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Kowall pins Vietnam vet

Michigan Senate Majority Floor Leader Mike Kowall, R-White Lake, and Sen. Curtis Hertel Jr., D-East Lansing, recently welcomed to Kowall's Capitol office U.S. Navy Vietnam veteran Gary Quinn, Quinn's wife Karen, the Quinn family and friends and Michigan National Guard Adjutant Gen. Maj. Gen. Gregory Vadnais and his wife Leanne.

The senators presented a Vietnam veteran lapel pin to Ouinn.

W.L. school orientation

The Walled Lake Consolidated School District is hosting kindergarten orientation for the 2017-18 school year at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 14, at each of the district's elementary schools.

Parents of kindergarteners, who will be 5 years old, on or before Sept. 1, are invited to visit and tour the schools now and attend the orientation.

Additional information and materials are available on the district website www.wlcsd.org.

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Kim's Garden closes its doors

Owner pleads guilty in fatal fire; equipment to be auctioned

> **Ann Zaniewski Detroit Free Press**

A Chinese restaurant in Novi whose owner pleaded guilty to harboring illegal immigrants

has closed and its assets were

up for auction.

Starting bids for items from Kim's Garden ranged from \$100 for walk-in freezers to \$5 for a set of six pineapple-shaped drinking glasses, according to Biddergy.com, the website that held the Feb. 14 online auction.

Five people who worked at Kim's Garden - Leonel Alvarado Rodriguez, 18; Miguel Nunez Diaz, 23; Brayan Medina Contreras, 16; Simeon Diaz Nunez, 18, and Pablo Alvaro Encino, 23

died last year in a fire in the basement of the home of Roger Tam, the restaurant's owner. The Mexican immigrants slept at night at Tam's house on Mystic Forest Drive in Novi.

Earlier this month, Tam, 56, and his wife, Ada Lei, 49, pleaded guilty in federal court to harboring illegal immigrants, which carries a penalty of up to 10 years in prison. Sentencing is scheduled for June 13.

But the couple could be

spared prison if their lawyers have their way as the defense plans to ask for probation, arguing their clients have long felt terrible about the tragedy, but were in no way responsible for the workers' deaths.

"He has always felt horrible about this tragic accident. He really cared about these boys. This was an immigrant who was providing work to other

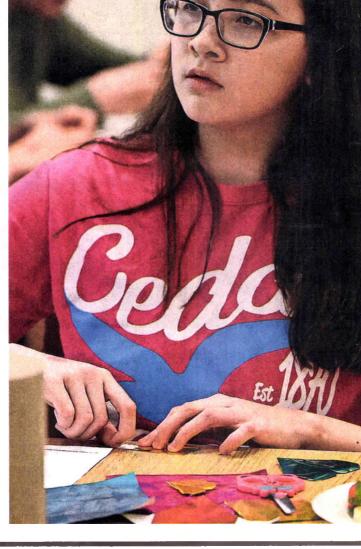
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Novi High junior Joanne Kwon (center) drizzles some melted chocolate onto some treats for another member of the school's Japanese Club on Feb. 14. The club, which meets once a month, met Valentine's Day to enjoy some chocolate treats, fold some origami and watch a few anime videos.

NOVI HIGH JAPANESE CLUB MEETS





Indivisible **Northville** resists 'Trump agenda'

Joanne Maliszewski hometownlife.com

Members of the fledgling Indivisible Northville say they will resist the "Trump agenda" in an informed, fact-based, polite, yet active, movement.

"We want to be a polite, disruptive force," said Ted Williamson, one of the forming members of the local effort.

He urged the close to 100 residents - some from surrounding communities - who gathered for a second planning meeting Monday at the North-ville Public Library to study the Indivisible guide, a 26-page document that lays out the means for peaceful resistance.

Indivisible is a grassroots effort that is spreading across the country to resist the agenda promoted by President Donald Trump. Indivisible's efforts will include demanding accountability, access and responsiveness from congressional representatives. "We have come under the umbrella," said organizer Vicki Dwelley, referring to the national movement.

The Indivisible guide, available at www.indivisibleguide-.com, is considered a practical approach to resistance crafted by former congressional staffers, with best practices "for making Congress listen."

The local effort stems from acknowledgment that beyond the Women's March on Washington and other national and regional protests, resistance must continue "to stop the presidency from ruining our country," Dwelley said.

To accomplish that, Indivisible Northville members have established committees - congressional, millennials, health care, education, outreach - in an effort to bring positive change to the country from the grassroots level up, Dwelley added.

Indivisible Northville meets the third Monday of each month at to-be-determined locations that should be available on the organization's local Facebook page. "We had quite a large group last time," Dwelley said. She and other organizers

urged working with similar groups, joining peaceful protests and networking to grow the resistance movement. "They are kind of just waiting us out," she said, referring to Trump supporters, including congressional members, expecting opposition to wane.

'We're Democrats, but we just want a better world," said Lisa DiRado, president of the Northville Democratic Club, which is joining forces with residents to organize Indivisible Northville. She suggested that

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Kim's Garden in Novi, where five Mexican immigrants closed. Its assets are being sold at an online auction.

KIM'S

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immigrants," said Tam's attorney, Raymond Cassar, who argued the fire was accidental - likely caused by smoking in

"We do not believe at all that this is a case where his action did anything to cause the deaths of these young men. The medical examiner ruled them as accidental deaths," Cassar said. "(Prosecutors) wanted us to accept responsibility for the deaths. There is just no

way we could do that."

Tam, a native of Hong Kong who came to the U.S. in 1986 and became a U.S. citizen years later, is free on bond. So is his wife, who is a native of China and also a U.S. citizen.

In federal court documents, authorities included notable details about the 9-1-1 call that was made the morning of the Jan. 31, 2016, fire. No mention was ever made of any individuals sleeping in the basement.

the caller stated around 9:31 a.m.

"OK, and do you see

"My house is on fire,"

flames?" the dispatcher asked.

"Ah, in the basement," the caller respon-

"OK, are you able to get everyone out of the house?" the dispatcher asked.

"Yes," the caller responded.

What fire officials would discover was that five victims had been sleeping in the basement. The homeowner. Tam, who was standing in the driveway when officials arrived, said he didn't know the victims' names and that he had no documentation for them.

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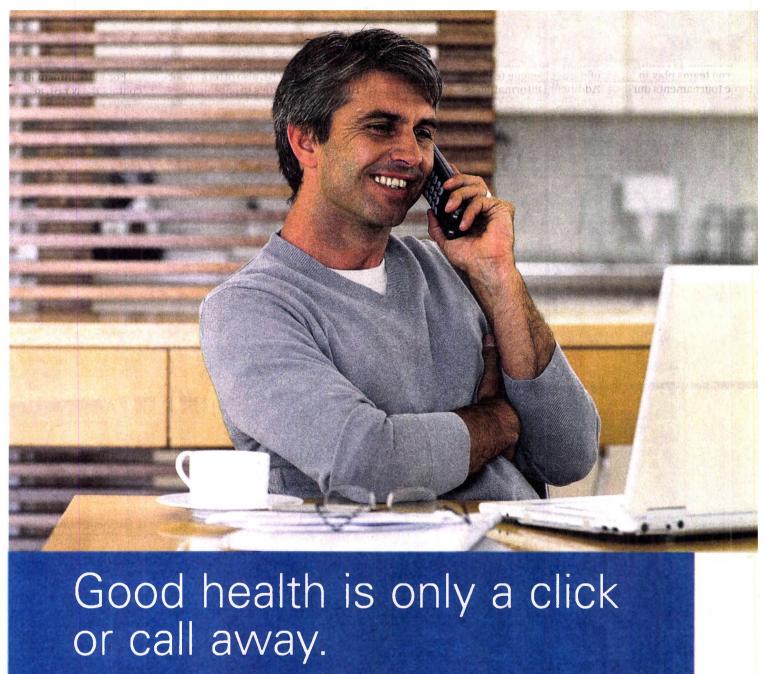
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the organization become involved in volunteer activities to improve the community, county and region.

Members are being charged with specific tasks, such as staying up-to-date on executive orders and congressional bills, in an effort to combat the presidential agenda with facts, rather than opinions, Dwelley added.

Redrawing congressional districts will be a topic heavily researched and discussed. Planning for the 2018 mid-term election is another focus, as well as grooming candidates to run for office, organizers said.

For example, state Sen. Patrick Colbeck, R-Canton, and state Sen. Michael Kowall, R-White Lake, are term-limited, leaving the seats open in the 2018 election.

In urging members to read the Indivisible Guide, Williamson said the movement will follow strategies used by the Tea Party, which was adept at organizing resistance against the Obama administration and establishment Republicans.

"Unfortunately, we can't put Trump out of office from Northville," Williamson said, adding that Indivisible members can, however, work from the bottom up through their congressional representatives. Williamson referred to federal legislators, many of whom are resisting in-person town hall meetings and responding to constituents. Referring to U.S. David Trott of the 11th District (including Northville) Williamson said, "We want to make sure he represents all constituents."

Many Oakland County residents have complained about Trott's reported lack of response to their concerns of the Trump agenda. Among Indivisible's efforts will be publishing congressional voting records to show constituents how their representatives are casting their ballots on federal legislation and Trump's agenda, including immigration and health

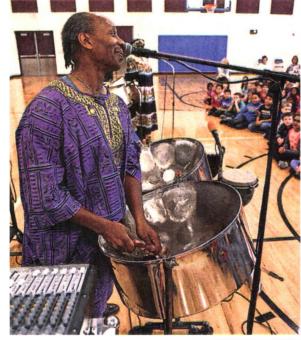
"None of us think Trump will make it four years. He will either resign, be impeached or whatever," Williamson

said. Indivisible Northville will use social media to get out its message of focusing on policies. Williamson suggested using Trump's name less and fighting back with facts rather than opinion. Part of the group's outreach will be to encourage and help form similar groups in other communities, including Livo-nia, Canton and Plymouth.

In an impassioned commentary, one community member reminded Indivisible organizers and members to be driven by the need to make the world a better place for all. "There needs to be a meaningful way to live for the good of all," she said, adding we are living in "troubled times. Don't get caught up in the politics. Show compassion and love.'

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Steel band visits Novi school for fun



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Chaz and Loretta Russell (rear) play music of their group the Gratitude Steel Band on Feb. 17 at Novi's Village Oaks Elementary.



Staff and students of Novi's Village Oaks Elementary form a snaking conga line during a Feb. 17 assembly featuring the music of the **Gratitude Steel** Band. Husband and wife duo of Chaz and Loretta Russell played music from Africa and the Caribbean on their steel drums for the students.

Registration open for Novi Youth Baseball League

It's never too early to start thinking about spring. Registration for the Novi Youth Baseball League's 2017 season is open for all divisions. Registration will close for players 14 years and younger March 15.

Registration for players in the Colt and Palomino Divisions (players ages 15-18) will close May 15. The NYBL has six divisions for players ages 7-18 and there is no Novi residency requirement for the House League baseball divisions. Registration can be done at www.noviyouthbaseball. com. Teams will be picked in late March and the NYBL's opening day is scheduled for Sat-urday, May 6. The season runs through Saturday, July 15. Games are primarily played at ITC Community Sports Park.

In 2016, approximately 400 players participated in NYBL baseball.

The NYBL also offers house league players an opportunity to play tour-



It's time to sign up for the Novi Youth Baseball League's 2017 season.

nament baseball through its Novi Inferno tournament teams. Typically, Inferno teams play in three tournaments during the summer and is a great option for players

looking to play against higher level competition without the commitment of a travel league team. Additional information is available on the NYBL website under the "About NYBL" tab.

The NYBL is a community-based, nonprofit organization run by volunteers. The NYBL promotes the fundamental principles of sportsman-

ship, fair play and teamwork that can be applied throughout life. The NYBL also offers opportunities to parents looking to enhance their children's NYBL experience,

including coaching teams as well as non-coaching

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ACADEMIC ACHIEVERS

Notre Dame

Sarah C. Cullen of Northville has been named to the dean's list in the university's Mendoza College of Business for outstanding scholarship during the fall 2016 semester.

Alma College

Aaron Hoorn of Northville was named to the dean's list for the 2016 fall semester.

Grand Valley State

The following area residents were named to the 2016 fall semester

dean's list: Northville: Carly R. Armaly; Lydia M. Bab-cock; Logan E. Brennan; Julia M. Brown; Katelyn M. Burns; Emily C. Bush; Renee E. Cameron; Alec R. Coppock; Brian L. Cornelius; Benjamin P. D'Aprile; Nicole E. Deca-pite; Scott R. Dion; Ryan P. Dodge; Jacques R. Dompierre; Rileigh O. Freeman; Hannah V. Gallon; Martina K. Gehrt; Rachel K. Gold; Holly N. Holshouser; Vasiliki T. Kanellopoulos; Anna E. Kratt; Kayla E. Marquardt; Daniel J. McCarthy; Julia J. Moore; Amanda R. Mouaikel; Andrew R. Mulcrone; Dea G. Musaraj; Kelsey A. Perkins; Maddie J. Rainey; Jaimee N. Risher; Ashley N. Robinson; Lauren M. Sargent; Nelson C. Schrader; Kristen M. Shoup; Kathryn A. Siroonian; Kyle P. Skill-man; Jacob M. Strzalkowski; Cole J. Thompson;

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Join A Night for Northville to support school district

Join the Northville Educational Foundation for A Night For Northville, the premiere fundraising event for the Northville Public Schools, 7-11 p.m. Saturday, March 11, at VisTaTech Center at Schoolcraft College. It is presented by the Community Financial Credit Union and sponsored by many other great supporters.

Enjoy delicious hors d'oeuvres from School-craft's culinary artists, video horse racing, DJ entertainment, \$1,000 prize raffle, a silent auction and a cash bar. Proceeds benefit the Northville Educational Foundation and the many programs it funds throughout the entire district.

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Guests having fun at a previous A Night for Northville.

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Electronic Music Production with DJ Mike Huckaby

Time/Date: 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 28

Details: Teens and adults! Learn about electronic music production with Mike Huckaby, Detroit DJ, sound designer and music producer. He has an encyclopedic knowledge of dance music; join us as he shares his production knowledge and skills in this hands-on workshop. Register online or in person or call 248-349-

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Time/Date: Month of
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Details: Kids, get hooked on books during March is Reading month. Celebrate all month by enjoying books and earning fun prizes. Open to all children preschool age through sixth grade. Details at the Information desk March 1.

Drop-In Morning Storytime

Time/Date: 10:15-11:15 a.m. Thursday, Feb. and March 2

Details: Storytime fun for toddlers and preschoolers. All ages welcome to attend. Caregivers must accompany children 3 and younger. Just drop in!

Teen DIY Steampunk Goggles

Time/Date: 6-7 p.m. Monday, March 6 Details: Just for teens

Details: Just for teens grades 612, learn how to make your own set of steampunk goggles. Supplies included. Limit 30. Register online or call 248-349-3020.

Girl Singers of the Big Bands with Stuart Johnson

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 8

Details: Emerging from being merely window dressing to contributing to the band's overall success, girl singers of the big band era became the stars of the era. Enjoy their stories and music.

Teen Program: The Real Story About Fake News

Time/Date: 6-8 p.m. Thursday, March 9

Details: Fake news is real. Learn what it is, why it matters and how to fight it. After the presentation, put your skills to the test — with prizes for the winners! No registration required.

Teens: So You Think U Can TXT

Time/Date: Noon to 1 p.m. Saturday, March 11 Details: Are you a champion texter? Find out if you have the fastest thumbs around at our Teen Texting Competition. A chance to win prizes and fame! Limit 40. Please arrive by 11:45 a.m. to begin promptly at noon. Registration re-

CITY OF NOVI NOTICE OF MEETING OF BOARD OF REVIEW

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Review shall convene for the Organizational Meeting at **9:00 a.m. EST, Tuesday, March 7, 2017** in the Novi Assessing Department at 45175 Ten Mile Road for the purpose of reviewing and correcting the assessment roll.

Notice is further given that the second session of the Board of Review will meet for the purpose of hearing and considering assessment appeals in the Novi City Council Chambers at 45175 Ten Mile Road on **March 13, 14 and 15, 2017**.

All appearances before the Board will be by appointment only.

If you or your representatives want to appear in person, the appointment must be made on or before 5:00 p.m. EST, Friday, March 10, 2017. Appearances before the Board of Review are limited to five (5) minutes or less. Petitions are available at the Assessor's Office or at www.cityofnovi.org

NO APPOINTMENTS WILL BE GIVEN UNTIL A PETITION IS RECEIVED BY THE ASSESSING DEPARTMENT.

