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Elector elected

Longtime Northville resident Lisa DiRado was recently elected by members of the Michigan Democratic Party to represent the 11th



DiRado

She will cast her vote for former Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton for president, should Clinton win Michigan on Nov. 8.

DiRado currently serves as president of the Northville Democratic Club.

The Electoral College consists of 538 electors. A majority of 270 electoral votes is required to elect the president. A state's allotment of electors equals the number of members in its Congressional delegation: one for each member in the House of Representatives, plus two for senators.

Library to host election primer

Susan Bromley
hometownlife.com

In less than a month, American voters will elect a new president.

If you're ready to go beyond social media memes and one-liners and have an in-person discussion about Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump, as well as the issues this election season, the Novi Library has a program for you.

Jack Lessenberry will present "Presidential Election: So Who Will Win? What Matters Most?" at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 19, at the library, 45255 W. 10 Mile Road.

"I like a discussion," Lessenberry said. "I will give an

overview of what is happening and what to look for in the presidential race, as well as interesting congressional and state races — what is likely to happen, as I see it."

Lessenberry, 61, has an extensive resume in covering politics. He is currently Michigan Radio's senior news analyst, a Metro Times columnist, a National Public Radio commentator and head of the journalism faculty at Wayne State University. He has written for various newspapers, including the New York Times, The Washington Post and The Boston Globe. As a former foreign correspondent for The Detroit News, he reported from more than 40 countries.

He has covered presidential

elections since 1976 and calls the upcoming election of either Clinton or Trump "very unusual" in that it is the first time a woman has been nominated for president by one of the two major parties and will appear on the ballot to vie for the top spot and also because "we've never seen a candidate like Trump before."

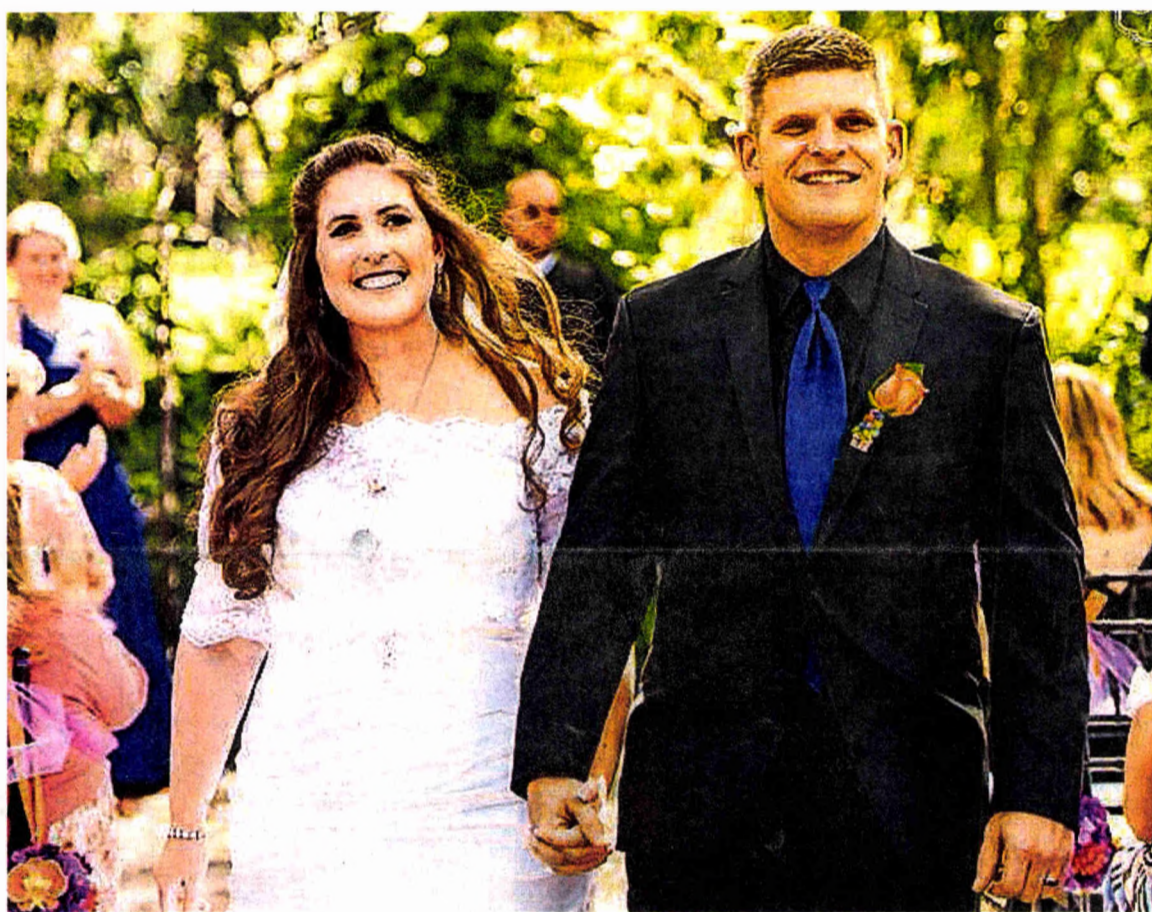
"Mr. Trump's theory about how he wins is different than Republicans in the past," Lessenberry said. "We will talk about that and what it looks like is most likely to happen."

That discussion will include what is impacting people in their personal lives and how those issues sway their votes. Lessenberry notes Trump has found

support from voters unhappy about the current direction of the country, many of whom are unsettled about their lives and futures, even as he points to some surveys that say the majority don't trust Trump or believe he has the right temperament or experience to be president. The billionaire businessman's strategy, Lessenberry said, is to appeal to the disaffected, white working class that has traditionally voted Democratic.

Clinton is a much more well-known commodity, Lessenberry said, adding that the former first lady and secretary of state's claim to be the most qualified has truth to it, as Trump has no

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Lauren Sugg and Brian Conley were married Oct. 8 in Orlando, the day after Hurricane Matthew threatened to make landfall with Florida.

Wedding survives visit by guest named Matthew

Susan Bromley
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Lauren Sugg was prepared months in advance for her Oct. 8 wedding to Brian Conley in Orlando, Fla. — she even had an Excel spreadsheet with all the details: flowers, photographer, music, caterer and more.

What she didn't plan on was Hurricane Matthew, an uninvited guest barreling up the Atlantic with an eye on Florida.

"We heard about Matthew the weekend before, but it wasn't a big deal. We didn't really start to worry until Tuesday (Oct. 4)," said Sugg, 29, a 2005 Novi High School graduate. "And on Tuesday, they were, like, 'It's probably going to hit Florida' and I thought, 'Oh, crap.'"

Brian Conley, 35, has lived most of his life in Florida and has faced hurricanes before — most notably in 2004, when hurricanes Charley, Frances, Ivan and Jeanne all hit the state within weeks of each other.

The Polk County firefighter has also trained for emergency response to natural disasters,

but Lauren is still fairly new to it. She moved to Florida to work for Disney several years ago after earning a bachelor's degree in hospitality and tourism management from Grand Valley State University. She currently works in administrative support for Disney University.

After meeting Conley on a dating app, their first date was at the Food and Wine Fest at Epcot two years ago, Oct. 8.

That date was how they chose their wedding date when they became engaged after seven months, allowing them 17 months of planning, but no long-range forecast for Hurricane Matthew, which formed Sept. 25 as a tropical depression off the coast of Africa, was named a few days later and then wrought destruction with direct hits on Haiti, Cuba and the Bahamas before aligning itself parallel to the east coast of Florida.

Guests expected

Lauren and Brian had invited more than 100 guests to their wedding and, at last count before the hurricane's arrival,

were expecting 92. The Wednesday before the wedding was set to take place at the historic Dubsdread, a golf course and ballroom in Orlando, they found themselves scrambling to help family and friends rearrange flights.

"Wednesday was when I was most stressed, that was when we heard it was going to be a category 4 when it got to us and do a lot of damage," Lauren said. "Pretty much all day, it was go, go, go. It ended up being a whirlwind of hurricane prep."

Lauren's mother and stepfather, both Novi residents, had already arrived in Florida, but most family and friends from out of state had flights planned for Thursday or Friday, with airlines quickly canceling those plans.

Some understood the gravity of the situation, some did not.

"On Wednesday, I was trying to make my dad understand, we need to make changes," Brian said. "My dad was, like, 'I'm just gonna wait 'til Friday when I get to the airport and see what

Heil adds homecoming king to honors

Chris Nelsen

Special to the Detroit Free Press

In a scene reminiscent of a feel-good movie, Robby Heil lived up to the hype Friday night.

Heil, a senior at Novi High School who was born with Down syndrome, busted out a classic dance move after being named homecoming king during half-time of the football team's 27-23 loss to Plymouth Salem.

With the entire student section chanting "Robby!, Robby!," the newly crowned king did a little dance on the field, much to his supporters' delight.

His father, Chuck Heil, took no credit for Robby's dancing technique.

"No, no, not me," Chuck said with a laugh. "I'm not a dancer."

The entire experience left Robby, a football team manager and water distributor, with a memory he will always cherish.

"I feel happy," he said. "I love all the people who supported me. To win this award is fun."

Novi homecoming queen Mary Grace Sinkovich fully expected Robby to be named king, but she was pleasantly surprised by his dance.

"I loved it. It's so Robby," said Sinkovich, a senior. "He's such a fun kid, always enjoying life. Pretty much all four years it was a given that Robby was going to win king. He deserved it."

The homecoming ceremony was especially gratifying for Robby's mother, Debbie Heil, who continues to battle cancer. Debbie is a big supporter of Novi football, often shooting photographs from the sidelines.

"It was a beautiful moment, to see the high school embrace him and love him," said Debbie, who couldn't hold back tears. "It was a surprise to see him win. We're very proud."

Robby's moves did not surprise his mother.

"Oh, he loves dancing in front of everybody," she said. "He likes to make people smile. That brings joy to him, making peo-



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Hometownlife.com announces leadership changes

As the landscape changes for print journalism, hometownlife.com/the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers has gone through some internal changes to improve structure and work flow.

Dan Dean has been named managing editor. Philip Allmen has been named consumer experience director. Allmen will oversee the programming, production, packaging and promotion of all newsroom content.

Brad Kadrich and Joanne Maliszewski have been named county editors. Kadrich is Oakland County editor, overseeing coverage of Farmington, Birmingham, Novi/Northville, South Lyon and Milford. Maliszewski is Wayne

County editor, overseeing the communities of Plymouth, Canton, Livonia, Wayne, Westland, Redford and Garden City. Julie Brown has been named planning editor.

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is going on' and I said, 'No, you're not going to do that.'"

He would end up getting a flight to Tampa and flew in Friday night from Texas.

On the road

Lauren's father's flight got canceled, so he decided to drive from Michigan with his wife and youngest daughter, leaving about 3 p.m. Wednesday and driving through the night — only stopping for a three-hour nap — and arriving in Orlando at 4 p.m. Thursday, just before curfew.

"It was like something out of a movie," Lauren said. "He's going south toward the hurricane and everyone else is driving north to get out of Florida."

Aaron Martinez, Lauren's brother and a 2011 Novi High School graduate, was desperately trying Wednesday to change his flight from Thursday evening.

"It was 12 hours of not knowing whether I would make the wedding or not," said Aaron, who finally managed to get a flight out of Lansing at 4 a.m. Thursday and, after multiple layovers, arriving in Orlando about 1 p.m. to go straight from the airport to a tux fitting.

He then set to work helping with contingency plans for food for the immediate family and

bridal party for Thursday night and Friday after learning a catering company booked for the rehearsal and other pre-wedding plans had canceled all orders because of the curfew put in effect.

Supplies needed

Aaron and his mom went to the supermarket to pick up supplies and Chick-fil-A for more food.

"This was the first hurricane for everyone except for the bride and groom," Aaron said. "The forecasts were a doomsday scenario; we weren't sure what to expect. The forecasts kept getting more and more dire. My mom, being the proactive lady she is, bought as much as she could. We bought a couple bottles of rum, too, because mom said that was the most important thing."

By Thursday night, they knew who would be there for the Saturday wedding and who wouldn't make it. Only 19 confirmed guests didn't attend. They were disappointed, but had done everything they could. For Lauren and Brian, there was nothing else to be done except "hunker down" at the Lake Buena Vista Resort where they were staying, along with her mom and stepdad, Aaron, Brian's daughters Chloe, 10, and Emma, 8, and more members of the bridal party.

They threw a hurricane party in the presidential suite.

"We had board games

and enough food for 12 countries," Lauren said with a laugh. "I was pretty calm at that point, my stress level went down, there was nothing else we could do. Everyone that was coming was here and safe."

On Friday, they continued the hurricane party in their hotel, waiting for the storm to pass and Matthew did, going straight up the coast of Florida and declining in strength, making landfall Saturday in South Carolina as a category 1 hurricane, the same day Lauren and Brian were marrying outside in Florida, under sunny skies.

Unforgettable

"We had a great dramatic pre-cursor story to our wedding and no one will ever forget Hurricane Matthew or HurriConley," Brian said, referring to the hashtag their guests dubbed the wedding. "It was stressful, but everything played out and the day was just perfect on Saturday. Lauren is the kindest, sweetest, gentlest soul I've ever known and I am proud and honored to be her husband."

Lauren and Brian are hoping for a calmer future, but feeling confident that after a hurricane, their marriage can weather any storm.

Susan Bromley is a hometownlife.com reporter and mother of a daughter who was hunkered down at a Disney hotel for Hurricane Matthew.

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political experience.

During his talk at the library, Lessenberry will give tips for watching the election, including behind the scenes factors and key states. He notes that California, Texas and New York are the most populated states in the country, yet the candidates and the electorate are largely ignoring them, as California and New York typically vote Democrat and Texas goes Republican. Conversely, a lot of attention is on Iowa, Nevada and North Carolina, which could go either way, and Michigan and Pennsylvania, one of which Trump would need to win for an overall victory.

"There is a belt of eight to 10 states where elections are decided and that is where the candidates spend their time and money," Lessenberry said. "I will explain how the system works. People are confused by it. We'll talk about how we got to this point and also talk about third party candidates."

So who will win?

Typically, Lessenberry says Americans like to switch parties after eight years, as most recently evidenced by Democrat Bill Clinton's eight-year presidency, followed by eight years of Republican George H.W. Bush and now the two terms of Democrat Barack Obama.

"I think this is a year when you have an electorate that is restless and hungry for change, but not clear what kind of change they want," Lessenberry said.

CORRECTION

A story in the Oct. 6 edition of the Novi News should have identified school board candidate and current Novi Board of Education Vice President Bobbie Murphy.

ROBBY

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ple laugh and smile."

Friday's game was not the first time Robby gave Novi football fans something to cheer about.

In the school's Sept. 16 contest against South Lyon East, Robby — wearing his No. 24 jersey

— played running back for one "unofficial" down. He took advantage, scoring a touchdown and getting to celebrate in the end zone with his mother and players from both teams.

"As my wife said, it was a 'Rudy' moment," Chuck said. "It was really fun to watch."

Making things even better for the Heil fam-

ily, Debbie received positive news recently in regard to her second bout with cancer.

"She's been going through some treatments and the last test results were good," Chuck said. "Not a cure, but good news. Nothing is growing."

For one night, the script was perfect for Robby and the Heil family.

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Novi goes pink for Breast Cancer Awareness Month in October

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month and the city of Novi is doing its part to raise awareness, honor those who lost their battle with the disease and celebrate survivors by encouraging residents and business owners to Paint the Town Pink.

With breast cancer being the most commonly diagnosed cancer in women, the city also has partnered with St. John Providence-Providence Park Hospital to bring its mobile mammography screening center Oct. 18 to the Novi Civic Center to provide free screenings for women age 40 or older.

The mammograms only take 15 minutes to complete and are done using the same 3D/Tomosynthesis imaging found in the hospital. Pre-registration is required for the screening and can be done by calling 248-567-0316.



The city of Novi is encouraging businesses to go pink for breast cancer awareness in October.

The city has gone pink by placing ribbons on its police vehicles and the entrance doors to the Novi Civic Center and firefighters are wearing special "I am Novi" shirts throughout the month that feature a pink badge. City employees will be donating \$5 to wear pink on National Mammography Day, Oct. 21, with the money going to the St. John Providence's "Because We Care" program that provides access to screening mammograms for under or uninsured women.

Several Novi businesses are also supporting the cause by decorating the exteriors of their buildings and encouraging employees to wear pink on designated days.

For more information, go to cityofnovi.org.

Waddle residents do?

Abby Welsh Alusheff
Livingston Daily

It sounds like a daffy situation.

When Mary Spensly went to answer her front door two weeks ago, her feathers were a bit ruffled to find 15 ducks waiting on her front stoop.

"They were so friendly and wouldn't stop following me around the first day," said Spensly, a Genoa Township resident who first noticed the domesticated ducks around Crooked Lake. "Myself, along with some of the neighbors, started to feed the ducks because we noticed that they don't feed themselves. ... They are domesticated ducks, not wild ducks."

Since they "randomly appeared on the boat lodge two weeks ago," the ducks have stuck around, going from house to house looking to be fed.

"We take turns, but we are all afraid they aren't going to survive, especially during the winter months," Spensly said. "I'm worried they don't know how to fly, so they won't migrate during the winter. I'm worried they might freeze to death and I'm worried they don't know how to find food for themselves. I just don't know what to do."

Spensly isn't sure where the ducks disappear to from time to time.

"I don't know where they go at night or when it rains out," Spensly said. "All I know is that they arrive when they are hungry and want to be fed."

Spensly contacted the



Roughly two weeks ago, 15 domesticated ducks appeared in a neighborhood on Crooked Lake Road in Genoa Township.

Howell Nature Center, but the facility does not take in ducks. However, after some further research, Spensly found that the services of Matthew Lyson of Michigan Duck Rescue and Sanctuary in Northville fit the bill.

"Our primary goal is to see that no duck or goose will ever die of neglect or abuse, or be left alone in a freezing pond to be forgotten about like it was 'just a duck,'" Lyson said. "We hope to inform and educate every person who has or may ever come in contact with waterfowl who might not know what to do or where to go."

Lyson keeps domestic ducks at his residence, where they roam around and swim in a nearby pond. His sanctuary is constantly helping those, like Spensly, who need help with domestic ducks.

Lyson's sanctuary doesn't only save ducks; it helps other types of birds as well.

"We definitely do not have all of the answers, but through this medium and your feedback, knowledge and interaction, we someday hope to," Lyson said.

Everyone has a role to play in schools' success

I flicked the switch for my garbage disposal and nothing happened. So I did the only thing that I knew to do — I tried the switch again. Still nothing.

So I did the only other thing I could think of — I left the kitchen. Perhaps if I left the disposal alone for several hours, it would miraculously start upon my return. It did not.

Finally, I accepted the sad truth — I would need to replace the disposal.

I had replaced a garbage disposal once before. The simple job had turned into an all-day event. The old disposal's connections did not line up well with the new disposal's connections; the old fittings did not come out easily and so on and so on. In the end, I finished the job, but it was not a pleasant nor easy experience.

So Saturday, as I contemplated my disabled disposal, I searched for options. I knew that in the end it would be best if I did not install the disposal.

I hit upon the perfect solution. I called my friend Don. He has skills. He understands how to repair things. He has the right tools.

As I sat handing tools to Don and watching him unhook and hook pipes, I thought about our district. Students, parents and community members expect our schools to work. Staff members expect our schools to work. There is an expectation that good things will happen in our schools.

In order to make good things happen every day, everyone has to understand and do their part. Everyone has an important role to play.

Teachers must understand the curricular goals and create effective lessons to teach those goals. Teachers must also be able to create a positive classroom culture, give students targeted and meaningful feedback and engage students in thoughtful work.

If good things are to happen at school, students must be part of the process. Students must come ready to learn and willing to work. Students must discipline themselves so that they can manage their time and competing interests to attend to school work.

Parents must also be engaged in creating good things at school. Parents need to create spaces at home where students can study. They can also help by listening to their chil-



Steve Matthews
SUPER TALK

dren, trying to identify what went well and what didn't go so well. Parents can create a

partnership with the classroom teacher and communicate about concerns.

Making sure that schools run like they should is a bit more complicated than fixing my disposal. If schools are to be the good place that we all expect them

to be, none of us can expect someone else to do the job. All of us must dig in and help.

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S'mores run

The city of Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department hosts the inaugural S'mores Family Fun Run 5:30-8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15, at Lakeshore Park.

Runners will follow a fun one-mile path through the trails of Lakeshore Park while grabbing s'mores supplies along the way. After the run, participants will make a variety of different s'mores, listen to live music, enjoy a hayride and games.

Cost is \$9 per person for residents and \$11 for non-residents. To register, go to cityofnovi.org or visit the Novi Parks office inside the Novi Civic Center at 45175 10 Mile Road. For more information, call 248-347-0400.

