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City paying \$446,000 on sewer plant project



LONNIE HUHMANN

The Walled Lake-Novi sewer plant will be expanded over the next year.

The city of Novi is devoting \$446,809 toward a \$1.75 million project to expand and upgrade the Walled Lake-Novi Wastewater Treatment Plant because of an overflow problem that happened more than a decade ago.

Work is slated to begin late this year and be completed in 2015. The plant is located east of Park Drive at 46351 West Road.

According to Public Services Director Rob Hayes, a sanitary sewer overflow occurred at the facility Feb. 9, 2001, prompting the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality to require that a capacity study be completed.

"The capacity study indicated that the WWTP does not have sufficient wet weather capacity

to meet the state of Michigan SSO policy, which requires that sanitary collection/treatment systems be able to handle system flows in response to a 25-year/24-hour rainfall event during growth conditions (April through October) and normal soil moisture conditions," Hayes said.

Because of this capacity shortfall, Hayes and Tim Kuhns, Novi's water and sewer senior engineer, said the MDEQ and Oakland County Water Resources Commissioner's Office, which operates and maintains the WWTP for Novi and Walled Lake, entered into a District Compliance Agreement out-

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Novi backs taking the bang out of fireworks

By Lonnie Huhman
Staff Writer

The city of Novi has thrown its support behind two legislative bills that aim to restore the ban on aerial and explosive fireworks.

Novi City Council was asked at its last meeting to consider a resolution introduced by state Sen. Glenn Anderson, D-Westland, supporting Senate Bills 1023 and 1024, legislation that would repeal the Fireworks Safety Act (Public Act 256 of 2011) and restore the ban on aerial and explosive fireworks that was eliminated in 2011.

"The city of Novi has also experienced a negative response to the Fireworks Safety Act, expressed through a significant increase in the number of calls related to fireworks since its implementation in January 2012," city staff reported.

According to Novi statistics, in 2012 the number of calls increased 108 percent from the previous year and that number rose further to a 116-percent increase in 2013. For the last year, there have only been eight months counted, but more than 80 complaints have been reported.

"This is a local control issue. The way the legislation was passed, it left the communities with very little tools to adjust to what their

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FILE PHOTO

The city of Novi is in support of repealing the Fireworks Safety Act in order to restore the ban on aerial and explosive fireworks that was eliminated in 2011



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

The Rev. Jon Hix, pastor of Novi's Legacy Church, Orchard Hills Campus.

Legacy Church will unite local worshipers

By Lonnie Huhman
Staff Writer

There has been a coming together, both spiritually and physically, of two groups of local church-goers in Novi to form a new place of worship called the Legacy Church.

It was created by the merger of First Baptist Church and Orchard Hills Baptist Church, both of Novi.

"They came to us and we thought the idea was a win-win, so here we are moving forward in a unified vision for our new church," the Rev. Jon Hix said.

That vision is: "We hold in high esteem the Christ-centered history and heritage of both churches and continue the mission of reaching this community and the world with the message of Jesus Christ."

It's a fresh start and new identity, but much of what has

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THE REV. JOHN HIX
pastor, the Legacy Church

made these two churches a destination for many in the community will remain the same.

The Rev. Gary Elfner, longtime First Baptist pastor, has retired, leaving Hix as the church leader. Elfner's son is continuing to lead the Novi Christian Community Center.

The idea of merger was brought to Orchard Hills in early 2013 as the historic First Baptist saw its members and

leadership getting older and its numbers down a bit. Hix said they were excited about the prospect because they also have some challenges, one being that the church building can't grow.

This merger has addressed both issues.

"This has been received really well by everyone involved and we couldn't be happier to be where we are at and looking into the future as a group," Hix said.

The future will see the renovation of First Baptist and the eventual moving of Sunday services from Orchard Hills to the building at the corner of Taft and 11 Mile roads. Hix said they have always held the Novi Christian Community Center in high esteem, so the prospect of joining in its services was big.

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CHURCH

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Beginnings

According to Legacy Church, First Baptist Church began in February 1846 as American Baptists moved west thanks to the newly completed Erie Canal. The first church building was erected near the corner of Grand River Avenue and Novi Road. In 1957, the church became an independent Baptist church and later moved to the corner of Taft and 11 Mile roads, where Novi Christian School was added along with a day care and home school programs. In 2004, the school building was renamed Novi Christian Community Center and extended its ministry to the growing Novi community.

The story of Orchard Hills began early in 1963, when a small group started meeting at Orchard Hills Elementary School in Novi, according to church history. Dr. Francis Dubose was the area missionary at that time and his family formed the nucleus of what would become Orchard Hills Baptist Church. By October 1964, the church was constituted and began meeting at 23455 Novi Road. "We want to honor our pasts and realize the value in both churches," Hix said of Legacy's goals. He said church mergers are becoming more typical around the country, which isn't a bad thing because in many ways it represents a picture of Jesus Christ's teachings and that's about bringing people together.

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FIREWORKS

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residents preferred," Novi City Manager Pete Auger said. The Fireworks Safety Act, authorized the sale, use and possession of Class C, or "consumer fireworks," the day before, day of and day after a national holiday. Consumer fireworks are fireworks that are designed to produce visible and/or audible effects by combustion, such as firecrackers, Roman candles and bottle rockets. "Public safety offices have fielded a significant increase in calls for service," Auger said. According to Anderson, Michigan has experienced a significant increase in property damage and injury since regulations were loosened. Furthermore, he said the fees collected from licensing fireworks sales facilities have consistently failed to equal the cost of conducting safety inspections of those same facilities. According to the Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, the program operated at a

loss during fiscal year 2013, with expenses exceeding available revenues by \$111,391. Anderson's proposed legislation would restore Michigan's fireworks law back to its pre-2011 regulations, prohibiting the sale of Class C fireworks. According to Novi city staff, he asked that city council consider passing a resolution communicating to state senators and representatives that Novi urges the state Legislature to pass Senate Bills 1023 and 1024 to repeal Public Act 256 of 2011. The Novi resolution states: "The city council of the city of Novi urges the Michigan Legislature to promptly pass Senate Bills 1023 and 1024 to repeal Public Act 256 of 2011 and reinstate the ban on aerial and explosive fireworks to restore the quality of life and safety that our citizens expect." "This is in the state's legislative realm," Auger said. "We can ask and reflect our community concerns, but it is up to those in Lansing to change this sort of regulation."

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Dance classes



The city of Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department will host a variety of dance classes for the fall and registration is available now via www.cityofnovi.org and the Novi Parks Office, 45175 10 Mile. Princess Ballet and Tap and Toes are beginner classes and take place 4-4:45 p.m. and 5-5:45 p.m. each Monday at the Novi Civic Center. Tap and Toes continues to be a hit for young dancers looking to learn about both ballet and tap dance. The registration deadline is Oct. 27. Ballet Folklorico will take place Thursday evening at the Novi Civic Center and Fridays evenings at Holy Family Church (time varies by age) beginning Nov. 13. The registration deadline is Nov. 17. For more information regarding dance classes, visit www.cityofnovi.org.

Troubadours



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
Michael Blaszkiewicz (left) and David Cocagne entertain a gathering Oct. 16 at the Novi Public Library with some classical, Spanish and jazz guitar. The duo, known as the Motor City Troubadours, were brought to the library courtesy of the Friends of the Library.

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lining WWTP capacity improvements to meet the state's SSO policy. In addition to the wet weather capacity improvements to meet the SSO policy, Novi requested additional capacity at the WWTP to meet the projected needs at build-out. The 2014 Walled Lake-Novı Treatment Capacity upgrades project will include construc-

tion of a 470,000-gallon storage tank to detain excess wet weather volumes (to meet SSO policy) and to accommodate future growth within the Novi portion of the service district. The total project cost for the WWTP upgrades, which includes a competitive low bid for the construction portion of the project, is \$1,750,000, according to Hayes. One-fourth (\$446,809) of the project costs will be paid directly by the city to meet the future growth needs within the Novi portion of the service district, as this is

the proportion of the tank volume needed to handle those future growth needs. "The remainder of the project costs, \$1,303,191, will be paid by OCVRC from the Walled Lake-Novı WWTP capital reserve fund," Hayes said. In March 2014, OCVRC was awarded a storm water, asset management and waste water grant in the amount of \$1,241,942 to help fund the project.

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Student-athletes represent Novi well

My athletic career can be summed up in one word: brief!

It wasn't for a lack of trying. I participated in youth leagues as I grew up. When I was 9 years old, my Little League team won the league championship. I was a scrappy, good-field, no-hit third baseman.

In high school, I tried out for several teams. I was cut from the ninth- and 10th-grade basketball teams.

The 10th-grade baseball tryouts were not a disaster, but evidently my performance, while memorable, was not exactly what the coach needed for the team. The ninth-grade football coach politely suggested



Steve Matthews
SUPER TALK

that other activities might be better suited for my particular skill set.

Even though I had limited success, I wanted to participate because I wanted to be part of the team.

Being part of the team helps our students develop skills that can last a lifetime and that can help them as they move through the various stages of their lives.

Being part of the team helps students learn the value of teamwork, of working with others

toward common goals. Being part of the team helps students learn the value of hard work, of training and sweating to ensure that you are prepared. Being part of the team helps students learn the value of setting both individual and team goals, of establishing performance targets and measuring yourself against those targets.

Here in Novi, we have a competitive athletic program. We invest in our athletic program because we understand its value.

We are at the end of the fall sports season. Every one of our fall teams has worked hard this year.

Officially, practice began in August, but

many, if not most, of our athletes have been hard at work long before that, preparing for this fall.

I could highlight every team, but in the past week three teams have experienced the highs and lows of athletic competition.

Our boys soccer team won a game on penalty kicks and lost a game on penalty kicks last week. Coach O'Leary had prepared our team well this season, understanding that our district was very competitive. Unfortunately, the season ended in very dramatic fashion as the team lost its final game on penalty kicks.

Our girls golf team had a wonderful fall season. Our girls clearly came into the season

having developed great skills and coach Harris and coach Huss continued to work with them throughout the season. The girls team dominated our league and last weekend this team finished fourth at the state tournament. A wonderful accomplishment!

Last Saturday, our boys tennis team capped a great season. After having come close for several years, coach Hanson and coach Lowes watched as our team convincingly brought home the state championship to Novi.

Coach Hanson has coached tennis for 45 years with class and dignity and this was a great moment for him and for his team.

These three teams symbolize the impact sports can have on a student-athlete. While winning clearly is the goal, what is equally, if not more important, are the lessons that athletics teach our students. Lessons about hard work, teamwork, discipline, fulfilling your role, overcoming disappointment, finding joy in accomplishing a goal are all lessons that athletics teach.

I am proud of all of our student-athletes. They represent Novi well.

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

Novi High reports case of MRSA

A person at Novi High School has MRSA (methicillin-resistant staphylococcus aureus), according to an email sent by the school Monday night to students, parents, staff and community members.

"As far as we know at this point it is an isolated incident, affecting only one person. It is not an athlete at the school," the message stated.

Upon notification Monday afternoon, precautionary measures were taken, including cleaning of the building following accepted health procedures.

The email provided a link to a Public Health Fact Sheet from the Oakland County Department of Health & Human Services provides additional information regarding MRSA.

"We appreciate the prompt reporting of this information and will monitor this concern should there be any additional reports. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation as we work to ensure the health and safety of all of our students," the email concluded.

Taste-off



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Novi High students (from left) Shanoli Kumar, Christina Bayrakduroian and Molly Kirkland try their hand at discerning between pizza styles and ingredients at a Novi Public Library taste-off Oct. 17. The three were part of a gathering of about 15 students who put their taste buds to work to find the best crust, sauce and ingredients amongst a half a dozen different pies donated by local pizzerias, including Pizza Marvelous and Benitos.

SCHOOL BRIEFS

W.L. Central to host Support the Troops football game

Walled Lake Central High School's Student Council is hosting a Support Our Troops Night at the Walled Lake Central football game Oct. 24. The game kicks off at 7 p.m. with the Vikings taking on Farmington.

There will be a special recognition ceremony at 6:30 p.m. and those with a military ID will get into the game for free.

Community members are invited to purchase special jerseys that will

include the names of military personnel on the back of the jerseys. These jerseys will be worn by the Vikings on the field during the game and are \$100. There will be a check presentation after the game with all proceeds going to the Wounded Warrior Project.

For jersey purchasing information, contact Laura Matousek at lauramatousek@wlcsd.org.

For more information on the Wounded Warrior Project, visit www.woundedwarriorproject.org.

ON CAMPUS

Western Michigan University

Two students from Novi are included in the official graduation list for the 2014 summer I and summer II sessions: Ryan W. Patrosso, bachelor of science, student integrated curriculum; and Davina A Wyman, master of science, geosciences.

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IB Diploma students make a mark volunteering

When Novi High School senior Sneha Rajen dropped off the 1,396 books she collected at Vista Maria in Dearborn, she was surprised at the reaction.

"There were girls waiting for me to bring them in," Rajen said. "They were so excited to receive all the books and have so many choices of books to read!"

Rajen is one of the 39 students at Novi High pursuing the IB Diploma. In order to earn that diploma, the students must fulfill the CAS or Creativity, Action, Service requirement and volunteer extensively in the community. The students must initiate some volunteer projects on their own and carry them out.