Letters of protest will be accepted on or before 5:00 p.m. EST, Tuesday, March 14, 2017. Postmarks will not be considered. When submitting a letter of protest for the Board of Review consideration, you must attach a completed petition along with any supporting

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BOARD OF REVIEW SCHEDULE

Monday, March 13, 2017 - 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Council Chambers Tuesday, March 14, 2017 - 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Council Chambers Wednesday, March 15, 2017 - 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Council Chambers Located in the Civic Center, 45175 Ten Mile Road Novi, MI 48375

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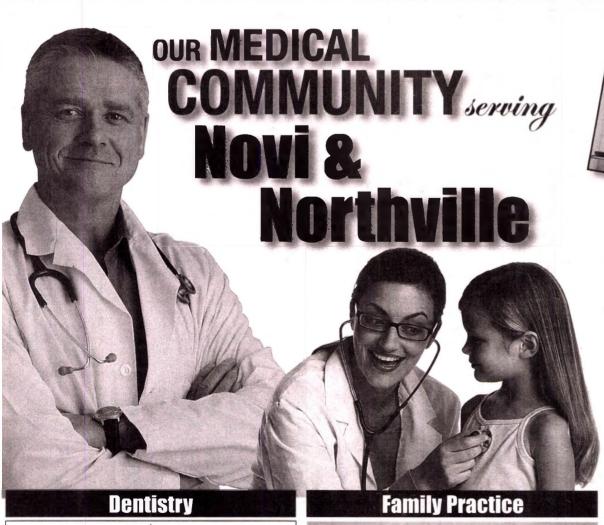
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Northville High School

All Night Party 'Words of Wisdom" for seniors are available for just \$5 each. Go to www.northvillesanp.com to place orders. And while you're there, be sure to also grab a Senior All Night Party ticket (\$50) for your senior. Held at NHS the evening following graduation (June 4), the Senior All Night Party provides a safe, chaperoned way for new graduates to celebrate this milestone with their classmates. The themed party provides food, entertainment and activities with the main hallway, cafeteria and gyms transformed to reflect the year's theme. As always, the Northville community will be invited to walk through just prior to graduation June 4.

2017-18 registration

Student registration meetings kick off the registration process. It is important students attend these presentations to receive critical information. Because these meetings are held during seminar in the NHS Auditorium, which for many students is blended, we are asking for cooperation from both parents and students to ensure that students attend the appropriate registration meeting times.

- » Junior presentation: 7:45 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 23
- » Sophomore presentation: 7:45 a.m. Monday, Feb. 27
- » Freshman presentation: 7:45 a.m. Wednesday, Feb. 15
- » Sophomore/Junior parent night presentation: 7 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 23

Blood drive

Northville High School Student Congress will be hosting a blood drive from 7:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Thursday, March 16, at NHS. Those interested in donating blood, can fill out the form and return it to the main office by Friday, March 3. For more information, contact Student Congress at northvillestuco@vahoo.com.

Freshman night

The freshman information and activities night will be held Monday, March 13, at the high school. The evening begins 6-7 p.m. with administrators and counselors presenting information about freshman orientation, graduation requirements curriculum, registration, block scheduling, building safety and athletics. The activities fair follows 7-8 p.m., when students can meet with coaches/sponsors and learn more about clubs. activities and athletic programs.

Early Childhood Programs

Northville Public Schools has begun enrollment for 2017-18 with a three-step process.

Step one — View our "New" Online Curriculum & Registration Informational Webinars at http://earlychildhood. northvilleschools.org

Step two - Attend a "New" Pre-K Parent Night Open House (PRE-K ONLY): A Pre-K Parent Night Open House will be held 6:30-8 p.m. Tuesday, March 7, at each of our four Pre-K locations: Main Street, Thornton Creek, Ridge Wood and Winchester. Open houses are intend-

Community For Over



The cast of Novi Middle School Theater Company will perform Meredith Willson's "The Music Man JR." at 7:30 p.m. Friday, March 17.

ed for potential new families to visit classrooms and meet Early Childhood staff. It is not a night intended for children to attend.

Step three — Submit a Program Request Form: Forms will be available on the website beginning March 8. Submit a Program Request Form if you are interested in enrolling your child in any of our programs: » For 2-year-olds -

- parent/child » For 3-year-olds —
- half-day pre-K
- » For 4-year-olds pre-K PLUS and School Day » Full-day pre-K
- » Kids' Club elementary before and after-school program
- » Club Mid middle school after-school pro-
- » Summer full-day pre-K Summer Camp and Summer Kids' Club

Novi HS Talent Show

Novi High School's seventh annual International Talent Show will be held at 7 p.m. Friday, March 17, in the Novi High School auditorium. All proceeds this year will be donated to Save the Children, an organization committed to helping children in crisis in 120 countries around the world. Last year, more than 300 people attended the event, which raised almost \$1,500 donated to Amnes-

ty International The show will feature Novi High School students performing in acts representing various countries. Some of the many acts include dances, soloists, instrumentals and more. Following the performances, a food court will be set up where attendees car sample international foods.

The production was organized by Novi High School's IB Diploma candidates. This event is part of their CAS (creativity, activity, and service) requirement for earning the IB diploma. The students planned all aspects of the show, from recruiting to advertising, ticket and program preparation and emcee duties. In addition, many of the IB students are performing in the show under the direction of their staff coordinator Barbara Clift.

Tickets are \$7 per person and can be purchased at the door.

'The Music Man JR.'

Novi will dance the Shipoopi and revel in the excitement of the Wells Fargo Wagon coming to town when students from Novi Middle School Theater Company perform Meredith Willson's "The Music Man JR." at 7:30 p.m. Friday, March

The musical tells the story of charismatic con man Harold Hill who galvanizes a stodgy, entertainment-starved Iowa town at the turn of the 20th century. Intending to fleece River City's citizens with a false scheme to organize

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The Maquis Theatre presents "Alice in Wonderland."

a boys' band, Hill's plans hit a sour note when he falls for Marian, the town librarian.

Novi Middle School is located at 49000 11 Mile Road. Tickets are \$7 and may be purchased by contacting Novi Middle School, main office. For more information, call/ email Lori Burkhardt at lburkhardt@novis-

chools.net.
"The Music Man JR." is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International

'Alice' at the Marquis

Journey through Wonderland with Alice as she follows the white rabbit and other curious friends as the Marquis Theatre presents "Alice in Wonderland." Come see this fun, interactive musical with lots of singing and dancing. Tickets for all performances are \$9. For more information, call the Marquis Theatre at 248-349-8110. go to www.northville marquistheatre.com, email marquistheatre@sbcglobal.net or go to Facebook at facebook.com/ MarquisTheatre

Show times and dates: 2:30 p.m. Saturday, March 4, 11, 18, 25, April 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 and May 6; 2:30 p.m. Sunday, March 5, 12, 19, 26, April 2, 9, 23, 30 and May 7; 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 4, and Thursday and Friday, April 6-7.

NorthvilleMi.

Leader Dogs orientation

Leader Dogs for the Blind will hosts a Breeding Stock Host Orientation program to introduce interested individuals to its Breeding Stock Host volunteer opportunity 10-11:30 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 25, at its Canine Development Center, 1039 Rochester Road, Rochester Hills. For more information, go to http://bit.ly/2jxRGZy or call 888-777-5332.

Evenings in the garden

MSU Tollgate Farm and Education Center is the setting for a new season of Evenings in the Garden classes. Speakers will be sharing their wisdom and experience 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursdays at Tollgate, 12 Mile and Meadowbrook roads, in Novi. The speakers are Dr. Tony Reznicek on March 2 and Dr. Norm Lownds on March 30.

The cost of each class is \$20 and supports further adult education programming at MSU Tollgate. To find more information and to register, go to http://tollgate. msu.edu/events/ evenings-in-the-garden.

The classes are for novice and seasoned gardeners, homeowners, landscapers and outdoor enthusiasts. This educational series is an opportunity to get out of the house, meet others who are suffering from cabin fever and start planning for spring gardening

Annual exhibition

The Northville Art House presents the 11th annual member exhibition, featuring original works in all mediums, including painting, draw ing, photography, sculpture, jewelry, clay and mixed media. The exhibition showcases the talents of more than 60 member artists of the Northville Art House, as well as recognizes the people who support the growth and creativity of the arts in the communi-

The exhibition runs through Saturday, March 25, during Art House hours, noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and noon to 4 p.m. Saturday.

Become a member today to be considered for future Northville Art House member exhibitions and events, as well as other exciting benefits. Applications are available online at www.northvilleart house.org, by calling 248-344-0497 or at the Northville Art House, 215 W. Cady Street. Memberships start at

Downtown First Friday

Celebrate the First Friday of the month 5-9 p.m. Friday, March 3, with the retailers and restaurants of downtown Northville. Many stores stay open late and feature refreshments, new merchandise, sales and visits from local artists. For more information, go to http://www.enjoy northville.com.

After Business Hours

Join the monthly networking event of the Northville Chamber o Commerce, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 22, at WOK Asian Bistro, 144 Mary Alexander Court. RSVP by Feb. 21 to jerijohnson@ northville.org.

Honorary Irishman Luncheon

Join friends to share the shenanigans and malarkey of a St. Patrick's Day luncheon. Enjoy Celtic tunes and a gram is sponsored in partnership with Maple Manor Rehab. The event for adults ages 55 and older is from noon to 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 15, at Meadowbrook Activity Center, 25075 Meadowbrook Road.

festive meal — and that's not blarney! This pro-

The cost is \$7.50 for Novi residents, \$9 for non-residents. The ticket deadline is March 9 or until sold out.

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

For more information about Older Adult Services programs, contact Judy Klein, recreation programmer for Older Adult Services at 248-347-0414, jklein@ctyofnovi.org or go to cityfnovi.org.

Forbidden Art

Forbidden Art, a collection of images of artwork created by concentration camp prisoners while imprisoned by the Nazis during World War II will be on display at the Wixom Public Library from March 20 through April 6. The exhibition is made up of 20 large color photos of drawings and sculptures made by inmates of the Auschwitz, Buchenwald, and Ravensbrück concentration camps. Each photograph is accompanied by a historical commentary and narrative account as to why the piece was created. The exhibit opens

with an almost-black-tie reception at the Wixom Community Center the evening of Sunday, March 19. The reception will open with author, historian and distinguished lecturer Teresa Wontor-Cichy of the Auschwitz Birkenau State Museum of Poland, who will deliver her powerfully emotional interpretation of the art and artists featured in this exhibit. Following the introduction, guests will mingle while enjoying music, wine and a wide variety of elegant appetizers provided by local sponsors. Guests will also be treated to a private group 45-minute viewing of the exhibit. Tickets for the reception are \$20 prior to March 1 and \$25 thereafter and can be purchased online at the city of Wixom website.

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE 2017 MARCH BOARD OF REVIEW DATES

The Northville Township 2017 Board of Review will conduct hearings on the following dates for appeals from citizens, regarding the 2017 assessment, at the Northville Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile Road. All appeals are by appointment. Starting Friday, February 24, 2017 please call (248) 348-5811 to schedule an appointment. Letters of appeal must be received by 12:00 noon on March 18, 2017. Postmarks are not accepted.

Tuesday March 07, 2017 Appointment Dates for Hearing: 1:00 pm Organizational Meeting

 $9{:}00$ am to 12 Noon and 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm Monday March 13, 2017 Tuesday March 14, 2017 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm and 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm

ThursdayMarch 16, 2017 Saturday March 18, 2017

6:00 pm to 8:00 pm 9:00 am to 12 Noon

All persons protesting their assessment must complete a petition (form L-4035) which can be obtained at Northville Township Hall or on the Township website twp.northville.mi.us click on Board of Review or at www.michigan.gov/treasury. Sue A. Hillebrand, M.M.C.

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FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

Proposed Flood Hazard Determinations for the City of Northville, Wayne County. Michigan, and Case No. 16-05-6404P. The Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) solicits technical information or comments on proposed flood hazard determinations for the Flood Insurance Rate Map (FIRM), and where applicable, the Flood Insurance Study (FIS) report for your community. These flood hazard determinations may include the addition or modification of Base Flood Elevations, base flood depths, Special Flood Hazard Area boundaries or zone designations, or the regulatory floodway. The FIRM and, if applicable, the FIS report have been revised to reflect these flood hazard determinations through issuance of a Letter of Map Revision (LOMR), in accordance with Title 44, Part 65 of the Code of Federal Regulations. These determinations are the basis for the floodplain management measures that your community is required to adopt or show evidence of having in effect to qualify or remain qualified for participation in the National Flood Insurance Program. For more information on the proposed flood hazard determinations and information on the statutory 90-day period provided for appeals, please visit FEMA's website at www.fema.gov/plan/prevent/fhm/bfe, or call the FEMA Map Information eXchange (FMIX) toll free at 1-877-FEMA MAP (1-877-336-2627)

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CORONER BATTLES HEROIN EPIDEMIC

Spike in addiction deaths spurs official to challenge how problem is treated

MIKE ARGENTO
USA TODAY NETWORK

Each week, this series will introduce you to an exceptional American who is making a difference to unite, rather than divide, our communities. To read more about the American profiled here and more average Americans doing exceptional things, visit onenation.usatoday

When Pam Gay ran for coroner of York County, Pa., heroin wasn't considered a major public health issue.

The number of heroin overdoses had been fairly steady, 10 to 12 a year. But in 2013, the office investigated 17 overdoses, and Gay's chief deputy warned, "I think this may be a problem for us next year."

It was

Not a month after Gay took office, the number of heroin deaths had already exceeded the number from the previous year. "That's when we really knew that we were facing a real problem," she said.

By the end of 2014, her first year in office, 62 people died from heroin overdoses, ranking mostly rural York County sixth among Pennsylvania's 67 counties in per capita heroin deaths.

Gay knew then that her role as coroner would change. In Pennsylvania, coroners are charged with determining the cause and manner of unattended deaths. Medical training is not a prerequisite, but Gay had worked as an emergency department nurse and as an educator.

She also had experience dealing with addicts. Her niece had been addicted to alcohol and crack, and Gay and her husband were drawn into her life, raising her children while she struggled with addiction. It gave her "a different perspective" on the issue, she said. (Her niece has been sober for a decade, and they are very close now.)

Gay set about transforming the coroner's office. She became an advocate for treatment, specifically methadone therapy. She was a leader in the county's heroin task force. She helped bring a needle-exchange program to the county.

And she campaigned to equip police



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spike in 2014. She has since

York County Coroner Pam Gay saw the heroin-related death total spike in 2014. She has since become an advocate for addiction treatment and helps lead the York County Heroin Task Force.

and other first-responders with naloxone, which reverses the effects of an overdose. The drug had been used in emergency rooms for years, she said. It's easy to use, it is effective and it could saye lives.

Since April 2015, police and first responders have used naloxone to save more than 330 people.

"I'm just doing my job," she said. "This is what we have to deal with."

Pam Gay

Location: York County, Pa.

Age: 55

Profession: York County Coroner

Mission: To use her office to combat the opioid epidemic

Q&A WITH PAM GAY

What does it mean to you to be an American?

I am so thankful to be an American. A friend of mine who lives in a less advanced country once reminded me that people do not get to choose where they are born, and many times that simple demographic detail of where one is born can be the factor that determines how long they will live, quality of life and if they will ever enjoy the freedoms that we are afforded simply by being born here.

What moment touched and motivated you to launch this effort?

Two things: One happened 13 years ago when my husband and I suddenly were caught up in the world of drug and alcohol addiction when we discovered that our niece was an addict. Fast forward to 2014 when I first became coroner, one of our earliest decedents, who died from her heroin addiction, was a young mother of two children who had recently been working hard to get sober. The media picked up on the story, and suddenly our community realized we were in the middle of something unlike anything we had experienced before.

What gives me hope?

People give me hope. Especially all the wonderful people I've met in the three years I've been involved in this effort. People who've lost children and parents, people in recovery from heroin or other opioid addiction who bravely tell their story, people who are leading efforts to help in the rehab/recovery process, elected officials who are trying to learn as much as they can to craft helpful legislation, hospital ED physicians and nurses and law enforcement/EMS/fire departments who administer naloxone during overdose without reservation. All of these people inspire me to keep fighting this fight.