Democrats meet

The Democrats of West Oakland County meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 18, at Novi United Methodist Church, 41671 W. 10 Mile.

Guest Speakers are Oakland County Water Resources Commissioner Jim Nash and former Farmington Hills mayor and state Rep. Vicki Barnett, who is running for Oakland County executive.

Information about candidates supported by the group can be found at www.DWOC.info

Used book sale

Friends of the Wixom Library sponsor their fall used book sale Oct. 20-22.

Advance sale for Friends Members only (memberships available



The National Recreation and Park Association has announced the city of Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department has achieved accreditation by the Commission for Accreditation of Parks and Recreation Agencies. The accomplishment was awarded during the NRPA annual conference in St. Louis. Novi Parks is one of four accredited agencies in Michigan and one of 155 nationwide.

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at the door.) Public sale begins from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 20, and will run 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, Oct. 21, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 22. Fill a bag \$5. Thousands of books and multimedia items for all ages, priced between 25 cents and \$1, plus special-ly priced items.

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Rotary fundraiser

Rotary members in Northville are among thousands reaching out on World Polio Day to raise awareness, funds and support to end polio — a vaccine-preventable disease that still threatens children in parts of the world today.

A fundraiser will be

held 7-9 p.m. Monday, Oct. 24, at the Bak Bar, 157 E. Main Street, Northville. A \$10 donation at the door will help continue the fight to eradicate polio. Light appetizers provided and a cash bar served by celebrity Rotarian bartenders.

Since Rotary and its partners launched the Global Polio Eradication Initiative nearly 30 years

ago, the incidence of polio has plummeted by more than 99.9 percent, from about 350,000 cases a year to 26 confirmed as of Sept. 19, 2016.

U.N. anniversary event

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Omega Epsilon Omega chapter, in conjunction with United Nations Association of

the United States of America, announces its event to celebrate the 71st anniversary of the United Nations.

This family event will be held 2-4:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 22, at the Novi Civic Center (45175 10 Mile Road) and provide free live performances, children's activities, international storytellers and local ethnic restaurant samplings.

This year's UN Day theme is One Humanity, Shared Responsibility, which brings awareness to the worst refugee crisis since World War II. The overall initiative is designed to empower our youth with critical skills to be successful in a global society.

Armenian festival

St. John Armenian Church hosts its Armenian Festival Oct. 21-23 at the church, 22001 Northwestern Highway, Southfield.

The event opens at 5:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 21, and the first day will feature Armenian dancing, music by Nigiosian Band and Darwin Mmassian. The festival runs 9 a.m. to midnight Saturday, Oct. 22, and noon to 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 23.

More information can be found at www.stjohnsarmenianchurch.org or by calling 248-569-3405.

Book tour

Author Jordan Scavone's book "Might-E!" tells the story of a preschooler named Emma, who is shy and has trouble talking to other children.

Scavone, a Wixom resident, brings his book tour to the Northville Barnes & Noble at 4 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 15. Scavone wrote "Might-E!" after earning a degree in children's literature and theater for the young from Eastern Michigan University. Scavone will be at Barnes & Noble for a reading/signing/discussion. The store is located at 17111 Haggerty. Call 248-348-0696 for more information.

Star viewing

The Friends of Maybury sponsors a Star Viewing Night at Maybury State Park 7-10 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 22. The Ford Amateur Astronomy Club will be setting up telescopes and will be on hand to assist the public to view the sky. Members of the public who would like to bring their own telescopes should arrive by 6:30 p.m.

Meet at the baseball field parking lot, accessible from the Eight Mile entrance. Wear warm clothing, as it will get chilly when the sun goes down.

Free of charge and no registration required, but a Recreation Passport is required for entry to the state park. For more info, call the park office at 248-349-8390. The event will be canceled if it's raining or too cloudy — check Friends facebook page.

Night to remember

Five Points will hold "A Night To Remember" at 6 p.m. Friday, Nov. 4, to help support the Five Points of Hope Cancer Care Fund. The event will be held at Edgewood Country Club, 8399 Commerce Road, in Commerce Township.

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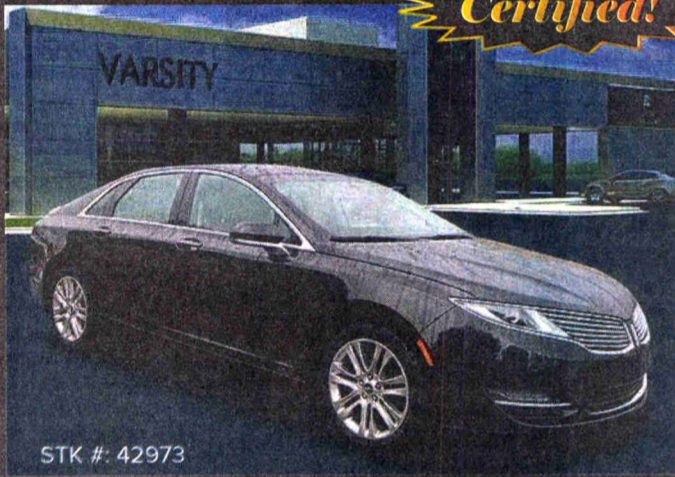
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Think pink: 3D mammography comes to save lives

Susan Bromley
hometownlife.com

In June, just before she was to start a new job and change insurance, Rebecca (not her real name) went in for her annual mammogram screening.

The technology, which offers three-dimensional views, showed calcification. Two biopsies would follow and, on the first day of her new job, she would receive a call with the news that she had stage 2 breast cancer.

"What is compelling about my story is what they saw was not representative of what was there — it was bigger," the 55-year-old West Bloomfield resident said. "It's hard to find things in dense breasts. The 3D mammography helps find cancers in dense breasts; it gives you better views."

On Oct. 18, St. John Providence-Providence Park Hospital will bring its 3D mobile mammography unit to the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. 10 Mile Road, in a partnership with the city of Novi to promote Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Appointments are open to the public, but available on a first-come pre-registration basis. Each appointment takes approximately 15 minutes.

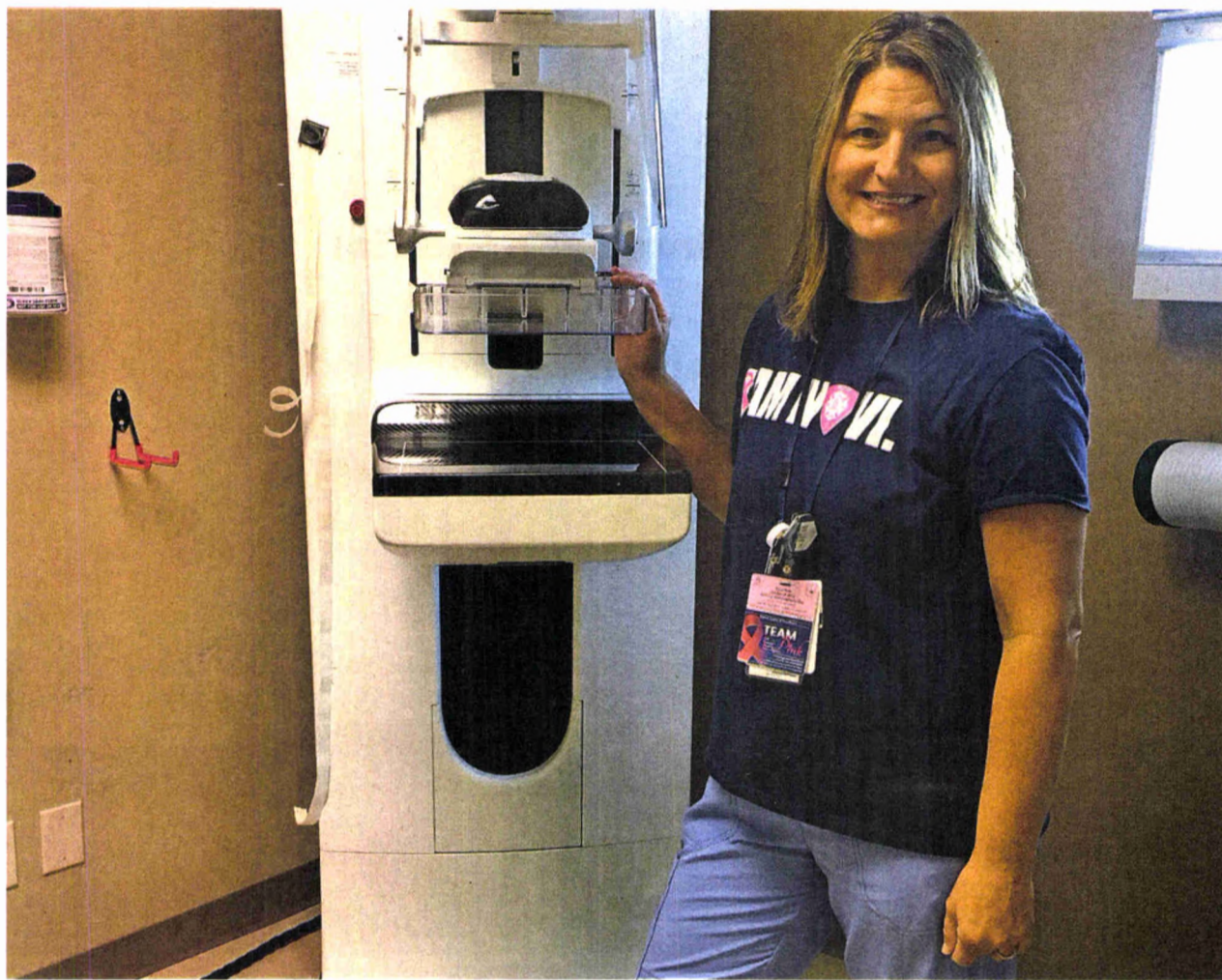
Jennifer Valenti, manager of breast imaging for Providence, explains that the technology works the same as what is available at the hospital, with the same quality of care and mammograms interpreted by the same physicians. All of the imaging is stored in the same system, as well.

There is a lot of controversy and conflicting recommendations for mammograms, which Valenti said is "very concerning" for health care providers.

"We think the standard should be annual mammograms at age 40 and a



The mobile mammography unit that will arrive Oct. 18 at the Novi Civic Center.



Marcie Storm, mammography technologist, with the 3D mammography unit that will come Oct. 18 to the Novi Civic Center.

baseline mammogram at 35," she said. "Since the 1990s, we have decreased

breast cancer mortality rates because of early detection from screening

the masses. If a woman goes two years without having a mammogram, it could be the different between life and death, chemotherapy or no chemotherapy in cancer

treatment. She could have a more advanced cancer if diagnosed at a later stage."

Rebecca, who had no family history of breast cancer, was prompt about

getting her annual mammograms, she just never expected anything to be found, even though up to 90 percent of women diagnosed with breast cancer have no family history of the disease.

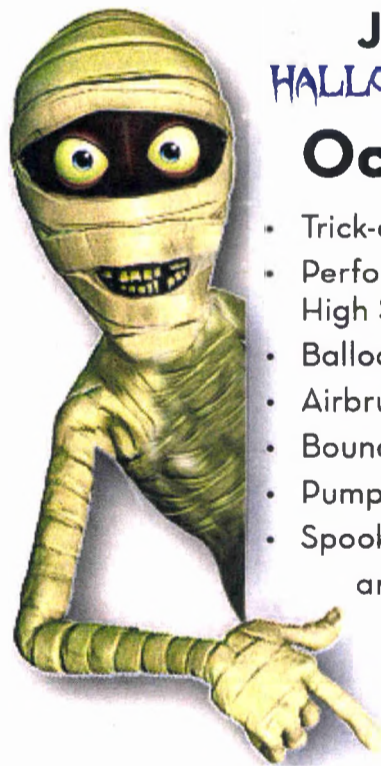
"I was sure that was never going to happen to me, I'm not a hypochondriac," said Rebecca, who added that she also did regular breast self-exams and never felt anything, nor did a doctor.

She underwent a lumpectomy in September and had a port put in last Friday, so she can begin chemotherapy, which will be followed by radiation.

"I am sure that mammogram saved my life," said Rebecca, who added that her lymph nodes were negative for cancer. "I'm extremely glad that I got that mammogram and have been getting them. When I get through all this, I am going to be fine. There is nothing to be scared of. Women are afraid they will find something, but if you find it, you treat it and, in the end, finding it early will save your life."

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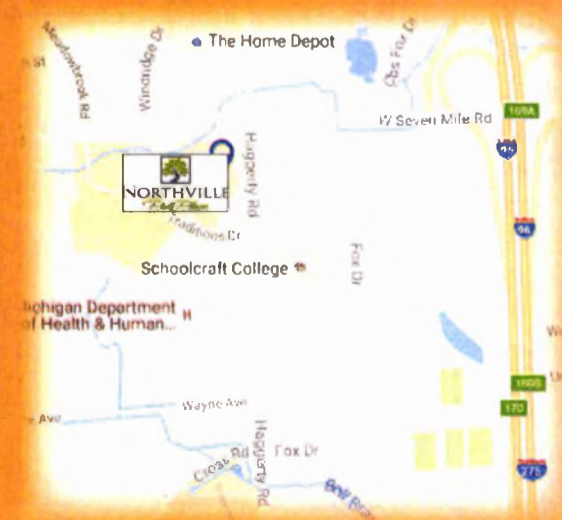
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Thanking library Friends

Oct. 16-22 is the 11th annual celebration of National Friends of Libraries week. This is a great time to publicly thank the Friends of the Northville District Library, who contribute so much of their time and expertise to enhance our library services and make our library a great community gathering place.

Our Friends group began in 1969 and has donated more than \$675,000 to help cover the cost of programs, Summer Reading Programs, our popular middle school Battle of the Books, special collections and projects, equipment and more. The Friends handle all incoming used book donations and run the Used Book Cellar and Gift Store, among many other volunteer efforts.

The Northville District Library is highly valued by everyone in our community. Our Friends of the Library group is just as highly valued. Our staff and trustees have a great working relationship with the wonderful members of our Friends. I hope this week everyone will call or stop in the library to find out how they can join and support this outstanding group of volunteers that make the Library an extra special place.

Julie Herrin
library director

Supporting Jankowski

This fall, voters are faced with some pretty difficult decisions to make. Allow me to help make one of those many choices easier — re-elect Cyndy Jankowski to the Northville Board of Education.

As a former Board of Education member myself and a long-time resident of the Northville community, I believe I

know what Northville residents value in a good board member — honesty, open mindedness, a willingness to listen and, most importantly, wanting what is best for every student in Northville schools. While my tenure on the board didn't directly overlap with Cyndy, I have had the opportunity to work with her on projects and committees since she was appointed five years ago. I find her to have all of these important traits.

The Northville school district continues to strive for the perfect balance of meeting the needs of a growing district and maintaining excellence. That often involves making difficult decisions — decisions that truly affect people's lives. Cyndy weighs those decisions thoughtfully and with compassion. In addition, the Northville Board of Education has seen quite a bit of transition in the past several years. Cyndy now brings her five years of experience, which is an imperative perspective to that process.

Make one of your difficult choices easier Nov. 8: vote for Cyndy Jankowski. I believe it is what's best for Northville schools.

Libby Dietrich Smith
Northville Board of Education, 2003-11

Vote McCusker

The state House 38th District has a distinct difference in its candidates this year. We have the choice to keep the same old path of having a single family represent us for the better part of two decades now or we can ask for someone with enthusiasm, vigor and institutional knowledge to take and carry the fight for public education.

A vote for Amy McCusker is a vote for public education and local control. Amy knows how to get things done.

Believe me, there have been times that she and I have been at odds on certain issues on the school board, but she is tenacious. If we want our state representative to be active and unapologetic about her passion, vote for Amy McCusker.

Too many times, Lansing has gone beyond its reach in regard to the funding of public education and, as board members, we have to see this atrocity first hand. Amy McCusker will fight to have all money from the State Aid Fund go back to public education, the way it was intended in Proposal A, and not to charter schools or community colleges.

Many of the changes in law regarding public education could be easily described as an "over-reach." From start times to teacher evaluations and student testing, districts are individualized. What is good for a school district in Gladwin County isn't necessarily good for South Lyon or Novi schools. She will fight for a more balanced approach to these issues.

Amy McCusker is also very passionate about tax reform. She believes that we need to remain competitive to help small businesses grow and large businesses to invest and move in to our state. Amy also knows that a responsible income tax for our middle class families is key. She bemoans the recent pension tax, pledging to repeal it if she is elected.

Our congressional district has never had strong leadership when it comes to public education and now is the time. Too much has changed, while our state representative has looked the other way. Elect a fighter, elect Amy McCusker.

Steve Brummer
president, South Lyon Board of Education

Denouncing Trump

With the release of Donald Trump speaking lewdly of women while unknowingly being recorded, Republican leadership is finally denouncing him. This action is long overdue.

Trump's entire campaign has been nothing but name-calling, degrading remarks, insults and disrespect. He has insulted minorities, women, immigrants and people of different faiths.

He is not only grossly unqualified to be president, but he is unworthy of the office. This latest display was not a bad choice of wrong language, it illustrates who he is and how he speaks unrehearsed. Voters should remember this national nightmare was brought to them and supported by the Republican Party.

Cynthia Churches
Novi

Frush right choice

With a seventh-grader at Meads Mill, I want to ensure that our schools and, in particular our school board, continue to have the best and brightest leaders.

Scott Frush is the right person at the right time.

As a fellow Dad's Club member, I know Scott brings a high level of energy, integrity, commitment and passion to the role. He wants to make sure we have a strong school system for all Northville Public School students, including his own two elementary school children.

Scott has a strong and impressive background in finance. Now, more than ever, the composition of our school board needs someone with the depth and breadth of Scott's financial experience.

Scott also brings a wealth of hands-on experience serving on boards, namely the

Northville Educational Foundation as treasurer, the Northville District Library as chairperson for the Development Committee and vice president of the Friends of the Northville District Library.

Given Scott's passion for Northville Public Schools, his strong financial skill set and experience serving on boards, my wife and I are voting for Scott Frush for school board and I urge all parents in our school district to support him with their votes.

Marty Testasecca
Northville

In the best interests

I just read the letter to the editor (Oct. 6) which was against the Meijer store. I live near Six Mile Road and Haggerty. Many days, I can hardly turn left out of my subdivision to get onto Six Mile road due to the heavy traffic driving east on Six Mile, coming from out near the Beck Road area.

Often, I have wished that they would put some grocery stores and restaurants out in that area to cater to people living there, which might cut down on the traffic behind my house and allow me to get out of my subdivision.

Maybe Mr. Knapp doesn't realize it, but I moved to Northville for tranquility, too! I am grateful that the elected officials have approved this. It is in the best interest of all the citizens of Northville.

Carol Maynard
Northville

For change, vote Democrat

Recent polls show a majority of Americans think the country is headed in the wrong direction. Consider this: The majority of our states have Republican governors and state legislatures.

Michigan is one such

state and here Republicans have passed laws voters have said they do not want, like emergency manager and right to work, and brought on disasters like Flint water, Detroit bankruptcy and failing charter schools. They delayed a new bridge to Canada and repairing our roads and bridges throughout the state, all of which would have put more people to work sooner.

The U.S. Congress, both House and Senate, are Republican majority, where they have done little except trying to block everything President Obama has tried to do. So voting Republican for president would not only not change that direction, but with Donald Trump being the candidate, it would be dumb for many reasons.

Well-known Republican politicians and Republican-leaning business leaders are endorsing Hillary Clinton for president. Also newspapers that have long endorsed Republicans are endorsing Hillary or just advocating a "don't vote Trump."

Despite all this, Republican office holders are still backing Trump in the hope they will ride his coattails to victory. They aren't thinking about you or the country; they are worried about holding their office.

You want to make a change and get things moving, then vote them all out. The simple way to do that is to vote Democrat all the way.

We can still vote a straight party ticket. Republicans haven't been able to take that from us; it's still the law after 125 years here in Michigan. It works, otherwise Republicans would not want to take it away and it is what they are afraid you will do.