Rajen chose to help the Vista Maria organization in Dearborn that provides after school activities, mentoring and community based counseling to area teens. Many of the teens it services have experienced hardship, violence or trauma in



These Novi High School students (from left), Sneha Rajen, David Flores and Michele Bhagwagar, have been recognized for crafting some of their own curriculum at the school. The trio are all International Baccalaureate candidates at Novi High.

their lives. Rajen contacted the organization and discovered it was in desperate need of books for the teens to read. She then decided to organize a gently used book drive and placed donation box-

es in 40 libraries and day care centers in the area. Through her efforts, Rajen was able to collect the impressive total of 1,396 books. "I realized how much impact I could make in the lives of others and it

made me want to do even more," Rajen said of her service project. Adnan Khalil, the mentor coordinator at Vista Maria, said, "Sneha is amazing, compassionate and awesome! We at Vista Maria are very pleased

with the time, effort and commitment she gave in this project. The staff and the youth will benefit greatly from this kind donation."

Another Novi High School IB Diploma senior who went above and beyond is David Flores, who decided to form his own team for the American Diabetes Association annual Step Out Walk held at the Detroit Zoo held Sept. 13.

Through his fundraising efforts, Flores raised a total of \$917 in donations for the ADA. He contacted family and friends and was even able to get some corporate sponsor donations.

"This was a satisfying experience and I can honestly say that I would do it all over again," Flores said. "I have developed many skills including how to efficiently fund raise, effectively recruit the help of others and how to lead a team."

Senior Michele Bhagwagar decided she wanted to help Gleaners Food

Bank. She took a Saturday in August and went door-to-door asking for bottles and can recyclables or any non-perishable food items. The money she collected from the recyclables was then spent on purchasing more food items. When she loaded up her car and drove to Gleaners in Howell to drop off the food, she was pleased to realize she had collected 133 pounds of food.

"I know I helped reduce at least one child's hunger for the night," Bhagwagar said. "The project made me want to be even more generous to help those in need in the future."

These projects are just some of the great service activities the Novi High School IB diploma students are implementing on their own. Many area organizations and individuals are benefitting from their efforts.

Submitted by Barb Clift, Novi High School Volunteer Service coordinator.

Arts Expo College Fair Oct. 27 at Suburban Collection Showplace

The fourth annual Arts Expo College Fair, presented by Kendall College of Art and Design and College for Creative Studies, and hosted by Michigan Youth Arts, will take place from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Oct. 27 at the Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi.

Free and open to the public, the Arts Expo will provide high school students with the opportunity to speak to representatives from more than 40 fine and performing arts college programs. Every year, approxi-

mately 750 students from across the state attend the Arts Expo. Students are encouraged to bring their work samples and portfolios to present to exhibitors. Each attendee will also receive a complimentary goody bag and program booklet, which lists exhibitor contact information, as well as advice about the college application process. Free on-site parking will be available.

Several colleges and universities will return, including College for Creative Studies, Kendall College of Art & Design

at Ferris State University, University of Michigan, Michigan State University, Western Michigan University, Oakland University, Interlochen Center for the Arts, The School of the Art Institute of Chicago, University of Illinois, University of North Carolina School of the Arts, Central Michigan University, Wayne State University, Grand Valley State University, Eastern Michigan University, Saginaw Valley State University, and more.

To RSVP, visit michigan-youtharts.org.

Bammy winner



Dr. Sheryl Kennedy, Geisler Middle School principal, recently won the Educators Voice Award (Middle School Principal of the Year) and was named one of the Top 5 Administrators to Watch in 2015 at the 2014 Bammy Awards, which took place in Washington, D.C. The Bammy Awards are presented annually by the Academy of Education Arts and Sciences. "I wish I could have had my entire staff with me at this event," Kennedy said. "It was inspirational and I told everyone that I met how amazingly dedicated my teachers are to reaching every child, every day." The Bammy Awards are cross-discipline awards that identify and acknowledge the good work being done all across the education village. The Bammy Awards were created in response to the tremendous national pressure on educators and education leaders to improve student outcomes, the impact of high stakes accountability and the intense scrutiny that today's educators face.

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MEDICARE ENROLLMENT NOW OPEN — ARE YOU PREPARED?

Doing your homework now could save you some surprises

By Robin Erb
Gannett Michigan

Medicare can be an alphabet soup of confusion. Have you signed up for Parts A and B? Does your Part C coverage cover drugs, or should you look into a Part D plan, too?

If you're eyeballing a Medigap policy, which type — A through N — is best for you?

Medicare's open enrollment started Wednesday and runs through Dec. 7.

"I always say 'When they issue your Medicare card, they should issue you an advocate,'" said Jo Murphy, the longtime head of the Lansing-based Medicare Medicaid Assistance Program, a federally funded program that helps consumers sift through their options.

Even returning enrollees need to do some homework. Failing to do so could mean sticker shock in 2015.

The average number of covered drugs in stand-alone drug plans across the U.S. shrank slightly from an average of 1,456 drugs covered per plan to 1,418, according to an analysis by consumer watchdog HealthPocket.

That means consumers might have to pay for prescription drugs that have been covered in the past.

It could have easily



Dr. Lavoisier Cardozo speaks with Annie Robinson at the Rosa Parks Geriatric Center in Detroit Receiving Hospital in Detroit on Tuesday.

happened to Alfred Dingie.

At 66, the Belleville man is on nearly a dozen medications for a heart condition and diabetes. He joined a popular prescription drug plan last year, but this year the premium jumped from \$16.10 to \$29.80. Plus it added a \$320 deductible when there was none before, and its formulary — the list of drugs it covers — changed.

For someone whose prescription drugs can run into thousands of dollars, that can wipe out a bank account quickly. Dingie will be changing his plan.

"Our expenses aren't that high, but they're getting higher," he said.

Consumers don't realize that insurers tweak their policies from year-to-year — from plan premiums and out-of-pocket costs to what they cover and don't, advocates said.

"Seniors hear 'drug

coverage' and they think 'Great, my drugs are covered,'" said Kev Coleman, who heads research at HealthPocket, a California-based consumer watchdog group that offers a free online tool in which consumers can compare coverage options.

"What they don't understand is that all drugs aren't covered, and even if they're covered, there are drug restrictions," Coleman said. Some plans restrict the quantity of a drug or require prior authorization from the insurer, for example, he said.

Drug coverage isn't the only thing that may shift. Plans may tweak dental, hearing and vision benefits, for example.

And as insurers try to more tightly manage seniors' care and rein in costs, it might mean smaller provider networks. Some consumers might feel like that's limiting their choice of

doctors.

But keeping a patient in a smaller group of providers provides better, tighter communication about care, which in turn, means seniors' medical needs don't slip by unnoticed, said Betsy Geis, director of Medicare government programs of Blue Care Network of Michigan.

To that end, some Blue Care and Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan policies, for example, are adding more services for seniors to make sure they're keeping appointments — such as transportation to and from doctors' visits.

That's the kind of measure that fits into growing pressure from the U.S. Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, which wants hospitals and other providers to improve patient care.

That pressure — and the money that goes with it from baby boom-

ers streaming into the Medicare age bracket — are forcing big changes in hospitals and other providers, said Dr. William Berk, chief of staff at Detroit Receiving Hospital.

In November, the hospital opens a new senior emergency department that will replace the chaos and bright lights of a traditional ER with more private, quieter rooms. Social workers and geriatricians will be on hand as well.

Many of those patients will have Medicare cards with them.

"Yeah, there is a marketing element to it, that's true on one hand," Berk said. "On the other hand, this is clearly needed. Having an older person in a disoriented emergency department is not a good thing for their health. Do I as an emergency physician feel this is addressing a real need? Absolutely."

Bottom line: It takes some effort, but digging deep into the policies you're considering — or even the one you already have — may pay off in the end. That means finding out which hospitals are in your network, what doctors you can see, and what drugs and tests will be covered.

There are some basics to keep in mind this year:

» Costs for Original Medicare — also known as Parts A and B — remain largely unchanged. Most Americans will get Part A for free. Part A covers most hospital care.

Also for most Amer-

icans, Part B, which covers doctor visits, premiums remain unchanged this year — \$104.90 a month.

» Michigan residents this year can choose from 31 drug prescription plans — the so-called Part D. These plans offer the drug coverage that Parts A and B from Original Medicare do not.

» Medigap also remains a good option for many consumers, advocates say. These plans, offered by private insurers, often cost more than the Advantage managed care plans. But in return, consumers aren't confined to a network, and there may be fewer out-of-pocket costs.

Eight insurers offer more than two dozen options this year.

Nearly 1.8 million Michiganders had a Medicare plan of some kind in 2012, according to the most recent data from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

But it's coverage that's a comfort to seniors such as Annie Robinson, 70, of Detroit, who has heart problems, arthritis and other health concerns.

"I'm in there (doctor's office) so much, I think they must think I work there," she said, chuckling.

The thought of not having Medicare is just scary, she said: "I don't even want to ... think about it."

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Medigap versus Advantage? It depends on your priorities

By Robin Erb
Gannett Michigan

Choosing the Medicare coverage that's right for you means balancing cost against access and convenience.

And the first choice may be whether — and if so, *how* — to supplement Original Medicare, the tax-funded Part A Medicare program that covers hospitalizations and the Part B Medicare that is funded by individual premiums and generally covers outpatient services.

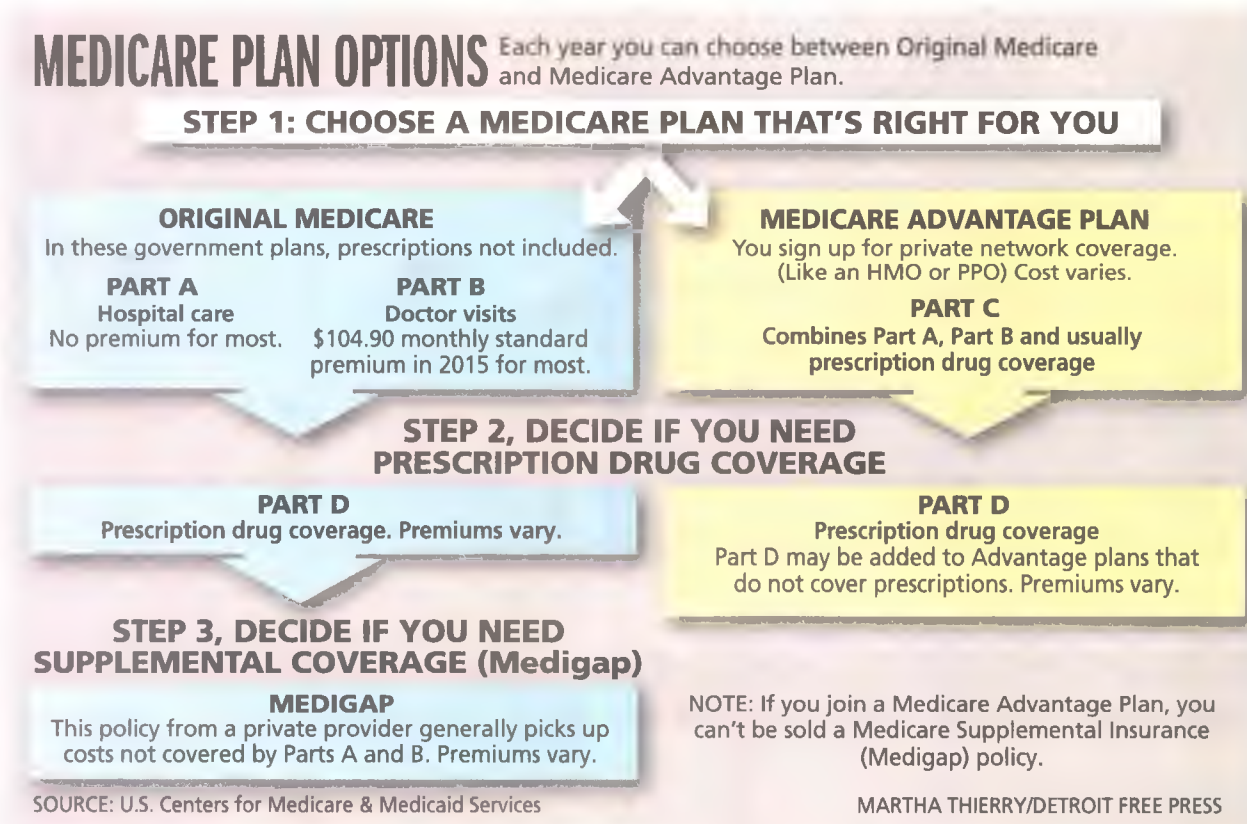
Beneficiaries can choose from Advantage plans and Medigap plans to help with out-of-pocket costs that aren't covered by A and B. And they might want to add a drug plan, too.