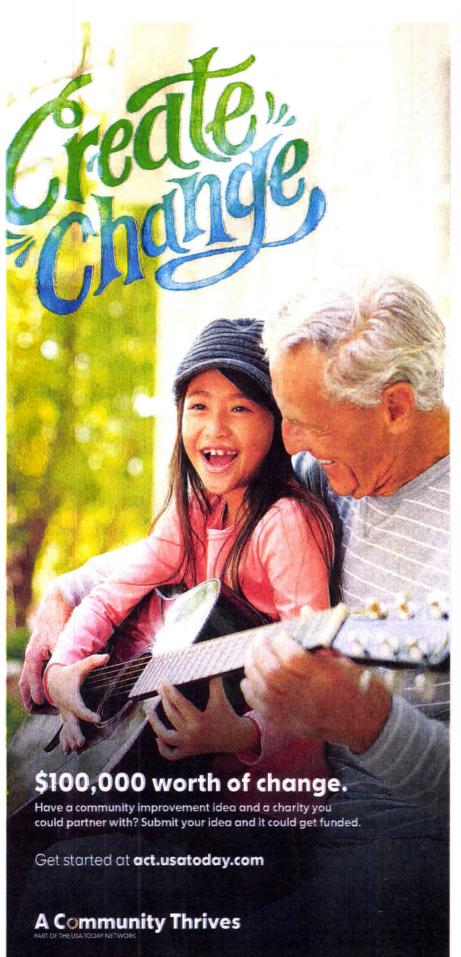
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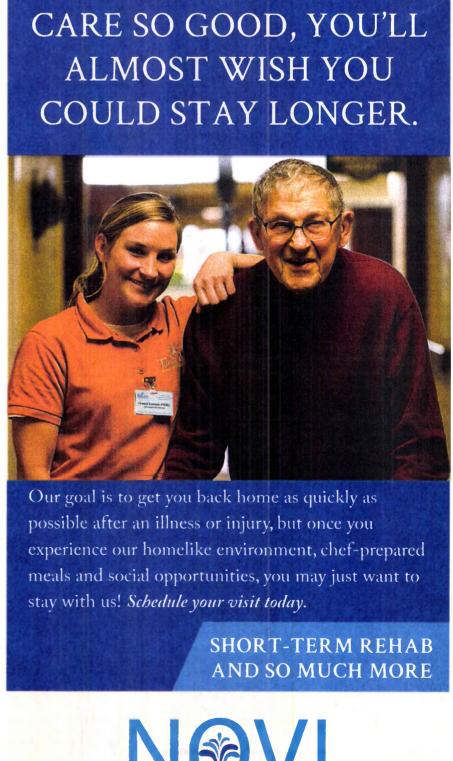
I hope that through our office being so vocal about this issue of heroin and opioid addiction that we would one day see a month, several months, even a year go by without a death from this disease.

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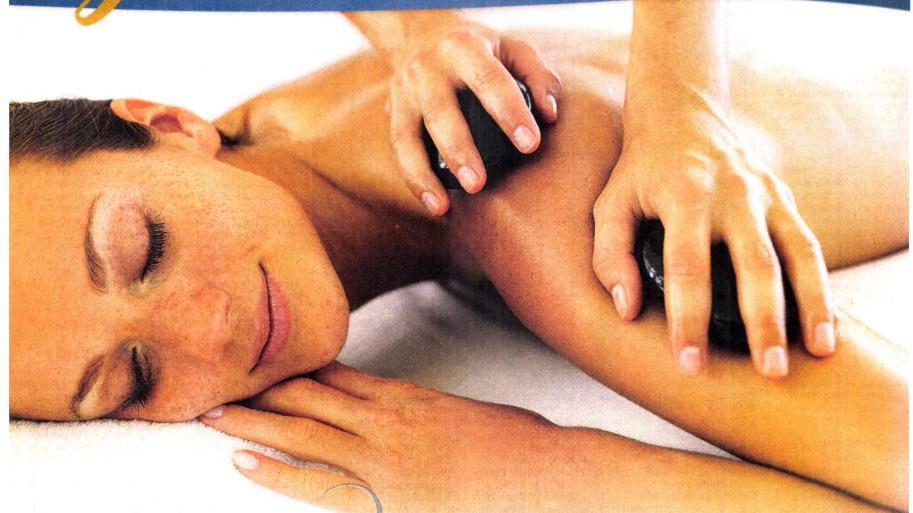




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Downtown visitors want retail, restaurant variety

Matt Jachman hometownlife.com

Greater retail variety. Ethnic restaurants. An arts district. More housing options and more public events to bring more pedestrians down-

Those were among the wish-list ideas discussed last week as the Northville Downtown Development Authority and its design consultant, the planning firm Beckett & Raeder, introduced a draft of a new strategic plan for the city's downtown.

Using a slide show Feb. 16 at the Community Center, Beckett & Raeder principal John Iacoangeli listed DDA achievements since the last strategic plan, reviewed the ways public opinion was gathered as the new plan was being drafted and mentioned several physical changes that could help the city realize some of the new downtown goals,



NORTHVILLE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

An aerial photo of Northville, with the downtown district boundary outlined in yellow.

including the possible expansion of the DDA boundaries. City officials present at the meeting

said they would be open to that idea.

"You have a very compact downtown, as you

are well aware," Iacoangeli told the crowd of about 80 people, including downtown business

and property owners. Later, Iacoangeli said a study had shown the Northville market could support 50,000 more

square feet of retail space.

"The question is, where are you going to put it?" he said. The majority of land in the city that could be used for redevelopment is outside the DDA, he said. That includes the still-operating Northville Downs racetrack, of which only a small portion is within the DDA boundaries.

Lori Ward, DDA director, said about 80 percent of the goals listed in the last DDA strategic plan, in 2006, have been accomplished. Those include the establishment of the Town Square, the streetscape improvements on Main and Center streets, directional signage, the rehabilitation of some downtown buildings and the DDA's influence on the redevelopment of the CVS drug

store site.

Public input toward a new strategic plan, Iacoangeli said, was done through an Internet survey, a followup survey with a smaller number of respondents, information from downtown stakeholders, such as property owners, and a questionnaire answered by downtown pedestrians over a 3½-day period last year. More than 1,000 people offered opinions among the various surveys.

The responses showed, Iacoangeli said, that downtown visitors want more retail and restaurant variety, housing options that include multi-family dwellings, such as apartments and loft spaces over retail businesses, a walking environment that encourages more foot traffic and better use of nearby green space, such as Ford Field.

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LETTERS

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President Trump's responsibility

When the courts unanimously struck down President Trump's Muslim ban, his reaction was to tell us that if someone coming in to the country committed an act of terror, that the responsibility would be on these judges. One of the many senseless executive orders he has been frantically signing in his first month was to roll back a President Obama order that people who have serious mental issues must pass background checks before they are able to purchase or own a gun. Candidate Trump that told us his main objective is to keep America safe, and now thinks that 75,000-plus people with mental problems should be able to own the firearm of choice with no conditions.

Should one of these mentally ill people commit an act of terror, kill their wife or someone else, it will be on you, Mr. President! Will you be willing to take responsibility? Or will you say that guns don't kill peo-

Steve Lawrence

Northville Township

A Dog Day thank

The VFAA SHAC wishes to send out a giant thank you to all the businesses and volunteers that helped make the Feb. 19 "Dog Day Afternoon" fundraiser for the SHAC and Community Sharing's Pet Pantry a great success.

This first-time fundraiser of this kind in Milford was an event that created simple pieces of original art from dog prints! Dog owners brought their pets to the SHAC where volunteers helped paint non-toxic paint on a paw and stamped a paw print on art quality paper. Other volunteer artists added the animal's name to the art and some were embellished to represent flowers. Matting and framing was provided by Main Street Art. Other volunteers were on hand to demonstrate fine art animal portraiture, create pencil sketch dog portraits, man an amazing array of silent auction items, sell cupcakes to benefit Pet Pantry and gourmet popcorn for MI Way and more!

Many thanks to those that made this happen including: VFAA volunteers, the amazing people at Main Street Art, Sniffer Station, Blue Grill, The Bar, Hector & Jimmy's, Highland Feed, Milford Feed, The Village Engravers, Bake & Save Cupcakes, Nana's Niche & Corner, Brandy Bowser's, Veterinary Care Specialists, Glamorous Paws, Kirt Manecke, Lindsay Cotter, Nancy O'Conner, Sue Murdock and more. Forgive me if I forgot anyone. We appreciate all the support and especially the amazing pet owners that came out to support this event and donated items to Pet

Sharing's Pet Pantry. Susan D. Gollon

Where is David

I'm disappointed in my

Congressman Trott announced a telephone town hall meeting, a "tele-town," for Feb. 7. I signed up online to participate and received two confirmation emails that his office would call me at the start of the meeting. The evening of Feb. 7 came and went, with no phone call invitation from my congressman. It was not bad service or technical difficulties that prevented the call from occurring, as many of my 11th District friends experienced the same si-

Northville residents deserve an opportunity to ask our congressman why he supports President Trump's Muslim ban, and why he voted for (now) Education Secretary Betsy DeVos. Northville residents deserve to explain to our congressman that his anti-immigration and anti-public school policies do not represent our values. Congressman Trott, please come to the 11th District and talk to us, in

> Marie DeFer Northville

JOHN E., age 98, passed away February 19, 2017. He was born August 28, 1918, son of Leo and Sadie Boyle. On October 12, 1946, John was united in marriage to passing in 2015, their marriage spanned nearly seven decades and was blessed with three children, ten grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren. John was a proud Army veteran serving in WWII where he served under General George Patton, John was wounded during the battle of the bulge and was awarded a Purple Heart. John was an avid and passionate golfer and bowler. He is survived by his loving children: Richard (Angel) Boyle, Robert (Judy) Boyle and Janet (Gary) Muir; 10 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren and his brother, George. He was preceded in death by his wife, Jean, his parents and three siblings. Visitation will be held on Wednesday, February 22 from 3:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, 122 W. Lake St., South Lyon. A Funeral Service will be held on Thursday, February 23 at 11:00 a.m. at Glen Eden Memorial Park, 35667 W. 8 Mile Rd., Livonia, entombment to follow

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HARRAH

SHARON Age 74, passed away February 18, 2017. She was born April 12, 1942 in Ypsilanti, daughter of the late William and Irene Faulkner. Sharon is survived by her siblings: Willard (Nancy) Faulkner, Pat Wallace. Michael (Joan) Faulkner, Peter (Diana) Faulkner, Mark (Mary) Faulkner. She is also survived by 14 nieces and nephews; 25 great-nieces and nephews; and six greatgreat-nieces and nephews Sharon was preceded in death by her daughter Christi; her parents; and her sister, Carlotta. A funeral Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, February 25 at 10:00a.m. with the family receiving friends beginning at 9:30a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 830 S. Lafayette, South Lyon. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to South Lyon Special Stars (Special Olympics), P.O. Box 804, South Lyon, MI 48178 or to American Parkinson Disease Association, 135 Parkinson Avenue, Staten Island, New

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Pantry. Please support those businesses that support the arts in Milford and Community

Congressman David Trott because he is nowhere to be found.

person.

Ask for help, don't steal This letter is really to

the person who broke into our home, even though I know he/she won't read it. I just needed to write this to some-

To the person who robbed me of my prized possessions and took away my sense of security in my home. I hope you were able to get what you needed from my jewelry box and my camera. The things in there weren't worth a lot of money, but they were very special to me. Things my children had made me through the years, mementos from my childhood.

I hope you will pray with my mother's rosary and my rosary from my first communion. I hope these items don't just end up in the trash. I'm sure you were able to get

some money from my necklace with charms of each of my children, maybe even from my charm bracelet I had as a teenager. These are things I can never replace and you took them like they were just there for you.

Anything that was special to me ended up in my jewelry box - my safe place - my treasures. Now in a moment, they are gone and so is my piece of mind. If you needed help, all you needed to do was ask and my family would help you. But you chose to come into my home and just take things that are so precious to me. Even without my rosary, I will say a prayer for you.

Julie Diven

Don't let feds turn back on environment

SMOG. How long has it been since you have seen that word in a headline? How many children born in the 21st century have actually experienced smog and how many don't even know what the word means?

There is a reason why smog is pretty much a thing of the past and why the Cuyahoga River in Cleveland doesn't catch fire anymore and why the fish from the Great Lakes are safer to eat and why the bald eagle, and other majestic birds, are making a significant comeback since the banning of DDT. The reason is the EPA.

There is a movement afoot in Congress to kill the EPA (H.R. 861). When a friend wrote to our congressman, the elusive David Trott, expressing his concern about this ill-advised legislation, the answer he received was very frightening. He accuses the EPA of "agency overreach" and preaches a philosophy that we need to balance protection of the environment with the need to avoid interfering with the growth of the economy. In short, he supports the bill to eliminate the EPA.

To lift a paragraph verbatim out of his letter: "The EPA has a track record of ignoring the adverse impact it is having on private property owners and small businesses throughout America. The federal government should focus on cutting the red tape and

getting out of the way. Representative Trott is clearly marching in lock step with the administration of Donald Trump, who has installed a climate change denier to head the EPA. This is not the time – and that time will actually never exist – for the federal government to just "get out of the way" when it comes to protection of the environment. If the federal government does not "get in the way" of polluters, who will? There is no "trickle

down" solution to protecting the environment; there is no "let the free market do its job" solution to protecting the environment. Environmental protection needs to be managed and led and sometimes even forced.

The people who claim that protecting the environment is at odds with creating jobs and economic growth ignore the businesses and jobs that are created through new technologies that are spawned by the need to protect the environment. We can turn our backs on the need to develop green energy solutions by just putting more coal miners to work - one of the world's most dangerous and unhealthy occupations - and let the Europeans and Asians develop the technologies that will provide our energy in the latter half of this century. Let them make the investments in technology and reap the economic benefits. With the U.S. being the world's largest energy consumer, I'm sure the Chinese would love to provide us with our clean-energy hard-

ware. Representative Trott has already developed a well-deserved reputation of being unavailable to his constituents. With the current trend of many representatives hiding to avoid the feedback from angry voters, it is unlikely that his behavior will change. But we can still try: write him, email him, phone his offices and maybe even show up at his office door. Make certain that he hears the voice of the people he is supposed to be representing.

Of course, our best hope of reversing the current dangerous trends in Washington is to replace the people who are driving the trends. There is little we can do in the next couple of years to replace the people in the executive branch, but the vote for the House comes up in less than two years. Let's send David Trott back to his former job as "Michigan King of Foreclosures."

John D. Webster

Loves America's diversity

This past Wednesday, I got a haircut from my favorite barber who just happened to be born in Russia. My wife dropped me off at the barber shop as I had decided to walk the three miles home. On the way, I stopped for breakfast at the Chris' Early Bird restaurant, where I met a couple of my paddleball-playing Macedonian friends. While there, I ran into a friend of Armenian decent and we chatted a while.

Upon resuming my walk, on this sunny morning, I started thinking about immigration and how it affects me. We've all experienced walking

alone and our minds start to wonder. Well, mine wandered on to the present hot topic of immigrants. One of my best friends family is from Lebanon. He's second generation and recently retired from the Veterans Administration. Then, I think about my wonderful friend and neighbor from Nigeria. And then on Friday evening, I was at the American Legion for a get-together and met a wonderful couple just moved here England, outside of London. (Really has that British accent!) Our very good next-door neighbor accepted a job in Houston and will be moving in the next month closer to her

family in Mexico. And then it hits me: If it wasn't for immigration and all the great people who come here, I wouldn't have any friends at all. Oh, and as for me, my family is German-Irish, while my wife's is Irish-English. I think we are most blessed to have our friends and their diversity. I love 'em all!

Bob Breslin

Still looking for

As a resident of the 11th Congressional District. I'm consistently frustrated with the representation we get from our elected officials in Washington. For years we've had representatives, who because of being in a gerrymandered safe district, only schedule events with supportive groups when they come back from Washington and often don't bother to show up for the debates during election season.

Not scheduling regular open meetings with the public is a clear indication that these individuals have chosen to ignore the fact that they represent all of us, not just the people who voted for them. This is unethical and cowardly.

For months now, many of Congressman David Trott's constituents have asked for meetings at his Troy office, only to be told he was unavailable. Mr. Trott seems to have forgotten that he works for us. I can certainly understand why one would be hesitant to face a group of people whose views are in opposition to his, but that's the job he signed up for and the job we as taxpayers are pay-

ing him to do. It's time to stop hiding from the people you're supposed to be representing, Mr. Trott. The town hall meeting is an American tradition and I hope our U.S. representative will uphold that tradition by setting up a face-to-face town hall in the district next week while on recess. His last face-to-face town hall meeting was in April

2015, so it's long overdue. Sherri Masson Milford

Police warn about 'can you hear me?' scam

With one complaint already received about a 'can you hear me?' phone scam, the Northville Township Police Department is cautioning residents to avoid disclosing personal information should they receive such calls.

On Feb. 16, police re-

ceived a complaint of a possible "can you hear me?" phone scam from an unidentified person who said they were from a warranty company. During the conversation, the person asked the resident "can you hear me?" The resident had prior knowledge of the scam, didn't

respond to the caller and hung up the phone.

Should you receive a "can you hear me?" call, residents must avoid responding "yes." With that response, the scam caller now has your voice recorded and can use it to access personal information, such as banking

accounts.

"People are getting access to identities," said Todd Mutchler, Northville Township public safety director.

Police suggest that, ideally, the best option to fight this scam is to simply hang up on the unsolicited caller or don't

answer the phone if you see an unfamiliar number. If you do answer the call, police suggest telling the caller "I am the lady (or man) of the house" or "I can hear you."

The police department and the Michigan State Police ICAC unit investigate this type of crime by

trying to identify the owner or subscriber of the phone number by running it through databases. In most cases, however, the phone numbers are not traceable and are illegitimate numbers that cannot be investigated further.