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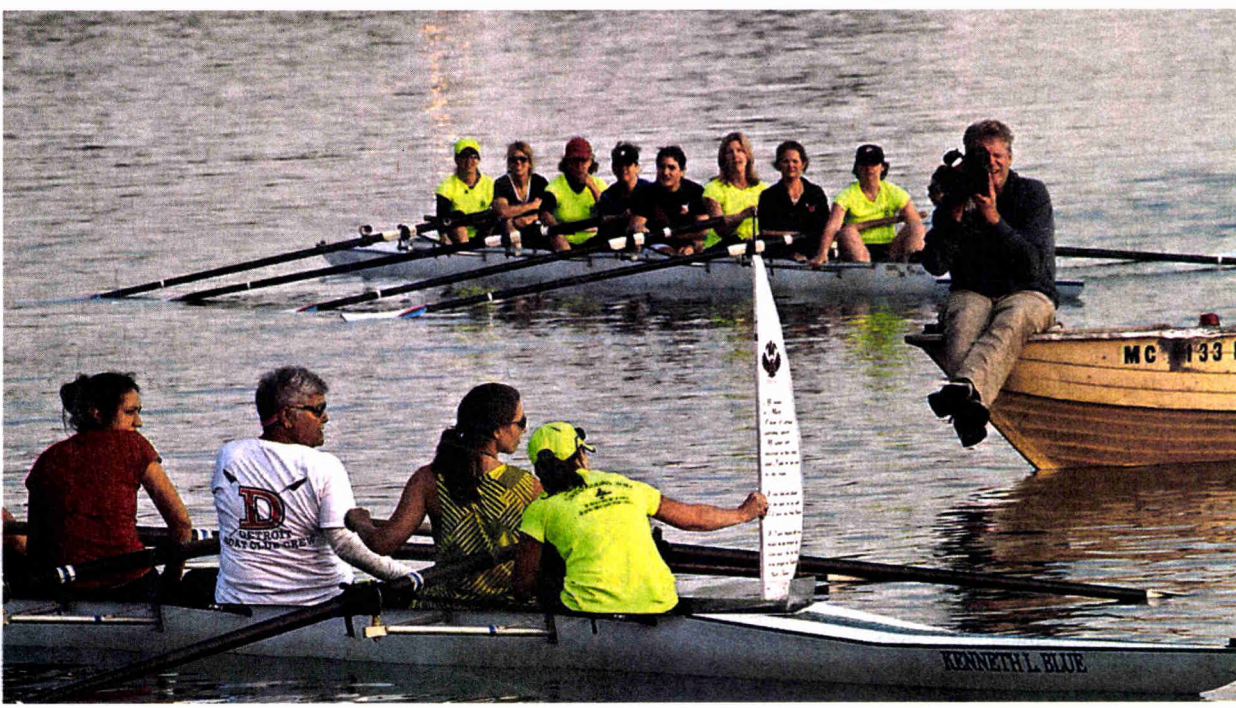
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Famie debuts new book, film

Based on the documentary "Maire's Journey," produced by Emmy Award-winning producer/directors Keith Famie and John Feist, a new book, "Maire's Journey to the Sea," will debut with a showing of the film Oct. 15 at the Royal Starr Film Festival in Royal Oak.

The book chronicles the life of 24-year-old Army veteran Maire Kent — her courageous battle against cardiac sarcoma cancer and, ultimately, her touching afterlife journey. Her final wish, inspired by her favorite children's book "Paddle to the Sea," was to be cremated and placed in a small wooden sailboat and set sail in Lake Michigan in hopes of reaching the Atlantic Ocean.

The book's movie iteration continues to be shown at top film festivals across the country, including the DOCUTAH International Documentary Film Festival; Golden Door International Film Festival; Great Lakes International Film

Festival; and, in January 2017, the Sundance Film Festival.

To reach the ocean, Maire's ashes, along with 12 crew members — plus photos of others who lost the battle of life to various cancers — traveled in a wooden sailboat crafted by a blind carpenter, George Wurtzel. Her vessel was equipped with a GPS system, allowing anyone on Facebook to follow her journey. On her boat was the following message:

"My name is Maire; I died of cardiac sarcoma cancer. My ashes are enclosed in this boat, and I am on my way to the ocean. If you find me, please set me back on my path. I will bless you from Heaven."

The small boat was launched July 12, 2014, on the shores of Lake Michigan in Cross Village. On the nearly 1,400-mile journey that followed, Maire traveled through communities across Michigan, including Mackinaw City, Cheboygan, Alpena, St. Clair Shores, Detroit and Mon-

roe, then to Kelley's Island, Ohio, Cleveland, the Erie Canal, down the Hudson River and, finally, the New York City harbor.

At each of these locations, rich stories of humanity and compassion were experienced and expressed, from Girl Scouts in Alpena; a lumberjack on the Straits of Mackinac; a group of sailing students from the Grosse Pointe Yacht Club; a women's rowing club on the Detroit River; and a group of Vietnam veteran motorcyclists who drove her through the streets of Detroit in a sidecar.

Upon Maire's arrival in New York City, she was reunited with her brothers and sisters and spread into the Atlantic Ocean for her next voyage around the world and beyond. And, as Maire had hoped, her pathway to the sea brought significant attention to cardiac sarcoma, cancer and end-of-life issues.

The film features a wide range of folk and

independent singer/songwriters, including Michigan's own Jill Jack and The Accidentals.

Search for a Cure

Proceeds from the book will benefit the Maire Kent Memorial Fund for Sarcoma and Cardiac Tumor Research, a 501(c)3 initiated by Maire's own University of Michigan cardiologist Dr. Monika Leja, at the Samuel and Jean Frankel Cardiovascular Center at the U-M, to aid research in the fight against cardiac sarcoma.

"Maire's Journey to the Sea" will be available for purchase at the Royal Starr Film Festival immediately following the 3 p.m. showing of the film. Book signings by Famie and Wurtzel will also be available at this time. To learn more about the festival and purchase tickets, go to www.royalstarrfilmfestival.com.

The book and the trailer for the film can be accessed via the film's website, www.mairesjourney.com.

Calley, state lawmakers advocate for special education reforms

R.J. Wolcott
Lansing State Journal

The next great step of the civil rights movement in America.

That's how Michigan Lt. Gov. Brian Calley described ongoing efforts to improve how students with special needs are treated in public schools.

Calley was one of a dozen speakers assembled last week at the Capitol. Under a banner reading "Michigan kids with IEPs count" speakers told a crowd of about 100 that seclusion and restraint policies in schools need to be reformed and educational outcomes of students with special needs need to improve.

"We need true inclusion, where a person has every opportunity to explore their potential and have the same access (to education)," Calley said.

Speaking about the potential parents see upon first holding their newborn child, Calley said the world needs to see that same potential in students with special needs, rather than limiting expectations of them. Calley, who has a child with special education needs, was one of several speakers who talked about the challenges parents of children with special needs face in sending their kids to school.

Another was Rep. Frank Liberati, D-Allen Park. He spoke about his son Antonio and how the family was told he wouldn't be able to attend Lindemann Elementary, the same

school as his older siblings.

"We were told he'd have to go to another school district," Liberati said.

That didn't sit well with Liberati. His son was ultimately able to attend Lindemann and Liberati successfully ran for school board the following election. He served on that board eight years, including six as the board's president.

Wyatt Smith was preoccupied with drawing the solar system's planets during the event. His mother, Carol Smith, said she and her husband faced an uphill battle to have Wyatt treated the same way as his peers by school officials. Wyatt, 8, has been diagnosed with ADHD and autism spectrum disorder.

"Why should I have to fight when other parents don't?" Smith said. "Why should I have to pay for an advocate for my child when I pay taxes to the schools?"

Smith ultimately prevailed after hiring Marcie Lipsitt, a special education advocate and co-founder of the Michigan Alliance for Special Education. Lipsitt organized last week's event. More than 211,000 students in Michigan have IEPs, a document which outlines educational plans for students who need special education services.

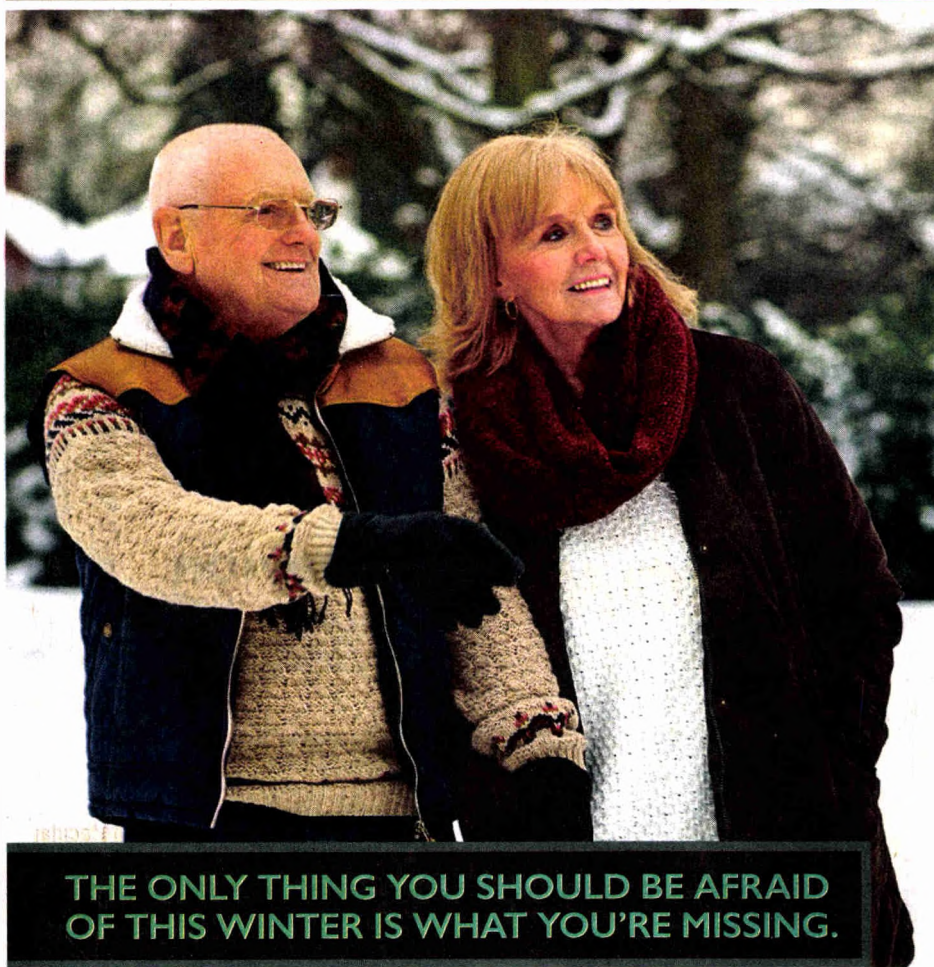
Advocates want seclusion and the use of restraints in Michigan public schools eliminated, and changes made to how complaints filed by parents with special needs students are resolved.

"I don't want discrimination to be an issue," Smith said. "I want all students treated with respect."



Calley

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MSU has region's largest K-9 contingent

R.J. Wolcott
Lansing State Journal

The newest member of the Michigan State University Police Department arrived on campus Wednesday, Oct. 5, after months of training that included a stint inside an Alabama state prison.

Her first task: playing tug-of-war with her fellow officers.

Cora, an 18-month-old yellow Labrador retriever, is the 34th MSU police K-9 officer since the unit was founded in 1984.

Cora brings MSU's K-9 total to 10, the most ever active at one time, said Sgt. Dan Munford, who oversees the unit.

MSUPD was the first local department to have a K-9 officer and its K-9 unit is the largest among local police departments. Because of mutual aid agreements, the department's K-9 officers track suspects to search vehicles and schools across the region, answering hundreds of calls for assistance in recent years.

And they have resources other departments don't, like Cora, whose specialized training in detecting body-worn explosives raised her price tag to \$49,000. A normal K-9 officer costs about \$10,000.

"We're lucky to have the tools we have at a time when other departments are running short," Munford said.

MSU's K-9 unit was spearheaded in the 1980s



Officer Adam Atkinson, with Michigan State University Police Department's K-9 Unit, leads Cora through a training exercise. Cora is the unit's latest addition. She is a yellow Lab and vapor wake dog, capable of identifying the smell of explosives and tracking potential bombers through dense crowds of people.

by retired Capt. Dale Metz, who saw the potential of canines first hand during his time in the U.S. Army.

"Wanting to see how you could train dogs to do a number of different things that got me interested," Metz said.

If police needed a K-9 in the 1970s or early 1980s, it would usually take more than an hour for a Michigan State Police dog to arrive, Metz recalled. But once other departments saw MSU's first K-9 in action, they were quick to want their own.

"We made so many calls in Lansing that first year, the next year we trained three dogs for them," Metz said. "Once those dogs hit the street, Lansing's chief wanted six more."

The Lansing Police Department, by contrast, has five dogs currently active and will have a sixth by the end of the month, said Sgt. Sean Mills, the K-9 unit supervisor. The Ingham County Sheriff's Department has four dogs currently, Detective Sgt. Greg Harris said.

All three departments have mutual aid agreements with other area police agencies, ensuring K-9s are available to assist as needed. Last year, MSU had 350 calls for K-9 help, more than 200 of which were for other departments, Munford said.

A recent sunny Wednesday afternoon, Cora and three other MSU K-9 officers traveled to the MSU observatory for bi-weekly training.

Sifting through the trunk of his patrol car, Munford grabbed a pair of keys and a folding knife. He ventured onto into a nearby field, placed the items in the deep grass and circled around in an effort to throw off the K-9s.

Justus, a five-year veteran of the department, sprinted into the field the moment his handler, Officer Shaun Porter, gave the signal. Within 10 seconds, the German shepherd was sitting on the ground, ears perked, signaling he'd found one of the items.

K-9 officers and their human partners are always together, whether at work or at home. Assignments are made based on a dog's traits: whether they play well with children or if they can co-exist with other pets.

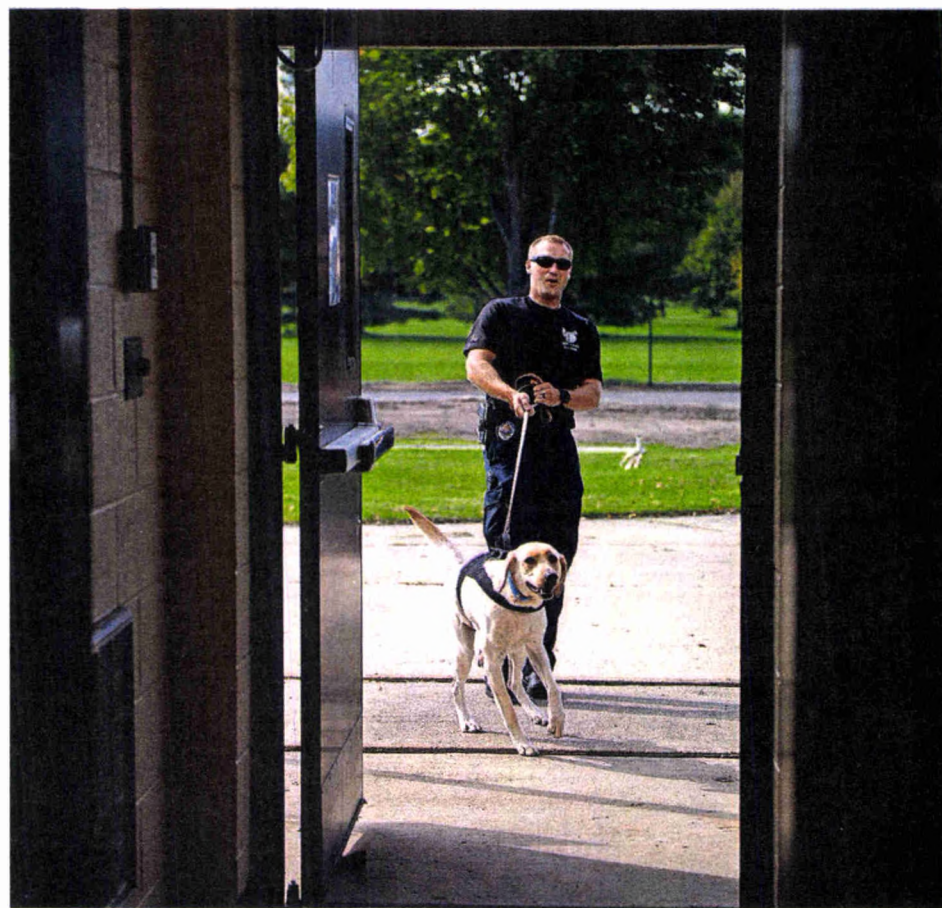
Justus "knows when work starts," Porter said. "He sees me put on my work clothes or grab a certain water bottle and he knows it's time to go to work."

If an officer goes on leave for medical reasons, as Munford did recently, the K-9 partner is also out of commission. Zilla, Munford's third dog, is one of two female dogs and the lone Dutch shepherd in the department.

"They're part of your



Officers Adam Atkinson (from left) and Shawn Porter and Sgt. Dan Munford of visit with the latest addition to the K-9 squad, Cora



Officer Adam Atkinson and Cora go through a training exercise MSU. The price tag for her specialized training is \$49,000, almost five times the price of a normal K-9 officer.

family as well as being your eyes and ears at work," Munford said. "It's a pretty solid bond."

Ensuring the dogs are properly socialized is key, he added, particularly since MSU's dogs are often surrounded by hundreds, if not thousands, of people on football game days and during graduation ceremonies.

Inside the observatory, Cora and Officer Adam Atkinson were testing the detection skills the K-9 spent months honing. After spending five weeks in Alabama getting to know the department's newest K-9, Atkinson wanted to see how Cora would fare in a real-world environment.

Cora is one of four K-9 officers in the state trained as vapor wake dogs, Munford said. Vapor wake dogs are capable of identifying the smell of explosives and tracking potential bombers through dense crowds of people. The relatively new training grew out of research conducted at Auburn University with a goal of training dogs to identify and track people wearing explosives under their clothes.

The dogs spent up to half a year inside state prisons in Alabama as part of their training, where they are socialized and are taught the basics of detection.

Cora didn't come cheap. A typical patrol

K-9 costs about \$10,000. Cora cost \$49,000, said Capt. Doug Monette, MSU police's public information officer.

It's worth it to keep the university's large venues such as Spartan Stadium safe, Munford said.

MSUPD typically gets six to eight years of work from each K-9, Munford said.

Atkinson said he'd recommended departments get "as many K-9s as possible," as a community relations tool.

Unlike some service animals, MSU's K-9s welcome attention from the public, though police prefer if people ask before petting them.

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WILMA age 87, passed away October 9, 2016. She was born December 29, 1928 in East Jordan, Michigan daughter of the late Joseph and Leona Etcher. She is survived by her loving children: Charles (Jan) Hilscher, Marilee (Marty) Gibson, Gary Hilscher, Tim Hilscher, Cindy (Dave) Rose, Laura (Brad) Hamlin, and Joanne (Jim) Dayton. Wilma is also survived by 13 grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren; and her siblings: Lou Harder, Joseph Etcher, Mary Etcher, and Barney Etcher; her aunt Vera Rinehart; and her cousin, Denis Rinehart. A memorial service will be held on Saturday, October 15 at 11:00 a.m. at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 41415 W 9 Mile Rd., Novi, Michigan. Memorial donations may be made to Good Shepherd Lutheran Church.
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PHYLLIS C. Age 93, longtime resident of Northville, passed away peacefully surrounded by family October 5, 2016. She was born July 6, 1923 in Chicago, Illinois; daughter of Albert and Clara (nee Reid) Dodd. Phyllis graduated from Lindbloom Technical High School in Chicago, IL; Class of 1941. Following high school she worked for International Harvester. Phyllis was united in marriage to LeRoy E. Ording on August 4, 1945; they spent 69 loving years together until his death in 2014. Phyllis was a member of St. John's Episcopal Church in Plymouth for over 50 years. She was very active in the church with the Altar Guild, Bridge Club, and Women's Guild. She was also a member of the Eastern Star and Northville Women's Club. Phyllis, a devoted homemaker, was very social and liked to entertain, where she would often showcase perfect etiquette. Over the years she became quite an accomplished cook and baker and enjoyed sharing her knowledge with her children. She loved to shop and was always willing to help family find exactly what they were looking for. Phyllis had a gift for telling stories; her wonderful memory allowed her to share stories with great detail. She loved her family, especially her grandchildren and great grandchildren; she cherished the time they spent together. Phyllis is survived by her loving sons, Richard (Diann) Ording and Reid (Jean) Ording; her son-in-law, Dana Atton; her grandchildren, Michael, Christopher (Tori), Andrea (Tommy), Hunter, Erin, and Kyle; and her great grandchildren, Madelynn, Kaden, Avery, and Thomas. She was preceded in death by her husband, her daughter Linda Atton, her parents, and her sister Muriel Clayton. A memorial service will be held Tuesday, October 11, 2016 at 11:00 a.m. at St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 S. Sheldon, Plymouth. Rev. Dr. Lisa Tucker-Gray will officiate the service. In lieu of flowers the family would appreciate contributions toward St. John's Episcopal Church, 574 S. Sheldon, Plymouth, MI 48170. Share online condolences at www.casterinefuneralhome.com

Graham urges residents to vote

Son of evangelist brings prayer tour to State Capitol

Christopher Haxel
Lansing State Journal

Voters may not like their choices in this year's presidential elec-

tion, but that doesn't mean Christians should stay at home Nov. 8, Franklin Graham said last week, addressing a crowd of thousands in front of the State Capitol. "You vote," he said. "You may have to hold your nose. You might want to do that, but go vote."