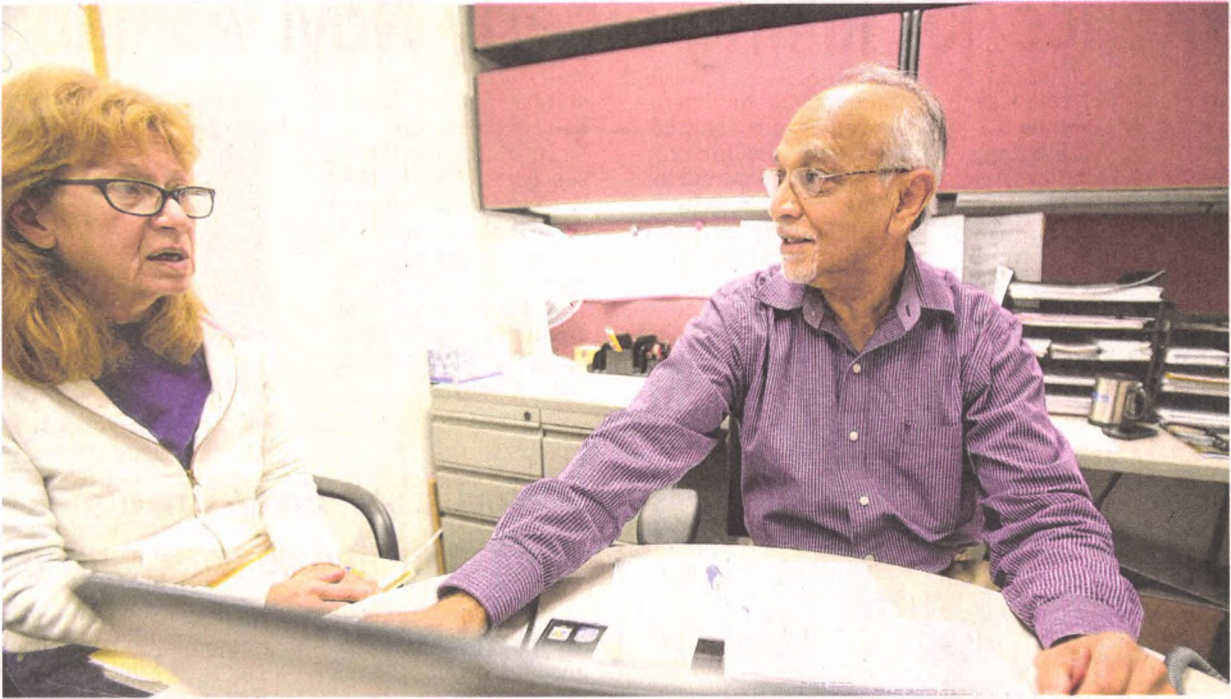
Medicare Advantage plans are provided by private insurers and they add to coverage by Original Medicare Plans A and B. Most in Michigan operate as managed care networks, such as a health maintenance organization. A limited network might bother some. Others — especially those with complex or chronic medical conditions — might find comfort knowing their care is, at least in theory, better communicated and coordinated among a smaller group of providers.

"Advantage is really designed to help coordinate the members' care," said Wayne Wilson, vice president of senior products for Grand Rapids-based Priority Health, which this year offers five Medicare Advantage plans and five Medigap plans.

Seeking care outside of your Advantage network, except in emergencies, can cost a whole lot more under an Advantage plan, however.

Medigap plans have benefits, too. Generally,





Mo Singapore, a volunteer Medicare Medicaid Assistance Program (MMAP) counselor, right, advises Medicaid beneficiary Marianne Szalega, 60, of Redford Township at his Wayne office Monday.

Online resources, trained Medicare counselors available

Medicare enrollment began Wednesday and runs through Dec. 7.

It's crucial to understand your plan — and to watch for any changes — to avoid sticker shock at the doctor's office or the pharmacy next year.

Coverage can shift from year to year. The AARP suggests considering the four C's:

Cost: What are the monthly premiums, annual deductibles, co-pays and co-insurance for each of the plans you're considering?

Coverage: Do each of the plans cover your doctors and pharmacies? What about prescription drugs and other services you need?

Convenience: How close are the doctors, pharmacies and services in the plans you're considering?

Customer Service: Check out the quality ratings. Those ratings offer insight to customers' past experience. You can also find them at www.medicare.gov/find-a-plan.

AARP, at www.aarp.org (search for "Medicare") can answer many other Medicare questions. It also provides consumer tips and discusses topics such as Medicare fraud.

For other help:

» The Michigan Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program is a federally funded network that helps beneficiaries size up their options and enroll in their choice.

About 450 counselors throughout the state are trained to guide seniors through prescription drug plans, known as Medicare Part D, and can answer other Medicare questions, as well.

Under the federal law that establishes MMAP, counselors cannot pressure seniors to choose certain plans and cannot be licensed to sell insurance.

To find a MMAP counselor, call 800-803-7174.

You also can go to www.mma-pinc.org.

» The site www.medicare.gov (go to "find health & drug plans") allows consumers to narrow their choices by using their ZIP code, medications and even preferred pharmacy. The site also rates many of the Michigan Medicare plans.

Those who need individual help can call the 24-hour Medicare hot line at 800-633-4227. A counselor can help search for options over the phone and will mail you a summary of what was discussed. Many counselors are bilingual or multilingual.

Beneficiaries should have received a 150-page booklet, Medicare and You, in the mail. It might seem thick and daunting, but it explains the different parts of Medicare and helps consumers understand their choices.

» The Eldercare Locator, a public service of the U.S. Administration on Aging, available at www.eldercare.gov or by calling 800-677-1116, helps consumers find nearby senior resources and caregiver support services.

» Throughout Michigan, Area Agencies on Aging and retiree groups for large workforces, insurers and others may hold informational and enrollment sessions for Medicare.

Always be aware that some seminars, especially those held by non-governmental agencies, may focus on big plans that agents sell for a few companies, or they may heavily pitch Medicare Advantage products rather than less-expensive Medigap policies.

Advocates say the best policy for one consumer may not be the best for another; beneficiaries should explore all options.

» Many pharmacies such as Rite Aid, CVS or Walgreens offer in-person or online information about drug plans and other Medicare benefits.

Need help sorting out Medicare?

Medicare can be a barely palatable alphabet soup of confusion, but it's critical to understand your plan — and to watch for any changes — to avoid sticker shock at the doctor's office or the pharmacy next year.

The time to start shopping is now. Enrollment began Wednesday and runs through Dec. 7.

Below is a list of places where you can get help. Returning beneficiaries should make sure doctors, pharmacies and drugs are still covered at the same level if they plan on staying with the same plan. New Medicare enrollees need to make big decisions, such as Which one works better for me — Advantage, a Medigap plan, or something else altogether?

Where to get help

The Detroit Area Agency on Aging has scheduled the following meetings. Walk-ins are welcome, but calling first will help organizers make sure there are enough counselors on hand to serve everyone. Call 800-803-7174.

Western Wayne County
9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Friday, Oct. 31
Our Lady of Victory
132 Orchard, Northville
2 to 5 p.m., Tues., Nov. 4
Sumpter Senior Center
23501 Sumpter, Belleville
9-11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 5
Redford Senior Center
12121 Hemingway, Redford
1-4 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 5
Northville Senior Center
303 W. Main St., Northville
10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday, Nov. 10
Canton Senior Center
46000 Summit Parkway, Canton
10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 18
Maplewood Senior

Center
31735 Maplewood, Garden City
10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, Nov. 21
Livonia Senior Center
15218 Farmington Rd., Livonia
10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday, Dec. 1
Plymouth Cultural Center
525 Farmer St., Plymouth
10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 4
Westland Senior Center
1119 N. Newburgh Rd., Westland
10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday, Dec. 5
St. Michael's Lutheran Church
7000 N. Sheldon, Canton
The Area Agency on Aging 1B Medicare/Medicaid Assistance Program has scheduled the following information meetings. Appointments are required at 800-803-7174 unless otherwise noted.

Oakland County
10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 28
Farmington Public Library
32737 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills
10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 4
Area Agency on Aging 1-B
29100 Northwestern Highway, Southfield
10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 11
Jon Grant Community Center
29260 Grand River, Farmington Hills
10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Friday, Nov. 14
Birmingham Area Senior Citizens Center
2121 Midvale, Birmingham
10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 20
Farmington Public Library
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Salem-South Lyon District Library
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Medicare and more

Convict gets life sentence for killing elderly Novi woman

By L.L. Brasier
Gannett Michigan

A 47-year-old career criminal was sentenced to life in prison Oct. 14 for the stabbing and strangulation death of his elderly neighbor in January.

Peter Gerard Jones was convicted by an Oak-

land County jury in September of first-degree premeditated murder, as well as felony murder, in the death of Bernice Schaufele, 84, whose body was found in her tidy Novi condominium by her daughter Jan. 13.

Jones — who had a criminal record dating back decades, including a

manslaughter conviction for fatally stabbing a Detroit man in 1997 — lived two doors down from Schaufele in the 20900 block of West Glen Haven Circle.

During the week-long trial, jurors heard how investigators found Schaufele's belongings, including jewelry and a

make-up bag, hidden in the condo Jones shared with family members. Prosecutors contend he killed her because he wanted to sell the items to support a crack cocaine addiction.

Jurors deliberated less than an hour before finding him guilty.

Schaufele was found

stabbed and strangled in her condo Jan. 13.

In addition to the life sentence, Oakland County Circuit Judge Rae Lee Chabot also ordered that Jones pay the victim's family \$8,860 in restitution, \$266 in court costs and that he make no attempt to contact Schaufele's family.



Jones

Honoring 34 years



CURTIS DROGMILLER

Fraternal Order of Police Lodge No. 128 Southwestern Oakland County President John Kirkpatrick presented a plaque of recognition to Angie Williams Gorman and son Thomas Gorman Jr. in honor of Thomas Gorman Sr. for his 34 years of service as a public safety officer at Detroit Mercy Hospital. The presentation was Oct. 1 during the FOP No. 128 general membership meeting.

Novi's Sgt. Elsen graduates from staff and command school

Novi Police Department Sgt. Adam Elsen graduated Oct. 17 from the 30th class of the School of Police Staff and Command at Eastern Michigan University.

Elsen joined 28 law enforcement professionals representing 20 different communities from throughout the state of Michigan who participated in the nine-month program. Elsen graduated third in his class and served as class chaplain.

"The SPSC program was a great opportunity for me to enhance my leadership and problem-solving skills," Elsen said. "I look forward to bringing new information back to the Novi Police Department and sharing it throughout the organization."

The School of Police Staff and Command provides upper-level academic instruction in a total of five core, or mandatory, blocks of instruction and utilizes more than 30 additional optional blocks of instruction during each session. Major topics of study

include Leadership Development, Planning and Decision Making, Human Resource Management, Administration of the Police Agency and Critical Incidents and Homeland Security. The program has graduated more than 2,000 students since its creation in 1985.

"I am extremely proud of Sgt. Elsen's professional and leadership accomplishments," Novi Director of Public Safety/Chief of Police David E. Molloy said. "The Staff and Command program provides students with the education and training needed to strengthen their capabilities with the Novi Police Department, while also enhancing resources to the citizens of Novi."

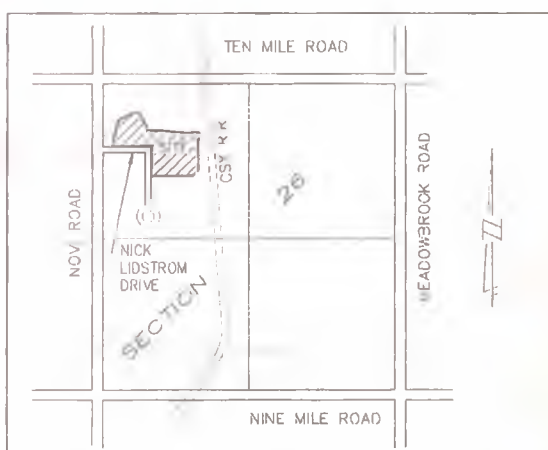
Elsen began his career with the Novi Police Department in 2005 after leaving the city of Muskego, Wis., where he was an officer for five years. During his time with the NPD, Elsen has held numerous assignments, including serving as an evidence technician and an instructor in defensive tactics, firearms and Taser. He also represents the NPD as a member of the South West Oakland Special Response Team.



Elsen

CITY OF NOVI PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, November 12, 2014 at 7:00 P.M. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider **NOVITENT TOWN HOMES, JSP 14-18 AND ZONING MAP AMENDMENT 18.707 FOR PLANNING COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATION TO CITY COUNCIL FOR A PLANNED REZONING OVERLAY ASSOCIATED WITH A ZONING MAP AMENDMENT FROM I-1, LIGHT INDUSTRIAL AND OS-1, OFFICE SERVICE TO RM-1, LOW DENSITY LOW-RISE MULTIPLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL WITH A PLANNED REZONING OVERLAY (PRO).** The subject property totals approximately 20.09 acres and is located in Section 26, south of Novi Road and east of Ten Mile Road. The applicant is proposing a 93 unit multiple-family residential development. Plans are available for review at the Community Development Department in the Novi Civic Center.



All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments may be heard at the hearing and any written comments may be made to the Community Development Department, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 during the City's regular business hours, Monday thru Friday, from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., and must be received by 4:00 P.M., Wednesday, November 12, 2014.

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NOVI POLICE BRIEFS

Breast implants stolen

Providence Park Hospital reported Sept. 10 to Novi Police that an unknown suspect had stolen three breast implants from its implant storage room. These have a total value of \$8,250. Police said the implant box was found, but it was empty.

The hospital told police that numerous staff and vendors have access to the room and there is no security video. There are no leads at this time.

Heroin possession

Novi Police reported Sept. 20 checking out a parked car behind Dunkin' Donuts at 10 Mile and Haggerty roads, which led to the arrest of the driver for drug possession.

