthier weight. Walks range from 15-30 minutes. Walkers meet at the Meadowbrook Activity Center, 25075 Meadowbrook Road.

Michigan State Fair

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Thursday through Sunday, Sept. 1-4; 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. (interior exhibition hall closes at 5 p.m.) Monday, Sept. 5
Details: 2016 Fifth Third Michigan State Fair returns to Suburban Collection Showplace, 46100 Grand River Ave., Novi. This year's State Fair will include expanded midway rides, an interior exhibition hall, the ever-popular racing pigs, an expanded Equestrian Pavilion, a larger Michigan Made Pavilion, tasty carnival treats, a parade on Monday at 10 a.m., and more. General admission \$8, parking \$5. Go to michiganstatefairllc.com for additional pricing information.

Keep rolling biking

Time/Date: 9 a.m. each Saturday
Details: Novi is partnering with Performance Bicycle of Novi to give everyone (all ages welcome) a chance to ride with a group. Free morning rides are available every Saturday and travel approximately 10 miles. The group rides at a leisurely pace with a "No Rider Left Behind" commitment. Call 248-347-5985 for more information.

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You can still use your current trash and recycling carts/bins. New Waste Management carts will be delivered later this fall.

Due to the 4th of July, service will be one day behind. Monday customers will be served on Tuesday, Tuesday on Wednesday, Thursday on Friday and Friday on Saturday.

Questions? Learn more at cityofnovi.org/trash, or call Waste Management's Customer Service line at 866-797-9018, 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday-Friday.

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stand on the surface.

That brings us to Earth. Earth's average temperature, remember average temperature, is 61°F. Not so bad right?

There is a place that can feel like the center of the sun — your car.

Did you know that the interior of your car is probably the hottest place most people will visit in their lifetime (unless you are into saunas). The average temperature inside your car can increase within the first 10 minutes any-

where from 10-20 degrees. Over 30 minutes, the temperature increases by an average of over one degree per minute. If you park and go inside a store for 30 minutes on a 90-degree day, your car will be over 120°F when you return to it. After an hour, the vehicle will be 43 degrees hotter than the

outside temperature.

The reason a car gets hotter than the air around it and a house or office is because it's a greenhouse on wheels.

If you see an animal or person left in the vehicle, gather information: Note the make and model, and write down the license plate of the vehicle. Contact the police and mon-

itor the vehicle. Do not confront anyone yourself, let the police talk with the individual: You want to be safe as well.

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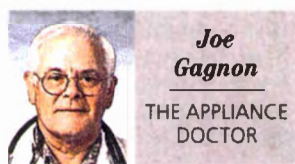
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Appliances will last longer with a little TLC

A close friend of mine named Pat Kelley just started a new company right from scratch. He tells me that he serviced four customers last week and that the service requested — for two plugged filters on the furnace and two plugged condensers on the outside unit — could have been done by any senior citizen with ease.

He told me that the hot days will bring in hundreds of service calls of this nature and that many homeowners are capable of fixing their own problems. The same thing applies to the major appliances in your home. I estimate that we have more than 30,000 dryer fires every year in this country. There's a ton of damage to homes and



Joe Gagnon
THE APPLIANCE DOCTOR

even as many as 20 deaths and yet service technicians continue to clean plugged vent lines that cause most of these fires.

It's not hard to do at all. Move the dryer and stick a leaf blower in the vent line, turn it on and watch the lint come flying to the outside. Let's take a minute and think about your clothes dryer. As long as it operates and does the job well, it's out of mind, so to speak. Basically that's how you feel about all the appliances in your home. If it boils the water, reheats the doughnuts, keeps the

milk cold or removes the stains, you tend to forget about it until it breaks down. The lesson is to give them some tender loving care and you would be surprised at how much longer they will last.

Recalled appliances

While doing an interview last week on WJR-AM (760), I was asked why I care so much about the safety of consumers. The recent introduction of House Bills 5679, 5680 and 5681 have to do with saving lives. When these bills are passed in Lansing, every homeowner who has a recalled appliance in their home will be informed directly by the manufacturer. Every home ever needing a permit for work to be

done will have a photo-electric smoke detector installed in their home. I will also work with the insurance industry to form a format that refuses damage claims from anyone not having a photo-electric smoke detector.

In my 59 years working in the appliance industry, I have been into many thousands of homes fixing those products and I feel I've seen it all. For many of these years, I've been a talk show host and a writer of this column. I've heard it all. Homeowners have told me about products that come on by themselves in the middle of the night or when not in use. I've even shared tears with some who have lost a loved one because they didn't know

of any recall on a major home appliance.

Today's writing brings back memories of close calls that I have personally witnessed. The lady sitting on the kitchen counter with her hand down inside the garbage disposer trying to get the cutter blade to turn. She scared the blazes out of me and promised she wouldn't do that again. I think of the many clothes dryers that caught fire just as I began to work on them and what could have happened while I was not there. There was the time when I arrived at a home where both seniors were using walkers to get around. There was so much dust and lint under the refrigerator that when I removed the kick plate, a shorted wire on the defrost timer ig-

nited it all and flames were momentarily six feet high. I was lucky enough to put out the fire using a throw blanket. Can you imagine what would have been the consequences had I not made that service call?

There are many other stories I could write about and this role I play today is an important one in making sure consumers are informed on subjects that are seldom talked about in the mainstream media. I would enjoy any story you would send me about the products in your home. Stay tuned.

Joe Gagnon can be heard at 8 a.m. each Saturday on WAAM-AM (1600). You can email your problems and questions on appliances to appldr@twmi.rr.com.

Avoid emergency room by reducing your fall risk

When people think of traumatic injuries, the first thought that comes to mind may be severe car accidents. After all, trauma is the leading cause of death for Americans ages 1-46 and the third cause of death overall.

However, falls are another leading cause of traumatic injuries. Like car accidents, falls can result in severe injuries, such as broken bones, head injuries or hip fractures. These injuries require rapid access to advanced specialty care, including swift diagnosis with the latest diagnostic equipment as well as access to specially trained trauma surgeons, orthopedic services and neurosurgery.

In nearly every age



Thomas Oweis, M.D.
GUEST COLUMNIST

group, falls are the No. 1 cause of non-fatal injuries treated in hospital emergency rooms. In fact, St. Mary Mercy treated 1,010 patients with injuries from falls in 2015. Falls may occur from ladders or scaffolds. Other times, they are the result of slipping and falling at ground level.

Nationwide, more than 700,000 people are hospitalized each year for a fall-related injury. Falls among children and adolescents account for more than 3 million emergency department visits each year.

Falls in the elderly tend to occur through activities of daily living. Older adults are five times more likely to be hospitalized because of falls than injuries from other causes. Falls account for 29 percent of injury deaths among adults ages 65 and older.

In contrast to ground-level falls in the elderly, males and children are more susceptible to falls from heights. Non-occupational falls from ladders and scaffolds have increasing incidence with age. One in five of these falls result in hospitalization.

Reduce the risk

You don't have to be adventurous to be at risk for a dangerous fall. Many of these falls can be prevented.

» Keep floors and stairs uncluttered. Remove everything from walkways and keep paths clear of power cords.

» Arrange furniture to create clear paths. Do not put coffee tables, magazine racks, footrests or plants in walkways.

» Remove throw rugs. Ensure carpet and rugs have non-skid backings or are tacked to the floor. Use non-slip bath mats in showers and tubs.

» Store frequently used items within reach. Avoid reaching or using a step stool for items too far out of reach.

» Install ample lighting. Put lights near stairs and outside your door for people coming and going in the dark. Use night lights between rooms.

» Use handrails. In-

stall handrails on both sides of the stairs and grab bars on bathroom walls.

» Have your vision, hearing and blood pressure regularly checked. Poor vision, hearing or blood pressure can affect your balance.

» Get moving. Regular exercise improves strength, muscle tone and coordination.

» Ask your doctor about medication side effects. Some medications can increase fall risk.

» Wear shoes with good traction, especially when you venture outside on wet surfaces or are walking near entrances where others wear wet shoes. Wear shoes with rubber soles.

Looking for another way to decrease your fall

risk?

St. Mary Mercy Livonia offers a free eight-session workshop for individuals 60 and over called Matter of Balance. Participants learn to view falls as controllable, set goals for increasing activity level, make changes to reduce fall risk and exercise to increase strength and balance. For more information about Matter of Balance, call 734-655-1310.