Graham, son of evangelist Billy Graham, is traveling to all 50 states to hold prayer rallies as part of his "Decision America Tour." "Beware," Graham told a crowd estimated by organizers at 8,100 people, "because the next president isn't going to nominate one (U.S. Su-

preme Court justice). It could be three, four, possibly five. And that would change the courts of our nation for the next 50 years or longer." Graham also said the country needs a "Christian revolution," with Christians running for office at every level of government.

"Over the last 40 years, secularism slowly infiltrated Washington," he said. "And then it got into our capitals and statehouses. It got into our municipalities. It's gotten into every area and our schools and universities. "Secularism and communism, one and the same," he added. "They're both godless. And while we were standing guard against godless communism, we

were asleep as godless secularism has come into our country." Graham didn't explicitly express support either Donald Trump or Hillary Clinton, but he railed against progressives, abortion, the entertainment industry and same-sex marriage. "Many people say it is too late for America," he said. "No, it's not. Not when the church comes and the church begins to pray, it's not too late."

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It's cider time at Erwin Orchards in Lyon Township

Sue Buck
hometownlife.com

The Erwin family tradition continues this year at Erwin Orchards and Cider Mill in Lyon Township.

It's a tradition that began in 1920. Rain or shine, customers pop in.

"I just stopped in to get something for my dad," said Emmy Lucas, a Flushing resident. "I was just going to stop and get him a little treat."

Lucas grew up in South Lyon and also grew to love Erwin. "It's a staple to our town," said Lucas, who is a sports reporter at WJRT-TV (Channel 12) in Flint. "I love coming here."

Erwin co-owner Linda Erwin said that there are continuing annual favorites.

"We are a cider mill known for doughnuts, apple cinnamon and pumpkin spice," Erwin said. "Our cider has won a lot of awards."

They were earned from the Michigan State Horticultural Society.

Linda Erwin owns the orchard with her husband Bill and business partner Bill Emery. Bill Erwin's grandfather, James N. Erwin, planted his first apple tree in 1920. His son Edward and grandson Bill have helped carry on his ideals ever since.

Emery was the first to achieve a Master Cider Maker award. He has worked for the Erwins about 38 years.

It takes about eight hours to make a batch of cider.

"(Emery) does a blend of whatever apples he



Members of the Silber family of West Bloomfield take a look through the trees at Erwin Orchards for some Jonagold apples.

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has at the time," Erwin said. "The cider changes in taste through the season, because it has different apples."

Erwin Orchards is open from the third week in August to the first week in November.

"It changes, depending on the apple crop," she said.

Lyon Township residents Bill and Linda Erwin keep the place going.

"We possibly get a quarter of a million visitors through the season," she said.

The Erwins also have pick-your-own pumpkins and group tours.

"We draw about 15,000 parents and teachers," Erwin said. They also offer a two-acre corn maze, paintball (15 shots

for \$3) and Mr. Bee's 3D Adventure, which follows the story of how the honey bee is beneficial.

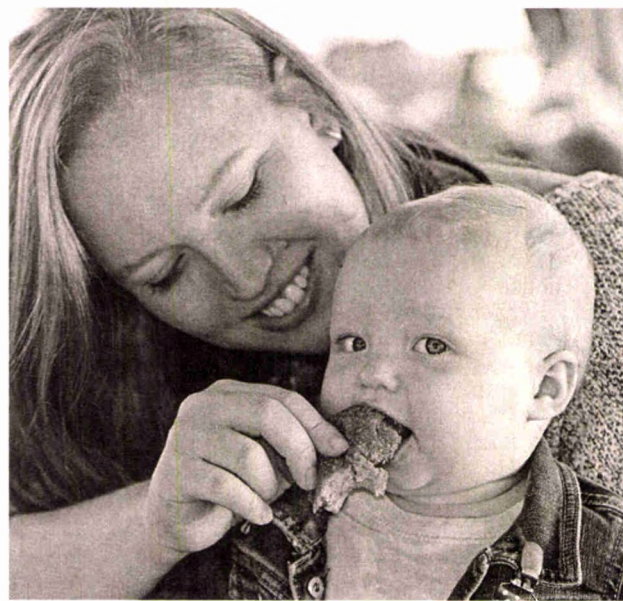
"Bees get a bad rap," she said.

She pointed out their strong point. "Location sets us apart, as well what we offer," Erwin said.

"We have great apples out here, 14 varieties, cider mill doughnuts and caramel apples. People tell us that we have the best doughnuts anywhere. They are made from a mix with added ingredients to make it special."

The cider is always fresh and has a printed expiration date.

They offer the Erwin's Dozen, which is actually 14 doughnuts and a half-dozen, which is really seven dough-



Lola Rohlf, 1, gets a help in nibbling on an Erwin Orchards doughnut from her mom Courtney during an Oct. 3 visit to the South Lyon mainstay.

JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

to keep the bonus donuts this year.

"We are the only ones who do that," Erwin said. The Erwins have lived here all their lives.

"Both of us graduated from South Lyon High School," Erwin said.

Next year will be their 50th anniversary. She was 18 when they married.

"We met at a produce market where I was working," Erwin said.

"He was delivering apples" at Grimes Market on Grand River in Novi.

"It was there for many years," she said. "I started working there when I was 12." She sold their produce. "Actually, by the time I was 15, I was managing it."

Customer David Klein, a South Lyon resident, came in with a large order. He bought cider and doughnuts for his girlfriend, who works at Sparrow Hospital, as well her staff. He also didn't forget his own office manager.

"I like the family atmosphere here and I like to support my hometown community and businesses," Klein said. "I always try to buy local since I grew up here."

He loves the product. "You can't beat the taste," he said. "I have come here every year for years. They are very nice and very giving."

Klein graduated from South Lyon High School in 1977, after which he started his own business, David Klein Construction.

The cider mill, located at 61475 Silver Lake Road, is open from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily to Oct. 31 and 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Nov. 1-6.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING CITY OF NORTHVILLE

The City of Northville Board of Zoning Appeals will hold a public hearing to receive public input on a variance requested by the property owner of 777 Eight Mile Road, Northville, Michigan, 48167. The applicant is seeking three variances to erect a new sign on premises zoned R1-A First Density Residential District, parcel number 48-002-99-0001-000. The City's Building Official evaluated the proposal, and has determined that the maximum sign area allowed for this sign is 40 square feet, six feet in height, and located 10 feet from the property line. The applicant is proposing to erect a sign of 113.2 square feet, at 8-feet 2-inches in height and four feet from the property line. Therefore, variances for 73.2 square feet in area, 2-feet 2-inches in height, and six feet distance from the property line are needed from Article 21 of the Zoning Ordinance to allow erection of the new sign.

The public hearing will be held on Wednesday November 2, 2016, at 7:30 p.m. at the City of Northville Municipal Building, Council Chambers, 215 West Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, 248-449-9902. The purpose of the public hearing is to receive public comment on the variance request. The variance application is available for review at the City of Northville Building Department during normal business hours of 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, local prevailing time. Written comments pertaining to the proposed variance request will also be received at the above address.

DOMINIC SILVESTRI, CHAIRPERSON
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year during their 95th anniversary and decided

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Metro Detroit is known for its wide range of culinary flavors and diverse cuisine from cultures across the globe. Detroit Athletic Club executive chef Kevin Brennan is hoping to share some of those tastes when he and a team of chefs head Friday to the famed James Beard House in New York City and put on a Michigan-inspired meal.



Brennan

"I'm starting to cross our 'T's' and dot our 'I's' and make sure we're ready to travel," he said.

Brennan, a Schoolcraft College alumnus, has been at the Detroit Athletic Club for more than 20 years. In that time, the menu at the famed club has evolved to cover a plethora of foods and cuisines.

The Commerce Township resident said he originally had done several jobs that involved being outside, including being a carrier for the Observer newspaper as he grew up in Redford. After getting a taste of the culinary arts, he decided he'd enter the field.

"When I walked into the kitchen as a pot washer, the first focus was smelling bacon going in the morning," he said. "I said, 'God, this is what I'm going to do.'"

He began as a dishwasher at the Presbyterian Village senior living facility in Redford and then became a cook at a now-defunct restaurant off Newburgh in Livonia. Before coming to the DAC, Brennan worked at the Orchard Lake Country Club in West Bloomfield, among other loca-

tions. He's worked as an instructor at Oakland Community College, as well. He's lived all over the area, settling in Garden City and Livonia before moving to Oakland County.

Hassan Yazbek, the director of food and beverage at the DAC, said Brennan's expertise in preparing the club's food not only comes in his cooking skills, but his ability to manage the kitchen and make sure the employees are working properly and that they have the proper ingredients needed.

"He's the only chef I've worked with that has the art and science for what he does," he said. "He's the only chef that genuinely cares about the team he works with. You will never see chef hire someone from the street, very rarely. He hires from within. He develops his own team."

James Beard House invitation

The invitation to cook at the James Beard House in New York City came to Brennan earlier this year after he prepared a meal for a DAC member's wedding who has connections to the house.

When he first got the email, he thought someone was joking around with him.

"I thought it was one of my friends pulling my leg," he said. "Then I read

it over and over again and I was, like, 'Oh, my God.' I told my son, who's in the business, he got more excited about it. That just started the ball rolling."

The James Beard Foundation was founded in 1986 on the legacy of James Beard, a renowned cookbook author and television personality. It aims to celebrate American cuisine and offers chefs from around the country the ability to prepare meals at its house in New York's Greenwich Village.

The timing for Brennan and his team's meal couldn't be better, he said, especially with the Michigan harvest taking place. Some of the dishes he plans to prepare, among other items, include Michigan farm duck, Michigan Berkshire pork loin and lake perch.

Brennan said he's ready for the event after the challenge of working at the DAC, a job that's challenging all in its own. But it's something he relishes, which makes the work exciting.

"It's never the same. There's always a challenge of what we're going to accomplish next, where we're going, opening new restaurants," he said. "What brought me here was the culinary history of the DAC."

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NOVI POLICE BRIEFS

After hockey fight, truck not right

An on-ice problem during a hockey game turned into an off-ice problem when a man found his truck had been keyed.

Novi Police took a malicious destruction of property report at about 11:39 p.m. Sept. 24 at the station. The complainant said a few hours earlier, at about 8:30 p.m., he arrived at the Novi Ice Arena on Nick Lidstrom Drive for open skate night and, when he parked, a red truck, possibly a Dodge Ram, parked next to him. He was familiar with the driver, whom he doesn't know by name, but has seen at open skates before, a man in his late 20s, approximately 6 feet, 5 inches, and 250 pounds. He said he knows this man has caused problems at different arenas.

While they were playing hockey, the suspect was taking cheap shots at other players. The victim said he told this man he should stop trying to hurt people and just play the game. The suspect then told him that he would "knock him into the ground" and "f---ing kill him."

Nothing physical happened at this time and the game continued. After the game, they were all in the locker room and nothing else was said. The complainant stopped at the front desk to make a complaint about the incident that happened on the ice. He said it was discovered that when the subject and his friend signed in, they used fake names and phone numbers. It is believed the suspect had been in a physical fight at Novi Ice Arena not long ago and had been suspended from playing in Royal Oak and Ann Arbor as well.

After the complainant reported the incident, he



SUSAN BROMLEY

A clown costume for sale at Spirit Halloween at Twelve Oaks mall. Police are receiving calls of suspicious people in costumes.

went to the parking lot to find his vehicle had been keyed on the front passenger side quarter panel and also recently spit on. The suspect was gone. The general manager did not know the name of the suspect and his friend, but said he would email surveillance video from inside.

Nordstrom loses their (True) Religion

Two women found True Religion at Nordstrom Rack.

Novi Police responded at about 10 a.m. Sept. 29 to the store in the 43000 block of West Oaks Drive for a report of theft.

An employee said that two women parked a gray-colored sedan at the entrance to the store and entered the store, first going to a table display of men's True Religion jeans that were secured to the table with a cable lock. They then went to the women's True Religion jean hanging rack, which was not secured, and selected several pairs of jeans, then ran out of the store and fled in the sedan, which had a

covered license plate. Surveillance video showed the suspects covered their faces when entering the business.

The total value of the 29 pairs of jeans stolen was approximately \$2600.

Driving with a gun while intoxicated

A man found to be driving while intoxicated was also found to be in possession of a loaded firearm.

A Novi police officer on patrol at about 3:27 a.m. Sept. 25 on Interstate 96, between Novi and Beck Road, observed a 2004 Ford Expedition weaving inside its lane. Upon following the vehicle, the officer saw the vehicle touch the white dashed line numerous times and use both the right and center lanes simultaneously. The vehicle then entered the exit ramp for Beck Road and, as the officer entered the lane behind it, the vehicle then swerved back onto westbound I-96.

The officer followed it as it swerved across the exit lane for Wixom,

crossed on to the shoulder and then back into the exit ramp lane. The officer activated emergency lights and also used his siren multiple times. The vehicle finally stopped inside a Sunoco gas station parking lot on the east side of Wixom Road.

The driver smelled strongly of intoxicants. He mentioned he was a CPL holder and currently carrying a pistol, a Beretta between his front driver seat and his center console. He said he had a couple of grams of marijuana and a medical marijuana card, which he provided. Asked if he had consumed alcohol, he said he was on his way home from Detroit and he did consume "two, three, maybe four beers" before returning home. A PBT showed he had a blood-alcohol content of 0.10 percent. He was arrested for operating while intoxicated. A tow company was called. A black Beretta PX4 Storm was found in the vehicle, as well as a jar of marijuana. The gun was loaded with a bullet in the chamber. The magazine had 14 rounds. He was released after detoxification and a report was submitted to the prosecutor's office for warrant request on OWI and possession of a firearm while intoxicated.

Guilty, no excuse

A man who was trying to sell his truck and had no money for the motor oil it needed, has now found himself in even bigger trouble.

Novi Police responded at 4:54 p.m. Sept. 28 to Sears on Novi Road after an employee said he watched the suspect walk quickly around the store pushing an empty cart and then look around "suspiciously" at other customers and store employees before selecting two jugs of Sopus oil, which he put in his shopping cart and then pulled

out an old CVS receipt and removed the oil from the shopping cart, passing registers without attempting to pay for the merchandise. The employee escorted the man back into the store.

The police officer asked the man if he went to Sears with the intention to steal and he said he did not. He said he was attempting to sell his truck, but it wouldn't start because the oil had drained out. He needs the truck to start so he can sell it, because he needs the money. He said when he saw the price of the oil, he realized he could not afford it and attempted to steal it. He declined to provide a written statement, saying, "There's no excuse, I'm guilty."

Due to a previous conviction of retail fraud second degree, the charge was increased to retail fraud, third degree. He was released on bond pending issuance of a warrant. The oil had a total value of \$35.98.

Open carry

Police were called at about 7:27 p.m. Sept. 28 to Twelve Oaks mall after a concerned person reported a man walking around Forever 21 carrying a handgun.

The officer made contact with mall security, who said the man open carrying the handgun was not causing any concern. They said the man frequents the mall and is free to remain on the premises. Nothing unusual was observed.

Holes in this story

A woman with holey jeans found that overalls don't cover a crime.

Novi Police responded at about 5:50 p.m. Sept. 26 to Sears after a store loss prevention employee recognized a woman who had stolen from the store a few months ago selecting items from the juniors and men's sportswear sections without

looking at prices or sizes. She then entered a fitting room and, after a few minutes, exited the fitting room wearing the overalls and a sweatshirt she had selected. She had put her own jeans, with holes on them, back on over the overalls.

She then exited Sears and was brought back by mall security. The merchandise was located in a nail salon where she works. All items were recovered. The woman told police when she arrived at work that day, she was supposed to be wearing a black shirt. She didn't have one, so she went to Sears to steal one. She was only going to take one, but then decided to take the other items. She was arrested and charged with retail fraud, second degree.

Costumed

Novi Police responded at 7:01 p.m. Sept. 25 to the area of Beck and West Pontiac Trail for a report of a male subject wearing a mask and carrying a fake ax. The person was not located. Less than three hours later, at about 9:45 p.m. Sept. 25, police were called to an apartment complex on Manor Park Drive after it was reported there was a subject wearing a mask and cloak near the entrance off Meadowbrook Road. No suspicious subjects were located in the complex nor the nearby Busch's Plaza or Holy Family Church.

Ouija

If someone was trying to communicate from the beyond with a Novi resident, the message was lost in translation.

Police were called at about 9:56 p.m. Sept. 28, to a residence on Springlake Boulevard after a man returned from work at about 8:20 p.m. to find a Ouija board game sitting on his porch.

— By Susan Bromley

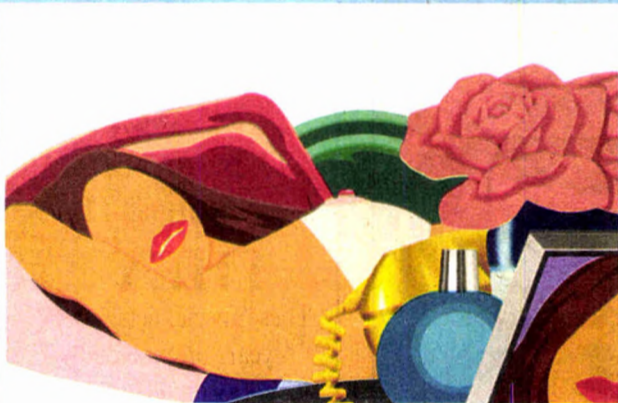
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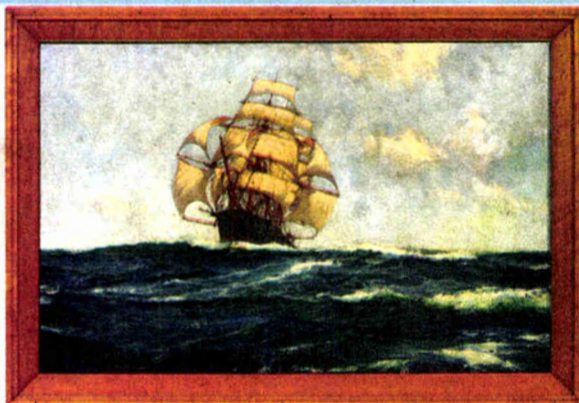
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Canton arts complex aims for regional draw

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An emerging plan to convert an old Ford factory site into a bustling arts complex in Canton's Cherry Hill Village has become increasingly regional in scope as its level of support continues to broaden.

Organizers say the Village Arts Factory site within two years is expected to house art studios and galleries, arts education courses, healing programs for U.S. veterans and possibly a brewery and restaurant — all located on a former Henry Ford site where disabled World War II veterans lived and assembled auto industry parts by hand. The property also will have trails for walking or riding bikes.

John Bracey, executive director of the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs, said the project, southwest of Cherry Hill and Ridge roads on Canton's west side, is perceived as viable — and that's why the council this month plunked down \$45,000 for it through the local Partnership for the Arts and Humanities.

"It's tough money to get, so they should be very proud of that," he said. "I can't tell you how competitive this program is. A project that is not a viable project doesn't stand a chance."

Jill Engel, executive director of the Partnership for the Arts and Humanities, said the Village Arts Factory is envisioned as a destination that could draw artists, veterans, trail users and visitors, including history buffs, who want to see how an old Ford industry site has been transformed. She said it will complement nearby Village Theater at Cherry Hill, which houses live performances, artist



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Ford volunteers Suzanne Hogan, Samar Sakakini and Matthew Morrison paint the mural on the Village Arts Factory.

exhibitions and community programs.

Engel stressed the regional scope of the Village Arts Factory.

"We are not a Canton project," Engel said. "We are located in Canton, but we are going to be a regional destination. Southeast Michigan is our target."

Bracey said support from the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs was approved by a panel of professionals who view the project as worthy of funding. Not only is the site strategically located between Detroit and Ann Arbor, where arts efforts already flourish, but Bracey said it also is near the historic Yankee Air Museum near Belleville.

Ford's factory and a separate dormitory opened in 1944 and provided work and housing

for disabled veterans for about 18 months. They made ignition parts and locks, largely for the old Willow Run bomber plant, though parts were shipped as far away as New York. The site also has a warehouse.

The property was later used for Ford offices, but was sold in 1950. Other companies used the property, but none during the last 10 years or more.

Here's how Engel said the three buildings will be used:

» The former factory will house an arts and education center. In part, organizers are working with an undisclosed college to offer for-credit and not-for-credit courses for all ages.