The police were checking out the vehicle because it was parked in

the handicap spot, but didn't have any visible tags identifying it as such. The driver gave the police consent to search the car and police reported finding three folded lotto tickets with white powdery substance inside, which later tested positive for heroin.

The case is under review for a warrant.

Tires and rims stolen

Novi Police while on patrol reported finding a Chevy Camaro up on blocks and its tires/rims missing. The theft happened Sept. 22 in the overflow lot of Marty Feldman Chevrolet, which is located behind Wasabi restaurant on Grand River Avenue.

There was no evidence to lead to a suspect and the case is closed at this time.

— By Lonnie Huhman

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Heise 'proud' of new human trafficking bills



HOUSE MAJORITY COMMUNICATIONS
State Rep. Kurt Heise, R-Plymouth Township, speaks at the signing of a number of bills which strengthen punishments for human trafficking while also providing support for the victims of this crime in Michigan.

Michigan residents will have less to fear from criminals who coerce Michigan's children into sex slavery and forced labor, thanks to new laws signed Thursday by Gov. Rick Snyder.

This legislative package strengthens Michigan's human trafficking laws while providing victims with the support and services they need. State Rep. Kurt Heise has been working on the issue of eradicating human trafficking in Michigan for several years and has made passage of these new laws a priority.

Heise, who chairs the House Criminal Justice Committee and co-chaired the Michigan Commission on Human Trafficking, said the legislation is a comprehensive approach that will train law enforcement, educate the public and, most importantly, protect innocent victims.

"Human trafficking is a horrific crime that exploits women and children for sexual abuse and financial gain and the criminals involved in this barbaric form of modern-day slavery must be brought to justice," said Heise, R-Plymouth Township.

"As a lawyer and a father of two teenage daughters, the thought of any child being abused makes me sick. There is no greater crime than exploiting our most vulnerable citizens and it must be stopped."

Included in the laws signed by the governor are Public Act 325 of 2014, previously House Bill 5158, sponsored by Heise. The law creates a permanent Human Trafficking Commission in the attorney general's office, which will work to make sure the commission's report is fully implemented.

"These new laws create

tougher penalties for those who buy our children for sex and forced labor, educate law enforcement and the public on how to identify victims and their traffickers and make sure we create a safe and nurturing environment for the children who have become victims in trafficking," Heise said.

"I am honored to stand with so many diverse groups from law enforcement and prosecutors to victim services and announce the signing of these laws. Although much more work needs to be done to fully eradicate trafficking in Michigan, I am extremely proud of the work everyone has put into getting this done."

The legislative package signed into law included bills strengthening punishments for human trafficking offenders, as well as providing support for victims.

Sexting becoming problem in area high schools

Sexting is becoming a rampant problem in many area high schools. Teens under 18 may think that sharing a nude photo of a fellow classmate is not a big deal, but they are wrong. Sexting has serious social, emotional and legal consequences. If sexually explicit comments are made through text, this is not unlawful. A photograph showing nudity of a person under the age 18 is a criminal act and a felony in Michigan.

Here are three sexting criminal acts:

1. Taking photographs of genitals, pubic area, buttocks or female breast that are of a person under the age of 18 is child pornography. This includes taking photos of your own body. This is a 20-year felony.
2. Sending, reproducing or distributing these photos is a seven-year felony.
3. Possession of sexu-



Michele Kelly
GUEST COLUMNIST

ally abusive material related to a minor is a four-year felony.

Take this scenario happening at the local high school.

» If 16-year old Deanna sends her boyfriend Jason a picture she took of herself topless, she could possibly be facing three felony charges for making, distributing and possessing child pornography. If the boyfriend requested that she send it, he could have an added solicitation charge added. If Jason sends the photo to Stevie, then there is another count for distribution.

» If Stevie is shocked at the photo, but keeps it on his phone for a couple of months, he is more likely to be charged with possession of sexually

explicit material, a four-year felony.

If Stevie is shocked and embarrassed, sends Jason a message back that says "don't ever send me porn again" and erases it, Stevie is less likely to face criminal charges.

The law treats the purported victim Deanna as harshly as Jason who disseminated the photo, likely without his now former girlfriend's permission. What was believed to be a harmless prank is really a situation where all the teens involved could be facing felony charges.

The child pornography laws did not anticipate a future issue in which electronic dissemination of inappropriate photographs between teens would be treated as serious criminal penalties. A 40-year-old pedophile collecting pictures of naked children and a teenage kid making a dumb decision

to forward a picture of his bare bottom can both be prosecuted for child pornography.

A person convicted of child pornography must register and report as a sex offender. In the future, the convicted felon can never be present on school grounds, playgrounds or day care centers.

The best advice is for parents and schools to discuss these serious consequences with students to avoid not only criminal involvement but also the emotional damage and collateral consequences. Sexting is a way to harass and bully another teen, which has led to not only an embarrassing situation, but at least one young woman took her own life rather than deal with the shame.

If a teen is under investigation for a sexting incident, it is imperative that the teen and parents discuss the mat-

ter with an attorney and exercise their right to remain silent.

So please take the following advice:

» Do not take any nude photos of yourself or another with your electronic device.

» Never share or forward a sexually explicit photograph of another under the age of 18.

» If you receive a photo, immediately delete and advise the sender to stop sending you pornography.

» Contact a criminal defense attorney immediately before speaking to the police or school authorities if you are being implicated in a sexting investigation.

You have a constitutionally protected right to remain silent – use it.

Michele Kelly is an attorney with Kelly & Kelly, P.C. in Northville. She welcomes your feedback at michele@kellykellylaw.com.

SEMCOC survey asks residents' perspective on driving behaviors

In an effort to impact quality of life in southeast Michigan by keeping roads and highways safer, SEMCOG, the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments, and its partner organization, the Metropolitan Affairs Coalition, have launched a survey to gather driver perceptions on dangerous activities behind the wheel.

Citizens are being asked to take a quick survey to provide their perspective on dangerous driving behaviors and help guide future traffic safety education and outreach efforts to make roads safer.

The survey focuses on the three main categories of driver behavior that lead to traffic crashes: impaired driving, aggressive driving and distracted driving.

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Dale's Jewelry wrapping up gem of a career Oct. 31

By Curtis Drogmiller
Correspondent

Thirty years ago, one of Oakland County's most trusted jewelers opened Dale's Custom Jewelry and repair in Walled Lake. With wife Carol by his side in 1984, Dale Uranis found the perfect building for his storefront at 933 N. Pontiac Trail.

He has developed a great reputation as one of the area's most honest, trusted jewelers mastering incredible workmanship – a true craftsman.

Uranis is a full jeweler with more than 50 years experience in cutting stones, silver smiting, shadow box, working with waxes, making custom castings, replacing approximately 1,000 watch batteries yearly, finishing and diamond setting and working with precious metals silver and gold.

His branding signature symbol for his creations is a 'U' with a 'D' in the center. Uranis has a love to carve and design animals in his artwork. Prior to opening his store, he developed a reputation working out of his home, making several appointments at area restaurants taking orders for custom jewelry.

He said the key to his success is simply being honest and educating his customers.

"I provide service with a smile," Uranis said. "My customers all become return customers. We are a small business with no high-pressure sales. Many of our customers come in and stop by for a laugh or



Jeweler craftsman Dale Uranis will close his Walled Lake jewelry store Oct. 31.

two or come by to simply talk and become friends. We have the greatest customers."

The store is unique with a character all of its own. The walls are covered in antique pictures and one wall includes many police items, mugs, caps and patches Uranis has collected over the years. He's known for his great big heart, generosity and his charity work. He supports and raises funds yearly for FOP 128 Cops and Kids, Homes for the Troops, Wolverine Packing Party and Special Olympics. When not making jewelry, Uranis is the associate liaison for Lodge 128.

Dale's Custom Jewelry will open its doors one last time Oct. 31. Between now and then, Dale's will have an in-

store rummage sale of jewelry, showcases, desks, file cabinets, bookcases, chairs, glassware, antiques, the large police collection and more.

Uranis plans on spending his retirement years doing "whatever I want to do," he said – fishing, hunting and getting their dog Goldie certified for therapy for working in hospitals, schools and nursing homes.

Uranis recommends Suburban Exchange for your future battery replacement needs and for watch repair he endorses Northville Clock and Watch.

Dale's Custom Jewelry hours are noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday. Phone 248-669-4320 for more information.

Lakes Area Chamber hosting Expo

Members of the Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce in Walled Lake will come together from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 1, to host an Expo, Taste and Fun Fest at Walled Lake Western High School (600 Beck Road in Wixom).

Highlighting the event will be an appearance by Stacie Zotcovich, the 2014 Mrs. Michigan United States. She will be on hand to greet attendees and sign autographs. A wife and mother of two young children, Stacie is also a working professional, community leader and avid runner. She is committed to her passion of inspiring dynamic women to achieve their dreams.

Other highlights will include an appearance by children's author, playwright and director Debbie Lannen. She has written two children's books, including *Crystal: A Fairy's Dream* and *Same Dumb Lake, Same Dumb Curves*, and several plays, including *I'm Sorry*, an anti-bullying play. Debbie will entertain children with readings from her books at noon, 1 p.m., 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. Additional entertainment will be provided by Magic Joe, who will entertain young and old with his amazing magic tricks, the Howell Conference & Nature Center, who will be stopping by with a live animal, and Face Flair who will be providing complimentary face painting.

Food samples will be provided by Arta's American Diner; CJ's Brewing Co; Dickey's Barbecue Pit; Heather's Happy Hour; and Edible Arrangements. The \$5 admission for adults includes a Taste Fest ticket. Children under 12 can attend the event at no cost. Fifty percent off discount tickets can be obtained at the chamber offices.

The event is being sponsored by the following Lakes Area Chamber members: DMC/Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital;

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Doug Browne Agency of Farm Bureau; Express Employment Professionals; LaFontaine Automotive Group; Westend Newsmagazine; and Zeal Credit Union.

Additional information can be found at www.LakesAreaChamber.com or by calling 248-624-2826. The Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce, with offices in Walled Lake, has served the communities of Commerce Township, Union Lake, Walled Lake, Waterford, White Lake, Wixom and Wolverine Lake since 1963.

Oakland County racks up awards

Oakland County's awards shelf has been overflowing the past couple of weeks. The county has received six national and statewide awards in public health, information technology and management and budget.

"Consistent recognition of excellence doesn't happen by accident," county Executive L. Brooks Patterson said. "When you choose the right leadership team and they are surrounded by outstanding employees, great achievements become inevitable."

The county's recent awards have included:

- » The 2014 Public Health Community Achievement Award from The Michigan Association of Local Public Health and Michigan Public Health Association for the Health Division's initiatives to halve infant mortality rates in the African-American community;

- » The best county government website (www.OakGov.com) in the United States as part of the 2014 Best of the Web awards from Government Technology and the Center for Digital Government;

- » The Cybersecurity Leadership and Innovation Award from the Center for Digital Government;

- » The best government purchasing Agency of the Year in Michigan according to the Michigan Pub-

lic Purchasing Officers Association;

- » The Award of Excellence for the county's annual Popular Annual Financial Report for the 17th straight year from the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada;

- » and the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the county's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the 23rd straight year from GFOA.

Schoolcraft helping with contracts

The Procurement Technical Assistance Center of Schoolcraft College is attempting to meet the Department of Defense's Defense Logistics Agency procurement demands through client company procurement counseling and the provision of free National Stock Number price history reports.

"Over 2,500 solicitation opportunities are going unquoted or receiving very low solicitation participation rates," said Alexander Masters, a Procurement Counselor with the PTAC of Schoolcraft College. "In one instance, a DLA small business specialist reached out to 22 companies with the opportunities, but only one company submitted quotes. Of those quotes this one company submitted, it won two of the three awards it pursued."

The Defense Logistics Agency is the Department of Defense's largest logistics combat support agency, providing worldwide logistics support in both peacetime and wartime to the military services as well as several civilian agencies and foreign countries.

To identify your product's stock number, request a price history report, or learn more about government contracting opportunities, contact the PTAC of Schoolcraft College by email at inforeq@schoolcraft.edu or by phone at 734-462-4438.

Representative Government and Annexation

A few years ago, there was an attempt by a developer to have part of Northville Township annexed to Livonia. Apparently he felt that the Livonia officials would be much friendlier to him than those from Northville Township.

My Republican opponent, Terry Marecki, was a member of the Livonia City Council at that time. She and the other city council members voted to support the wishes of the developer without bothering to talk to a representative number of their constituents to find out if this was what the Livonia voters really wanted.

I campaigned against the annexation based on the concept that you do not hurt your neighbor to help yourself (or to help a developer).

The voters rejected the annexation. Apparently, they did not want to hurt the people of Northville Township who strongly opposed the annexation.

Had Terry Marecki and the others elected officials checked with the voters, they could have saved the city all the cost associated with the election. They also could have saved the people of Northville Township a lot of anxiety.

I believe that the standard that elected officials should use is "How would the majority of my constituents want me to vote if they were fully informed on the issue". This sometimes requires talking to a number of voters and telling them the pros and cons of the issue and asking them what they think. You can't talk only to your supporters. You must also listen to those who might not have supported you.

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Patrick O'Neil
Democrat for
Wayne County Commissioner
District 9

Livonia, Northville and Northville Township

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36693 Munger, Livonia, MI 48154



Keller Williams to host blood drive

Real estate agents at Keller Williams Realty are putting business aside Nov. 4 to focus on a pressing issue – a need to give blood and food to help their community.