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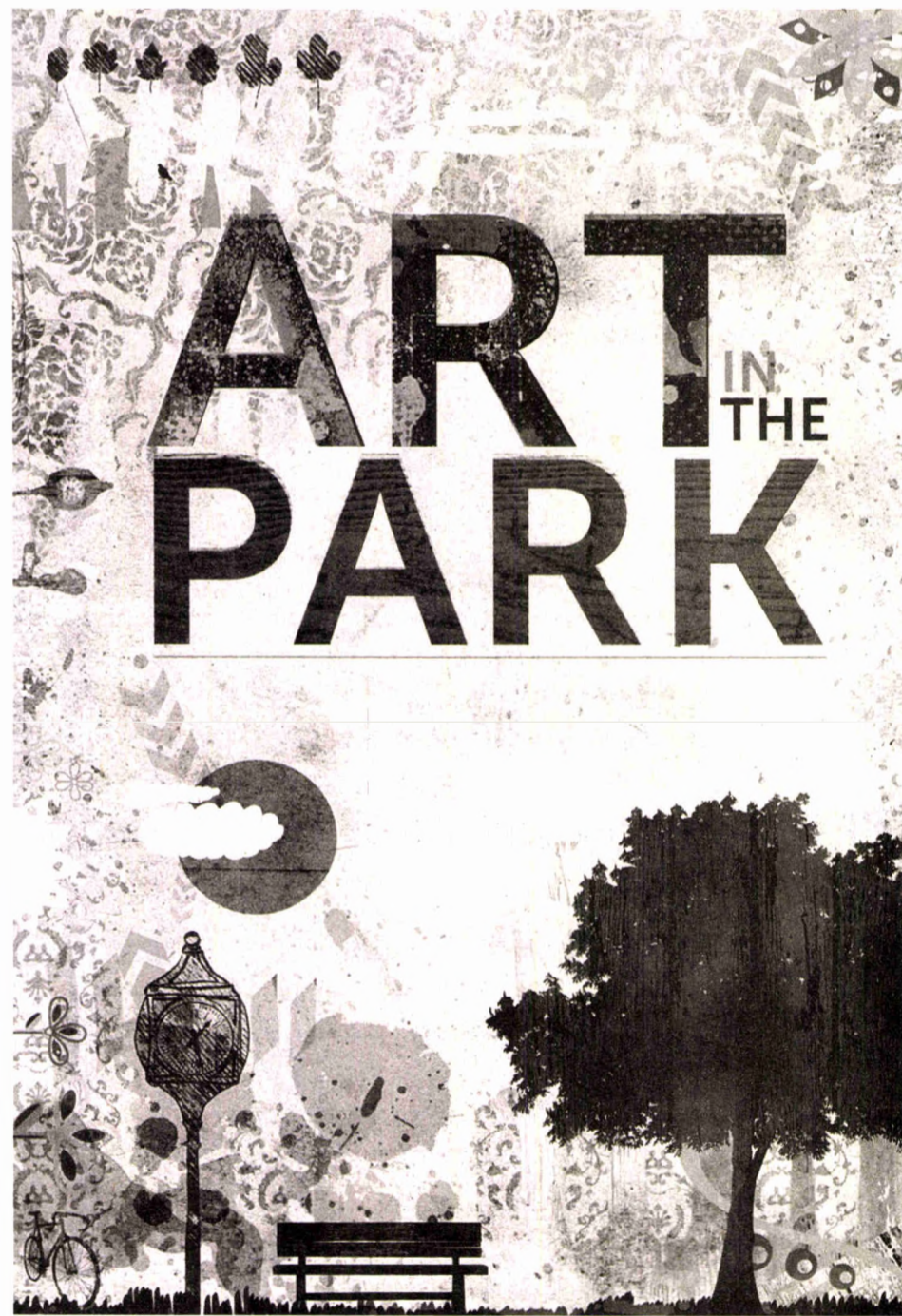
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OUR VIEW

Flying our flag on the Fourth shows respect

There are a variety of times during the course of a given year the American flag moves front and center as citizens pay tribute to their country, its freedoms and the men and women who fight for them.

There's the recent Flag Day, Memorial Day, Veterans Day and, Monday, Independence Day — all designed to allow American citizens the opportunity to pay their respects not only to their country, but to its most visible symbol.

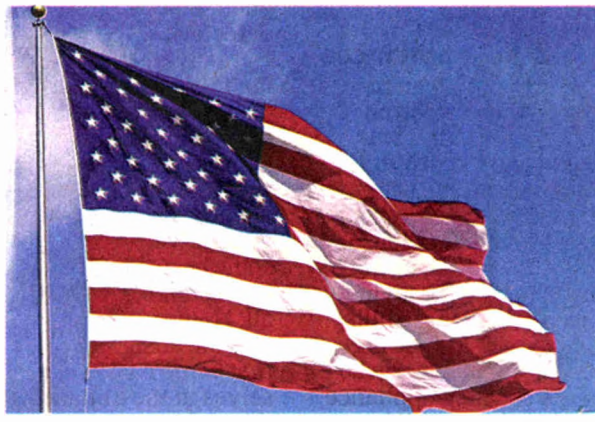
And when they do, it's important they do it properly. If you're displaying an American flag, Public Law 94-344, The Federal Flag Code, contains some guidelines. (If you're worried about how deep the federal government is getting into our lives, know this: The code contains no penalties, though some states have their own codes and may impose penalties.)

Traditional guidelines call for displaying the flag in public only from sunrise to sunset. However, the flag may be displayed at all times if it's illuminated during darkness. The flag should not be subject to weather damage, so it should not be displayed during rain, snow and wind storms, unless it is an all-weather flag.

It should be displayed often, but especially on national and state holidays and special occasions.

When flags of states, cities or organizations are flown on the same staff, the U.S. flag must be at the top.

This one seems to be "violated," for lack of a better



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term, more often. During the hoisting or lowering of the flag or when it passes in parade or review, Americans should stand at attention facing the flag and place their right hand over the heart. Men not in uniform should remove any headdress and hold it with their right hand at their left shoulder, the hand resting over the heart.

Here's one that gets violated occasionally in school gymnasiums or football fields: When the flag hangs from a staff in a church or public place, it should ap-

pear to the audience on the left, the speaker's right. When the flag is worn out or otherwise no longer a fitting emblem for display, it should be destroyed in a dignified way, preferably by burning.

Here are a couple of things not to do with the American flag:

» Do not let the flag touch anything beneath it: ground, floor, water, merchandise.

» Do not place anything on the flag, including letters, insignia or designs of any kind.

» Do not use it as apparel, bedding or drapery. It should not be used on a costume or athletic uniform. However, a flag patch may be attached to the uniform of patriotic organizations, military personnel, police officers and firefighters.

» Do not use the flag for advertising or promotion purposes or print it on paper napkins, boxes or anything else intended for temporary use and discard.

There are more and you can find them on the website of the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. But these guidelines give you a good idea of ways to treat the American flag with respect.

During ceremonies such as the recent Memorial Day activities, proper respect is paid to this country's military men and women, who have given so much in representing their nation.

As the Fourth of July approaches, it's important to remember the American flag, the symbol of our country, deserves the same respect.

LETTERS

Enjoyed story on schools

Thanks so much for publishing the excellent article by Susan Bromley about Mitzi Davis and the Detroit Public Schools. Mitzi and her colleagues are truly heroes!

As a tutor in the Volunteer Reading Corps for a number of years, I have witnessed firsthand the poor building conditions and the dedication of teachers and administrators in the Detroit Public Schools. Obviously, the creation of charter schools has made the situation worse.

Our state government does not have enough funds to provide a quality education in public schools, but it has enough money to provide extra administration and profits for charter schools that are not even account-

able for their results? That makes no sense!

If public education is the cornerstone of democracy, then it appears that in Michigan we are headed back to an aristocracy where only the children of wealthy suburban families receive a quality education, while city children get the bare minimum. For anyone who would like to help even the playing field a little, the Volunteer Reading Corps is always looking for additional volunteers. A quick way to be assigned is to contact Jim Owen (another hero!) at jimowen1@att.net. The experience is guaranteed to open your eyes!

Cindy Haley
Novi

Supports Crawford

As our state representative, Kathy Crawford is a true professional, tireless worker, and a great problem solver. Furthermore, I believe her passion and genuine drive to be the representative we all deserve and need in Lansing is what makes her so unique.

I haven't met anyone more committed to community service than Kathy Crawford, have you?

She is the quintessential volunteer and her list of awards and accomplishments reflect her dedication to the 38th District:

» 2016: Named MParks (Michigan Parks & Recreation) Elected Official of the Year

» 2015: Named Detroit Regional Chamber's one of the six "Legislators to Watch"

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» Business and Professional Woman of the Year

» Novi Rotary Foundation "Paul Harris Fellow" Award

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» Michigan Governor's "Minuteman" Award

Please vote for Crawford on Aug. 2 as our state representative in Lansing. Her attention to customer service and responsiveness to our needs are second to none. She has earned my vote, and if you spend just a few minutes to research her accomplishments, or, even better, meet her in person, I'm confident you'll quickly see why she's the perfect candidate to represent us in our state's capital.

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Fire service is a family affair at Plymouth station

Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Rachel and Kevin Allen of Livonia are veterans of the fire service. They work together at the Plymouth Fire Station, part of the Northville City Fire Department.

"I grew up in a firehouse," said Kevin, whose dad is a retired firefighter. "I'm second generation." Their son Zach Willey, 15, who'll be a sophomore this fall at Livonia Churchill High School, is in the Fire Explorers program.

The couple has children ages 9 and 1, too. Kevin said: "It's an interesting dynamic, to say the least. Sometimes it's a changing of the guard, so to speak." Rachel added, "We're always on the go."

Zach wants a fire service career. "He hasn't really known anything else. Fire trucks and ambulances, that's mom's office," Karen said.

She's also a stay-at-home mom to their youngest; many of the paid, on-call department's firefighters have day jobs, Capt. Jim Davison explained.

"Pretty much all of them" have day jobs, noted Davison, who works with son Matt Davison, 24, of Salem at the station in downtown Plymouth. "And then there's us retired guys who are here all the time." The department serves the cities of Northville and Plymouth.



Families are common at the Northville City Fire Department's Plymouth station, both husband-and-wife teams and fathers and sons.

Teamwork at work, home

Firefighting's truly in the family with the Allens, along with three father-son teams of firefighters based at the Plymouth station. Another husband and wife team, Capt. Greg and Karen Westfall, is based at the Northville station.

Karen joined around 2000, Greg has 11 years in. "She has seniority over me, but I have the rank," said a smiling Greg Westfall, who has 41 years in in the fire service. "There's a different boss at home," he said with a laugh.

The Westfalls of Plymouth

have been married nearly 36 years and have three grown children and two grandchildren. "I don't have to call him sir," Karen said with a smile. "It's his job. Just listen to what he says and trust in his judgment."

Kevin Allen said of his family, "We make sure we have that family time." He appreciates flexibility on vacations, "especially with this being a paid, on-call department."

Adam Rice, 23, of Canton works with dad Capt. Scott Rice. Adam is a senior studying psychology at Wayne State University and an EMT. He

hopes to become a physician's assistant.

"He keeps me on my toes a little extra," Adam said of his dad. "It's really good to work with him. I like it a lot. It's a great opportunity to serve the community. I get to make a difference," added Adam, who started with the department in May.

Dad Lt. Scott Rice of Canton said, "Oh, I love it. It's exciting. We commute to work together. This was all his decision; very proud."