» The old warehouse on one side will be home to artist studios, galleries and boutiques. The other side is being marketed

for a brewery and restaurant; five potential brewing companies have toured it. A corridor that divides the building in half is envisioned as a gallery where works will be displayed as the Michigan Visual Arts Hall of Fame.

» The dormitory that housed veterans will include healing programs, many of them arts-based, for area veterans who need help after serving in wars.

The partnership's plans come as organizers in neighboring Westland are discussing a possible arts complex on the site of the old Hawthorne Valley golf course, on Merriman north of Warren. However, those plans are in the formative stages and the city of Westland, which owns the property, has not made a decision on the proposal.

In Canton, a Ford Volunteer Corps group last month visited the old Ford site and finished painting a new mural on the exterior of the Village Arts Factory.

"They were so excited to be a part of a project that Henry Ford started years ago," Engel said.

Ford volunteers finished a project earlier started by the Plymouth-Canton Educational Park's art club.

A second Ford Volunteer Corps effort — along with the Canton area at large — is set for 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Friday, Oct. 14, for end-of-the-year clean-up efforts on the site. To sign up, call 734-765-7061 or email Engel at jengel@partnershipforarts.org.

Engel lauded Ford volunteers for their involvement and said it creates even more ex-

citement about the 14-acre property's transformation. The site is listed on the National Register of Historic Places as part of the Cherry Hill Historic District.

The Partnership for the Arts and Humanities has had the land since 2012, but much of the early stages involved developing a vision for the site. New construction has begun on the dormitory and should begin by year's end on the Ford factory. Engel said those two buildings and a parking area should be completed by late next year.

Work is expected to begin in fall 2017 on the warehouse and be completed by late 2018.

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Gregory mansion reflects Howell's past

Jennifer Eberbach
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A regal, historic — perhaps haunted? — mansion sits at the corner of Grand River Avenue and Tompkins Street in downtown Howell. Its architecture and its owners revealed stories of some of the city's prominent citizens.

Built in 1879 for Edward P. Gregory and his wife, Elizabeth McPherson, the home is being restored to recapture a sense of the old days. It was one of numerous homes built for the children of Scottish-blacksmith-turned-Howell-founding-father William McPherson during a prosperous era for the locally famous family.

Owner Lynn Parrish, who retired as an assistant superintendent for Howell Public Schools, said she is smitten with the home's architectural details, some of which are quite unique and speak to the original family's prosperity as well as to the successes of Elizabeth's nephew, William McPherson Smith, who moved into the home in the 1920s and did some remodeling in the colonial revival style.

"It's the expansiveness. You can stand at one end and look all the way across," Lynn Parrish said of the home. "Some old homes are dark, and what I've always loved about this home is that it's full of light."

The home provides enough room for large antiques such as an original early 20th century display case from the Abercrombie & Fitch store in Detroit and a cherry and burled walnut wood secretary cabinet she believes dates

back to the Civil War. "I have to have a house big enough for my antiques," Lynn Parrish said.

The living room, the dining room and the two solariums flanking them on each end flow together through grand archways. Black-and-white checkerboard-style slate floors in the solariums imbue the first floor with a sense of symmetry, a hallmark of Colonial Revival design.

Lynn Parrish is currently restoring the historic quarter-sawn oak flooring that stretches across the whole first floor and portions of the second floor as well as doing other restoration work. Building Huggers, a Detroit-based restoration company, is restoring the 60 pulley-operated windows in the house.

"The upstairs is quite unusual. It speaks to the prosperity of the McPhersons," she said. "It says it's a house from a very prosperous family."

Voluminous space upstairs — high ceilings, soaring archways and decadent moulding work — is a unique feature of the house that evidences the wealth of the original owners.

Upstairs spaces are more often designed around a family's non-public uses, such as sleeping and other private uses. Second floors often are not as voluminous and grand as the space at the top of the stairs in the Gregory mansion.

"In most historic houses, they put most of the effort into entertaining guests downstairs, which have high ceilings" and other opulent features, Lynn Parrish said.



While the house is in disarray with work being done throughout, a view from one end to the other is still visible.

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A few more of the home's historic features are among Lynn Parrish's favorite things: an old steam-heated butler's proofing rack she can still use to make dough; a mahogany bar tucked inside a basement room, likely installed around the 1920s; handmade plaster-cast dentil mouldings; a limestone fireplace; and the carved wood newel post and banister on the main staircase.

Howell history

The 1879 Gregory mansion was constructed during a McPherson family building boom along West Grand River Avenue, according to historical documents at the Howell Carnegie District Library.

Elizabeth's brothers, Alexander and Martin McPherson, were her neighbors and brother William Jr. lived across the street.

Edward P. Gregory, the son of Presbyterian minister Edward E. and Jane Gregory, was a partner in the hardware

ion Township, according to historical records.

The couple was married in 1863 and had six children who were named Grace, Charles M., Edward E., Julia, William M. and Henry P.

Edward Gregory was remarried to Ritta Smith in 1899, and the couple raised three children, residing at 305 S. Walnut St. before his death in 1913.

Spirits remain?

Doug Parrish will tell you "there are two non-corporeal residents," also known as ghosts, attached to the home.

"One of them was a little girl, Maxine Boyd, who went out into the front yard to wait for her dad, L.B. Boyd, to come home from work — and apparently a bolt of lightning came down and struck both trees that she was standing between," Doug Parrish said. "I think she is still here because she doesn't know what happened to

her or what she is supposed to do, so she slams doors and walks on the upstairs hall."

A newspaper clipping from 1916 found in the local history archives room at the Howell library confirms the story of the 12-year-old girl's tragic death.

"The other fellow was an older man who in October 1929 took a header out the upstairs window over the front porch and fell all that distance to his death. He went down when the stock market went down," said Doug Parrish, who once lived in the home with Lynn Parrish and their children after purchasing it in 1999.

While he believes in the ghost stories, Lynn Parrish said she thinks "it is rubbish."



The newel post at the foot of the stairs leading from the main entrance and hallway to the second floor is a testament to the stature of the family who built it.

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After Elizabeth died of pneumonia in 1891, a milk factory on West Street was built, in 1892, and Gregory was superintendent. He later had his herd of cattle in Mar-

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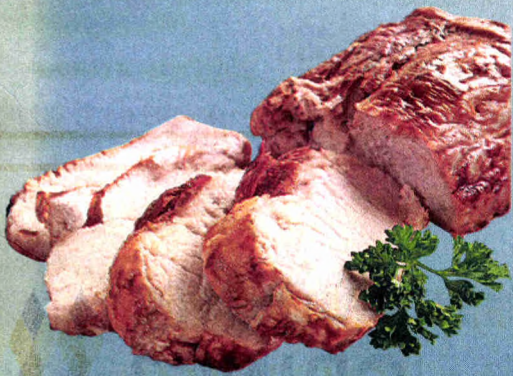
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PREP FOOTBALL

Burke stars as Northville secures playoff berth

Mustangs defeat Stevenson, 30-24, for sixth victory

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Jack Burke did it with his legs and his arm Friday night as Northville earned its sixth MHSAA state playoff berth in the last seven years with a 30-24 KLAAs Central Division football win at Livonia Stevenson.

The 6-foot-1, 193-pound senior quarterback completed 17-of-29 passes for 266 yards and two touchdowns, while also rushing for 110 yards on 17 carries as the first-place Mustangs improved to 6-1 overall while taking over sole possession of first place in the KLAAs Central with a 4-0 record.

"Jack had a phenomenal night," Northville coach Matt Ladach said. "He did a great job distributing the ball to a lot of different players. He was an awesome leader. He had some big carries, some designed QB runs and he also had a couple of runs on pass plays. Stevenson did a nice job of covering guys and hurried him out of the pocket, so he ran and just made some things happen."

The host Spartans (3-4, 1-3), who watched their state playoff hopes all but fade, played toe-to-toe with Northville throughout the entire first half, which ended tied at 17-17.

Northville jumped in front, 7-0, on a 22-yard TD pass from Burke to Jack

Peterson, but Stevenson drew even at 7-7 on a 16-yard scoring run from Parker Vaughn, followed by Philip Vrzovski's extra point.

Northville's Jake Moody (23 yards) and Vrzovski (25 yards) then exchanged field goals to leave the score at 10-10.

A 9-yard keeper by Burke put the Mustangs ahead, 17-10, before Stevenson drew even again, 17-17, on a 1-yard plunge by Vaughn.

Northville scored the first 13 points of the third quarter — Burke played a role in both on a 14-yard run, followed by a 5-yard pass to Abe Khoury — to grab a 30-17 lead.

Stevenson kept it close in the final



MARTHA MICHALAK

Northville quarterback Jack Burke had 376 yards total offense during the 30-24 win at Stevenson.

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL



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U-M fifth-year senior Matt Godin makes a tackle against Central Florida.

Catholic Central grad Godin is the spine of U-M's line

Fifth-year senior helps Wolverines to 6-0 start with stellar ground game

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Matt Godin is right in the nerve center of Michigan football these days.

The fifth-year senior from Novi Detroit Catholic Central has become an integral part of a defensive line that has allowed just 62 points in six games, while holding opponents to just 99.2 yards rushing per game, including just 2.9 per rush.

And that was no more in evidence than during Oct. 1 top 10 clash with Wisconsin, as the fourth-ranked Wolverines held the sixth-ranked Badgers to just 159 total yards in a 14-7 win. That was followed up with a dominating 78-0 win Saturday night at Rutgers, where U-M gave up just two first downs and 39 total yards.

Against Wisconsin, it was a good old-fashioned knock-down, drag-out battle between two unbeaten in the Big Ten.

"We came out playing physical," the 6-foot-6, 294-pound Godin said. "It was a fun game. There's always high enthusiasm, but when you know teams

"I'm just a guy who is really focused on his technique and works hard and I'm just ready to do anything my team asks me to do."

MATT GODIN,

Fifth-year senior at Michigan from Novi Detroit Catholic Central

are going to try to run the ball first ... and that's what we love, too, taking away the run, so we were really excited for that one."

Michigan's interior defensive front was a big reason why the Badgers were held to a mere 71 yards on the ground.

Great chemistry

"We feed off each other, big time," Godin said. "We definitely knew it was going to be physical. We watched them on film. We love that 22-personnel, 23-personnel. That's what we

work on all off-season with these guys (the offensive line), too. We were ready for it. It was good to have (Bryan) Mone back, too, so everyone is healthy and ready to go. So it was great."

Godin, a three-year letter winner, has played in 32 career games while starting nine, including the last five.

Against Wisconsin, he contributed four stops and has 18 tackles already on the season, including 1.5 for loss and a sack (against Penn State). He was coming off a career-best 17 tackles in 2015, including one tackle for loss and a sack.

"I'm just a guy who is really focused on his technique and works hard and I'm just ready to do anything my team asks me to do," Godin said. "I stay in the middle of the D-line, play tackle, play nose at times."

Godin rotates through with a group of experienced and talented defensive linemen that also includes Chris Wormley, Taco Charlton, Ryan Glasgow, Chase Winovich and Mone, along with highly-touted freshman Rashaan

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BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

Novi harriers dominate at county meet

Wildcats roll to big victory over talented field at Possum Hollow

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The Novi boys cross country team put 37 teams in their rear-view mirror Saturday morning at Kensington Metropark with a dominating performance at the Oakland County Championship.

The Wildcats, who successfully defended their title, scored 73 points to beat runner-up Milford (153) by a whopping 80 points.

Rounding out the top five were Birmingham Brother Rice (159), White Lake Lakeland (175) and Clarkston (176).

Conditions changed drastically overnight on the 5,000-meter Possum Hollow course, with temperatures plunging down to the low 50s to go along with a whipping wind.

"The strategy was to try and stay together like we have been all year and stay focused," Novi coach Robert Smith said. "This is a tough course. And instead of worrying about the problems, we embraced the challenges. And we wanted to defend the title, that was our goal."

While Pontiac Notre Dame Prep's Brendan Fraser was the overall winner in 16 minutes, 00.3 seconds, Novi placed four in the top 13 led by junior Gabe Mudel, who took fourth in 16:22.4.

"It was a huge factor, yeah," Mudel said of the wind. "It was kind of my intention to kind stay behind people and draft then a little bit. A lot of people hate it, but I love the cooler weather, for sure."

"Usually I like to go out a little faster, but today (I) kind of stayed back a little bit and just kept a steady pace. I was ecstatic. I ran a 16:22, but this is a slow course and

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Novi junior Gabe Mudel races to the finish line after taking fourth in the Oakland County meet.

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PREP FOOTBALL

CC gets big win at St. Mary's

Shamrocks stay perfect with 28-7 division victory

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The one-two offensive punch of Nicholas Capatina and Austin Brown proved potent Friday night as state-ranked Novi Detroit Catholic Central earn a crucial 28-7 football win at Orchard Lake St. Mary's.

The Shamrocks, who improved to 7-0 overall and 2-0 in the Catholic League's Central Division, racked up 361 yards total offense. Capatina, a senior running back, rushed for 121 yards on 17 carries and two touchdowns, while Brown, a sophomore quarterback, completed 12-of-18 passes for 218 yards and a TD as CC took over sole possession of first place in the Central.

St. Mary's (4-3, 2-1), two-time defending MHSAA Division 3 champ, jumped out to a 7-0 lead with 4:04 left in the second quarter on a 1-yard run by Rashawn Allen.

But CC answered with 1:32 left until halftime, when Brown hit Isaiah Popp on a 53-yard scoring pass.

The Shamrocks then took control by scoring a pair of TDs within a 20-second span in the third quarter.



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Catholic Central's Matt Harding (left) picked up a St. Mary's fumble and ran 20 yards to set up a TD.

Capatina gave CC the lead for keeps with a 72-yard scoring run with 4:40 to go. Then, on the ensuing kickoff, Matt Harding recovered an Eaglets fumble and ran 25 yards to the St. Mary's 2. From there, full-back Cameron Ryan scored with 4:20 left to make it 21-7.

With 6:04 left in the final quarter, Capatina's 9-yard TD run and kicker Jacob Nichols' four straight extra points capped the scoring.

CC's defense limited the Eaglets to 183 total yards, including just 61 on the ground.

The Shamrocks had 15 first downs to St. Mary's 10.

Each team had a turnover as the Eaglets picked off a Brown pass in the first quarter.

Isaac Darkangelo was CC's leading tackler with five solo and nine assists, while Matt Young added one solo and four assists. Jack Downs, Capatina, Carson Kovath, Tyler Morland, Blake Bueter (sack) and Jackson Ross (sack) added four apiece.

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GODIN

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Gary.

Strong unit

"They play extremely well," U-M head coach Jim Harbaugh said during a press conference.

"When one guy is out, another steps up. It's impressive. I think Greg Mattison does a tremendous job. Credit to the youngsters and players themselves for their effort and talent. It's the spine of our football team, a strength."

Co-defensive coordinator Greg Mattison makes the line calls and does it with the intent of keeping everybody fresh.

"If we go three-and-out, he'll come over and say, 'Who he wants in?'" Godin said.

"But a lot of times when we get into the heat of the game, it's just every three plays usually. We always say, 'Three as hard as you can go and the next guy up.'"

U-M's defensive line, perhaps its best in more than a decade, has also built a special bond.

"We have a lot of chemistry and I think it's because we've been with each other for so long," Godin said. "We take pride in that. In our room, our team always says, 'This team goes as far as the D-line goes.' And as long as we play well, we just have to do our part."

Wolverine ties

Godin grew up a Michigan fan. His father Kevin, brother Jonathan and sister Jackie all attended U-M. Godin was recruited to Ann Arbor by former U-M coach Brady Hoke.

"All my family went to Flint Powers Catholic," Godin said. "I lived in Flint half my childhood then moved to Fenton. It was about 40 minutes to CC. I carpooled with friends."

At CC, Godin recorded 70 tackles, including nine sacks as a senior en route to all-state honors as the Shamrocks finished 12-2 while reaching the 2011 MHSAA Division 1

state final.

He said his experience as Shamrock has served him well.

"Toughness," Godin said. "Coach (Tom) Mach always wants you to be tough football players, technique, fundamentals and I think those fundamentals helped me when I came to college."

Godin red-shirted his freshman year before appearing in seven games as a sophomore while earning his first letter.

In 2014, he gained more substantial playing time on the defensive line as he made nine tackles, including one for loss, to go along with a sack and an interception (against Northwestern).

No. 99

Godin, who wears jersey No. 99, said there was no hesitation about coming back for his fifth year of eligibility. He is enrolled in the College of Literature, Science and the Arts, majoring in American culture and history.

"I did the whole graduation thing and all that with my family and stuff, but I'm still in one class right now that I need to finish up," said Godin, who enjoys U.S. history and studying world wars. "It's a great situation. I get to focus more on football and get in the training room more, in the tubs, so it's nice."

When Godin officially graduates from U-M, he plans to go into orthopedic sales work.

"I'm definitely going to miss it," said of his five-year run at Michigan. "When you're somewhere for half a decade, it's going to be a little bit of a change. But I'm just excited to have a successful next half of a year and just keep working hard with my teammates."

With a lot of meaningful games yet to play, Godin remains focused on just doing his part as the Wolverines enter the bye week 6-0 overall and 3-0 in the Big Ten.

"We want to get better every week, come out physical, great technique," he said. "We have everyone back healthy, so rotate and play well."

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PREP FOOTBALL

Salem spoils Novi homecoming

Wildcats succumb to late rally as Rocks near playoffs

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Salem hasn't been to the football state playoffs since 1991.

But the Rocks looked like a team Friday night that would break that futility as they stormed back from a 23-13 third-quarter deficit to score 14 unanswered fourth-quarter points and spoil Novi's homecoming, 27-23.

Salem, which improved to 4-3 overall and 2-2 in the KLAAs Central Division, still needs two wins in its final two games to earn an automatic berth to end the 25-year drought.

And it certainly took a step in the right direction when Andrew Davis, who was stymied most of three quarters, scored on touchdown runs of 5 and 39 yards in the final quarter, with final TD coming with 7:21 remaining.

Junior quarterback Ryan Young was an efficient 8-of-10 passing for 220 yards and two TDs, including a 73-yard pass to Davis with only 2:22 left in the opening half to get the Rocks on the board. That play, ironically, was the only first down Salem would get during the first half.

Young also connected with Mason Phillips, who had four catches for 117 yards on the night, with a 64-yard bomb to pull Salem within four, 17-13, with 4:53 left in the third.

"They knew we were going to run the ball early and that was our scheme, so we tried to come out and do some different runs, different formations, pass it deep and it worked out," Young said of the second half. "That was the whole plan for them to take Andrew (Davis) away. They did a good job of that the first half."

While Davis (16 carries, 63 yards) was held in check for the most part by Novi's defense, Young also scrambled his way for 27 yards to help augment the run game in the second half. He also came up with two interceptions as well.

"We made adjustments with our O-line, we had to fix some things ... Andrew with his steps



DAVE DONOHER

Novi quarterback Alec Bageris makes a throw during Friday's 27-23 homecoming loss to Salem.

and me with my fakes and my throws," the 6-foot, 180-pound QB said. "But we came out the second half firing and got the win."

Novi (4-3, 3-1) led 10-7 at halftime, getting a 20-yard field goal from Blake King and a 2-yard TD run from fullback Ian Patterson.

The Wildcats then went up 17-7 with 7:08 left in the third on a 30-yard TD run by Anthony D'Annibale, who had an outstanding night offensively with 10 catches for 149 yards to go along with six carries for 48 yards.

"Great player," Young said. "He was beating us early in the game, first quarter, first half, so we put a corner on him, pressed him and me over the top kind of playing zone coverage and that kind of shut them down and shut their team down."

It appeared the Wildcats had control when senior quarterback Alec Bageris (15-of-28 passing, 193 yards) connected with D'Annibale on a 68-yard TD play with 4:35 left in the third to make it 23-13. (Both teams blocked an extra point.)

But the Wildcats, who had the slight edge in total yards (334-302), couldn't get a key stop down the stretch.

"We lost a free safety (Drew O'Connor) and we had to move some people around. Guys were playing a little out of position, unfortunately," Novi coach Jeff Burnside said. "When he goes down and mul-

tiple guys in the secondary are going both ways, they're real gassed. We had a couple of missed tackles on that big (Davis 39-yard TD) run. If we don't miss the tackles, we're probably OK. I give them credit. They kept pounding at us and pounding at us and we missed a couple of tackles."

Novi went only 5-of-13 on third-down conversions and was 0-of-4 on fourth downs. "We struggled a little bit on third downs tonight. I'm not really sure what it was," Burnside said. "We obviously will go back and watch some film and really see what happened. It really seemed we were a little discombobulated at times, especially on third down."

Penalties were flying on both sides as Novi had eight for 73 yards, while Salem had six for 51.