Keller Williams is inviting local businesses and the Northville/Novi community to join it in a blood drive at its Novi office, 39500 Orchard Hill Place, from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. Donors are

also encouraged to bring in canned goods, which will be donated to Northville Civic Concern, a local food bank for local families in need.

Michael Shebak, team leader for Keller Williams, said the reason for the blood drive is the fact the American Red Cross experiences blood shortages every year.

"Keller Williams agents are committed to

the cities and towns where we live and work," Shebak said. "We are proud to be partnering with the American Red Cross for this important initiative. We understand the importance of donating blood, a simple thing, but one that can make a big difference in the lives of others," he added.

For more information, call 248-380-8800.

Cooke student needs help getting a special van

By **Lonnie Huhman**
Staff Writer

Cooke School student Ashley Moore needs some help and her mother is looking to the local community for support.

They are asking for funding to help them purchase a wheelchair van, which will help lessen the daily challenges of getting around.

Ashley is a 12-year-old girl who attends Cooke in Northville, a school that has special education programs for students from around the area. She resides in Livonia with her mother Melissa and three siblings. She has a rare genetic disorder called CDKL5, which has caused her to be severely disabled mentally and physically. Ashley also suffers from epileptic seizures.

“Ashley is 12, but has the brain of an infant; she cannot hold her head up, sit, walk or talk,” her mother said.

Life-long challenges

She was born in 2002 and was a healthy baby.

“Everything seemed fine at first and then, at about five weeks old, Ashley was having seizures,” Melissa said.

The life that she had imagined for her new baby would never happen, but instead a life of doctors and tests and procedures would ensue.

They started going to the doctors often to figure out some kind of diagnosis, but nobody could find anything wrong with her, according to her mother.

At about six months of age, Ashley regressed and lost what little skills she had. And then at nine months, a 24-hour video EEG finally picked up seizure activity. Ashley was diagnosed with infantile spasms and was put on several different medications to try to stop the seizures, but none of them helped.

The Ketogenic diet helped reduce her seizures, but she was still going through tons of testing and procedures to find out what was causing all of her medical problems. Years went by with no answers.

Finally, at the age of 7, Ashley received the diagnosis of CDKL5.

Looking for help

Ashley is now wheelchair-bound and depends on her mother for everything.

“Ashley is getting older, bigger and heavier. She is in need of a safer, more comfortable mode of transportation,” her mom said.

This would be a full-size van with a wheelchair lift and tie downs. However, the family cannot afford it because these vans are very expensive and their medical insurance does not help pay for any of these things, Melissa said.

Raising her four children on her own, Ashley's mom is only able to work a few part-time jobs while the kids are at school. There is no one else to help care for Ashley, making it impossible for Melissa to have full-time employment.

Since Melissa cannot afford to buy a van for Ashley, she has started an online fundraiser to raise money for the van. The fundraiser is through Youcaring.com. The current goal for the van is \$15,000 and they are half way to the goal.

They are hoping to have enough funds for a used van with a lift already installed, because a new van can cost up to \$50,000.

“I have given up so much for my baby, but I would have it no other way. I love her so much and will do anything for her,” Melissa said.

If you wish to help this family with their fundraising efforts, donations can be made at



Ashley Moore, 12, attends Cooke School in Northville.

<https://www.youcaring.com/medical-fundraiser/ashley-s-wheelchair-van-fund/186457> or donations can be directly mailed to Melissa at, 30229 Minton, Livonia, MI 48150 (checks payable to Melissa Moore).

If you would like to learn more about CDKL5, you can do so at cdkl5.com.

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☆ **THE BEST OF ME** (PG-13)
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☆ **THE BOOK OF LIFE** (PG) 11:55, 2:05, 4:20, 6:45, 9:05 FRI/SAT LS 11:15
☆ **THE JUDGE** (R)
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☆ **GONE GIRL** (R)
FRI-SUN/TUE/WED 11:45, 3:00, 6:10, 9:15 FRI/SAT LS 11:00 MON 11:45, 9:15

CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE OF ELECTION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 4, 2014

To the qualified Electors of the Township of Northville, County of Wayne, notice (168.653a) is hereby given that a General Election will be held in the Township of Northville on **Tuesday, November 4, 2014** from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. for the purpose of electing the candidates(s) to the following offices:

Governor & Lt. Governor Secretary of State, Attorney General, United States Senator, Representative In Congress – 11th District, State Senator, 7th District, Representative in State Legislature – 20th District, State Board of Education, Regent of the University of Michigan, Trustee of Michigan State University, Governor of Wayne State University, Wayne County Executive, County Commissioner – 9th District, Justice of Supreme Court, Justice of Supreme Court – Incumbent Position, Judge of 3rd Circuit Court, Incumbent Position, Judge of 3rd Circuit Court, Non-incumbent Position, Judge of 3rd Circuit Court, Non-incumbent Position – partial term, Judge of Probate Court, Incumbent Position – partial term, Judge of 35th District Court – Incumbent Position, Schoolcraft Community College Board of Trustees, Northville Public School Board members, District Library Board Members, and in Precinct 7 only, Board Members for Plymouth-Canton Community Schools, six year term and four year term.

And to vote on the following Proposals:

- State Proposal 14-1, A referendum of Public Act 620 of 2012, establishing an Open Season for Wolves and authorizing annual wolf hunting seasons
- State Proposal 14-2, A referendum of Public Act 21 of 2013, granting the Natural Resources Commission the power to designate wolves and other animals as game without legislative action.
- The Wayne County Retirement Commission Proposal.
- Renewal Millage Proposal for the Northville District Library.

The full text of the proposals and a “sample” of the Primary Election ballot are available at the Northville Township's Clerk's department and on the township's website: www.twp.northville.mi.us. Applications for absentee ballots are being accepted now and they are available on the township's website, under “forms”, or by calling 248-662-0541.

Statement as Required by Act 278 of Public Acts of 1965
Amending the Property Tax Limitation Act
Wayne County

Taxing Authorities	Date of Election	Voted Increases	Years Increase Effective
County of Wayne	11/03/2009	1 mill	2019
Wayne County Jail	08/07/2012	1 mill	2021
Wayne County Parks	11/02/2010	0.25 mills	2015
Wayne County Comm. College	11/06/2008	1.25 mills	2020
	11/06/2012	1 mill	2022
Northville Public Schools	11/08/2011	18 mills	2021 non-homestead only
	05/03/2011	1 mill	2015
Plymouth/Canton Schools	08/05/2014	18 mills	2024 non-homestead only
Northville Township	08/05/2014	7.1250 mills	2020
	08/04/2009	.8498 mills	2029

TOWNSHIP POLLING LOCATIONS:

Precincts 1 & 15	Moraine Elementary	46811 Eight Mile Road
Precincts 2,8,9,13	Silver Springs Elementary	19801 Silver Springs Dr.
Precincts 3 & 4	Northville High	45700 Six Mile Rd.
Precincts 7 & 12	Meads Mill Middle School	16700 Franklin Rd.
Precincts 6 & 11	Winchester Elementary	16141 Winchester Dr.
Precinct 10 & 14	Ridge Wood Elementary	49775 Six Mile Rd.
Precinct 5	Kings Mill Clubhouse	18120 Jamestown Circle
Precinct 16	Northville Township Hall	44405 Six Mile Road

The Township Clerk's office is located at Township Hall, 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, Michigan 48168, and will be open from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. on Saturday, November 1, 2014 for the purpose of obtaining an absentee ballot. The **deadline** to receive applications for absentee ballots to be mailed is 2 p.m. Saturday, November 1, 2014.

Sue A. Hillebrand, Clerk
Charter Township of Northville

NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION NOVEMBER 4, 2014 FOR THE CITY OF NOVI. OAKLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE. SCHOOLCRAFT COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT. NOVI COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT. NORTHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS. SOUTH LYON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS. WALLED LAKE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT

To the Qualified Electors of the City of Novi – Oakland County, Michigan, Notice is Hereby Given that a General Election will be held in the City of Novi, County of Oakland, State of Michigan, **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2014**. The Polls will be open 7 o'clock a.m. until 8 o'clock p.m. All Polling Places are Handicap Accessible.

1	Meadowbrook Congregational Church	21355 Meadowbrook Road
2	Good Shepherd Lutheran Church	41415 W. Nine Mile Road
3	Village Oaks Elementary School	23333 Willowbrook Road
4	Novi United Methodist Church	41671 Ten Mile Road
5	Orchard Hills Elementary School	41900 Quince
6 & 7	Holy Family Catholic Church	24505 Meadowbrook Road
8	Meadowbrook Elementary School	29200 Meadowbrook Road
9 & 11	Brightmoor Christian Church	40800 West Thirteen Mile Road
10	Fox Run	41000 Thirteen Mile Road
12	Hickory Woods Elementary School	30655 Novi Road
13	Novi Meadows 6th Grade House	25299 Taft Road
14	Faith Community Presbyterian Church	44400 Ten Mile Road
15	St. James Catholic Church	46325 Ten Mile Road
16	Novi Public Library	45255 Ten Mile Road
17 & 18	Novi Civic Center	45175 Ten Mile Road
19	Thornton Creek Elementary School	46180 West Nine Mile Road
20 & 21	Deerfield Elementary School	26500 Wixom Road

FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING CANDIDATES OF ALL PARTICIPATING POLITICAL PARTIES FOR THE FOLLOWING OFFICES:

STATE: Governor and Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Attorney General, Two Members of the State Board of Education, Two Members of the University of Michigan Board of Regents, Two Members of the Michigan State Board of Trustees, Two Members of the Wayne State University Board of Governors

CONGRESSIONAL: United States Senator, Representative in Congress

LEGISLATIVE: State Senator, State Representative

COUNTY: County Commissioner

JUDICIAL: Justice of the Supreme Court (Vote for Two), Justice of the Supreme Court (Incumbent Position) Partial Term Ending 01/01/2017 (Vote for One), Judge of the Court of Appeals – 2nd District (Incumbent Position), Judge of the Circuit Court – 6th Circuit (Incumbent Position), Judge of the Circuit Court – 6th Circuit Non-Incumbent Position (Vote for One), Judge of the Probate Court (Incumbent Position), Judge of the 52-1st District Court (Vote for One)

LOCAL: Two Members of the Oakland Community College Board of Trustees – Precincts 1-14, 16, Part of 17, 20-21
Three Members of the Schoolcraft Community College Board of Trustees - All of Precinct 15, part of 17, all of 18 and 19
BOARD MEMBER - NOVI COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT – Three 6 YEAR TERMS
BOARD MEMBER – NORTHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS – Three 4 YEAR TERMS
BOARD MEMBER – SOUTH LYON COMMUNITY SCHOOLS – Three 6 YEAR TERMS
BOARD MEMBER – WALLED LAKE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT – Two 6 YEAR TERMS

AND FOR THE PURPOSE OF VOTING ON THE FOLLOWING PROPOSALS:

All Precincts - CHARTER AMENDMENT PROPOSAL 1

Shall Section 9.16 of the Novi Charter, relating to collection of fees for delinquent taxes, be amended to remove language assessing an automatic 4% collection fee for delinquent taxes as of September 1, and replace it with language that assesses only a 1% collection fee applicable as of September 1 and an additional 3% fee as of September 15?

Precincts 8 through 12 - WALLED LAKE CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT, COUNTY OF OAKLAND, STATE OF MICHIGAN, OPERATING MILLAGE RENEWAL PROPOSAL

This proposal, if approved by the electors, will allow the Walled Lake Consolidated School District to continue to levy the number of operating mills required for the School District to receive revenues at the full per pupil foundation allowance permitted by the State of Michigan.

Shall the limitation on the total amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property, except principal residence and other property exempted by law, situated within the Walled Lake Consolidated School District, County of Oakland, State of Michigan, be increased as provided in the Michigan Constitution, in the amount of 18 mills (\$18.00 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation), and against all principal residences and other property not exempted by law, by 3.9 mills (\$3.90 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation), both millages to be for a period of ten (10) years, from January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2025, inclusive with the above 18 mills and the above 3.9 mills (of which only 2.1971 mills are currently being levied) being a renewal of authorized millages which would otherwise expire on December 31, 2015? These operating millages if approved and levied, would provide estimated revenues to the School District of Thirty Million (\$30,000,000) Dollars during the 2016 calendar year, to be used for general operating purposes.

ALL PRECINCTS - PROPOSAL 14-1

A REFERENDUM OF PUBLIC ACT 520 OF 2012, ESTABLISHING A HUNTING SEASON FOR WOLVES AND AUTHORIZING ANNUAL WOLF HUNTING SEASONS

Public Act 520 of 2012 would:

- Designate wolf as game for hunting purposes and authorize the first wolf hunting season.
- Allow the Natural Resources Commission to schedule annual wolf hunting seasons.
- Provide criminal penalties for the unlawful possession or taking of wolves, but shield a person who lawfully captures or destroys a wolf from prosecution.
- Require a person who wishes to hunt wolves to obtain a wolf hunting license.
- Create a Wolf Management Advisory Council for the purpose of making nonbinding recommendations to the legislature regarding the proper management of wolves.

Should this law be approved?