Dad Dave Tabaka works at the station with son Kyle Tabaka, 31, of Plymouth. "It's kind of

neat," Dave said. "It's really a nice thing to have my son doing the same thing I've enjoyed for so many years."

Kyle noted his dad had recently retired from his own business where they'd worked together, so being on the job together isn't entirely new.

"He's been doing it my whole life," Kyle said of his firefighter dad. "I have the passion to do it. I like helping people," added Kyle, on the job about 2½ years.

Jim Davison also has an older son, Bryan Swanson, in Tennessee who became a fireman later in life. He's proud of Matt and Bryan.

Matt is in school for basic EMT and is a firefighter. "I like it," said Matt, a Salem resident. "It's been my dream ever since a kid to work alongside him. I get to go on runs at my leisure. When I'm not working my day job, I generally respond to anything I can."

Women on the job, too

Karen Westfall and Rachel Allen agree more women are choosing the fire service. Karen joked about the time she responded to a fire call and had to suit up — in a dress.

"I always lift with my legs," Rachel Allen said. "God gave us hips for a reason" beyond childbirth.

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Family time at fire department? 'It just ended up that way'

Julie Brown
Staff Writer

Capt. Jim Davison of the Northville City Fire Department's Plymouth station is proud of his firefighter sons.

"Very, very proud," Davison said. "The decisions were theirs." He pulls out a cell-phone photo of son Matt Davison, 24, a Salem resident, with the Northville department at a nearby training burn. Also in the photo is a 44-year-old son (and brother) who hails from Tennessee.

"He got bitten by the bug," Jim Davison said of his older

son, Bryan Swanson, training for firefighting and EMT work, which he now does paid-on call for a Tennessee fire service.

"He's an auto mechanic by trade." His older son's decision "kind of made me feel good."

Matt Davison is now in Huron Valley's EMT course and finished the fire academy at Van Buren late last year. He came on board with the NCFD in May.

Families are common in the Northville City Fire Department's Plymouth station ranks. Husband and wife Kevin and Rachel Allen are both firefighters and emergency med-

ical technicians and have a teenage son in Fire Explorers.

The Plymouth station also has three father-son teams, including the Davisons. Dave Tabaka is a firefighter/emergency first responder who works with firefighter son Kyle Tabaka.

Lt. Scott Rice is a firefighter/emergency first responder based in Plymouth with son Adam Rice, an emergency medical technician. In addition, the NCFD's Northville station has another husband-and-wife team, Capt. Greg Westfall and Karen Westfall. Both are firefighters and

EMTs.

Jim Davison, who spent 34 years with the Canton Fire Department where he started in 1971, handles administrative support for the downtown Plymouth station during weekday business hours.

Jim Davison noted firefighters often worked with family, a historic occurrence. "Today, it's a little different," he said. "It's more technical, more requirements to hold a job in the fire service. You've got to do firefighting and EMS."

Scheduling vacations is no big deal with all those families.

"This kind of operation, it doesn't matter," Davison said, noting some 30 people on the station roster. "That's not a problem."

Families weren't actively recruited. "It just ended up that way," Davison said, noting the Westfalls have been on the firefighting circuit in the region, with Greg Westfall a 41-year firefighting veteran. Their son was in the fire service and has moved on to other career options, Davison said of the couple.

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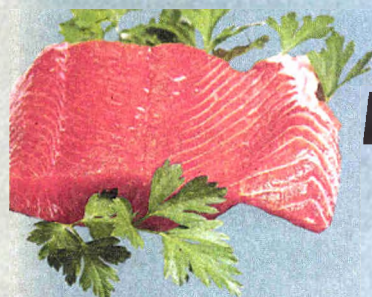
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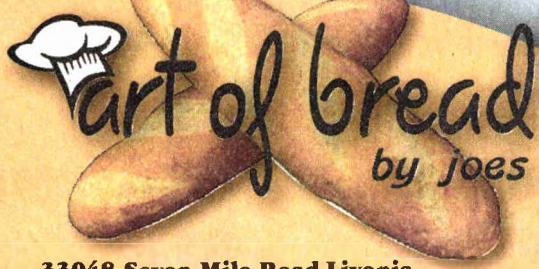


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NPSL SOCCER

Medical school, soccer connect for Milford's Prey

Rex Hall Jr.
Correspondent

These days, Beau Prey's time is spent in pursuit of two of his passions – studying to be a doctor and playing a sport he's known since he took his first steps as a child.

"I love the game," Prey, 22, said of soccer. "I love everything about it."

For Prey, soccer fuels his competitive spirit. It also provides him with a life-school balance.

That's the way it was during his four years at Kalamazoo College, where he played goalkeeper. And it's that way now for Prey as he divides his time between classes at Western Michigan University's Homer Stryker M.D. School of Medicine and practices and games for Kalamazoo FC.

"My competitive nature has always

kind of impacted my schooling," Prey said. "You compete with your friends and classmates. Even on exams, you push yourself to be the best."

Prey, a Milford native, graduated from Kalamazoo College in spring 2015 with a degree in chemistry. Soon after, he put his soccer skills to use as the starting goalkeeper for Grand Rapids FC during the team's inaugural season in the National Premier Soccer League.

Balancing act

This year, as he was in his first year at med school, Prey learned Kalamazoo was starting its own team to compete in the NPSL and his former coach at K-College, Lumumba Shabazz, reached out to Prey to join Kalamazoo FC.

"I've coached really good young men," Shabazz said recently. "That kid has been stand-up from day one."

Shabazz, who took over as head coach of K-College's soccer team following Prey's freshman year, recalled how Prey was at the bottom of the goalkeeper depth chart when Shabazz arrived. It didn't take long for that to change, Shabazz said, as Prey's character and "monster work ethic" quickly became evident.

"That kid has always had that from the very first day I came to coach at K-College to now and he works very, very hard, man," Shabazz said. "He's developed himself into what I consider a really top-notch goalkeeper."

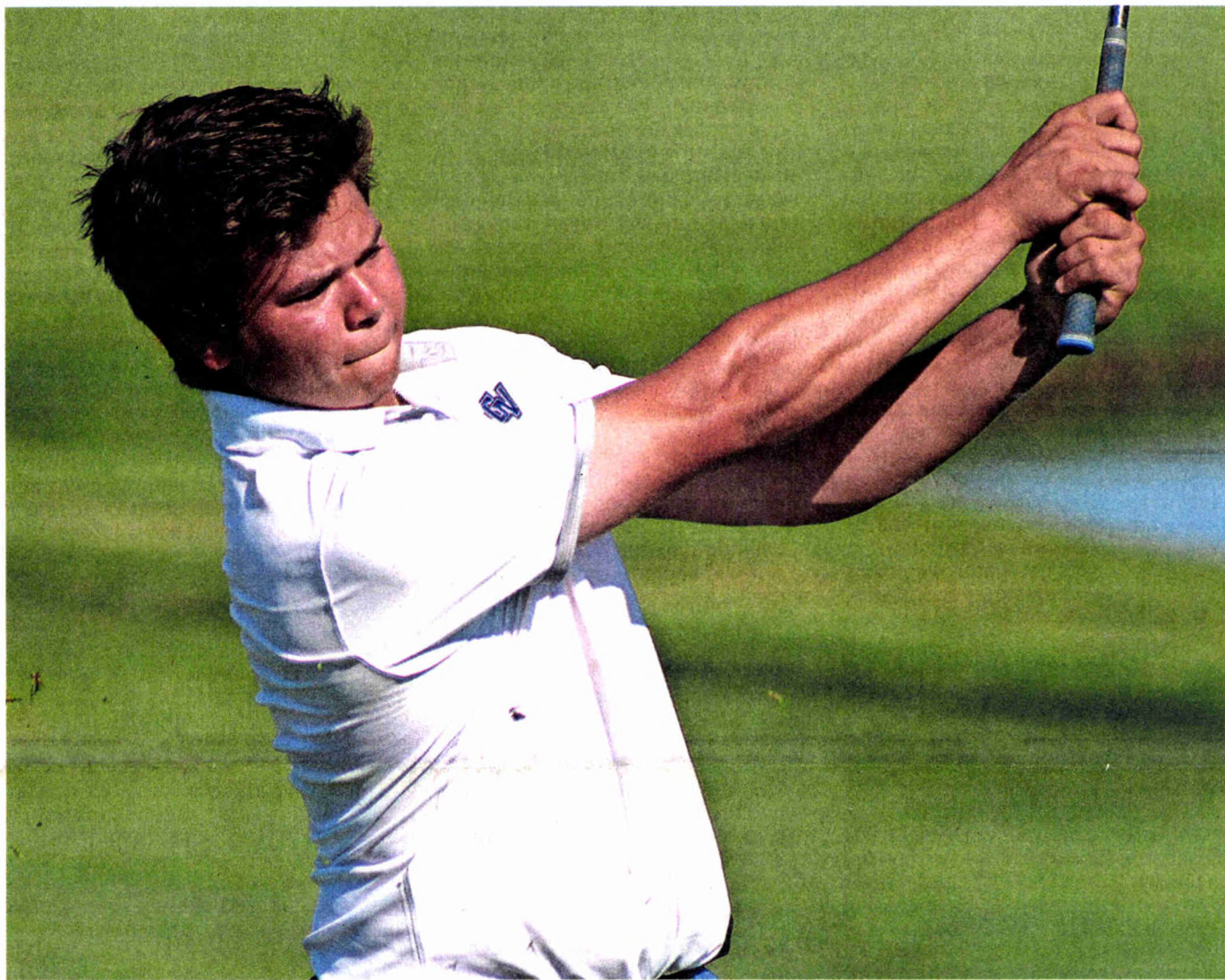
Kalamazoo FC opened its inaugural NPSL season May 13 against AFC Ann Arbor. Since then, the team has fought its way to a 3-4-2 record, good enough for fourth place among the seven



Kalamazoo FC's Beau Prey makes a save during a recent NPSL game.

