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State of the City Address

The city of Novi, in partnership with the Novi Chamber of Commerce, invites you to join Mayor Bob Gatt and city council members for the State of the City Address and Breakfast at 7:30 a.m.

Thursday, Jan. 16, at the Suburban Collection Showplace (46100 Grand River Avenue).

Cost is \$23 per person (online registration) or \$20 (by check). Seating is limited to the first 280. Reservations can be made online at www.cityofnovi.org or by sending a check made payable to city of Novi to City of Novi, Attention Sue Fodor; 45175 10 Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375.



Nick Ziobron puts a snowblower through the paces Monday afternoon at his 10 Mile Road home in Novi. LONNIE HUHMANN

SUB-ZERO TEMPS, SNOW SLAM NOVI

By Cal Stone
Staff Writer

Schools in Novi were closed Monday and Tuesday as a polar vortex, an air mass from the Arctic, brought record-breaking lows around minus-10 degrees to the area Tuesday, with wind chills minus-15 to minus-20. Students were warming up to the idea of staying home Wednesday as well.

"We are not sure," Steve Matthews, superintendent of Novi Community Schools, said Tuesday afternoon. "We will make a final determination tonight. We are making sure that we have our parking lots and sidewalks

in shape. We also are checking roads in all the neighborhoods."

School officials were meeting with weather consultants Tuesday night to verify Wednesday's weather.

The weather has also contributed to at least three deaths by heart attacks while shoveling snow in Oakland County. In addition to the sub-zero temperatures, Sunday's snowfall of 10.2 inches broke the previous record of 4.6 inches, set in 2005. For the first five days of the year, the average snowfall is about 2 inches, said Matt Mosteiko, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service in White Lake Township. Since Jan. 1, accumu-

lation at Detroit Metro Airport is 21 inches.

The snowfall puts the area on course to become the snowiest January on record.

The city of Novi's Civic Center opened as usual at 8 a.m. Monday, but the Novi Public Library was closed and adult transportation services, programs and Meals on Wheels were all canceled, according to the city's Facebook page.

On Tuesday, the Civic Center and Meadowbrook Activity Center were designated as warming stations until 5 p.m. and the library was until 9 p.m., with transportation available to all three for those in need.

"Novi's major roads have been cleared as much as possible given the extremely low temperatures we're experiencing," Novi Director of Public Services/City Engineer Rob Hayes said Monday. Crews then began working in subdivisions to get neighborhood streets open to traffic.

Because salt loses its effectiveness below 20 degrees, Hayes said he doesn't anticipate seeing bare pavement until temperatures rise later this week, when clearing from curb-to-curb should be feasible.

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Novi students create habitats for Detroit Zoo

By Lonnie Huhman
Staff Writer

Project-based learning is working in Novi schools and a good example of this was a recent student presentation at Village Oaks Elementary.

Over a two-day period late last month, fourth-graders at the school gave wrap-up public speaking presentations in front of an online camera for a project they had been working on in conjunction with the Detroit Zoo.

"I thought it was pretty cool," fourth-grader Mayerlyn Duenas said of the project that had students getting into teams to explore animal habitat design for the Detroit Zoo, which gave assistance in teaching students of the possibilities and needs.

Each group learned about a specific habitat and the animals that could live in them. They worked together to design habitat models, which as far as they were concerned had a real possibility of being taken seriously by zoo planners.

"This was awesome to see," Zoo Education Specialist Adam Dewey said. "I'm impressed with what they've done."

The project had students learning to use a variety of



Students at Village Oaks learned about, planned and designed model habitats for the Detroit Zoo as part of a project-based learning assignment. LONNIE HUHMANN

methods to successfully complete the design. From writing out a plan, to learning about animals and forming an actual physical model of a habitat, it had them covering all of the bases.

Some of the challenges were figuring out how to work as a team.

For Sreenidhi Saripalli, this was difficult at first because she was in a group of three boys.

"At first it was hard working with three boys because we all wanted to do it our own way, but eventually we got along and came together as a team," she said after her presentation.

Through this type of learning, students go through an extended process of inquiry in response to a complex question, problem or challenge,

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Funds needed for crucial piece of gear

Novi firefighters looking for grant help to buy cameras

By Lonnie Huhman
Staff Writer

Novi firefighters are hoping a recent grant application will help enhance their options in potentially saving lives.

The thermal imaging camera plays a big part in a variety of emergency situations for the Novi Fire Department. From finding a missing person to spotting the source of smoke, the camera is an essential piece of equipment taken to an emergency scene.

"Thermal imaging cameras are used by firefighters to detect areas of heat through thick smoke conditions," said Novi Fire Capt. Phil Duczyminski. "The cameras greatly increase the likelihood of locating fire victims, missing firefighters and

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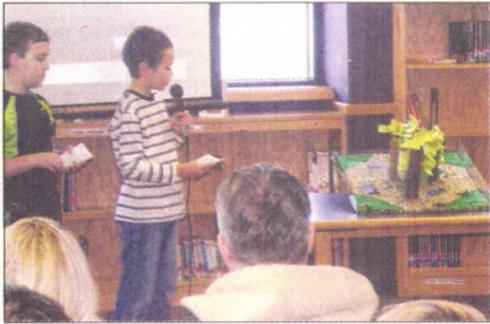


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Village Oaks fourth-graders Eric Houth (left) and Nick Sanders talk about the habitat they helped design as part of the project that had help from the Detroit Zoo.

LONNIE HUHMANN

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which in this case was how to design a proper habitat at the zoo.

According to Novi's PBL coordinator Myla Lee, the goal is to allow for some degree of student "voice and choice." Projects are carefully planned, managed and assessed to help students learn key academic content, practice 21st century skills (such as collaboration, communication and critical thinking) and create high-quality, authentic products and

presentations.

PBL is a newer initiative over the last couple of years that has helped Novi students engage their learning environment in a well-rounded way.

Fourth-grade teacher Mandy Pas said it's working.

"They have really taken to learning through challenging projects. It offers a purposeful, real-world experience that has them learning as individuals and team members," she said.

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SNOW

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removal Team began moving into neighborhoods Tuesday morning, encouraging residents to remove vehicles from roadways to make way for snowplows.

"While clearing streets, plows will create deep windrows at the end of driveways," the city's Facebook page read. "This is not intentional, rather a result of clearing heavy snow (up to 10 inches in some areas of Novi). The Snow and Ice Removal Team will work continuously to have neighborhoods navigable by (Wednesday) morning with initial clearing. Additional clean-up work will continue throughout the week."

Novi's Fire Department also asked residents and businesses to avoid piling snow on or around fire hydrants.



Snowplows cleared the parking lot, but the Novi Public Library was closed Tuesday. LONNIE HUHMANN

"If possible, take a few extra minutes to 'adopt' your nearest fire hydrant by clearing the snow around it," a Facebook post read. "This improves a firefighter's ability to quickly locate and access the hydrant in an emergency. An accessible and properly functioning fire hydrant is a vital part of

any firefighting operation."

Monday's Novi City Council meeting was rescheduled to 8 a.m. Saturday at the Civic Center.

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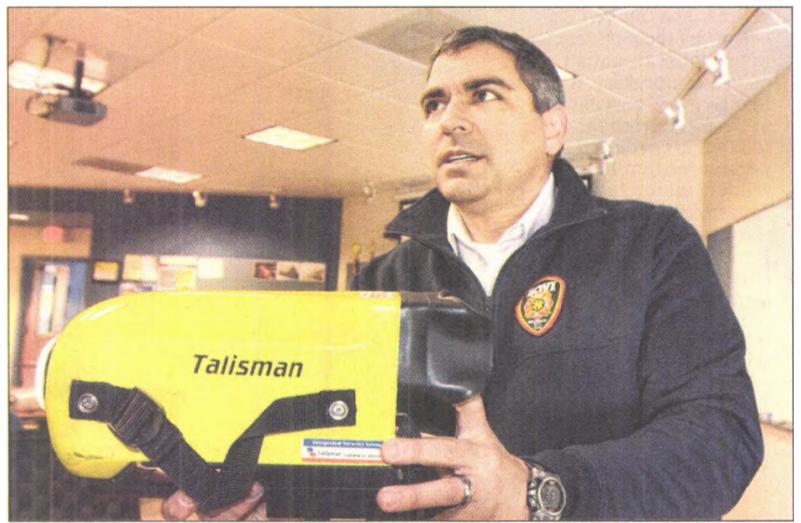
hidden fires. It helps with a quicker rescue effort."

The department wants to replace four thermal imaging cameras and add another four to its inventory. Each be placed in a front line emergency vehicle.

According to Novi Fire Director Jeff Johnson, two of the current cameras are 12 years old and have exceeded their serviceable life and have had to have extensive repairs.

Novi has submitted an application to the Assistance to Firefighters Grant program, which since 2001 with the help of the U.S. Department of Homeland Security and the Federal Emergency Management Agency has helped firefighters and other first responders to obtain critically needed equipment, protective gear, emergency vehicles, training and other resources needed to protect the public and emergency personnel from fire and related hazards.

Duczynski said these units are frequently out for repairs. Throughout the year, the



Lt. Remo Oliverio of the Novi Fire Department holds one of the thermal imaging cameras. The department is hoping to get newer cameras with better technology with a grant it has applied for. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

department has had to have the remaining units serviced. He said often times these units are out of service for weeks at a time, resulting in the department only having access to two units instead of four.

Novi Lt. Remo Oliverio said the camera is the first thing behind a water nozzle to go into a smoking building. He said it helps firefighters detect hot spots and maneuver through an un-

known building that may be so smoky that they can't see their hand right in front of their face.

The total cost of the eight cameras is \$72,000. Novi's grant match (10 percent) would be \$7,200. With recent big purchases, like a new \$500,000 fire truck, the department is looking for help in bolstering its equipment in a way that is affordable.

"The newer thermal imaging cameras provide

fire crews an important tool for almost every facet of the fire ground - search and rescue, fire attack, search, ventilation, rapid intervention team, hazmat, fire ground overhaul and more," Duczynski said.

The department will find out in the coming months if it's granted the funding help.

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UPDATES FROM CITY OF NOVI

Library celebrating MLK Day

Join the Novi Public Library on Monday, Jan. 20 and honor the spirit and legacy of Martin Luther King Jr., a national icon, activist and leader.

The library will begin this educational day at 1 p.m. when children are welcome to join in and listen to a special story time, followed by a craft and activities hour beginning at 1:30 p.m.. The day will conclude with a very special author event at 7 p.m. featuring professional writer Jean Alicia Elster as she shares her current book, *The Colored Car*.

Just awarded as a Michigan Notable book of 2014, *The Colored Car* describes the personal impact of segregation and discrimination, while focusing on everyday life in Detroit during the 1930's. This program is perfect for families and readers interested in our country's history and those who have a passion for writing and journalism. A portion of this emotional and compelling story will be read by the author, followed by a Q & A and book signing.

For more information, visit novilibrary.org or call 248-349-0720.

Tech Talk classes

City of Novi Older Adult Services is offering Tech Talk classes for adults 50 years and older who would like to become more tech-savvy by learning how to use tablets, smart phones and applications.

One-day classes are held 6:15-8:15 p.m. each Tuesday at the Novi Civic Center (45175 10 Mile). Each class is \$15 per resident and \$18 per non-resident. Registration is required and available at cityofnovi.org or in person at the Older Adult Services office located inside the civic center.

Upcoming topics in-

clude: iPads and iPhones – Tuesday, Jan. 21, Feb. 11 and March 11

What Do I Do with This Smart phone? – Tuesday, Jan. 28, and March 18

All about Apps (Applications) and Tablets – Tuesday, Feb. 4, and March 25

E-book Readers: concept, comparison and how to operate – Tuesday, Feb. 18, and April 1

For those who already understand the basics of technology and are look-

ing for new uses and helpful hints, the Bits and Bytes Café offers the opportunity to gain valuable information, free of charge. Once a month, on Thursdays, the café is open to adults 50 and older to play games, investigate new websites and learn from others. Refreshments are provided. The Bits and Bytes Café is located at the Meadowbrook Activity Center, 25075 Meadowbrook Road. The café will be open 10-11:30 a.m. Jan. 16, Feb. 20 and

March 20. For more information regarding Tech Talk classes or the Bits and Bytes Café, contact Older Adult Services 248-347-0414. To learn more about other classes for adults 50 and older, visit cityofnovi.org.

Group travel fair

Winter has arrived in full force, bringing cold temperatures and snow along with it. For those interested in getting away, discovering new and exciting locales and making new friends, the city of Novi Older Adult Services Division will host a group travel fair at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 23, at the Novi Civic Center (45175 10 Mile Road).

At the fair, a number of travel agencies will showcase their opportunities and answer questions. The fair will also include an interactive presentation about upcoming adventures. The

fair is free of charge and includes refreshments and door prizes.

For more information about the Older Adult Services Travel Program and other upcoming events and programs, please visit cityofnovi.org, call 248-347-0414, or like city of Novi Boomers and Beyond on Facebook.

Civilian pistol safety class

The Novi Police Department will be offering a civilian pistol safety class from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 8, at the Novi Police Department Training Center (45125 10 Mile). The course fulfills both the classroom and shooting requirements to obtain a Michigan Concealed Pistol License.

Registration forms are available online at cityofnovi.org and at the Novi Police Department. Completed registration

forms and the \$200 course fee (cash or money order), may be returned to the police department. Class size is limited and all participants are subject to a criminal background check.

After lunch, participants will move to the Novi Firearms Training Center to complete the course. Students must bring their own equipment, including a personal handgun, 100 rounds of ammunition, safety glasses, shooter's earmuffs or ear plugs, a pen or pencil, a baseball cap and wear loose comfortable clothing to participate in the course. Participants must be 21 years old, but do not have to be a Novi resident to attend.

For more information, visit cityofnovi.org or contact Sgt. Michael Warren at mwarren@cityofnovi.org or 248-921-9843.

Reindeer Games



As a librarian wears a pair of antlers for a target, Billy Rozelle, 4, aims a ring at the points during the Dec. 27 Reindeer Games at the Novi Library. As a post-Christmas treat, kids got to engage in a variety of games, wearing antlers on their heads (with or without the Rudolph nose) attached with a bit of jelly. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

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Novi student wins auto show poster contest

By Lonnie Huhman
 Staff Writer

Hard work paid off for the Novi High School art program as one of its own has been honored in a select group to have their poster design used at this year's North American International Auto Show.

Junior Tiffany Teng won one of the 16 awards for the Auto Show Poster Design contest. Only 16 posters are selected out of 1,000 entries from all over metro Detroit. She won the Best Theme Award.

"I was pleasantly surprised, because it was a little last minute," she said of the honor and her poster design. "My dad is really excited because he works in the auto industry, so he's proud of me."

Teng's teacher Melissa Edmunds is, too. She said this is the second year NHS has participated in this competition.

"The students and I have been working hard to have a shot at being one of the 16 winners out of an estimate of 1,000 individual entries," Edmunds said. "So to hear that we had a Novi winner brought the feeling of 'hard work does pay off.'"

Teng said her design is a transitional piece with the car going from a sketch to a finished piece. It's a digital painting made with Adobe Photoshop. The car is sort of a mix of a few into one of her own creation.

"I wanted to show it coming to life," Teng said.

Many NHS graphic art students participated. Edmunds said they had great ideas and worked very hard, some putting in more than 20 hours inside the classroom, after school and at home to complete a good design piece. She felt they all deserved the



Novi High student Tiffany Teng and her winning poster design. LONNIE HUHMAN

"I was pleasantly surprised, because it was a little last minute. My dad is really excited because he works in the auto industry, so he's proud of me."

TIFFANY TENG
 student auto show poster contest winner

honor.

Students learn art and design skills and take those skills while developing skills in the Adobe Suites programs. Edmunds said it's very important for the students to learn how to create an eye-catching

composition through the use of hierarchy, balance, depth, eye movement, etc.

As part of the classes, Edmunds incorporates a good number of competitions. This gives students an opportunity to be involved in an authentic learning environment, while challenging them to create an idea and turn it into a good design piece a client is looking for.

"My goal is to have my students ready for any design classes they will take in college and to stand out from the rest of their class with success," she said.

Teng is good example that it's working.

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WALLED LAKE SCHOOL BRIEFS

Day of Strings Concert

The Walled Lake district will host the annual Walled Lake Day of Strings at 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 11, at Walled Lake Western High School. The community is invited to attend the final concert, which highlights what the students have learned throughout the day.

String students from across the district will attend rehearsals, clinics and participate in sectionals with their fellow musicians.

Students will have an opportunity to work with the top string players and teachers from around the state.

The activities begin at 9 a.m. and will conclude at the end of the community concert around 4:30 p.m.

Six selected for state event

Six Walled Lake Consolidated School District band and orchestra students have been selected to perform in the 2014 Michigan Schools Band & Orchestra Association all-state ensembles: Ryan Servis, trumpet, Sarah Banks Middle School; Lauren Glomb, oboe, Northern High School; Alex Alcorn, clarinet, Northern High School; Perry Lee, trumpet, Western High School; Sho Dembinski, trumpet, Western High School; and Ryan Malburg, euphonium, Western High School.

The MSBOA all-state ensembles will perform Saturday, Jan. 18, at the Michigan Music Conference in Grand Rapids.

"Both the left and right sides of the brain are engaged when learning and practicing instruments and through music education. These six Walled Lake Schools students are prime examples for those extolling the benefits of music education. I applaud the level of excellence they have achieved and wish them well in the MSBOA performance in January," said Kenneth Guttman, superintendent.

District hosts King Day celebration

The Walled Lake Consolidated School District invites the community to the 15th annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day Celebration at 5 p.m. Monday, Jan. 20, at Walled Lake Northern High School (6000 Bogie Lake Road, Commerce).

The evening's events will include a multi-cultural dinner 5-6 p.m. with ethnic food from around the world prepared by 12 different local restaurants and an exhibition of student work 5-6:30 p.m.

The program will feature keynote speaker Steve Spreitzer, interim CEO of the Michigan Roundtable for Diversity and Inclusion, who will speak on "Dr. King's Dream 50 Years Later: Continuing the Journey Together." The program will begin at 6:30 p.m. and will also include performances by student choirs from around the district.

This event is free and open to the entire community; however, donations of canned and/or boxed foods will be accepted for the Focus: HOPE food pantry in Detroit.

ON CAMPUS

Michigan Tech University

Michigan Technological University's Leading Scholar Award is a competitive scholarship that is offered to incoming resident and non-resident students with exemplary leadership attributes and outstanding scholarly achievement. This year, there were 43 finalists for the on-campus

program held Dec. 8-9. All are high school seniors. Among the finalists invited to campus was Meenakshi Sundararaju of Novi High School.

Robert Morris University

Erica Robb of Novi was named to the fall 2013 Dean's List. She is majoring in early childhood and special education.

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Reasons for canceling school in Novi worthwhile

When I grew up in Albuquerque, N.M., snow was a big deal. While Albuquerque is a mile high – we always considered Albuquerque, not Denver, the Mile High City – winters were typically cold, but dry. The Sandia Mountains, which frame the city on its eastern side, always had snow in the winter, but it was rare in the city itself.

Growing up, I can recall only a handful of days when school was canceled because of the snow. Most Michiganders would chuckle at the decision-making process that was used. If Albuquerque had more than an inch of snow, school was usually postponed or canceled.

Why? Albuquerque had no snow removal equipment or system. Well, that is not com-



Steve Matthews
SUPER TALK

pletely accurate. There was a system. It was called the “waiting for it to warm up” system. If there was snow, the city’s process for removal was to wait for it to warm up.