ALL PRECINCTS - PROPOSAL 14-2

A REFERENDUM OF PUBLIC ACT 21 OF 2013, GRANTING THE NATURAL RESOURCES COMMISSION THE POWER TO DESIGNATE WOLVES AND CERTAIN OTHER ANIMALS AS GAME WITHOUT LEGISLATIVE ACTION

Public Act 21 of 2013 would:

- Allow the Natural Resources Commission (NRC) to designate certain animals as game for hunting purposes and establish the first hunting season for game animals without legislative action.
- Continue the NRC's designation of wolves as game and allow the NRC to set a wolf hunting season.
- Grant the Legislature sole authority to remove a species from the list of designated game animals.
- Eliminate the \$1.00 hunting and fishing licensing fee for members of the military, whether stationed inside or outside of Michigan, subject to any lottery.
- Give the NRC the sole authority to regulate fishing.

Should this law be approved?

FULL TEXT OF THE PROPOSALS MAY BE OBTAINED FROM www.cityofnovi.org or www.michigan.gov/vote or NOVI CITY CLERK'S OFFICE 248-347-0456, 45175 TEN MILE ROAD, NOVI, MICHIGAN 48375

INFORMATION ON OBTAINING AN ABSENTEE VOTER BALLOT FOR THE ELECTION

Absentee ballots for said election are available to qualified electors at the Office of the City Clerk, 45175 Ten Mile Road. The deadline for the City Clerk's Office to receive applications for ballots to be mailed is 2:00 p.m. Saturday, November 1, 2014. The City Clerk's Office will be open for the purpose of absent voting on Saturday November 1, 2014 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Persons qualified to vote by absentee ballot may obtain a ballot in person at the City Clerk's Office until 4:00 p.m. Monday, November 3, 2014. Ballots obtained in person on Monday, November 3, 2014 must be voted in the City Clerk's Office.

Maryanne Cornelius, MMC
City Clerk

RELIGION CALENDAR

Send calendar information to ctstone@hometownlife.com by noon Monday to be included in Thursday's publication. The calendar is also available online at www.hometownlife.com.

Brightmoor Christian Church

Location: M-5 and 13 Mile, Novi.
Contact: 248-668-7014 or CelebrateRecovery@brightmoorcc.org.
Web: 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. Pre-register.

Church of the Holy Family

Location: 24505 Meadowbrook Road.
Contact: 248-349-8847 or visit holyfamilynovi.org.
Mass Schedule
Time/Day: 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. Monday through Friday; 7 p.m. Monday and 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.
Homosexuality presentation: 7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 21; a special parent presentation on homosexuality by Mary Wilkerson and Mike Chamberland, drawing on the Catechism of the Catholic Church to examine what the church teaches about same sex attraction. Explore the Church's unique position and resolve the most popular myths regarding this teaching.

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 crosspointemeadows.org.
Sunday worship: 11 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.
Youth group: 7 p.m. Wednesdays.
Women's Coffee Break Bible Study: 10-11:30 a.m. Mondays; *Christianity and World Religions: Wrestling with Questions People Ask* by Adam Hamilton
The Andy Griffith Bible Study: 11 a.m. Sundays; adult Bible study
Special Needs Ministry: Contact Judy Cook, 248-442-8822.

Faith Community Presbyterian Church

Location: 44400 W. 10 Mile.
Contact: 248-349-2345 or visit www.faithcommunity-novi.org.
Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.

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.; 6 p.m. Evening Traditional Service.
Thursday: 6 a.m. Men of Purpose Prayer Group and Bible Study.
Tuesday: 9:25 a.m. Women of the Word Bible Study — the Books of Ruth and Esther
Wednesday: 5:30 p.m. family dinner; 6:30 p.m. Caravan Scouting program for ages 4 through fourth grade; Club 56 for fifth and sixth graders; Surge Youth Group, Bible Study with Pastor Troy Ogley; and Little Critters for preschool age.

First Presbyterian Church of Northville

Location: 200 E. Main.
Contact: 248-349-0911 or visit www.fpcnorthville.org.
Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School: 10:30 a.m. (for all ages).

First Presbyterian Church

Location: 205 E. Lake St. (corner of Wells and 10 Mile), 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.funmnorthville.org.
Sunday Worship (September-May): 9:15 and 11 a.m.
Sunday School (September-May): 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 holycrossnovi@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 between Eight Mile and Nine Mile.
Contact: the Rev. Arthur P. Ritter, senior minister, at 248-348-7757; visit mbccc.org; or email to office@mbccc.org.
Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.
Church School and Nursery Care: provided during worship.
Fellowship Hour: 11 a.m.
Merry Widows Luncheon: 11:30 a.m. fourth Thursday of each month.
Pilgrim Fellowship: 6 p.m. Sundays.

Orchard Grove Community Church

Location: 850 Ladd Road, Building C, Walled Lake.
Web: www.orchardgrove.org.
Contact: Amanda Rehm at 248-926-6584 or amanda.rehm@orchardgrove.org.

NorthRidge Church

Location: 49555 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth
Phone: 734-233-3621
Email: pheaton@northridgechurch.com

Northville Christian Assembly

Location: 41355 Six Mile.
Contact: 248-348-9030; ncalife.org.
Sundays: 9-10 a.m. Sunday School for adults/youth/children; 9 a.m. Contemporary service in sanctuary; 10:15 a.m.: Contemporary service in worship center; children's super church on the second level (208/210).
Wednesday Family Night: 7 p.m.; Adult elective classes; junior and senior high ministries; children's programs, Nursery and Preschool Program on Sundays and Wednesdays Home of Northville Christian School (day care; preschool through eighth grade); call 248-348-9031.

Novi-Northville Center for Jewish Life

Details: Events, programs and activities for all ages throughout the year — children's programs, Sunday school, adult Jewish classes, youth clubs, holiday services and programs, community social events.
Contact: Rabbi Avrohom and Leah Susskind at 248-790-6075 or rabbib@novijewishcenter.com; www.novijewishcenter.com.

Novi United Methodist Church

Location: 41671 W. 10 Mile.
Contact: 248-349-2652 or visit umcnovi.com.
Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Novi-United-Methodist-Church/59782031433>.
Sunday Worship: 9:45 a.m.
Healing Service and Holy Communion: 9:45 a.m. first Sunday of every month.
Peace Vigil: noon first Sunday of every month in front of the church. Members of the congregation and the community will stand united in prayer for peace.

Oak Pointe Church

Location: 50200 W. 10 Mile, Novi.
Contact: 248-912-0043.
Web: www.oakpointe.org/lifegroups.
Worship Services: 5:15 p.m. Saturday; 9:15 a.m., 11:15 a.m. Sunday.
ReNew Life Group Ministries: 7-9 p.m. Monday (groups meet weekly).
Women's Life Groups Ministries: 7 p.m. Tuesday; 9:30 a.m. Wednesday.
Men's Life Groups Ministries: 6 a.m. Friday; at the church and various locations.

Our Savior Apostolic Lutheran Church

Location: 54899 Eight Mile, Northville.
Contact: 248-374-2268.
Children (5-10) & Adult Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Bible Study: Wednesdays at 7 p.m.

Orchard Grove Community Church

Location: 850 Ladd Road, Walled Lake.
Contact: 248-926-6584; www.orchardgrove.org.
Get your tickets at www.orchardgrove.org. Event

will feature bungee jump, whirly bird, dunk tank, car bash, 3-on-3 basketball, zorb balls, long board course and prize giveaways all night.

Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church

Location: 47650 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth Township.
Contact: 734-453-0326, Ext. 221.

Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church

Location: 132 Orchard Drive, Northville.
Contact: 248-349-2621 or olvnorthville.org.
Saturday Worship: 5 p.m.
Sunday Worship: 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 a.m.

Our Shepherd Presbyterian Church

Location: 1200 S. Sheldon, Plymouth.
Contact: pastor Bill Burke at 734-927-0891.
Wednesday Bible Study: 7 p.m.
Sunday Bible Study: 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m. with fellowship and food after service.

Our Savior Apostolic Lutheran Church

Location: 54899 Eight Mile, Northville.
Pentecostals of Novi
Location: Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. 10 Mile.
Contact: 248-697-8158 or visit www.thepentecostalsofnovi.org.

Plymouth St. John's Episcopal Church

Location: 574 S. Sheldon in Plymouth.
Contact: 734-453-0190, Ext. 16, or visit www.stjohnsplymouth.org.

Praise Baptist Church

Location: 45000 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth.
Contact: 734-748-3898.

Prince of Peace Lutheran Church

Location: 28000 New Market Road, Farmington Hills.
Phone: 248-553-3380
Fall Support Groups: Hosting two separate fall support groups: "Hope for Tomorrow" for those grieving and "Through the Fire" for those needing divorce recovery. These free support groups will meet at 7 p.m. Thursdays in the fellowship hall area. These classes will offer strength, courage and hope to individuals as they go through the process of grief and/or divorce. Space is limited. Please call the church office to pre-register or for more information.
Monthly movie: 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 31; "Amish Grace" is the free feature, based on the 2006 Nickel Mines, Penn., Amish school shooting and the spirit of forgiveness the Amish community demonstrated in its aftermath. A special Amish menu is planned for the meal. Phone the church if you want to be included in this dinner.

St. James Catholic Church

Location: 46325 10 Mile, Novi.
Contact: 248-347-7778.
Pastor: Monsignor John Kasza.
Mass schedule: 8, 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. Monday-Tuesday; 7 p.m. Wednesday; 5 p.m. Saturday.

St. John Lutheran Church

Location: 23225 Gill, Farmington Hills.
Contact: 248-474-0584 or visit stjohn-lutheran.com.
Saturday Worship: 5:30 p.m.
Sunday Worship: 9, 11:15 a.m.
Sunday School: 10:15 a.m.

St. Paul's Lutheran Church

Location: 201 Elm St., Northville
Contact: 248-349-3140
Unity of Farmington Hills
Location: 32500 W. 13 Mile, Farmington
Contact: 248-737-9191; AdministrativeDirector@unityfh.com

Unitarian Universalist Church of Farmington

Location: 25301 Halsted, Farmington Hills
Contact: www.uufarmington.org
Details: This religious education program is open to the public and currently enrolling new students. Classes are grouped into grades K-five, six-eight and nine-12 with age-specific education materials for all.
Contact: Jennifer Teed at 248-478-7272 or dre@uufarmington.org
Details: Six weeks exploring different topics like religion, philosophy, science, health, social and political issues. No advance registration necessary; a \$5 donation is suggested. Drop in and pick the class that interests you most at the Unitarian Universalist Church of Farmington.
Contact: 248-478-7272 or uufarmington.org/uucf/re-lifespan

Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church

Location: 40000 Six Mile, Northville (behind the shopping center at the corner of Six Mile and Haggerty)
Web: www.wardchurch.org
Contact: 248-374-7400
Sunday Worship: 8 a.m. Liturgical in the Chapel; 9:30 a.m. Contemporary in the Sanctuary; 11 a.m. Traditional in the Sanctuary; 11a.m. Post-Contemporary in Knox Hall
Sunday Groups and Classes: Nursery, Children's and Middle School programs available on Sunday mornings. High School Sunday night at 6:30 p.m. Sunday Morning Adult Life Classes also available.
FX: A Family Experience: An interactive family production where participants ignite conversations in the home on important topics to help kids and their parents follow God together. First Sunday of the month at 9:30 a.m. In Knox Hall, September-May.
Service Broadcasts: Live at <http://live.wardchurch.org> at 9:30 and 11 a.m. Sundays for live interactive video web-streaming. Also, the Traditional Service is broadcast every week on WRDT-AM 560 at 11 a.m.

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DORONY, BETTY J.
Passed away October 20, 2014, on her 83rd birthday. She was born on October 20, 1931, in Pontiac, daughter of the late Hugh and Arivella Allen. Betty was raised and spent most of her life in Alma, Michigan. Betty married her husband Edward, when she was 20 years old, and they were together for 38 years until his death in 1989. Betty was a homemaker but also helped Ed run the family farm and the car dealership. Betty lived in New Hudson, Michigan the past three years at the Grace Rae Place Adult Foster Care facility. She is survived by her daughter, Lorie Geyer; sons, James (Jacqueline) Dorony and Kenneth (JoEllen) Dorony; sister, Dorothy Anderson; and brother, Don Allen. Betty loved and enjoyed her seven grandchildren, Nicholas, Nathan, Jaime, Megan, Melody, Jake, and Cassie; plus four great-grandchildren. A Memorial Service was held Tuesday, October 21, at 11:00 a.m. at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, 122 W. Lake St., South Lyon, with Rev. Father Stan Tokarski of St. Joseph Catholic Church officiating. A memorial gathering is also being planned in Alma, please visit the web site www.phillipsfuneral.com for the latest details.

GREGORY, ELAINE V
Age 97, of Northville, passed away October 18, 2014. Obituary and online condolences at www.casterlinefuneralhome.com

JANSEN, THORA M.
Age 92, passed away October 13, 2014. She was born on July 1, 1922 in Detroit, daughter of the late John and Lillian Brown. She was a loving and devoted wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. Thora enjoyed spending time with her husband and family at their family cottage on Long Lake, near Alpena. She is survived by her sons: John Jr. (Nancy) Jansen, and Robert (Sheila) Jansen; seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Thora was preceded in death by her husband John Sr. in 2005. Visitation was held on October 17th with funeral service on October 18th, both were held at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, South Lyon. She was laid to rest beside her husband in Glen Eden Cemetery. Online guest book: www.phillipsfuneral.com



KONCZAL, HELEN
Age 81, of Novi, formerly of Dearborn Hts., October 14, 2014. Obituary and condolences at www.casterlinefuneralhome.com

PRINCE, EVELINE
Age 60, passed away Oct. 17, 2014. Survived by son Adam Rehowiak and mother Ingeburg Prince. www.phillipsfuneral.com

SASSAMAN, JOHN B.
Of Northville December 1, 1944-October 15, 2014. Services entrusted to L.J. Griffin Funeral Home-Northrop-Sassaman Chap.