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AMATEUR GOLF



GREG JOHNSON

Domenic Mancinelli takes aim with an iron shot during Saturday's Michigan Amateur semifinal match at Eagle Eye.

MANCINELLI MAKES HIS MARK AT MICHIGAN AM

Northville native, CC graduate earns runner-up finish

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Domenic Mancinelli raised some eyebrows with his play last week in the 105th Michigan Amateur Championship.

The Northville native and 2014 Novi Detroit Catholic Central High graduate, who will be a junior this fall at Grand Valley State, was among the last two standing after surviving two rounds of stroke play and six more in match play at Eagle Eye Golf Club in Bath.

And despite losing in Saturday's final to Michigan State University's Sam Weatherhead (Grand Rapids), 4 and 2, Mancinelli demonstrated he could perform in the clutch by winning three of his matches on extra holes.

"I wouldn't say I surprised myself.

It was nice to see it all come together, because I've been working pretty hard for the last year, year-and-a-half," Mancinelli said. "It was nice to see everything kind fall in place and things go my way."

"I did a really good job of controlling myself and my attitude and my way I thought around the golf course. I don't think I was really nervous the whole time. I just trusted what I've been working on and accepted whatever result I got from it and moved on from there."

Clutch play

After finishing 33rd in stroke play to earn a spot in the field of 64, Mancinelli went 23 holes to outlast Grant Haefner of Bloomfield Hills. He followed up by ousting top seed Jack Weller of Swartz Creek, 6 and 4.

In the quarterfinals, Mancinelli

went to the 19th hole to oust White Lake Lakeland High graduate and Oakland University golfer Jake Kneen, followed by a win on the 20th hole against Anthony Sorentino of Shelby Township.

That put Mancinelli in the Saturday morning semifinal, where he eliminated Ben Lewis, 2 and 1.

"I don't mind it," Mancinelli said of match play. "It brings some different stuff to the table because if you make an eight and your partner makes a four, you only lose by one. I kind of think that helped me on a golf course like Eagle Eye, because it's pretty intimidating. And if somebody makes one bad swing, you're basically out of the hole. So I just try to keep it and play and not give too many holes away. That kind of helped me out

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PRO BASKETBALL

Cooper gets opportunity to play pro ball in Spain

Hillsdale College All-American, Catholic Central grad signs deal

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

The first two chapters of Kyle Cooper's basketball career came out pretty well.

Now another chapter will be written in Spain for the Northville native.

A second team NCAA Division II All-American this past season at Hillsdale College, Cooper recently signed a contract to play for Amics Castellon, a second division team in the province of Castellon, off the Mediterranean Sea. (Castellon de la Plana is the hometown of pro golfer Sergio Garcia.)

The 6-foot-7 forward, who starred at Novi Detroit Catholic Central High, will report to the LEB Gold league team in August after mulling over a couple of other offers in Spain, along another in Germany, through his agent Emilio Duran.

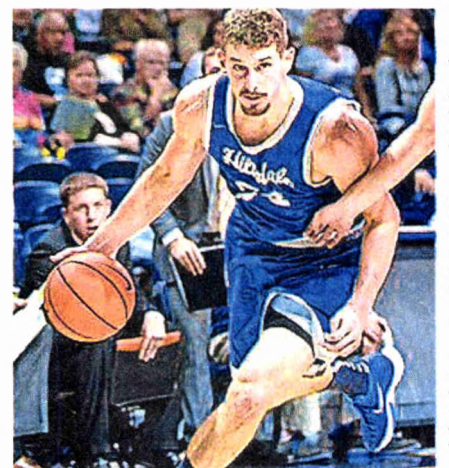
Good advice

Cooper leaned on the advice of former Hillsdale teammate Nick Washburn, who played with Amics Castellon when it was part of the LEB Silver division in 2014-15.

"I talked to him for a while before signing and he basically told me it's a really great place, the people are great, the coaches are really good guys, the team is full of good players and it's a good organization all the way around," Cooper said. "This just seemed like the best fit for me."

Cooper already has a leg up

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HILLSDALE COLLEGE ATHLETICS

Northville native Kyle Cooper, a Novi Detroit Catholic Central High graduate, earned All-America honors at Hillsdale College and has signed to play professionally in Spain.



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ALL-AREA GIRLS LACROSSE

Dietrich sparked Mustangs to banner season

Junior attacker named All-Area Player of Year

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Emma Dietrich did it on both sides of the field for the Northville girls lacrosse team, which enjoyed its best season in school history.

The Mustangs finished 15-3 while winning both the Kensington Conference and KLAA Association championships.

And Dietrich was a big reason for Northville's success this spring, as she led the team with 67 goals to go along with 11 assists, while also sparking the defense with a team-high 31 ground balls.

The junior captain was also named first team Division 1 all-state and all-KLAA (for the second straight year).

For her efforts, she earned All-Area Player of the Year honors.

"We had a lot of seniors graduate last year, so we needed younger girls to step up and lead the team and step into a goal-scoring role," second-year Northville coach Amanda Asher said. "Emma was great in both of those areas, as she became a captain and leader as a junior and was very consistent offensively, scoring at least one goal in every game. She was a great two-way player for us in the mid-field and was huge part of our team's success this season."

First team

Sarah Chase, Jr. C-MF, Northville: The captain finished the year with 33 goals and 30 assists, while also leading the Mustangs with a team-best 30 caused turnovers.

The second team Division 1 all-state and all-KLAA choice also committed to play college lacrosse at NCAA Division I Central Michigan University following her performance in the KLAA Association final, a 9-8 win over Brighton.

"Sarah was our center midfielder and was so important for us in winning possession," Asher said. "In addition to her offensive skill, she is an outstanding defensive midfielder and would often get matched up with the opponents' strongest offensive player. Sarah stepped up into a leadership role this year and her contributions helped this program reach new heights."

Gina Salemi, Sr. attack, Novi: Headed to NCAA Division I LaSalle (Pa.) University, Salemi is the team's all-time leading scorer with 236 career goals.

Salemi, who tallied 74 goals and added 15 assists as a senior, earned second team Division 1 all-state and all-KLAA honors.

"Gina had her 200th career goal this year, which is unheard of," Novi coach Amy Kilgore said. "She absolutely raised the bar of our program. She brings a ton of expertise from international competition to our game. She left a legacy of really, really strong and competitive lacrosse in her four years here."

Natalie Williams, Sr. MF, South Lyon: Williams, who earned second team Division 1 all-state and all-KLAA honors, finished with 90 points on 52 goals and 38 assists.

Headed to Siena Heights University, she also had 53 ground balls, 52 draw controls and caused 22 turnovers.

"Natalie had a wonderful season and was our quarterback on the field," South Lyon coach Aaron Skomial said of the team captain. "She was a leader on the field and shared the ball really well. She was also big on draw controls second only to Gabi Larkin. A great all-around player who made her teammates better."

Charlotte Beudoin, Soph. MF, Northville: The Division 1 honorable mention all-state and all-KLAA selection finished with 27 goals and 17 assists after playing her freshman year on defense. She also had a pair of game-winning goals.

Alyssa Schams, Soph. goalie, South Lyon: Named Division 1 honorable mention all-state and all-KLAA, Schams posted a save percentage of 57.5 (154-of-162). She also recorded 16 ground balls and six interceptions.

"Alyssa was a wonderful goalie for us this season," Skomial said. "She worked really hard on her game over the off-season and the work paid off. She helped on defense by picking up attacking players and scooped some ground balls in the process. She was also actively looking to intercept passes and be that eighth defender on defense."

Mariah Smythe, Jr. goalie, Novi: She recorded a .660 save percentage en route to all-KLAA honors.

"The fun thing to watch with her was just her improvement even over the course of the season," Kilgore said. "She started out with a 50-percent save average and in the last three games of the season ended with a 75-percent average. She's the kind of athlete that rises to her competition and works really hard to improve her game. She's really passionate about lacrosse."



Northville junior Emma Dietrich was named 2016 Area Girls Lacrosse Player of the Year.

JANET DIETRICH

Kendall Wasik, Fr. MF-attack, Northville: She made Division 1 honorable mention all-state and all-KLAA following a season with 34 goals and 18 assists.

Wasik also added strong defensive play in the midfield while scoring the game-winning goal with nine seconds remaining in a win over Hartland.

"It's rare for a freshman to immediately step in and become such a contributor," Asher said, "but from day one, Kendall was composed and you would never be able to tell she was a freshman. She was a consistent scorer for us, is very aggressive and is already a leader on this team."

Aly Blough, Jr. attack, Northville: Blough, who scored 27 goals and added 11 assists, proved to be a big match performer as she earned Division 1 honorable mention all-state and all-KLAA honors.

She had three goals in a 9-8 win over South Lyon that clinched the conference title.

"Ally is such a force for us on attack," Asher said. "She has a great array of moves and is elusive. Whenever we were in a close game, she had a knack for picking up big goals. She also gives great effort to get the ball back on defense. Even though she is an attacker, her impact can't be measured on goals scored alone. She did so many things for us."

Gabi Larkin, Sr. MF, South Lyon: Larkin, who finished with 42 goals and nine assists, made Division 1 honorable mention all-state and all-KLAA.

Headed to Lawrence Tech, she also finished with a team-best 57 draw controls along with 52 ground balls and a team-best 23 caused turnovers.

"Gabi was critical to us on the draw this season," Skomial said. "She was dominant at times and her contributions on both ends of the field could not be replicated. Not only did she lead the team in draw controls, she was second on the team in goals and led the team in caused turnovers."

Mckenna Mesclier, Sr. MF, Huron Valley: An all-KLAA and Division 1

honorable mention all-state pick, Mesclier finished with 51 goals, 13 assists, 40 face-off wins and 29 ground balls.