Here in Michigan – and in Novi, specifically – we have to deal with snow on a regular basis. Canceling a day of school is a decision that is not made lightly. What is considered when we cancel because of the weather?

First, and most important, we consider the safety of our students. Will our students be safe as they wait for buses, ride to school with their parents or walk to

school?

Cold weather is a factor, but this is Michigan. It is going to get cold. If the temperature or wind chills are below minus-20 degrees, we will consider closing school. We have a wind chill temperature index from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration that we rely on to help us calculate how cold the air feels on human skin.

This chart includes a frostbite indicator, showing the points where temperature, wind speed and exposure will produce frostbite on humans. This chart gives us an estimate of the time it would take for a person who is outside to be in danger of getting frostbite.

We know that many of our students have to walk to bus stops or walk to school. We consult this

wind chill chart to make sure those students who are outside waiting or walking will not be placed in a dangerous situation.

We also consider the safety of our students as they wait for buses to arrive. Are the roads that our students wait on safe? This week, with the ice and cold temperatures, many of our roads will be dangerous. Having students stand by the side of a road that is ice-covered may expose them to danger.

After the safety of our students, we consider the safety of our staff. We want our staff to be safe as they drive to and from work.

It is also important to note that our staff cannot be late. Staff must be able to get to school in a timely manner because they must be there when

students arrive.

After the safety of our students and staff, we consider the delay that snow will cause. Our buses can maneuver in almost anything. They will rarely get stuck. But the snow causes delays. This impacts when buses will arrive at stops and when buses will arrive at schools.

Snow has become more of a problem in the past couple of years as cities and counties try to cut costs by reducing when and how much they plow. I can sympathize with the cities, townships and counties as they work to manage their budgets. What it means for us is that roads are often not ready first thing in the morning like they used to be. The city of Novi does a tremendous job removing snow, but it is a challenge.

It is important to note that we have someone who drives the roads in the morning. We are not just guessing that the roads are bad or that the snow is deep. We know the conditions because someone has been on the road.

Getting students and staff to school safely and in a timely manner is important. We are cautious. When you receive that early morning wake-up call that lets you know that school is canceled or delayed, I apologize for the inconvenience that it causes. However, the decision was not made lightly and it was done for what I consider to be good reasons.

Steve Matthews is superintendent of Novi Community Schools. He can be reached at 248-449-1204 or smatthews@novi.k12.mi.us.

Law creates OK-2-SAY confidential student hotline

Students will have a 24-hour, 365-days-per-year confidential tip line to help prevent school tragedies after Gov. Rick Snyder recently signed a law creating the OK-2-SAY hotline.

“The OK-2-SAY hotline will give students the confidence to do the right thing without the fear of intimidation or retribution,” Snyder said. “We want a bright future for our kids and this program will help stop violent acts before they turn into tragedies.”

Senate Bill 374, sponsored by state Sen. Judy Emmons, R-Sheridan, creates the Michigan Student Safety Act. The Department of Attorney General, in consultation with the Michigan State Police, the Michigan Department of Education, and the Michigan Department of Community Health, will cooperate to establish the program.

“The OK-2-SAY student safety program will help students break the culture of

silence by providing them with a confidential resource to stop tragedy and violence before it occurs,” Attorney General Bill Schuette said. “We cannot sit and wait for the next Columbine or Sandy Hook. I would like to thank Gov. Snyder for his support for this important initiative to keep schools safe.”

The program includes a hotline that will:

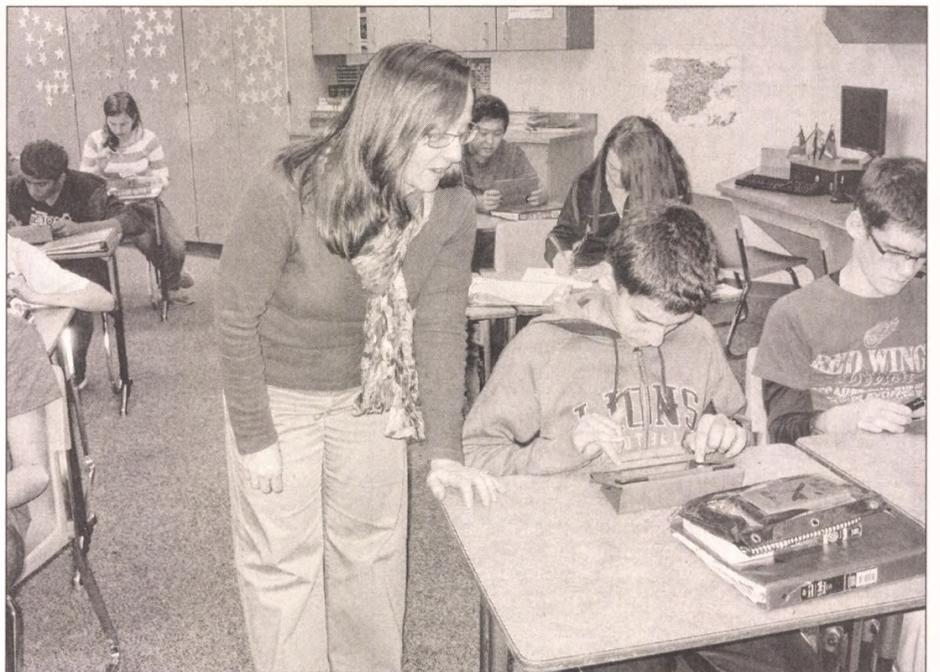
- » Accept tips by phone, text message, email, website and multimedia device
- » Operate 24-hours-a-day, every day of the year
- » Protect the confidentiality of the caller’s identity

The program is modeled after a similar one in Colorado that was created after the Columbine High School shootings.

“Having an easy way for students to report trouble is important,” said Vickie Markavitch, Oakland Schools superintendent.

SB 374 is now Public Act 183 of 2013.

Teacher in action



Spanish teacher Melissa Henderson uses the app Quizlet with her Novi Middle School students to practice Spanish vocabulary through games and other interactive activities.

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NOVI POLICE BRIEFS

Cellphone stolen

A man's Samsung Galaxy cellphone was stolen Christmas Day after he left it behind on the counter of the Speedway gas station in Novi on Haggerty. The victim said he went back for it after realizing what happened, but it was gone. There was video of the theft that will be reviewed by Novi police.

Vehicle thefts

A 2005 Ford Explorer was stolen Jan. 3 from the parking lot off of West Oaks Drive. The owner said he locked the vehicle and had the only set of keys with him, but had the window cracked a bit. At this time, there are no leads.

Another theft happened on Rotunda Court during the same time period and involved a rental car. The GPS on the Ford Fusion did show that it was at a location in Detroit, but it was not found during a

follow-up.

Drunken driving

A man was arrested Jan. 4 for driving with a blood-alcohol content of 0.188 percent when Novi police stopped him at Haggerty and Eight Mile after spotting his vehicle swerving in the road. He told police he had two beers and a shot earlier in the night. He had trouble maintaining his balance during field sobriety tests.

Embezzlement on gift cards

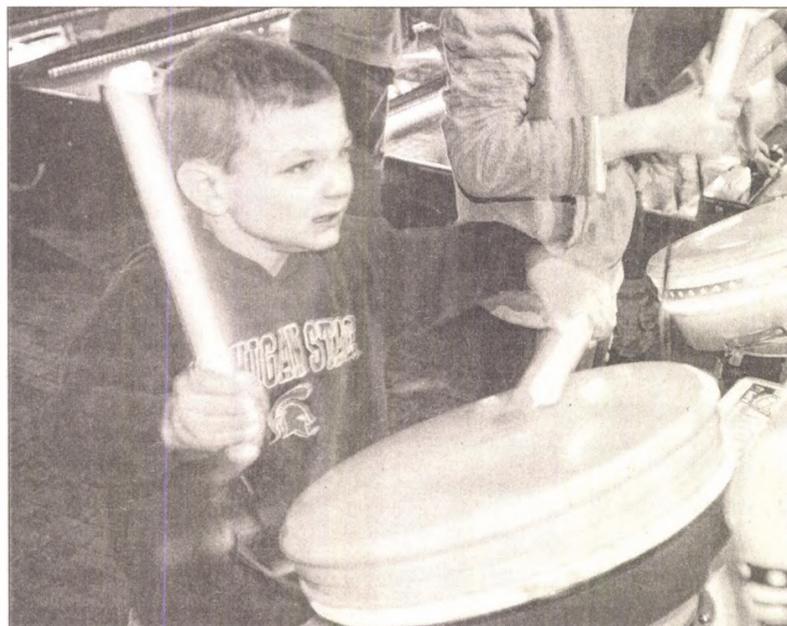
An employee of Macy's was arrested for embezzlement after she was caught using fraudulent gift cards to buy clothing, according to police. Three times between Dec. 23-31, the employee conducted illegal transactions, which totaled \$350, police report. Surveillance video was used to catch the suspect.

- By Lonnie Huhman

Games, not drugs



Kids enjoy a buffet of pizza, chicken fingers and hot dogs during the Jan. 3 Addicted to Games, Not Drugs event at Novi's Lucky Strike Lanes. PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



Travis Preston, 6, enjoys a drumming video game Jan. 3 at Novi's Lucky Strike Lanes during its annual Addicted to Games, Not Drugs event. The morning-long get together, funded and staffed by the Novi Police and Fire departments and the Novi Youth Council, featured lots of video and skill games, bowling and snacks for hundreds of Novi kids and their parents. The event usually occurs over the school district's winter break in February, but took place Jan. 3 as Novi kids had an extended break.

Novi resident reaches plea deal in assault

A Novi man has reached a plea deal in his criminal case that means he could avoid additional jail time.

Frede Petrus was charged with multiple counts of criminal sexual assault in two cases stemming from incidents Feb. 15 and March 12, 2013.

However, those charges were dismissed and he pleaded no contest to added counts of assault with intent to commit second-degree criminal sexual conduct and misdemeanor assault and battery, according to Livingston County Circuit Court records.

Under the plea deal, Petrus would receive no additional jail time and five years of probation. He can withdraw his plea, however, if the sentencing judge does not go along with the plea deal.

A no-contest plea is not an admission of guilt, but is treated as such at sentencing, which is set for Jan. 30.

Authorities alleged Petrus got two girls alone and sexually assaulted them in separate incidents. However, the defense earlier contended in one case that the 16-year-old complainant took his client to a detached garage and got into in bed with him.

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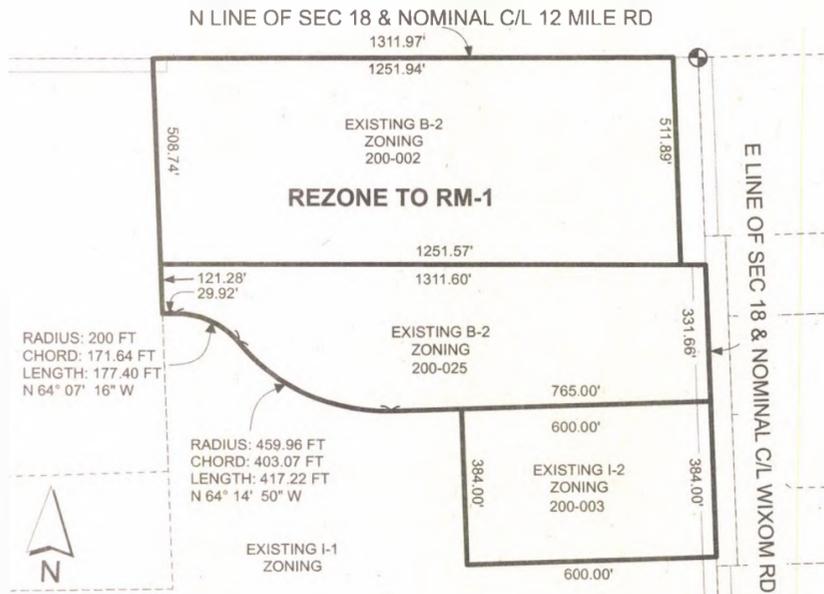
THE CITY OF NOVI ORDAINS:

Part I. That Ordinance No. 97-18, known as the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Novi is hereby amended as indicated on ZONING MAP NO. 18.704 attached hereto and made a part of this Ordinance.

Part II. CONFLICTING PROVISIONS REPEALED. Any Ordinance or parts of any Ordinance in conflict with any of the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

Part III. WHEN EFFECTIVE. The provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared to be necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety and is hereby ordered to take effect fifteen (15) days after final enactment. The effective date of this Ordinance is **December 25, 2013**.

MADE AND PASSED by the City Council of the City of Novi, Michigan the **28th day of October, 2013**. Copies of the Ordinance Amendment may be purchased or inspected at the Office of the City Clerk, Novi, Michigan, weekdays between 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM, local time.



To rezone a part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 20, T.1N., R.8E., City of Novi, Oakland County, Michigan being parcel 22-18-200-002 more particularly described as follows:

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To rezone a part of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 20, T.1N., R.8E., City of Novi, Oakland County, Michigan being parcel 22-18-200-025 more particularly described as follows:

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ZONING MAP AMENDMENT NO. 704
CITY OF NOVI, MICHIGAN

Robert J. Gatt, Mayor
Maryanne Cornelius, City Clerk

Retooled festival is now 'all about the ice'

By Brad Kadrich
Staff Writer

In a year when the Plymouth Ice Festival is going back to basics, organizers of the 2014 festival know exactly who the star is going to be.

The ice. Festival organizer James Gietzen, who replaced Sam Walton as the producer of the festival, admitted his first year running the event would be "something of a rebuilding year," but says visitors – and there are expected to be thousands every day – will like what they see.

The Plymouth Ice Festival, the city's 32nd such festival, kicks off Friday and runs through Sunday, Jan. 12.

"We've adopted the saying, 'It's all about the ice,'" Gietzen said. "We're trying to do big-

ICE TIME

What: 32nd Plymouth Ice Festival
Where: Downtown Plymouth, Kellogg Park, The Gathering
When: Friday through Sunday, Jan. 10-12
Times: Official hours of operation are 3-9 p.m. Friday; 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday; and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Sunday, Jan. 12
Also: Sculptures are available for viewing 24 hours a day and will remain standing after the event, weather permitting

ger ice sculptures, because the people like to see that. Hopefully, we'll have some bigger ice and some better ice."

While visitors will have 24/7 access to the sculptures that dot downtown Plymouth and Kellogg Park, they'll also get



Crowds are always large for the Plymouth Ice Festival. The 32nd annual festival begins Friday. FILE PHOTO

the chance to see some of the favorite attractions of the festival.

College competition

Three colleges – Henry Ford Community College, Oakland County Community College and Macomb Community College – will compete in individual (Saturday) and team (Sunday) carving competitions. The fire-and-ice towers, sponsored by the restaurant E.G. Nick's, will be back,

as will the ice throne.

Elegant Ice Creations in Ohio will offer interactive picture taking, while Plymouth's Sun & Snow sports gear shop will bring back its increasingly popular cross country ski trail.

Forest Avenue between Ann Arbor Trail and Wing will have an abundance of sculptures, including three 10-block sculptures sponsored by E.G. Nick's and some of its drink makers: Svedka,

Labatt, Jagermeister, Black Velvet and Red Bull.

"It's the most ice that Forest Avenue's ever had," said Frank Agostini, one of the owners of E.G. Nick's.

The restaurant will also have an outdoor Ice Lounge (with portable heaters), with a bar made from blocks of ice, opening at 11 a.m. Friday and Saturday and noon Sunday, Jan. 12, and will reprise its Party Lot outdoor festivities. The Party Lot tent will open at 7 p.m. both Friday and Saturday and Big Ray and the Motor City Kings will perform in the tent from 8 p.m. to midnight both nights. The Party Lot is not an official Ice Festival event, but has caught on big since E.G. Nick's launched it in 2010.

"It's our fifth year doing the party lot and

it's become quite a hit," Agostini said.

Focus on carving

Other festival attractions tried recently – the snowboarding hill, the skating rink and the dueling chainsaws, for instance – won't return, either because sponsorships couldn't be found or the liability was too great.

"People come to Plymouth to see the ice carving. ... That's where we have to put the money," Gietzen said. "Otherwise, people are going to be upset."

"This is a rebuilding year for the event," he added. "It's going to be more about coming down and looking at the ice than it is about having a lot of great events."

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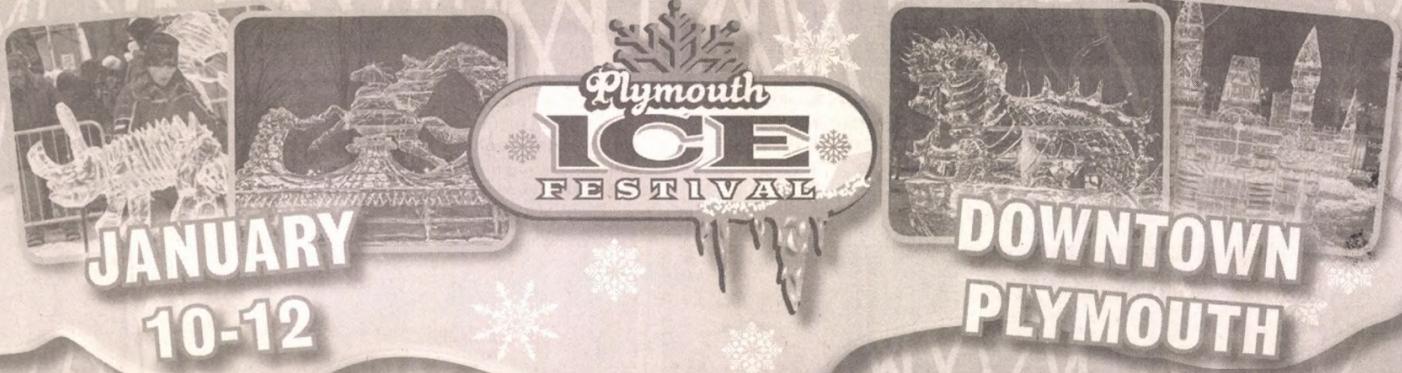
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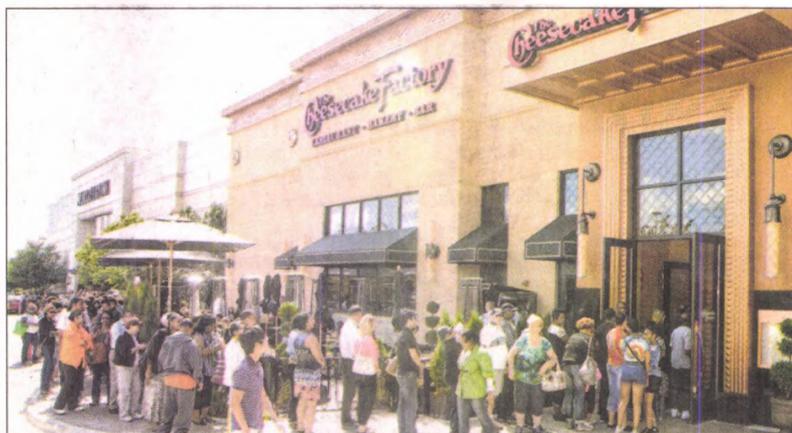
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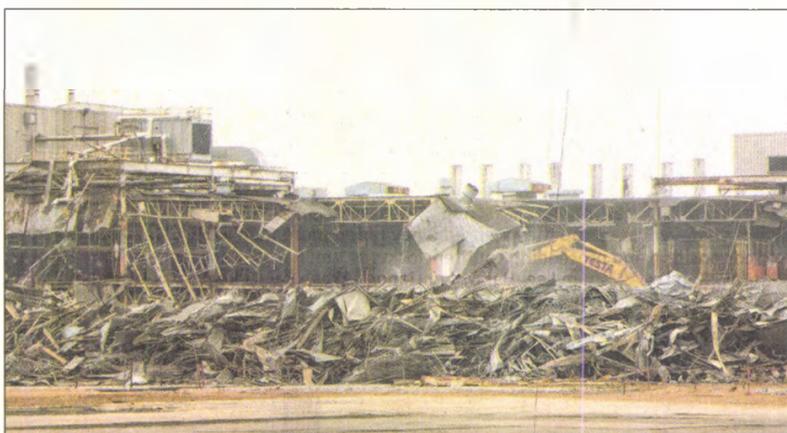
A pictorial view of the the events and stories that made news in the year 2013



Nearly 4½ years after disappearing from Novi days after his wife and two children were found dead in their Novi apartment, triple-murder suspect Lakshminivasa Rao Nerusu returns May 25, 2013, from India in FBI and Novi Police Department custody at Detroit Metro Airport. Nerusu, in handcuffs, is guided by Novi Police Officer Steve Balog (right). Detective Todd Anger (rear) was also part of the contingent at the airport, as was Director of Public Safety/Chief of Police David Molloy and Assistant Police Chief Jerrod Hart.



