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Democrats to meet

Former Michigan Democratic Party Chairman Mark Brewer will be the guest speaker when the Democrats of Western Wayne County meet.

The meeting takes place Tuesday, Jan. 17, with a 6 p.m. social hour and then the meeting 7-8:30 p.m., at Novi United Methodist Church, 41671 W. 10 Mile Road.

Brewer will talk about where Democrats are going on the issue of gerrymandering.

For more information, go to DWOC.info

Walled Lake gets grant

Kallee Iverson, English as a Second Language instructional coach, and Dr. Lora Stout, director of community education, professional development and grants, recently accepted \$4,000 from the Japanese Business Society of Detroit.

The money will help fund a summer program in Walled Lake for students who are new to the country.

Gatt announces bid to win fourth term as Novi mayor

Matt Jachman
hometownlife.com

Novi Mayor Bob Gatt is seeking a fourth two-year term at the city's helm.

Gatt, the full-time manager of the Oakland County Animal Control Division and a former Novi police officer, announced his re-election bid Monday via press release, saying he felt "engaged, energetic, excited,



Gatt

optimistic and full of promise" as he looks toward the November election.

"The state of the city of Novi is robust and strong and I'm proud to be part of this great story," Gatt said. "Not only do I serve the Novi community, but I have the opportunity to

work with some of the best people and business leaders I have ever met." He is the first person to announce a bid for office in this year's city election. In addition to the mayor's term, the terms of city council members Andrew Mutch, Gwen Markham and Brian Burke will expire in November.

In his statement, Gatt touted several accomplishments during

his tenure, including reduced crime, lower taxes, new development and growth in the residential sector. He also mentioned the city's new 1.5 million-gallon water storage facility, which allows the city to draw water from the Great Lakes Water Authority system during nighttime hours, when it is the least expensive, and release it

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JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Bright lights and shiny cars greet visitors Tuesday to the Media Preview Day of Detroit's North American International Auto Show. The show will open to the public Saturday, Jan. 14. The car photographed here is a Hyundai Genesis.

Auto show chair: Event is bigger, better than ever

Jay Grossman
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Sam Slaughter, owner of the Sellers Auto Group and chairman of the 2017 North American International Auto Show, promises to deliver an event that will be one of the biggest and significant shows in recent years.

"The North American International Auto Show is among the leaders in global media coverage, executive attendance and industry-shaping content, making it the most influential annual automotive event in the world," Slaughter said. "Here in North America, we'll garner more global media coverage than auto shows in New York, L.A. and Chicago combined."

More than 5,000 journalists from around the world will be attending the show to interview the top executives in the industry and preview dozens of new vehicles. The NAIAS kicks off with preview week that runs Jan. 8-12, before opening to the public Jan. 14-22.

Here's what the public can look forward to at this year's show:



Slaughter

Look for our photographer at Charity Preview

Heading over Friday to the North American International Auto Show's Charity Preview? So is our photographer Bill Bresler.

As he does every year, he heads downtown to the annual event, chronicling the festivities of the evening.

Stop Bill and mention you saw in the Novi News that he was going to be there and he'll snap a few photos of you to include in our online gallery.

Bill will be the bald guy in a dark suit and bow tie. Oh yeah, he'll be lugging around photography equipment, as well.



Bresler

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Tim Nichols cleans a display screen at the Volkswagen display earlier this week.

JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



Chrysler's 2017 Pacifica was named Utility Vehicle of the Year at the North America International Auto Show.

JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

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Q: What are some of the highlights of the 2017 North American International Auto Show?

Slaughter: The 2017 NAIAS is going to be one of the biggest and most significant shows in recent years. For preview week, we'll be launching our AutoMobi-D showcase. This exciting initiative will feature over 120 companies, including

automakers, suppliers and startups, all showcasing technologies and innovations that will shape the future of our industry.

In addition, Disney Pixar will be bringing some Hollywood to Detroit as they'll provide an update to the "Cars 3" movie and debut a life-size version of one of the movie's main characters. That car will be on display for the general public to see during the public show.

Q: How many vehicles will be on display?

Slaughter: We generally have over 700 cars on display. From muscle and electric cars, to high-performance super cars and full-size trucks, NAIAS has something for everyone to enjoy.

Q: How many vehicle introductions are planned for this year?

Slaughter: We anticipate over 50 debuts, with the vast majority of

those being worldwide reveals.

Q: What's your vision for this year's show?

Slaughter: Our vision is to have NAIAS be the most influential annual automotive showcase in the world.

Q: Is this an event for the whole family?

Slaughter: Yes, the NAIAS is most definitely a family-friendly show. Automaker displays are very interactive, offering games, demonstrations and hands-on activities for all to enjoy.

Q: What's your favorite part of the show?

Slaughter: My favorite part is during the public show and walking the floor, seeing all of the people smiling and families enjoying the show.

Q: What's the general outlook for auto sales in 2017?

Slaughter: I think we as dealers are optimistic for another strong year in 2017. Automakers are debuting some great products in 2017 that should get consumers excited and into the showrooms.

Q: How many years before self-driving vehicles are the norm?

Slaughter: I think we're still quite a way out from full-autonomous vehicles, where we just hit a button and the car arrives and takes us to our destination. We'll start to see more semi-autonomous features released in vehicles as these technologies are generally only on high-end, premium vehicles.

Q: What can you tell us about this year's Charity Preview?

Slaughter: The Charity Preview is truly special. It has grown into the largest annual, single-night fundraiser in the world. Last year we raised over \$5.2 million, taking our grand total since Charity Preview was established back in 1976 by a group of Detroit auto dealers to over \$106 million. The Beach Boys are our musical performance for 2017 and I encourage everyone to come out and support local children's charities and enjoy themselves at one of the most sought-after events in the nation.

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Public safety, he said, remains his and the council's top priority.

"Your city council has been careful stewards of our finances, while maintaining quality services and operations," Gatt said. "I have stayed focused by helping make Novi a better place to

live for all of us."

Gatt was a Novi police officer from 1975 to 2002, retiring as a sergeant. He served two four-year terms on the city council, beginning in 2003, before being first elected mayor in 2011. He was re-elected mayor by wide margins in 2013 and 2015.

He has a bachelor's degree in business administration from Wayne State University and a master's degree in liberal studies from Eastern Michigan University.

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Many people are concerned about Trump's stand on women's health issues. He's promised to repeal the Affordable Care Act, is likely to appoint conservative Supreme Court justices, may attempt to overturn Roe vs. Wade and threatened to defund Planned Parenthood, making it more difficult for low-income women to have access to birth control and reproductive health care.

He also campaigned on promises to build a wall between the U.S. and Mexico, to create a registry of refugees and enhance surveillance of Muslims living in America. Though Trump he says that he is not a racist, some say he has been slow to disavow white supremacists who campaigned for him.

Since the election, there's been a rise in the number of hate crimes reported across the U.S. Michigan had the highest number of hate incidents among states in the Midwest in the 10 days following the Nov. 8 election, according to a late November report by the Southern Poverty Law Center.

"We may have lost this battle, but this is like an electrified moment. People who have never had a political thought are getting involved," Kelly said.

Breen, 39, of Novi brought her daughter, Abi, 6, to Upton's sign-making party. Though Breen is not planning to attend the march, she is among those concerned about Trump's stand on women's health issues.

Colleen Crossey, 54, of Novi said her hope is that more women start to seek public office and positions of power in government.

"Women have been volunteering for a lot of things for years and I don't think they realize



RACHEL WOOLF | SPECIAL TO THE FREE PRESS
Kelly Breen of Novi points out a letter to her daughter Abi, 6, as they decorate her sign to read "Girl Power" at a party Sunday where women made protest signs for the Women's March on Washington.



RACHEL WOOLF | SPECIAL TO THE FREE PRESS
A completed sign stands in the corner at a sign-making party at a home in Novi. The women made protest signs for the upcoming Women's March on Washington.

that's leadership," said Crossey, a social worker who has run twice for the Oakland County Commission. "They serve on Girl Scouts, the PTO, they volunteer for all kinds of causes, working together for a common cause. They don't realize that is leadership."

It's time, she said, to take women's volunteer-

ism and turn it into political might.

"I'm just outraged at our government ignoring us," she said. "I don't think they represent us. I think they represent the people who fund their campaigns."

Tali Wendrow, 53, of West Bloomfield said Trump has offended her on almost every level as

a Jewish woman with an autistic daughter and a son studying to be a journalist.

"I don't want him to undo what 40 years of women before us did," she said. "We cannot undo what we've done, for our children's sake."

Jody LaPointe is an organizer of a northern Oakland County group of democratic women who met Sunday in Clarkston to make signs. Though LaPointe, 44, of Oxford is eager to attend the March in Washington, she said it's important to continue organizing, protesting and speaking out even after Jan. 21.

"People are so upset, they are willing to drive to Washington and march in the streets," LaPointe said. "And that's great, but I've got plans after this. Let's go and let our voices be heard. Let them see us and let them know we're not just going to roll over."

"Beyond that, what are we going to do? We're

UPCOMING SIGN PARTIES

Several other sign-making events in advance of the Women's March on Washington are planned across the state in the days ahead, including:

Jan. 13
10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Bancroft Coffee, 122 E. Genesee St., Saginaw

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Jan. 15
3 p.m., Brown Iron Brewhouse, 57695 Van Dyke Road, Washington Township

For more events and updated information, go online to: <http://bit.ly/2iRPHV8>

If you go

The Women's March on Washington kicks off at 10 a.m. Jan. 21, beginning at the intersection of Independence Avenue and Third Street Southwest, near the U.S. Capitol.

The march is open to anyone, regardless of gender identity, who believes women's rights are human rights, organizers say. Phoebe Hopps, the Traverse City-based Michigan coordinator, said Michiganders can meet at 7 a.m. at Hancock Park. She's urging all participants from the Great Lakes State to put a big blue mitten on their signs so they'll be easy to spot in the crowds.

The main source of information for Michiganders going to the march is <https://www.facebook.com/groups/699422056872220/>. If you'd like more details, send an email to the Michigan coordinators at michigan@womensmarch.com.

For people who can't get to Washington but who would like to participate, sister rallies are being held in Grand Rapids and Lansing.

A rally is planned 1-3 p.m. Jan. 21, on the steps of the state Capitol, 100 N. Capitol Ave., Lansing. For more details, go to <https://www.marchonlansing.org/>.

In addition, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Jan. 21, Fountain Street Church in Grand Rapids will livestream the Washington march in its social hall and will have representatives of women's organizations, including Planned Parenthood, Progressive Women's Alliance and Justice For Our Neighbors, on hand. The address is 24 Fountain St. NE, Grand Rapids.

going to fight. I've got a lot of ideas. ... I'd like to see some progressive women get elected. I think there are things we can do and I'm really, really excited about doing them. ... We need to stop this, not four years from now, but two years from now. We need to put the kibosh on it."

Phoebe Hopps, the Michigan coordinator for the Women's March, estimates at least 5,000 women from Michigan are expected to take buses to Washington. She said another 1,000 are getting there via carpooling, train and airplane. For those who can't make it to the U.S. Capitol, hundreds more are likely to also rally in Lansing and Grand Rapids during sister marches.

Upton campaigned for Trump's Democratic rival, Hillary Clinton, and said opening her home for a sign party seemed like an easy and obvious way to take action. She recently joined the West Oakland Democratic Club and hopes going to the march will "help her meet more like-minded women and bring them into the fold."

"When women are united, they'll never be divided," she said through a megaphone she bought for the march, bringing smiles from the sign-makers. "It's a women's rally and we need to chant things that roll off the tongue and are easy to repeat."

"Here's another one: I am strong. I am loud. I make my sisters proud."

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Sunday, Jan. 22
9 a.m. to 7 p.m. (no admittance after 6 p.m.)

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According to the NA-IAS website:

Every child in a school group must have a ticket to enter the show.

Seniors and children's tickets must be purchased at the door and are only valid the day of purchase.

Annual MLK event promotes unity, friendship

For the last several years, I have accompanied our Novi Middle School eighth-grade students on their Washington, D.C., trip. Each year, we have visited the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial.

The Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial is an impressive monument. An image of King rises above the ground and looks toward the Tidal Basin and the Jefferson Memorial. Sixteen quotes from King surround the memorial.

Each year as I stand at the base of the memorial with students from the Novi Community School District, I am struck that our district embodies many of the ideals that King



Steve Matthews
SUPER TALK

stood for. We are a district that exemplifies the calling of King.

As I stand at the base of this memorial with our students, I am surrounded by students of many races and cultures. I see faces of every color. I see students of every size.