"Mckenna was a great senior leader, who played with a 100-percent effort every game," Huron Valley coach Gerry Perrett said. "When we needed a goal, I knew I could count on her to do her best to either score a goal or find a teammate for an assist. She made sure she was on time for practice to start each practice on time and to show leadership. Mckenna was a pleasure to coach and will continue to improve as she continues her playing career at the college level at Indiana Tech."

Jordan Paugh, Sr. Def., South Lyon: Headed to Baldwin-Wallace (Ohio), Paugh recorded nine goals, 34 ground balls, 16 draw controls and 11 caused turnovers en route to all-KLAA honors.

"Jordan is an exceptional player with a special gift," Skomial said. "She plays great defense and she gets the toughest assignments every game. She worked really hard this season and managed to put some scoring in her index of talents. She was always around the ball and was able to contribute on both ends of

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Aly Blough, Jr., Attack, Northville
Gabi Larkin, Sr., MF, South Lyon
Mckenna Mesclier, Sr., MF, Huron Valley
Jordan Paugh, Sr. Def., South Lyon
Alyssa Schams, Soph., G, South Lyon
Mariah Smythe, Jr., G, Novi

HONORABLE MENTION

Northville: Maddie Caffee, Soph. goalie; Kelly Leary, Sr. Def.; Olivia Lesh, Soph. Def.; **Novi:** Katie McMaster, Jr. MF; Cecilia Hong, Sr. Def.; Rachel Bayer, Jr. MF; **South Lyon Unified:** Maddie Allerton, Soph. MF; Amanda Tuckey, Sr. Def.; **Huron Valley Unified:** Maddie Savich, Sr. goalie; Brittney Leist, Jr. MF.

the field when we called her number. She was a reliable player and made our defense very good with her special skill set."

Alyssa Schams, Soph. goalie, South Lyon: Named Division 1 honorable mention all-state and all-KLAA, Schams posted a save percentage of 57.5 (154-of-162). She also recorded 16 ground balls and six interceptions.

"Alyssa was a wonderful goalie for us this season," Skomial said. "She worked really hard on her game over the off-season and the work paid off. She helped on defense by picking up attacking players and scooped some ground balls in the process. She was also actively looking to intercept passes and be that eighth defender on defense."

Mariah Smythe, Jr. goalie, Novi: She recorded a .660 save percentage en route to all-KLAA honors.

"The fun thing to watch with her was just her improvement even over the course of the season," Kilgore said. "She started out with a 50-percent save average and in the last three games of the season ended with a 75-percent average. She's the kind of athlete that rises to her competition and works really hard to improve her game. She's really passionate about lacrosse."

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PREP LACROSSE

Skomial steps downs as SLU girls coach; boys post opens

Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Aaron Skomial has decided to become a dad again after three varsity seasons with the South Lyon Unified girls lacrosse program.

Skomial's daughter Ryan, a former all-state player and high school All-American at Hartland, will be entering her fourth and final season with the Grand Valley State University women's lacrosse team.

"The reason I'm stepping down is because my daughter is going to be a senior in college and the last three years that she's been playing in college, I've missed quite a few games because of coach-

ing," Skomial said. "And I want to be able to finish her college years not having to worry about having to coach. And it's certainly a compromise being a coach and trying to be a father. And after next year, she doesn't get to play anymore."

The 44-year-old Skomial went 36-19-2 overall, which included a KLAA Kensington Conference title in 2014. He also had a pair of conference runner-up finishes, along with a berth in the MHSAA Division 1 regional final this spring before losing to Ann Arbor Pioneer, 11-5.

Skomial, who works at Rhe-Tech in Whitmore Lake, started his prep coaching career as a JV

coach at Hartland before taking over at South Lyon Unified, which consists of players from both South Lyon and South Lyon East high schools.

"Other than watching my daughter's games, I didn't really know a lot about coaching the sport, so I got a book, learned the basics and took U.S. Lacrosse (coaching) classes," Skomial said.

Skomial's most proud accomplishment is sending 11 of his 12 seniors this season to play in the collegiate ranks.

"The girls were always a lot of fun to coach," he said. "They kind of filled the void with my daughter being away in college. So being able to share the experi-

ence coaching lacrosse and helping them get to college and playing lacrosse, along with having a good time, was always a priority."

Skomial has made a recommendation to South Lyon High athletic director Mike Teagan that SLU assistant Rachel Curmi get the vacant position for 2017. Curmi, a special-needs teacher in Brighton, played club lacrosse at Central Michigan University after graduating from South Lyon.

"She loves coaching, she loves kids. You couldn't ask for anything else. I can't think of anybody better to take over the program," Skomial said of Curmi.

Teagan said the job must first be posted within the South Lyon Community Schools district website before interviews take place.

Boys lacrosse job

After one season, Nick Diegel is out as the South Lyon Unified varsity boys coach.

A notice of vacancy was posted June 6 on the SLCS website by East athletic director Adam Beutel, 15 days after Diegel coached his final game, an 8-6 MHSAA Division 1 pre-regional win May 21 at Canton.

South Lyon Unified's season ended May 26 with 15-3 loss at Beverly Hills Detroit Country Day in a first-round re-

gional game that was not attended by Diegel. SLU JV coach Justin Boughton filled in as interim coach.

South Lyon finished the season 10-8 overall and 3-3 (fifth place) in the KLAA's Kensington Conference.

Diegel, who played at Northville High and three seasons at Ohio State (2011-14), coached previously as an assistant at Hartland before taking over the SLU varsity reins in 2016 from Tyler Kirkpatrick.

As of Monday, neither Diegel nor Beutel could not be reached for comment.

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Only sure outcome of Brexit is uncertainty

The financial world was shocked last week as Great Britain decided to leave the European Union. The vote, known as Brexit, was close, but a clear majority voted to leave the European Union. Most of the so-called experts had predicted Great Britain would vote to remain; they were wrong.

The question on most investors' mind is how this will affect the markets and, more importantly, how it will affect their individual portfolio. If you listen to 20 experts, you'll get 20 different opinions. Some of the so-called experts are predicting a worldwide recession, while others are saying the Brexit will be good for America in



Rick Bloom
MONEY MATTERS

the long run.

My opinion is quite simple and something the so-called experts never like to admit: I don't know. If the so-called experts were truly honest, they would admit that all they are doing is speculating because, in reality, what Great Britain is doing is unprecedented and there are really no comparable examples from which to draw. Of course, in today's world of 24-hour news where everything is put into crisis mode, admitting the experts don't know does not

make for good TV. That's why I always caution investors from making moves on their portfolio solely based upon what they hear in the media.

I am amazed that the same people who predicted the Brexit would go the other way are now giving opinions as to what will happen because of the vote. I am not saying these are not smart people; what I'm saying is that many of the so-called experts are not in the media because they know more or have any unique insights, but because they look and sound good on TV. I am not sure that's who you want to take advice from when it comes to managing your portfolio.

I don't know what is going to happen and nei-

ther does anyone else. One thing I do know is that markets do not like uncertainty and Great Britain's vote to exit the European Union creates uncertainty. The volatility we experienced immediately after the vote was not unexpected. It also would not be surprising that, as the process of Great Britain's exit proceeds, there will be more volatility. Just because there will be volatility, doesn't mean investors should panic or rush out and liquidate their portfolio. As I've said, fear is one of those emotions that ruin investors' portfolios. You cannot let fear dictate how you invest your money.

In the last number of years, we have seen oth-

er unprecedented events. It was only a few years ago the United States lost its AAA credit rating. At that time, the so-called experts predicted doom and gloom for the U.S. economy. After the initial volatility, markets returned to normal over a short period of time.

With Brexit, we don't know how the markets are going to react and we don't know if in two to three months from now everything will be back to normal. As I've always told investors, you should not invest based upon what is happening in the market, but based upon your goals and objectives. Investors who try to invest based upon the market are constantly buying and selling and, in the long run, are going

nowhere.

Being an investor is not easy and it's difficult to see our portfolios go in the wrong direction. To be a successful investor, you must have discipline, particularly in times such as now. My advice is to take a wait-and-see attitude and, ultimately, make decisions based upon what you are trying to achieve in your portfolio. If you focus on your individual goals and objectives and not on the market, in the long run you will be a successful investor.

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Ribbon-cutting



The Novi Chamber of Commerce helped welcome Novi Lakes Health Campus to the community with a ribbon-cutting June 23. The health campus is located at 41795 12 Mile Road. Call 248-449-1655.

Local dentists recognized as company's 'top guns'

Several Oakland County dentists were honored recently at Great Expressions Dental Centers' "Top Gun" awards, which recognize the dental service organization's leading dentists across its more than 250 offices in 10 states.

The following dentists were awarded from Oakland County: Dr. Robert Brody (Bloomfield), Dr. Robert Goodman (Novi), Dr. Hoon Kim (Novi), Dr. Odeta Dinella (Oak Park), Dr. Noor Yousif (Pontiac), Dr. Sindy Goodman (Novi), Dr. Sonia Kang (Troy) and Dr. Timothy Smiley (Waterford).

More than 100 GEDC

doctors, clinical partners, special guests and vendors came together to honor doctors for their superior performance throughout the last year. The award ceremony was held at the Country Music Hall of Fame in Nashville.

The "Top Gun" ceremony honors leading doctors based on patient care, dedication to mentorship programs and philanthropic efforts. In addition to honoring doctors for their hard work, dedication and contributions to the community, awardees and other attendees enjoyed team building activities at the ceremony.

"Top-notch doctors

are critical to the success of Great Expressions Dental Centers and to the continued quality patient services that we strive for every day," said Richard Beckman, chief executive officer of Great Expressions Dental Centers. "It is an honor to recognize this year's Top Gun doctors for their dedication to their patients and continued leadership in the field."

One of the largest privately owned dental service organizations in the United States, Great Expressions Dental Centers can be found online for more information at www.greatexpressions.com.



Blu, a Bernese mountain dog with Mike Zebolsky of Marshall, wins the working group Sunday at the show in Novi.

Dog show draws breeders, canine lovers

Daniel Bethencourt
Michigan.com

Mary DiPerna came prepared for the Detroit Kennel Club's annual dog show Sunday.