A line snakes about 200 feet down the sidewalk Aug. 13, 2013, at Novi's Twelve Oaks Mall for the grand opening of its Cheesecake Factory restaurant. The restaurant chain, of which Novi is its first Michigan location, got its start in the late 1940s from the family of Evelyn Overton of Detroit, who created a popular cheesecake recipe.



A backhoe from Testa Demolition continues work March 15, 2013, on tearing apart the Ford Wixom plant. The plant was about 50 percent demolished at that time, as work continued through the winter on taking down the 4.7 million-square-foot plant. Trident Barrow Management purchased the rights to develop three-quarters of the property in the future.



Dilip Kachipudi looks May 30, 2013, at the hand-carved entrance doors of the Sri Venkateswara Temple on Taft Road. The door is adorned with the 10 forms of the God Vishnu and is the main entrance to the second floor of the temple.



Edward Pobur, general manager of Cadillac of Novi, is proud that his dealership repeated as the nation's No. 1 seller in 2012.

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Novi Mayor Bob Gatt (center) and a host of helpers cut the ribbon – appropriately, a line between two fishing poles with a catch of fish – Aug. 24, 2013, as they open the city's Pavilion Shore Park.



Northville resident Carol Parker (right) hugs friend LaJean Nagrant in Novi as she began her 60-mile Walk for the Cure journey Aug. 16, 2013.



Jacqui Kozlowski (left) hustles after a ball during Novi's June 12, 2013, game in Holt.



Vietnam veteran Don Allee hands out American flags to a group of Boy Scouts after the parade Nov. 11, 2013, in Novi.



Parkview Elementary School kids got together Nov. 22, 2013, to raise funds for the Red Cross to benefit the Philippine cyclone victims. For a minimum \$1 donation, students could wear whatever hat or cap they wanted. They raised more than \$750. Starting at the three o'clock position and proceeding counter-clockwise are: Rachel Karr, Jannhvi Mate, Druthi Donthy, Ron Le, Abraham Lee, Hariharan Liango, Akash Rai, Fuka Atsumi, Anthony DeFeo, Ashley Cherniawski, Brianna Dotson and Isabelle Jedmers.

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BUTSKE, BRUCE WILLIAM
Born on September 15, 1941 in Detroit, Michigan, passed away at his Northville home on December 30 at the age of 72. A lover of Bob Marley, Jimi Hendrix, the blues, soccer, all things mechanical, and the occasional Wood Duck. He will be dearly missed by his surviving family, wife, Carol Lee Butske (Skiven); son, William David Butske; daughter-in-law, Tuli Mukhopadhyay; and beloved granddaughters, Ava and Sonia. He was preceded in death by his father Herman and mother Marie. He attended Wayne State University, where he obtained his Bachelors and Masters degrees, and then the University of Michigan where he obtained his Ph.D. in 1972. Most of his career was spent in the automotive industry where he ran his own engineering consulting firm for 25 years before retiring. The most joyful times of his career were those he spent in the classroom teaching at Wayne State, Lawrence Tech, and U of M. For the past 45 years, he and his family have lived in the Northville/Novi area. In the 70s he became active in the Northville Historical Society and was instrumental in moving the Wash Oak School House to Mill Race village. In lieu of flowers his family requests that donations be made to the Northville Historical Society.



DEROCHE, PAUL A., JR.

A long time resident of Milford died on December 30, 2013 at the age of 66. He is survived by his beloved wife, Jeanne; son, Paul (Jamie) of Farmington Hills; daughters, Katie (Derek) Lehman of Howell and Amy (Chris) Wilson of Chesterfield; grandchildren, Talia, Alex, Addison and Mason Deroche, Zack, Jenra and Owen Lehman, and Emily and Jason Wilson; sister, Dorothy "Dolly" (Jack) Kelly and many brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews, cousins and dear friends. Paul worked as Head Security Supervisor for the Chrysler Corporation for over thirty-six years before retiring in 2004. He was a member of St. Mary's Parish in Milford and Clarkston Knights of Columbus, Pope John XXIII Council #5436. A Funeral Mass will be held at St. Mary Our Lady of the Snows Catholic Church, 1955 E. Commerce Road, Milford, on Friday, January 3, 11 a.m. with Msgr. John Budde officiating. Burial will follow at Milford Memorial Cemetery. Friends may visit at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, 404 E. Liberty St., Milford, on Thursday, January 2, 3-9 p.m., with a Rosary at 7 p.m., and on Friday from 10:30 a.m. until the time of Mass. Memorials may be made in his name to the National Kidney Foundation or to St. Mary's for Masses to be prayed in his name. For further information please phone 248-684-6645 or visit
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JANISEWSKI, IRVIN
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JANSSEN (PASSFIELD), KATHY ANN

After fighting a courageous two year battle with her second diagnosis of breast cancer, Kathy passed away on January 3, 2014 at the young age of 54. The loving wife of 32 years to Mark Janssen and loving, caring mother to their four sons, Kristopher (Jenny), Brandon, Justin and Taylor. Beautiful daughter of Nancy Passfield and the late Jack Passfield, and loving sister to Sherry (Mark) Burns. Kathy also leaves behind seven nieces and nephews and many friends and family who love her dearly. The impact Kathy made on her family, friends, the community, and all those who knew her is much too large to express in a short tribute. She was a loving, devoted wife and a nurturing supportive mother who had a strong family value and commitment. Kathy was a warm caring friend to so many. She always found the best in every person and situation. As a graduate of the University of Michigan School of business she was an avid supporter and fan, rarely missing a game or opportunity to show her maize and blue pride. Kathy served the community and was always giving her time and services to volunteer. For many years she served the Lakeland Schools, United States Ski Association, and her son's soccer, ski, and baseball teams along with various local charities. She was a successful, intelligent business owner whose zest for life was unparalleled. During the past two years, while fighting her second battle with breast cancer, Kathy used her humor, determination and love of life and family to accomplish more than most can in a lifetime. She never gave up. She fought, planned, and lived her life to the fullest until the very end. Traveling was a passion for Kathy. She was always planning a trip somewhere with her family or friends and often times with both. In between travel she enjoyed spending winter time in their home at Boyne Mountain, skiing and entertaining as many that would come to visit. In the summers, at their lake house in Port Sanilac, once again hosting many friends, family and creating wonderful memories for her boys. Whether it was their family home in Commerce, Boyne or Port Sanilac, Kathy welcomed everyone in her homes and into her heart. Kathy will be dearly missed, her smile and passion for life is imbedded into the hearts of many. Visitation will be held at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, 404 E. Liberty Street, Milford, on Wednesday, January 8, from 3-9 p.m. A Funeral Service will be held at the Milford United Methodist Church, 1200 Atlantic Street, Milford, on Thursday, January 9, at 11 a.m. with Rev. Carol Johns officiating. For further information please phone, 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com.

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NEALER, ESTELLE M.
A resident of Milford since 1962, died peacefully on January 1, 2014. She was preceded in death by her husband William Plaunt Nealer, Sr. in 1989 and is survived by her children, Bill (Donna) Nealer, Pam (Paul) Wyatt, Leona (Mike) Anderson, and John (Karen) Nelson; grandchildren, Bill Nealer III, Ashley (James) Truax, Thomas (Jessica) Wyatt, Jason Watts, Alex (Theresa) Watts, Chad Wyatt, Jerrid Wyatt, Jeffery Wyatt, Brandy Simon, Nichole Simon, Brandon Anderson, Sean Nelson, Patrick Nelson; great grandchildren, Dathien Nealer, James Truax, Jr., Andrew Watts, Candice Watts, Kasson Wyatt, Emma Wyatt, Levi Wyatt, Katarina Wyatt, Dylan Legg, Emily Nelson and Isaac Nelson; brothers, Ray (Phyllis) Trudell, Eugene (Cynde) Trudell; sisters, Marie McMahon, Eleanor Michalko and nieces, nephews, her Riverside Retirement Home family, and other dear friends. Mrs. Nealer was very active with St. Mary's Parish in Milford, a member of Milford American Legion Post 216 Ladies Auxiliary, the Third Order of St. Francis and for many years taught in the Med-Tech Program at the Oakland Community College, Highland Lakes Campus from 1967-1984. A Funeral Mass will be held at St. Mary Our Lady of the Snows Catholic Church, 1955 E. Commerce Rd., on Saturday, January 4, at 10AM. Friends may visit at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, 404 E. Liberty St., Milford, on Friday, January 3, from 3-9PM, with a Vigil Service at 7PM. Memorials may be made in her name to Seasons Hospice. For further information please phone 248-684-6645 or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com

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August 18, 1949-December 24, 2013. www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

SPENCER, STEVEN E.
Age 51, passed away December 29, 2013. He was born on November 30, 1962, in Ann Arbor, to Elijah "Mike" and Joan (Butts) Spencer. Steven attended Cleary College in Lansing. He was a very witty, kind and hard-working man who was very handy. Steve had the most beautiful eyes and a great smile. He enjoyed Scuba diving, golf and skydiving. He had a strong abiding faith and always carried his bible. Steven was immersed in Baptism on July 3, 2003. Steve was generous with his time by serving the homeless. He loved to be with his family and always enjoyed the dinner parties at his parents' home. Steven loved his mother's meatloaf and her biscuits and gravy. His grandchildren were first in his life. Steven is survived by his wife Jamie Spencer; parents: Elijah "Mike" and Joan Spencer; mother-in-law Stella Baugous; brother Mike (Cheryl) Spencer; sisters: Traci (Kevin) Braun, Patty (Wayne) Rose; brother-in-law Mark (Bunnie) Baugous; step-children: Rachael, Samantha, Fredric, Wanke; grandchildren: Ava Mitchell, Ella Felix; and his nieces and nephews: Christina, Justin, Sarah and Grant and one great-niece, Mya. He was preceded in death by his grandparents: June and Raymond Butts, Ada and Huston Spencer, and father-in-law George Baugous. Visitation January 1, Wednesday, from 2:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. at Phillips Funeral Home, 122 West Lake Street, South Lyon. Funeral Service January 2, Thursday, at 11:00 a.m. with a final Visitation from 10:15 - 11:00 a.m. at the Church of Christ, 21870 Pontiac Trail, South Lyon. Online guestbook:
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ZDANOWSKI, EDWIN W.

Age 88, passed away January 3, 2014. He was born on June 17, 1925 in Detroit, son of the late Walter and Mary Zdanowski. Edwin was a proud WWII, Army Air Corp veteran. He was known for his selfless volunteering at Active Faith Community Services in South Lyon and was once awarded "Volunteer of the Year". He is survived by his children, Jeri (Bill) Gawlowski, John (Terry), and Joe (Michele); his grandchildren, Kara, Kurtis, Hilary, Krista, Taylor, and Angela. He is also survived by his sisters, Stella and Dolly, and many nieces and nephews. Edwin was preceded in death by his wife, Dorothy in 2009, his parents, three sisters, and one brother. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, January 11 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 830 S. Lafayette, South Lyon. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Active Faith Community Services, 401 Washington St., South Lyon, MI 48178. Online guestbook at
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Growing 'triplets' draw visitors to Detroit Zoo

By Sandra Armbruster
Staff Writer

Gary Williams jerked his head, using it as a kind of pointer to the three bears climbing over rocks recently at the Detroit Zoo in Royal Oak. "The triplets," he said, simply.

The Royal Oak resident spoke with familiarity of Mike, Thor and Boo, who arrived at the zoo in December 2011. They were just 10 months old at the time and had been rescued in Alaska after their mother was shot and killed by a poacher. The Alaskan Fish and Game department had contacted the Detroit Zoo about finding a home for them, and they were flown by UPS to Michigan.

The grizzly bears arrived at the zoo to the delight of the media and

crowds of visitors, who viewed them after an appropriate adjustment period.

According to the zoo: "Mike, the most laid back of the three, can often be seen quietly resting his chin on objects around the habitat, while the mischievous Boo instigates rough play as he carries sticks and other toys in his mouth. Thor, described as very disciplined and aware of his surroundings, can be distinguished by the blonde streak across his chest."

In two years, according to the zoo, the grizzlies have packed on the pounds: Mike at 648 pounds, Thor at 582 and Boo at 520.

Williams, like other visitors, carried a camera and said that he visits the zoo about once a week.

With temperatures at

about 40 degrees, that day was a perfect day to visit the zoo. Crowds were gone and animals were active.

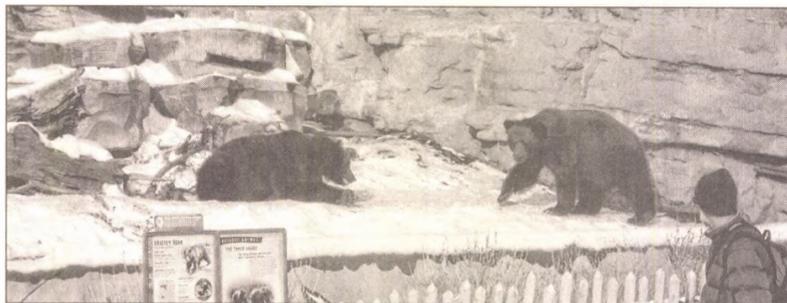
Among visitors were Vince and Vicki Cibtrras, who likewise had stopped to visit with the "triplets." They said that they, too, are weekly visitors to the zoo.

"We do our walking here," said Vince Scibtrras.

The grizzlies weren't the only animals out and about. Lions reclined on heated rocks, and bison, camels, deer, kangaroos and wallabies were all in evidence.

A hands down favorite among some visitors were the giraffes, who were staying cozy indoors, a great location for viewing.

"You can get real close to them," the Scibtrras couple said.



Gary Williams of Royal Oak, a regular visitor to the Detroit Zoo, pauses to look at two of the "triplets" who came from Alaska after they were orphaned. SANDRA ARMBRUSTER

RELIGION CALENDAR

Brightmoor Christian Church

Location: M-5 and 13 Mile, Novi
Contact: 248-227-4420 or
www.brightmoorchurch.org

Celebrate Recovery

Time/Dates: 7 p.m. Mondays
Details: Worship, teaching or testimony, and open-share recovery groups. Organizers offer the principles and tools to bring healing for the hurts, deliverance from life-controlling habits, and freedom from the hang-ups that keep us from developing strong and healthy relations with God and others. Enter at Door D on the south side of the building. No cost; free child care is available for children birth through fifth grade. Preregister.

Church of the Holy Family

Location: 24505 Meadowbrook Road

Contact: 248-349-8847 or visit
holymfamilynovi.org

Mass Schedule

Time/Day: 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. Monday-Friday; 7 p.m. Monday-Tuesday; 4:30 p.m. Saturday; 6:30 p.m. Saturday (Spanish)

Holy days: 9 a.m. and 7 p.m.
Reconciliation: beginning 9 a.m. Saturdays or by appointment

Priests: the Rev. Bob LaCroix, pastor, and the Rev. Beto Espinoza, associate pastor
AA: 8 p.m. Wednesdays

Crosspointe Meadows Church

Location: 29000 Meadowbrook Road, south of 13 Mile

Contact: 248-669-9400, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday-Thursday or visit
www.crosspointe-meadows.org.

Sunday worship: 11:15 a.m.
Bible study classes: 10 a.m. for all ages

Details: Nursery and older children programs available. Worship blends traditional and contemporary elements resulting in a multi-sensory worship experience.

Destiny Worship Center

Location: Ridge Wood Elementary School, 49775 Six Mile, Northville

Contact: DestinyW3C@Gmail.com or visit
www.DW3C.org.

Emmanuel Lutheran Church

Location: 34567 Seven Mile, Livonia

Web: www.emmanuel-livonia.org

Contact: 248-442-8822

Sunday worship: 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Adult special needs worship: 9:30 a.m.

Youth group: 7 p.m. Wednesdays

Women's Coffee Break Bible Study Advent Study: 10-11:30

a.m. Mondays; "Advent Reflections, Making All Things New"

Faith Community Presbyterian Church

Location: 44400 W. 10 Mile

Contact: 248-349-2345 or visit
www.faithcommunity-novi.org

Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.
Women's Bible Study: 9:15-10:30 a.m. Saturdays

First Baptist Church of Northville

Location: 217 N. Wing

Contact: 248-348-1020

Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m. and 5:45 p.m.

Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Ladies Bible Study: 9:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesdays

Men's Bible Study: 9 a.m. first Saturday of every month

First Church of the Nazarene

Location: 21260 Haggerty, north of Eight Mile

Contact: 248-348-7600 or visit
dfcnazarene.org

Sunday Schedule: 9:30 a.m. Classic worship service, Adult Bible Fellowship classes and Children's Sunday School; 11 a.m. Contemporary worship service with Kids Church, Teen Worship Service and Adult Bible Fellowship classes. Cafe is open from 9:15-11 a.m. Refreshments at 10:30 a.m.; 6 p.m. Evening Traditional Service

Tuesday: 9:25 a.m. Women's Bible Study (Women of the Word) studying Luke

Thursday schedule: 6 a.m. Men of Purpose Prayer Group and Bible Study

Friday: 9:30 a.m.; Sweet Fridays on the second and fourth Fridays - A Ministry for Moms of All Ages

First Presbyterian Church of Northville

Location: 200 E. Main

Contact: 248-349-0911 or visit
www.fpcnorthville.org

Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.

First Presbyterian Church

Location: 205 E. Lake St., South Lyon

Contact: 248-437-2875

First Presbyterian Church

Location: 26165 Farmington Road, Farmington

First United Methodist Church of Northville

Location: 777 W. Eight Mile, Northville

Contact: 248-349-1144 or
www.fumcnorthville.org

Summer Sunday Worship (Memorial Day-Labor Day): 8:30 and 10 a.m.

Summer Sunday School (Memorial Day-Labor Day): 8:30 a.m. - Nursery, 10 a.m. - Nursery - sixth grade

Sunday Worship (September-May): 8, 9:15 and 11 a.m.

Sunday School (September-May): 8 a.m. Nursery; 9:15 a.m. Nursery 12th grade; 11 a.m. Nursery - sixth grade

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Location: 41415 Nine Mile, corner of Meadowbrook Road, Novi

Contact: 248-349-0565

Sundays: 8:45 a.m. Sunday School and Bible Study; 10 a.m. Worship

Holy Cross Episcopal Church

Location: 40700 W. 10 Mile

Contact: 248-427-1175 or hollycrossnovi@gmail.com; visit
holycrossnovi.org

Sunday Worship: 7:45 and 10 a.m.