One of the lasting messages of King is that people should not be "judged by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character." This is a message that we are trying to live in our district.

At times in our district, we struggle with

our differences. We have students who look different from the students who were in our district 20 or 40 years ago. We now hear languages spoken in our district that were not spoken in our district in the years before us.

But instead of running from these differences, our district has embraced them. We recognize that the world in which we live is becoming a smaller place as each year goes by. People that we would never meet and that we would see only on television documentaries are now our neighbors and our friends. People who used to live in "that other city" now live next to us.

And we have embraced these changes.

Our school district looks like the world. Our students are educated in an environment that prepares them for the world in which they will live. Our school district helps our students learn to work, play and learn with people — no matter what they look like.

The world will continue to grow smaller. Opportunities to travel and work will continue to multiply. Within those opportunities, people of all races and religions will continue to meet and learn with and from each other.

At 7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 16, in the Novi High School auditorium, our community, led by the Students Promoting Unity and Diversity student group of Novi High

School, will hold its 11th annual Unity in the Community Program. The evening honors the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. I would encourage and invite you to attend this celebration.

As I have stood at the base of the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial in Washington, D.C., with our eighth-grade students, I have seen the friendships that our students have developed with each other. Students of all colors have learned that it is what's inside a person that matters most, not what is on the outside.

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

Gallagher recognizes Northville school board members

January is School Board Recognition Month — a great time to formally honor the crucial role Northville Public Schools Board of Education members play in the lives of our children, our schools and our community. As citizen leaders, individual school board members across our state and our nation face complex and demanding challenges. They are alternately described as having the most important volunteer jobs in the country and facing the toughest challenge in elected American government. Yet, the truth is, our Board of Education



Mary Kay Gallagher
GUEST COLUMNIST

members are ordinary citizens with extraordinary dedication to our schools and our communities.

Public education is the backbone of American society and our local school boards are deeply rooted in this tradition.

Their job is to establish the district's vision, mission and goals and develop policies to achieve them; to strongly encourage continuous improvement in student

learning; and to advocate at the local, state and national level in support of public education. This work includes an endless string of meetings and school functions to attend; reams of reports, agendas, proposals and other documents to read and study; and a never-ending commitment to thoughtful consideration of the issues, balancing perspectives and making difficult decisions that are both fiscally responsible and focused on what is best for students.

We are fortunate at Northville Public Schools to have a Board of Education that supports our quest to open

"A World of Possibilities" for each and every student that will prepare them for work and life in the 21st century. Together with district leaders, the seven members of the Northville Board of Education develop policies and make tough decisions that help shape the future of our school district and, in turn, our community. They bear the responsibility and oversight for an annual general fund budget of approximately \$70 million, 7,200 students, 830 employees and 11 buildings.

Our Board of Education members generously give of themselves

to ensure that decisions directly affecting our schools are made by representatives of our community — people who are close to our schools and know our teachers, parents and students. Their primary goal is always focused on the success of the children in our school district. We applaud their willingness to serve as advocates for our children and the voice of public education.

While we make a special effort in January to show appreciation to our school board members, we realize their many contributions reflect a year-round commitment. With this in mind, I invite all the members of our community to make a special effort during School Board Recognition Month to tell our Board of Education members that their hard work, dedication and commitment of time on behalf of our community's children has been noticed and is truly appreciated and valued. It can be as simple as writing a note, sending an email, making a phone call or simply saying "thank you" the next time you see a board member out in the community.

The men and women serving Northville Public Schools and their years of service are:

- » James Mazurek: six years
- » Cynthia Jankowski: five years
- » Matthew Wilk: four-and-a-half years
- » Adam Phelps: four years — retired effective Dec. 31, 2016
- » Ann Kalass: three years
- » Roland Hwang: two years
- » Sarah Prescott: One year, four months
- » Laurie Doner: began term Jan. 1

I also want to take this opportunity to express a special thanks on behalf of the entire Northville community to Phelps, who stepped down from the board at the end of December after completing his four-year term. Phelps has served as an advocate for Northville school children and families in his roles as a board trustee, vice president and president. We appreciate his service to the children and families of Northville and recognize the impact he has had as a member of the Board of Education.

Mary Kay Gallagher is superintendent of the Northville Public Schools district.

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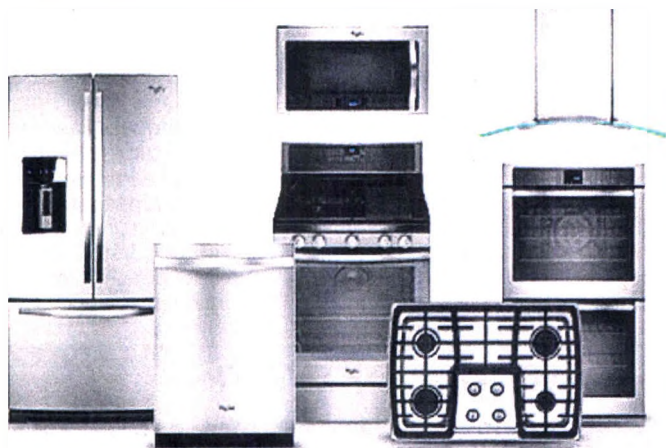
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Northville AAUW hosts U-M population scientist

The Northville-Novu Branch of the American Association of University Women will have Dr. Lisa Neidert, data scientist from the Population Studies Center at the University of Michigan, as its speaker Jan. 20. The meeting will be held at Cassel's Family Restaurant, 43003 Seven Mile Road, Northville, at 11:45 a.m. for the luncheon and 12:30 p.m. for the meeting.

To attend the luncheon portion of the meeting, a reservation must be

made by Jan. 14. To make the reservation, a check for \$15 (made out to AAUWNN) must be mailed to AAUWNN, c/o Jan Wilhelm, P.O. Box 511, Northville, MI 48167 or by using PayPal AAUW website, aauwnn.org. The \$15 covers lunch, coffee, tea or pop, tax and tip.

Neidert's topic will be "A Woman's Place Is In The Fill-in-the-Blank: Fifty Years of Demographic Change." This presentation will focus on how the landscape in

the United States has changed for women (and men) over the last 50 years: marriage, fertility, education and work. It will be based on data from the federal statistical system. The talk will also devote some time on how and why the government collects data. And who knew that the first female director



Neidert

of the Census Bureau was from Ann Arbor? Neidert directs data services at the Population Studies Center. In this role, she helps users find and analyze data. Researchers are increasingly using data from new sources such as social media (tweets, Facebook networks, cash register receipts and data scraped from websites) in addition to administrative data (driver's licenses, property tax records, criminal sentencing histories and

old standbys like marriage, birth and death records).

She is currently working on an analysis of the college-educated population in the U.S. Particularly, she is looking at differences across states in whether they grow their own college graduates or whether they import them (from other states and from abroad).

Membership is open to anyone holding an associate's (or equivalent, e.g. RN), bachelor's or higher degree

from an accredited college or university. E-Student Affiliation is free for all undergraduate students attending an AAUW college/university partner member institution. Undergraduate students at institutions that are not AAUW college/university partner members can join AAUW for \$17 a year. For more information about membership in the Northville-Novu Branch, contact Corinne Vincent at 248-349-2932 or vincorinn@yahoo.com.

ACADEMIC ACHIEVERS

Honors

Northville resident Kathryn Childers was named to the dean's list at Bucknell University during the fall 2016 semester.

Novi resident Olivia Landis, a junior at Spring Arbor University, is among the school's academic all-Crossroads League award winners for the 2016 fall season, among a league-best 32 Spring Arbor University student-athletes. A total of 204 student-athletes from the Crossroads League's 10 member institutions participating in men's cross country, women's cross country, men's soccer, women's soccer and volleyball received the honor. In order to be eligible, a student-athlete must have reached junior status academically and possess a cumulative grade-point average of 3.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale for the entire academic semester in which the student-athlete participated in the league sport.

Local student studying in Ireland

Bailey Fowler, daughter of Colleen and Blaine Fowler of Northville, is studying in Ireland during fall 2016 semester through the Center for Global Education at the College of St. Benedict in St. Joseph, Minn., and St. John's University in Collegeville, Minn.. Fowler is a junior elementary education major at CSB.

The Galway program gives students an opportunity to explore the history, culture, literature and religion of Ireland. While students are exposed to Gaelic as a living language, courses are taught in English. The focus is structured curriculum, leaving room for the exploration of unique opportunities presented by the intellectual and cultural resources of Ireland. Located in Spiddal, a rural village outside of Galway, students are housed in cottages at the Park Lodge, a family-run institution. Christi Siver, associate professor of political science at CSB and SJU, is director of the program for fall

2016.

Earns a doctorate

Megan Marie Wallen of Novi has successfully completed her doctoral program and been awarded a Ph.D. in biology at Georgetown University in Washington, D.C. She is a 2006 Novi High School graduate and a 2010 University of Michigan graduate. Wallen has completed extensive research projects in Ghana, Kenya, Australia and Chesapeake Bay, Va.

In addition, Wallen has received awards and grants from numerous institutions, including the National Aquarium in Baltimore, the American Society of Mammalogists, the 2014 Marine Mammal Symposium and the 2016 Georgetown Biology Department Outstanding Graduate Student.

Wallen resides in Washington, D.C.

Enrolled

Northville residents April Thomas, Emily Fitzgerald and Julie Vu are enrolled at Kent State University. Vu is enrolled in the university's Honors College.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

College funding workshop

Date/Time: Thursday, Jan. 12, 7-8:30 p.m.

Details: A free workshop on funding your child's college education will be hosted at Livonia Stevenson High School. The speaker will be Robert Hoyer, certified college planning specialist with Michigan College Funding LLC. He will be discussing such topics as how to increase your eligibility for aid and how to find scholarships and grants you've never even heard of.

Additional topics to be included:

- » How to help your student decide on which colleges to apply to
- » How to pick the colleges that may give you the most amount of money
- » How to help maximize your student's potential to receive scholarships and grants
- » What to do right now if your child is in high school

Admission is free, but seating is limited by the size of the room, so call 248-662-1300 to reserve your seat.

MLK event

Date/Time: Monday, Jan. 16, 5 p.m.

Details: The Walled Lake Consolidated School District hosts the 18th annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day Celebration at Walled Lake Northern High School (6000 Bogie Lake Road) in Commerce. The evening's events will include a multicultural dinner 5-6 p.m. complete with

ethnic food from around the world prepared by 12 different local restaurants and an exhibition of student work 5-6:30 p.m.

The program will feature keynote speaker Irene Miller, who is a Holocaust survivor and author of the book "Into No Man's Land: A Historical Memoir." Miller will speak on the evening's theme, "Be an Upstander, Not a Bystander: Be an Advocate for Social Justice."

For more information, call Alec Bender, principal at Wixom Elementary, at 248-956-3432 or contact Judy Evola, director of community relations, at judyevola@wlcsl.org.

Valentine Mad Hatter Luncheon

Enjoy a feast of sweets (and some nutritious foods, too). Guests may choose to dress with an Alice in Wonderland theme. Don't be late for this most important date! This program is sponsored in partnership with Walwood at Twelve Oaks. The event for adults ages 55 and older is from noon to 2 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 14. Cost is \$7 for Novi residents, \$9 for non-residents. Ticket deadline is Feb. 7 or until sold out.

The event is at Meadowbrook Activity Center, 25075 Meadowbrook Road. To purchase tickets, visit the Older Adult Services office, inside the Novi Civic Center, 45175 10 Mile Road, or the Meadowbrook Activity Center.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

JANUARY 31, 2017 - 7:00 P.M.

The Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, January 31, 2017 at the Northville Township Municipal Offices, 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, Michigan 48168. The Planning Commission will consider a proposal to rezone residential property located on the North side of 5 Mile Road, East of Winchester Drive, (Parcel ID 77-056-99-0018-000). The proposal is to rezone approximately 6.75 acres from R-3 Single Family Residential to Planned Unit Development-Active Adult Community (PUD-ACC).

The public is invited to attend this public hearing and express their comments or ask questions. Plans will be available for viewing at the Township office between 8:00 A.M. and 4:30 P.M., Monday through Friday. Written comments will be received by the Northville Township Planning Commission at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48168. The meeting will begin at 7:00 P.M.

Eric Lark, Chair
Planning Commission

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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 619 Carpenter St., Northville, Michigan, 48167. The applicant is seeking a variance for additional lot coverage to retain a shed on premises zoned R-1B First Density Residential District, parcel number 48-001-02-0022-301. The City's Building Official evaluated the proposal, and has determined that the maximum lot coverage allowed for this parcel is 2,376 square feet. Retaining the shed would increase lot coverage to 2,440 square feet. Therefore, a variance for 64 square feet in area (or 0.8%) lot coverage is needed from Section 15.01 of the Zoning Ordinance to allow the shed to remain.