ZAREMBA, GENEVIEVE
Age 96, of Northville, formerly of Detroit, October 15, 2014. www.casterlinefuneralhome.com

Paying tribute to the life of your loved one.

Motown in Novi



CURTIS DROGMILLER

Novi Middle School was rockin' Oct. 9 with the '50s and '60s Music Spectacular presented by the Fraternal Order of Police Southwestern Oakland County Lodge No. 128. The Motor Town All-Stars performed for a packed auditorium, featuring the music of The Temptations, The Miracles, The Four Tops, The Jackson Five, The Supremes, Stevie Wonder, Martha and the Vandellas and The Capitols. The Motor Town All-Stars features former members of The Miracles, The Capitols and The Temptations: David Findley, Doug Gaddy, George Wilson and Charles Franklin. The near two-hour show started at 7 p.m. and concluded with members signing autographs and posing for pictures with fans.

A (new) sign of the times at First Presbyterian Church



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Paul Zalac (left) with SCC signs helps Jim Lapham install a new LED sign in front of the Northville First Presbyterian Church.

By Lonnie Huhman
Staff Writer

There have been some changes for the better at the First Presbyterian Church and the new sign out front is just one example of this church announcing it as an important community destination.

The church's LED sign is a new thing for downtown Northville, but church member Chuck Lapham said it was important that the church have this modern sign so that it could let people know what's new and going on inside the historical church.

"We are trying to get the word out on the many different activities we have here at the church," he said of the church that was founded in 1829.

And there's a lot going on.

With a preschool to yoga classes, First Presbyterian has a lot for every-

one, including those who don't attend the church. Rotary and Boy Scouts hold their meetings there and a variety of study groups meet each week.

The church services have also been updated with a Praise Band and Choir leading the celebrations each Sunday. The Rev. Rob Allen said many of the changes and modernizations of the church are part of a transformation it is doing to remain a popular community meeting place.

The transformation has also happened outside. Besides the new sign, the church steeple was recently repainted. The landscaping has been trimmed and cleaned up as part of an overall sprucing up of the church grounds.

"We are trying to hold onto the past, while embracing the modern world," Allen said.

They said this is not about convert-

ing the masses, but more of a reminder to the community that it is still an important center for residents.

"This church has been an important part of the Northville community for a long time. We hope to keep it that way," Allen said.

To highlight what it has to offer, the church will be begin having its first TGIF event Nov. 14. This is a time to meet friends or make new ones, have some food and enjoy some music. This will be a monthly event scheduled the second Friday of each month.

One big event coming up is a visit by the Jason Eaton Band at 6 p.m. Friday, Oct. 24.

To learn more about the church and its different services and activities, go to <http://www.fpcnorthville.org>.

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620 General Motors Rd., Milford
Church office: (248) 684-0895
Worship Services: Sunday 8:30 am & 11:00 am
Bible Study: Sunday 9:45 am
Nursery Available
Rev. Martin Dressler
LO-0000210437

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Fr. Beto Espinoza, Associate
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1850 S. Commerce Rd.
Walled Lake, MI 48390
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LO-0000178351

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10774 Nine Mile Road
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Sunday School, 9:45 a.m.
Worship, 11:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening, 7:00 p.m.

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238 N. Main Street, Milford MI (248) 684-2805
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Rev. Arthur Ritter, Senior Minister
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Saturday Worship 5:15 p.m.,
Sunday 9:15 a.m. and 11:15 a.m.
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680 W. Livingston Rd. • Highland, MI 48357
248-887-1311 • www.myhume.com
Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Kids Church: 9:30 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.
MS & HS Youth: 11:00 a.m.
Wed is MS Youth Night: 6:30 p.m.
Griefshare, Mondays, 6:30 p.m.

Milford United Methodist Church
1200 Atlantic St., Milford, MI 48381
Sunday Worship: 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m., 6:00 pm
Children's Church: 10:30 am
Groups for Children, Youth and Adults
248-684-2798
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Saturday 5:00 p.m.
Sunday 8, 9:30 & 11:30 a.m.
Msgr. John Kasza, Pastor
Parish Office: 347-7778

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LO-0000179350

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Worship - 10:30 a.m.
www.newhudsonumc.org

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1116 S. Hickory Ridge Rd., Milford, MI 48380
248-887-1218
Sunday Worship 9 am & 11:15 am
Wed. Kids-6:30 pm/Adults-6:45 pm
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The Church of Christ
21860 Pontiac Trail • South Lyon, MI 48178
248-437-3585 • www.southlyoncoc.org
9:30 a.m. Sunday School,
10:30 a.m. Praise and Worship
Wednesday Midweek Ministries 7 p.m.
Troy Singleton, Minister
LO-0000179440

CROSS OF CHRIST LUTHERAN
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Pastor Terry Nelson
437-8810 • 486-4335
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Worship: 10 a.m.; Sunday School: 10 a.m.;
Adult Bible Study: 9 a.m.
LO-0000179331

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Sunday Celebration of Life Service 10:30 a.m.
Rev. Suzanne Paul, Minister
Website: <http://www.newhopeuu.org>

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We are here through Christ Jesus
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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 Marjorie 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@fbcglobal.net
LO-0000178358

Northville

First Presbyterian Church of Northville
www.fpcnorthville.org
200 E. MAIN ST. AT HUTTON
Worship, 9:30 am.
Sunday School for all ages, 10:30 am.
248-349-0911

First United Methodist Church Northville
(248) 349-1144
777 West 8 Mile Road
(8 Mile and Taft Road)
Northville, Michigan
Worship Times: September - May 9:15 & 11:00 am
Memorial Day - Labor Day 10:00 am
Rev. Marsha M. Wootley, Lead Pastor
www.fumcnorthville.org

first united
methodist church
south lyon, mi
640 S. Lafayette
(248) 437-0760
Worship: 8:15 am, 10:45 am,
11 am & 6:30 pm
Sunday School: 9:40 am
Rev. Sandra Willabee, Lead Pastor
southlyonfirstumc.org

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Rev. Bart Muller, Pastor
248-573-7320
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248-486-0400
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Church 349-2621, School 349-3610
Religious Education 349-2559
Rev. Denis Theroux, Pastor

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54899 8 Mile Rd. at Currie Rd. Northville, MI 48167
248-374-2268
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9:45 am Children's & Adult's Sunday School
10:30 am Fellowship/Coffee
11:00 am Worship Service
Wednesday Bible Study at 7 pm
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South of Six Mile Road
Adult Sunday School 9:30 - 10:15 a.m.; Worship 10:30 a.m.
Childrens Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
Dr. James N. McGuire • Nursery Provided

For more information regarding this Directory, please call Sue Sare at 248-926-2219 or e-mail: ssare@hometownlife.com

Northville leader Turnbull turns 95

Northville historian, former business man, Rotary club president, civic leader and life-long resident Bruce Turnbull celebrated his 95th birthday on Oct. 5 at Genitti's in downtown Northville with more than 100 people in attendance. His journey was told through a video, pictures and personal stories from those in attendance.

Top news of the year 1919 was shared: First commercial air flights, Zeppelins, Babe Ruth, Man o' War, J. Edgar Hoover, Edsel Ford takes over Ford, prohibition ratified, UPS started, Walter Hagen swinging the golf club, Jack Dempsey knocking folks out and the Grand Canyon park was dedicated.

From that time to now, Turnbull has been active in this community and today can be seen giving tours, driving around town, walking his dogs or working around his house in downtown Northville.



Turnbull

At the birthday party, a note written by President Barack Obama was read, thanking Turnbull for his service in World War II as a proud Marine and for all he has done for this country in his 95 years. The theme was "Vintage 1919" and all that has happened in this world since.

"It is not about the destination, but the journey itself," said Turnbull, who is closing in on the century mark.

ENGAGEMENT



Whitaker-Schmeling

Kelsey Anne Whitaker and David Charles Schmeling announce their engagement. The bride-to-be, daughter of Lonnie and Liz Whitaker of Grand Rapids, graduated from Michigan State University with a B.A. in social work and from Wayne State University with a master's in social work. The groom-to-be, son of John and Barb Schmeling of Northville, graduated from Michigan State University with a B.A. in economics. A December 2014 wedding is planned in Grand Rapids.

Library hosting special programs next week

The Northville District Library is hosting two special programs next week. In honor of Breast Cancer Awareness month, the Library presents "Living Downstream: Film & Discussion" at 7 p.m. Monday, Oct. 27, in the library's main Carlo Meeting Room. Watch this award-winning documentary which follows cancer survivor Sandra Steingraber to some of the most beautiful places in North America to bring attention to toxic chemicals in our environment.

Learn how the toxic chemicals migrate and how they enter our bodies and once inside, may contribute to cancer formation. Maria Lyzen, president of the Michigan Breast Cancer Coalition, leads a follow-up

discussion. The library will present "Healing Pets & Saving Vets" at 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 30, in the main meeting room. Pets for Vets assists returning soldiers by pairing them with a specially trained shelter animal who offers emotional support as these men and women transition back to civilian life. Laurie Carr, director of the East Michigan Chapter of Pets for Vets, will discuss her organization and introduce visitors to a military veteran and his furry companion. Register online on the Northville District Library website (www.northvillelibrary.org) by clicking on the events calendar. For more information, call the library at 248-349-3020.

Book browsing



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Northville District Library volunteer Georgina Schimpf helps out Oct. 17 in the Book Cellar, located in the basement of the library. It is open from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday, 1:30-4 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and 6:30-8:30 p.m. Monday. It consists of a wide variety of gently used books, with hardcovers going for only one dollar. All proceeds benefit the Friends of the Library, too.

CITY OF NOVI
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, November 12, 2014 at 7:00 P.M. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider **OBERLIN JSP 14-42, FOR OPEN SPACE PRESERVATION OPTION, PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN, WETLAND PERMIT, WOODLAND PERMIT AND STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN APPROVAL.** The subject property totals 29.9 acres and is located on the south side of Eleven Mile Road, west of Beck Road in Section 20. The applicant is proposing 72 single-family detached homes with associated infrastructure. Plans are available for review at the Community Development Department in the Novi Civic Center.

LOCATION MAP

All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments may be heard at the hearing and any written comments may be made to the Community Development Department, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 during the City's regular business hours, Monday thru Friday, from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M., and must be received by 4:00 P.M., Wednesday, November 12, 2014.

Novi Planning Commission
Michael Lynch, Secretary
Published October 23, 2014

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ELECTION NOTICE
CITY OF NORTHVILLE RESIDENTS

To the qualified electors, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a General Election will be held in the City of Northville, Counties of Oakland and Wayne, on Tuesday, November 4, 2014. The election will be conducted in all polling places in the City of Northville for the purpose of electing candidates of all participating parties for the following offices:

STATE	Governor and Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Attorney General
CONGRESSIONAL	United States Senator, Representative in Congress
LEGISLATIVE	State Senator, Representative in State Legislature
STATE BOARDS	Member of the State Board of Education, Regent of the University of Michigan, Trustee of Michigan State University, Governor of Wayne State University
COUNTY	<u>Oakland County Only:</u> County Commissioner <u>Wayne County Only:</u> County Executive, County Commissioner
JUDICIAL	Justice of the Supreme Court, Judge of Court of Appeals, Judge of Circuit Court, Judge of Probate Court, Judge of District Court
COMM COLLEGE	Board of Trustees Member
LOCAL SCHOOL	Board Member
DISTRICT LIBRARY	Board Member

and for the purpose of voting on the following proposal(s):

STATE: Proposal 14-1 A Referendum of Public Act 520 of 2012, Establishing an Open Season for Wolves and Authorizing Annual Wolf Hunting Seasons
Proposal 14-2 A Referendum of Public Act 21 of 2013, Granting the Natural Resources Commission the Power to Designate Wolves and Other Animals as Game Without Legislative Action

COUNTY: Wayne County Only: The Wayne County Retirement Commission

DISTRICT LIBRARY: Library Services Millage Renewal Request

Full text of the proposals may be obtained by contacting the City Clerk, City of Northville, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, telephone (248) 349-1300, or on the Sample Ballot posted on the City's website at www.ci.northville.mi.us (go to Services / City Clerk / Elections / Ballots).