Sunday School and Nursery Care: 10 a.m. worship service

Alzheimer's Support Group: 10 a.m. second Saturday of month.

Hope Lutheran Church

Location: 39200 W. 12 Mile (east of Haggerty), Farmington Hills

Lakes Baptist Church

Location: 309 Decker Road, Walled Lake

Livonia Church of Christ

Location: 15431 Merriman, Livonia

Contact: 734-427-8743 or visit
www.livoniachurch.net

Sunday Worship: 11 a.m.
Bible School: Sunday 10 a.m.; Wednesday 7 p.m.

Legacy Church

(formerly First Baptist Church and Orchard Hills Baptist Church)

Location: 23455 Novi Road, Novi

Contact: pastor Jon Hix, 248-349-5665 or visit
www.legacychurch.us

Sunday School/Small Groups for all ages: 9:45 a.m.

Worship Services: 11 a.m.
Bible Study/Prayer: Wednesday 7 p.m.

Meadowbrook Congregational Church

Location: 21355 Meadowbrook Road

Contact: the Rev. Arthur P. Ritter, senior minister, 248-348-7757, visit
mbccc.org or e-mail to
office@mbccc.org.

Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.
Church School: 10-11 a.m.
Fellowship Hour: 11 a.m.

Merry Widows Luncheon: 11:30 a.m. fourth Thursday of each month

Pilgrim Fellowship: 6 p.m. Sundays

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NOVI COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Rescheduled council meeting

The Novi City Council's Jan. 6 meeting was canceled due to the weather and has been moved to 8 a.m. Saturday. Topics include Fox Run's proposed changes to its future additions; police department getting six new vehicles; improvement work slated for bridges at Cranbrook Drive and Willowbrook Drive; and road work slated for Meadowbrook Road between Eight Mile and Nine Mile.

Benefit hockey game

The Novi Police & Fire Benevolent Association will take on the Detroit Red Wings Alumni Association in a Victory 2013 Benefit hockey game at 6:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 17, at

Novi Ice Arena.

Tickets are \$10 each or \$150 for a bundle of 20 and may be purchased at the Novi Police headquarters at 45125 10 Mile Road, Novi Fire Station No. 1 at 42975 Grand River Ave. or by calling Sgt. Kevin Rhea at 248-444-2921.

A variety of sponsorship levels are currently available, as well as program advertisement opportunities. Call or email krhea@cityofnovi.org for more information.

Fishing show this weekend

The Ultimate Fishing Show-Detroit is coming to Novi's Suburban Collection Showplace (46100 Grand River Ave.) Jan. 9-12, featuring the newest fishing boats and more than 200 booths of fishing gear,

outfitters, guides and lodges.

An all-star lineup of professional anglers who entertain and educate show patrons is an annual highlight of the show. Led by Michigan's own Mark Zona, more than 75 free seminars are planned.

Hours are 3-9 p.m. Thursday, 11 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday.

Admission is \$10 for adults, \$4 for children 6-14 and free for children 5 and under. For more information, visit www.UltimateFishingShow.com or call 800-328-6550.

Win the sugar game

Renee Heigel, a board certified holistic health and nutrition practitioner, will offer a free seminar at the Better Health Market (42875 Grand

River, Novi) at 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 25. Heigel will discuss how you can quit sugar cravings and give tips to help you kick your sugar addiction while losing weight in this 60-minute talk with a Q&A at the end.

Recycle trees

Oakland County Parks will recycle Christmas trees for county residents.

Eleven county parks will serve as drop-off locations for real trees through Jan. 13, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day.

The closest county parks to accept the trees are Lyon Oaks in Lyon Township, White Lake Oaks Golf Course in White Lake, Independence Oaks in Clarkston, Glen Oaks Golf Course in Farmington Hills and Springfield Oaks in Davisburg.

Extended tree drop-offs continue until Feb. 3 at Independence Oaks and Orion Oaks parks.

Processed trees for compost and wood chips will be available to the public free of charge in 2014.

Visit destinationoakland.com for more information.

DIA director to speak at Livonia Town Hall

Graham W.J. Beal, director of the Detroit Institute of Arts, will be the speaker at the Jan. 15 Livonia Town Hall at St. Mary's Cultural Center, 18100 Merriman.

The lecture begins at 10 a.m. and following the lunch, there will be a question-and-answer period. Tickets are \$45 and can be obtained by calling 734-420-0383.

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HOLY SPIRIT ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH & SCHOOL www.hsccc.net at the corner of Winans Lake & Musch Rd. 810-231-9199 Fr. John Rocus, Pastor Weekend Liturgies Saturday 4:00 p.m. Sunday 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. Please visit our Shrine of Turin Display and Book & Gift Shop

Milford

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH Preschool, Pre-K & Kdg. - Mo. Synod 620 General Motors Rd., Milford Church office: (248) 684-0895 Sunday Services: 8:30 am & 11am Bible Study & Sunday School @ 9:45 am Rev. Martin Dressler

BRIGHTMOOR CHRISTIAN CHURCH 40800 W. 13 Mile Road, Novi on the corner of M-5 & W 13 Sundays 9:15a & 11:15a www.brightmoorcc.org something for the entire family

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH 24505 Meadowbrook Rd., Novi, MI 48375 Saturday: 4:30 p.m. (English) & 6:30 p.m. (Spanish) Sunday: 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. & 12:30 p.m. Fr. Bob LaCroix, Pastor Fr. Beto Espinoza, Associate Parish Office: 349-8847 • www.holyfamilynovi.org

Walled Lake

CROSSPOINT COMMUNITY CHURCH 1850 S. Commerce Rd. Walled Lake, MI 48390 Sunday Services: 9 a.m. & 11 a.m. Wednesday Evening: 7 p.m. All Ages Rev. Kenneth Warren - 586-531-2021 www.cpcnow.com

FIRST BAPTIST OF MILFORD VISITORS WELCOME! 133 Detroit St., Milford • 248-684-5695 Pastor Steve Swajze Sunday School (all ages) 9:45 a.m. • Sunday Worship - 11 a.m. Young Adults Dinner/Bible Study, Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays: 6:45-8:15 p.m. Awana beginning Sept. 11. 3 yrs old thru 6th grade and Youth Group for 7th grade and older Website: milfordbaptist.org

FAITH COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 44400 W. 10 Mile, Novi, 248-349-2345 1/2 mile west of Novi Rd. www.faithcommunity-novi.org WORSHIP AND SUNDAY SCHOOL - 10 AM "Children, Youth and Adult Ministries"

HOLY CROSS EPISCOPAL 40700 W. Ten Mile Rd. • 248-427-1175 Sunday Worship 7:45 am & 10 am Healing Service Wednesday 11:45 am Rev. Ann Webber, Rector holycrossnovi@gmail.com

Whitmore Lake

FELLOWSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH 10774 Nine Mile Road Rev. M. Lee Taylor • 449-2582 Sunday School, 9:45 a.m. Worship, 11:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening, 7:00 p.m.

MILFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Pastor Bryant Anderson 238 N. Main Street, Milford MI (248) 684-2805 www.milfordpc.org Sunday Worship: 10:00 a.m. Sunday School age 3 thru 5th grade @ 10 a.m. Youth Group 10 am - Grades 6-12 A heritage of area worship since 1836

MEADOWBROOK CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH 21355 Meadowbrook Rd. in Novi at 8 1/2 Mile 248-348-7757 • www.mbcc.org Sunday Worship 10 a.m. Rev. Arthur Ritter, Senior Minister

OAK POINTE CHURCH 50200 W. 10 Mile Road, Novi Saturday Worship 5:15 p.m., Sunday 9:15 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. Casual, contemporary service Phone (248) 912-0043 www.oakpointe.org

Highland

HIGHLAND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 680 W. Livingston Rd. • Highland, MI 48357 248.867.1311 • www.myhmc.com Sunday Worship: 9:30 & 11 a.m. Kids Church: 9:30 & 11 a.m. MS & HS Youth: 11 a.m. MS Youth Night Wednesday 6:30-8 p.m. Grief Share Monday 6:30 p.m.

Milford United Methodist Church 1200 Atlantic St., Milford, MI 48381 Sunday Worship: 8:30 am and 10:30 am, 6 pm Children's Church: 10:30 am Groups for Children, Youth and Adults 248-684-2798

ST. JAMES ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH NOVI 46325 10 Mile Rd. • Novi, MI 48374 Saturday 5:00 p.m. Sunday 8, 9:30 & 11:30 a.m. Msgr John Kasza, Pastor Parish Office: 347-7778

NOVI UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 41671 W. Ten Mile Road • Novi, MI 48375 Sunday Worship 9:45 a.m. Rev. Julie M. Smith, Pastor 248-349-2652 www.umcnovi.com "Loving God, loving each other and living our core values"

South Lyon

New Hudson

NEW HUDSON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 56730 Grand River Avenue • New Hudson MI 48165 (248) 437-6212 • Gerald S. Hunter, Pastor Sunday School & Bible Class - 9:30 a.m. Worship - 10:30 a.m. www.newhudsonumc.org

OAKPOINTE milford church 1250 South Hill Rd. (248) 685-3560 www.opcmilford.org Contemporary Worship Service: Sunday 9:15 am & 11:15 am Adventurous Children's Program: Sunday 9:15 am & 11:15 am The Rock Middle School: Wednesday 6:30-8 pm, Sunday 9:15 am The 707 (High) School: Sunday 6:30-8:30 pm Women, Men and Life Groups: Various Schedules

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH 205 E. Lake (10 Mile) 248.437.2875 Sunday Worship 10:00 a.m. Children's Church for Grades K thru 5th Nursery Care Provided Mid-Week Study Thursday 7:00 p.m. Rev. Michael Horlocker, Pastor

BIBLE BELIEVERS CHURCH Gathering in Jesus Name 52909 10 Mile Rd • South Lyon, MI 48178 Sunday 10:30 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Mike Ragan, Pastor 734-347-1963 pastor cell Old fashioned preaching

NEW HOPE - A Unitarian Universalist Congregation 57855 Grand River Ave., New Hudson, MI 48165 Phone 248-474-9108 Sunday Celebration of Life Service 10:30 a.m. Rev. Suzanne Paul, Minister Website: http://www.newhopeuu.org

WEST HIGHLAND BAPTIST CHURCH 1116 S. Hickory Ridge Rd., Milford, MI 48380 248-887-1218 Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Wednesday All Ages: 7:00 p.m. Also Small Groups / Ministry Teams

The Church of Christ 21860 Pontiac Trail • South Lyon, MI 48178 248-437-3585 • www.southlyonccc.org 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. Praise and Worship Wednesday Midweek Ministries 7 p.m. Troy Singleton, Minister

CROSS OF CHRIST LUTHERAN (Missouri Synod) Pastor Terry Nelson 437-8810 • 486-4335 Griswold Rd. at 10 Mile Worship: 10 a.m.; Sunday School: 10 a.m.; Adult Bible Study: 9 a.m.

Freedom Life Church Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is Freedom Cor 3:7 1208 E. Commerce, Milford Worship: Sun 11am, Wed 7pm We are here through Christ Jesus to provide Freedom to those who are hurting, diseased, addicted and depressed.

Fellowship Evangelical Presbyterian Church 22200 Pontiac Trail (S of 9 Mile) Sunday Worship @ 9:30 am Sunday School @ 11 am Wednesday mid-week programs Rev. David Brown, Pastor 248-437-2222 • www.fellowshippepc.org

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF SOUTH LYON 60820 Margorie Ann St., South Lyon 48178 Phone: 248-437-2983 Sunday School 9:45 a.m. • Worship Service 11:00 a.m. Evening Service 6:00 p.m. Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m. Senior Pastor: Rob Freshour / Assoc. Pastor: Randy Weeks Website: www.fbcsouthlyon.com • Email: fbcsouthlyon@sbcglobal.net

Northville

First Presbyterian Church of Northville www.fpcnorthville.org 200 E. MAIN ST. AT HUTTON Worship & Church School 10:00 am 248-349-0911

United Methodist Church (248) 349-1144 777 West 8 Mile Road (8 Mile and Taff Road) Northville, Michigan Worship Times: September - May 8:00, 9:15 & 11:00 a.m. Memorial Day - Labor Day 8:30 and 10:00 a.m. Rev. Marsha M. Wobley, Lead Pastor www.umcnorthville.org

first united methodist church south lyon, mi 640 S. Lafayette (248) 437-0760 Worship: 8:15 am, 11 am & 6:30 pm Sunday School: 9:40 am Rev. Sondra Willobee, Lead Pastor southlyonfirstumc.org

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN Wisconsin Synod • Reynold Sweet Pkwy. at Liberty St. Sunday Service 10:00 a.m. All Classes 9:00 Pastor Scott Miller, (248) 437-1651

NORTHVILLE CHRISTIAN Experience Life Each Week Sunday Worship - 9:00 am & 10:15 am Sunday School and Children's Programs www.ncalife.org 41355 Six Mile Road 248-348-9030

WARD CHURCH 40000 Six Mile Road Northville, MI 48168 248.374.7400 Sunday Worship Services 8 a.m. | 9:30 a.m. | 11 a.m. 4 different music styles from classic to modern www.wardchurch.org

Shepherd's Way Lutheran Church, ELCA 59255 10 Mile Rd. South Lyon MI 48178 Sunday Worship 9:30 AM Education Hour 8:30 AM Rev. Bart Muller, Pastor 248-486-4404 www.shepherdswaylutheran.org

CROSSROADS COMMUNITY CHURCH 28900 Pontiac Trail • South Lyon 248-486-0400 www.ecrossroads.net Sunday Services: 8:45, 10 & 11:30 am

OUR LADY OF VICTORY CATHOLIC CHURCH 133 Orchard Dr., Northville WEEKEND LITURGIES Saturday 5:00 p.m. Sunday, 7:30, 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m. Church 349-2621, School 349-3610 Religious Education 349-2559 Rev. Denis Theroux, Pastor

Our Savior Apostolic Lutheran Church 54899 8 Mile Rd. at Currie Rd., Northville, MI 48167 248-374-2266 Sunday Worship: 10:00 a.m. Children's Sunday School 10:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Fellowship/Coffee 11:00 a.m. Worship Service Wednesday Bible Study (Colossians) at 7 pm

SOLID ROCK BIBLE CHURCH Loving God and Loving People 22183 Pontiac Trail • 248-486-4400 (In Brookdale Shopping Center, behind Powerhouse Gym) SUNDAY WORSHIP: 10:00 A.M. Reed Heckmann, Pastor/Teacher www.solidrocksouthlyon.com

FELLOWSHIP PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Services held at: Saint Andrews Episcopal Church 16360 Hubbard Road - Livonia South of Six Mile Road Adult Sunday School 9:30 - 10:15 am; Worship 10:30 a.m. Childrens Sunday School 10:30 a.m. Dr. James N. McGuire • Nursery Provided

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OUR VIEWS

The power of one working together

Join in creating a miracle for the Salvation Army to meet area's needs

Do you believe in miracles? There are no doubt some people in Michigan who do. At the height of the Dec. 21 ice storm, nearly half a million people were left without power in Michigan. By that week's end, 100,000 of them were still left without the power to generate light, heat and to cook food.

According to reports, people from Bay City were traveling as far as Canton to buy generators that were sold out elsewhere in the state. And as if the situation weren't bad enough, an estimated 10 people died from carbon monoxide poisoning due to having generators inside their homes.

By mid-week, in what surely must have seemed



DOING THE MOST GOOD

like a Christmas miracle, the power started coming on in many areas in what was a heroic effort by utility workers — miracle workers, actually, from all over the country — who braved nighttime temps in the single digits, tree limbs that continued to break off and needed to be cleared and downed power lines that had to be removed of ice before they could be replaced.

But another miracle is needed in southeast Michigan and each one of

22 DAYS LEFT

The Salvation Army will continue to accept contributions through Jan. 31 by:

» Texting "SALMICH" to 80888* (an automatic \$10 donation)

» Visiting www.salmich.org

» Calling 877-SAL-MICH

FUNDRAISING

Salvation Army fundraising campaigns are conducted on a local and regional basis. There is no fundraising at the national level. The normal sources of funds are the traditional Christmas kettle campaigns, direct-mail programs, corporate and foundation gifts, planned giving and government contracts. The organization's stewardship of its funding is noted throughout philanthropy: 82 cents of every dollar collected by the Army goes directly to client service, among the highest percentages of any nonprofit in the world.

us living and working here needs to get involved in performing it.

Imagine having no generator to power up and heat your house.

Heck, imagine having no house at all, no warm clothes, no place for a hot

shower — and certainly no knowledge of where your next meal would come from for days, maybe months, at a time.

What a dismal way to start the new year. There are organizations locally that offer help, such as

the South Oakland Shelter and the Salvation Army, but they can't do it without our help. And right now, they need a miracle.

Maybe you were fumbling for your keys when you left your local grocery store recently and absentmindedly overlooked the bell ringer and red kettle that each year powers the efforts of the Salvation Army. Your missed donation was noticed.

The Salvation Army, now nearing the end of its 2013 Red Kettle Campaign, reported Tuesday that it is about \$2.4 million off its \$8.75 million fundraising goal for the year.

None of those utility workers could single-handedly restore power to Michigan families, nor could most of us alone make up that \$4 million shortfall. But each of us

working together has the power to perform a miracle that will feed and shelter those among us who are most in need.

The Salvation Army says that the need knows no holiday and that help is offered 365 days a year, providing more than 3.3 million meals and more than 737,000 nights of shelter to those in need through Red Kettle Campaign funding in the Detroit area.

There is still time to make a difference, whether it be with a dollar or something larger, both for those in need and for your tax deduction status.

It takes overt action, not magic, to make a miracle happen. Lucky you — you don't have to battle the elements to bring electricity to people. But you do have the power to make a difference right here at home.

LETTERS TO EDITOR

Nowhere to run

Many athletic teams today require conditioning/training that involves running specific distances and recording times. Due to the fact that publicly funded tracks (such as the Novi High School/Middle School tracks) are not open to the public, it is often hard for these athletes to find places where they can run on a measured distance track.

According to the website <http://www.bls.gov/spotlight/2008/sports/>, 37.1 percent of athletes ages 15 years or older are running or walking long distances. These people need a place where they can exercise accurately measured paths.

I, as an athlete, understand that school tracks need to be kept nice for school sports. However, there has to be another place in Novi where taxpayers can run measured distances for free. In 2014, Novi will have a new Community Recreation Master Plan, which will include a layout of the sidewalk system for the city of Novi. Painting on mile, or even quarter-mile, markers, as well as smaller meter marks meant for sprints (200 meters, 100 meters and even as small as 20 meters) in some areas on these new side-

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walks would be an inexpensive solution to athletes' training problems.

Adam Huber
Novi High School student-athlete

Nerd, egghead or twit?

Being a member of an older generation when "nerd" became became part of the American vernacular, I was inclined to equate it with an older appellation,

"egghead." In my youth, an egghead was considered an intellectual. Weird? Perhaps, but brainy nevertheless.

When considering the convoluted, asinine, illogical argument of Governor Nerd supporting anonymous slander squads, one cannot possibly confuse egghead with nerd. Twit? Yes, but not egghead.

Snyder would have flunked Socrates' Logic 101 class.

Patrick Downey
Novi

Sidewalk plan good for city

In our community, there has been much talk pertaining to the sidewalk plan. This plan known as the Non-motorized Master Plan, passed in 2011 and has been reviewed and slowly carried out each year by the city through the development of major construction projects. The plan allows for a majority of roads to now accommodate both pedestrians as well as motorists.