The public hearing will be held on Wednesday February 1, 2017, 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 requests will also be received at the above address.

DOMINIC SILVESTRI, CHAIRPERSON
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LIGHTING A CANDLE IN THE DARKNESS

Abdul'Haq Muhammed helps low-income children in Fla. neighborhoods lead better lives

TOM HAYDEN
USA TODAY NETWORK

As Americans, we are a diverse population. Historically, we have embraced that diversity as what brings us together and truly makes us one nation encouraging all to seek life, liberty and happiness. By sharing our individual differences and finding commonalities, we can work to unify the nation. One thing unites us: We are all Americans. Each week, this series will introduce you to an exceptional American who is making a difference to unite, rather than divide, our communities.

He is from Harlem. He is a devout Muslim. To the children in some of the crime-torn and poverty-stricken neighborhoods in Fort Myers, Florida, Abdul'Haq Muhammed is a life saver.

He also is tough, principled, generous with his time and his heart, a leader and difference maker for a community, where he helps kids each day build better lives and become difference makers themselves. He has seen his share of crime, from drug deals to shootings, and stopped some of it himself. Still, he hangs on to this: "Don't curse the darkness, light a candle," he said.

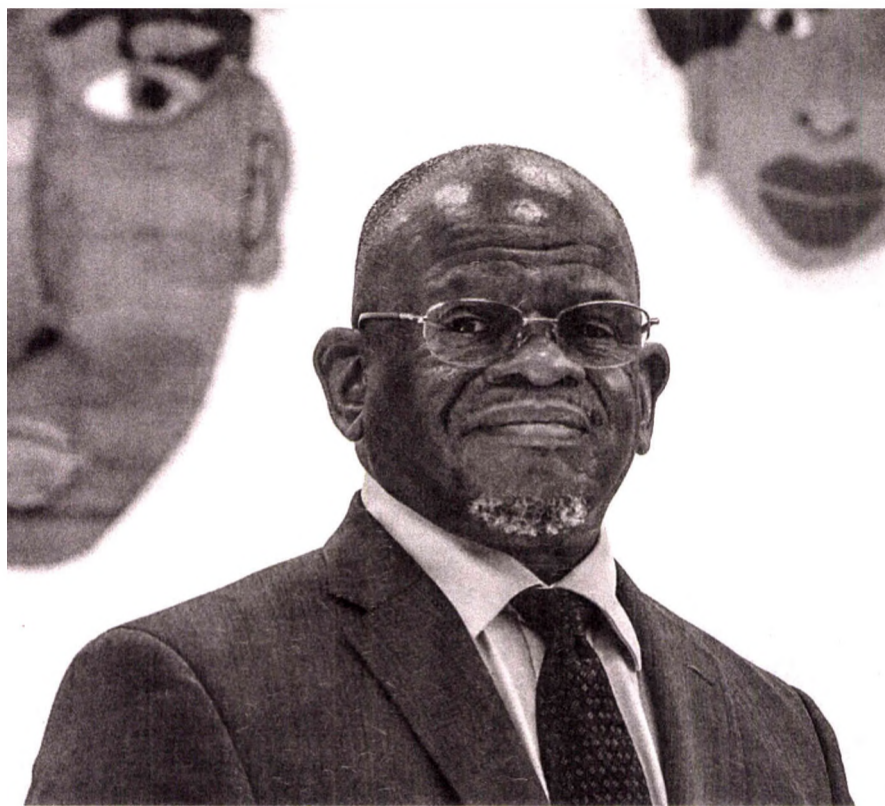
Muhammed, 68, is the founder and executive director of the Quality Life Center of Southwest Florida, located in Fort Myers. The children there consider him a mentor. He has been their answer to a journey from tough streets to learning discipline and respect, becoming educated, going to college and helping others as well.

His vision, after leaving the Army in 1969, was to build children's programs. He founded the Woodycrest Center for Human Development in the Bronx, New York. He ran the programs on the faith that people would help make repairs on an aging building and invest in children. That money never arrived the way he thought it should.

"I was idealistic," he said. "I was promised I would get the money by doing work in the community. ... I decided ... to get the money."

He left New York and then Fort Myers to make his fortune from international trade and real estate.

But every time he turned on the tele-



Abdul'Haq Muhammed founded Quality Life Center and designed programs to enhance character development, combat violence and drug abuse, and raise academic achievement.

vision, he saw the same, unforgettable image: African-American teenage boys arrested, handcuffed and pushed into the back of police cars. "It played over and over again in my mind, boys on the ground, arrested, up against a wall," Muhammed said.

He was encouraged by a friend, who remembered his work in New York, to do the same thing in Fort Myers, specifically a smaller community within the city, called Dunbar. The area has been an epicenter for violence, including many of the record 24 murders in the city in 2012.

He quickly began attracting children — eight at first — using martial arts as the motivation.

Today, his work has helped thousands of children and 120 are involved in programs at the Quality Life Center, including martial arts, dance, drama, fine arts and technology.

"He has been a great, influencing voice," said Angel Escobar, 18, of Fort Myers, who grew up at the center, is a recent high school graduate and now is teaching children there. "He keeps that voice in my head, telling me 'you can do it.'"

Q&A WITH ABDUL'HAQ MUHAMMED

Originally from Harlem, New York, Abdul'Haq Muhammed served in the Army, attended college, and worked in South and North Africa importing and exporting clothes before settling in Fort Myers in 1990 and starting the QLC.

What does it mean to be an American?

"I am a veteran. I grew up in this country. I served in this country during the Vietnam era. I consider myself a patriot. That doesn't mean I agree with all of the policies our country has. Every day I wake up making a contribution to our community, to our society, to make a better way and better place for young people and adults. To me, that is patriotism."

What moment touched and motivated you to launch this effort?

"The spark for me was to see teenagers and African-American and Latino boys being arrested, their heads being guided into police cruisers. That sticks with me very clearly. Looking at that, I felt there was something I could do. I was encouraged to come to the community and shortly after started Quality Life Center of Southwest Florida. In working now 26 years with Quality Life Center, where we have renovated a house of ill repute, a drug den, an after-hours spot where deaths have taken place, we have been blessed with the good efforts of many people in Lee County/Fort Myers to restore a facility. Now it is a beacon of hope. Children have been educated and went off to college. Now, their children are coming back for us to serve in early learning and after-school programs. This is an institution the community has embraced."

What gives you hope?

"What gives me hope is faith in the Creator. What gives me hope is the sense of opportunity that exists despite how bad it may seem. There is always opportunity. I believe in the philosophy: I think we can be motivated in different directions, and I choose to be motivated by opportunity."

What do you hope to accomplish through your efforts?

"A big achievement is to help citizenry of Lee County/Fort Myers to better understand their neighbor. I think if we can understand our neighbor, regardless of what social economic level we are on, to be able to have genuine empathy that results in tangible and real results. Not throwing crumbs at the rich man's gate, but genuinely recognize that I am my brother's keeper, and let me do what I can to balance out society and give opportunity to people who didn't have hope before."

Abdul'Haq Muhammed

Location: Fort Myers, Fla.

Age: 68

Profession: Founder and executive director of the Quality Life Center of Southwest Florida

Mission: To educate, develop and enhance the futures of children coming from low-income and crime-ridden neighborhoods

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It's always spring training at The Baseball Lab in Novi

It's no secret that Michigan winters don't afford baseball enthusiasts much opportunity to hone their skills for spring tryouts or just play for fun.

For those who can't wait to hear the crack of the bat, The Baseball Lab at 22755 Heslip Drive in Novi offers a large, fully equipped facility perfect for skill-building, individual fun, fundraisers and corporate team-building events.

Opened in May 2014 by Reuben Levy and Corey Moskowitz, The Baseball Lab is good for kids ages 6 and older through adults of any age. It has a full baseball-knowledgeable staff and former local professional players like Dave Rozema, Matt Dillard, Kevin Aherns and Brian Johnson have been available to give lessons and weekend clinics.

The Baseball Lab has expanded to offer other fun things throughout the week, like birthday parties, corporate events, fowling, Nerf gun wars and dodge ball.

Levy, who already owned the building and used it as a rental space, was approached by his now managing partner Moskowitz with the idea for The Baseball Lab. Moskowitz just needed the space and financial backing for all the supplies and equipment, along with operational support, to launch the idea.

Being an avid baseball fan, Levy was all in and spent about \$100,000 on the build-out. Since opening, the business has taken off and other locations and possible franchises are being considered.

Last year, the duo was instrumental in helping start the Novi Nitro Baseball Club, a 501(c)3 that



Players can hit the batting cages at The Baseball Lab in Novi.

now has 11 Little League baseball teams for players ages 8 years old through high school. The new league uses The Baseball Lab as its home.

"The Baseball Lab is going very well and we're coming into one of our busiest parts of the year," Levy said. "We keep getting busier each month and the reaction of our customers is that our facility is one of the nicest ones they have ever been to, from cleanliness to the training and from using latest technology to having former professionals giving seminars."

"The two things that really set apart are our technology and our membership program, which offers membership for as low as \$45 per month and gives people unlimited tunnel and pitching machine time seven days per week, plus discounts on lessons, parties, equipment and apparel," he added. "Also, we provide cage rentals for as low as \$30 per half hour and training packages that can cost about the same, as well. Coaches and trainers are available for individuals to complete teams for people from 8-21 years old."

The facility has four tunnels that are 15- by 70-feet that are multi-use including batting cages. These tunnels can be opened up to a full

field that is 60- by 70-feet for simulated practice. There are also two Hit Trax simulators that project onto a 13-foot screen, 90-inch HD TV and multiple other flat screens within the facility.

The simulators have 15 different MLB parks for baseball, plus Arizona State University for softball. The lab provides full training for baseball and softball, including hitting, pitching, catching, fielding, throwing, base running, strategy, strength and conditioning, player assessments, 3D swing analysis, video capture at 1,000 frames per second, team training and group training.

"Right now is the absolute best time to start getting into baseball shape and sharpen one's skills," Levy said. "But living in Michigan, it's obviously tough to practice outside during winter. We offer a way for people to start working and practicing now so they can truly compete come springtime."

The Baseball Lab is open 3-9 p.m. Monday through Friday (or by appointment), 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday and 8 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday. For more information about The Baseball Lab, call 248-719-7868 or go to www.BaseballLabNovi.com.

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LETTERS

Women march to defend basic rights

The election of Trump has started a storm of outrage that rumbles slowly, but surely, across our country. This is the sound of Americans fighting back against the lies, hate and corruption that promises to be the cornerstone of Trump's regime.

Mothers, sisters and daughters everywhere are preparing to join the "Women's March on Washington" on Saturday, Jan. 21. The main march will be in Washington DC. Other marches will be in Lansing and in numerous other state capitals.

These women march to defend the basic civil rights of groups that have been exposed to aggressive attacks. These families include Muslims, people of color, LGBTQ, women as a group and immigrants. In fact, even our most vulnerable citizens such as seniors, veterans, the unemployed and working poor have been exposed to increased hostility. Women will march to stand against extremism and the monstrous intolerance that has become more prevalent in our country. Our country's economy has destroyed families and subjected them to homelessness, poverty and despair.

Too many leaders in our government have refused to take responsibility for the welfare and economic well-being of our families. They choose, instead, to assign blame to the families that have been victimized by the legislation that they passed. This legislation favors the profits of the powerful over the needs of hard-working families.

Leaders must take responsibility for the consequences of removing regulations from the banking and mortgage industries. These financial regulations were originally put in place to protect consumers from Wall Street's casino capitalism. Our economy crashed. Families lives were ruined when they were evicted from their homes.

Our leaders must take responsibility for, and fix our broken tax code. The corporate tax avoidance scam has forced savage budget cuts for public schools. The decrease in tax revenue hurts municipal services like police, firefighters, libraries and road repair. I think that if companies want to sell their goods to Americans, then they should pay their taxes like a good American. That is being a good corporate citizen and taking responsibility for actions.

Colleen Crossey
Novi

Cost versus safety

Based on the article (in the Northville Record) the man appears to be guilty of trespassing, however, Northville Township police cite "safety is our primary focus."