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Student shares her life around the globe

y name is Kath-ryn Ufford and I am a first-year student at Vanderbilt University in Tennessee. I am writing to let you know that my heart is heavy with the direction that our country seems to be taking. For the two years before starting university, I lived with my family in Dusseldorf, Germany, for my father's job. While I was living in Germany, I had many opportunities I know were special. My family and I took the chance to explore many places and meet many different people — places that we probably wouldn't have been able to visit had we not been living so close. I want to take this opportunity to share a few of the experiences I had. Our first vacation was

to Turkey. We spent time in Istanbul and Fethiye, on the Mediterranean coast. We met the kindest people in Turkey. They told us about their history and natural bounty and we talked to them about their lives. They loved their country so much, but they were wary of power being too centralized and controlling. The people we met did not share our faith, but we shared important values like love for family and a concern for the safety, well-being and



Kathryn Ufford **GUEST** COLUMNIST

future of our countries. That December, we traveled to Israel, an incredible and enlightening trip. While there, we were also able to travel in the West Bank. We met people who loved their neighbors and the history they shared. We met people who wanted to see their children get a strong education so that they could provide for their future families. We met people who took their children to school with students from the other side of the wall that divides Jerusalem, in the hope that their children could achieve something their parents couldn't. We didn't share the faith of many of the people we met. We did, however, share a hope in future generations and the peace they could bring.

We went to Egypt in the spring of that year. Egypt is filled with such rich and remarkable history. It is impossible not to be in awe of what humanity can accomplish when you are standing in front of the Pyramids of Giza or in the middle of the Temple of Luxor. While there, we met people who were busy working so that they could put their children through school. We met people who were trying to preserve the history that people from all over the world traveled to admire and learn more about. We met mothers who loved their children and were trying to protect them from the dangers that were their reality.

We went to Morocco the following December. That was probably my favorite trip of all. Not because the food was incredible or the desert was spectacular though without a doubt, they were. It was my favorite trip because the people we met there were so loving and considerate and kind. We asked questions about their country's history and people answered excitedly and passionately. We spent four days with a man who was born as a Saharan nomad and taught us about a life that is far different than anyone in my family could even imagine.

We sang songs in Arabic with Moroccan shepherds, playing their traditional drums, chanting after them in the desert on a chilly Christmas Eve and enjoying the company of people from a culture very different than ours. The transcendence

of that situation taking place on Christmas Eve was really remarkable ... sitting under the stars on that crystal clear night and singing together around a campfire was a small band of people composed of Muslim Arab shepherds with their heads wrapped in turbans and my Christian family. It was amazing and gave me a tiny glimpse of what peace might feel like. We talked to people who sent their children to a different country and went for months without seeing them, just so that their children could have a hopeful future. These people did not share our faith, but they shared a love for humanity and a respect for others' be-

liefs and history. Another one of the great privileges I had was the opportunity to greet a train of refugees as they came into Düsseldorf, hoping that they were nearing the end of an arduous, punishing escape from their home in Syria, awaiting the next step in their search for a new, safe home.

I colored pictures and played with a little girl while her mother was deliberating about where she should take her family next. She was looking at a map, trying to figure out where the best opportunities would be. I was happy to help her and allow her to change the diaper of her four-monthold baby without worrying about the safety of her 3-year-old. I couldn't imagine how overwhelmed she must have felt at that moment. But whatever the deluge of emotion she was feeling, it couldn't compare to the fear she felt in her home country. I know that she was not happy about leaving her homeland, but it was the only option she had where she could be confident about the safety of her tiny daughters. Her future wasn't going to be easy, but she hoped that it would at least be safe.

I know that the countries I visited are not in the group of seven countries whose citizens were recently banned by President Trump from entering the United States, but I can imagine a situation in which they could be added to the list. I am certain that the woman and her two daughters whom I met in the train station in Düsseldorf would not be allowed to enter the United States today. That breaks my heart. I do not know what happened to my homeland, America, the country I love and thought I knew. The country whose Statue of

Liberty bears a plaque which reads, "Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free, the wretched refuse of your teeming shore. Send these, the homeless, tempest-tossed to me, I lift my lamp beside the golden door!"

I'm not sure when America went from being the land of opportunity to being the land of privilege for the few who happened to be born on this dirt. It doesn't matter if I missed the change or if I was just awakened to an America that I am no longer idealizing. I am doing my part by sharing stories about the people I have met who were not people to fear, but people to learn from and respect.

I ask that you would do your part in fighting to help restore America to its place as a world leader that shows by example how a society can flourish by creating an environment of opportunity and safety for all the people in the world. Let's once again share the historic values of the incredible country that is the United States of America with people who desperately need it.

Kathryn Ufford of Bloomfield Hills lived in Plymouth Township until she was 16.

NORTHVILLE EVENTS

It's time to plan ahead for myriad events in the Northville community this year. Take a peek:

March 11: A Night for Northville Fundraiser. 7-11 p.m., at VistaTech Center, Northville Educational oundation, NightForNorthville.com

March 15: Battle of the Books at Northville High School, Friends of the Northville District Library

March 18: Business Showcase, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., at Northville High School, Northville Chamber, 248-

April 7-8: Spring Fling Craft Show, Northville Community Center, Handcrafters Unlimited, hcshows.com

April 15: Northville EGG-Stravaganza, 11 a.m. at Maybury Farm, www.NorthvilleCommunityFoun-April 19: State of Community Lunch, noon to 1:30

p.m., at SchoolCraft VistaTech, Northville Chamber, 248-349-7640 April 20: Girls' Night Out, 5-9 p.m., downtown

Northville, NCBA, enjoynorthville.com May 4, 11, 18, 25: Farmers Market, 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., at Northville Downs, Northville Chamber. 248-349-7640

May 26-27: 30th annual Flower Sale, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., downtown Northville, Northville Chamber,

May 29: Memorial Day Parade, 10 a.m., downtown Northville, VFW, 248-348-1490

NORTHVILLE TOWNSHIP POLICE BRIEFS

Trespassing

In two incidents, Northville Township police caught six people trespassing on the vacant Northville Psychiatric Hospital property on Seven Mile, where a "No Trespassing" sign is posted on the main gate.

The first group of four was caught after police were called to Seven Mile shortly after 5 p.m. Feb. 12, when three men and one woman were seen entering the hospital property from the Rocky's restaurant lot. One of the group, a 35-year-old Westland man, was arrested on a felony warrant.

The second incident, about 7:15 p.m. Feb. 18, involved an 18-year-old Wixom man and a 17year-old female from Walled Lake. Police were dispatched to the hospital property on a report of trespassers in the main hospital building. Two officers seached the area on foot, saw flashlights and found the two in a rear dock area. The man told police he and his friend were going to enter the building, but were

scared. Both were cited for trespassing Larceny reported

A 22-year-old Northville Township man reported to police that his fitness bicycle, valued at \$250, was taken. He told police that when he left

his home on Northville Place Drive for a walk about 3:30 p.m. Feb. 12. his bicycle was parked under a carport. When he returned at 5:30 p.m., he noticed his bicycle was missing. The man told police it was not locked to the carport.

Embezziement

A 31-yea-old Wixom man, an employee at Meijer, 20401 Haggerty, was arrested Feb. 14 after it was discovered he created a total of \$563 in gift cards for his own use. Store managers removed the employee from working the floor and confronted him with their knowledge of an initial \$318 in fraudulent gift cards. When policed arrived, the employee reportedly further admitted to actually creating cards worth an additional \$245.

Solicitor complaint

A 20-year-old Macomb man was cited for soliciting without a permit just before 5 p.m. Feb. 16 on Jupiter Hills Drive. When police arrived, the man said he was dropped off with other solicitors and would be picked up later by a van.

City of Novi **Public Hearing Notice**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Zoning Board of Appeals for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on March 14, 2017 at 7:00PM in the Council Chambers of the Novi Civic Center, 45175 Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider:

PZ17-0004 (C&S Twelve Mile Center, LLC) 41935 Twelve Mile Road, south of Twelve Mile Road and west of Meadowbrook Road, Parcel # 50-22-14-200-025. The applicant is requesting a variance from the CITY OF NOVI ZONING ORDINANCE Section 4.19 to allow for the installation of an accessory use structure in the side yard. This property is zoned Office Service Technology (OST).

PZ17-0005 (Gary Ehlers) 1705 East Lake Drive, north of Thirteen Mile Road and west of Novi Road Parcel # 50-22-02-357-015. The applicant is requesting a variance from the CITY OF NOVI Zoning Ordinance Section 3.1.5 to allow for the installation of a sun room/storage room in the side yard. This property is zoned One Family Residential (R-4).

PZ17-0006 (Preventative Maintenance Technologies, LLC) 22575 Heslip Drive, north of Nine Mile Road and west of Heslip Drive, Parcel # 50-22-26-376-018. The applicant is requesting a variance from the CITY OF NOVI Zoning Ordinance Section 4.19 to allow for the installation of an accessory use structure in the side yard. This property is zoned Light Industrial (I-1).

PZ17-0007 (Euko Design-Signs Inc.) 39475 Ten Mile Road, south of Ten Mile Road and west of Haggerty Road, Parcel # 50-22-25-226-019. The applicant is requesting a variance from the CITY OF NOVI Code of Ordinance; Sections 28-5(3) to allow three 20.65 square foot wall signs. This property is zoned Office Service (OS-1).

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CITY OF NORTHVILLE 2017 BOARD OF REVIEW WAYNE AND OAKLAND COUNTIES

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Board of Review of the City of Northville, Wayne and Oakland Counties, will meet at the City Hall, 215 West Main Street, for the purpose of reviewing and adjusting the 2017 Assessment Rolls of the City of Northville on the following

TUESDAY. MONDAY,

MARCH 13, 2017:

MARCH 7, 2017: 1:00 p.m. Administrative Meeting

1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 15, 2017: 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Unless otherwise specified the dates above are for Public Hearings

Pursuant to Act 165 of 1971 and based on the proposed changes to assessed value for 2017, the Wayne and Oakland County Equalization Departments have set the following tentative equalization factors relative to the 2017 Real and Personal Property Assessments: WAYNE COUNTY - Commercial Real 1.00; Industrial Real 1.00; Residential Real 1.00; All Personal Property 1.00. OAKLAND COUNTY - Commercial Real 1.00; Industrial Real 1.00; Residential Real 1.00; All Personal Property 1.00.

Mail-in Petitions must be received by March 14, 2017 before 5:00 p.m. ALL TAXPAYERS wishing to petition their property's taxable value or assessment in person with the Board of Review will be seen by APPOINTMENT ONLY. To ensure every appeal is heard it is requested that appointments be scheduled prior to Tuesday, March 7, 2017. Please contact the City of Northville Tax Department at (248) 449-9901 for an appointment or with any questions you may have regarding your 2017 taxable or assessed value.

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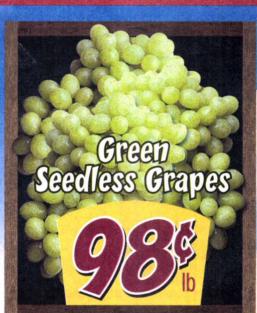
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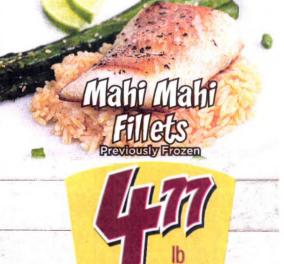


















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PREP VOLLEYBALL

Novi's O'Leary is named Gatorade Player of Year

Brad Emons hometownlife.com

Growing up as a youth, Erin O'Leary figured her athletic DNA rested with kicking a soccer ball instead of bumping, setting and spiking a volleyball.

"When I was younger, I definitely loved soccer," said O'Leary, a Novi High junior. "My family is a soccer family. I definitely liked it. But to be honest, I don't know if I was really ever sold on it because I started volleyball when I was younger also. And my sister (Abby) also played volleyball and I really looked up to her. I think I kind of wanted to follow in her footsteps. She didn't play

once she got older. She stopped, but she kind of got me hooked. I played on her parks and rec team when I was in kindergarten. I loved it."

Although her father Brian had coached Novi to five girls soccer state championships and one boys state title — and her older brother Connor was an accomplished soccer player as well — O'Leary took a different

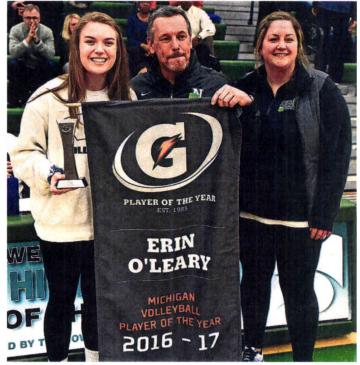
And she has her older sister Abby to thank after being recognized recently as the Michigan Gatorade Volleyball Player of the Year.

On Feb. 10, O'Leary was recognized during the Novi-Northville girls and boys basketball doubleheader as the Wildcats unfurled their second straight MHSAA Class A state championship banner.

The 5-foot-10 junior setter led the Wildcats to a 52-1 record and the championship last season. It was Novi's third straight trip to the state finals. The University of Michigan commit amassed 1,451 assists, 361 digs, 203 kills and 76 service aces while posting a kill percentage of .510 and a hitting percentage of .462

A two-time MaxPreps first team All-American, O'Leary was a member of the 2016 USA Volleyball Girls Youth National

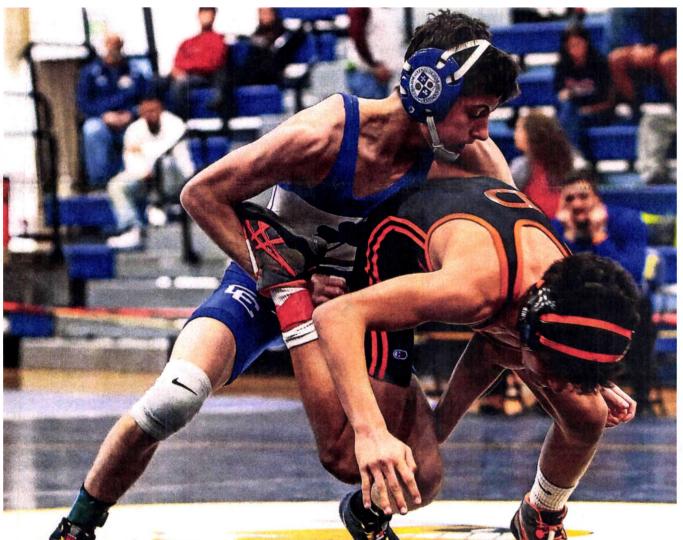
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Novi Athletic Director Brian Gordon introduces Erin O'Leary (left) as the Michigan Volleyball Player of the Year on Feb. 10.

PREP WRESTLING



Catholic Central's Devon Johnsen (top) gets the upper hand to beat Dearborn's Aaron Garcia in the 103-pound regional final.

SCOTT CONFER

On guard: 14 Shamrocks heading to The Palace

Brad Emons hometownlife.com

For the second time in the history of the Michigan High School Athletic Association individual wrestling tournament, a Division 1 team has advanced 14 to the finals, which will be March 2-4 at The Palace of Auburn Hills.

Novi Detroit Catholic Central will try to duplicate its 2010 showing, when

the Shamrocks placed 14 and boasted five individual champions.

"It's pretty remarkable to be able to get it done twice in seven years," CC coach Mitch Hancock said. "It shows how hard our wrestlers and coaches work. A lot has to go right and the guys have to execute, compete and fight through adversity and they did just that on Saturday."

Among the CC wrestlers earning

regional titles Saturday at Saline were Devon Johnsen (103 pounds), Ben Kamali (112), Cam Amine (145), Ty Morland (171) and Nick Jenkins (285).

Kamali (34-3), Amine (38-3), Morland (30-0) and Jenkins (39-1) are all returning state champions, while the Shamrocks also got runner-up regional finishes from Jackson Ross (215 pounds),

See SHAMROCKS, Page B2

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Zebras show winning stripes against Novi

Tim Smith

When Camree Clegg gets the basketball in her hands and time is running, everybody in the gym knows what's next.

She waits ... and waits ... and waits — then launches from far behind the 3-point line. Usually, the ball finds the target just as the horn sounds.

That scenario played itself out once again Monday at Novi in the KLAA Kensington Conference girls basketball championship game. Clegg did her thing and wound up with 32 points, sparking Wayne Memorial to a wire-to-wire 55-38 victory over the Wildcats.

"That's the thing about Camree, that's why her nickname is 'The Beast That Swallowed Tokyo," Zebras coach Jarvis Mitchell said. "That's who she is. She lives for big moments."

Clegg capped off a strong first half with a long-range 3-pointer that made it 30-19 at the break. She had 22 of her points in the opening 16 minutes.

"It's something I practice all the time," Clegg said. "I put too much time in the gym to not

show it out on the court."
But Clegg, who also pulled down eight rebounds, gave props to her teammates for playing hard and fast — as usual — and getting the ball to her with time and space to do her typical damage.

"All the credit is to them (teammates) for when I get my shots," Clegg said. "They set screens, they help me get open."

Buying in

She added that getting a second straight conference trophy to hoist felt great. "We got one more though," she said.

The Zohras (15.3) will heat

The Zebras (15-3) will host Hartland at 7 p.m. Thursday



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PREP WRESTLING



Catholic Central earned its ninth straight Division 1 regional title with a 73-0 win over Fordson.