A longtime breeder and competitor, she helped bring no fewer than 10 pugs that would appear in competitions. She even helped design a booth that stood more than 5 feet tall in the shape of an ancient Chinese building facade, with the sign "Exquisite Chinese Pugs." There were balloons in the shape of pugs and even more balloons that spelled out, one letter at a time: "PUGS."

"We just like to educate people about the breed," DiPerna of Fowlerville said. "I enjoy it. I've been doing this all my life. If we don't do it, how are you going to educate the people?"

DiPerna was one of hundreds of dog owners and breeders who came to the All-Breed Benched Dog Show & Obedience Trial at the Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi. Two separate shows Saturday and Sunday marked the 100th anni-

versary for the event's host, the Detroit Kennel Club.

The show felt more like a convention than an arena-sized contest. There was a ring where handlers jogged in circles with their pets to the sound of polite, scattered applause — but there were also many booths where owners and breeders groomed their dogs and answered questions from passersby.

Then there was the host of extra canine contests, like a weight-pull trial for sled dogs and other working breeds, and a "barn hunt" where dogs can search for live rats through bales of hay. (The rats were caged in small tubes so as not to be harmed in the contest.)

Organizers noted that attendance was sparser than in past years. During one round of competition Sunday, only a few dozen watched.

"When it was downtown, it was packed. You couldn't even move," DiPerna, the longtime breeder, said while watching a judge assess a group of "toy" breeds

like Yorkshire terriers and Chinese crested dogs.

Some attendees said that could be due to the show's relocation from Cobo Center to a convention hall in Novi starting last year. Phil Booth, assistant show chairman, said he didn't have specific attendance figures for the weekend. He did express some concern with the format, though, which requires competitors to stay all day even if they lose. Increasingly, breeders just don't want to stick around.

Before the final rounds of competition Sunday, dog owners seemed to be having fun while also saying they regretted the low turnout.

One of those was Pauline Sabatini of Chesterfield Township, who was grooming her border collie named Dutch before a "best of breed" competition Sunday.

"It's kind of sad that it's a little small," she said. "People are home swimming. ... I do like the show, I really do. I just wish more people would come."

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF NORTHVILLE

The City of Northville Planning Commission has prepared draft text amendments to the Zoning Ordinance regarding residential driveways. Following the public hearing held on June 21, 2016, the Planning Commission proposed the following text amendments:

- Section 26.02 clarifies the definitions of a "driveway" and "common driveway."
- Section 17.01.10 has been amended to prohibit parking on the lawn in the front yard or across a public sidewalk.
- Language has also been added to Section 18.18 requiring residential driveways be paved, be located in front of the garage, be a maximum of 18-feet in width, and allowing up to 35% of the required front yard to be paved.
- New language was added based on comments at the first Public Hearing to clarify that existing driveways may remain, be repaved or reconstructed in their current configuration, but does not allow any existing non-conformities to be expanded.

The proposed text amendments will be considered at a public hearing conducted by the Planning Commission on July 19, 2016 at 7:30 pm at the City of Northville Municipal Building – Council Chambers, 215 West Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, 248-449-9902. The purpose of the hearing will be to receive public input on these proposed changes. The complete text of the draft amendments may be reviewed at the Building Department during normal business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, or on the City's website at www.ci.northville.mi.us (go to Services/Building Department/Planning Commission). Written comments will also be received at the above address.

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SYNOPSIS JUNE 16, 2016 – REGULAR MEETING CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

DATE: Thursday, June 16, 2016
TIME: 7:00 p.m.
PLACE: 44405 Six Mile Road
CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor Nix called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.
PRESENT: Robert R. Nix II, Supervisor Marv Gans, Trustee
Sue A. Hillebrand, Clerk Symantha Heath, Trustee
Marjorie F. Banner, Treasurer Mindy Herrmann, Trustee
Fred Shadko, Trustee

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

1. **Agendas:**
 - A. Amended Regular Agenda and the Consent Agenda items: Approved
2. **Appointments, Presentations, Resolutions & Announcements:**
 - A. Charles Nichols – reappointment to Ethics Board – Approved
 - B. Marguerite Aramian – reappointment to Ethics Board – Approved
3. **Public Hearing:** None
4. **Brief Public Comments:** Numerous residents had questions or comments for the Board regarding water billing. Two other residents had questions or comments regarding the current budget and sidewalk issues along Seven Mile Road.
5. **New Business:**
 - A. The Enclave – Final Site Plan – Approved
 - B. Bushwood Golf Course – PRUD Amendment – Approved
 - C. Industrial Waste Charges – Approved
 - D. Water Connection – 20230 Clement Rd. – Approved
 - E. MTA Annual Dues – Approved
 - F. Seven Mile Trail Proposal – Approved
 - G. Temporary Signs – Country Garden Club of Northville – Approved
6. **Unfinished Business:** None
7. **Ordinances:**
 - A. Zoning Ordinance Amendment – Article 20 – Approved
8. **Check Registry:**
 - A. In the amount of \$1,620,184.03 for the period of 5/7/16 to 6/3/16. – Approved
9. **Board Communication & Reports:** Robert R. Nix, II, Sue Hillebrand, Marjorie Banner, Marv Gans, Symantha Heath, Mindy Herrmann, Fred Shadko, and Chip Snider.
10. **Any other business for the Board of Trustees:** None
11. **ADJOURN:** Meeting adjourned at 9:32 p.m.

This is a synopsis, the draft minutes will be available June 28, 2016.

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

Published: June 30, 2016

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GRILLING? BE MINDFUL OF FIRE SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

As summer continues, home chefs everywhere are reaching for their grills, eager to enjoy barbecue season. The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) recommends that grillers pay particular attention to safety in the spring and summer months when home fires involving grilling incidents occur most often.

Three out of five households own a gas grill, according to NFPA's latest "Home Grill Fires" report, which translates to a lot of tasty meals. But it also means there's an increased risk of home fires. In 2009-13, an annual average of 8,900 home fires involved grills, hibachis or barbecues, and close to half of all injuries involving grills were due to thermal burns. While nearly half of the people who grill do so year-round, July is the peak month for grilling fires followed by May, June and August.

Although gas grills contribute to a higher number of home fires overall than their charcoal counterparts, NFPA reminds everyone that all types of grills pose a risk for fires and burn injuries. More than one-quarter (27 percent) of home structure grill fires started on an exterior balcony or open porch, and another 27 percent started in a courtyard, terrace or patio. Eight percent began in the kitchen, according to the report.

"As friends and families prepare for a fun grilling season together, be sure the grill is working properly and review safety tips," said Lorraine Carli, vice president of Outreach and Advocacy for NFPA. "Failing to properly clean the grill or having the grill too close to something that could burn are the leading causes of fires. It's good practice to check for damage before using the grill for the first time each year, and to check the entire grill regularly."

When grilling, NFPA suggests the following:

- » Propane and charcoal BBQ grills should only be used outdoors.
- » The grill should be placed well away from the home, deck railings and out from under eaves and overhanging branches.
- » Keep children and pets at least three feet away from the grill area.
- » Keep your grill clean by removing grease or fat buildup from the grates and in the trays below.
- » Never leave your grill unattended.

For more information and resources, including tips for outdoor cooking with portable grills, visit www.nfpa.org/grilling or download NFPA's safety tips sheet on grilling for easy access. There is information online on checking propane hoses for leaks.



Write legislators on Nonprofit Corporation Act changes

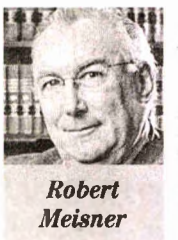
Q: My condominium Board is out of control and has acted totally irresponsibly in terms of the management of our condo and the retention of experts, including our attorney. I want to sue them, but am wondering what effect the new Nonprofit Corporation Act has on it?

A: The new changes to the Nonprofit Corporation Act, which were politically motivated during the lame duck session of the legislature in December 2014, make it very difficult for a member of the association to sue a Board member for acts or omissions which are irresponsible. Under the old rule, only volunteer members of the Board of Directors had various protections under the Michigan Nonprofit Corporation Act which we wholeheartedly supported on behalf of our community association clients. Now, whether or not you are compensated as a Director, and even if you are grossly negligent which is an extremely difficult standard to meet, you are free from liability. In short, it is actually easier to sue a governmental official which has governmental immunity unless they have committed gross negligence than it is to sue a member of a Board of Directors. This is outrageous and community association members who are involved in a nonprofit association should write their Michigan legislators to demand a retraction of this unreasonable provision and you should seek redress with an experienced community association lawyer who may be able to find a loophole that allows you to take recourse.

Q: We live in a condominium community with 42 units on a small lake. They are site condominiums and the pricing is between \$350,000 to \$500,000. The one entrance/exit is always open and monitored with a surveillance camera. There have only been two attempted break-ins in twenty years. We have recently been told that going to a gated community would increase our condominium values by at least \$20,000 per unit. Is there any truth to that?

A: I can only speak from my legal standpoint as to the effect that a gated community will have on the market value of your units. To the extent there is a perception that there is more security in the condominium, then the units may be worth more money, but how much is not known except as may be determined by the market. However, you do incur additional expense in having a gated community and the threshold for liability for security issues may be lower because of that perception. You are best advised to consult with an experienced realtor in your area for his or her opinion.

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



Robert Meisner

Industry report: Home sale prices on a climb

Existing-home sales sprang ahead in May to their highest pace in almost a decade, while the uptick in demand this spring amidst lagging supply levels pushed the median sales price to an all-time high, according to the National Association of Realtors. All major regions except for the Midwest saw strong sales increases last month.

Total existing-home sales, which are completed transactions that include single-family homes, townhomes, condominiums and co-ops, grew 1.8 percent to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 5.53 million in May from a downwardly revised 5.43 million in April. With last month's gain, sales are now up 4.5 percent from May 2015 (5.29 million) and are at their highest annual pace since February 2007 (5.79 million).