A key aspect of the design is to have existing sidewalks connect with crosswalks, as last week's paper explained the new crosswalks being added on Beck Road. In addition, the plan will connect neighborhoods with new sidewalks,

which I feel will expand our community's sense of unity. Surveys conducted by the local government show that a majority of citizens would appreciate and use a new and improved sidewalk system. Publicity from this these could also bring new opportunities for civic events, business and even charity.

Clearly, this is a good use of the city's money and will have a positive influence on public safety and the community as a whole. Ultimately, sidewalks will give the city a complete appearance reflecting the standards and interests of the city of Novi.

Andrew Bradley
Novi

Why can't we talk?

I recently invited an acquaintance to attend a non-partisan club meeting founded by several "conservative" women whose goal is to educate, unite and support women, including battling human trafficking and teaching job skills to poor and immigrant populations in Michigan.

My mention of the word "conservative" provoked an instantaneous, negative unexpected reaction. She said: "Well, I'm not conservative and I don't wish to discuss politics."

Later, I wondered why

she was so offended. I believe the answer has to do with the partisan values gap, which currently divides Americans politically. According to a 2012 Pew Research Center survey, partisan polarization is greater today than at any time in the last 25 years. The largest bump increased during the Bush and Obama administrations.

Over the same period, gender, age, race and class gaps remained stable. But divisions over political issues have become a disturbing chasm between Americans. Whether one attributes this rift to inflammatory media representations, dishonest leadership or bipartisan demonization of opponents, it's a grave barrier to problem solving.

It's driving 86 percent of Americans to avoid political discussions altogether and in 2012 led some 90 million to disengage from the civic responsibility to vote. It's time to skip personal attacks, tactics, deception and lies and maintain composure long enough to engage in constructive, fact-based discussions of the issues. We must all get together and talk, or lose our voice altogether.

Joellen Pisarczyk
Milford

Political chicanery

Let's get caught up on the latest antics of our tea partying friends in Lansing.

It seems they dislike the decisions coming out of our lower courts. They will now downgrade those courts and put any rulings these courts have made, or might make, in the hands of a jurist hand-picked by a right-wing, like-minded state Supreme Court judge.

Even after being warned this was in violation of our state constitution, they went ahead and passed the bill. This should come as no surprise. You see, Rick Snyder and Bill Schuette, during the Detroit bankruptcy, set a precedent for willfully disregarding our constitution and using that document as a piece of toilet paper.

These same, fine, upstanding public servants (?) also have a bill pending that would allow the wealthiest political donors (buyers) to double the amount they give to them. Evidently, they know next year's election is going to be very costly.

Trying to defend all the dastardly deeds they have perpetrated on the masses is a very expensive endeavor. Political chicanery at its best.

James Huddleston
Canton

GUEST COLUMN

The promise of a new year brings the need to live as a moral society

The phrase "What Would Jesus Do" always seemed wrong to me. It's not what He would do, but what He would have us do. To feed the hungry or heal the sick, He performed miracles; we cannot. But we can live as He taught us and that can bring a miracle in itself to someone in need.

At the beginning of our nation, Thomas Jefferson literally cut all the miracles and religious doctrine from the New Testament, leaving only the biography and moral lessons of Jesus. The resulting book, *The Life and Morals of Jesus of Nazareth* (or Jefferson Bible), was a secular view of the moral structure Jesus set up in His teachings. Whether you are Christian, Jewish,



Jim Nash
GUEST COLUMNIST

any other religion or none at all, it is hard to argue with the lessons of universal love Jesus taught.

In more recent years, I have seen too many Christians take a route never taken by Jesus. Some have allowed abortion, birth control and LGBT issues to dominate the national religious conversation. None of these issues were discussed by Jesus, though they all existed in His time, yet they are the sole focus of many Christian organizations.

I am sure Jesus would have us encourage and

help any woman safely keep her baby and ask us all to support the children born in poverty. But He would not have used government to enforce a religious test on individuals, judging all by a single, unforgiving standard and not taking into account individual circumstances. His forgiveness would pardon any woman for ending a pregnancy and I cannot see Him allowing innocents to lose their souls because a woman chose to do so.

'Love is love'

I can come to no conclusion other than He would inspire all people to love and respect our gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender brothers and sisters. And I believe He would support our American tradition of protecting our "life, liberty and pursuit of happiness" and would want all our citizens to have equal access to marriage, a partnership key to true happiness. Love is love.

The anti-abortion and anti-LGBT issues embolden "judgmentalism" among followers, which hardens the heart rather than opening it. Jesus

asked us how one can see a mote in their neighbor's eye and not the beam in their own and said "judge not lest ye be judged." And, most importantly, Jesus said he was no terrestrial king, but only ruled in heaven.

Harry Truman once said, "I am constantly amazed by the lack of Christian charity among so-called Christians." The concern for the unborn is betrayed by many on the Christian right, by supporting current calls to cut food stamp spending by \$40 billion, cutting other poverty programs and allowing families to lose needed unemployment insurance. We cannot demand women give birth and then abandon families in need.

Would Jesus have cut off food aid that mostly goes to mothers, children and the working poor? (I was hungry and you fed me.) Would Jesus support universal health care? (I was sick and you sat with me.) Would Jesus support America incarcerating the most citizens of any nation on Earth? (I was in prison and you visited me.) Jesus would understand prison for violence and murder, but He

would want us to treat prisoners with love, despite their crimes. Above all else, Jesus said "what you do for the least among you, you do for me" and "love your neighbor (and enemy) as you love yourself."

Valuing all people

I also believe Jesus would have us use our minds and free will to develop as a people in a way that is sustainable now and for the future. He would judge well the people who support an economy that values all people, that protects the environment for its citizens and future and gives equal access to the necessities of life for all people.

And as the Prince of Peace, He taught us "blessed are the peacemakers," domestic and international.

Finally, how would Jesus view the massive and growing gap between the most wealthy and everyone else? He taught us that we "cannot serve mammon (wealth, greed) and God." America's laws since the 1980s have benefited the wealthy above all others and allowed the greatest gap

between the rich and poor in American history. As Franklin Delano Roosevelt said after the 1920s' rise of concentrated wealth led directly to the Great Depression in 1929, "we have always known that unrestrained self-interest is bad morals, now we know it is also bad business."

Pope Francis is changing the focus of the Catholic Church away from abortion, birth control and LGBT issues. He is centering his message on compassion and service to the poor and is continuing Pope John Paul II's focus on narrowing the wealth gap. I pray that our nation does the same.

We have a duty as a moral people to make this nation a more perfect union and Jesus gives us both a religious and secular measure of how to get there.

Let us live our lives with love for all and direct our government to act in a way that meets Jesus' expectations and would deserve His blessing.

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Kensington Farm Center welcomes winter visitors

By Laura Colvin
Staff Writer

Maggie and Christopher Rometty flew in from Texas to visit family in Milford over the holiday season.

The day after Christmas, the couple, along with their four children — Leo, Hugh, Simone and Vania — visited with the animals and took a hayride at Kensington Metropark's Farm Center.

"We loved it," Maggie Rometty said after climbing down from the horse-drawn hayride. "The kids buried themselves in the hay to stay warm. It was fun."

Family member Sandy Schimel of Milford also came along and said she and her husband frequent the park year-round.

"We had a great driver, she was very informative," Schimel said of the hayride. "We learned about the horses and the gardens and other places we passed along the way. The kids were very interested. They asked a lot of questions."

FARM CENTER HOURS

The Farm Center is open every day from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. A metroparks vehicle entry pass is required to visit the farm. Hayrides are available from noon to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for seniors and children age 3-12. Kids under 2 years and younger ride free. The farm's 2014 brochure, available in the Farm Center office, includes a coupon for a buy one get one free hayride. For more information, call the Farm Center at 248-684-8632.

Horse-drawn hayrides — or sleigh rides, if there's enough snow on the ground — are available on weekends at the Farm Center during the winter.

"It can be fun for a family to take a blanket and go on a ride," horse

driver Matt Blakeley said, noting the horses wear special winter shoes this time of year to help them get through the snow.

Riders, he added, sometimes see deer or other animals in the woods during the ride, or swans in the open part of the river.

Winter at the farm

While the Farm Center doesn't see the high volume of visitors during the winter months as it does during warmer weather, the animals are active and the farm remains in full swing all year long.

"A lot of people are surprised to find out we're open year-round and ask, 'What do you do with the animals?'" Farm Interpreter and Animal Care Specialist Chris Williams said. "We make sure they have a roof over their heads, or a wind break, but the animals actually deal with winter a lot better than most humans."

The farm is home to quite a few permanent

residents, including four draft horses, three cows, seven pigs, 14 sheep, eight goats, two donkeys, two rabbits and several dozen chickens, ducks and geese. Visitors will notice a number of different body shapes, patterns and colors, since the farm boasts a variety of different breeds, as well.

For grazing animals, diets change from pasture and hay in the warmer months to primarily hay in winter. It's also important for farmers, Williams said, to make sure the heated water tanks are functioning so the animals stay hydrated.

Some of the older animals, like Rose, a Nubian goat, are put into the heated barn when it gets too cold outside.

"She's pretty arthritic, but she still wants to be outside," said Williams, who's been working at the Farm Center some 25 years. "So sometimes you have to be the voice of reason for her."

In winter, he said, the heated barn is more en-

joyable for the public, too, so visitors can stay warm and get a closer look at the animals.

New arrivals

Mother animals with babies also stay in the barn during winter; pigs and cows, Williams said, deliver all year long.

Cookie, an 800-pound sow, is currently raising a litter of six piglets born

Nov. 30. The little squealers weighed in at birth around 1.5-2 pounds each. Now, just over a month later, they're up to about 25 pounds.

"Cookie's a real good mom," Williams said. "She's very protective."

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Huron Meadows caters to cross country skiers

By **Lonnie Huhman**
Staff Writer

The high point of the winter season at Huron Meadows Metropark and for the collaborative effort to bring cross country skiing to southeast Michigan is the Frosty Freestyle/Krazy Klassic on Jan. 10-12.

There are various places to cross country ski in the Detroit area, but Huron Meadows has become a unique destination for local cross country skiers through its capability to have a snow-covered trail even when real snow is lacking, while also being a setting that is ... well, pure Michigan.

For the experienced and first-timer, it's a go-to, if not the go-to

FROSTY FREESTYLE/KRAZY KLASSIC

When: Jan. 10-12

Where: Huron Meadows Metropark, 8765 Hammel Road, Brighton

What: Cross country skiing competition, with all proceeds supporting the cross country skiing at Huron Meadows

More info: Visit nordicskiracer.com/frosty

destination. Because of this, different parties, including REI of Northville, have come together to make the park and race event the best they can be.

"Huron Meadows Metropark is unique in that it really goes out of its way to cater to cross country skiers, from families to recreational skiers to racers," race director Mike Muha said. "Because of that, skiers travel from Lan-

cing, Toledo and Clarkston, past other, closer ski trails so they can take advantage of Huron Meadows' excellent trail grooming."

"It's a great place because they really work to make it that way and they listen really to what the skiers want," Milford resident and ski fan Dan Yankus said.

Northville resident Ken Roth is another fan and on a weekly basis tries to get out to the



The trails at Huron Meadows are well-groomed.

most downhill ski slopes, which make their own snow. The difference at Huron Meadows is the snow is made into one big pile and then spread over a one-mile trail with a material spreader. A base of at least six inches of snow is typical.

The upcoming race has turned into the fundraiser to help with the park's ski program.

According to Muha, all proceeds from the race go to the park to support cross country skiing. In the past four years, the races have raised more than \$12,000 for the park, with up to 220 skiers participating. The races are part of the Michigan Cup Series of races, but the shorter distances are designed for new ski racers.

For more information on the race event, visit nordicskiracer.com; for more information on the park and its different activities, visit metroparks.com.

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park for skate skiing, which is a style of cross country. For him, what makes it stand out is the partnership that has made the skiing program top-notch.

"Before this program began, you had to drive three hours to get decent Nordic skiing," Roth said. "Now, thanks to the hard work of a handful of people and the commitment of the metroparks, excellent skiing is available to millions of people in southeast Michigan. Ski racers, families, recreational skiers, all have access to

the same facility and the snow conditions are immaculately maintained."

Park Supervisor Adam Haberkorn is the brain behind the man-made snow process at the park, which extends and expands the season. Before a skier had to wait for snow, but now it's just a matter of temperature. However, last year the park did have skiers using its trails even with 50 degree-plus temperatures and no snow.

The process is a lot like what takes place at



Huron Meadows Metropark has become the home for many cross country skiers in southeast Michigan. PHOTOS BY LONNIE HUHMANN



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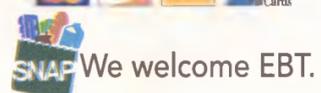
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Northville's Symone tops All-Area volleyball team

Senior set numerous school records for 'Stangs

By Jeff Theisen
Sports Writer

Teams going up against Northville tried everything possible to stop senior Symone Abbott from taking over matches. Few were successful.

Abbott earned first team all-state honors as an outside hitter after posting 745 kills and a team-high 80 aces thanks to a powerful jump serve.

She helped Northville win district and regional titles and make a trip to the final four. Abbott is the 2013 All-Area

Player of the Year.

"She is signed to play at Northwestern and is probably the most explosive attacker Northville will ever have," coach Amanda Yaklin said. "Her stats have exponentially improved over her four years of volleyball."

"It will be exciting to see how long the kill record she set will be intact, perhaps indefinitely. She set the bar high, that's for sure."

**First team
Cassidy Minghine
Northville**

While Abbot was a standout on offense, Minghine was the rock on defense. The senior

libero recorded 578 digs (a new school record), 294 perfect receive passes, 76 aces, 41 assists and 111 kills.

"Cassidy has an outstanding ability to read the actions of the opponent, leading to many opportunities for the team to be in an offensive mode," Yaklin said.

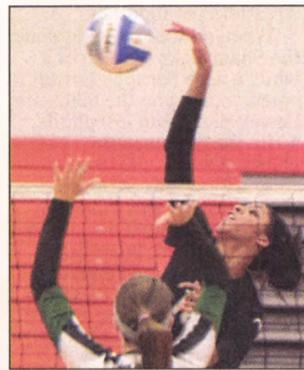
**Isabelle Glancy
Novi**

The senior outside hitter finished a four-year varsity career with division, conference and KLAA association titles. She was all-region and all-conference in 2011-13. She hammered 444 kills with 525 digs. Glancy will continue her career at Valparaiso.

"Belle is a six rotation outside hitter that did it all for us," coach Jen Cottrill said. "She is the definition of a consistent player, as we could always rely on her to make good plays. She is an outstanding player who knows the game very well. She is a four-year varsity player and we relied on her experience this year to guide our younger players in key roles for us."

**Emily Robb
Novi**

The senior setter played three years on varsity, earning all-region and all-conference honors the past two years. She



Northville's Symone Abbott is the 2013 All-Area Volleyball Player of the Year. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

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The Michigan State dance team, coached by Novi High graduate Nicole Blaszczyk, poses Jan. 1 on the Rose Bowl field in Pasadena.

BLEEDING GREEN AND WHITE

Novi alums share in Rose Bowl joy as player, coach

By Chris Jackett
Correspondent

Michigan State University's Rose Bowl victory Jan. 1 was a special moment for Spartans faithful throughout the community, state and world.

But among more than 95,000 in attendance at the Pasadena, Calif., stadium, there were a handful of Novi natives, including a pair of Novi High alums who were each on the turf for the historic 100th Rose Bowl.

MSU senior defensive tackle Tyler Hoover, 23, is a 2008 Novi graduate who recorded one solo tackle in the Spartans' 24-20 win over Stanford. It capped a 93-tackle career from 2008-13 that included redshirted seasons in 2008 and 2011 due to injuries.

Nicole Blaszczyk, 26, is a 2005 Novi graduate who was on the sidelines as a

first-year assistant dance team coach and choreographer. A former Miss Michigan (2009), she used her locally honed dance skills to win the talent portion of the Miss America 2010 competition.

Two very different skill sets, but two Wildcats alumni were able to have an on-field experience that would make many jealous.

"The atmosphere after the game was magical," Blaszczyk said. "This type of win carries a different type of emotional journey for every Spartan fan. What it meant to me was completely different from what it meant to those in the stands, on the field or watching at home. Knowing it brought so much pride to Michigan State University, the alumni, fans and the Big Ten made it so much more rewarding."

While in California a few days early, both Hoover and Blaszczyk had a



Novi High graduate Nicole Blaszczyk (center) poses with MSU dance team members Emma Snyder (left) and Laura Howe on the Rose Bowl field in Pasadena.

packed schedule. In addition to practices, there were alumni association events, the parents reception, kickoff luncheon, pep rally, the 125th Rose Parade and more.

"Every moment of their time was filled with opportunities to represent MSU and they were all great ambassadors of their school," Blaszczyk said. "Everywhere we traveled, it was so exciting to see thousands of Spartan fans lining the streets and attending the different events around town. Of course, the game was the most exciting part of the trip. The magnitude of fans in California it made it feel like we were playing at home in Spartan Stadium."

Blaszczyk said the East Lansing atmosphere was very evident during the Rose Parade the morning of the game.

"During the 5.5-mile parade, we were greeted with an overwhelming

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Wildcats slash through Gladiators

Novi blanks Fowlerville 19-0 in first quarter

By Chris Jackett
Correspondent

Starting the new year where they left the last one, Novi's girls basketball had nearly as many first-quarter points as its opponent had the entire game.

The Wildcats (5-1) defeated Fowlerville (0-5), 52-21, Saturday at home. Novi led 19-0 after the first quarter, 31-4 at half and 48-11 through three quarters before the reserves wrapped it up.

As a team, the 'Cats shot 23-for-52 (44.2 percent) from the field, while the Gladiators shot 7-for-26 (25.9 percent). Novi had active hands on defense, grabbing 24 steals and making 24 deflections, compared to Fowlerville's combined number of seven. The Gladiators did pose a threat on the boards, losing the rebounding battle just 22-21.

Novi was led by seniors Kerri McMahon (20 points on 9-for-13 shooting) and Taylor Pavlika (17 points on 7-for-10 shooting). McMahon also has seven assists, seven steals and five deflections, while Pavlika added three rebounds, three steals, four deflections and one block.

The powerful duo also got some help from junior Alex Felice (six points, three assists, four steals), while others chipped in, including two points apiece from senior Mallory Daschke, juniors Jenna Lowney, Megha Ramappan and sophomore Allie Lipson and one point from senior Allie Iacobelli. Despite not taking a single shot, senior Kristen Schubring had five rebounds, four steals and three deflections, while senior Nicole Solakian added four deflections.

Chris Jackett is a freelance writer covering Novi High School sports for the Novi News.

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Novi (5-1) was scheduled to host South Lyon East (4-2) earlier this week before visiting South Lyon (2-4) at 7 p.m. Friday and Northville (6-0) at 5:30 p.m. Tuesday.

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Shamrocks take second place at CC Invitational

By Sam Eggleston
Correspondent

It was the 50th time Detroit Catholic Central has hosted the CC Invitational and it was everything fans come to expect when some of the state's best wrestlers get together.

When all was said and done, the Shamrocks took second, while a very scrappy Lowell squad took home the team title. Lowell picked up 220 points, while the Shamrocks had 146 points.

The highlight of the meet was definitely the win that Drew Garcia picked up as he pinned Oxford's Wes Maskill in the third period. The victory, which earned Garcia a standing ovation, gave him four CC Invitational titles during his career.

"That's awfully impressive,"

Catholic Central coach Mitch Hancock said. "With the history of this tournament and the teams that compete here, that's no small feat. We're proud of him and he should be proud of himself."