"It seemed like every time somebody had a big play there's a penalty," Burnside said. "They had a big play and a penalty. They had a couple and we had a couple brought back by penalties. I don't know what it was. But sometimes it happens in hard-hitting football games. That was a physical football game and sometimes that happens. You start to lose yourself a little bit. Guys are tired, sometimes they grab a cloth or forget to go downfield when you're not supposed to. It happens."

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two minutes on Dalen Cobb's 5-yard TD run, but couldn't recover the ensuing inside kick.

Burke's top receivers were A.J. Abbott (six catches, 114 yards), Peterson (five catches, 67 yards) and Stephen Ernst (four catches, 74 yards).

Stevenson senior quarterback Chris Tanderys was 21-of-30 passing for 200 yards. Tanderys did not throw a TD pass for the first time this season and was picked off once (by Gary Wu on a 61-yard return).

The Spartans' Devin Dunn had eight catches for 61 yards, while Parker Graham had five receptions for 43 yards. Graham also added 86 yards rushing on 17 carries, while Cobb added 71 on 10 attempts.



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Northville's Jordan Grewe (right) takes on a Stevenson blocker during Friday's KLAAs Central clash.

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Novi captures KLAA Association crown

Wildcats cap undefeated season with one-point triumph over Brighton

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Abby Livingston tied for runner-up honors and Alexa Hatz took fourth as Novi capped an undefeated girls golf season in the Kensington Lakes Activities Association by winning the KLAA tournament held Monday at Plymouth's Fox Hills G.C.

The Wildcats, who also captured the Kensington Conference pre-tourney, edged Lakes Conference champion Brighton by a stroke, 316-317, based on a four-player total.

Rounding out the top 10 in the 22-school field were defending Association champion Plymouth (327), Hartland (334), Livonia Stevenson (342), Northville (354), South Lyon (362), South Lyon East (365), Livonia Franklin (373) and Howell (374).

Brighton's Annie Pietila took individual medalist honors with 71, while Livingston and Brighton's Abby Fortushniak tied for second with 73 each. Hatz claimed fourth with 74.

Novi's other two scorers were Leah Kiura and Lauren Henry, who tied for 16th with 84.

The Wildcats' other two players were Kirsten Kroetsch (tied for 55th, 96) and Reika Fujiwara (tied for 73rd, 102).

Northville was led by Gabby Jaszczur, who tied for 12th with 82. She was followed by Hannah Dygert, tied for 25th (87); Taylor Rathwell, tied for 41st (92); and Paige Rosinski, tied for 44th (93).

The Mustangs other two players were Mariella Simoncini (tied for 49th, 94) and Megan Stein (tied for 60th, 97).



Novi's Alexa Hatz took fourth in the KLAA tournament and was runner-up in the Division 1 regional.

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Regional runner-up

On Oct. 5, Novi's showing in the Division 1 regional tournament at Washtenaw Country Club proved to be bittersweet.

The Wildcats earned their fourth consecutive trip to the MHSAA state finals, but the regional title eluded them as host Saline won on a fifth-player tiebreaker after the two teams both finished with

351. Plymouth also earned a trip to East Lansing by taking third with 354.

Northville, which had qualified the past two seasons, found itself on the outside in fourth place with 356, followed by Salem (374), Ann Arbor Pioneer (380), Ann Arbor Skyline (389), Canton (406), Temperance Bedford (420) and Ann Arbor Huron (423).

Saline junior Catherine Loftus was individual medalist with 76, while Hatz and Salem senior Darby Scott tied for second with 79 each.

Saline's other four scorers included Sydney Page and Stephanie Schick, tied for 16th (91 each); Molly Pribble, 20th (93); and Margaret Wood, 33rd (102).

Livingston, a junior, and Henry, a senior, placed eighth and ninth with 86 and 88, respectively, while Kiura (26th, 98) and Fujiwara (36th, 106) rounded out the Wildcats' scoring contingent.

Henry came on strong over the final four holes with a plus-2 to force the tie.

"This is a really tough course, so I expected the scores to be high across the board," first-year Novi coach Megan Henry said. "As much as it is heartbreaking to lose the regional tournament that way, we are still advancing to the state tournament, which is one of our goals every year and that is something I am very proud of."

The Wildcats now advance the state finals Friday and Saturday, Oct. 14-15, at Michigan State University's Forest Akers East Course. Novi is coming off three straight top 10 finishes, placing fifth (2015), fourth (2014) and ninth (2013).

"The best part about my team this year is that they really hate to lose," coach Henry said.

Northville's top four scorers included Simoncini, seventh (84); Dygert, ninth (88); Jaszczur (89); and Rosinski, 24th (95). Stein took 26th with 98.

The three additional individual state qualifiers from the Washtenaw C.C. regional were Salem's Scott (79), Skyline's Jami Laude (80) and Pioneer's Katie Mina-Lee (83).

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GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

Northville runner-up at Portage Invitational

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Getting ready for the home stretch, the Northville girls cross country took runner-up honors Saturday at the Portage Invitational.

Ann Arbor Pioneer, led by individual winner Ann Forsyth, edged the Mustangs for the team title, 177-180, while Traverse City Central (190), Pinckney (218) and Saline (256) rounded out the top five in the 45-school Division 1 field.

Forsyth captured the 5,000-meter race in 17:21, while Northville junior Ana Barrott posted a career-best in fourth place with a clocking of 18:18.

"Ana ran the best race of her career going out with the top group and kept her position throughout the race," Northville coach Nancy Smith said. "Every week she attacks every practice and it is showing in her racing, which continues to get better."

Other finishers for the Mustangs included senior Cayla Eckenroth, 15th (18:40); sophomore Olivia Harp, 39th (19:23); junior Rachel Zimmer, 55th (19:44); senior Emma Smith, 71st (19:52); freshman Emily Assemany, 96th (20:07); and senior Katie Chevoor, 105th (20:17).

"Emma and Rachel had big races today and the first time this season getting in the 19:00s, which is a great start for what is ahead," Smith said. "It is all coming together slowly as we continue to get better and stronger as a group. All we need to do now is get another runner in the 18:00s and the other two in the low 19:00s to make a charge at (Birmingham) Seaholm and Pioneer at the state finals."

"The next few weeks we will be training hard to improve as our next real competition will not be until the state finals," Smith.

Northville's 'B' team, scoring 155 points, took sixth Saturday in the Wayne County Invitational at Willow Metropark as Salem edged Livonia Churchill for the team title, 86-87.

Rounding out the top five were Grosse Pointe South (120), Livonia Stevenson (138) and Livonia Franklin (146). Allen Park's Mikayla Perez was the individual winner with a 5K time of 18:15.

Top Northville finishers included Anna Buettner, 12th (career best 19:34); Emily Rudberg, 25th (20:06); Kayleigh Line, 28th (20:10); Olivia Masse, 34th (20:37); Helena Bryans, 59th (21:10); Sinclair Smith, 63rd (21:18); and Lindsay Afsari, 86th (22:15).

Northville improved to 4-0 in the KLAA Central, taking the first seven places Oct. 4 in a 15-50 dual meet win over Livonia Stevenson at Cass Benton Park.

Eckenroth took first in 18:46, moving up to No. 5 on the school record board. She was followed by Harp (19:12), Chevoor (20:00); Zimmer (20:09); Smith (20:10) and Assemany (20:24).

BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

Northville earns third place at Wayne County

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Senior Ben Cracraft broke the 16-minute barrier Saturday as Northville settled for a third-place finish in the boys varsity division at the Wayne County Invitational held at Willow Metropark in New Boston.

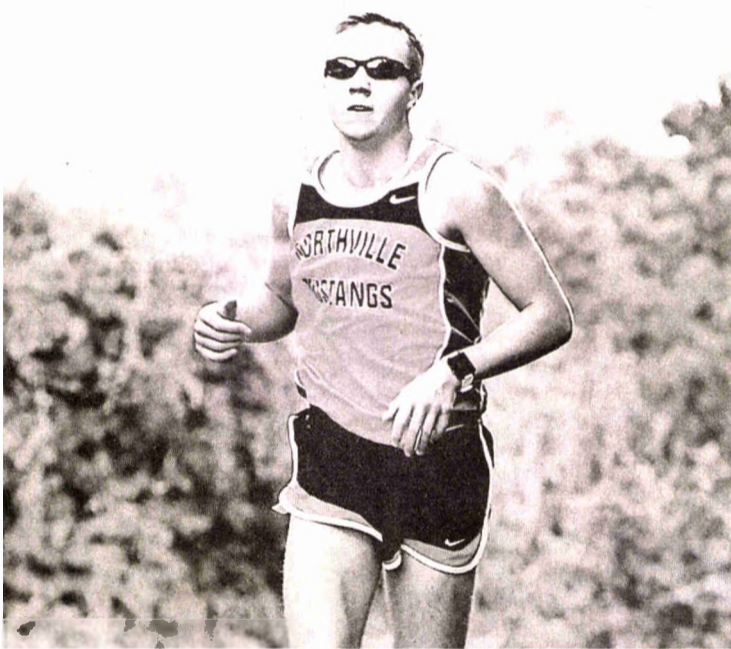
Plymouth captured the team title with 109 points, while Livonia Stevenson was runner-up with 133. Rounding out the top five in the 18-team field were Northville (143), Canton (154) and Grosse Pointe North (184).

Dearborn's Riad Rababeh was the individual 5,000-meter winner in 15 minutes, 21 seconds, while Grosse Ile's Alex Sawicki placed second in 15:51.

Cracraft wound up third in 15:54, followed by Peter Bejin, 10th (16:10); Evan Ferrante, 12th (16:17); Alex Jund, 49th (17:11); and Adiren Jund, 70th (17:54).

The Mustangs' non-scorers were Ryan Drayback (85th, 17:48) and Nicholas Couyoumjian (158th, 19:39).

On Oct. 4, Couyoumjian



Northville's Ben Cracraft was third at the Wayne County race in 15:54.

took first in 16:29.3 as Northville improved to 3-1 in the KLAA Central Division with a 19-38 dual meet win over Livonia Stevenson at Cass Benton Park.

Other finishers for the Mustangs included Cracraft, second (16:38.0); Bejin, third (16:44.7); Ferrante, fifth (16:52.1); Alex Jund, eighth (17:38.0); Brandon Liu, seventh

(17:47.3); and Drayback, 14th (18:19.2).

Novi boys roll

The Novi boys cross country team moved one step closer to winning the KLAA Central Division dual meet crown Oct. 4 with a 20-43 victory over South Lyon at Cass Benton Park.

The Wildcats, who improved to 4-0 in the division, took seven of the first eight places, with South Lyon's Josh Chezick winning the 3.1-mile race in 17 minutes, 35 seconds.

Novi freshman Matt Whyte took runner-up honors in 17:36.

Rounding out the top seven for the Wildcats were Alex Schafer, third (17:48); Tim Truly, fourth (18:47); Matt Gamm, fifth (18:13); Dallas Foley, sixth (18:26); and Praatek Bhola, eighth (18:40).

Other finishers for South Lyon (3-4, 1-3) included Keisuke Motai, 10th (18:47); Brandon Goins, 12th (19:07); Greg Jowett, 14th (20:11); and Evan Leslie, 15th (19:14).

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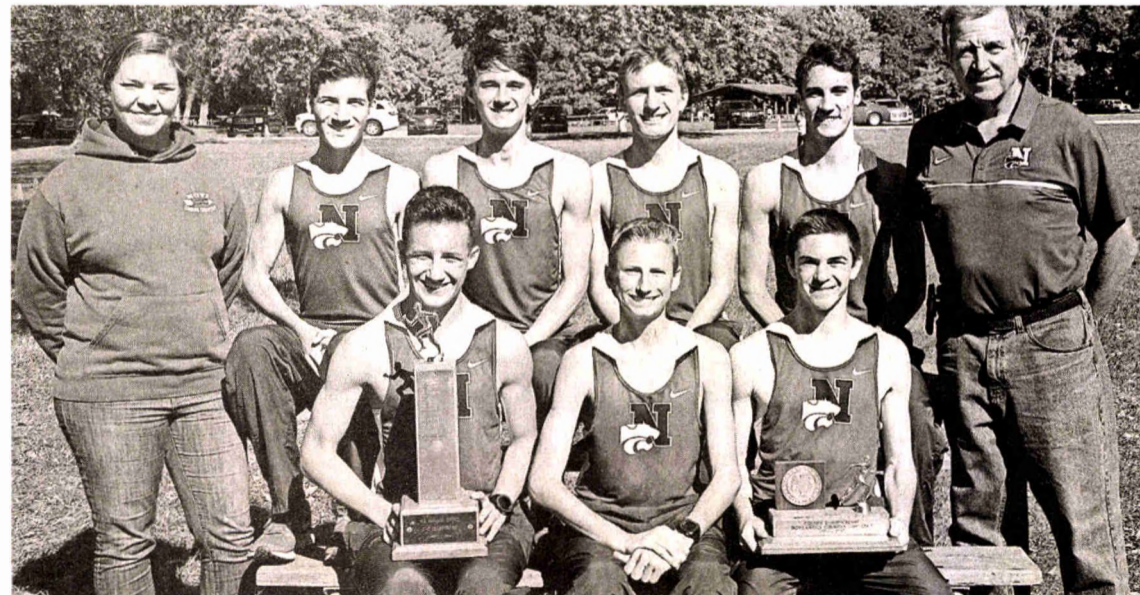
has a reputation for being slow, but I'm really happy. There are three sizable hills that really slow you down."

Also earning all-county (top 30) honors for the Wildcats were Scott MacPherson, ninth (16:39.6); Aric Landy, 12th (16:44.7); and John Landy, 13th (16:46.1).

Novi's fifth scorer was Trey Mullins (34th, 17:09.49), while Nathaniel Wood (36th, 17:09.4) and Alex Schafer (73rd, 17:45.9) rounded out the Wildcats' contingent.

"They all ran great races and I knew they were capable," Smith said. "They've been training real well this year. I was very excited the way they finished, but not surprised. The top four guys are very close in talent, so whoever is feeling the best is going to be our best man and it's really helped in our practices."

Novi, which finished third in last year's MHSAA Division 1 state finals, appears to be peaking at the right time with the KLAA Kensington Confer-



Members of the Oakland County champs from Novi include (front row, from left): Aric Landy, Trey Mullins and Alex Schafer; and (back row, from left) assistant coach Samantha Hudson, John Landy, Nate Wood, Gabe Mudel, Scott Macpherson and head coach Robert Smith.

ence, regional and state meets looming in the next month.

"We ran (MSU) Spartan race a month ago and then we've just been bearing down with hard practices and it's hard to see where you're coming out after that," Smith said.

Buckley leads CC

Novi Detroit Catholic Central, led by eighth-place finisher Ty Buckley (16:37.6), placed eighth at the county meet with 253 points.

Other scorers for the Sham-

rocks included Mark Borek, who just missed all-county honors in 31st (17:07.5); Ben Racine, 35th (17:09.7); Ryan Whinnery, 68th (17:41.2); and Mitchel Horn, 95th (17:56.8).

CC's non-scorers included Brendan Canavan (108th,

18:08.7) and Brennan Koehler (132nd, 18:28.5).

Novi girls 17th

Audrey Ladd's first-place finish (18:15.4) catapulted Birmingham Seaholm, the defending MHSAA Division 1 state champ, to the Oakland County girls championship.

The Maples scored 64 points, with Clarkston (104), Milford (134), Lakeland (141) and Troy (143) rounding out the top five in the 31-school field.

Ladd overhauled Waterford Mot's Rylee Robinson (second, 18:30.7) and West Bloomfield's Kyla Christopher-Moody (third, 18:37.1) over the final mile to win the individual crown.

Novi, 17th overall with 476 points, was led by all-County performer Katherine Ray, a sophomore, who took 28th in 20:11.9.

Other scorers for the Wildcats included Jessica Lypka, 87th (21:44.9); Jacalyn Schubring, 121st (22:47.1); Lauren Sedewitz, 132nd (22:55.4); and Saranya Nistala, 136th (23:03.0).

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BOYS TENNIS

Novi nets fifth regional in row; Mustangs advance

Both teams qualify for state finals this weekend at Midland

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Fourteen consecutive trips to the MHSAA Division 1 state finals and five straight regional titles — the beat goes on for the Novi boys tennis team.

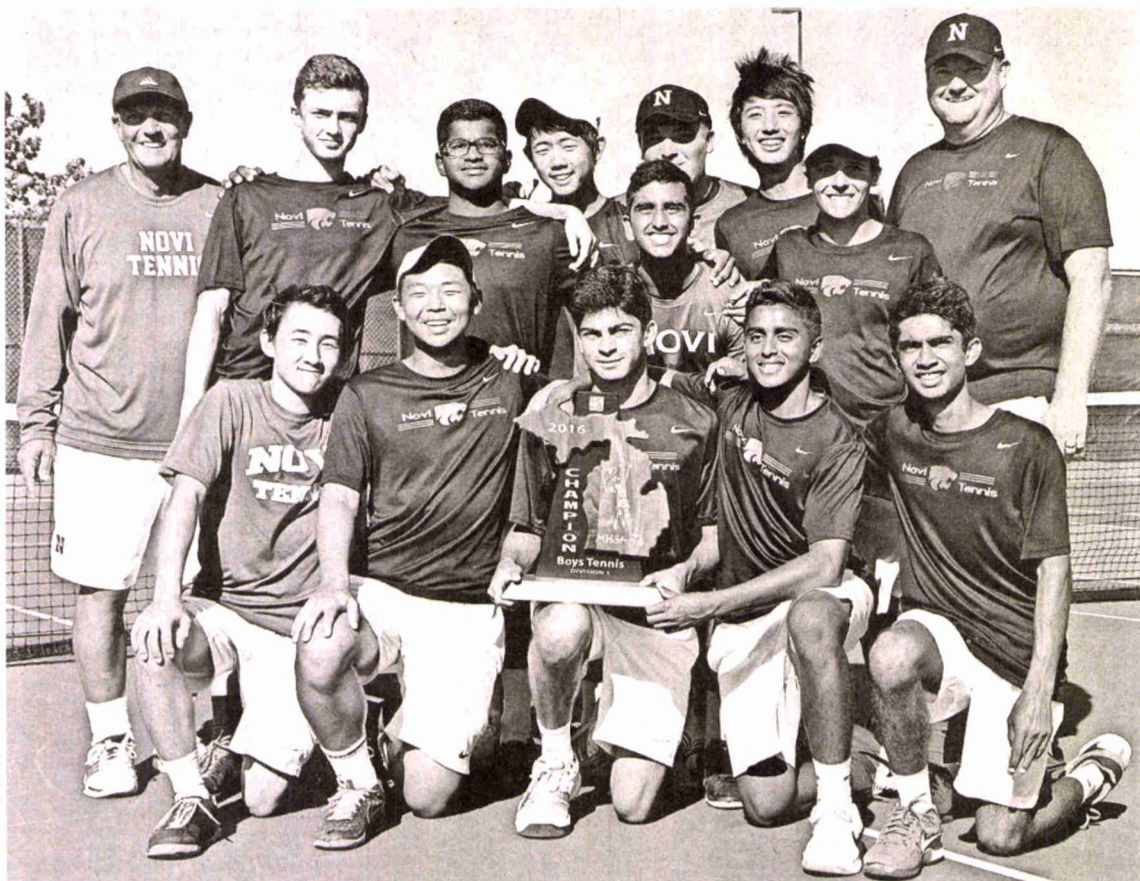
The Wildcats, last year's state co-champions and 2014 outright champions, captured six of the eight flights in Friday's regional tournament en route to a meet-best 30 points.

Novi will be joined this weekend at the Midland Community Tennis Center by regional runner-up and chief rival Northville, which also qualified by scoring 26 points and will be making its sixth trip in a row.

Rounding out the regional field were Novi Detroit Catholic Central (14), Walled Lake Northern (13), White Lake Lakeland (5), Walled Lake Central (4), Howell (3), Hartland (1) and Brighton (0).

Novi captured the first three singles flights, getting titles from Alex Wen (No. 1), Sid Amarnath (No. 2) and Daniel Yu (No. 3), all winning in straight sets.

Northville's Samir Rajani captured the No. 4 crown with



Novi captured its fifth straight Division 1 boys tennis regional title.

a 6-2, 6-0 victory over Novi's Thomas Rolfe.

The Mustangs' No. 1 doubles tandem of Stephen Freeman and Giuliano Daniel also came away with a win, defeating

Novi's Aditya Chitta and Robert Chen in the finals, 6-2, 6-3.

But Novi took the final three doubles flights, all in straight sets, led by Venkatesh Nagalla and Tim Tanaka (No. 2), Aakash

Ray and Nayan Makim (No. 3), and Chris Kwederis and Ryan Krawec (No. 4).