Since this site is so dangerous Northville Township officials should listen to their police department and tear the building down. Problem solved. The \$500 fines for over 300 people in one year, plus the time officers use searching social media for trespassers and undoubtedly the time officers spend driving by the facility, could be money saved to help offset some of the costs. I suspect cost is the "primary focus" of township officials not safety

A. Phillips
Northville

Hold Trump accountable

Recall the 2010 mid-term elections when the Tea Party (now morphed into the Alt Right) gained control of the U S Congress? Those Republicans vowed from the beginning of President Obama's second term to oppose every proposal he made. Despite the negativity, President Obama was able to accomplish great goals for history that will vindicate him and regard him as one of

the most effective presidents ever.

After the Nov. 8 election was stolen from Hillary Clinton, Donald Trump as President-elect poses frightening threat to democracy and world peace. It is the duty of every reasonable, loving, patriotic citizen to be aware of current events and to oppose Trump constantly. We can be civil, ethical, helpful, unlike Obama's adversaries were.

We must research the appointees to lead the several departments before the confirmation hearings begin. We must contact our representatives to do the same. Be aware that persons who oppose the ACA, Planned Parenthood, the Department of Education and other departments are being nominated.

Listen to those who may disagree with you but be involved! Anyone can write letters to editors. Citizens must demand press conferences, an end to tweets, honesty from Trump and his cohorts.

The statement one day should not be revised the next from the original remark. Trump must be held accountable for his lack of responsibility in not disclosing personal matters. His family members must not be included in federal government business. We

have an autocrat advised by Steve Bannon and other disputable, disgusting sources. These are surreal times but I have hope that grass roots efforts will prevail.

Exist to resist. Make America Kind Again.
Hannah Provence
Donigan
Commerce Township

Stop the DeVos family

The confirmation hearings for Betsy DeVos for Secretary of Education will be happening soon. I believe in my community's public schools. Betsy DeVos believes in school privatization and vouchers. She has worked to undermine efforts to regulate Michigan charters, even when they clearly fail.

DeVos and her family heavily lobbied the Michigan Legislature to shield the charter industry from greater oversight. She pushes for-profit charter schools and on-line schools, which consistently fail the students that they are supposed to serve.

My children attended Novi Community Schools and received a fine public education. My grandchildren also attend public schools in southeast Michigan. I believe in a strong public school education for all children.

Every time the DeVos family lobbies our state legislators for relaxing the rules around charters or denying full transparency of charters or cutting money out of the school aid fund due to a budget shortfall, they are hurting the fine public schools that already exist here in Michigan. We should be improving our failing schools, not taking away from those that are successful.

Our current state legislators in this area, have pretty much caved to the will of the DeVos family. This does not help our local public schools! I do not want to see this happen at the national level when she has the force of the federal gov-

ernment behind her.

Karen B. Zyczynski
Novi

Obama's exit a good sign

President Obama is just beside himself that the American voters could have possibly elected Donald Trump as his successor. After all, Barack Obama told the voters that he would consider it "a personal insult" and "an insult to his legacy" if they did not vote for Hillary Clinton and a continuation of Obama's policies.

First of all, just to set the record straight, most of Obama's policies have been abject failures - Obamacare (the biggest fraud ever perpetrated on the American people), open borders (including sanctuary cities for convicted illegal alien criminals that should have been deported), a disastrous foreign policy, and a tsunami of crushing regulations on American businesses (more than 3,850 new federal regulations just in 2016 alone).

Rather than graciously withdraw from the presidential stage like George W. Bush, Barack Obama instead decided to throw a last-minute temper tantrum. For example, Obama decided to stab Israel in the back (our best ally and the only democracy in the Middle East) by allowing a resolution to pass in the U.N. condemning Israeli settlements in the West Bank. This was a departure from our long-held American position and even most Democrats were furious at this betrayal. In addition, Obama is trying to hasten the release of as many "worst of the worst" terrorists from Gitmo. Truly shameful!

The good news is that President Obama's exit on January 20 is fast approaching. Accordingly, the U.S. Economic Confidence Index just hit its highest level in nine years!

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SOPHIE ELIZABETH (SABONIS) born on December 9, 1915 to loving parents Martin and Sophie. Married to Stanley for 50 years. Preceded in death by her husband, parents, siblings, and son Kenny. She is survived by her children: Jeanne (Charlie) Wynn, Joanne (Mike) Buck, Stanley (Carol), Carolyn (Chuck) Bovair and James (Richard Nelson); 12 grandchildren and 18 great grandchildren. A visitation will take place on Friday, January 13, from 2-8 p.m. with a Rosary at 7 p.m. at Phillips Funeral Home, 122 W. Lake St. South Lyon. Mass of Christian Burial will take place on Saturday, January 14, 10:30a.m. at St. Joseph Church, 830 S. Lafayette. www.phillipsfuneral.com

BURT

CHARLES M. age 90 of Commerce Twp., passed away peacefully on January 4, 2017. Services to be held at a later date. For further information call 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com

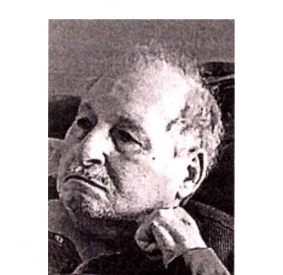
FORD

LUCILE March 17, 1922 - Dec. 23, 2016 Expressions of sympathy may be made at obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

MAYVILLE

LaVONNE MARIE (NARLOCH) peacefully passed away January 6, 2017 in her home, with her loving husband, William Mayville, at her side. LaVonne was 85 years old. LaVonne leaves behind her husband of 64 years, William Mayville; her sister Pamela (Howard) Benedict; her children, Kathleen (Frederick) Fiedler; Timothy (Toni) Mayville; Suzanna (David) Thome; her grandchildren, Douglas (Gretchen) Mayville; Brent (Michelle) Fiedler; Katherine Thome; Steven (Elizabeth) Mayville; Jane (Benjamin) Pitchford; and Matthew (Amber) Thome; her eight great-grandchildren, Allie, Paige, Graham, Sarah, Mary, Ruth, Isaac and Aaron; and her beloved nephews Daniel Benedict; Jeffrey (Andrea) Benedict; and Andrew Benedict. The Mayville Family would like to especially thank Jackie Schreck for her loving care and attention to LaVonne. Jackie and our wonderful caregivers from Age With Grace were Angels in our time of need. A Funeral Mass was held at St. Mary Our Lady of the Snows, 1955 E. Commerce Road, Milford, MI on Tuesday, January 10, 2017 at 11 a.m. Father John Budde officiated. Burial to take place at Great Lakes National Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Salvation Army would be appreciated. For further information please call 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com

PALAZZOLO



MATTHEW ANTHONY age 79, passed away January 6, 2017. He was born in Detroit, June 24, 1937 to Salvatore and Moma Palazzolo. He married Karen Lawson in Las Vegas in 1980. Matthew proudly served in the United States Army as a private 1st class EC3. He loved playing cards, fishing, golf cart rides, dogs, Italian food and the family weekends at Geraldine's cottage. He is survived by his wife Karen, children: Sharon (Robert) Goins and Kevin (Stacy) Price; grandchildren: Brendon, Ian, Collin, Amelia, Caden and Ella; sisters: Patricia (Ted) Carr and Shirley (Tom) Davis. He is also survived by his Godchildren Eric Lehr and Matthew Davis and many nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his parents, sisters Rose (Tom) Wahlers and Geraldine (James) Lehr. Services were held by Phillips Funeral Home. www.phillipsfuneral.com

May peace be with you in this time of sorrow.

PANTKE



SUSAN CAROL of Commerce, passed away in the loving care of her family on January 4, 2017, just six days shy of her 71st birthday, after a courageous encounter with cancer. Susan was preceded in death by Sarah, her dear daughter and best friend. In addition to Glen, her beloved husband of 50 years, Susan is survived by her son, Shawn (Kelley) Pantke; grandsons, Andrew (Katie) Pantke and Keifer (Erin) Pantke and darling great-granddaughter, Alice. She is also survived by extended family and dear friends. A Funeral Service was held at Lynch & Sons, Milford on January 7, 2017. Memorials may be made to the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute, Contributions-VE01FS, 4100 John R., Detroit, MI 48201. For further information, phone 248.684.6445 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com

PLACE

JAMES May 11, 1947 - Dec. 25, 2016 Expressions of sympathy may be made at obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

SAYERS



JAMES A. age 100, passed away December 26, 2016. He was born on January 27, 1916 in Garden River, Ontario, Canada to the late James and Margaret (Perreault) Sayers. James served in the US Army in WW II as a gunnery instructor. Formerly of Harper Woods, he moved to South Lyon in 1977 and was instrumental in forming the South Lyon Tennis Club. Preceded in death by his wife of 71 years, Helen, he is survived by his daughter Linda Deputat (Gerald) of Green Oak Township, and son James W. Sayers (Milena), of Costa Rica, and grandchildren Jeremy and Lindsay (Zachary Fairchild). In addition to his passion for tennis, Jim and Helen enjoyed square dancing, and travelling, creating lasting friendships along the way. Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Michigan, 400 Mack Ave., Detroit 48201. Expressions of sympathy may be shared on the Phillips Funeral Home website: phillipsfuneral.com. A memorial service is planned for February 18, at the Holy Cross Episcopal Church, 40700 W. 10 Mile Rd, Novi, MI at 11 a.m.

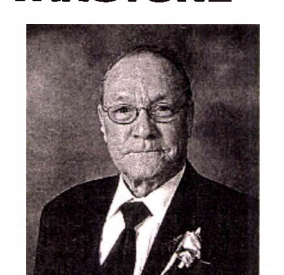
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WALTER Age 81 January 5, 2017 Beloved husband of the late Marcella. Dear father of Elyce (Warran) Lineton, Christopher and Stephen. Proud grandfather of Lauren and Grant. Brother of Patricia (Joseph) Pitts. Memorial gathering at Holy Family Church 24505 Meadow brook Novi Monday January 16, 2017 from 10:00a until the funeral Liturgy at 10:30. Donations in memory of Walter may be made to the Capuchins or Vista Maria. Expressions of sympathy at obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

TEMPLE

LORENE A. Age 94, passed away January 1, 2017. She was born October 20, 1922 in La Ark, Louisiana, daughter of the late John and Ida Bolin. Lorene was a longtime member of South Lyon Church of Christ. She is survived by her loving daughter, Carol (Rick) Passage; her grandchildren, Ryan (Melissa), Kyle (Lindsay), and Amanda Passage; her great-grandchildren, Hadley, Madison, Griffin, Kylie; and her sisters, Helen Armstrong, Jean (Lonnne) McCloud, and Bonnie Peterson. Lorene was preceded in death by her husband, Jess in 2007; her son, Bruce in 1979; and her brother, Richard Bolin. Visitation was held on Tuesday, January 3 and a funeral service was held on Wednesday, January 4 at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, South Lyon. Lorene was laid to rest in Parkview Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to Rochester College. www.phillipsfuneral.com

VANSTONE



GEORGE age 86, died peacefully on January 1, 2017. Beloved husband of the late Marie. Loving father of Ernest Vanstone, Deborah (Richard) Baron, Sharon (Paul) Saputo and David Vanstone. Survived by seven adored grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. Funeral Services were held on Thursday, January 5, 2017 with burial in Milford Memorial Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations to a charity of your choice are suggested. For further information please contact Lynch & Sons Funeral Directors, Milford, 248-684-6645

Paying tribute to the life of your loved one.



Varsity hockey players from Northville High School wrapped approximately \$400 worth of gifts for a River Rouge family the team adopted through the Volunteers of America. Players personally delivered the gifts.

Mustangs players adopt a needy family for holidays

Northville High School's varsity boys hockey team made the holidays brighter last month for a struggling family of six from River Rouge.

The Mustangs raised approximately \$400 to provide Christmas for an area family and adopted one through Volunteers of America.

The River Rouge family, headed by a single mother, includes five children ages 3-12. The mother, who is studying to become a medical assistant, hasn't been able to provide Christmas for her family for three years and, in 2016, was the victim of identity theft.

The hockey players were able to buy a variety of gifts, including toys and clothing, and also household necessities that the family lacked. They gathered to wrap the presents on a week-



Mustangs hockey players Jack Sargent (left) and Luke Skillman wrap gifts for a struggling River Rouge family last month. The hockey team raised about \$400 to give the family a special Christmas.

night before Christmas and delivered them personally, which gave them a chance to meet family members.



BUSINESS BRIEFS

Director appointed

The National Reverse Mortgage Lenders Association has announced that Northville resident Michael Gruley, executive vice president of 1st Nations Reverse Mortgage, will serve as a director on its 2017 Board of Directors. Directors were elected unanimously during an NRMLA business meet-

ing held in November during the association's 2016 annual meeting in Chicago.