The only other title captured by the Shamrocks came from Nick Bennett, who earned a 10-3 victory over Portage Central's Dominic Latora.

Myles Amine wrestled in the finals as well, but he fell to Hudson's nationally-ranked Cole Weaver, 8-3.

In total, Lowell earned four titles, while the Shamrocks earned two.

CC's Jimmy Russell took third at 215 pounds.

"I think Jimmy wrestled an extremely tough tournament and beat some really good guys today," Hancock said. "He is

turning the corner and starting to believe in himself as one of the best overall wrestlers in the state. The kid has a ton of heart."

Evan Toth also placed in the tourney, taking fourth at 130 pounds, while Nick Giese was fourth at 189 and Ty Morland was fifth at 160 pounds.

Oakland County title old hat for Shamrocks

The current members of the Detroit Catholic Central wrestling team have no idea what it's like not to be county champions.

That's because the past five years have found the Shamrocks taking home the Oakland County Championship trophy. This year the team picked up 307 points and four individual champions, while Oxford finished second with 247 points,

followed by Clarkston with 177.5, Rochester with 172.5 and Ortonville Brandon with 170. Novi finished 24th with 71 points, while Walled Lake Central, Walled Lake Northern and Walled Lake Western were sixth, seventh and 22rd, respectively.

Earning individual titles for Detroit Catholic Central were Malik Amine, Drew Garcia, Myles Amine and Nick Bennett. Malik Amine, who wrestled at 145 pounds, and Garcia, 171, each earned their third county title. For Myles Amine, 140, and Bennett, 152, this was their first county title.

Bennett was also selected as the most valuable wrestler at the tournament for the upper weights.

Myles Amine earned a 9-2 decision over Sam Johnson of Holly to earn his title, while his

older brother Malik Amine won with a pin against Walled Lake Northern's Christian Lauderback. Bennett picked up a technical fall over Holly's Kyle Pepper, 16-1, and Garcia earned a 5-1 victory over Shane Shadaia of Rochester.

Jimmy Russell took second at 215 pounds with a 5-3 loss to Waterford Kettering's Matt Okaiye, while Evan Toth was second at 130 pounds with a 10-2 major decision loss to West Bloomfield's Ross Bahro.

Tyler Morland took fifth at 160, as did Parker O'Brien at 119 pounds and Greg Johnson at 135 pounds. Joe Lyon took sixth in the 125-pound division, while Tom Herrman took seventh at 112.

Sam Eggleston is a freelance writer covering sports for the Northville Record and Novi News.

CC blanks first two foes of 2014

By Sam Eggleston
Correspondent

It was a one-sided affair in both games the Catholic Central hockey team played to kick off 2014.

Against Wyandotte, the Shamrocks were on the offensive prowl while the defense shut their foes down for a 7-0 victory. Against Plymouth, the Shamrocks may not have had the same offensive power, but their defense was just as stout, registering another shutout in a 2-0 win.

The Catholic Central icers put up two goals in the first period Jan. 3 to open up a lead over Wyandotte. Owen Kipke took a pass from Andrew Lane to score just 8:30 in the game before Mitchell Ossowski tallied another goal at 11:45, with assists from James Considine and Mark Gossett.

The second period was the true offensive showcase, however, as goals were tallied by Carter Cerretani, Nicholas Macari, Brent Jones and Conner Gaffney to put the Shamrocks up 6-0. Assists were tallied by Considine, Lucas Turner, David Spiegel (two), Gaffney, Domenic Mancinelli and David Spiegel.

The final goal was scored in the third period, when Mancinelli found the back of the net with 5:11 off the clock. Jones and Wade Orlovski assisted on the play.

Catholic Central was called for four penalties for eight minutes, while Wyandotte picked up five penalties for 10 minutes.

Earning the win in goal was Spencer Wright, who faced and stopped just 11 shots. Chandler Pattenauode took the loss, facing 48 shots from Catholic Central and

ON TAP

Detroit Catholic Central will host Cranbrook at 5:30 p.m. Saturday.

stopping 41.

CC 2, Plymouth 0

Defense was the name of the game when the Shamrocks took on a tough Wildcats squad Jan. 4, but it was Catholic Central's defense that proved to be better.

No goals were scored in the first or third periods, but the Shamrocks managed to tally two goals in the second, including a power-play goal by Kyle Mulka that proved to be the game-winner with 3:51 off the clock. Dillon Jones and Alex Kreutzer assisted on the play.

The Shamrocks scored their second goal two minutes later, when David Spiegel found the back of the net, with Conner Gaffney assisting on the play.

It was quite the chippy contest, with both teams spending plenty of time in the penalty box. Catholic Central had eight penalties for 16 minutes, while Plymouth had eight of its own for 16 minutes.

Michael Ronayne earned the win in goal, stopping 13 shots, while Jaren Maddock took the loss for Plymouth, facing 20 and stopping 18.

Sam Eggleston is a freelance writer covering sports for the Northville Record and Novi News.

NOVI SPORTS ROUNDUP

Eagles rip Novi cagers

Novi's boys basketball team (1-4) couldn't get the new calendar rolling with a win, falling 54-36 Friday against visiting White Lake Lakeland (3-2).

The Wildcats hope to get a few more tallied in the win column as they host South Lyon at 7 p.m. Friday and then visit Northville at 7 p.m. Tuesday.

U.P. trip successful for 'Cats

Novi's annual trip to the Upper Peninsula for a trio of hockey games went well. The No. 20 Wildcats (8-5-0) knocked off Calumet, 2-1, Friday and Hancock, 7-3, Saturday before their Sunday contest against Marquette was canceled, as the 'Cats faced a very snowy trek home afterward.

The Wildcats have a 10-day break before next hosting Canton (1-9-0) at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday.



A Novi player challenges a couple of Lakeland players for a rebound. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

ALL-AREA

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had 1,052 assists with 378 digs and 107 kills. Robb was also a captain this season.

Emily comes from a family of outstanding volleyball players and she was no exception," Cottrill said. "She was the starting setter on the varsity team for three years and was able to do this with ease. She runs an effective offense, is physical at the net and solid defensively.

"Emily was an outstanding leader for us this season as she held her teammates accountable, but also knew when it was time to have fun."

Amanda Leonard Lakeland

The junior setter/hitter earned all-state honorable mention, all-region and all-KLAA honors this year. She provided 272 kills in 639 attack attempts, 281 digs, 42 aces and 50 serve receptions. She had 21 kills, 28 assists and 14 digs in a regional match.

"Amanda is a great consistent hitter as well as a great setter," coach Jean Dukic said. "She is always working to better her game."

Amanda Breitenbach Lakeland

The senior libero earned all-region honors as well as the team Leadership/MVP award. Breitenbach had 615 digs, 483 serve receptions, 52 aces and 23 assists.

"She is very positive with everyone around her and expects only the best out of herself," Dukic said. "She has been a great leader all four years at Lakeland."

Zahria Ri'chard South Lyon

The big-hitting setter/blocker is only 15 years old and has already earned a scholarship to Division I University of Alabama-Birmingham. Ri'chard led the team with 244 kills, 77 blocks and 45 aces. She was second in digs with 134.

"Being only 5-8 she definitely plays well above her height with her leaping abilities and is able to play with anyone in this state," coach Mindy Collins said. "She is aggressive and is definitely a gamer. She has the ability to swing the momentum in any game with a couple blocks and swings and does that consistently."

Second team Olivia Boisineau Northville

The junior middle hitter knocked down 230 kills with 108 blocks, 45 digs

ALL-AREA VOLLEYBALL

PLAYER OF THE YEAR Symone Abbot, Northville

FIRST TEAM
Cassidy Minghine, Northville
Isabelle Glancy, Novi
Emily Robb, Novi
Amanda Leonard, Lakeland
Amanda Breitenbach, Lakeland
Zahria Ri'chard, South Lyon

SECOND TEAM
Olivia Boisineau, Northville
Brooke Laney, Novi
Jordan Massab, Novi
Victoria Iacobelli, Novi
Kaylie Marantette, Lakeland
Maddie Harris, Milford

HONORABLE MENTION South Lyon - Brooke Campos (jr), Jessie Ignace (so)

Lakeland - Cass Bruins (sr), Emily Wolfenbarger (jr), Stephanie Leonard (jr)
Northville - Julia Colasanti (sr)
South Lyon East - Deven Watson (sr), Mackenzie Nieto (jr)
Northville - Olivia Landis (sr), Emily Martin (fr), Chloe Kiple (sr), Katherine Boss (sr), Rachel Zawodny (sr), Makenna Strunk (jr)

and 13 aces. Brooke Laney Novi

The senior middle blocker capped off a three-year varsity career with 253 kills with a 31.1 attack percentage and 94 blocks. Laney was a captain in 2012 and '13 with all-region and all-conference honors both years.

Jordan Massab Novi

The junior libero had a team-high 637 digs, while being second in service points. She earned all-conference honors.

Victoria Iacobelli Novi

The sophomore outside hitter was second on the team in kills with 268, while also providing 459 digs and 44 aces. The second-year varsity player was all-conference and all-region.

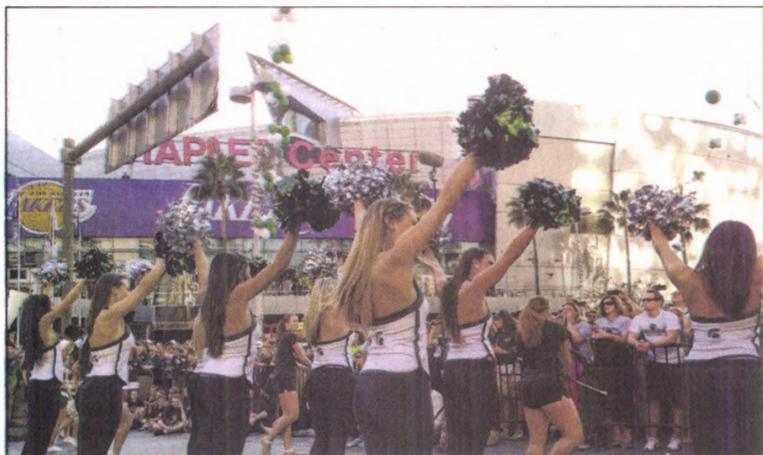
Kaylie Marantette Lakeland

The senior outside hitter provided 273 kills, 280 serve receptions and 320 digs for the division and conference champs. Marantette also had 25 aces and 15 blocks.

Maddie Harris Milford

The junior outside hitter finished with 174 kills and 178 digs. She is a three-year varsity player.

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Novi High graduate Nicole Blaszczyk provides a backstage view of the Spartans cheer and dance teams during the Rose Bowl Pep Rally.

ROSE BOWL

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amount of Spartan fans," Blaszczyk said. "The numerous grandstands were packed with fans chanting 'Go green, go white!' The sheer magnitude of spectators was almost overwhelming. It was great to be part of

something with so much history. I have watched this parade with my mom almost every year growing up, so it was very special to actually be a part of it.

"The beauty of this experience will unfold years from now when I can share stories and say, 'I was there.'"

Chris Jackett is a freelance writer covering Novi High School sports for the Novi News.

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When sewers back up or emergencies arise, Doheny Companies on the scene

By Kurt Kuban
Staff Writer

Call it good timing. Jack Doheny broke into the sewer cleaning business at a time when it was just starting to take off. When he began selling his products, including vacuum trucks and other equipment in the early 1970s, there were very few standards on how to maintain sewers.

"Back then, so many sewers were running right into local creeks and rivers," said Doheny, 83.

That's when the federal government started cracking down. The Clean Water Act, passed in 1972, forced municipalities to clean out their sewers and stop polluting local waterways. It so happened that was right around the time when Doheny began selling sewer cleaning equipment.

"That's when I came into the business. It was really a perfect time," Doheny said. "The federal government found they didn't have any guidelines or regulations for cleaning out sewers. Once those were in place, there was a tremendous explosion in demand for the sewer cleaning products and equipment. In many ways, I was very lucky to come in when I did."

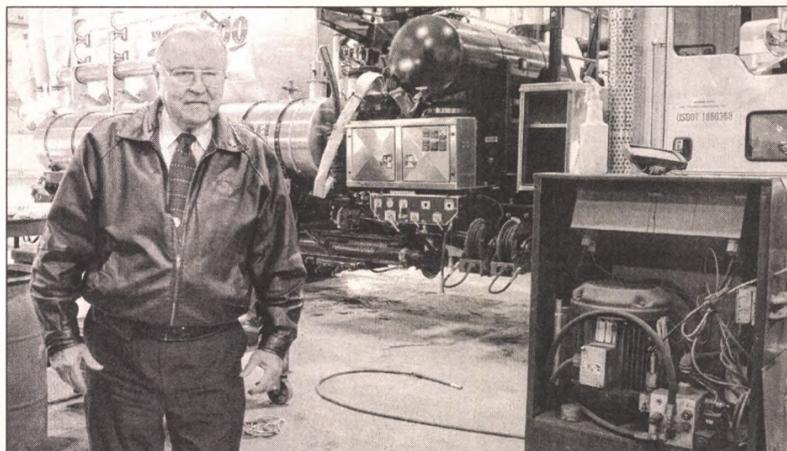
Today, Jack Doheny Companies, the firm he founded in 1973 from his home, is the world's largest distributor of Vactor trucks and other sewer cleaning and municipal air handling equipment. The company's footprint is especially large in Michigan, where it sells 95 percent of all the sewer cleaning equipment.

The company, which has doubled in growth in the last four to five years, has facilities around the country and recently expanded into Canada, where it largely serves the oil companies and their oilfields. Things are so good, the company is currently undergoing a major \$5 million expansion to its corporate headquarters on the outskirts of downtown Northville, where it has 140 employees.

It sells a broad range of products, but its bread and butter are Vactor trucks, including the state-of-the-art Vactor 2100, which can hold up 12 yards of debris and 1,500 gallons of water. Nearly all of the municipalities in southeast Michigan have purchased one of these vehicles from Doheny. With their vacuum and jet spray abilities, they are used primarily to clean out sewers. But they can also be used for other purposes, particularly to clean up hazardous material spills in waterways, at airports and along railways.

In fact, you will find Doheny's equipment at most major hazmat situations, including after the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, when they were used to clean asbestos out of the air in New York City. When the Enbridge oil spill occurred in the Kalamazoo River back in 2010, Doheny had 40 trucks on site sucking the oil out of the river.

Its hazardous is used in less hazardous situations as well. For example, Doheny says Disney World uses them to suck the change out of their fountains so the coins don't clog up



Jack Doheny, president and founder of the Northville-based Jack Doheny Companies, walks past one of his company's signature trucks: a Vactor 2100 model. The truck, which runs about \$500,000, is used to clean up oil and hazardous material spills and is also used by most municipalities to clear jammed sewers. JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

drains. Also, in Wyoming, they are used to pick up the corn that falls from the trains along the tracks so deer aren't drawn into harm's way. Farmers also use them to clean out their silos.

"There are literally a thousand applications for our products that have nothing to do with sewers," he said.

Good salesman

Doheny's rise in the business started shortly after he got out of the air force. He went to work for his uncle's company selling a snake-like product used by dairy farmers to clean out the traps on their milk basins.

"I was selling them all over North America," Doheny said.

After parting ways with his uncle, Doheny moved to Northville in the late 1960s and by the early 1970s was solely focused on selling sewer cleaning products.

Kay Doheny, Jack's daughter and executive

vice president of the company, said his success was due to many factors and timing certainly helped. But she said he was also a great salesman, who stood by his products.

"He's like the foundation we all live by," she said. "Everyone in our business measures themselves against him. I think he has been successful and, in turn, the company, because we do what we say. He's always done what he promised."

"Our phones ring 24 hours a day. Our contractors demand it. If you have a problem on Christmas Eve, we'll be there to help. That's the nature of this business," she added.

The company does about \$250 million in annual sales, which is a far cry from where Doheny started.

"My first year of sales was about \$44,000," he said.

What has really been driving the company's

growth in recent years is the rental business. Disasters can strike at any time and most contractors or municipalities don't have the money to purchase the equipment for a one-time job.

"We have a fleet of 400 to 500 vehicles and they are rented in essentially every state in the union," Doheny said. "Cities and different municipalities usually have their own machines, but in cases of emergency, they need immediate help and they come to us."

Demand never stops

A lot of municipalities will also rent Doheny's Vactor trucks during the summer months to help with the regular maintenance of their sewer system. Not only are they required to not pollute their waterways, but there is also the threat of lawsuits from residents who have sewer backups in their basements.

"When I broke into this business, the only

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time they cleaned out a sewer was when it was blocked up. That has really changed over the years. Cities do a much better job now, because they have to," he said.

On a positive note, Doheny said the regular maintenance to the sewer and storm drains has led to much cleaner rivers and creeks. He said the Rouge River, in particular, has really come back to life since the early 1970s and he feels like his products have played a big part.

Looking back on the last 40 years, Doheny says he was very fortunate to choose the business he did. He is amazed how the company and industry have grown and evolved. And after all these years, he still looks forward to going to work every day.

"I love it because every day is a new day, with a new challenge. You never know what's in store," he said. "This was the greatest business to get into. It's a necessity, there is demand and it is government-mandated. It's an exciting business."

NOVI NEWSMAKERS

Aleksandra A. Miziolek

Novi-based Cooper Standard Holdings Inc. appointed Aleksandra A. Miziolek



Miziolek will report to

Jeffrey S. Edwards, Cooper Standard's chairman and CEO, and join the company's Global

Leadership Team.

Miziolek will succeed Timothy W. Hefferon, who is retiring after serving as Cooper Standard's vice president, general counsel and secretary since 2004. Hefferon will continue as a senior legal officer on a transitional basis until June 2014.

"Aleks' broad and extensive legal experience in the automotive arena makes her an excellent addition to Cooper Standard's leadership team and head of our legal group," Edwards said. "Her expertise will assist Cooper Standard as we continue to execute our profitable growth strategy and expand globally."

"As we welcome Aleks, I would like to thank Tim for his service and dedication to Cooper Standard as both head of our legal team

and as a key leader in the business," Edwards said. "He has provided the company with excellent counsel and guidance during his tenure and we will continue to benefit from his experience as we complete this successful transition."

With more than 30 years of experience advising automotive companies, Miziolek will join Cooper Standard from Dykema Gossett, PLLC, a national law firm headquartered in Detroit. As a Dykema Gossett member, she has held a variety of key management positions, including service on the firm's Executive Board and as director of its Automotive Industry Group. Her law practice has focused on mergers and acquisitions, corporate governance and SEC disclosure matters. She has counseled a

broad range of automotive companies on cross-border transactions and strategic alliances involving North American, European and Asian businesses.

Miziolek earned juris doctor and bachelor of arts degrees from Wayne State University in Detroit. She currently serves on several boards as a director or advisor, including the Citizens Research Council of Michigan and Inform Center for Leadership.

Tim Herrington

Tim Herrington from Keford's Novi Towing Inc. received the American Towman ACE Award for achievement in service performance. Recipients were nominated by the nation's major motor clubs and dispatch centers.

The nomination guidelines include the highest

percentage of calls when the estimated time of arrival is achieved; consistency in response time; written appreciation from customers; and percentage of calls serviced (instead of turning them away), thereby reflecting reliability and overall professionalism. ACE recipients rank in the top 1 percent of the towing industry's service providers. The award is presented by American Towman Magazine.

Erica Patterson

Erica Patterson, director of nursing for Novi retirement community Fox Run, has been named the retirement community's 2013 Leader of the Year.