Lawrence Yun, NAR chief economist, says existing sales continue to hum along, rising in May for the third consecutive month. "This spring's

sustained period of ultra-low mortgage rates has certainly been a worthy incentive to buy a home, but the primary driver in the increase in sales is more homeowners realizing the equity they've accumulated in recent years and finally deciding to trade-up or downsize," he said. "With first-time buyers still struggling to enter the market, repeat buyers using the proceeds from the sale of their previous home as their down payment are making up the bulk of home purchases right now."

Added Yun, "Barring further deceleration in job growth that could ultimately temper demand from these repeat buyers, sales have the potential to mostly maintain their current pace through the summer."

Surpassing the peak median sales price set last June (\$236,300), the median existing-home price for all housing types in May was \$239,700, up 4.7 percent from May 2015 (\$228,900). May's price in-

crease marks the 51st consecutive month of year-over-year gains.

Total housing inventory at the end of May rose 1.4 percent to 2.15 million existing homes available for sale, but is still 5.7 percent lower than a year ago (2.28 million). Unsold inventory is at a 4.7-month supply at the current sales pace, which is unchanged from April.

"Existing inventory remains subdued throughout much of the country and continues to lag even last year's deficient amount," added Yun. "While new home construction has thankfully crept higher so far this year, there's still a glaring need for even more, to help alleviate the supply pressures that are severely limiting choices and pushing prices out of reach for plenty of prospective first-time buyers."

The share of first-time buyers was 30 percent in May, down from 32 percent both in April and a year ago. First-time buyers in all of 2015 also

represented an average of 30 percent.

According to Freddie Mac, the average commitment rate for a 30-year, conventional, fixed-rate mortgage inched backward from 3.61 percent in April to 3.60 percent in May, which is the lowest since May 2013 (3.54 percent). The average commitment rate for all of 2015 was 3.85 percent.

Properties typically stayed on the market for 32 days in May (39 days in April), which is below a year ago (40 days) and the shortest time since NAR began tracking in May 2011. Short sales were on the market the longest at a median of 103 days in May, while foreclosures sold in 51 days and non-distressed homes took 30 days. Forty-nine percent of homes sold in May were on the market for less than a month — the highest percentage since NAR began tracking.

REAL ESTATE BRIEFS

Investors

The Real Estate Investors Association of Wayne will have an open forum. Investors will answer questions and offer a market update.

Meetings are at 6-9 p.m. the third Tuesday of each month at the Red Lobster on Eureka in

Southgate.

Members are free, guests \$20, which will be applied to their membership. The Red Lobster is next to 7-Eleven, near Trenton Road.

Any questions or concerns, call Bill Beddoes at 734-934-9091 or Wayne Koehler at 313-819-0919.

Short sales

If you owe more than what your house is worth, you may be interested in a free informational seminar on short sale procedures.

Bonnie David, broker/owner of Quantum Real Estate, is the presenter. It will be 6-7 p.m.

each Thursday at 129 N. Lafayette, downtown South Lyon.

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

Free foreclosure tours

Free foreclosure tours are 1 p.m. every other Sunday. Meeting place is Panera Bread on the southeast corner of Middlebelt and I-96.

Email Georgia@addedvaluerealty.com or visit FreeForeclosureTour.com.

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Explore a new job at an old employer carefully

BY MATT TARPEY
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Networking plays a key role in how many workers find new job opportunities. Since a large part of your professional network is likely made up of your former co-workers, it's not uncommon to hear about a potentially enticing opening at a company where you used to work.

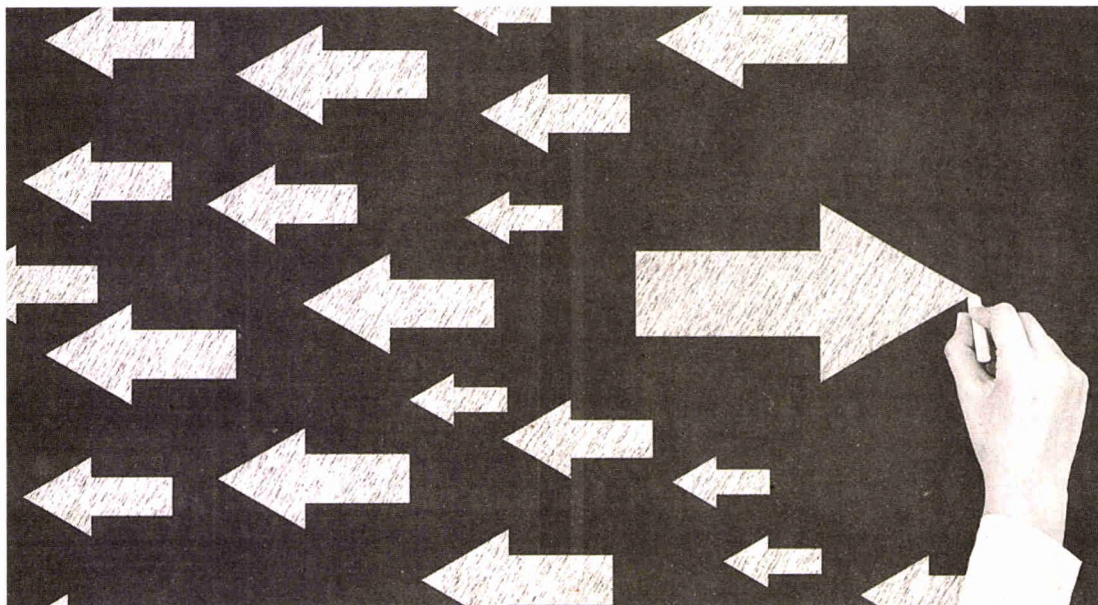
Here are four key points to consider if you're thinking about taking a job with a company you've worked for in the past.

Why did you leave?

It's likely that salary played a large part in your decision to leave your old employer. However, even if you're now being offered more money to return to the team, be sure to consider the long-term pay structure.

"If you left because you weren't valued substantially when you were there previously, and the employer has just come up to what you believe you are truly worth, what makes you think that they have embraced performance management and you will ever get another raise?" asks Alan Guinn, managing director and CEO of the Guinn Consultancy Group Inc.

Even if you left for another



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company primarily to get a higher salary, it is likely that there were other contributing reasons as well. Take some time to revisit all the factors that led to your initial exit.

"Our research shows the two most common reasons workers would not return were that they didn't like management or the corporate culture," says Bill Driscoll, a district president at Accountemps. "Have the issues that prompted your initial departure been addressed? For example, if organizational structure, office politics or difficult personalities were an issue, have they been resolved? To what extent?"

How did you leave?

The social aspect of starting a new job can be one of the reasons that rejoining a former employer can be so appealing. But first, be sure you didn't burn any bridges. Recall your last day with your ex-employer, how you were treated and — just as important — how you treated your co-workers.

"Think about how comfortable you would be re-establishing relationships with former colleagues," Driscoll says. "These are co-workers who might feel distrustful because you left once. They may have 'stuck it out' and are resentful about your return."

What's changed at the company?

Major restructurings or changes in leadership, strategies or company goals can have a big effect on day-to-day life at the company. If you've kept in contact with anyone there, don't be afraid to ask for their input on how the company has changed since you left.

"Before deciding to return, you should leverage your network at the company to confirm that your departure did not burn any bridges," says Jennifer Braganza, a coach and speaker who founded Exponential Success. "Also, you should connect with your

network to learn what has happened at the organization while you were gone and make sure you are up to speed. Reconnecting with your network also gives you the opportunity to frame your departure and return positively to your connections, who can then help spread that through the organization for you."

What's your new role?

To some, returning to an employer may feel like a step backward. However, it's important not to rush to judgment. Take a step back and simply evaluate the offer itself. Would a move like this fit into your overall career path? Are there opportunities for advancement or to gain significant new skills or experiences? Based on your previous tenure at the company, how easy is it to take advantage of such opportunities?

There's no universal rule on returning to work for former employers. However, by focusing on these key considerations, you can be confident that you will make the right decision for your situation.