"The 2017 Board of Directors is composed of skilled industry leaders from all facets of the reverse mortgage industry who will work together to govern the association with an appreciation for our diverse business needs," NRMLA president and CEO Peter Bell

said.

Bringing joy

Novi resident Trupti Bankar and her colleagues from Troy-based North American Bancard brought holiday joy to families participating in the Volunteers of America Adopt a Family program. North American Bancard employees adopted 21 families through the program,

which included 89 children and their parents, and provided them with gifts, clothes and food for the holidays.

Novi resident Trupti Bankar (front row, second from right) and her colleagues from Troy-based North American Bancard adopted 21 families for the holidays.



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Sunday Worship 9:30 am & 10:30 am
Children's Church 9:40 am
Sunday School for all ages: 10:30 am
Groups for Children, Youth and Adults
248-684-2798
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www.fpcsouthlyon.org

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• Email: fbcsouthlyon@bcglobal.net

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Deb Wolff at 585-258-2481
or email: dwolff@gannett.com

Wish you were here!



They took the Northville Record with them on winter break to Grand Cayman! Snorkeling in the bay with the starfish is Ryan Loverich of Canton; Allison, Noelle and Abby Dunn, all of Northville; and Devon Loverich of Canton.

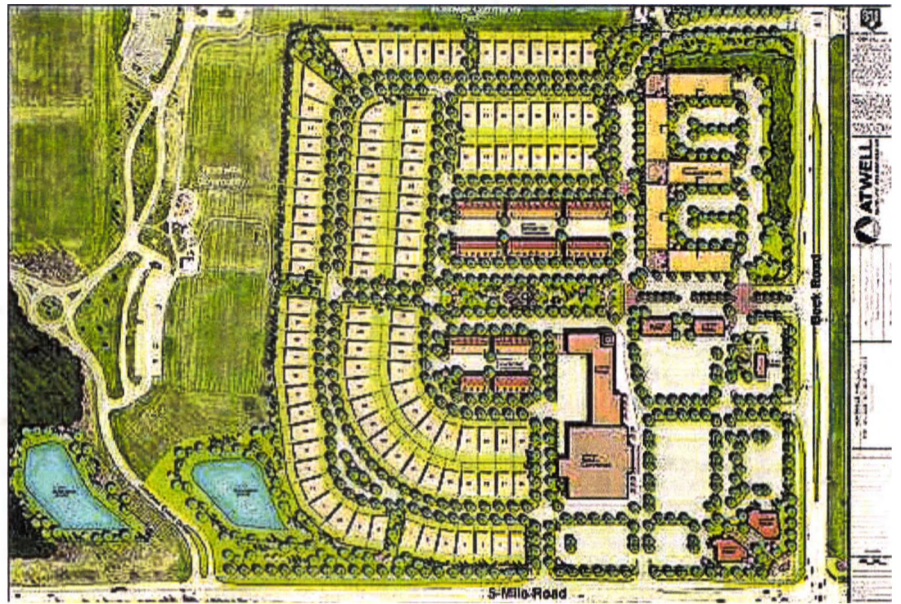
Developer, Northville Township complete sale of former prison land

Northville Township completed Dec. 29 the sale of 53 acres of land for the former Scott Correctional Facility, at the northwest corner of Five Mile and Beck roads.

The acreage was sold for redevelopment to Bloomfield Hills-based Northville Five LLC, a partnership of REDICO and Pinnacle Homes, which is developing the site as The Village of Northville, a mixed-use development. The conceptual plans were approved in late 2016 by the Northville Township Planning Commission and Board of Trustees.

With the goal of returning the property to the tax rolls, the township acquired the property in 2013 from the state of Michigan for \$1 and demolished the former Scott Correctional Facility. The \$8.5 million sale proceeds will be divided on a 60/40 basis with the state.

The township's net proceeds of nearly \$5 million will be applied toward the continued demolition/remediation of the state's former psychiatric facility located in the township on



The Village of Northville conceptual plan.

Seven Mile Road, west of Haggerty.

"With these funds, we can take a meaningful step toward the long-awaited demolition of the main seven-story building," said Supervisor Bob Nix, who announced the final sale Tuesday afternoon.

"This is a true win-win for the community by redeveloping the Scott property, creating needed tax revenue and demolishing the main psychiatric hospital building," Nix added.

The development will include single-family, townhouses and loft-style residential properties, as

well as retail and restaurant uses. The project is designed to attract upscale retailers.

The focal point of the project is a community-oriented central park and public gathering area. The project design reflects a very deliberate effort to create a walkable streetscape through and around the central park area, while linking restaurants and shops to the residential areas and township Community Park, located north and west of the project for the direct benefit of all township residents.

Nix expects the project to move immedi-

ately from the concept phase to the detailed site plan and engineering review phase. "The developer worked diligently to develop a concept plan in response to township and resident concerns," Nix said. "The developer has an excellent reputation as a top of class community-based developer and we look forward to a continuing collaboration to realize the common goal of creating a safe, attractive and high-quality development reflecting the Northville Township image."

Nix credits Gov. Rick Snyder and Wayne County Executive Warren Evans and their respective staffs in assisting with the Scott transaction. The Village at Northville project is expected to break ground in 2017 and to be fully built out in approximately four years.

When complete, the development will generate at least \$2 million annually in property taxes, Nix added.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE TO THE RESIDENTS OFFICE CLOSING

The Charter Township of Northville Administrative Offices will be closed on Monday, January 16, 2017 in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. The offices will re-open at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday, January 17, 2017.

POLICE & FIRE EMERGENCY SERVICES WILL REMAIN AVAILABLE

Sue A. Hillebrand, Clerk

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CITY OF NORTHVILLE RESOLUTION TO SET THE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING TIME

WHEREAS, pursuant to Chapter 6, Section 6.1 of the City Charter, the Northville City Council is authorized to set the time for its regular meetings; and

WHEREAS, City Council wishes to set the regular meeting commencement time at 7:00 pm.

NOW, THEREFORE, it is hereby Resolved that the Northville City Council regular meeting commencement time is set at 7:00 pm, beginning with the January 17, 2017 regular City Council meeting.

IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the regular meeting commencement time shall remain in effect until amended or modified by resolution.

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED THIS 3rd DAY OF JANUARY 2017.

KEN ROTH, MAYOR
DIANNE MASSA, CMC, CITY CLERK

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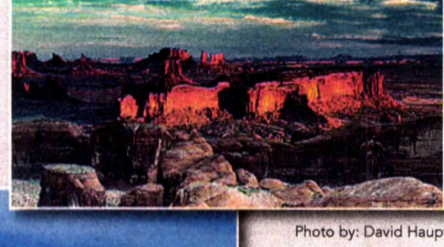



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COLLEGE MEN'S SOCCER

Novi's Wilson thriving at Saginaw Valley State

After rough time at OU, forward is a scoring machine

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Matt Wilson found himself submerged in soccer purgatory during his two seasons at Oakland University. Red-shirted during his first season (2013) at OU, the Novi High School graduate didn't play a minute the next for the Golden Grizzlies.

Former Oakland assistant Andy Wagstaff then threw the talented forward a life preserver when he took the Saginaw Valley State University job prior to the 2015 season.

"I was really interested, because I really liked him as a coach," said Wilson, who earned NCAA Division II honorable mention All-America honors in 2016 after scoring a team-best 15 goals, including six game-winners, to

go along with 11 assists for 41 points. "I'm really happy with the move, I don't regret anything ... great coaches, great facilities, great teammates and everything about it was really a good move for me."

When Wagstaff took the job at Saginaw Valley, the 6-foot-3, 175-pound Wilson expressed an interest to follow him to University Center with the blessings of OU head coach Eric Pogue, who had recruited and signed Wilson.

Transfers out

"After a long chat, I wanted to see him with my new team because I just got the job at Saginaw," Wagstaff said. "I had him jump in and train, because you can do that in Division II. I wasn't sure how it would translate to Division II soccer and he was outstanding in the

training session. He scored a ton of goals. It led to an opportunity to come and play for me. I wanted him, but I wanted to see him and what impact he would have at that level — and it's evident he's made a pretty significant impact."

Wilson always excelled on the offensive side of the field, dating back to his youth club soccer days with Waza.

He also played three years of high school soccer at Novi (where he made third team all-state his junior year under coach Brian O'Leary). During his senior year, Wilson jumped over to the Michigan Wolves, an elite club academy team where he was under the direction of former OU head coach Gary Parsons.

In 2012, Wilson was also a member of the Olympic Development Program National and Region championship



Saginaw Valley State's Matt Wilson earned NCAA Division II honorable mention All-America honors.

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PREP WRESTLING



CC's Kevon Davenport (top) is 23-0 this season after winning the 135-pound weight class.

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SHAMROCKS TAKE FIRST IN OWN INVITATIONAL

Catholic Central has four individual champions to top 21-team field

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In 13 of the last 16 years, the winner of the Novi Detroit Catholic Central Wrestling Invitational has gone on to win the MHSAA Division 1 state championship.

Buoyed by four individual champions Saturday, the host Shamrocks signaled that they'll be the odds-on favorite win take the title Feb. 25 in Mount Pleasant after scoring 241.5 points to capture the team title, while Davison was a distant second with 163.

"Our guys competed extremely hard today and it showed in our performance," CC coach Mitch Hancock said. "With the competition and teams at this invite, winning this tournament is a big deal. We focused this week on finishing — finishing a take-down, match and tournament. We weren't very happy with the way we finished in Medina (Ohio), so I'm proud of the way our guys responded."

Rounding out the top 10 were Warren Woods Tower (146.5), Macomb Dakota and Westland John Glenn (133.5 each); St. Johns (117), Hudson (97), Bay City Western (94), Oxford (90) and Grandville (88).

The Shamrocks separated themselves from the 21-team field by winning six of seven matches in the semifinals.

Four CC grapplers went on to win individual crowns, including Kevon Davenport (135 pounds), who raised his record to 23-0 with a 12-1 major decision over John Glenn's Anthony Gibson; Cameron Amine (145), a 7-1 decision over John Glenn's John Siemasz; Tyler Morland (171), a 12-2 major decision over Marysville's Nino Bastianelli; and Nick Jenkins (285), who won 3-2 in overtime against Allegan's Chase Beard.

Amine (22-2 overall), Morland (13-0), Jenkins (22-1) and Davenport are all defending Division 1 individual state champions.

Also reaching the finals were CC's Devon Johnsen (103)



CC's Cameron Amine (top) battles against Anchor Bay's Matt Duffy.

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and Rhett Newton (112).

Johnsen avenged a dual meet loss Jan. 4 to Dakota's Nick Alayan before losing to Woods Tower's David Stephanian, 5-0, in the final. Newton upended top seed Tucker Sholl, the defending Division 4 state champion from Hudson, in the semifinals, 2-0.

"I'm super proud of the way Johnsen and Newton competed," Hancock said. "They beat some extremely talented wrestlers to make the finals. I thought they competed hard in the finals as well. I don't think our four champs surprised anyone. They are expected to perform the way they did. They were aggressive, smart and tough."

Meanwhile, CC's defending state champion Ben Kamali

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PREP ATHLETICS

CC dedication will salute Santello, Holowicki

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It will be a night of nostalgia as Novi Detroit Catholic Central High salutes two of its own when athletic director emeritus Bob Santello and former basketball coach Bernie Holowicki will be honored during a dedication ceremony Friday prior to the Shamrocks' varsity game against Birmingham Brother Rice.

Santello, who served as the school's A.D. for 35 years, will have the gymnasium named after him.

Holowicki, CC's all-time winningest basketball coach, will have the court named after him during the event, which starts at 6:45 p.m. The varsity game is set to follow at 7:30 p.m.

Santello, who graduated from CC in 1958, originally made his mark as a member of the school's cross country and track teams.

Upon graduation, Santello earned degrees at the University of Detroit and Wayne State University before going to CC to coach football, basketball and track, while also serving as dean of students (1975-78).

Under his leadership as the school's athletic director, CC won 137 Catholic League championships, 33 team state titles and numerous individual state crowns.

Santello, who was inducted into CC's Hall of Fame in 2011, was named Catholic League A.D. of the Year in both 1980 and 2000, along with being honored as the CHSL's Ed Lauer Person of the Year in 1995.

He is also a member of the Catholic League's Hall of Fame and was named Michigan A.D. Association Private School A.D. of the Year in 1992. He currently serves on the school's board of directors.