Patterson was promoted from assistant director of nursing to director of nursing a year ago. She has been focused on improving

the clinical systems and care delivery at Fox Run's continuing care neighborhood. As a result of her leadership, there has been significant



Patterson

improvement in the clinical measures of care and resident satisfaction. Resident satisfaction in skilled nursing is now in the 95th percentile in the industry.

Patterson, according to her colleagues, walks into challenging situations with a can-do approach and a confidence that her team can accomplish anything that's set before them. She will formally receive her award Feb. 23 at Erickson Living's annual meeting in Baltimore, Md.

NOVI BUSINESS BRIEFS

Come welcome Joe & Aldo's

The public is invited to a ribbon-cutting ceremony to welcome Joe & Aldo's Italian Tavern to the Novi community 6-9 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 9. The restaurant, formerly Andiamo Novi, is located at 42705 Grand River Ave., off Main Street.

Enjoy authentic Italian cuisine, complimentary hors d'oeuvres, cocktail specials and live music from Francesco in a casual environment.

A portion of the proceeds benefit Michigan AIDS Coalition and Novi Police & Fire Benevolent Association.

Signature leases in Wixom

Signature Associates has negotiated the lease of 10,200 square feet of industrial space located at 49600-49650 Martin Drive, Wixom, to Michigan to Partner Engineering and Science Inc.

Steve Kozak and Jim Montgomery of Signature Associates represented the landlord, Martin Land & Investment.

"Why All the Household Dust?"

I'm Keith Meadows, owner and operator of American Power Vac, Inc. For years, I've been improving our community's health one family at a time. By now we've all heard the statistics: 50% of all illness is a direct relation to dirty indoor air and our indoor air is up to 90 times more polluted than outdoor air. Yet, 90% of the calls I receive everyday are from desperate people complaining about dust. They tell me they dust the TV, on Friday, but by Sunday they are pushing the dust out of the way again so they can watch Dancing with the Stars, and none of them know exactly where it's coming from. Well, I'm here to tell you that it's not because you're a bad house-keeper. I tell people that simply having your ducts cleaned will drastically reduce household dust, and the reason is, your cold air returns.

Cold air returns suck in dirty air, and over time it builds up until you have the same type of debris that you would find in your vacuum bag. Visit our website at www.americanpowervac.com for an actual photo of the debris that is pulled from a typical home.

Cold air returns are also the reason new homeowners are experiencing dust. While your drywall was being sanded, your cold air returns sucked all of the dust through the system and it settled on the bottom of the duct lines where a little at a time gets blown back into your home. To prove it, take a walk down into your basement, look up at the

ceiling for thin sheets of tin nailed between your floor joists. These are your cold air return lines. Give them a good pounding. You'll see puffs of dust seeping out of the edges. That, my friends, is the reason you have uncontrollable dust problems!

This debris cannot be removed without a professional. Which brings me to my next point: choosing an airtight cleaning company. Most companies use portable units, which are like a shop vac that you would vacuum your car with, obviously absolutely useless. Then there are companies who claim they have a truck-mounted system. In reality, they have a low powered portable system attached inside a van, again, absolutely useless. Visit our website for photos of our equipment

vs. portable or truck mounted equipment at www.americanpowervac.com.



April and Keith Meadows help keep indoor air clean with their local business, American Power Vac.

"One of the best companies I have ever had working in my home. They were very professional and I was very satisfied with their workmanship and clean up. I would hire your company again in a heartbeat, and would gladly spread the word to family, friends and neighbors. Great company you have going." C. Miller, Bloomfield Hills

"American Power Vac is Amazing. You are outstanding in professional manner and in how courteous you are" L. Bermudez, Sterling Heights

For more testimonials visit us @ www.americanpowervac.com

What makes the difference in equipment? Power! To put things into perspective, your furnace moves 2,000 CFM's (cubic feet of air per minute), basically what you feel coming out of your register. Truck-mounted

equipment only moves 4,000 CFM's. American Power Vac moves over 16,000 cubic feet of air per minute, more than quadruple the power of any truck-mounted equipment.

Beware of companies using cheap equipment and advertising cheap prices... most are unlicensed or advertise that they are licensed and **are not!**

Avoid Scams by not falling for cheap, get-you-in-the-door prices.

When asked what sets you apart from your competitors, Keith says "Honest service is number one, equipment is number two. I know the importance of being on time, working with a smile, and respecting people's homes and their belongings." There are a lot of duct cleaners around but rest assured you'll receive the same Quality and Service we expect. American Power Vac is family owned and we're here to help by offering a

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REALTORS REACH OUT WITH YULE SPIRIT

Recently at its Farmington offices, the Greater Metropolitan Association of Realtors gave checks to local charities.

A total of \$2,574 was given to Gleaners Community Food Bank of Southeastern Michigan and \$606 was given to the Farmington Area Goodfellows. The money was raised through raffle tickets, 50/50 tickets and donations during GMAR's Holiday Party and Golf Outing.

Accepting the check on behalf of Gleaners Community Food Bank of Southeastern Michigan was their Vice President of Marketing and Communication Anne Schenk. Farmington Area Goodfellows President Dave Kenerson came to accept the check on behalf of their group.

The Greater Metropolitan Association of Realtors (GMAR) was formed in 2010. Its over 6,000 members span the counties of Macomb, Oakland, Wayne and their surrounding counties. GMAR provides a slew of benefits to its members, such as access to the Realcomp MLS, over 220 quality continuing education, training and designation courses, the Real Estate Service Center marketing and communication materials workshop, the ToolShop real estate store with over 1,000 items, the *Metropolitan Minute* weekly newsletter and the *Metropolitan REALTOR* monthly eMagazine.



Shown from left are GMAR Staff Liaison to Member Services Committee's Elaine Gatlin, GMAR CEO Duane Marsh, Gleaners Community Food Bank of Southeastern Michigan Vice President of Marketing and Communication Anne Schenk, and Member Services Committee member Marx Elias.



Shown from left are GMAR CEO Duane Marsh, Farmington Area Goodfellows President Dave Kenerson, and GMAR Staff Liaison to Member Services Committee Elaine Gatlin.

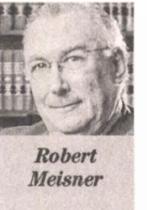
Home business issue should be updated

Q: I heard you speaking at a seminar about the need to update restrictions of a community association. One of the areas you mentioned was home businesses. Could you be more specific?

A: The problem with many deed restrictions, including those restrictions in condominiums, is that they have an antiquated definition of residential use and/or no definition of residential use at all. Some documents do provide for an exception for certain types of "home businesses" such as home offices, computer utilization, etc. However, with the technological revolution, the entire provision regarding residential use should be better defined to more accurately clarify what type of commercial and/or business activity will be allowed in the home, taking into consideration the types of "businesses" that can be run that do not attract traffic and/or refuge. That should be one of the many changes made to update the condominium documents.

Q: I am a condominium board member and our management company recommended "their attorney," as they put it, to represent us. The board, I think, naively went along with it. Later, we found out that the attorney does not represent the management company. Should we can the management company?

A: There are some management companies that are desirous of steering associations to a particular lawyer, and suggest to their Board of Directors that they have an attorney for them suggesting that the attorney works for the management company when, indeed, the attorney is actually working for and being paid by the association. The board should never rely on the management company's attorney, either with respect to an attorney who actually does work for the management company or is so financially beholden to the management company that the management company treats that attorney as theirs when, in fact, he or she should be representing the association. Many boards have naively retained attorneys who they never meet and have no basis to choose in the first instance other than the fact that the management company asked them to blindly follow their recommendation. This is not a good mark for the management company and you may wish to consider getting a company with greater integrity.



Robert Meisner

Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and the author of "Condo Living 2: An Authoritative Guide to Buying, Selling, and Operating a Condominium." It is available for \$24.95 plus \$5.55 for tax, shipping and handling. "Condo Living 2" is available in both print and e-book editions. The e-book is available for download through iTunes, Amazon.com, and BarnesandNoble.com. He is also the author of "Condominium Operation: Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track," second edition. It is available for \$9.95 plus \$2.20 for tax, shipping and handling. Call 248-644-4433 or visit bmeisner@meisner-law.com. This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice.

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Aug. 19-23, 2013, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

BEVERLY HILLS

17240 Beverly Rd \$287,000
18277 Beverly Rd \$371,000
17215 Birwood Ave \$255,000
18432 Riverside Dr \$400,000
31443 Sleepy Hollow Ln \$40,000

BIRMINGHAM

245 Catalpa Dr \$500,000
1425 Chapin Ave \$370,000
1428 E Lincoln St \$244,000
463 Golf View Blvd \$455,000
1375 Humphrey Ave \$240,000
975 Madison St \$305,000
1113 N Old Woodward Ave Unit \$250,000

1890 Oak Ave \$980,000
1165 S Eton St \$185,000
1594 Villa Rd \$233,000
550 W Merrill St \$1,200,000
299 Westchester Way \$418,000

BLOOMFIELD HILLS

5486 Brookdale Rd \$435,000
4961 Dryden Ln \$430,000
1966 Klingensmith Rd \$100,000

BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP

1197 Banbury Cir \$606,000
3800 Burning Tree Dr \$245,000
4612 Chelsea Ln \$1,050,000
2851 Colonial Trl \$170,000
1196 Copperwood Dr \$700,000
660 Deauville Ln \$480,000
532 E Fox Hills Dr \$73,000
2609 Endsleigh Dr \$830,000
4448 Far Hill Dr \$225,000
5132 Forest Way \$452,000
5583 N Adams Way \$262,000
915 N Reading Rd \$275,000
4031 Pine Tree Trl \$340,000
241 Stratmore Rd \$745,000

359 Sycamore Ct \$587,000
4316 Vernor Ct \$635,000
3861 Wedgewood Dr \$439,000

COMMERCIAL TOWNSHIP

2336 Brigantine \$235,000
6072 Brockway St \$140,000
5098 Carinas Way Ct \$243,000
1822 Cheshire Ln \$402,000
1931 Cheshire Ln \$400,000
3211 Creekview Ln \$387,000
5618 Deerwood \$284,000
4986 Foothills Dr \$258,000
5460 Huron Hills Dr \$358,000
5239 Kristi Ln \$210,000
3312 Mandrake St \$68,000
5815 Pickbourne St \$89,000
3064 Rio Vista St \$135,000
3206 Rio Vista St \$110,000
5312 S River Dr \$185,000
5870 Turnberry Dr \$390,000
2125 Winston Dr \$332,000

FARMINGTON

23075 Farmington Rd \$205,000
36819 Heatherton Dr \$212,000
32236 Leelane \$150,000
33939 Moore Dr \$168,000
33111 Orchard St \$65,000

FARMINGTON HILLS

22906 Ashley St \$90,000
29473 Beau Rdg \$140,000
31772 Bella Vista Dr \$150,000
23986 Brookplace Ct \$131,000
29962 Club House Ln \$160,000
23769 Cora Ave \$170,000
29231 Fieldstone \$245,000
30420 Fox Club Ct \$415,000
22559 Glenmoor Hts \$106,000
29867 Indian Trl \$128,000
33971 Kirby St \$132,000
29437 Laurel Dr \$136,000
22176 Malden St \$127,000
29920 Mayfair Dr \$250,000
26056 Meadowview Dr \$272,000
23179 Middlebelt Rd \$61,000
29602 Middlebelt Rd \$115,000
31280 Misty Pines Dr \$151,000
21341 Parklane St \$265,000

29461 Parkside St \$300,000
37685 Russett Dr \$200,000
30580 Springland St \$239,000
28450 Venice Cir \$175,000
29451 Weathervane Ave \$360,000

FRANKLIN

24550 N Cromwell Dr \$285,000
LATHRUP VILLAGE
19125 Rackham Dr \$190,000
18734 Wiltshire Blvd \$165,000

MILFORD

811 Bird Song Dr \$137,000
1783 Bristol Dr \$615,000
824 Chatham Dr \$236,000
653 Duchess St \$153,000
1085 Eagle Nest Dr \$200,000
779 Heritage Dr \$320,000
1536 Hunters Lake Dr \$620,000
800 Manderly Dr \$273,000
1455 Rowe Rd \$250,000
1569 S Creek Dr \$232,000
2300 Stoney Blf \$80,000
180 Water St \$335,000
NORTHVILLE
38648 Cheshire Dr \$330,000
21291 Equestrian Trl \$812,000
533 Langfield St \$185,000
22235 Lujon Dr \$13,000
966 New Haven Ct \$145,000
21177 Stanstead Rd \$450,000

NOVI

25580 Abbey Dr \$383,000
43137 Ashbury Dr \$540,000
49970 Blackberry Trl \$320,000
50721 Chesapeake Dr \$800,000
44511 Copland Ln \$315,000
44677 Ellery Ln \$213,000
44681 Ellery Ln \$198,000
44683 Ellery Ln \$207,000
44685 Ellery Ln \$203,000
42660 Faulkner Dr \$266,000
41610 Hamlet Ln \$130,000
24239 Hampton Hill St \$226,000
28868 Hearthstone Dr \$258,000
24051 Heathergreen \$167,000
27917 Hopkins Dr \$164,000
24780 Kings Pointe \$202,000

40608 Lenox Park Dr \$282,000
40847 Lenox Park Dr \$274,000
28046 Lightfoot Ln \$225,000
42119 Loganberry Rdg S \$148,000
24825 Reeds Pointe Dr \$515,000
24225 Saybrook Ct \$550,000
41127 Scarborough Ln \$399,000
45252 Sedra Ct \$320,000
41703 Steinbeck Gln \$310,000
30726 Tanglewood Dr \$215,000
28492 Traci Trl \$200,000
48301 W 11 Mile Rd \$850,000
24519 Willowbrook \$320,000

SOUTH LYON

1122 Chestnut Ln \$278,000
22980 Clarkshire Dr \$273,000
1153 Colt Dr \$265,000
23385 Country Club Dr \$150,000
61238 Greenwood Dr \$80,000
24299 Martindale Rd \$205,000
59323 Peters Barn Dr \$78,000
24338 Ravine Dr \$2,000
24570 Ridge Pole Ct \$335,000
22854 Saint Andrews Dr \$595,000
25256 Stanley Ln \$291,000
25486 Stanley Ln \$329,000

SOUTHFIELD

22799 Bell Brook St \$75,000
28738 Brentwood St \$45,000
19685 Coral Gables St \$75,000
21900 Mada Ave \$20,000
17634 Melrose St \$40,000
21821 N Tuller Ct \$61,000
18185 New Jersey Dr \$95,000
25298 Saint James \$65,000

WHITE LAKE

9394 Cedar Island Rd \$95,000
76 Danforth St \$77,000
47 Lisa Cir \$205,000
10367 Northridge Ct \$297,000
765 Oxbow Lake Rd \$268,000
9235 Sandison Dr \$125,000
663 Sunnybeach Dr \$280,000
8860 Tackles Dr \$130,000
8194 Timber Trl \$185,000

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Sept. 9-13, 2013, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

CANTON

7002 Becky Dr \$235,000
2315 Berwick Dr \$154,000
43718 Brandywyne Rd \$220,000
1981 Brookline St \$159,000
200 Cherry Grove Rd \$213,000
561 Cherry Grove Rd \$170,000
745 Cherry Orchard Rd \$166,000
592 Cherry Stone Dr \$261,000
874 Cherry Stone Dr \$249,000
2149 Cleveland Way \$270,000
8722 Columbia Cir \$76,000
7109 Copper Creek Cir \$139,000
249 Coronation Ct \$170,000
44195 Dartmouth St \$227,000
7038 Epping Ct \$210,000
50830 Federal Blvd \$79,000
50867 Federal Blvd \$80,000
7061 Foxridge Dr \$230,000
51319 Geddes Rd \$25,000
48358 Gladstone Rd \$439,000
6123 Gloucester Dr \$148,000
46011 Graystone Ln \$175,000
39682 Hillary Dr \$135,000
39924 Hillary Dr \$132,000
7355 Hillsboro Dr \$230,000
50537 Jefferson St \$360,000
45224 Lemont Rd \$225,000
45005 Middlebury Ct \$312,000
4113 Monarch Ave \$171,000
6201 N Beck Rd \$140,000
859 Pheasant Woods Dr \$268,000
44209 Richmond Ct \$190,000
3657 Riverside Dr \$245,000
45870 S Stonewood Rd \$165,000
42230 Saltz Rd \$160,000
3778 Shepherd Ct \$179,000
6153 Stonetree Dr \$180,000

43793 Sweet Cherry Ln \$161,000
47507 Vistas Circle Dr N \$222,000
41052 Westfield Cir \$205,000
1221 Wildwood Ln \$195,000
689 Worthington Rd \$167,000

GARDEN CITY

33210 Alvin St \$74,000
243 Arcola St \$95,000
6435 Arcola St \$70,000
5932 Belton St \$35,000
6808 Belton St \$55,000
6060 Cardwell St \$80,000
6567 Henry Ruff Rd \$99,000
28933 James St \$67,000
30004 John Hawk St \$90,000
30548 John Hawk St \$88,000
6850 Whitby St \$72,000

LIVONIA

34133 Six Mile Rd \$174,000
36438 Six Mile Rd \$175,000
19263 Bainbridge Ave \$129,000
32725 Barkley St \$155,000
20360 Beatrice St \$130,000
31242 Bobrich St \$195,000
33152 Broadmoor Ct \$240,000
33828 Cindy St \$139,000
36620 Clarita St \$225,000
8882 Crown St \$144,000
9928 Fairfield St \$130,000
17595 Fairway St \$145,000
11750 Farmington Rd \$105,000
15592 Fitzgerald St \$174,000
17960 Floral St \$30,000
17960 Floral St \$115,000
9860 Garvett St \$124,000
15971 Gary Ln \$254,000
34653 Grove Dr \$159,000
32900 Hees St \$145,000
9047 Henry Ruff Rd \$135,000
31193 Hillbrook St \$210,000
32217 Jamison Ct \$146,000
11200 Karen St \$100,000
37090 Kingsburn Dr \$365,000
8857 Knolson Ave \$172,000
29535 Lamar Ln \$100,000

9270 Lathers St \$115,000
14198 Levan Rd \$123,000
29433 Lori St \$156,000
18414 Manor Ln \$318,000
16505 Marsha St \$228,000
9000 Perrin St \$130,000
33000 Perth St \$170,000
19338 Rensellor St \$37,000
9614 Roseland St \$115,000
37635 Saint Martins St \$150,000
31565 Scone St \$163,000
15986 Shadyside Dr \$200,000
19475 Southampton Dr \$250,000
19823 Stamford Dr \$180,000
14526 Stonehouse Ave \$150,000
15140 Sunbury St \$67,000
14238 Sunset St \$122,000
15424 Sunset St \$60,000
32439 Washington St \$140,000
9833 Woodring St \$127,000

NORTHVILLE

45731 Fermanagh Dr \$440,000
18443 Fox Hollow Ct \$540,000
18816 Grande Vista Dr \$118,000
18873 Grande Vista Dr \$118,000
17540 Maple Hill Dr \$395,000
46619 Merion Cir \$639,000
15996 Morningside \$153,000
46286 Pinehurst Dr \$565,000
17449 Rolling Woods Cir \$514,000
19967 Schoolhouse Ct \$65,000
17447 Victor Dr \$395,000

PLYMOUTH

655 Byron St \$168,000
12881 Glenview Dr \$345,000
48655 Harvest Dr \$368,000
13381 Latheron Dr \$480,000
1380 Linden St \$340,000
11525 McClumpha Rd \$310,000
650 N Evergreen St \$240,000
161 N Mill St \$129,000
51221 Northview \$332,000
11211 Pinehurst Rd \$300,000
51215 Plymouth Lake Cir \$700,000
49481 Pointe Xing \$145,000

8848 Quail Cir \$385,000
1251 Sheridan St \$350,000
11707 Sycamore Dr \$160,000
11739 Sycamore Dr \$90,000

REDFORD

8935 Arnold \$65,000
11395 Centralia \$38,000
16312 Inkster Rd \$60,000
11731 Marion \$40,000
18846 Negaunee \$45,000
16753 Norborne \$53,000
11710 Olympia \$56,000
13051 Sioux \$67,000
26276 Southwestern Hwy \$40,000
8931 Wormalter \$35,000

WAYNE

33570 Annapolis St \$53,000
4065 Randolph St \$41,000
4345 Woodward St \$42,000

WESTLAND

31629 Antrim Ct \$23,000
30904 Beechnut St \$102,000
32628 Bertram Dr \$64,000
35125 Birchwood St \$84,000
8539 Blackburn Dr \$122,000
316 Brookfield Dr \$117,000
6901 Chirewa St \$45,000
8053 Coventry St \$14,000
8180 Creekside Dr \$240,000
33207 Creston St \$60,000
34329 Frances St \$112,000
31521 Grandview Ave \$90,000
5705 N Berry St \$115,000
901 N Hix Rd \$45,000
5664 N Karle St \$46,000
1517 Norris St \$25,000
6570 Quail Run Cir \$82,000
1963 S Globe St \$67,000
389 S Sybald St \$75,000
35608 Somerset St \$80,000
6205 W Morgan Cir \$95,000
7605 Woodview St \$27,000
33845 Yuma St \$95,000

REAL ESTATE BRIEFS

A free informational seminar on short sale procedures will be offered for potential sellers not sure about how the procedures work.