MHSAA BOYS TENNIS
DIVISION 1-REGION 4

TOURNAMENT RESULTS
TEAM STANDINGS (top 2 qualify for state finals): 1. Novi, 30 points; 2. Northville, 26; 6. Novi Detroit Catholic Central, 14; 4. Walled Lake Northern, 13; 5. White Lake Lakeland, 5; 6. Walled Lake Central, 4; 7. Howell, 3; 8. Hartland, 1; 9. Brighton, 0.

FINAL FLIGHT RESULTS
No. 1 singles: Alex Wen (Novi) defeated Janak Mukherji (N'ville), 6-1, 6-0; **semifinals:** Wen def. Matthew Wenzel (Howell), 6-1, 6-0; Mukherji def. Andrei Paduraru (WLC), 6-4, 6-3.

No. 2: Sid Amarnath (Novi) def. Arvind Kalyana (N'ville), 6-4, 6-1; **semifinals:** Amarnath def. Jake Haver (WLN), 6-1, 6-1; Kalyana (N'ville) def. Kai Roberts (CC), 6-3, 6-2.

No. 3: Daniel Yu (Novi) def. Ryan Gallagher (N'ville), 7-5, 6-4; **semifinals:** Yu def. Owen Babington (WLN), 6-1, 6-0; Gallagher def. Warren Dietz (CC), 6-2, 6-1.

No. 4: Samir Rajani (N'ville) def. Thomas Rolfe (Novi), 6-2, 6-0; **semifinals:** Rajani (N'ville) def. David Honing (WLN), 6-0, 6-0; Rolfe def. Jack Callaghan (CC), 7-6 (7-1), 7-6 (7-5).

No. 1 doubles: Stephen Freeman-Giuliano Daniels (N'ville) def. Aditya Chitta-Robert Chen (Novi), 6-2, 6-3; **semifinals:** Freeman-Daniels def. Evan McDonald-Tyler Fuelling (WLN), 1-6, 6-2, 6-1; Chitta-Chen def. Alex Zarouk-Michael Holland (CC), 6-0, 6-0.

No. 2: Venkatesh Nagalla-Tim Tanaka (Novi) def. Nishant Chava-Andrew Quinn (N'ville), 6-2, 6-3; **semifinals:** Nagalla-Tanaka def. Nelson Turnage-Brendan Ramboer (Lakeland), 6-0, 6-2; Chava-Quinn def. Ryan Conway-Chintan Maheshwari (CC), 7-6 (7-5), 6-2.

No. 3: Aakash Ray-Nayan Makim (Novi) def. Jimmy Dales-Michael Ying (N'ville), 7-6 (8-6), 6-2; **semifinals:** Ray-Makim def. Max Stanecki-Nolan Gersabek (WLN), 6-1, 6-0; Dales-Ying def. Ryan Learned-Jame Weepjenka (CC), 1-6, 6-1.

No. 4: Chris Kwederis-Ryan Krawec (Novi) def. Trevor Kelterborn-Charles Gao (N'ville), 6-4, 6-2; **semifinals:** Kwederis-Krawec def. Cory Vitez-Len Taffe (CC), 6-1, 7-5; Kelterborn-Gao def. William Kelly-Frank Gregory (WLN), 6-1, 6-2.

DUAL MATCH RESULTS
BLOOMFIELD HILLS 4, NOVI 3
Oct. 5 at Bloomfield Hills

No. 1 singles: Josh Mukherjee (BH) defeated Alex Wen, 6-1, 6-1; **No. 2:** Sid Amarnath (Novi) won by injury default; **No. 3:** Constantin Hemmrich (BH) def. Daniel Yu, 6-2, 6-2; **No. 4:** Brad Silverman (BH) def. Thomas Rolfe, 6-1, 6-0.

No. 1 doubles: Aditya Chitta-Robert Chen (Novi) def. Henry Dickson-Sebastian Burman (BH), 6-1, 6-4; **No. 2:** Tommy Herb-Chade Burman (BH) def. Venkatesh Nagalla-Tim Tanaka, 6-4, 2-6, 6-1; **No. 3:** Aakash Ray-Nayan Makim (Novi) def. Vik Chakraborty-Chad Biarno, 6-2, 7-6 (7-1); **No. 4:** Chris Kwederis-Ryan Krawec (Novi) def. Alex Walkon-Kyle Peres, 6-1, 7-6 (9-7).

Novi's dual match record: 12-2 overall.

BOYS TENNIS

Novi earns 'A' crown, holding off Northville

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As the sun began to set, it was only fitting that No. 1 singles finals was the last match of the day in the KLAA 'A' boys tennis tournament held Oct. 4 at Plymouth.

Locked in a grueling three-set battle with Grand Blanc's

Hunter Li, Novi's Alex Wen was able to dig deep and pull out a 4-6, 7-5, 6-4 victory to put an exclamation point on the Wildcats' sixth straight Association championship.

"Every time I play him, it's always a battle," Wen said. "It's battle of endurance, a battle of everything. It's tough. Every time we play, it's always different. We've been playing since we were kids, so it's great to play."

Wen, a junior, had to rally after dropping the opening set.

"I was pretty down, but I realized there were two sets to go, especially one more, so it's nice to have," Wen said. "It was very tiring."

Novi, winning six of nine flights, scored a meet-best 32 points to fend off rival Northville, which took runner-up honors with 28. Rounding out the top five teams in the 12-school field were Grand Blanc (15), Plymouth (14) and Livonia Churchill (9).

"It was a beautiful day weather-wise and even better tennis-wise," Novi coach Jim Hanson said. "There were a lot of competitive matches out there, especially in the finals. With Northville-Nov, they're as close as they can be. It's going to take a similar effort Friday at the regional (at Novi) if we're going to win it."

Sid Amarnath also captured the No. 2 singles flight with a 6-0, 6-3 win over Grand Blanc's Ben Shapiro, but Northville's Ryan Gallagher

(No. 3) and Samir Rajani (No. 4) came away with the other two singles crowns.

Northville's Stephen Freeman and Giuliano Daniels took the top doubles flight with a three-set triumph over Novi's Aditya Chitta and Robert Chen, but Novi captured the other four flights to rack up 20 points.

Earning doubles titles for the Wildcats were Venkatesh Nagalla and Tim Tanaka (No. 2); Aakash Ray and Nayan Makim (No. 3); Chris Kwederis and Ryan Krawec (No. 4); and Andrew Lu and Robert Xu (No. 5).

All four Novi doubles victories came at the expense of Northville.

KLAA 'A' BOYS TENNIS TOURNAMENT RESULTS
Oct. 4 at Plymouth

TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Novi, 32 points; 2. Northville, 28; 3. Grand Blanc, 15; 4. Walled Lake Northern, 14; 5. Plymouth, 9; 6. (tie) Livonia Churchill, White Lake Lakeland and Walled Lake Western, 8 each; 9. (tie) Canton and Salem, 4 each; 11. Pinckney, 2; 12. Brighton, 0.

FINAL FLIGHT RESULTS
No. 1 singles: Alex Wen (Novi) defeated Hunter Li (GB), 4-6, 7-5, 6-4; **semifinals:** Wen def. Mac Young (WLN), 6-1, 6-3; Li def. Janak Mukherji (N'ville), 6-2, 6-2.

No. 2: Sid Amarnath (Novi) def. Ben Shapiro (GB), 6-0, 6-3; **semifinals:** Amarnath def. Jake Haver (WLN), 6-1, 6-0; Shapiro def. Arvind Kalyana (N'ville), 6-7 (5-7), 7-6 (7-1), 7-6 (7-5).

No. 3: Ryan Gallagher (N'ville) def. Daniel Yu (Novi), 6-1, 2-6, 6-4; **semifinals:** Gallagher def. Owen Babington (WLN), 6-1, 6-1; Yu def. Yogesh Mohamra (Ply), 6-1, 6-0.

No. 4: Samir Rajani (N'ville) def. Tim Ohtake (LC), 6-3, 6-1; **semifinals:** Rajani def. Aditya Suryakumar (Ply), 6-1, 6-0; Ohtake def. Thomas Rolfe (Novi), 5-7, 7-5, 6-2.

No. 1 doubles: Steve Freeman-Giuliano Daniels (N'ville) def. Aditya Chitta-Robert Chen (Novi), 7-6, 3-6, 6-2; **semifinals:** Freeman-Daniels def. Tyler Fuelling-Evan McDonald (WLN), 6-0, 6-0; Chitta-Chen def. Brett Peterman-Alex McKenzie (GB), 6-2, 6-0.

No. 2: Venkatesh Nagalla-Tim Tanaka (Novi) def. Neshant Chava-Andrew Quinn (N'ville), 6-4, 6-1; **semifinals:** Nagalla-Tanaka def. Brendan Ramboer-Nelson Turnage (Lakeland), 6-2, 6-1; Chava-Quinn def. Braedon Shick-Graham Prokott (GB), 6-2, 6-2.

No. 3: Aakash Ray-Nayan Makim (Novi) def. Jimmy Dales-Michael Ying (N'ville), 6-3, 6-3; **semifinals:** Ray-Makim def. James Hegarty-Nick Norman (GB), 6-2, 6-1; Dales-Ying def. Max Stanecki-Nolan Gersabek (WLN), 7-5, 6-1.

No. 4: Chris Kwederis-Ryan Krawec (Novi) def. Trevor Kelterborn-Charles Gao (N'ville), 6-2, 6-1; **semifinals:** Kwederis-Krawec def. Ben Gottlieb-Hee Vaniaiwala (GB), 6-1, 6-2; Kelterborn-Gao def. Bodie Salmeto-Michael McGregor (Lakeland), 6-1, 6-2.

No. 5: Andrew Lu-Robert Xu (Novi) def. Snikar Kesamneni-Pranav Doppalapudi (N'ville), 6-4, 4-6, 6-3; **semifinals:** Lu-Xu def. Brendan Murdie-Tim Harvey (WLN), 6-2, 6-1; Kesamneni-Doppalapudi def. Ryan Benson-Cooper Noon (WLN), 6-1, 6-1.

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GIRLS SWIMMING

Novi stuns Northville in dual meet

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Novi, coming off a 20th-place showing in the Oakland County girls swimming and diving meet, raised more than a few eyebrows Oct. 6 by upsetting Wayne County champion Northville, 97-89, in a KLAA Central Division dual meet.

Both teams captured six events, but it was the Wildcats who came out on top thanks to the efforts of Emily Mayoras, who figured in four first-place finishes.

Novi also captured all three relay races to improve to 9-3 overall and 1-1 in the division.

Mayoras took first the 50-yard freestyle (26.35) and 100 backstroke (1:03.58). She also teamed with Hanna Dong, Danielle Gardon and Karen Xu for a win in the 200 medley relay: 1:59.63.

The foursome of Idalia Moore, Jennifer Lee, Weng and Mayoras clinched the victory by capturing the 400 freestyle relay in 3:56.21 after Northville was disqualified for a rules error.

"They should have won the meet and I hate that we won that way, but I'm really, really satisfied with the way our kids swam," Novi coach Ken Stark said. "Emily anchored our 400 relay and she knew what she had to do and she took care of business. She's been fighting some muscular issues this season and they were starting to pop up last night, but she overcame those and took care of business in our 'A' relay. That's what helped us win the meet because of the DQ."

Novi also captured the 200 freestyle relay as Novi Dong, Gardon, Xu and Linda Weng were clocked in 1:48.06.

The Wildcats also swept the 1-meter diving event, led by McKaela Hill (201.60 points), Lorna Dunn (183.25) and Lauren Gudeman (163.30).

"The rivalry meet is always fun and we just swam really, really good," Stark said. "We had 58 percent best times all across the board and that was the name of the game. That's the only thing that we concentrated at the beginning, because Northville is a really,



Novi's Michelle Yu swims the backstroke in last week's dual vs. Northville.

really good team. They're just loaded with talent and we're not going to be able to touch them at the conference meet."

Meanwhile, Northville was led by double-winner Sophia Tuinman, who captured the 200 individual medley (2:15.61) and 100 breaststroke (1:12.65). Other wins came from Lulu Mans, 200 freestyle (2:03.77); Kelsey Macaddino, 100 butterfly (59.39); Lauren Heaven, 100 freestyle (56.76); and Katelyn McCullough, 500 freestyle (5:20.08).

The Mustangs' held out their top swimmer, all-stater Laura Westphal.

"Tonight was a tough loss," said Northville coach Brian McNeff, whose team slipped to 6-1 overall and 2-1 in the KLAA Central. "I tried to give some of our top swimmers an easy night and only put them in one or two events. It was also a chance to give some opportunities to some other swimmers. Unfortunately, Novi had other ideas and had a great meet. They definitely caught us off-guard and we came out with a loss."

McNeff shouldered the blame entirely for the upset loss.

"I put a relay together in the 400 (freestyle) which won the event and would have won us the meet, but unfortunately I did not make the official change in time so they were disqualified," he said. "I told the girls that this meet was entirely my fault. The girls swam well, I just did not put them in a position to win. While going undefeated was a team goal that we no longer can accomplish, it is not our main one. They do not give out tro-

phies for going undefeated. There are two other meets down the road that we are still very focused on. If we perform well there, tonight's meet will be forgotten pretty quickly."

Meanwhile, it was a highly satisfying night and win for the host Wildcats.

"We knew they're were very talented, so our main goal was to get as many best times as we could, and we're going to call that a win," Stark said. "(Northville) swam off a little bit and that's all right. It just happened it came down to the last relay."

DUAL MEET RESULTS
NOVI 97, NORTHVILLE 89
Oct. 6 at Novi

200-yard medley relay: 1. Novi (Emily Mayoras, Hanna Dong, Danielle Gardon, Karen Xu), 1:59.63; 2. Northville (Lexi Barritt, Jennifer Ostrowski, Jordan Baal, Emma Phillips), 2:00.87; 3. Novi (Elizabeth Pail, Claire Tuckey, Sarah Wang, Olivia Mayoras), 2:05.42.

500 freestyle: 1. Lulu Mans (N'ville), 2:03.77; 2. Erin Szara (N'ville), 2:04.29; 3. Mallory Martlock (Novi), 2:06.32.

200 individual medley: 1. Sophia Tuinman (N'ville), 2:15.61; 2. Emily Guerrero (N'ville), 2:15.93; 3. Gardon (Novi), 2:19.85.

50 freestyle: 1. E. Mayoras (Novi), 26.35; 2. Xu (Novi), 26.82; 3. Brooke Verble (N'ville), 27.02.

1-meter diving: 1. McKaela Hill (Novi), 201.60 points; 2. Lorna Dunn (Novi), 183.25; 3. Lauren Gudeman (Novi), 163.30.

100 butterfly: 1. Kelsey Macaddino (N'ville), 59.39; 2. Gardon (Novi), 1:03.43; 3. Sarah Wang (Novi), 1:05.99.

100 freestyle: 1. Lauren Heaven (N'ville), 56.76; 2. Nicki Pumper (N'ville), 57.14; 3. Gillian Zayan (Novi), 57.97.

500 freestyle: 1. Katelyn McCullough (N'ville), 5:20.08; 2. Martlock (Novi), 5:35.45; 3. Olivia Mayoras (Novi), 5:50.74.

200 freestyle relay: 1. Novi (Dong, Gardon, Xu, Linda Weng), 1:48.06; 2. Northville (Ostrowski, Alison Tuckey, Sophia Wasiniak, Verble), 1:48.42; 3. Novi (Tuckey, Wang, Nicole Robertson, Martlock), 1:49.68.

100 backstroke: 1. E. Mayoras (Novi), 1:03.58; 2. Heaven (N'ville), 1:04.92; 3. Mia Testani (N'ville), 1:08.09.

100 breaststroke: 1. Tuinman (N'ville), 1:12.65; 2. Dong (Novi), 1:13.14; 3. Tuckey (Novi), 1:15.68.

400 freestyle relay: 1. Novi (Idalia Moore, Jennifer Lee, Weng, E. Mayoras), 3:56.21; 2. Northville (Testani, Wasiniak, Guerrero, Tuckey), 3:56.71; 3. Novi (Martlock, Robertson, Samantha Kasanic, O. Mayoras), 4:04.38.

Dual meet records: Novi, 9-3 overall, 1-1 KLAA Central Division; Northville, 6-1 overall, 2-1 KLAA Central Division.

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GIRLS SWIMMING

Northville's Macaddino captures MISCA championship in 100 butterfly

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The Northville girls swim team came away with some breakthrough performances in Saturday's Michigan Inter-scholastic Swim Coaches Association meet, held at Eastern Michigan University's Jones Natatorium.

Senior Kelsey Macaddino earned a first-place finish in the 100-yard butterfly (57.50), while freshman Sophia Tuinman broke a school record in

the 100 backstroke (57.93) with a third-place finish.

Erin Szara, a senior, was runner-up in the 100 breaststroke (1:04.68). She recorded the second fastest time in the history of the meet, behind only winner Lizzy Spears of Saline (1:04.40).

"This was the first time in a while that we took a big group of girls to the meet," Northville coach Brian McNeff said. "We felt like with the talent that we have this year, they could benefit from some extra competi-

tion. All of the best teams from all over the state are there, so it was also a good judge on where we stood against them."

Northville's 200 medley relay team of Tuinman, Szara, Macaddino and Katelyn McCullough also took runner-up honors with a time of 1:47.74. (Rockford placed first in 1:46.99.)

The Mustangs' 400 freestyle relay team of Macaddino, Lulu Mans, Tuinman and Nicki Pumper placed third (3:40.95), while the quartet of McCul-

lough, Szara, Emma Phillips and Lauren Heaven finished 14th in the 200 freestyle relay (1:41.81).

Other top 16 placers for Northville included Tuinman in the 500 freestyle (seventh, 5:07.86) and McCullough in the 50 freestyle (14th, 25.03).

Novi's Danielle Gardon placed 13th in the 500 freestyle (5:15.07).

Saline was led by Maddie Luther, who swept the 200 and 500 freestyles in 1:50.26 and 4:54.93. She also teamed with

Sarah Borchart, Spears and Johanna Jorgenson for first in both the 200 freestyle (1:36.19) and 400 freestyle (3:29.69) relays.

Spears also won the 200 IM (2:02.58), while teammate Caryn McPherson took the 1-meter diving event (490.30 points).

Other individual winners included Brighton's Taylor Seaman in the 50 freestyle (23.79) and Ann Arbor Skyline's Casey Chung in the 100 backstroke (57.47).

BOYS SOCCER

Tie gives Northville Central Division title

Mustangs clinch second straight against Stevenson

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It kind of felt like a loss and it certainly didn't feel like a win, but Northville was more than happy to settle for a tie Oct. 4 in its KLAAs Central Division boys soccer match with Livonia Stevenson.

The host Mustangs, however, got what they wanted — a second straight division championship, thanks to a 1-1 draw with the Spartans.

With the tie, state-ranked Northville (No. 6, Division 1) stands 8-1-6 overall and 6-0-3 in the Central (21 points).

"I'm very pleased back-to-back division championships, which is very big in our conference," Northville coach Henry Klimes said. "Our division has always been so tough. So proud of the boys that way, but I really wanted a victory tonight, so I'm not as happy as I should be for sure."

Stevenson (6-3-4, 3-2-4) had no mathematical chance to earn a piece of the KLAAs Central title, but wanted to play spoiler and position itself for a rematch when the two teams meet again with the stakes even higher in a first-round MHSAA Division 1 district match beginning at 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 17, at Northville.

"There's not a whole lot of meaning to the game," Stevenson coach Ken Shingledecker said. "Obviously, the game in two weeks is the one that we've got to circle. Those games have been tight with them. We know their style, they know our style. It is what it is. Two weeks is all the matter to us."

Stevenson struck first just 7:22 into the match, when senior defender Conrad Kean headed the ball past Northville goalkeeper Evan Treiber off a corner kick from Brady Brown.

"It was kind of a mis-communication by a few players and also an unlucky bounce," Northville junior defender Collin Neal said. "We won the initial header and then it deflected off another head and went in."

"It was kind of a wake-up



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Northville's Brendan Kemp (right) tries to get a leg up on Stevenson's Joe Nicolas.

call, but it was more like, 'What the heck, we've been all over these guys and they get one lucky shot and one lucky goal.' Sort of a bad call on the corner, in my opinion, but it is what is and it happens, so we kind of picked our heads up and kept playing hard and got a goal."

That goal came with 12:22 left in the first half, when senior midfielder Ben McCauley's corner kick got through and senior forward Brendan Kemp finished it off after the Spartans were unable to clear the ball out of the box.

"I think in the back of the heads of the boys they thought coming in a tie was going to be enough, which it is, but you can't start games like that," Klimes said of the early Stevenson goal. "I thought we

dictated some play early, but they scored on a corner, which can happen. And then we went through some adversity, but got the equalizer there."

Neither team could find the back of the net during the second half.