Holowicki, who still resides in Livonia, ranks seventh among all coaches in the Michigan High School Athletic Association with an overall record of 612-216, which also included stops at Detroit St. Hedwig, Detroit St. Gregory and Detroit DeLaSalle. His prep coaching career spanned from 1953 and 1956-94.

Holowicki, who taught in the South Redford School District, graduated from the University of Detroit. As CC's coach from 1971-94, Holowicki guided the Shamrocks to 10 Central Division, six Catholic League, 16 district and four regional titles and two state semifinal appearances, including the 1976 Class A state championship as the Shamrocks defeated Saginaw in the finals, 59-57.

Holowicki coached three All-Americans, 13 all-state and 30 all-Catholic League players. Twenty-five went on to play NCAA Division I and five were drafted by the NBA.

He was named CHSL Coach of the Year nine different times and was named Midwest Basketball Coach of the Year by the National High School Coaches Association in 1986.

Holowicki was also inducted into the CHSL Hall of Fame in 1980 and was Catholic League Person of the Year in 1996. In 2009, he was voted into CC's Hall of Fame.



Santello



Holowicki

PREP BOWLING



JOE LACK

Catholic Central's bowlers reached the final four of the Romeo Invitational.

Shamrocks take fourth at Romeo Invitational

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Featuring some of the state's strongest boys bowling teams, Novi Detroit Catholic Central made it all the way to the semi-finals of the Romeo Invitational before being ousted Sunday by Sterling Heights Stevenson at Sterling Lanes in Sterling Heights.

The Shamrocks qualified for the elimination round after qualifying as the seventh seed, thanks to the efforts of senior Nathan Geddes, an all-tournament selection who posted high games of 237 and 279 en route to a 693 series.

Other high games came from junior Joe Lack (215),

Alex Roelant (195, 190) and Chintan Maheshwari (192).

In the first round of Baker format playoffs, CC defeated Richmond with scores of 192 and 222, followed by a quarter-final victory over St. Clair Shores Lakeview (210 and 203).

On Jan. 5, CC evened its record at 1-1 with an 18-12 triumph over Dearborn Divine Child at Bowl One Lanes in Troy.

CC started slowly, falling in the first Baker game, 171-169, before rebounding in the second with a 245-192 win to go up 6-4 heading into the individual singles matches.

But the Falcons bounced back to take a 12-7 advantage by winning four of five individ-

ual matches before the Shamrocks got on a roll to win the second regular game, 998-730.

Individual leaders for CC included Sean Ebben (205), Lack (193, 202), Joe Jessop (199, 192), Roelant (200) and Geddes (199).

Lakeland triumphs

Aaron Lenz led the way with games of 216 and 206 as White Lake Lakeland (3-3, 2-2) overcame a 10-0 Baker game deficit to earn a 16.5-13.5 KLA North Division victory Sunday over Walled Lake Northern (2-3, 1-2) at Grand Blanc Lanes.

Other high scores came from Zach McCoy (200), Nick Kotsonas (179) and Adam Oliver (172).

Despite missing senior Dai-na Schippers, who was out with an injury, the Lakeland girls (5-1, 3-1) posted an 18-12 win Sunday over Northern (4-1, 2-1), led by Alex Lenz (211) and Jenny Pelc (191, 192).

The Eagles rallied from a 6-4 Baker game deficit by winning the first regular game by 126 pins, which was enough of a cushion to offset a 16-pin setback in the second regular game.

Lakeland, which saved three different individual match points, also got strong efforts from Taylor McBride (184, 170), Riley Bristow (159), Amber Robertson and Jenifer Sevic

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BOYS BASKETBALL

Milford grinds out 55-52 victory over Chelsea

Catholic Central holds off Loyola twosome in 75-56 triumph

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Junior guard Aiden Warzecha scored a game-high 18 points, including six straight crucial free throws in the final quarter, to propel Milford to a 55-52 non-conference boys basketball victory Friday night over visiting Chelsea.

Sophomore forward Gunnar Gustafson chipped in 15 points and 10 rebounds for the Mavericks, who led 20-19 at halftime and 38-37 after three quarters.

Ryan Mitchell led the Bulldogs (4-3) with 11 points.

Both teams struggled at the foul line with Chelsea going 10-for-20 and Milford 11-for-22.

"It was a heck of a ball-game," said Milford coach David Gilbert, whose team improved to 4-2 overall. "The way we played down the stretch, we found a way to win. It was just a back-and-forth game. We got down with three minutes left and we were just resilient. Even when we got down, we found a way to battle back and finish the game."



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Catholic Central's C.J. Baird (right) scored a team-high 19 points in a win over Detroit Loyola.

DETROIT CC 75, LOYOLA 56: Senior forward C.J. Baird led the way with 19 points Jan. 4 as 11 different players scored as Novi Detroit Catholic Central (5-1) downed host Detroit Loyola (2-5). The Shamrocks were able to offset the Bulldogs' one-two punch of Keith Johnson and Nicholas Bryant, who scored 27 and 20 points, respectively, while

combining for 13 3-pointers. Johnson finished with seven triples, while Bryant added six for Loyola, which couldn't overcome a 37-25 halftime deficit.

Senior guard Gio Genrich chipped in 15 points, while Jack Dooley added seven off the bench as the Shamrocks pulled away in the final quarter with a

21-12 spurt. CC went 14-of-19 from the foul line (73.6 percent), while Loyola was only 1-of-2.

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GIRLS BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

Arbor Prep cruises past Cougars

Franklin Road rolls by Stockwell Academy

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Three players scored in double figures Friday night as defending Class C girls basketball state champion Ypsilanti Arbor Prep rolled to a 66-20 victory at South Lyon East.

The Gators, who improved to 10-0 overall, got a game-high 13 points from Ferris State signee Adrienna Anderson, while Salem high transfer Lasha Petree and Trine (Ind.) University commit Lauryn Carroll added 12 and 11, respectively.

South Lyon East (2-4) got a team-high eight points from freshman guard Lucy Cronin.

"It's a matter of inexperience and they (Arbor Prep) are very good from top to bottom," said East coach Rob Leadley, whose team trailed 26-7 at halftime and 46-13 after three quarters. "We had 24 turnovers and they got 18 offensive rebounds. That's a lot of extra shots. But we'll learn from this."

Both teams struggled from the foul line, with East going 4-of-13 (30.7 percent) and Arbor Prep 3-of-8 (37.5 percent).

FRANKLIN ROAD 78, STOCKWELL 25: Senior guard Danielle Fusco scored a game-high 22 points and dished out six assists, leading Novi Franklin Road Christian (7-1) to a non-conference victory Jan. 5 at Howell Charyl Stockwell Prep Academy (2-4).

The Warriors jumped out to a 41-12 halftime advantage before invoking a running clock in the second half.

Franklin Road also got contributions from Chanelle Lochrie (16 points, four assists), Daria Boboc (10 points, seven rebounds) and Alexis Butler (10 points, five assists).

Samantha Lyons paced the Sentinels with eight points. The Warriors were 13-of-17 from the foul line (76.4 percent), while Stockwell was 4-of-13 (30.7 percent).

WALLED LAKE NORTHERN 53, LAKE-LAND 30: Ten different players scored as Walled Lake Northern (2-5, 1-0) opened KLA North Division play with a victory Friday at White Lake Lakeland (2-5, 0-1).

Courtney Callahan scored a game-high 13 points for the Knights, who built a 23-12 halftime lead after being deadlocked at 6-6 in the first quarter.

Senior guards Lauren Castellon and Marissa Depolo paced the Eagles with nine and eight points, respectively. Junior center Skylar Baer added six points and nine rebounds.

CHELSEA 47, MILFORD 34: The host Mavericks (2-4) let a six-point halftime lead slip away Friday as the Bulldogs (5-3) charged back for the non-conference triumph.

Sophomore forward Allison Smith scored five points as Milford jumped out to an 11-4 first-quarter advantage.

Senior guard Malloy Barrett scored 13 of her game-high 15 points in the opening half as the Mavericks maintained a 21-15 lead, but Chelsea stormed back with a 17-4 third-quarter run to take command.

Nicole Baretis and Jesse Jacobusse paced the Bulldogs with 13 and 12 points, respectively. Megan Wallace scored seven of her eight points in the final quarter, but it wasn't enough for Milford.

Barrett grabbed six rebounds, while Smith and Wallace had five each. Abby Knapp also contributed six points as only six players scored for the Mavs.

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U-16 Jaguars first



PAULA BRASS

The Michigan Jaguars won four straight matches to capture the U16 National League & Disney Showcase Blue Division girls soccer title held Dec. 31 through Jan. 3 at the ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex in Orlando, Fla. The Jaguars, the first Michigan team to win a National League title, defeated the Braddock Road Youth Elite Academy (Fairfax, Va.), 1-0, in the final after scoring victories over Greater Binghamton (N.Y.) FC, 6-1; Triangle Futbol Club Alliance (Hillsborough, N.C.), 3-0; and Lake Forest (Ill.) Soccer Associates, 1-0. Members of the Jaguars, coached by Andy Richards (Pinckney) and James Grewe (Ann Arbor), include Haley Brass, Ari Laba, Sarah Noonan and Lucy Crampton, all of Northville; Riley Balconi, Michelle Jecman, Jessie Bandyk, Crystal Bock and Lexi Whalen, all of Novi; Mara Cousino and Sarah Smolinski of White Lake; Dani Wolfe and Sloane Marwil of West Bloomfield; and Ally McCaslin of Canton; Chloe Holmberg of Saline; Zoe Homyak of Ann Arbor; Maya Etienne of Midland; and Ally Melvin of Lansing.

WRESTLING

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(119) placed third, defeating John Glenn's Mikey Mars in the consolation final, 4-3, after losing in the semifinals to eventual champion Jordan Hamdan of Hudson by major decision, 10-1.

Placing fifth for the Shamrocks were Stone Moscovic (125), Joe Urso (140), Adian Wagh (152), Brendin Yatooma (160) and Easton Turner (189).

CC's sixth-place finishers included Dan Rehfeldt (103), Derek Gilcher (119) and Connor Curnutte (215).

Dual meet win

On Jan. 4, the top-ranked Shamrocks captured nine of the 14 matches to best host Macomb County champion Dakota in a non-league dual, 43-23, as Kamali (125), Amine (145), Morland (189), Jackson Ross (215) and Jenkins (285) all scored pins.

Davenport (135) also won by major decision, 16-8, while Stone Moscovic (130) won by a 9-4 decision against the No. 5 Cougars.

"I thought our guys wrestled aggressively and worked

to score points," Hancock said. "We scored 30 (take-downs) to their seven, but we just gave up too many bonus points. I also think we should've won the match at 112 and definitely scored bonus points at 140 pounds, which was at least a 10-point swing."

DETROIT CATHOLIC CENTRAL INVITATIONAL WRESTLING TOURNEY Jan. 7 at Novi Detroit CC
TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Detroit Catholic Central (Blue), 241.5 points; 2. Davison, 163; 3. Warren Woods Tower, 146.5; 4. (tie) Macomb Dakota and Westland John Glenn, 133.5 each; 6. St. Johns, 117; 7. Hudson, 97; 8. Bay City Western, 94; 9. Oxford, 90; 10. Grandville, 88; 11. Marysville, 81.5; 12. Anchor Bay, 77; 13. Clarkston, 76; 14. Lapeer, 68; 15. Romeo, 55; 16. Grand Ledge, 54.5; 17. Detroit CC (White), 53.5; 18. Allegan, 44; 19. Warren Lincoln, 39.5; 20. Detroit Mumford, 10; 21. Detroit CC (X), 3.5.

INDIVIDUAL FINALS
103: David Stephanie (Tower) decisioned Devon Johnson (CC), 5-0; **112:** Chase Mayer (Tower) won by major dec. over Rhett Newton (CC), 17-5; **119:** Jordan Hamdan (Hudson) dec. Jack Medley (Anchor Bay), 3-1 (overtime); **125:** Isaac Leffler (John Glenn) dec. Marc Schaffer (Davison), 9-4; **130:** Victor Schoenherr (B.C. Western) dec. Connor Donahue (Clarkston), 2-1; **135:** Kevon Davenport (CC) won by major dec. over Anthony Gibson (John Glenn), 12-2; **140:** Noah Schoenherr (B.C. Western) dec. Trent Lasuay (St. Johns), 3-1; **145:** Cameron Amine (CC) dec. John Siemasz (John Glenn), 7-1; **152:** Bret Fedewa (St. Johns) dec. Cody Moore (B.C. Western), 7-5; **160:** Cal Stefanko (Davison) dec. Layne Malczynski (Dakota), 1-1 (UTB); **171:** Tyler Morland (CC) won by major dec. over Nino Bastianelli (Marysville), 12-2; **189:** Jelani Embree (Lincoln) p. Ryan Vasbinder (Grandville), 5-54; **215:** Sam Kinne (Lapeer) won by major dec. over Zach Bailey (Hudson), 9-0; **285:** Nick Jenkins (CC) dec. Chase Beard (Allegan), 3-2 (UTB).