Catholic Central rolls into Mt. Pleasant

Shamrocks post three shutouts in tourney

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Mount Pleasant is the next destination for the Novi Detroit Catholic Central wres-

tling team. The top-ranked Shamrocks continued their impressive run by posting their third consecutive shutout Feb. 15 in the MHSAA Division 1 team wrestling tournament by sweeping regional foes Dearborn Fordson (73-0) and host Salem (80-0).

Fordson reached the finals with a 45-33 semifinal win

over Livonia Franklin, but was no match for CC in the regional final.

Our guys wrestled hard and worked to score points," said CC coach Mitch Hancock, who has four state titles under his belt since 2010. "We are healthy, hungry and ready to wrestle. We are grateful for the opportunity to compete and the guys are having fun right now

Catholic Central (27-1) will be the top seed entering the Division 1 finals, which start with eight quarterfinal matchups beginning at 2:15 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 24, at Central Michigan University's McGuirk Arena.

The Shamrocks, making their ninth straight quarterfinals appearance, have beaten every Michigan opponent this season, with their only loss coming last month in the CC Super Duals against No. 3 nationally-ranked Lakewood (Ohio) St. Edward's, 36-30.

CC has now outscored its three state tournament foes, including Walled Lake Western in the district championship, by a combined point total of 236-0.

Also included in the eightteam quarterfinal field will be regional champions Davison,

Oxford, Grandville, Brighton, Westland John Glenn, Macomb Dakota and Hartland, the defending Division 1 state cham-

South Lyon falls

In the Division 2 team regional Feb. 15 at New Boston Huron, Tecumseh defeated Trenton, 51-25, to earn the championship.

Tecumseh edged the host Chieftains in the semifinals, 35-30, while Trenton eliminated South Lyon (14-20) in the other semifinal

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PREP GYMNASTICS

Northville captures KLAA championship

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Canton's seven-year stranglehold on the Kensington Lakes Activities Association gymnastics title came to an end Saturday as Northville turned in a signature performance at White Lake Lakeland.

The Mustangs, led by junior Erin McCallum, scored 144.175 Livonia Blue placing second and third with 142.675 and 142.125, respectively.

Rounding out the 12-team field were Brighton (141.450), defending champ Canton (141.025), Howell (138.800), Salem (138.375), Milford-Lakeland (138.300), Livonia Red (137.395), Walled Lake Maroon (124.050), Walled Lake Gold (109.850) and Waterford United (70.225).

Northville, which shared the KLAA dual meet title with a 10-1 record, got a first-place finish from McCallum on vault (career-best 9.625). She was also third in the Division 1 all-around with a total of 36.80.

Teammate Rachel Robitaille, a senior, was fourth in the Division 1 all-around (35.675), while tying McCallum for third on the balance beam

Freshman Maria Scavnicky placed fifth on beam (9.075), while sophomore Lora Haupt posted a career-high 9.15 on the Division 2 vault en route to a third-place finish.

The Mustangs will compete in the MHSAA regional meet Saturday, March 4, at Ply-

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KAREN MCCALLUM Northville freshman Maria Scavnicky competes on the uneven parallel bars in the KLAA meet.

SHAMROCKS

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Rhett Newton (112), Aidan Wagh (152), Easton Turner (171) and returning state champ Kevon Davenport (130), who was edged by Woodhaven's Xavier Graham in the finals, 6-4.

Placing third for CC were Derek Gilcher (119), Stone Moscovic (125), Derek Gilcher, Joe Urso (140) and Dane Flynn (189).

"We have some work to do in preparation for a few match-ups at the individual finals," Hancock said. "We have to get better in a few situations and dictate the pace better at a few weight classes. The good news is that we are healthy, in great shape and grateful for the opportunity.'

Team brackets set

The Shamrocks (28-1) will be the top seed in the MHSAA Division 1 team state finals, facing eighth seed Brighton (16-8) in the opening round beginning at 2:15 p.m. Friday at Central Michigan University's McGuirk Arena.

Other quarterfinal match-ups include No. 4 Oxford (24-5) against defending champion Hartland (32-3), the No. 5 seed; No. 3 Macomb Dakota (32-3) against No. 6 Westland John Glenn (29-6); and No. 2 Davison (24-3) against No. 7
Grandville (14-5).
The semifinals will begin

at 9 a.m. Saturday, followed by all four division finals starting at 3:30 p.m. at McGuirk Arena.

MHSAA DIVISION 1-REGION 3 INDIVIDUAL WRESTLING TOURNEY CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS Feb. 18 at Saline

Feb. 18 at Saline
(top 4 qualify for state finals)
160 pounds: William Marano (Dearborn
Edsel Ford) decisioined Hunter Grasso (Woodhaven), 2-1 (overtime); third place: Dominic
Vasquez (Temperance Bedford) won by injury
default over Levi Elarton (Bedford).
171: Tyler Morland (Novi Detroit Catholic
Central) won by void over Easton Turner (Detroit
CC); third: Hiram Robinson (Wyandotte) dec.
Kyle Kahut (Bedford), 8-6 (OT).
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(Woodhaven), 1:10; **third**: Danne Flynn (Det CC) won by major dec. over Lional Cornish (Westland John GLenn), 9-0. 215: JaWuan Peete (John Glenn) dec. Jackson Ross (Detroit CC), 6-3; third: Zach Kran

(Monroe) dec. Emmanuel Willie (Livonia Franklin), 6-3. 285: Nick Jenkins (Detroit CC) dec. Austin Emerson (Bedford), 2-1 (OT); third: Brandon Careathers (John Glenn) p. Anthony Calloway

103: Devon Johnsen (Detroit CC) p. Aaron Garcia (Dearborn), 0:59; **third:** Mojahid Ahmed (Dearborn Fordson) p. Russ Rusnell (Franklin),

4:01.

112: Ben Kamali (Detroit CC) dec. Rhett
Newton (Detroit CC), 13-6; third: Kyle Borthwell
(John Glenn) dec. Alec Balogh (Southgate), 1:59.

119: Mikey Mars (John Glenn) p. Rayvon Foley
(Ann Arbor Pioneer), 5:14; third: Derek Gilcher
(Detroit CC) dec. Tairk Shallot (Dearborn Heights
Crestwood), 4-0.
125: Donte Rivera-Garcia (Southgate) dec.
Danile Poupore (Saline), 8-2; third: Stone
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Moscovic (Detroit CC) dec. Isaac Leffer (John

130: Xavier Graham (Woodhaven) dec. Kevon Davenport (Detroit CC), 6-4; **third:** Nick Daniels Wayne) dec. Samuel Lyon (Belleville), 5-0.

135: Anthony Gibson (John Glenn) won by major dec. over Jacob Emery (Woodhaven), 11-0; third: Hamze Mrech (Fordson) p. Bradley James (Southgate), 1:25.

140: Tarik Alcodray (Livonia Stevenson) dec.

140: Tarik Alcodray (Livonia Stevenson) dec. Colton Thompson (Myandotte), 4-1; third: Joseph Urso (Detroit CC) dec. Kyle Emery (Woodhaven), 5-0.
145: Cam Amine (Detroit CC) won by injury default over Joseph Muzzin (Woodhaven), 5-18; third: John Siemasz (John Glenn) p. Zachary Buhro (Belleville), 4-18.
152: Nathan Atienza (Franklin) p. Aidan Wagh (Detroit CC, 2:52; third: Bruce Haslitt (Salem) won by major dec. over Robert Hurley (Ann Arbor Huron), 11-2.

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O'LEARY

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Team, which placed second at the North, Central American and Caribbean Volleyball Confederation (NORCECA) Girls U18 Continental Championship this past September.

She was also named third team USA Today All-American.

"I have really appreciated all the people that have reached out to me since I received this award," O'Leary said of the Gatorade award. "That's been the coolest part. People that I haven't heard from in a while. getting the chance to reach out to them and thank them for all the things they've done for

O'Leary has maintained a 4.0 GPA in the classroom. She has volunteered locally as part of an elementary school literacyoutreach program and as a youth volleyball coach. She has also donated her time to multiple community-service initiatives through her church youth

All those attributes contributed to her winning the Gatorade Player of the Year award.

"Erin has a great sense of the game," Aaron Smaka, head coach of Grand Haven High, said in a Gatorade press release. "She has a very high volleyball IQ and is one of the best decision-makers as a setter as that I've seen. She is the engine of that team.'

Novi coach Jen Cottrill, who played at Eastern Michigan



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University, realized she had something special when O'Le-

ary arrived as a freshman. 'Obviously, I knew about her before she came to high school," Cottrill said. "I had seen her play a couple of times. but never had the opportunity to interact with her, coach with her and work with her. So when I did get that opportunity, obviously, her skills were phenomenal and she could do a variety of things, not just set, but attack and just (was) a complete player. She's one of our best passers, servers ... so her skill set was one of the best I've ever

seen. But I knew that before

she came in. But when I first got to coach her, I realized that she was such a special and unique person.'

Novi High's state championship volleyball team unveiled its banner Feb. 10.

Even with such a high skill set, O'Leary is able to blend in well with any team she plays

'She played up in club a lot and so she played with older kids," Cottrill said. "She was so mature and so humble and one of the hardest workers in our gym, because we have a lot of hard workers. So easy-going, iust understood the game and she just has all the intangibles. Like everything you could imagine you'd want in player

on your team, no matter what sport is, she has everything. She's everything you could ever dream of, pretty much wrapped up into one package."

With all the recent accolades, O'Leary remains grounded thanks to the support and guidance of her parents Brian and Colleen.

"She just understood the game so well and understood people, teammates, understood leadership, understood the meaning of a team," Cottrill said."And I always say that goes back to her father being such a successful coach and instilling the correct mental-

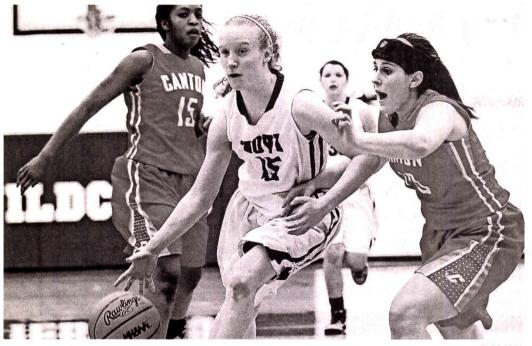
O'Leary, of course, stays busy during the off-season playing for the Legacy Volleyball Club's Elite 17 team, and will go through the tryout process again this year for the U18 National Team.

"I play on a really competitive club volleyball team, O'Leary said. "It's for fun. I love playing with them. I'm just focusing on getting as good as I can and play as much as I can to help my team.'

And soccer's loss is now volleyball's big gain.

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GIRLS BASKETBALL



Novi junior guard Ellie Mackay (middle) scored a school-record 40 points in a 66-44 win over Canton. Trying to defend for the Chiefs are Shamya Butler (left) and Madison Wolfbauer.

Wildcats' Mackay torches Canton in 40-point outing

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Novi's Ellie Mackay went into Canton's gym Feb. 16 and proved to be a human tornado.

And the junior guard left a path of destruction, scoring a school-record 40 points as the Wildcats stunned the KLAA South Division co-champions, 66-42, in the semifinals of the Kensington Conference tour-

Mackay, hitting four 3-pointers, scored 21 points in the first quarter alone as Novi got out to a 24-7 lead.

"I think it was the perfect storm in the first quarter,' said Novi coach Bill Kelp, whose team improved to 14-4. "Balls bounced our way and we hit some shots, got some rebounds and good things fell

Cara Ninkovich added eight points and three assists, while

Julia Lalain contributed seven points and 10 rebounds for the Wildcats, who led 36-17 at halftime and 54-30 after three

Mackay also made 14-of-19 free throws

'If we missed a shot or if there was a 50/50 ball, the ball kind of got knocked her way, she picked it up and there were some of those because she was open because of that," Kelp said. "The loose ball stuff kind of went her way. The second half, it was more of her getting to the basket, getting fouled and shooting free

The Wildcats moved into Monday's conference championship game against Wayne Memorial (14-3)

"I think the girls are excited to play and play for a chance to get to the conference finals," Kelp said. "We haven't played a game like this in a long time. You don't beat Canton too often and you don't beat them easily. And I won't say it was easy, but I'm just real proud of what the kids showed tonight for sure.
They're scrappers, they're fighters and I'm very, very happy for them.'

Senior forward Erin Hult was Canton's top scorer with 16 points, while Shamya Butler and Alaina Heitmeyer added 11 and nine, respectively.

Ashley Criscenti and Madi-son Wolfbauer pulled down six and five rebounds, respectively, as the loss dropped the Chiefs to 14-4 overall.

"To say Novi jumped on us early is the understatement of the year," Canton coach Rob Heitmeyer said. "Playing from behind is tough during tournament time. And while our team gave an effort worthy of a comeback, it was not to be tonight."

BOYS BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

Novi overcomes slow start to win

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It took three quarters, but KLAA Central Division boys basketball champion Novi got untracked during the final quarter to earn a 63-51 KLAA playoff victory Friday at Ply-

The Wildcats, who won their 11th straight, improved to 13-4 and were scheduled to play Westland John Glenn (15-2) in the Kensington Conference semifinals Tuesday.

Junior guard Traveon Maddox Jr. scored 11 of his 14 points in the fourth as Novi outscored Plymouth, 24-10, after trailing 41-39 at the end of the third.

Junior point guard Trendon Hankerson paced Novi's scoring attack with 17 points, while Nik Williams and Jiovanni Miles both added 10

Tarig Woody, a 6-foot-9 junior center, scored 13 of his game-high 18 points in the first half to lead Plymouth (7-10), while Anthony Crump added 15.

"Coming off a week layoff, I think it took us a little bit of time to get going," Novi coach Brandon Sinawi said. "They provided a match-up problem for us. Tariq is all of 6-8 or 6-9 and he did a good job defending the middle. We didn't play a great three quarters, but it just clicked for us in the fourth, led by Traveon (Maddox), along with Trendon (Hankerson) running the offense. The kids made shots, made free throws and we attacked the basket '

The Wildcats also got a lift off the bench defensively from 6-7 senior Joston Rodri-

gues.
"The biggest thing is that we defended, holding them to 10 points, and we held them off the glass," Sinawi said. "Joston doesn't get a lot of minutes, but he did a great job on Tariq and was a big reason why we were able to get stops and get some easy baskets.'

Novi went 15-of-19 from the foul line, while Plymouth was

DIVINE CHILD 61, DETROIT CC 52: Junior forward Quinn Blair scored 24 of his 29 points in the second half as Dearborn Divine Child (12-5) overcame a 34-22 halftime deficit to down Novi Detroit Catholic Central (10-6) in the first round of the Catholic League A-B Division playoffs Saturday at Birmingham Marian.

Birmingham Mahan.
Jason Jones, who scored six straight points to help spark an 18-5 fourth-quarter run, chipped in 12. Liam Soraghan and Scott Combs added 11 and eight points, respectively.
Senior forward C.J. Baird finished with a team-high

and Gio Genrich added 13 and nine, respectively.
Divine Child, which took the lead for keeps, 49-48, made 12-of-17 free throws. CC was 5-of-8.

JOHN GLENN 75, NORTHYILLE 57: Senior guard Christian Agnew was one of four players to score in double figures Friday as host Westland John Glenn (15-2) opened the KLAA playoffs with a

convincing win over the Mustangs (9-8).

Daijon Parker chipped in 14 points, while Joe Moon
IV and Kijuan Chandler both added 12 for the Rockets, who jumped out to a commanding 44-19 Seniors Phil Jovanovski and Kevin Morrisev pacer

"Glenn is loaded with 16 and 15 points, respectively.

"Glenn is loaded with firepower and is a difficult match-up," Northville coach Todd Sander said. "The made us pay for every mistake in the first half. We learned some things as our team kept fighting in the second half. That was a positive sign looking ahead to the district."

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SOUTHFIELD CHRISTIAN 72, FRANKLIN ROAD 32: Bryce Washington poured in 22 points as state-ranked Southfield Christian (13-3, 9-0) rolled as sate rained solution of the conference Blue Division victory Friday at Novi Franklin Road Christian (2-14, 0-8).

Harlond Beverly and Brock Washington chipped in

13 and 12 points, respectively, for the Eagles, who led 47-18 at halftime and 68-25 after three quarters. Southfield Christian made 12-of-18 free throws. Rahmon Scruggs scored 12 points for the Warriors, who went 2-of-3 from the foul line.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

Wayne escapes Mustangs as Clegg scores 35 points

Tom Morelli Correspondent

Place any obstacle in the way of Wayne Memorial junior guard Camree' Clegg and she's bound to conquer it.

All season, opponents have been hatching some sort of plan to keep her from lighting up the scoreboard at will, with minimal success.

Of course, when you stand 5-foot-5, everything seems like a tall task. But don't let the measuring tape fool you, because Clegg has every possible ounce of determination and tenacity packed into her and, like the Tasmanian Devil, she's bound to leave a path of destruction.