Northville's best opportunity came with 16:52 remaining, when Mario Plachta's header was snagged by Stevenson's 6-foot-4 goalkeeper Drew Padgen.

"Every game has been like this," Shingledecker said. "We don't give up a lot of goals. This is kind of how we play and if we can catch you on a counter or on a restart ... that's how we want to do it."

Meanwhile, Klimes hopes the tie will be a great motivator going into the district rematch. (Northville took the

first meeting between the two teams earlier this season, 1-0.)

"We're going to meet these guys in nine days, so we wanted to send some type of message," he said. "Time of possession was definitely on our side, but that doesn't win games. You got to finish and execute your opportunities. Give Stevenson credit. They didn't have a whole lot to play for division-wise, but it showed them they can play with us come district time."

But the satisfaction of winning a division title is something to savor.

"It feels great two years in a row, being a returning player and all," Neal said. "Winning last year was a big achievement and winning two years in a row is, obviously, even bigger."

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Canton downs Northville for Kensington crown

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Following Canton's 3-2 boys soccer win Monday night over host Northville at Tom Holzer Field, the loud speaker piped in music from Kool & the Gang's famous rendition of "Celebration."

And the Chiefs (15-1-2), ranked No. 2 in Division 1, had reason to sing right along as they secured their third straight Kensington Conference championship while earning a spot in the upcoming KLAAs Association championship against Lakes Conference winner Grand Blanc (8-4-5). Game time is 7 p.m. Thursday at Canton.

"I thought it was wide open, I thought both teams attacked and did a nice job of creating opportunities up top," Canton coach Mark Zemanski said. "There was probably a little too much space we were giving them and they took advantage and they have some good speed. We'll have to clean it up a little going forward. But overall, it was a good match and they're a good team. And I think we're a good team, too, so I was glad we got the win, obviously, for the

boys."

The Chiefs went on the offensive early and took a 1-0 advantage just 5:08 into the match, when Matt Rockafellow scored off a corner kick from Aidan Hurley.

But Northville (9-3-6) would answer with 9:49 left in the opening half, when Zach Komejan scored after a long throw-in from Ben McCauley that was double-touched by teammates Omar Lahbiki and Owen Marshall.

Meanwhile, the Mustangs seemed poised to go up 2-1 with only 2:04 remaining in the half, when Canton goalkeeper Steven Page, coming off his line, fouled Felipe McCarthy in the box, resulting in a penalty kick.

But Northville's Ben McCauley was unable to take advantage as his shot sailed high over the crossbar, leaving the score deadlocked at 1-1.

And just 5:42 into the second half, Canton took the lead for good on Hurley's goal from Alex Spratte.

The Chiefs then increased their lead to 3-1 with only 15:59 remaining in regulation, when senior Mohamad Miri, who had been dangerous all night,

scored on a rebound off a cross into the goal area by teammate Ethan Schiffour.

The Mustangs, however, refused to fold and got within one again with only 10:07 remaining, when Marshall scored following a long throw-in by Andrew Mitchell.

But Northville was unable to pull even, despite some heavy pressure on Page late in the match.

"Overall, I thought they took it to us the first half, for sure, with their speed," Northville coach Henry Klimes said of Canton. "But I thought we recovered after we gave up the early goal to get in the match and then get the equalizer. Missing a PK doesn't help the situation, but I give a lot of credit to Canton. They're a good team. That's why they're No. 2 in the state."

The return of Rockafellow to the lineup certainly helped bolster Canton's defense.

"I sprained my ankle pretty badly against Plymouth about three weeks ago and this is my first full game back," said Rockafellow, a senior co-captain who plays center back. "At first it was a little bit rough, but once after I got into it, I felt a lot better once I got

into the game."

Canton beat Northville, 2-1, in an earlier meeting Aug. 24 and the Chiefs' game plan didn't deviate much.

"Just hard work, we just had to get out wide, just hard pressure, don't let them have time to play and just hammer it down their throats," Rockafellow said.

Zemanski was pleased to see Rockafellow's return to the lineup.

"I was glad to have Matt," he said. "He's been missing for two-thirds of the season. He's my center back. That's helped a lot, too."

Klimes, whose team plays Thursday at home against Walled Lake Central in a KLAAs crossover, liked the way his team fought until the final horn.

"The second half, we got down 3-1 and never stopped, came back to get the second goal and certainly had two or three great opportunities to tie the game," he said. "I was happy and proud of the boys, even though it was a loss. But it really prepares us for the district run."

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PREP VOLLEYBALL

Novi girls gain share of crown vs. Lions

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Kathryn Ellison and Alyssa Cummings racked up 12 and 11 kills, respectively, as defending Class A state champion Novi rolled to a 25-11, 25-12, 25-19 KLAAs Central Division volleyball triumph Oct. 6 over host South Lyon.

Junior setter Erin O'Leary also added 34 assist-to-kills and 12 digs as the Wildcats, ranked No. 2 in Class A, gained a share of the division title while improving to 30-1 overall and 9-0 in the division.

Top attackers for the Lions (14-8-2, 5-4) were Chloe Grimes (four kills, .310 hitting percentage), Samantha Halaby (three kills) and Brigid Donahue (.330 hitting percentage). Setters Hannah Barton and Emily Kalinowski combined for 16 assists with nine and seven, respectively.

Callie Harper and Stephanie Kalinowski paced the defense with seven and six digs, respectively. Morgan Booth also had a block.

On Oct. 4, Madison Scott had five kills to lift Novi (29-1, 8-0) to a 25-10, 25-13, 25-12 KLAAs Central Division win at Livonia Stevenson (2-22-1, 0-8).

Lauren Murphy added four kills and two blocks, while Mackenzie Kwasniewicz chipped in eight digs.

On Oct. 1, Novi captured six straight matches to win the Saline Invitational.

Northville goes 3-1

In Saturday's Birmingham Marian tournament, Northville (No. 3, Division 1) finished 3-1 on the day, falling to North Branch (No. 2, Division 2) in a three-set quarterfinal match, 19-25, 26-24, 16-14.

Clarkston (No. 4, Division 1) won the title with a 25-18, 30-28 victory in the final over Marian to improve to 31-4 overall.

In pool play, the Mustangs (33-3) defeated Birmingham Seaholm (25-15, 25-2), No. 10 Macomb Dakota (25-23, 25-20) and No. 9 Lake Orion (25-22, 25-19).

Emily Martin led the Mustangs with a total of 35 kills, four solo blocks and 21 digs on the day, while setter Rachel Holmes added 108 total assists.

Other top performers for Northville included Hannah Grant (41 digs), Kiera Borthwick (26 kills, 25 digs), Claire Wenrick (23 kills), Bryce Quick (18 kills) and Nicole Rumman (16 kills, four solo blocks).

On Oct. 6, Borthwick and Martin both recorded six kills and six digs to lead Northville (30-2, 8-2) to a 25-6, 25-12, 25-10 KLAAs Central Division victory at Livonia Stevenson (2-23-1, 0-9).

Other leaders for the Mustangs included Brianna Marcoux (five kills), Holmes (32 assist-to-kills, four digs), Quick (three aces), Hannah Grant (10 digs, two aces) and Jessica Hogan (two solo blocks).

On Oct. 4, Northville (29-2, 7-1) got contributions all the way around in a 25-9, 25-18, 25-15 KLAAs Central Division victory over visiting South Lyon East (12-10-2, 3-5).

The Mustangs were led by Holmes (36 assist-to-kills), Borthwick (six kills) and Grant (14 digs).

Other contributions for Northville came from Martin (five kills, 11 digs), Quick (four kills, three aces), Wenrick (four kills) and Marcoux (seven digs).

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Bandyk scores two goals to power Novi to 3-0 triumph over Churchill

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Senior Kyle Bandyk racked up two more goals to go along with an assist Monday as host Novi blanked Livonia Churchill, 3-0, in the KLAAs Kensington Conference boys soccer third-place crossover match at Meadows Stadium.

Novi (9-2-4), the third place team in the KLAAs Central, led 1-0 at halftime thanks to Bandyk's goal, assisted by Michael Jecman with 19:01.

The Wildcats, who outshot the Chargers 10-5, added two more second-half goals, the

first coming from Bandyk with 23:54 left (assisted by Taiga Shioiwkawa) and the second by Shota Kita with 2:28 to go (assisted by Bandyk).

Novi goalkeepers Shion Maidens and Luke McDonald combined on the shutout.

Churchill, the third-place team in the KLAAs South, fell to 9-5-1 overall.

DETROIT CC 2, BROTHER RICE 1: Playing the final 37 minutes a man down, Novi Detroit Catholic Central (9-3-3, 5-0-1) pulled out a Catholic League Central Division win Oct. 6 at Birmingham Brother Rice (6-5-2, 1-2-2).

Junior Matt Park scored the game-winner off an assist from Noah Walter after Rice had tied it up early in the second half on Jake McConnell's goal from Nolan Geraghty. The Rice goal came just minutes after CC junior midfielder Jared Lee was ejected for a

red card.

The Central Division champs jumped out to a 1-0 first-half lead on Ryan Pierson's penalty kick.

SALEM 1, NORTHVILLE 0: Jason Warras scored the game-winning goal just three minutes into the match to give the Rocks (8-5-3, 6-2-2) the victory Oct. 6 over the KLAAs Central Division champion Mustangs (9-2-6, 6-1-3).

Christian Freitag assisted on the game-winner. "I was very pleased with how the boys played," Salem coach Kyle Karns said. "It was a goal of ours to come out early and set the tone of the game and to get a goal within the first three minutes. We felt like we accomplished that."

Salem goalkeeper Andrew Kozan posted the shutout, while Yanni Kanelopoulos started in goal for Northville.

NOVI 8, SOUTH LYON EAST 1: On Oct. 5, senior Kyle Bandyk proved once again he has the Midas Touch, pumping in five goals as Novi rolled to a KLAAs Central Division over host South Lyon East (2-11-1, 1-8-1).

The state-ranked Wildcats (No. 15, Division 1) outshot the Cougars, 18-2.

Novi jumped out to a 3-0 halftime lead as Bandyk scored with 30:04 left (unassisted) and with 21:26 remaining (from Quinn Franchino). Albi Popaj then

followed with goal with 13:39 remaining (from Toshio Shimazaki).

In the second half, Bandyk scored three more goals, with the first coming with 35:40 left (from Brandon Griffith); 33:39 to go (from Nikhil Mundkur); and 17:23 remaining (unassisted).

Bandyk also assisted on a Shion Maidens goal with 23:34 to play in the match.

After East got a goal from Grayson Davies (assisted by Josh Oland) to spoil Luke McDonald's and Reggie Spencer's shutout bid with 10:48 to go, Novi's Taerin Kim scored with 7:38 remaining, assisted by Toshio Shimazaki, to complete the scoring.

DETROIT CC 3, DeLaSALLE 1: On Oct. 4, host Novi Detroit Catholic Central (8-3-3, 4-0-1) wrapped up a spot in the Catholic League A-B Division finals for the third straight year with a Central Division senior night win over Warren DeLaSalle (9-6-2, 1-4).

Victor Szymanski and Farzad Baghaie combined for two of the three goals for the state-ranked Shamrocks (No. 11 in Division 1).

The Shamrocks struck first just two minutes into in the match on Szymanski's goal off an assist from Baghaie. Ryan Pierson gave CC a two-goal cushion in the 47th minute, assisted by Matt Sherman.

DeLaSalle pulled to within one on a goal by Nicholas Bounbrisco, but Baghaie's header with only

seven minutes remaining off an assist from Szymanski sealed the victory.

CC goalkeepers Trevor Ostrowski (first half) and Kevin Blossfeld (second half) combined for 11 saves with four and seven, respectively.

NOVI 7, SOUTH LYON 0: Adam DellaVecchia scored four goals and added one assist to propel the Wildcats (7-2-4, 4-2-3) to the KLAAs Central Division Triumph Oct. 4 against the host Lions (6-2-1, 1-7-1).

Novi jumped out to a 4-0 halftime lead getting goals from DellaVecchia (assisted by Kyle Bandyk, 35:49 left); Bandyk (penalty kick), 30:07 left; Shion Maidens (penalty kick), 22:58 left; and DellaVecchia (assisted by Albi Popaj), 20:39 left.

In the second half, Bandyk scored his second with 30:56 remaining, assisted by DellaVecchia, who scored again with 28:03 left from Hernan Brarda.

DellaVecchia then scored his fourth with only 27:32 left, assisted by Bandyk.

Goalkeepers Luke McDonald and Josh Brucker combined on the shutout as Novi outshot South Lyon, 16-4.

South Lyon goalie Alex Sickelsteel made eight saves.

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Be upfront about job gaps in an interview

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Not every job seeker's career path is conventional — sometimes, there are employment or other résumé gaps in their timeline that may warrant an explanation to a prospective employer.

Here's some advice from the pros on how to handle yourself during a job interview so you can portray yourself in the best light.

Be proactive so you can steer the conversation.

"Don't wait for a hiring manager to ask you about it," says Melissa Hirsch, senior recruiter at Betts Recruiting firm. "Include the gap in your background story when asked, 'Tell me about yourself.' Walk through your transitions and be open and honest. It's not a big deal if you don't make it one."

Juli Smith — president of The Smith Consulting Group, which offers executive search services — agrees that being forthcoming can put you in the driver's seat.

"The best defense is a good offense — be forthright and explain upfront about the gap in your employment so the interviewer doesn't have to ask you," Smith says. "This puts you in the position of steering



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the conversation and being able to be matter-of-fact about the gap."

Don't lie. "The best advice I can give is to be perfectly honest and explain why there is a gap — things like taking care of an elderly parent or sick relative or having to attend to personal or family matters," says Andrew Miller, president and CEO at Brain-Works, which offers executive search services. "If the reason is because you were searching and couldn't find anything, again there needs to be a decent reason, such as, 'I am not relocatable so that limits my options.'"

Regardless of whether it seems like a setback to an employer, be candid.

"Recruiters and HR managers understand the economy was really rough around 2009," says Jennifer Yeko, founder and recruiter of Ninja Recruiting. "If you took time off to raise a family or something — even though legally you don't need to disclose it during an interview — it might help explain a gap."

Have a story to accompany the gap. You should be in a position to offer an explanation for your unemployment or résumé gap. "If you were fired because

your previous company was making cuts, this clearly is not your fault," says Adam Smiley Poswolsky, a millennial workplace expert, writer and speaker. "If you quit a previous job, why did you leave? Was the company culture not the right fit? Why do you believe this next opportunity will be a better fit for you, given your unique skills, interests and the impact you want to have on the world?"

Be positive. It's easy to blame a previous employer or make excuses, but skip the negative talk.

"When it comes time to address gaps on your résumé,

job seekers should address those gaps and the reason for those gaps positively," says Dr. Steven Lindner, executive partner of The WorkPlace Group. "Help the recruiter and hiring manager undo any incorrect assumptions or biases held about employment gaps. Talk about how you have used your time during employment gaps to prepare yourself for your next job."

Highlight any skills you may have acquired during your time between jobs. Perhaps you took time off to travel or study — these can be beneficial not only to you but also to the employer.

"(For example, did you) volunteer full time for a while? Go traveling? Take a course that improved (your) skills and will help (you) to be an asset at this new company?" asks Valerie Streif, senior adviser at The Mentat, an organization that hires, manages and mentors candidates. "Things like this make it seem like less of a gap in employment because (you) were still learning and developing as a person."

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By Dale Buss

Ford doesn't look like much of a growth story right now: U.S. sales declined by 8 percent in September versus a year ago, as the company participates in an overall leveling off of the American automotive market after a six-year boom.

But the bigger you go in Ford's lineup, the more growth you see: Sales of its pickup trucks were up by more than 8 percent for the year to date while SUV sales were up by more than 5 percent, against a 12-percent decline in sedan sales.

Its strength up market is one reason Ford is ranked No. 33 in the new Interbrand Best Global Brands report, giving it the only place in the list of 100 brands taken by any U.S. automotive brand.

"This is a global list, so in part it's about the fact that no other American brand has the kind of broad global footprint that these other brands do, and Ford comes

closest," Daniel Binns, managing director in the automotive sector for New York-based Interbrand, told me.

"Also with Ford part of it is financial performance. And its strength of brand does well versus other mass manufacturers."

The trend toward stronger consumer preference for utility vehicles and larger models throws an especially interesting light on Ford's unwitting role in the presidential campaign, as Donald Trump continued to criticize the company's decision to move its small car production from Detroit to Mexico.

But lo and behold: What's moving into the factory in Wayne are completely new models that will help Ford tap into the fastest-growing categories. Sources are telling Automotive News that Ford's first product at the plant will be a new version of its Ranger mid-size pickup-truck nameplate, scheduled for output by 2018, to be followed in 2020 by an all-new Ford Bronco SUV—the nameplate that O.J. Simpson made eternally infamous by making it his "getaway" vehicle in 1996.

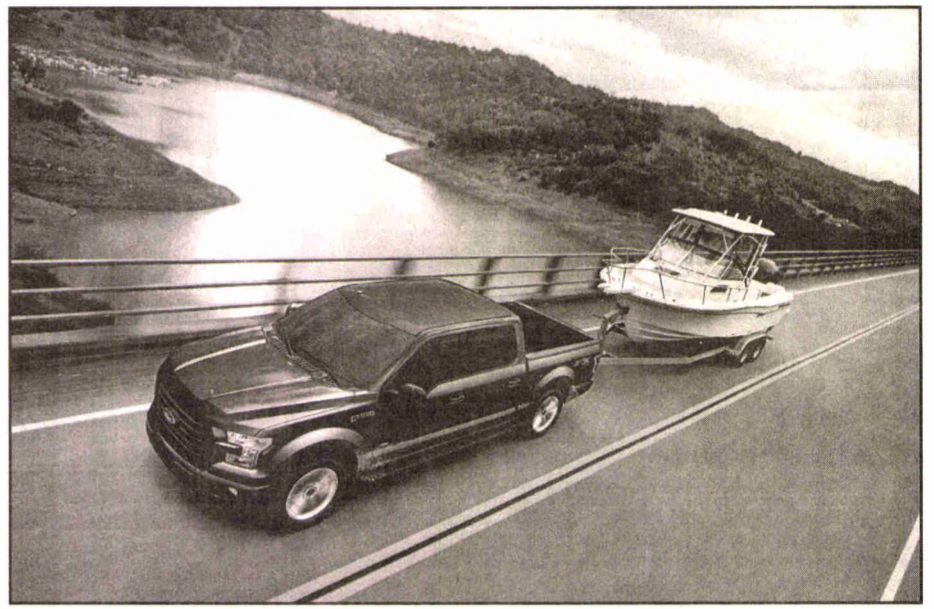
Meanwhile, Ford continues to retool for a future where it looks a lot more like a sleek Silicon Valley tech company than an old-world automaker. For example, Ford said that by year's end, three of its models—Focus Electric, Fusion Energi and C-Max Energi—will be able to

communicate with smart-home devices using Amazon's Alexa voice service by pressing a button on the steering wheel.

And overall, CEO Mark Fields recently described a path to future growth that will be strewn with self-driving automobiles, road-sharing services and Midwestern manufacture of high-profit trucks and SUVs—but making small cars only in Mexico.

In the short term, Fields warned, there also will be boulders on this path in the form of lower profitability as Ford ramps up spending for a higher-growth future. And foregoing short-term profits for long-term growth is another way Ford will resemble the digital tech companies that also are threatening to take over the future of automobility.

In fact, Ford projects returns of at least 20 percent from its various "mobility" ventures versus single-digit profitability from the business of making and selling vehicles to individual and fleet owners. "It's not about moving from an old business to a new business," Fields said. "It's about moving to a bigger business."



The Ford F-150 is a major part of Ford's growth plan.

And in that strategic calculation, which Fields has been rolling out over the past year or so, he's attempting to move Ford one major step beyond where his predecessor, Alan Mulally, left the company. Beginning in 2006, Mulally rallied Ford to survive the Great Recession on its own resources and bring out a worthy lineup of new vehicles for the great automotive sales recovery of the past seven years, including laying the groundwork for the hot-selling new aluminum-bed F-150 pickup trucks.

After warming up to the future implications of self-driving and ride-sharing only slowly in his first year or so on the job, by late last year Fields was embracing the new future with gusto. And recently he

laid out the consequences in their greatest detail.

The gist of the strategy is that Ford plans to start selling driverless cars to the public in about 2025, after a few years of selling self-driving taxis. "We're dedicated to putting autonomous vehicles on the road for millions of people, not just those who can afford luxury cars," Fields said.

But meanwhile, the company has made it clear that much of the work of putting those cars together and on the road will occur at its rapidly growing outpost in the Silicon Valley and within startups that it is acquiring or investing in, even though Ford also will spend heavily on overhauling its corporate headquarters operations in Michigan.

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