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BOYS HOCKEY ROUNDUP

Catholic Central posts shutout over Cranbrook, 4-0

Wildcats drop pair on Upper Peninsula trip

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Special teams played a key role in Novi Detroit Catholic Central's 4-0 boys hockey victory Saturday night over host Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook at Wallace Arena.

CC goalie Sean Finstrom made 21 saves to post the shutout as the Shamrocks improved to 6-3-1 overall and 5-1-1 in the Michigan Interscholastic Hockey League's North Division.

The Shamrocks, who had been off 23 days for the holiday break, scored three power-play goals, including two by Zachary Sprys-Tellner, to go along with a short-handed goal from Mitch Morris.

CC got a power-play goal at 11:07 of the opening period by Ethan Ervin off assists from Morris and Nick Bifano.

At 11:34 of the second, Sprys-Tellner scored on a power play from Carter Korpi to make it 2-0.

Morris's short-handed goal from Ervin at 10:11 of the third gave CC a three-goal cushion. Sprys-Tellner capped the scoring at 13:10 on a power play from Austin Roell and Brendan West.

Catholic Central took a total of nine penalties to Cranbrook's four in battle of the state's No. 1- and No. 4-ranked Division 1 teams.

Colin Rutter made 17 saves for the Cranes (7-4-1, 3-2-0-1).

HOUGHTON 3, NOVI 2: Jacob Kruse scored a pair of goals Saturday as the host Gremlins (8-6) handed the Wildcats (8-4-1) their second straight defeat on their Upper Peninsula two-game tour at

Houghton's Dee Stadium.

Kevin Bostwick added the other goal, while Justin Norkol chipped in two assists for Houghton, which led 1-0 after one period and 2-1 after two.

Cam Czapski and Zach Perpich both scored a goal for Novi, which is ranked No. 8 in Division 2. Ryan Fonda assisted on both goals.

Senior goalie Manny Legace Jr. made 26 saves, while Will Stier had 22 for the Gremlins, ranked No. 10 in Division 3.

NORTHVILLE 8, FRANKLIN 0: Devin Laba scored a pair of goals Friday night as the Mustangs (6-4, 3-2 KLAAs Central) skated to a Kensington Conference crossover win over host Livonia Franklin (2-10, 0-6) at Edgar Arena.

The Mustangs (6-4, 3-2 KLAAs Central Division) led 1-0 after one period and 6-0 after two. Daniel McKee's goal from Nick Bonofiglio with 3:24 left in the final period ended the game on the eight-goal mercy rule.

McKee, Bonofiglio, Brendan Lovette and Easton Rea each scored one goal and added one assist, while Larry Rife and Joe Tobon both scored a goal. For Lovette and Tobon, it was their first varsity goals.

Alex Iafate chipped in two assists, while Jack Sargent, Josh Mitchell, Ty Kilgar and Danny Scrozo

collected one each.

Northville goalie Brett Miller made 16 saves to earn his first shutout of the year.

The Patriots were outshot, 61-16.

CALUMET 5, NOVI 1: Jack Sturos and Brent Loukus both collected a goal and two assists Friday to lead the host Copper Kings (5-5-1) to a non-conference win over the Wildcats (8-3-1) at the Calumet Coliseum.

Novi jumped out to a 1-0 first-period lead on Brandon Kour's short-handed goal from Cam Czapski at 6:41.

But Calumet scored three times in the second period, getting goals from Daylen Anderson (from Sturos) at 1:11; Rory Anderson (from Isaac Avery and Ed Beiring) at 5:01; and Loukus (from Sturos and Rory Anderson) on a power play at 7:32.

The Copper Kings, ranked No. 10 in Division 3, added two more power-play goals in the final period as Trevor Johnson scored from Beiring and Loukus at 2:41, followed by Sturos's goal from Loukus at 12:34.

Novi goaltender Manny Legace Jr. made 35 saves.

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BOYS SWIMMING

Northville sweeps quad meet

Travis Nitkiewicz wins two individual races

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It was a Northville Downs kind of afternoon as the Mustangs' boys swimming and diving team hit the trifecta Saturday at home by sweeping a quad meet.

Northville captured firsts in four events to improve to 5-1 overall while scoring dual wins over North Farmington (146-40), Hartland (141-45) and Canton (106.5-79.5).

"Some really good swims from most of our depth guys," Northville coach Rich Bennetts said. "I'm not sure what is going on with the other kids, so hopefully I can figure that out real soon."

Northville's foursome of Arthur Greenlee, Travis Nitkiewicz, Jason Nitkiewicz and Kirk Maibach opened the meet with a victory in the 200-yard medley relay combining for a

time of 1:41.45.

Other firsts for the Mustangs came from Travis Nitkiewicz in the 200 individual medley (2:01.84) and 100 breaststroke (1:01.23), along with Maibach in the 50 freestyle (22.78).

Canton's Dan Mullen was the meet's individual star as he swept the 200- and 500 freestyles in 1:46.83 and 4:59.64, respectively. Mullen was also a member of the Chiefs' first-place 200- and 400 freestyle relay teams that posted times of 1:31.52 and 3:19.60, respectively.

Other individual winners included Hartland's Gabe Pillen, 1-meter diving (155.85 points); North Farmington's Austin Abro, 100 butterfly (56.26); and Canton's Kyle Amick, 100 freestyle (49.49); and Canton's Tristan Shao, 100 backstroke (56.69).

QUAD MEET RESULTS
Jan. 7 at Northville

TEAM SCORES: Northville 146, North Farmington 40; Northville 141, Hartland 45; Northville 106.5, Canton 79.5.

FINAL EVENT RESULTS

200-yard medley relay: 1. Northville (Arthur Greenlee, Travis Nitkiewicz, Jason Nitkiewicz, Kirk Maibach), 1:41.45.

200 freestyle: 1. Daniel Mullen (Canton), 1:46.83; 2. Trevor Degroot (N'ville), 1:52.23; 3. J. Nitkiewicz (N'ville), 1:54.44.

100 individual medley: 1. T. Nitkiewicz (N'ville), 2:01.84; 2. Ali Pazoooki (N'ville), 2:11.60.

50 freestyle: 1. K. Maibach (N'ville), 22.78; 2. Greenlee (N'ville), 23.71.

1-meter diving: 1. Gabe Pillen (Hartland), 155.85 points; 2. Thomas Rys (N'ville), 155.50; 3. Nolan Thaxton (N'ville), 137.45.

100 butterfly: 1. Austin Abro (N. Farmington), 56.26; 2. J. Nitkiewicz (N'ville), 56.51.

100 freestyle: 1. Kyle Amick (Canton), 49.49; 2. K. Maibach (N'ville), 50.18.

500 freestyle: 1. Mullen (Canton), 4:59.64; 2. Degroot (N'ville), 5:10.36; 3. Taiyo Ichikawa (N'ville), 5:16.62; 4. Nicholas Mousikel (N'ville), 5:18.37; 5. David Alameddine (N'ville), 5:21.01.

200 freestyle relay: 1. Canton (Caleb Styles, Amick, Mullen, Derek Goderis), 1:31.52; 2. Northville (Cameron Heaven, Greenlee, Nikolai Arton, K. Maibach), 1:33.88; 3. Northville (Craig Maibach, John Duan, Haotian Jiang, Degroot), 1:36.06.

100 backstroke: 1. Tristan Shao (Canton), 56.69; 2. Greenlee (N'ville), 58.14; 3. Pazoooki (N'ville), 59.36; 4. Orion Shi (N'ville), 1:01.62.

100 breaststroke: 1. T. Nitkiewicz (N'ville), 1:01.23; 2. Arton (N'ville), 1:03.11; 3. Jiang (N'ville), 1:06.84.

400 freestyle relay: 1. Canton (Mullen, Shao, Amick, Goderis), 3:19.60; 2. Northville (Degroot, Heaven, Ichikawa, T. Nitkiewicz), 3:28.02; 3. Northville (J. Nitkiewicz, C. Maibach, Jacob Grimmer, Duan), 3:33.33.

Northville's dual meet record: 5-1 overall.

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teams.

"No one really knew whether Matt's abilities were going to translate to the top Division I, Division II level," Wagstaff said. "Everyone knows how talented he is. He's got unbelievable individual ability as a soccer player and he's got the knack for scoring goals. He's a rare breed when it comes his qualities. I guess the thing that held him back at Oakland was his ability to defend. As a forward these days, you still need guys that can defend. When he was at Oakland, I know coach Pogue liked him, but was never really comfortable giving him a run based on the fear on how he was going to defend."

Solid start

In his first season at Saginaw Valley, Wilson started 17 games, scoring six goals and adding 11 assists as the Cardinals finished 15-4-1 overall, including a 12-2 record in the Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference, while also earning a trip to the NCAA Division II tournament.

This past season, Wilson's game blossomed as he earned GLIAC Player of the Week honors twice, while also making all-GLIAC and all-Midwest as Saginaw Valley finished 15-5-1 overall while winning the GLIAC regular season title.

The Cardinals' season ended in 2-1 losses to Tiffin (Ohio) University in the finals of the GLIAC tournament, followed by a first-round home loss in the NCAA tournament against Drury (Mo.) University.

And despite his individual accolades, the bittersweet ending left Wilson wanting more.

"I thought it went really well," he said. "We won eight straight, won the league and everyone just put in a lot of hard work. But I thought we could have done a little better. We lost in the conference tournament to Tiffin, who we already beaten. Then lost in the first round of the NCAA tournament where everybody on the team knew that we could have done better. It is what it is."

Wilson, however, made some important strides following his first season with the Cardinals.

Improving game

"This year was much better," Wagstaff said. "The first four or five games, I purposefully left him on the bench just to get him motivated, to get him to be hungry and feel he was missing out on being in the starting lineup and, hopefully, get a reaction out of him — and we did. He came off the bench the first six or seven games, scored a lot of goals and, eventually, got to the point where it was difficult to leave him out of the game as far as starting the game goes. He was very impactful from the start of the season."

Wagstaff simply had to light a fire under Wilson, whom he describes laid back.

"I think at Oakland, at times he was very casual, kind of went with the flow and, if he wasn't playing, we didn't see him doing anything above or beyond to try change our opinion or force our hand a little bit by putting the guys in front of him under pressure," Wagstaff said. "Whereas at SVSU, he did very well, scored some goals and got some assists. But still, we had this little problem of getting him to buy into the overall work ethic of the team from a defensive standpoint.

"He's very quiet, very

"... I had a good year this year and my teammates really helped a lot getting me the ball, moving the ball, so I have to thank them a lot for that."

MATT WILSON
Saginaw Valley player

chilled, supremely talented. The reason he did so well is that he added that work rate that was seemingly missing. And it's just not a work rate thing, it's more of a desire and a drive. I mean, he had to just force and push himself every single day and not settle for being part of the pack and not separating himself from the pack. He's going to break records, he's that good."

Diversifying

As Wilson evolves into being an all-around player, he gives credit to not only Wagstaff, but also the team.

"I've always been the top scorer on all my teams," he said. "The first season, I was third on the team in points, so I just felt this year would be the same, but I had a good year this year and my teammates really helped a lot getting me the ball, moving the ball, so I have to thank them a lot for that."

A geography major and business minor, Wilson plans to graduate from Saginaw Valley in 2018.

But he also has some unfinished business for his final season of eligibility in 2017 as the Cardinals, who lose only three starters, will challenge once again in the GLIAC and for a third straight NCAA tournament berth.

"Most of the kids who started are returning and we only have a couple to replace, so I think next year will be as good as last year or even better," Wilson said.

While Wilson likes to hang out with friends and relax at home, he knows his off-season work will pay off for an even better year in his final season of eligibility.

New work rate

"He's certainly better than he's ever been, from a defensive standpoint," Wagstaff said. "And he's worked harder than he ever has before overall on all the pillars of his game ... the psychology, the fitness and everything else is improved dramatically with Matt."

And the expectations for Wilson have become even greater.

"There's absolutely no reason why Matt cannot improve on what he got next year, get a lot of goals, a lot of assists," Wagstaff said. "I think if we can get him to buy in and understand that what he does from January and onwards, it's going to impact him in August. If he can continue the positive mindset that he's brought in his junior year and if he can finish out the semester and play with an intensity and a work ethic befitting of a senior leader, then I think he's got to be a contender for a potential All-American as a senior and a guy that can be in the top five in the country in goals and assists. But he's got to understand now that he can't take a break until August and then expect it to happen."