Clegg's reign of terror was evident Feb. 16, pouring in 35 points for the host Zebras in a 55-50 overtime win over Northville in the KLAA Kensington Conference semi-

"Every team we play, they either try to deny her the ball or faces double teams," Wayne coach Jarvis Mitchell said. 'Camree' is just one of those kids who don't know the word 'quit.' It's not in her vocabulary or her dictionary. You can throw whatever you want to throw at her like a tsunami and she'll find a way to resolve it.

A Clemson commit, Clegg connected on four of her six 3-pointers in the second quarter alone, including a pair of heaves to tie the game at 15-15 and 23-23.

The final attempt for Clegg came just before halftime, where she buried one with two seconds left to give the Zebras (14-3) a 26-24 lead.

"In clutch time, she just delivers," Mitchell said. "Pound for pound, she's one of the best kids I've ever coached. You never know what you're going to get with that kid, but it'll never be anything to worry about because she's all heart."

As was the case in the first two quarters, the second half continued to be an up-anddown game with neither team leading by more than seven

The Mustangs (16-2) bounced back in the third quarter to take a 36-34 advantage, thanks in part to a triple by junior Kendall Dillon and a mid-range jumper from classmate Roan Haines down the stretch.

Following Northville senior Jessica Moorman's triple at the 7:45 mark of the final quarter, Wayne kicked it up a notch by rattling off an 11-0

Clegg sank a pair of jumpers and a 3-pointer during that sequence, while also providing an assist on freshman Makailah Griggs Zeigler's bucket from inside the

"That's the greatest thing about having kids that are resilient - you're never, ever out of a basketball game,"
Mitchell said. "When you have
a leader like Camree' Clegg, I feel like I'm one of the luckiest and happiest coaches, because I know exactly what's in that kid's heart. That leadership out of her and Jeanae Terry, along with having Amara Chikwe back, makes my life a bit more complete."

Momentum shifted back to the Mustangs' side shortly thereafter, as they initiated a 7-2 sequence, highlighted by a shot down low from senior Bryce Quick with 54 seconds left to make it 46-46 and force the extra session.

Sophomore Jeanae Terry added a lay-in just 35 seconds into overtime to give the Zebras the lead for keeps, followed by five consecutive makes from Griggs Ziegler and Clegg at the charity stripe to help the Zebras pull away.

"My teammates just fought so hard and it all came from our hearts," Clegg said. "We left everything we had on the floor and Northville's a great

Moorman was the top scorer for the Mustangs with 21 points, followed by a 13-point effort from senior Brook Ad-

Wayne went 15-of-19 at the free throw line, while Northville was 10-of-16.

GIRLS BASKETBALL ROUNDUP

Brighton derails Mustangs

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Three players scored in double figures Monday as Brighton earned a 50-38 KLAA consolation round girls basketball victory over visiting Northville, which dropped its second straight.

Senior Julianna Pietila paced the Bulldogs (13-6) with a game-high 15 points, while junior Dana Schemanske and sophomore Lauren Brown added 11 and 10, respectively.

Northville (16-3), unable to recover from a 40-26 thirdquarter deficit, got seven points from senior center Brook Adams and six from junior guard Roan Haines.

The Mustangs made 11-of-14 free throws (78.5 percent), while Brighton was 7-of-16 (43.7 percent).

NOVI 40, PLYMOUTH 28: On Feb. 14, senior orward Cara Ninkovich finished with 15 points, four

rebounds and three assists as Novi (13-4) overcame a slow start to beat Plymouth (7-10) in the opening round of the KLAA playoffs.

Junior guard Ellie Mackay added nine points, four

rebounds and two assists, while sophomore Anna Biberstein chipped in six points and eight boards as Novi broke open a close game after three quarters by going on a 19-9 fourth-quarter run.

Chantal LeDoux led Plymouth with 10 points.

NORTHYILLE 54, CHURCHILL 28: A 22-5 first-purport price was all the Mutanog (16.1) needed

first-quarter run was all the Mustangs (16-1) needed in a convincing win Feb. 14 at home over Livonia Churchill (6-11) in the opening round of the KLAA

playoffs.
Senior forward Jessica Moorman paced Northville's Senior forward Jessica Moorman paced Northville balanced scoring attack with nine points, while senior center Brook Adams and junior guard Ella Duckworth added eight points apiece. "Tremendous defensive pressure was key for us getting off to a good start," Northville coach Todd Gudith said.

Senior guard Ronnie Severin led the Chargers with

a game-high 10 points.
Northville was 12-of-14 from the free throw line,
while Churchill was 4-of-6,
FRANKLIN ROAD 49, CHANDLER PARK

FRANKLIN ROAD 49, CHANDLER PARK
48: Sophomore Rachel Bause's rebound put-back
and free throw completed a three-point play with
only 1.5 seconds left to give Novi Franklin Road
Christian (14-4) a thrilling non-conference win Feb.
14 at Harper Woods Chandler Park Academy (9-10).
Bause finished with a game-high 21 points to go
along with four rebounds, while sophomore
Chanelle Lochrie added 12 points. Senior Reagan
Mumford also added 10 points and seven boards.
Naja Ferrell paced the Eagles with 16 points.
Franklin Road, which led 23-17 at halftime and
36-30 after three quarters, made 6-of-7 free throws. 36-30 after three quarters, made 6-of-7 free throws

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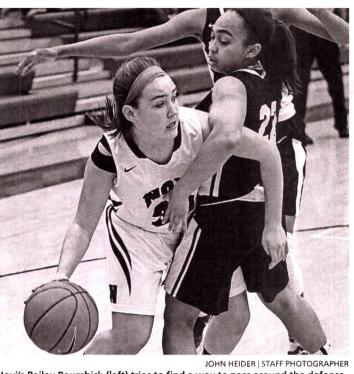
for the KLAA title. They were denied a chance to win the association crown last season because of a snow day. Wayne and Howell shared the 2015-16 title

'It's such a blessing. These kids are really starting to buy in," Mitchell said. "Now the culture's starting to change at Wayne a little bit. I'm just

Novi coach Bill Kelp, whose team fell behind 8-0 early and could not get closer than eight points, said the Zebras did a great job shadowing junior guard Ellie Mackay (who scored 40 points in the conference semifinal against Canton).

"I think she's definitely got a target on her back, but they did that the first time we played them in December." said Kelp, whose team dropped to 14-5. "They did the same kind of thing.

"It was a pretty physical game and they can shoot. The point guard (Clegg) shot the lights out."



Novi's Bailey Baumbick (left) tries to find a way to pass around the defense of Wayne Memorial's Camree Clegg.

Too many miscues

Mackay scrapped and battled for every one of her 18 points against Wayne.

"We played hard and that's all that matters with good teams like this, you just got to play hard," Mackay said. 'They played a full court, they were face-guarding, so they made it a little difficult..

Kelp noted that against teams like Wayne Memorial, which brings a mix of speed and physicality, "we got to play perfect and we hurt ourselves in the game with unforced turnovers.

"We need to just learn how to slow the game down and not play in so much of a hurry at times. We want to play fast, we don't want to play in a hurry though," he added, lamenting 24 Novi turnovers

Perhaps due to rushing things on offense, especially trying to play catch-up, Novi connected on just 26 percent of its shots (6-for-23). The Zebras hit 17-of-39 field-goal tries for 43 percent.

Wayne led 19-6 after one quarter, setting the tone for the evening. Scoring 13 of those points was Clegg.

With about a minute left in the first quarter, sophomore guard Jeanae Terry grabbed a defensive board, then dribbled up the floor with Clegg on a two-on-one rush. Terry dished it inside to Clegg for the layup

to make it 16-6. Yet the Wildcats kept battling and clawing, diving for 50/50 balls and going hard to

the rim at both ends of the court. Unfortunately, they weren't rewarded often.

Teaming up

Still, Mitchell had nothing but high marks for the Wildcats - especially Mackay.

"The thing about that kid is, she just has a go button, it's just go, go, go," Mitchell said. "After she scored 40 points against Canton, I said I don't want that to happen to us. I said if she scores 40, I want her to feel like she played 19 games in Phoenix, Arizona, weather.

"We just came out and tried to keep somebody fresh in her face and Adrianna Gonzales did an outstanding job shading her. But guarding a kid like Ellie Mackay isn't for one person, you need a team effort, and that's what they did to-

Other key contributors for the Zebras were Terry (13 points) and sophomore forward Jayah Hicks (six points).

In addition to Mackay, Novi received solid performances from senior Cara Ninkovich (nine points) and junior Julia Lalain (six points).

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BOYS SWIMMING

Novi finishes No. 1 in KLAA Central Division

Murphy leads way with record performance

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Getting a boost from its diving corps, Novi unseated rival Northville as KLAA Central Division boys swimming and diving meet champions Saturday at South Lyon East.

The Wildcats, who went undefeated during the regular season in dual meets to go along with a runner-up finish behind defending MHSAA Division 1 state champion Birmingham Brother Rice at the Oakland County Meet, held off a strong push by rival Northville, 645.5-621.5.

Rounding out the five-team field were Livonia Stevenson (391), South Lyon Unified (378) and Salem (263).

Novi captured all three relay events to go along with an East pool record and Novi school record performance by senior Camden Murphy in the 100-yard backstroke (51.33).

Murphy eclipsed the record of 52.24, set by Stevenson's John Ferrara in 2012.

Murphy also won the 100 freestyle (46.76) and was a member of the Wildcats' firstplace 200 medley relay team that also included Joey Berman, SIddhardha Kareddy and Alexander Yuan (1:39.26).

The University of Georgiabound Murphy also anchored the first-place 400 freestyle relay that included Phillip Billiu, Kareddy and Yuan (3:16.49).

The Wildcats' relay sweep was made complete when Billiu, Minjae Kim, Maxwell Williams and Berman were clocked in 1:31.29 in the 200 Novi's Jack McClure won

the 1-meter diving with 297.00 points, while sophomore Daniel Chung also earned his first individual state cut with a time of 1:01.39 in the 100 breaststroke in a runner-up

"This division title was a complete team effort," Novi coach Brent Pohlonski said. "A lot of our best swimmers were a little flat because they haven't started tapering yet. We won because so many of our division swimmers had amazing swims and finished higher than expected. Our divers got us rolling when Jack McClure took first and the rest of the divers exceeded our expectations. Once the divers set the tone, we never looked back."

Northville's lone individual winner was Nikolai Arton, in the 100 breaststroke (1:00.11).

Salem's Eugene Li swept the 50 and 200 freestyles with times of 22.16 and 1:46.4, respectively. Teammate Nathan Budnick won the 200 individual medley (2:00.38) edging South Lyon's Christian Etnyre, who posted a state cut (2:00.89).

Other division champions included South Lyon's Logan Boals in the 100 butterfly

(state cut 53.16) and Stevenson's Benjamin Rojewski in the 500 freestyle (4:50.14).

South Lyon also added a state cut in 200 medley relay as 1:39.93 as Boals, Brandon Bell, Max Kempisty and Etnyre took second.

The KLAA Kensington Conference meet will begin at noon Friday at Novi with the prelims. The finals will start at noon Saturday at Novi.

KLAA CENTRAL DIVISION
BOYS SWIMMING & DIVING MEET
Feb. 18 at South Lyon East
TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Novi, 645.5 points; 2.
Northville, 621.5; 3. Livonia Stevenson, 391; 4. South

lyon Unified, 278, 5. Salem, 263.

FINAL EVENT RESULTS

200-yard medley relay: 1. Novi (Joey
Berman, Camden Murphy, Siddhardha Kareddy,
Alexander Yuan), 1:39.26; 2. South Lyon (Logan
Boals, Brandon Bell, Max Kempisty, Christian Etmyre),
1:39.33; 3. Northville (Ali Pazooki, Nikolai Arton, Kirk
Maibach, John Duan), 1:40.40; 4. Northville, 1:40.61;
5. Salem, 1:41.53; 6. Stevenson, 1:42.30.

200 freestyle: 1. Eugene Li (Salem), 1:46.42; 2.
Benjamin Rojewski (LS), 1:47.60; 3. Phillip Billiu
(Novi), 1:47.69; 4. Yuan (Novi), 1:48.84; 5. Jason
Nitkiewicz (N ville), 1:48.91; 6. Brian Son (Novi),
1:50.0.

1:50.0.
200 individual medley: 1. Nathan Budnick (Salem), 2:00.38; 2. Kempisty (SLU), 2:00.89; 3. Trevor Degroot (N'ville), 2:03.45; 4. Emyre (SLU), 2:06.43; 5. Stephen Sitari (Novi), 2:08.08; 6. Nicholas Mouaikel (N'ville), 2:08.18.
50 freestyle: 1. Li (Salem), 22.16; 2. Parker

Wasielewski (LS), 22.37; 3. K. Maïbach (N'ville), 22.50; 4. Bell (SLU), 22.66; 5. Kareddy (Novi), 22.76; 6. Adam Goeddeke (LS), 22.79.

1-neter diving: 1. Jack McClure (Novi), 297.00 points; 2. Thomas Rys (N'ville), 279.95; 3. Jack Lefevre (SLU), 259.45; 4. Benjamin Wicks (Novi), 244.10; 5. Pranav Katari (N'ville), 242.10; 6. Victor Huang (LS), 241.80.

Huang (LS), 241.80.

100 butterfly: 1. Boals (SLU), 53.16; 2. Budnick (Salem), 1:54.16; 3. Joey Berman (Novi), 54.45; 4. K. Maibach (N'ville), 5.01; 5. Billiu (Novi), 55.60; 6. Degroot (N'ville), 56.20.

100 freestyle: 1. Murphy (Novi), 46.76; 2. Goeddeke (LS), 49.71; 3. J. Nitkiewicz (N'ville), 50.13; 4. Craig Maibach (N'ville), 50.82; 5. Etnyre (SLU), 51.12; 6. Joel Kotyk (Novi), 51.24.

500 freestyle: 1. Rojewski (LS), 4:50.14; 2. Travis Nitkiewicz (N'ville), 4:51.40; 3. Kempisty (SLU), 4:54.73; 4. Berman (Novi), 4:56.14; 5. Benjamin LaPorte (LS), 5:05.11; 6. Preston Harrell (Novi), 5:06.73.

200 freestyle relay: 1. Novi (Billiu, Minjae Kim, Maxwell Williams, Berman), 1:31.29; 2. North-ville (J. Nitkiewicz, Orion Shi, David Handy, K. Maibach), 1:32.38; 3. Stevenson (Goeddeke, Luke Santi, Rojewski, Connor Beck), 1:32.67; 4. Northville, 1:32.98; 5. Salem, 1:33.26; 6. Novi, 1:34.91.

1.32.59, 5. 39ETI, 1:35.26), 6. NOVI, 1:34.91.

100 backstroke: 1. Murphy (Novi), 5.133 (pool record); 2. Wasielewski (LS), 54.48; 3. T. Nitkiewicz (N'ville), 57.37; 4. Pazooki (N'ville), 57.79; 5. Bryan Reppenhager (LS), 57.87; 6. David Alameddine (N'ville), 57.98.

(N'ville), 57.98.

100 breaststroke: 1. Arton (N'ville), 1:00.11; 2. Daniel Chung (Novi), 1:01.39; 3. Son (Novi), 1:03.61; 4. Roman Grossi (N'ville), 1:03.76; 5. Haotian Jiang (N'ville), 1:03.76; 5. Haotian Jiang (N'ville), 1:03.82; 6. Hans Anderson (LS), 1:04.17.

400 freestyle relay: 1. Novi (Billiu, Kareddy, Yuan, Murphy), 3:16.49; 2. Stevenson (Goeddeke, Beck, Rojewski, Wasielewski), 3:21.92; 3. Northville, Jittiewicz, Degroot, Taiyo Ichikawa, C. Maibach), 3:22.16; 4. South Lyon, 3:22.17; 5. Northville, 3:25.63; 6. Salem, 3:25.79.

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NHL HOCKEY

N.J. goalie Wedgewood is at home in Plymouth

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When Scott Wedgewood found out he'd need shoulder surgery in order to have a chance to resume his hockey career, he blinked hard and agreed it was the best course

Much easier for the goalie was knowing where he'd go for rehab, physical therapy and moral support throughout an arduous process - Plymouth, Mich.

"People are like, 'Why aren't you in Toronto, why aren't you back home?" said the 24-year-old Wedgewood, who played junior hockey for the Plymouth Whalers. "I fell in love with this town and the way people treated me.

The area, the gyms. everybody I've met has been perfect for me.

Wedgewood, who played four games during the 2015-16 season with the New Jersey Devils of the National Hockey League, rested at home with his parents in Ontario in the weeks following surgery.

But since the end of December, he's been back in Plymouth, living with billets Kelly and Mike Collins and their son Mikey (who attends Novi Detroit Catholic Cen-

He stayed with the Collinses during his fourth and final season with the Whalers (2011-12), after equally rewarding stints with other billets such as Katie and Dave Tear.

With the rehab, I called them (the Collinses) and told them what was going on," Wedgewood said. "Moved right in; they're pretty much like my second parents. They've been everything and beyond what I could ask. Just being able to help me out.