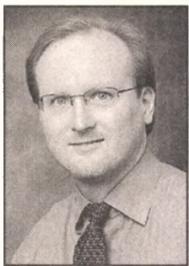
Bonnie David, broker/owner of Quantum Real Estate, is the presenter. It will be 6-7 p.m. Thursdays at 129 N. Lafayette, downtown South Lyon.

Additional parking across the street in back. Call the office at 248-782-7130 or email june.quantum@gmail.com for reservations or additional information.

Car Report

Advertising Feature

With New Genesis, Sonata – and CEO – Hyundai Chases Growth



By Dale Buss

Many Hyundai dealers are optimistic that the change at the top of Hyundai Motor America has installed a "dealer guy" who will be more effective than his predecessor at getting U.S. sales off the dime. He'll also need to oversee the successful launch of a couple of important new products in 2014.

Hyundai jarred the automotive world with the announcement that Hyundai Motor America CEO John Krafcik stepped down as of January 1, replaced by David Zuchowski, the chief sales executive of the U.S. arm of the Korean automaker.

Zuchowski told me that the move was "a complete surprise" to him but stressed that "the very nice thing here is I'm coming into a situation that I'm very familiar with. We have a good strategy and business plan in place, and my job is to step into the role to take it from here."



David Zuchowski

Hyundai's new U.S. chief also told me that it's very clear what his priorities must be as he begins the new year at the helm: ensuring successful launches of a new Genesis in the first half of 2014 and a new Sonata in the second.

"Product is everything in our business, and ensuring the successful launch of those two products is the top thing I can

do," Zuchowski said.

Many dealers also were optimistic that the 55-year-old Zuchowski would allow them to up their game as he replaces the 52-year-old Krafcik, according to Automotive News. Scott Fink, chairman of Hyundai's dealer council and owner of three Hyundai dealerships in Florida, told the publication that Hyundai dealers were "thrilled" to hear of Zuchowski's promotion.

Dealers have been generally pleased with Hyundai's consistent approach to incentive spending, the magazine said, which has helped their profit margins, and its hands-off approach to implementing facility improvements. "He is a dealer guy," Fink said of Zuchowski. "He understands the business, he can talk to the dealers, he can talk to the Koreans. He's a brilliant guy."

In a statement, his bosses said that Zuchowski "has consistently distinguished himself as a results-oriented and motivational leader in our industry. During his time at Hyundai, Dave has been instrumental in our growth, especially among our dealers. He exhibits a rare combination of passion, intelligence, creativity and diligence, and we are confident that he is the right choice to build on John's momentum and take Hyundai to new and greater heights."

In something that surely has helped prepare him for his new role, Zuchowski noted that he has broadened his duties lately "to find myself getting more involved in marketing and product

development than in the past." Nevertheless, he said, "I see no reason to make any dramatic changes for the sake of change."

There were few public hints before that Krafcik, who spearheaded Hyundai's transformation into a major brand in the U.S. market, might be leaving, especially so abruptly. But company leadership in South Korea presumably has been smarting from the necessity to reach a final settlement of \$210 million this month in the mileage-restatement fiasco that occurred last year under Krafcik's watch.

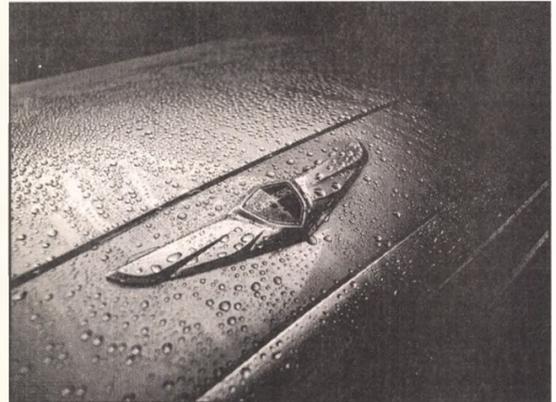
Even more significant may have been the fact that, this year, Hyundai experienced some slippage in the pace of its sales gains compared with the still-recovering U.S. industry overall and had to rely more than in the past on sales incentives and increased fleet sales.

In fact, the brand was beginning to look a bit more tentative lately under Krafcik than competitors such as Toyota and Honda which have come back strongly from their own difficult few years.

Hyundai bosses abroad just promised not to allow such problems go on much longer. Chung Mong Koo, chairman of both Hyundai and Kia, told Korean employees in an annual meeting that he's predicting a combined global increase in

deliveries for the two brands of only 4 percent, to nearly 7.9 million vehicles in 2014, which would comprise the slowest growth for the entity since 2006.

But he vowed that the company would invest in improving vehicle safety and technology as competition gets fiercer



Hyundai for now is keeping the mystery around the 2015 Genesis

and the global economy reaches a "low-growth era," according to Bloomberg.

And actually, Hyundai could use another dramatic lurch forward similar to the one it experienced under Krafcik, a bit of an industry iconoclast who typically speaks his mind. He led Hyundai to huge increases in sales volume and market share, garnered some top industry awards for Hyundai vehicles including the 2009 Genesis and 2012 Elantra, oversaw the stretching of the Hyundai brand to upscale models such as Genesis and Equus, and shepherded Hyundai's elevation to major platforms in American advertising including the Super Bowl and the Oscars.

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Crossword Puzzle

Teaching by the Tabby Method

- ACROSS**
- 1 Composer Bartok
 - 5 Does' mates
 - 10 Cellar, in ads for apts.
 - 14 Clean vigorously
 - 19 Neeson of film
 - 20 — a time (item by item)
 - 21 San — (Riviera resort)
 - 22 Stop for a bit
 - 23 Brutish beast
 - 24 Aunt's husband, in France
 - 25 Coerced
 - 27 Start of a riddle
 - 30 "— be great if..."
 - 31 Filly's feed
 - 32 Pitching star
 - 33 Perceived to be
 - 37 Riddle, part 2
 - 43 Imitate a supermodel
 - 44 Toe the mark
 - 45 Dickens villain Uriah
 - 46 That girl's "Horton Hears —!"
 - 50 Mr. Capote, to his friends
 - 51 "La Cage — Folles"
 - 52 Cogito-sum connector
 - 53 Riddle, part 3
 - 61 Part of a PA system
 - 62 Maims
 - 63 Ely or Paul
 - 64 Ida, neighbor
 - 65 Point a pistol
 - 66 Port city in Florida
 - 67 Eatery bill
 - 68 Quarterback
 - 71 "What's the —?" ("Same thing, right?")
 - 72 Gillis of an old sitcom
 - 73 El Capitan's national park
 - 75 Riddle, part 4
 - 80 Time of Christmas
 - 81 Poetic time after dusk
 - 82 Tonic go-with
 - 83 Cash spitter-outers
 - 84 River in Switzerland
 - 85 Big name in PCs
 - 87 Long drink
 - 89 Counterpart of "Sir"
 - 92 End of the riddle
 - 99 Bible book before Job
 - 100 Veiled
 - 101 Be sore
 - 102 Metal source
 - 103 Riddle's answer
 - 109 Cities plus their suburbs
 - 112 Oldsmobile of 1999-2004
 - 113 Like most cupcakes
 - 114 From Tehran or Tabriz
 - 115 Post-Q run
 - 116 More critical
 - 117 Suit option
 - 118 Was gutsy enough
 - 119 Apt name for a herding dog
 - 120 Simplified
 - 121 Pablo's "this"
 - 7 Form anew, as a sentence
 - 8 Perfumed powder
 - 9 Editor's "put this back in"
 - 10 Overgrown with limbs
 - 11 Filmmaker Eisenstein
 - 12 Nero's 3,100
 - 13 Dorothy's dog
 - 14 Add zest to
 - 15 Redeemed, as a check
 - 16 Make public
 - 17 Profit from
 - 18 With 48-Down, Burgundy or Chianti
 - 26 Fritter away
 - 28 Not "for here," in a restaurant
 - 29 "— it up and spit it out!" ("My Way" lyric)
 - 34 India's Jawaharlal
 - 35 Lay — (fail miserably)
 - 36 Old Detroit beer brewer
 - 38 Winning by a single point
 - 39 Honked thing
 - 40 United Arab Emirates' capital
 - 41 Closes
 - 42 Voluptuous
 - 47 Tennis situation
 - 48 See 18-Down
 - 49 Vana — flat-screen
 - 50 Eliot's Rum — Tugger
 - 51 "— boy!"
 - 52 Vest span
 - 55 ET tales, say
 - 56 — pah band
 - 57 Herb in curry powder
 - 58 Broken chord
 - 59 Rub off
 - 60 Prize won by Obama
 - 66 Tattered
 - 67 Singer
 - 68 Color lightly
 - 69 Tabloid tidbit
 - 70 Disarray
 - 71 Vina — Mar
 - 72 John of farm equipment
 - 73 "Round — virgin..."
 - 74 Port city in Florida
 - 75 Stupefied
 - 76 — Ark
 - 77 Rid of some rodents
 - 78 Fork (off)
 - 79 Virgo, e.g.
 - 85 Mass near a tonsil
 - 86 Around, in a date
 - 87 Instigates
 - 88 Extensive
 - 89 "Mother —" (old Irish song)
 - 90 Olympic track star
 - 91 1940s film critic James
 - 93 Actress Courtney —
 - 94 Perot running mate
 - 95 Puts H2O on
 - 96 Utters
 - 97 Writer
 - 98 Really must
 - 104 Is incorrect
 - 105 Netting
 - 106 Walk across a stream
 - 107 Kulik of figure skating
 - 108 In the flesh
 - 109 — cap stock
 - 110 Eventful time
 - 111 Roofer's goo

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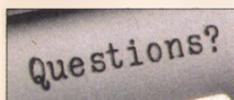
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9 pointers for networking rehabilitation

Kim Monaghan
Career Columnist

1.



Ask questions. Help guide the process by coming prepared with targeted questions that keep you both on track and on time.

2.



Be a good listener. People love sharing their story, and it's a great way to learn from others' experience and expertise.

3.



Shoot for face-to-face. An in-person meeting is more personal and expressive and demonstrates respect for another's position.

4.



Be your best. Show your strengths, but not in a domineering way. People enjoy connecting with others who are "going places" with purpose and pride.

5.



Be at your best. Dress for success, be kind and gracious and treat the other person as if she has the authority to hire or promote. She just might.

Unfortunately the word "networking" makes many people cringe. Somewhere along the line, this vital process in career advancement garnered a tainted reputation, a few battle scars and an unjustifiably abused moniker.

Perhaps, it stems from those who have misused networking to gain unfair advantages in their quest of climbing the corporate ladder.

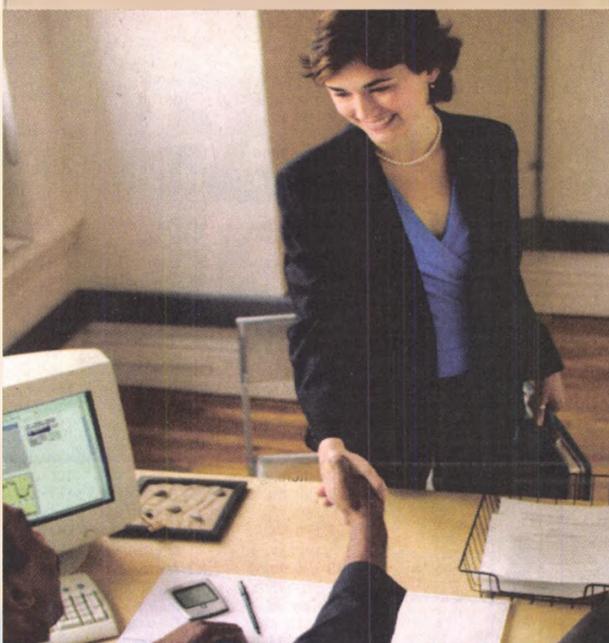
Or maybe networking's a victim of word association, as it's often paired with strong arm sales techniques. It could also be that networking is simply misunderstood as just a process of walking up to complete strangers and attempting to carry on an interesting conversation about "whatever." Regardless of why networking is licking its wounds, it's still the front-runner for career advancement.

The best way to move past networking's tarnished past is

to help it heal. This begins with re-associating the word with its true meaning: connecting. People love connecting, and thanks to the Internet, reaching out to random strangers has become an everyday habit. The key, however, to making networking healthy again is to approach the process respectfully. In other words, adopt a networking approach that's authentic by graciously spending time with others, getting to know them, learning from them, asking for advice and always offering the same in return.

Shown here are nine tips to get the most out of your networking experience, while contributing to its rehabilitation.

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6.



Respect each other's time. Be on time, leave on time and don't abuse someone's generosity by scheduling too many meetings, unless it's a mutually agreed upon goal.

7.



Ask for referrals. Networking is about connecting and sharing connections. If your contact was gracious enough to share referrals, following through on contacting them shows respect.

8.

STAY POSITIVE

Stay positive. Even if you've been fired or are facing a work challenge, this is not the time for dumping your woes on others. Focus on the positive and you will leave a positive impression.

9.



Say "thanks" and "thanks" again. Thank them for their time, and send them a handwritten thank-you note after your meeting.

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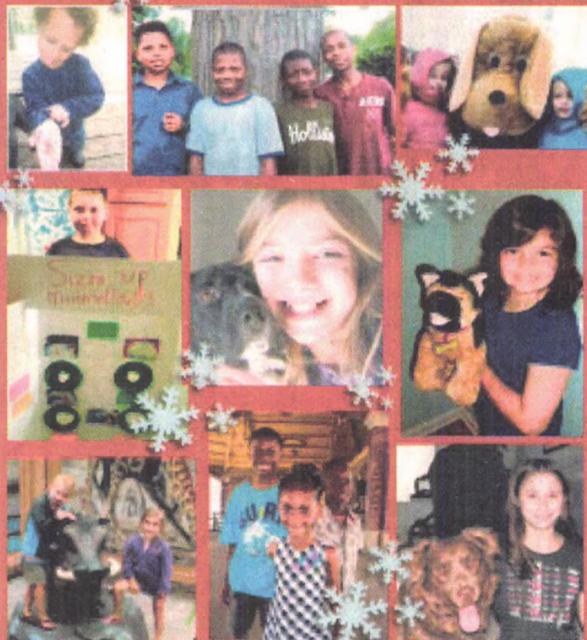
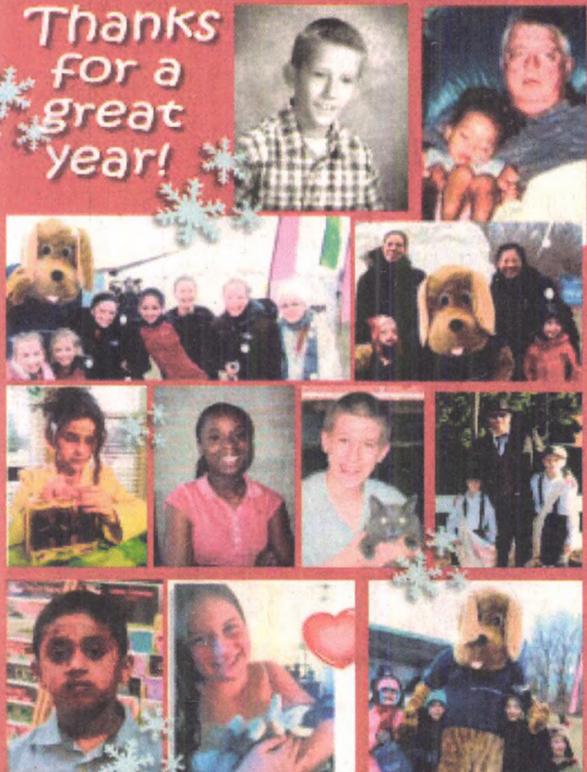
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YEAR IN REVIEW



When I Grow Up



Trent Griffith
 6th Grade at Adams Upper Elementary School in Westland

When I grow up, I want to become a chemist. In case you don't know what a chemist is, I'll explain it. A chemist can be someone who develops a synthetic fiber that can stop a bullet, find out how to make hair-gel work better, discover new medicines that cease pain or even cure diseases, or create new processes that solved then world's energy crisis.

As you can see, a chemist can do many things, which is why this career interests me. I enjoy having a choice in what I do. If I become a chemist, preferably, I'd like to work for the CDC (Center of Disease Control) and figure out a cure for the flu or another dreaded disease. Germs seem like an interesting thing to learn about because I think it is fascinating to know how much life is everywhere, yet you can't see it. Also, I would like to hear what others think of diseases and how to make treatments for them. That is why a chemist would be a great job to have when I grow up.

SHARE YOUR TALENT

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When I Grow Up



Brooklynn Crews
 6th Grade at Adams Upper Elementary School in Westland

After sleepless nights of studying at the last minute before a test and years of nearly dozing off on the school desk, my desired occupation is to become an athletic trainer. I realized that continuing a life surrounded by education is not exactly on my favorites list. I've had past dreams of becoming a veterinarian to aid pets but with my hobbies and talents of running and hockey I do day-to-day, I've changed ambitions.

I believe that running and hockey have had the most impact on my change of paths. I can't go through more than 24-hours without putting one foot in front of the other or shooting a puck. How do you expect a young girl who has worked so hard on developing her future dream, to just leave everything behind and do a job that in the end might not work out as planned?

One of my strengths is my agility. I can outrun most girls and boys my age. Also, I'm smaller than other people which gives me an advantage to run faster than they can. With my unflinching determination, I believe I'll have the courage to achieve my future dream.



BIRTHDAY WISHES

David	Koff	Novi	1	1
Madelynn	Richard	Garden City	1	7
Abigail	Brunwell	Northville	1	11
Bradley	White	Canton	1	12
Hope	Drogmiller	Novi	1	13
Preston	Bognear	Wayne	1	21
Brandon	Lewandowski	Garden City	1	23
Janay	McCall	Redford	1	26

New Year's Word Find

Just in time for New Year's Day, find the hidden words in the puzzle.

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