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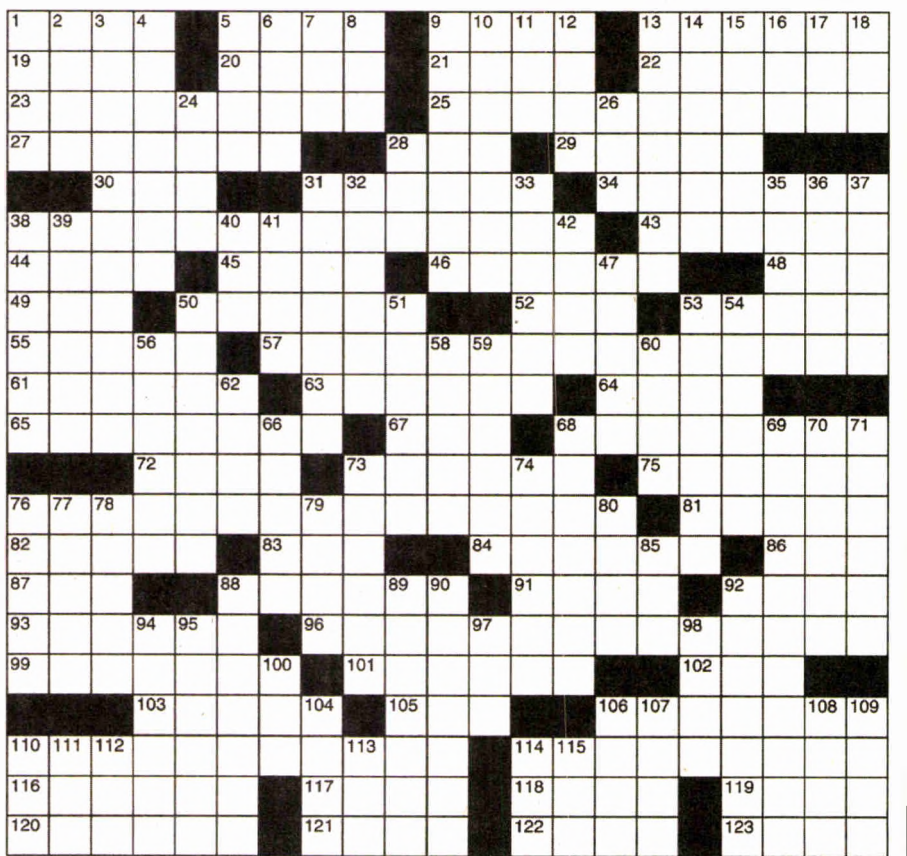
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Putting game
 - 5 Graham of football
 - 9 Train lines, e.g. Abbr.
 - 13 Minnesota's capital
 - 19 Hollywood's Shant
 - 20 Apparel
 - 21 "Got it," facetiously
 - 22 — del Fuego (island group)
 - 23 Occur
 - 25 Grizzly catcher's activity
 - 27 Solidarity
 - 28 Stock value
 - 29 Florida resort
 - 30 Moist
 - 31 First part of an act
 - 34 Lacking any amenities
 - 38 Repulsive
 - 43 Product's ultimate application
 - 44 Pub mug
 - 45 Nanny, e.g.
 - 46 Captivate
 - 48 Scholastic stat
 - 49 Up vote
 - 50 Digit with a relatively large nail
 - 52 Fourth scale steps
 - 53 Bubbling, as hot water
 - 55 "I read you"
 - 57 Not reveal one's pain
 - 61 Athletic shoe brand
 - 63 Outward flow
 - 64 Swenson of the screen
 - 65 Sacred sites
 - 67 Adam's mate
 - 68 Minor details
 - 72 Other, to José
 - 73 Tennis' Graf Janet
 - 75 Fed head
 - 76 Play fair
 - 81 Towel off again
 - 82 Sophia of the silver screen
 - 83 Heckler's cry
 - 84 Facial hair
 - 86 In thing, temporarily
 - 87 "Is" pluralized
 - 88 Bewilder
 - 91 Movie genre
 - 92 Totally fulfill
 - 93 Tiny nation in Europe
 - 96 Be a sentinel for
 - 99 Oppressive
 - 101 Like pre-1991 Russia
 - 102 Funny Philips
 - 103 Code name
 - 105 Ring count
 - 106 Current flow measures
 - 110 "It's Just a Matter of Time" singer of 1959
 - 114 What the first words of 23-, 25-, 38-, 57-, 76-, 96- and 110-Across can all mean
 - 116 Bodega site
 - 117 Major — (steward)
 - 118 Author Oz
 - 119 "Boy!" or "girl!" lead-in
 - 120 Selected
 - 121 Utah city
 - 122 Thanksgiving side dish
 - 123 "Sure thing"
- DOWN**
- 1 Set out for
 - 2 Arab land
 - 3 "A Prairie Home Companion"
 - 4 Rival one is amicable with
 - 5 Night hooters
 - 6 4:00 socials
 - 7 Tic-toe linkup
 - 8 Refinery rock
 - 9 Paco of fashion
 - 10 Regarding that matter
 - 11 That, to José
 - 12 Collate, e.g.
 - 13 Tough one
 - 14 Metal cake container
 - 15 Besieger's bomb
 - 16 Jackie's "O"
 - 17 Sizable vase
 - 18 Not keep up
 - 24 Gp. against bullfighting
 - 26 Includes
 - 28 Diem lead-in
 - 31 Many busts
 - 32 Sever
 - 33 Stymied
 - 35 Yank at
 - 36 Savory jelly
 - 37 Tennis' Fraser
 - 38 Glassy looks
 - 39 Camry, e.g.
 - 40 Special FX graphics
 - 41 Boars, say
 - 42 FBI worker
 - 47 Davis of "Get on the Bus"
 - 50 Composer Benjamin
 - 51 Devalitized
 - 53 Casbah city
 - 54 Small hound
 - 56 Cipher
 - 58 Young moray, say
 - 59 Lamentable
 - 60 Part of IMO
 - 62 Rein in
 - 66 Perhaps
 - 68 Becomes extinct
 - 69 Long-loved item
 - 70 Lower the value of
 - 71 Gary of beat poetry
 - 73 Yells
 - 74 Projecting flat collar
 - 76 Thrifty rival
 - 77 Element #5
 - 78 Actress Jacob
 - 79 Male turkeys
 - 80 LaBeouf of "I, Robot"
 - 85 Botch it up
 - 88 Straight whiskey type
 - 89 Island that's Prince's partner
 - 90 Poison
 - 92 By one means or another
 - 94 Knights' suits
 - 95 Oreo, e.g.
 - 97 Loud noise
 - 98 "Chocolat" actor Johnny
 - 100 Compass pt. Prefix
 - 104 Within: unit
 - 106 Molecule
 - 107 Toulse
 - 108 Blues singer — James
 - 109 Pahlavi, e.g.
 - 110 Telly channel
 - 111 Cheer word
 - 112 Gold, to José
 - 113 Blue Jays, on scoreboards
 - 114 Cough up
 - 115 Actress Thurman



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

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9	3	8	4	1	2	4	6	7
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7	9	4	6	8	3	1	2	5
2	1	3	9	7	4	8	9	6
8	5	6	1	2	6	7	4	3
3	7	8	9	6	2	5	1	4
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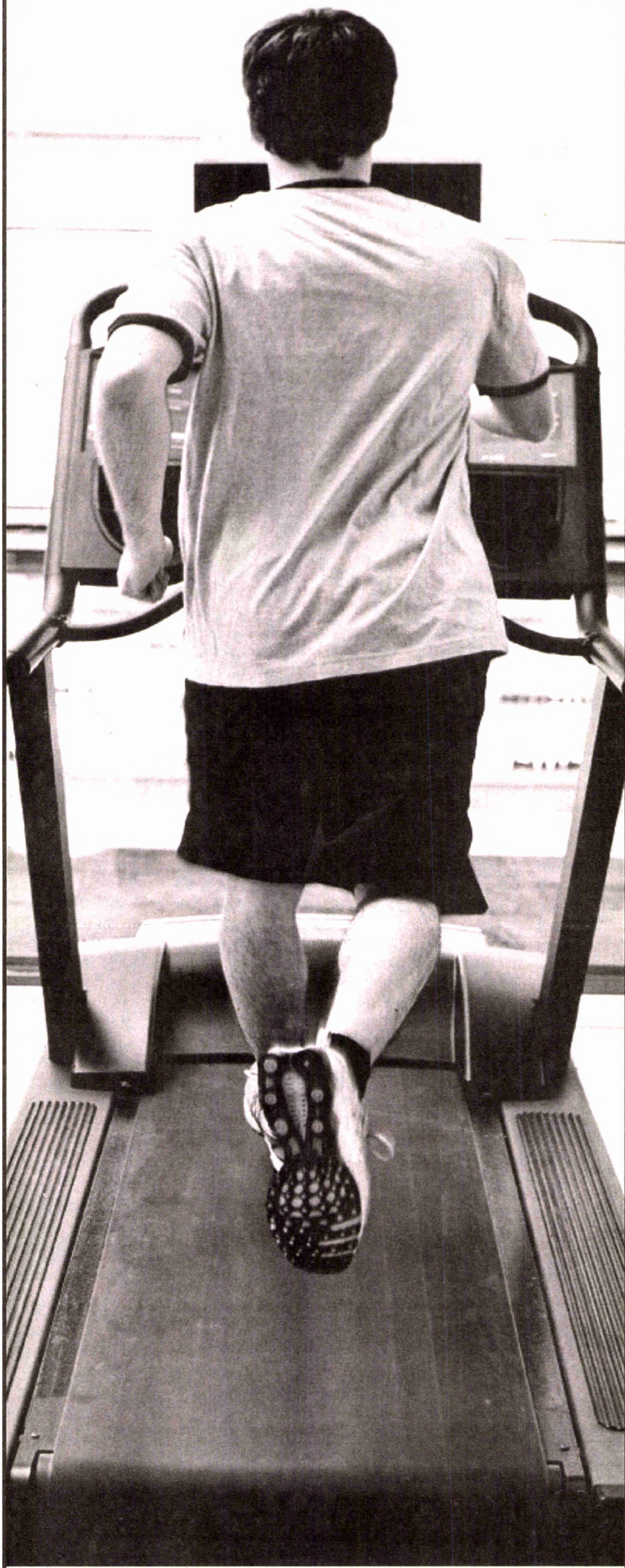
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Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally & diagonally throughout the puzzle.

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<p>Crossword Answers</p> <p>GOLF OTTO RTES STPAUL OMAR WEAR AHSO TIERRA TAKEPLACE BEARHUNTING ONENESS PARTAMPA WET SCENEI SPARTAN STOMACHTURNING ENOUSE TOBY GOAT ENAMOR GPA AYE BIGTOE FAS ABOIL ROGER SUFFERINSILENCE ETONIC EFFLUX TINGA SANCTUOS EVE DEMIGODS OTRA STEFFI YELLEN ABIDEBYTHERULES REDRY LOREN BOO LASHES FAD ARE BEMUSE NOIR SATE MONACO STANDGUARDOVER ONEROUS SOVIET EMO MORSE TEN AMPERES BROOKBENTON PUTUPWITH BARRIO DOMO AMOS ATTA CHOSEN OREM YAMS YEAH</p>	<p>Word Search Answers</p> <p>BAKED ALASKA BOMBE CAKE CARAMEL COLD CONE CUSTARD DELICIOUS DESSERT FLOAT FRAPPE GELATO GLACE GRANITA ICE CREAM ICES KEFIR KULFI MALTED MILKSHAKE NOVELTY PARFAIT PREMIUM SANDWICH SEMIFREDDO SHERBET SOFT SERVE SORBET SOUFFLE SPRINKLES SPUMONI SUNDAE SWIRL TARTUFO WAFFLE YOGURT</p>
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