"My parents are very comfortable with them; they're close to my family. It's super nice, people opening up their house and it's something you think about, not everybody can do it. Or have the mindset or the love to do it.'

Wedgewood added that it doesn't hurt that he sits



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Scott Wedgewood competes for the Plymouth Whalers of the Ontario Hockey League in this undated file photo.

around and talks hockey or other sports with the family.

"They're big hockey fans, they're big sports fans," Wed-gewood said. "They're very wholesome people. They

Comfort zone

Mike Collins said hosting players such as Wedgewood has been an "amazing experience" for his family.

"There is an adjustment period that both the family and the player go through, Collins said. "We let them know what is expected ... and, in turn, they let us know their likes and dislikes.

"After a time, they become like family. My son plays hockey and he enjoyed going to the Whalers games and watch his 'brother' play. ... They have become like sons to us — especially Scott.'

Collins added that players such as Wedgewood deserve credit for fitting in seam-

"Because most have been billeted before and know what is expected of them in a new

home, they tend to fit in quickly," Collins said. "They don't sit up in their room waiting for the next practice. they are part of the family.

'We also welcome their friends and I think that makes them feel even more at home."

Familiarity

In addition to being warmly welcomed back by the Collins family, Wedgewood pushes the pace during rehab sessions at Barwis Methods Training Center (located just east of Sheldon Road in Plymouth).

Meanwhile, don't forget his physical therapy with ATI, located a few steps from the free weights and exercise equipment at Barwis.

According to Wedgewood, knowing he had a welcoming committee waiting for him in Plymouth made his decision to come back a slam-dunk.

"I knew the gym, I knew the area and I kind of grew up here in a sense, from (ages) 15-20," Wedgewood said. "It just kind of worked out. I

they were more than happy to have me come down. It just worked out and I've stuck

talked to the Collinses and

"I got an apartment last year with Alec Nedeljkovic, who was a goalie for Plymouth after I left. We had one in Farmington Hills. It was a lot of fun.

Wedgewood also has had the chance to re-connect with former teammates and coaches with the Whalers, including goalie instructor Stan Matwijiw (now with the OHL Flint Firebirds, whose owners bought the Plymouth franchise in 2015).

"That's one guy that really helped my career and still is, Wedgewood said about Matwijiw, who also runs the renowned Bandits Goalie School during the summer. "It's exciting. You don't want to change your ways too much. He's the guy that taught me my ground work.

'Obviously, people are going to come in throughout your career, different goalie coaches who are going to teach you things you like that are new and use them. But when things are going bad, you go back to your roots, you go back to your basics.'

Place to learn

And no matter what happens to Wedgewood in his pro career, he'll always look back fondly on his time with the Whalers

"I wasn't the fittest kid, I wasn't a pro when I came to the OHL," he said. "I didn't know what it meant. That organization, (GM/head coach) Mike Vellucci and our training staff, my goalie coach Stan Matwijiw ... I had the character and I had the mindset to want to get there.

'It was just fine-tuning all the details and the things you have to do on a daily basis. Plymouth taught me that and the friendships I got from there are going to be life-

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BOYS HOCKEY

Catholic Central grounds Pilots, 3-1

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Goalie Joe Pernecky made 23 saves Sunday as Novi Detroit Catholic Central earned a 3-1 victory over Warren DeLa-Salle in a Catholic League game at Orchard Lake St. Mary's.

The Shamrocks, ranked No. 2 in Division 1, improved to 16-7-1 with the victory.

Rylan Clemons opened the scoring for CC at 5:13 of the first period, from Mitch Mor-

Following a scoreless second period, DeLaSalle tied it at 7:29 of the third on Gregory Pine's goal from Jordan Ko-

But CC put it away on John Zielinski's goal, from Nicco Bifano and Patrick Brandemihl, at 7:52, followed by Michael Considine's goal from Brendan West at 15:02.

Andrew Grewette made 11 saves for the Pilots (14-8-1).

PLYMOUTH 4, NORTHVILLE 2: Zachary Gallaher scored a pair of goals Saturday as the host Wildcats (14-9-1) downed the Mustangs (16-6-1) in a KLAA crossover at Arctic Edge. Gallaher scored at 3:09 of the first period, from

Timothy Baldwin and Christian Mullenax, but Northville's Devon Laba answered at 5:14 from Josh Mitchell and Jack Sargent.

Gallagher then notched his second just 10 seconds into the second period, from Jack VanDenBeurgeury and Nick Yankee, to put Plymouth ahead for keeps,

Baldwin scored at 7:30 of the same period, from Keaton Courtney, to push the Wildcats' lead to 3-1 before Northville's Nick Bonofiglio scored unassisted

at 10:09 of the same period.
Plymouth's Jack Chumley put it away with an empty-netter with only 1:04 left.
Northville goalie Brett Miller made 32 saves, while Brendan Olepo had 17 for Plymouth.
SALEM 3, NOVI 1: On Friday, the Rocks (12-9-1) brend had the back Wilders (10.3.2) in a KIA-9-1

turned back the host Wildcats (10-12-2) in a KLAA crossover at Novi Ice Arena.
Salem led 1-0 after one period on Joey Driscoll's power-play goal, from Tyler German and Colin Goleniak, at 3:21. Novi answered at 1:35 of the second period on

Now answered at 1:35 of the second period on Nathan Graff's power-play goal, from Evan Chippa. But Salem took the lead for keeps on Matthew Schaumburger's unassisted power-play goal at 6:31 of the second, followed by Goleniak's goal with 9:29 remaining in the third, from Sean McCormack and

Tristan Rehling went all the way in goal for Salem, while Manny Legace Jr. was in net for Novi.

HARTLAND 4, DETROIT CC 2: Blake Heier rakt Lanu 4, Det Noti scored a pair of goals to lift the Eagles (21-2) to a non-league win Feb. 15 over host Novi Detroit Catholic Central (15-7-1) in a battle of highly-ranked teams at USA Hockey Arena in Plymouth. Hartland, ranked No. 2 in Division 2, jumped out to a 1-0 lead at 2:16 of the first period on Jake Behnke's goal, from Justin Tulpa, but CC's Michael Considine answered at 15:28 of the same period to make it 1.1

goal, mon Josan Lippa, but Cos Michael Considera answered at 15:28 of the same period to make it 1-1, with assists going to Jared Lee and Spencer Kimball. The Eagles took the lead for keeps with a pair of second-period goals — a short-handed effort from Jed Pietila at 11:28, from Josh Albring, followed by Heier's power-play effort at 16:05, from Albring and Carter Fishen

The Shamrocks, ranked No. 2 in Division 1, the pulled to within one, 3-2, with only 1:33 left in the final period on Carter Korpi's goal, from Zachary Sprys-Teliner and Kimball, but the Eagles put it away on Heier's unassisted empty-netter with 54 seconds

maining.
"The short-handed goal in the second, followed by a power-play goal, proved to be the difference." CC coach Brandon Kaleniecki said. "That swung the game, for sure. We were unable to get it back. We missed the net lots and they played a really good game. Overall, it was a competitive hockey game and they won the special teams game, 2-0. It proved to be the difference between the two teams consider." the difference between the two teams tonight Hartland goaltender Brett Tome made 12 saves

while CC's Sean Finstrom had 17 NOVI 4, FARMINGTON 3 (OT): Zach Perich's goal with 7:17 left in overtime proved to be the difference Feb. 15 as the Wildcats (10-11-2) ended a

office rep. 13 as the willocks (10-112) ended a six-game losing streak with a non-conference win over the Falcons (4-16-1) at Novi Ice Arena.

After a scoreless opening period, Farmington's Nate Arnold scored, from Tanner Neill and Joe Carbone, at 1:57 of the second period, but Novi's Brandon Kour third is 44-32 as a period by the property of the second period.

DeNova and Joe Casselto Carbone's goal at 8:37 of the final period, from Kyle Lawson and Nick Persen, gave the Falcons at 2-1 lead,

tied is at 4:33 on a power-play goal, from David

but Novi scored twice, getting goals from Derek
DuBois (unassisted at 12:39) and DeNova (from
DuBois at 12:32) to go up. 3-2.
Neill sent the game into overtime with an emptynetter with only five seconds remaining from Carbor
That set the stage for Perpich, who scored just 43
seconds into the eight regulate sets access with Ko seconds into the eight-minute extra session, with Kour

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MU signs Mustangs



Northville High seniors Connor Wright (left) and Ty Kilar both signed NAIA letters of intent recently to play men's lacrosse at Madonna University under coach Mike Walter, who is embarking on his inaugural season this spring with the Crusaders.

PREP SKIING

Lakeland boys squad finishes second in KLAA

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White Lake Lakeland continued its strong season Feb. 13 by finishing runner-up in the Kensington Lakes Activities Association meet at Mount Brighton.

The Southeast Michigan Ski League Alpine Valley Division champs started strong by taking the lead in the morning slalom, but Brighton rallied to earn the title following the afternoon giant slalom.

The Bulldogs finished first with 82 points, followed by Lakeland (98), Hartland (114) Grand Blanc (127), South Lyon United (173), Novi (182), Walled Lake Northern (211), Howell (255), Northville (288) and Walled Lake Central (316).

Hartland's Keegan Hoose was the individual slalom winner in 37.0 seconds, while teammate Jake Pezzotti captured the giant slalom in 29.25.

Top slalom finishers for Lakeland were James Wenzloff, third (37.77), Tommy McCarthy, ninth (40.50), Drew Massey, 11th (40.40) and Dillon Massey, 15th (41.22)

Lakeland's four scorers in the giant slalom were Wenzloff, fourth (29.45), Dillon Massey, 16th (30.61), Drew Massey, 19th (30.95) and Brennan Holton, 21st (31.04)

Other area top 10 finishers in the boys slalom included South Lyon's Brendan Clancy, who took eighth (39.65), and Novi's Mitch Goodman, who placed



Northville's Kat Gruschow placed 15th in the slalom in the KLAA meet Feb. 13 at Mt. Brighton.

10th (40.20).

In the giant slalom, Goodman was runner-up (29.30), while teammate Jack Grove took ninth (30.27). Clancy was fifth (29.47).

KLAA girls meet

Walled Lake Northern, led by double winner Sam Solak, captured the KLAA championship with 70 points, followed by Brighton (103), Lakeland

(132), Grand Blanc (153), Walled Lake Central (159), South Lyon United (172), Howell (229), Northville (250), Novi (303) and Hartland (304).

Solak swept the slalom (30.04) and giant slalom (40.68) to lead the Knights.

Lakeland's Katie White was runner-up in the slalom (40.92) followed by teammates Olivia Racine (14th, 47.98); Ashley Wigton (25th, 51.26) and Jade

Schanen (31st, 52.15).

South Lyon's Natalie Aulicino was fourth in 42.17, while Novi's Ashley Jamison placed eighth in 44.76.

In the giant slalom, White and Racine placed sixth and ninth, with times of 30.95 and 32.87, respectively. Angela Salmeto was 15th (33.98), while Sarah Armstrong was 30th

Aulicino took third for South

Lyon in 30.41.

KLAA SKI CHAMPIONSHIPS Feb. 13 at Mount Brighton BOYS TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Brighton, 82 points; 2. White Lake Lakeland, 103; 3. Grand Blanc, 153; 4. Walled Lake Central, 159; 5. South Lyon United, 172; 6. Howell, 229; 7. Northville, 250; 8. Novi. 303; 9.

BOYS SLALOM RESULTS Individual winner: Keegan Hoose (Hartland)

37.00 seconds.

Lakeland scorers: 3. James Wenzloff, 37.77; 9.

Tommy McCarthy, 40.50; 11. Drew Massey, 40.40; 15.

Dillon Massey, 41.22; South Lyon: 8. Brendan Clancy, 39.65; 17. Jake Roush, 41.48; 22. Dominic Santoni, 42.60; 26. Evan Leslie, 44.39; Novi: 10. Mitch Santon, 42.00, 20; 14. Jack Grove, 40.89; 36. Ross Goodman, 40.20; 14. Jack Grove, 40.89; 36. Ross O'Donnell, 47.65; 39. Ben Wilson, 49.58; **Northville**: 29. Kevin Morris, 45.46; 30. Sam Stevens, 45.60; 41. David Moore, 50.80; 45. Alex Bejin, 58.15. BOYS GIANT SLALOM RESULTS Individual winner: Jake Pezzotti (Hartland), 20.65

29.65. **Lakeland scorers:** 4. Wenzloff, 29.45; 16. Dillon Massey, 30.61; 19. Drew Massey, 30.95; 21. Brennan Holton, 31.04; **Novi:** 2. Goodman, 29.30; 9. Grove, 30.27; 30. O'Donnell, 31.99; 42. Adam Krueger, 33.61; **South Lyon:** 5. Clancy, 29.47; 29. Santoni, 31.98; 32. Joe Hughes, 32.09; 34. Leslie, 32.20; **Northville:** 24. Jack Deak, 31.62; 25. Morris, 31.63; 35. Stevens, 32.37; 39. Harrison 7nltrowski, 33.01.

GIRLS TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Walled Lake Northem, 70; 2. Brighton, 103; 3. Lakeland, 132; 4. Grand Blanc, 153; 5. Walled Lake Central, 159; 6. South Lyon, 172; 7. Howell, 229; 8. Northville, 250; 9. Novi, 303; 10. Hartland, 304.

GIRLS SLALOM RESULTS
Individual winner: Sam Solak (Northe

Lakeland scorers: 2. Katie White, 40.92; 14.
Olivia Racine, 47.98; 25. Ashley Wigton, 51.26; 31. Jade
Schanen, 52.15; South Lyon: 4. Natalie Aulicino,
42.17; 26. Lex Bidwell, 51.56; 32. Erika Auner, 52.23;
36. Gracie Sigouin, 53.67; Northville: 15. Kat
Gruschow, 48.30; 30. Brooklyn Peppo, 52.10; 32.
Megan McHugh, 52.23; 38. Serena Wang, 55.03;
Novi: 8. Ashley Jamison, 44.76; 35. Julia Braeuner,
53.53; 37. Lauren Wheat, 54.65; 47. Sophie Krueger,
59.85. Lakeland scorers: 2. Katie White, 40,92:14

GIRLS GIANT SLALOM RESULTS Individual winner: Solak (Northern), 40.68. Lakeland scorers: 6. White, 30.95; 9. Racine, 32.87; 15. Angela Salmeto, 33.98; 30. Sarah Armstrong, 35.37; South Lyon: 3. Aulicine, 30.41; 20. Bidwell, 34.66; 25. Jenna Paulsen, 34.92; 26. Trinity Glover, 34.94; **Northville:** 22. Gruschow, 34.71; 32. Meghan Davis, 35.38; 38. Peppo, 37.50; 43. Katie Davis, 38.13; **Novi**: 39. Wheat, 37.87; 41. Braeuner, 37.94; 47. Jamison, 38.88; 49. Eyda Gu, 39.73.

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GIRLS SKIING

Milford falls just short at regional meet

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The Milford girls ski team came up just 10 points short after placing fourth Feb. 13 at the MHSAA Division 2 regional meet held at Pine Knob.

Advancing to the state finals Monday, Feb. 27, at Boyne Highlands were regional champion Pontiac Notre Dame Prep (53 points), Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook-Kingswood (75) and Mount Pleas-

Milford, fourth in the team standings with 123 points, earned two individual qualifying (top 10) places: Alex Youngblood, who took fifth in the giant slalom 10th (38.37).

The Mavericks' other two scorers were Ashleigh McFall (23rd, 42.45) and Morgan Watts (26th, 43.22).

Cranbrook's Grace Krsul captured the slalom in 36.99.

Meanwhile, Watts advanced individually in the ginat slalom with a fourthplace finish (47.23), followed by Young blood, 11th (49.78); Misaros, 13th (50.31); and Sierra Staman, 32nd (1:01.76).

Lakeland fourth

On Feb. 16, Brighton scored 93.5 points to capture the Division 1 regional championship at Mount Brighton, with runner-up Walled Lake Northern (111.5) and third-place finisher Okemos (147) also advancing to the state finals Monday, Feb. 27, at Nub's Nob in Harbor

Other area regional teams included Lakeland, fourth (171); South Lyon United, fourth (171); Northville, seventh (251.5) and Novi, 13th (378.5)

"I'm very proud of how this team has worked together to improve all season and they came very close to making it to the state final," Lakeland coach Sue Wiberg said. "I know they will be that much closer next year."

In the slalom, Northern's Sam Solak took first overall in 40.62 seconds, while Lakeland's Katie White was runner-up in

Also earning spots individually as area additional state qualifiers in the slalom was South Lyon's Natalie Aulicino, who placed sixth in 43.94.

Aulicino was the GS champion in 31.91.