Wilson is already heeding Wagstaff's call. Those two seasons of being swallowed up in soccer purgatory at OU fuel him in January.

"I go on the field and juggle, work on my touch, try and get better," he said.

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NTDP U17s head coach Danton Cole, shown from earlier this season, proudly watched a number of his former players help win a gold medal for Team USA at World Juniors.

NTDP toasts World Junior champions

Cole enjoys moment for former players

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Hockey coaches never feel too good following lopsided losses.

But Danton Cole, head coach of the U.S. National Team Development Program's Under-17 team, at least managed to smile Friday following an 8-3 United States Hockey League loss to the Chicago Steel at USA Hockey Arena.

The reason was crystal clear: Cole and everybody else with the Plymouth-based NTDP are over the moon following the gold medal secured Jan. 5 by Team USA at the 2017 International Ice Hockey Federation World Junior Championship at the Bell Centre in Montreal.

Nine players that Cole coached with the NTDP U18 squad in 2015-16 made their mark at World Juniors, including Kieffer Bellows, Clayton Keller, Charlie McAvoy, Jordan Greenway and Adam Fox. Following the 5-4 shootout win, all of those players and more exchanged texts with Cole.

"That's one of our big

charges here," Cole said. "There's successes we want to have while the guys are here, but a lot of it is it's a national team development program. U20 is the next thing after they leave here and then there's the Men's World Championships and then there's the Olympics, getting guys ready for that."

"You know what, we spend a lot of time with those guys and then they leave and they go and do great things. It's fun to watch them and see them succeed. It makes you feel good about all the work people do here to put them in that position."

"We're proud of what they've done and we had a lot of guys who came through here. It's a big win for USA Hockey as a whole."

He added that it was nice to have contributed in some way to the greater good.

"You do feel like a dad when your kids go off to do really good stuff and you are proud of them," Cole said. "Because you know how hard they've worked and you know what they've put into it, it's nice to see them get there."

Cole said his current players duly noted what was going on in Canada.

"We talked about it every

day," Cole said. "Whatever game it was ... we always put it in that context, of what to learn and how you play against different countries, because every country comes at you a little bit different."

The team already had firsthand experience in international tournaments, having captured December's Five Nations Tournament held in Monthey, Switzerland.

"Stopping a goal sometimes is just as valuable as scoring a goal," Cole said, explaining the nuts and bolts of being in the medal hunt at such tournaments.

"Having that mentality, that everything counts and we're not going to take a shift off, is a good mentality to get to. Teams that have success are able to do that."

Meanwhile, things got a little better on the home front Saturday night. The U17 squad, which until Friday had played only one home game since Oct. 21, bounced back with a 1-0 victory over Youngstown.

Scoring the winning goal late in the third period was Jake Pivonka. Making 31 stops for the shutout was Erik Gordon.

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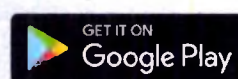
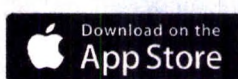
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Balancing work and school can be a challenge

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As the world and economy continue to change, many workers are going back to school and furthering their education. While this is often a great way to create new career opportunities, balancing school and a job simultaneously is no easy task.

Not easy — but not impossible. Here are essential steps to successfully manage work and school at the same time.

Start with a time inventory.

Time is the most precious resource for anyone hoping to manage a job and school-work. To make the best use of your time, you need to first evaluate how you currently spend your time.

"Start by taking a time inventory of your week by looking at your day. Write down the activity, and write down the value (high, medium, low)," says Tom Dowd, executive director of the Muhlenberg College Career Center in Allentown, Pa. "This inventory will give you pockets of time you didn't realize you had and busy you are. From there, it'll be much easier to assess how you want to effectively use your time each week, which



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is the first step in balancing going to school while working."

Set your manager's expectations.

Communication is essential to make this balancing act work. Before classes begin, have a frank and open conversation with your manager about your priorities and how your schoolwork may potentially affect your hours and availability. It can help inform your decisions regarding course load and will make it easier to navigate conflicts when they arise. "Employers want their em-

ployees to continue learning and will generally be supportive," says Karen Gorbach, a recently retired community college dean who specialized in career education and workforce development. "Students should ask about the possibility of flextime to help accommodate school schedules or (about) scholarship support for books or tuition. In exchange, students should offer to share what they are learning with management and/or other employees via 'brown bag' seminars at lunch or through short, written reports."

Write it all down.

Balancing multiple commitments can make it feel as though your obligations, assignments and deadlines are piling up fast. Trying to keep it all straight in your head is only going to cause more stress. It's much easier and more reliable to organize your schedule on paper.

"When this stress starts to take over — and it will from time to time — sit down and write down everything you feel you need to do," Dowd says. "It is common to build things up in our heads bigger than they are. Writing down this list

will help you to realize that it is manageable and you may not have as much to do as you thought."

Pace yourself.

Working while pursuing an education is stressful, and you're probably eager to get it done. But it's important not to rush the process; work at a pace that you can manage.

"I took one class at a time, because that was what was manageable for my family and me," says Holly Rodriguez, who recently completed a Master of Liberal Arts degree while working full time. "I went to school with classmates who took two courses each semester, instead of one, and worked full time to get their degree done more quickly — quite a heavy load for graduate-level coursework. Although I sometimes felt like a tortoise in a world of hares, I kept my perspective in check, reminding myself that I had my set of priorities in day-to-day living, and they had theirs. The important thing was to get to semester's end and get the grade I wanted."

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FORD AND FLAT ROCK PLANT WILL GAIN AS COMPANY PIVOTS TO SELF-DRIVEN, EV FUTURE – EVEN WHILE NODDING TO TRUMP



By Dale Buss

Say all you want about how Donald Trump is making ad hoc industrial policy 140 characters at a time, even before occupying the White House. It's sticking. Just ask Ford CEO Mark Fields, who appeared to knuckle under to Trump's famous charges against Ford over its Mexican production strategy.

Fields' recent decision to forego construction of a new small-car plant in Mexico may create the ultimate win-win situation. Long ago, with Ford serving as a perpetual punching bag during Trump's campaign stops in Flyover Country, he insisted that

the company's decision to remove small-car production from the U.S. entirely, and build the new facility south of the border, was irreversible in strictly business terms.

But now, suddenly, it became a reversible decision indeed. By at least seeming to accede to Trump's demand on what was portrayed as a very difficult dilemma for the company, the Ford CEO buys tremendous goodwill from the new administration in Washington as well as from millions of Americans who believed Trump when he called Ford a bad player.

In a highly competitive U.S. auto market where sales aren't likely to grow much this year, if at all, the impact of that vilification may have played a significant role in Fields' decision.

Plus, Fields got to say what should be obvious: Trump's pro-growth orientation, and the stirrings of greater business and consumer confidence that his election already has created, are potentially very good for Ford as well as for the country.

"This is a vote of confidence in President-Elect Trump and some of the policies he may be pursuing," Fields told reporters, according to Forbes.com. "We see a more positive U.S. business environment under Trump."

At the same time, Fields also was able to insist that Ford would have

made the same decision about the new plant in Mexico regardless of who the president would be. Small-car sales have been fading for some time, he said, making it perhaps wiser for Ford to forego construction of an entire new plant — anywhere — to make them.

Neither will Ford have to risk that much against the other big news it announced at the same time: the identities of some of its future electric vehicles, and the investment of \$700 million at its plant in Flat Rock to make the new EVs and also some of Ford's first autonomous vehicles that will be out in a few years.

The 700 direct "new" jobs that Ford plans to create at the plant probably will simply bring back many of the same idled Ford employees who have lost their jobs over the years as the plant has been sub-optimized.

Currently, Flat Rock makes the Mustang, whose sales have flagged lately despite the introduction of a highly praised new 50th-anniversary edition a couple of years ago, and the new flagship sedan of the Lincoln fleet, Continental, which hasn't exactly burst out of the gate.

Until February, Ford also built another small car at the plant, the Fusion mid-sized sedan. But sales of Fusion have flagged as well. And now where does Ford make the car? In Hermosillo, Mexico, at the



A Ford Transit Hybrid taxi.

same plant that soon will produce Focus as well.

Overall, Trump's success at influencing production decisions isn't because the president-elect is so good at tweeting. It's because the pressure he's bringing to bear on CEOs stems — in a very pixilated, concentrated way — from one of the most important planks of his winning electoral platform: protecting American manufacturing jobs.

Thus, what appears to be a random collection of spontaneous eruptions by Trump has begun shaping, in a very real way, important aspects of the future of the U.S. economy.

Right before Fields acted, General Motors CEO Mary Barra surely wasn't happy to see Trump criticizing the company's production of the hatchback version of its Chevrolet

Cruze small car in Mexico, a derivative that is mostly exported to non-U.S. destinations.

Trump's calling out CEOs has put many company leaders on notice that future actions might be subject to the potentially explosive interpretive effect of Trump's singular lens.

As Wall Street Journal columnist Gerald Seib has noted, the method to Trump's tweeting "madness" includes "three likely goals." One is "positioning himself for a negotiation or a deal"; that certainly seems to have come into play in how he has treated Ford. Another goal, Seib said, is that Trump "is seeking to control the agenda." The third type of goal "is creating rabbits for others to chase" — but in the case of CEOs, they seem to be the ones chasing Trump's rabbits.



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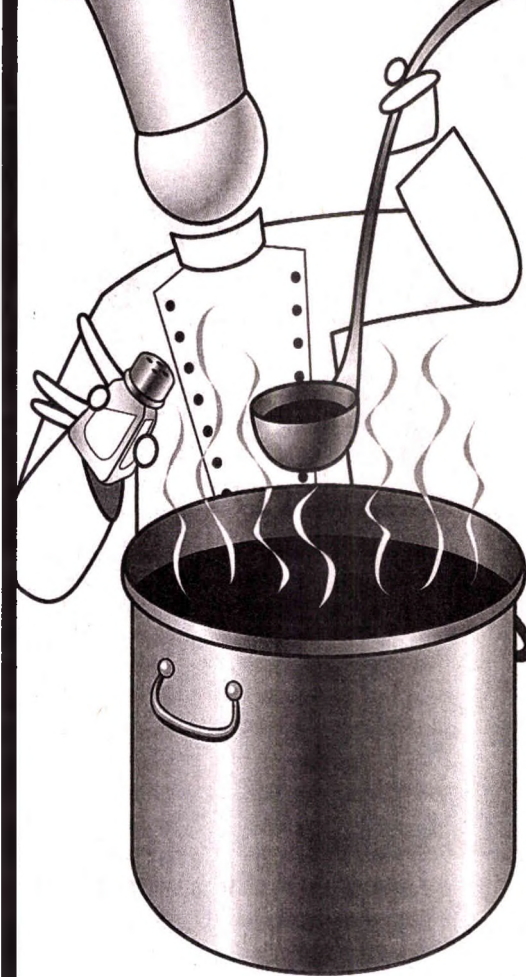
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- * Three bedrooms, one and half bathrooms, with lake access
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- * New paint, custom trim and carpet throughout
- * Gorgeous 400 square foot cedar deck

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Corner Lot Colonial!

- * Four bedrooms, three and a half bathrooms, charming Colonial
- * Stone fireplace, custom cabinets
- * Professionally finished basement with full bath
- * Deck overlooking play area and lake privileges on Lake Chemung

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Great Location!

- * Four bedrooms, two and half bathrooms, Cape Cod
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- * Finished basement with full bath and wine closet

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Quiet, Secluded with Stunning Views!

- * Three bedrooms, one and half bathroom, on over a half acre
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- * A must see Colonial!

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Stunning Ranch!

- * Three bedrooms, two bathrooms
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- * Finished basement with full bar

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Immediate Occupancy!

- * Three bedrooms, two and half bathrooms, beautiful Cape Cod
- * Custom crafted elevation, hardwood floors on first floor with custom built mantels
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- * Granite in master bath and main bath

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Beautiful House, Perfect Setting

- * Four bedrooms, one and half bathrooms, on 2.5 acres
- * Great home with lots of updates and charm
- * Master bedroom with walk in closet, and large pantry
- * Three car garage with loaded storage racks

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Delightful & Spacious!

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- * Large living room and dining room with crown molding
- * Breakfast room with bay window
- * First floor laundry room

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Exquisite Custom Built Brick Home!

- * Four bedrooms, four and half bathrooms on 2.4 acres
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