> MHSAA DIVISION 1-REGION 3 **GIRLS SKI MEET**

GIRLS SKI MEET
Feb. 16 at Mount Brighton
TEAM STANDINGS (top 3 advance to state finals): 1.
Brighton, 93.5 points; 2. Walled Lake Northern, 11.5; 3. Okemos, 147;
4. White Lake Lakeland, 117; 5. South Lyon United, 196; 6. Walled Lake Central, 203.5; 7. Northville, 251.5; 8. West Bloomfield, 276; 9.
Farmington Hills Mercy, 284.5; 10. Howell, 323; 11. Hartland, 358; 12.
North Farmington-Harrison, 359; 13. Novi, 378.5; 14. Farmington, 560.
SLALOM RESULTS
Individual winners can colar (Northern), 40.62

SLALOM RESULTS
Individual winner: Sam Solak (Northem), 40.62.
Lakeland scorers: 2. Katie White, 40.86; 22. Olivia Racine,
51.55; 23. Angela Salmeto, 51.71; 40. Ashley Wigton, 56.15; South
Lyon: 6. Natalie Aulicino, 43.94; 31. Jenna Paulsen, 53.20; 37. Trinity
Glover, 54.75; 38. Lex Bidwell, 55.71; Northville: 11. Elise Daniel,
49.03; 13. Kat Gruschow, 49.25; 48. Katie Davis, 58.07; 59. Meghan
McHugh, 1:08.88; Novi: 41. Lauren Wheat, 56.77; 52. Julia Braeuner,
59.08; 58. Lauren Bradford, 1:07.80; 68. Sophie Krueger, 1:26.89.
GIANT SLALOM RESULTS

59.08; 58. Lauren Bradford, 17.80; 58. Sopnie Kneger, 1:26.89.

GIANT SLALOM RESULTS

Individual winner: Aulicino (South Lyon), 31.91.

Lakeland scorers; S. Witte, 32.43; 13. Racine, 34.56; 24.

Wigton, 35.8; 42. Sarah Armstrong, 38.10; South Lyon: 1.

Aulicino, 31.91; 25. Bidwell, 35.76; 28. Kelsie O'Connor, 36.55; 30. Paulsen, 36.89; **Northville**: 21. Daniel, 35.89; 26. Gruschow, 35.77; 35. Seria Wang, 37.40; 38. Brooklyn Peppo, 37.95; **Novi**: 15. Ashley Jamison, 34.72; 34.72; 47. Braeuner, 38.61; 56. Edya Gu, 40.83; 61. Hanna McBride, 42.04. **BOYS SKIING**



Lakeland's James Wenzloff took first in slalom and third in the GS at Division 1 regional.

LYDIA ARMSTRONG

Lakeland headed to state championships

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James Wenzloff proved to be the catalyst Feb. 16 as White Lake Lakeland earned a runner-up finish in the MHSAA Division 1 boys skiing regional meet held at Mount Brighton.

First-place Brighton (79 points), Lakeland (105) and Hartland (128) all earned spots in the Division 1 state finals Monday, Feb. 27, at Nub's Nob in Harbor Springs.

Wenzloff captured first in the slalom with a time of 37.82 seconds to lead a field of 80-plus racers, while also placing third in the giant slalom (30.97). Hartland's Jake Pezzotti took first (30.55)

Other slalom scorers for Lakeland were Tommy McCarthy, 11th (41.04), Brennan Holton, 13th (42.02) and Dillon Massey, 22nd (43.76).

Drew and Dillon Massey took 15th

and 19th in the GS with times of 31.93 and 32.20, respectively, while Holton

the MHSAA state finals. "I could not be more proud of this young boys team and how they have

placed 21st (32.46). Zach Massey placed 23rd (32.48). A year ago, the Eagles took fifth at

come together and worked so hard this

season," Lakeland coach Sue Wiberg

said. "We graduated five strong seniors last year and still this team continues to build and show great depth throughout the season.'

Other area regional teams included Novi (fourth, 172.5), Novi Detroit Catholic Central (fifth, 207); South Lyon United (seventh, 246.5) and Northville (10th, 312).

Also qualifying individually for the state finals in the slalom by placing in the top 10 at the regional were CC's Sawyer Reed (fifth, 40.58), South Ly on's Brendan Clancy (ninth, 40.96) and Novi's Mitch Goodman (10th, 41.02).

In the GS, additional area state qualifiers included Goodman (second, 30.77) and Clancy (tied for sixth, 31.36).

Milford boys fourth

Camilleri, 22nd (40.16).

On Feb. 13, the Milford boys ski team earned a fourth-place finish in the MHSAA Division 2 regional meet at Pine Knob as Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook (61 points), Pontiac Notre Dame Prep (69) and Flint Powers (124) qualified for the finals Feb. 27 at Boyne Highlands.

In the giant slalom, Milford's Nolan Bailey qualified individually with a third-place finish in 35.91, followed by teammates Blake Kerwin, 13th (38.34); Alex Staman, 18th (38.47); and Nathan

Cranbrook's Jevon Hovey took first in 35.42.

The Mavericks' four scorers in the slalom were Bailey, 12th (45.99), Staman, 17th (48.22) and Camilleri, 31st

Flint Powers' Devin Hope took first in 40.93.

MHSAA DIVISION 1-REGION 3 BOYS SKI MEET Feb. 16 at Mount Brighton

TEAM STANDINGS (top 3 advance to state finals): 1. Brighton, 79 points; 2. White Lake Lakeland, 105; 3. Hartland, 128; 4. Novi, 172.5; 5. Novi Detroit Catholic Central, 207; 6. Walled Lake Northern, 2095; 7. South Lyon United, 246.5; 8. West Bloomfield, 282; 9. Howell, 295.5; 10. Northville, 312; 11. North Farmington-Harrison, 314; 12. Okemos, 344; 13. Walled Lake Central, 433; 14. Earmington, 499.

SLALOM RESULTS Individual winner: James Wenzloff (La

seconds.

Lakeland scorers: 11. Tommy McCarthy, 41.04; 13. Brennan Holton, 42.02; 22. Dillon Massey, 43.76; Novi: 10. Mitch Goodman, 41.02; 16. Nate Wood, 42.54; 17. Jack Grove, 43.03; 45. Adam Kruege, 51.46; Catholic Central: 5. Sawyer Reed, 40.58; 24. Stane Moir, 44.17; 28. Conway Crowley, 44.78; 48. Chris Maxey, 51.55; South Lyon: 9. Brendan Clancy, 40.96; 26. Ryan Francis, 44.51; 33. Brett Wilson, 46.14; 42. Hunter William, 49.71; Northville: 34. Harrison Zoltowski, 46.80; 35. Sam Stevens, 47.48; 66. Jack Spangler, 1:04.71.

Jack Spangler, 1:04.71.

GIANT SLALOM RESULTS

Individual winner: Jake Pezzotti (Hartland), 30.55

Lakeland scorers: 3. Wenzloff, 30.97; 15. Drew Massey, 31.93, 19. Dillon Massey, 32.20; 21. Holton, 32.46; Novi: 2.

Goodman, 30.77; 20. Ross O'Donnell, 32.44; 21. Grove, 32.46; 41.

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Moir, 32.89; 30. Reed, 33.04; 31. Caleb Ernst, 33.13; South Lyon: 6. Clancy, 31.36; 32. Evan Leslie, 33.29; 44. Francis, 34.60; 49.

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Should you consider an internal career move?

BY MATT TARPEY CAREERBUILDER

e tend to expect a new job to be a step up or a move forward in our career, but career paths are rarely a straight line. If you reach a point in your career where you feel stuck because of few opportunities for advancement or an industry that doesn't live up to expectations, your best option may be a lateral shift.

And to make a lateral career move, you often don't have to look beyond your current employer. Here are some tips for making a lateral career move within your company:

Impress your current boss

When people say look before you leap, they usually mean make sure you have an idea of where you'll land. But when making a lateral career move, where you're jumping from is just as important as where you're jumping to.

"First, you need to make sure you are exceeding the expectations of your supervisor before you start to inquire about openings in other departments," says Kolby Goodman, owner of The Job Huntr career services. "The first person your potential new boss will talk to is your current boss, so you need to

make sure you are performing above and beyond."

Start networking

You may not be leaving your employer, but making an internal job change is still essentially the same as a traditional job search in many ways. Building and leveraging a professional network is crucial to any job search - internal shifts included.

"Start early and build relationships. Identify the areas where you potentially want to pursue a role and then look for the 'connectors' in those areas with whom you can build a relationship," says Emily Kapit, triple certified resumé writer and lead career strategist at ReFresh Your Step,

LLC. "Initially, it's less about you moving and more about an interest in that department, so ask questions about their work, the projects they work on, and what changes they see coming down the pipeline. Build these relationships since so many roles are filled internally."

Gain experience

With an internal lateral move, you already have a foot in the door. This gives you a leg up on the competition - so don't be afraid to take advantage of it.

"Get involved in cross-departmental projects," Goodman says. "This will give you a better look into other departments, the inner workings and

operations and the management styles and potential politics. It also allows you to be seen as a valuable contributor outside of your own team."

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Check internal job boards

Many companies like to fill openings with internal hires, often for the same reasons you might be considering a new position within the company. To make these moves easier, some companies have internal job boards for current employees to browse open positions.

"Always pay attention to updates on internal job boards. If managers of your own team are helpful, sometimes they can introduce you to other

teams for new opportunities as well," says Andy Chan, founder of Prime Opt, a career coaching center designed to help professionals with international backgrounds land jobs in the U.S. "When possible, schedule informational interviews with hiring managers of other teams to gain insights on what working on a particular team [is] like."

Communicate

Searching for jobs while currently employed is a tricky situation to navigate. That's why Ken Kanara, managing director at Ex-Consultants Agency, which works with clients to place talent in permanent and project-based roles, says transparency is always the recommended path. "As soon as you know you'd like to make a lateral move in the organization and a real opportunity exists, it's critical to have an open and honest conversation with your supervisor," he says. "Be honest about why you've made the decision, and lay out a transition plan so they aren't left with a problem."

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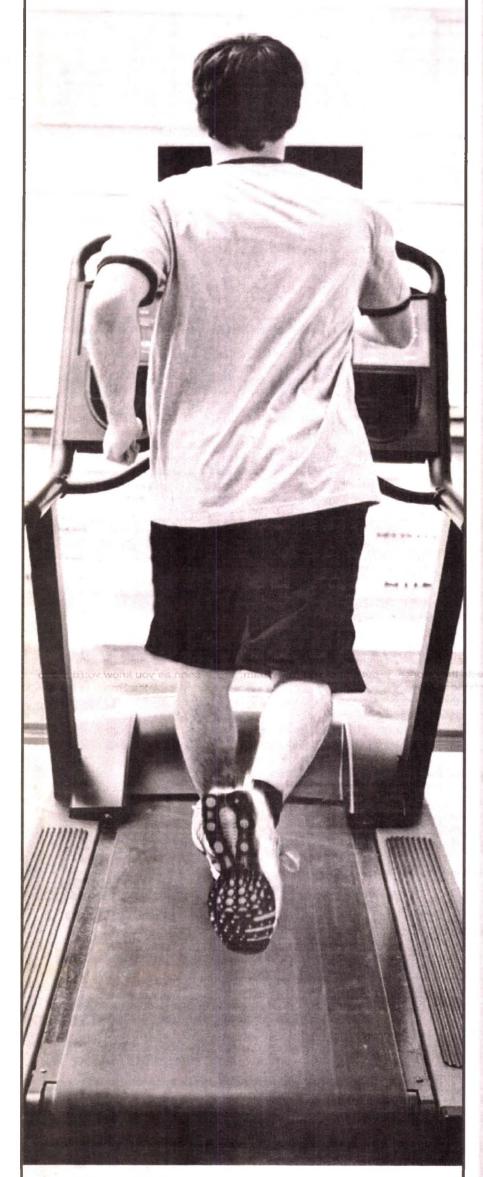
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By Dale Buss

Pacifica minivan has fulfilled all for the sharply vehicle since it was introduced

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With about 6,700 sales in January, the

model began lapping year-ago sales (of just 39 vehicles) last month as Fiat Chrysler attempts to re-establish the kind of dominance that it enjoyed in minivans for a long time after the company created the segment in the mid-1980s, when Lee Iacocca climbed out of an early production model at the Windsor assembly plant.

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That's certainly what I found in the recent use of Pacifica as an incredibly capable and flexible platform for a family vacation, during which we were able to take advantage of everything from fantastic vistas available through the panoramic sunroofs. to the roomy front cabin, to the many configuration possibilities for cargo that are made possible by engineering in the rear compartment, to - well, using the onboard vacuum cleaner to take care of a little crumb problem.

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campaign last year, shaped around a series of TV commercials that starred affable comic and father Jim Gaffigan and his real-life wife and five children - a perfect crew to demonstrate the capabilities of the new Pacifica.

Plus, Gaffigan helped establish the new model as one that dads actually could ogle un-self-consciously, despite minivans' hoary reputation as a vehicle only for soccer moms. It isn't clear yet to what extent Fiat Chrysler's appeal to the "father factor" is helping Pacifica's sales. And in the last few months, Pacifica also has gotten some product and technology validation as one of the most forward-looking vehicles in the Fiat Chrysler fleet because Chrysler introduced the first hybrid minivan in the United States.

Not only that, but Google selected the Chrysler Pacifica Hybrid - 100 of them, in fact - to serve as the platforms for testing the tech giant's first self-driving platforms. Google and Fiat Chrysler's experimentation with

these specially outfitted Pacificas has only begun, much like the development work that other combinations of automakers and digital-tech companies are performing. But Pacifica is what finally put Fiat Chrysler into the self-driving conversation.

In any event, not only consumers but also important third-party evaluators are beginning to notice. In early February alone, Pacifica was named Family Vehicle of the Year by the Midwest Media Association, an honor announced at the Chicago Auto Show; "Best Minivan" in the 2017 Drivers' Choice Awards by MotorWeek magazine; and the Best Car for the Money in its category by U.S. News & World Report magazine.

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Brooke Black 734-634-6621

Preapproved buyer is looking for under \$160,000, 2 bedroom 1 bath with garage Want private yard, near Highland/Milford area.



Audrey Storey 248-496-1846

Preapproved buyer, looking for all sports lakefront in Commerce or West Bloomfield with price range of \$400,000-\$850,000. Need a minimum of 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, walkout lower level.



Jillian Moutafis 248-568-2396

Preapproved buyer looking for updated home in the Wixom, Commerce, West Bloomfield area with lots of living space. Looking for move in ready. Up to \$240,000.



810-908-0018

Preapproved buyer looking for an updated home on 2+ acres in Brighton, Milford, or Lyon Township. 2500+ square feet, main floor master bedroom, pole barn or 2nd garage allowed, finished lower level a plus. Up to \$500,000.



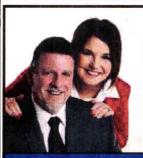
248-535-4316

Preapproved buyer looking for a 3+ bedroom home within the Banks Middle School area; up to \$240,000



Anne Shields 248-396-6440

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The Mitchell Team 248-467-1185

Preapproved buyers looking for a ranch style home in Commerce, White Lake, Milford, Highland, Hartland and Brighton areas. Would love an acre or more, 3 car garage or pole barn, up to \$280,000



Diane Buchanan 248-921-8152

Preapproved buyer looking for 3+ bedroom, 2+ bath 1300+ sq ft ranch on 1/2 acre+ with garage and wheelchair accessibility, White Lake and northwest, up to \$200,000.



Debra Isaac 248-505-6911

Preapproved buyer looking in Clarkston, Waterford, White Lake with 3 bedrooms up to \$190,000.



Conne Terova 248-318-7342

Preapproved buyer looking for 3+ bedrooms/2+ baths, 1600+ square feet on 1+ acre in Highland, Hartland, Milford; up to \$300,000 with existing outbuilding or ability to have one



Gina Dalal 248-574-1979

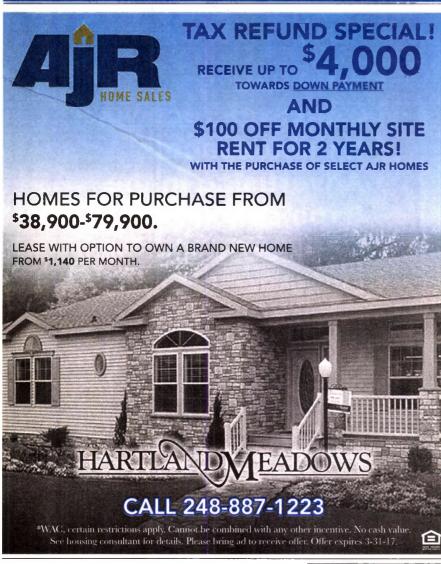
Preapproved buyer looking for a home in Waterford up to \$140,000.00. Has to be 3 bedrooms, turnkey, garage, at least 1200+sq ft and they don't want to be too close to neighbors



Deborah Falzon 248-563-9217

Preapproved buyer looking for home on Cedar Island Lake, canal or lakefront up to \$375,000

Inventory is low right now and we have many buyers scrambling to find homes! If your home is not yet listed and meets the needs of a buyer, give us a call today!





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Office Hours M-F 8a-5:30p Sat 9a-1p

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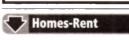
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- Transportation companies
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