OAKLAND COUNTY TREASURER'S STATEMENT AS REQUIRED BY ACT NO. 62 OF THE PUBLIC ACTS OF 1933 AS AMENDED

I, Andrew E. Meisner, County Treasurer of the County of Oakland, State of Michigan, do hereby certify that according to the records in my office, as of September 19, 2014, the total of all voted increases in the tax rate limitation above the 18 mills established by Section 6 of Article IX of the Michigan Constitution of 1963 affecting taxable property in the City of Northville, in said County, is as follows:

Local Unit	Voted increase	Years Increase Effective
City of Northville	1.00	Unlimited
	1.00	Unlimited
	1.92	Unlimited
	0.1	2008-2017
	.2415	2012 - 2021
Northville Public Schools	.2	2011 - 2015 Incl.
	1.0	2011 - 2015 Incl.
	20.91	2012 - 2021 Incl.
County of Oakland	.2415	2012 to 2021 Incl.
	1.0	2014 to 2017
Schoolcraft Community College	.50	Unlimited
Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency	1.8782	Unlimited

Wayne County Treasurers Statement as required by Act 278 of Public Acts of 1964 Amending the Property Tax Limitation Act

I, Raymond, J. Wojtowicz, Treasurer of Wayne County, Michigan, do hereby certify that, as of September 18, 2014, the total of all voted increases in excess of the tax rate limitation established by Section 6, Article IX of the Constitution of the State of Michigan, as amended, and the years such increases are effective on property in the County of Wayne are as follows:

Taxing Authorities	Date of Election	Voted Increases	Years Increase Effective
County of Wayne	November 3, 2009	1 mill	2019
Wayne County Jail	August 7, 2012	1 mill	2021
Wayne County Parks	November 2, 2010	0.25 mills	2015
Northville Public Schools	November 2011	18.00 mills	2021 (non-homestead only)
	May 2011	1 mill	2015

CITY OF NORTHVILLE POLLING LOCATIONS

Precinct 1	Wayne County	Northville Community Center, 303 W. Main St.
Precinct 2	Oakland County	Amerman Elementary School, 847 N. Center St.

The polls will open at 7:00 A.M. and remain open until 8:00 P.M. Polling places are handicapped accessible and each precinct is equipped with Braille and audio voting instructions and ADA compliant voting equipment.

The City Clerk's Office, located in the City of Northville Municipal Building, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 1, 2014 for the purpose of obtaining absentee ballots and receiving absentee ballot applications for ballots to be mailed. On Monday, November 3, 2014, until 4:00 p.m., qualified electors requesting an absentee ballot must appear in person and vote the ballot at the City Clerk's office. Absentee ballot applications are available at the City Clerk's office, on the City's website at www.ci.northville.mi.us, or by calling 248-449-9914.

DIANNE MASSA, CITY CLERK

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Notice is hereby given that on Saturday, Oct. 25th at 10:00 am the following will be sold by competitive bidding at Estate Storage, 21650 Novi Rd., Novi, MI 48375. Units may or may not include the following: Household items, recreational items and or misc. goods.

- Unit 401 Faye Jackson,
- Unit 402 Nicole Harrison
- Unit 543 Rajion Lamar
- Unit 630 Patrick Converse
- Unit 240 Valerie Cloud
- Unit 157 Anthony Harbin
- Unit 552 Phyllis Henry
- Unit 219 Jennifer Childers
- Unit 067 Devon Facility Management
- Unit 570 John Widmer

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CITY OF NORTHVILLE
PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST

Notice is hereby given that the City of Northville Election Commission will meet on October 30, 2014 at 8:00 a.m. at the City of Northville Municipal Building, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, 248-349-1300, to conduct business related the November 4, 2014 General Election.

The Public Accuracy Test for the November 4, 2014 General Election will be conducted as part of this meeting. The public accuracy test is conducted to demonstrate that the computer program used to record and count the votes cast at the election meets the requirements of Election law.

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Library, Fox Run team up and present authors

The Novi Public Library, Fox Run Resident Life Department and Fox Run Y.O.U. (Your Own University) have partnered to bring people together to talk about books and hear from the authors who created them from noon to 2:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 27.

For \$18, the community will hear the Sandra Novacek share the memoir of her husband Charles Novacek in *Border Crossings*; learn about Dr. John Finley's experience serving as the Detroit Red Wings team physician from 1957 to 2003 in *Hockeytown Doc*; hear stories from sports columnist Bob Duff in *Original Six Dynasties: The Detroit Red Wings*; and enjoy the love story *Nothing But a Smile* by Steve Amick.

The event will be located in Fox Run's Belmont Clubhouse (41200 Fox Run Road). To reserve a spot, contact the Novi Library Administration Office at 248-869-7204. Seating is limited to 200 attendees; book selling and signing will be available. Tickets are selling fast and carpooling is encouraged due to limited parking.

This program is made possible by the Friends of the Novi Public Library.

Rotary presents McQuade

Barbara McQuade, United States attorney for the Eastern District of Michigan, will speak to the Rotary Club of Novi at noon Thursday, Oct. 30, at the United Methodist Church, 41671 W. 10 Mile Rd. Public is invited. Cost of lunch is \$12; RSVP by calling 248-349-2652.

McQuade was appointed by President Barack Obama in January 2010. She was an assistant U.S. attorney in Detroit for 12 years. She served as deputy chief of the

National Security Unit, where she prosecuted cases involving terrorism financing, foreign agents, export violations and threats. During her career as a federal prosecutor, McQuade has also prosecuted cases involving violent crime, fraud and racketeering.

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, Nov. 1, 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 www.cityofnovi.org and at the Novi Police Department. Completed registration forms and the \$150 course fee (cash or money order), may be returned to the Novi 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 and do not have to be a Novi resident to attend.

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

Addicted to Movies ... Not Drugs

The Novi Youth Council is partnering with the Novi Fire and Police Departments and Imagine Theater to present the annual Addicted to

Movies ... Not Drugs event from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. Monday, Nov. 3.

Hosted by Imagine Theater, located at Twelve Mile Crossing at Fountain Walk, this event offers Novi students in seventh through 12th grades access to all the food, soft drinks, pizza and movies they can handle. Members of the Novi Youth Council, Novi Fire and Police Departments and Imagine Theater will be on hand to supervise the event. Proceeds will go towards local anti-drug initiatives.

The purpose of the event is to provide an opportunity for students to engage in fun activities. The students are reminded of the reasons to choose not to use drugs and alcohol throughout the evening.

The permission slip is available online at www.cityofnovi.org and payment may be made at the city of Novi Treasurer's Department, located at the Novi Civic Center (45175 10 Mile). Tickets are \$10 per student.

Art classes for older adults

City of Novi Older Adult Services invites those 50 years and above to socialize, relieve stress and lift moods by taking part in the upcoming Color Your World art class series. The classes are led by volunteer Novi High School art students who want to share their love for art. No previous experience is necessary. Pre-registration is required and can be completed online at www.cityofnovi.org, at the Novi Civic Center (45175 10 Mile) or Meadowbrook Activity Center (25075 Meadowbrook Road).

Classes are held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. each Saturday at the Meadowbrook Activity Center. There is no cost to register, but a \$3 supply fee will be due to the instructors at each class. The schedule includes: Saturday, Nov. 15: colored pencils; learn

Supporting Gleaners



During the first-ever Lingenfelter Cars & Coffee Series, car enthusiasts came each Saturday to show off their cars and support Gleaners Community Food Bank. More than \$6,000 and 612 pounds of food was donated during the weekly events at Lingenfelter North Engine Build Facility in Wixom. The donation will allow Gleaners to serve 18,704 meals to those in need in Livingston County and the tri-county area. From May 3 to Sept. 20, the public was invited to stop by with their cars, learn about the latest and greatest in performance automobiles from Lingenfelter Performance Engineering and view other special cars from car enthusiasts. Tim Horton's Cafe & Bake Shop donated coffee and pastries each week for guests to enjoy. Although there was no fee to participate in the weekly events, guests were encouraged to make monetary donations or bring nonperishable food items to be donated to Gleaners Community Food Bank – and they did. The morning events drew an average of 200 visitors per week. A visitor to one of the Coffee Series events helps boost the total amount of food donated to Gleaners.

shading techniques and blending techniques

Saturday, Dec. 13: oil pastels; learn color-blending techniques

For more information, call 248-347-0414.

NORTHVILLE

'Halloween Soup' at the Marquis

The Northville Marquis Theatre will present *Halloween Soup* live on stage during the month of October. The Halloween-themed show is appropriate for children aged 3 and over, and is not scary.

Showtimes are 7 p.m., Friday, Oct. 24; 11 a.m., Saturday, Oct. 25; 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 25; and 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 26.

Tickets for all performances are \$9 each.

Group rates and reserved seating for groups of 20 or more. Birthday parties and Scout Days available.

For more information call the Marquis Theatre at 248-349-8110 or visit www.northvillemarquistheatre.com or facebook.com/MarquisTheatreNorthvilleMi.

Blues @ The Elks

Plymouth-Ann Arbor Elks Lodge No. 325 in Plymouth will present Blues @ The Elks the second Tuesday of each month in partnership with the Detroit Blues Society and Jazz @ The Elks the last Tuesday of each month. The Lodge is located at 41700 Ann Arbor Road, in Plymouth Township. The events run 7-10 p.m.

Jazz @ The Elks is a \$10 donation at the door, which includes hors

d'oeuvres. On Oct. 28, Barbara Ware with the Cliff Monear Trio will perform.

For more information call 734-453-1780 or visit www.plymouthelks1780.com.

Crafters/vendors wanted

The seventh annual Bizarre Bazaar will take place Saturday, Nov. 8, at the First United Methodist Church of Northville. Organizers are looking for crafters, vendors, and entrepreneurs to participate. This event could allow your business to grow and also help women in third world countries start a business with a micro-loan from a Village Bank.

For details and to reserve your space, email fumcbaazaar@gmail.com or find the event on Facebook.

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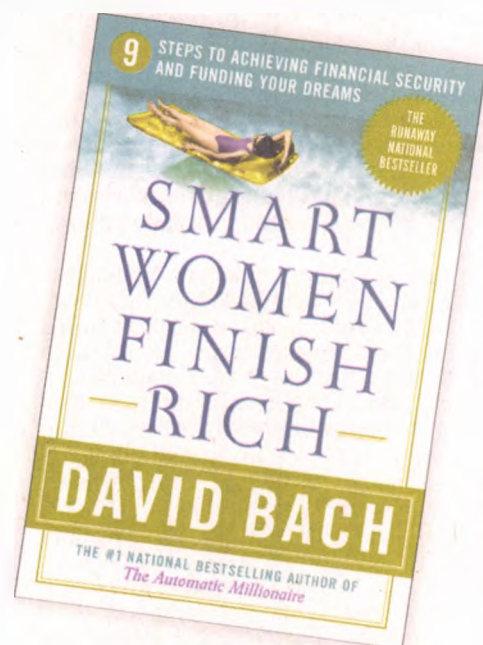
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OUR VIEW

Crawfords best to represent at state and county levels

Some are calling it political musical chairs – Hugh and Kathy Crawford attempting to swap their state House 38th District and Oakland County Commission 9th District seats, respectively – and others call it (either negatively or positively) a political dynasty.

They say it's time for the Republican husband-and-wife duo, both age 72, to call it quits and let others step in and represent their constituents in Lansing and Pontiac.

We don't see their age as a detriment, nor do we think their long-standing political careers have worn out their welcome. In fact, the opposite is true.

Who would better represent this area than two people who both grew up here and have spent their entire lives in Novi? They know more about this area than perhaps any candidate running for either of these seats in recent memory. They have both spent a great deal of their adult lives serving and representing this community in a mind-boggling and exhaustive list of positions, both in official capacities and as volunteers.

Let's start with Kathy Crawford: Novi Historical Commission; Michigan State Fair Steering Committee; Area Agency for the Aging; Human Service Agency; American Business Women's Association; Novi Pavilion Shores Conservancy; and Novi Library Friends. And that's just her current community involvement.

A few of her honors include Governor Milliken Award; State Minuteman Award; Innovative Programming Award from Michigan Rec and Parks; Business and Professional Women of the Year Award; Paul Harris Fellow Award from Rotary; city of Novi Walk of Fame honoree; and Novi's Outstanding Citizen and Distinguished Service awards.

One doesn't accrue a resume like that by being a follower; Kathy Crawford is a leader. She's been an Oakland County commissioner since 2010 and prior to that served on the Novi City Council for three years. Perhaps even more impressive is her 30-plus years in the public service field of aging for Oakland County.

She will get results in our state's capital and will continue the fiscally conservative philosophy that has been part of this state's turnaround. Kathy has cited additional investment in education has one of her top priorities – and we fully expect her to fulfill that priority if elected. We trust she will stick to her conservative values, but will also embrace bipartisan efforts to truly solve problems.

We applaud Jasper Catanzaro, the Democratic candidate, and sincerely hope he continues to seek an avenue for public service, perhaps starting at the city council or county level. But it's **Kathy Crawford** who we feel best deserves your vote Nov. 4.

Her husband's credentials are equally impressive. In fact, Hugh Crawford held the 9th District seat on the county commission for eight years before serving as our state representative for six years. And prior to those stints, he sat on Novi City Council for 15 years and the Novi Parks and Recreation Commission for 10 years.

One almost has to wonder how this couple, who have been married for 50 years, even found time to raise three children (now in their 40s), but they did and quite well, too.

Hugh is term-limited and can't seek re-election to the state House, but there's no reason he shouldn't still be involved in serving this area. Coming back to the county commission is a perfect seat.

Oakland County, under the leadership of L. Brooks Patterson, has become one of the most impressive counties anywhere in this country. It has a AAA bond rating from Standard & Poor's and Moody's and fiscally conservative commissioners like Hugh Crawford will help ensure and maintain that rating.

One area that the county needs to focus on is mental health and Hugh acknowledges that funding needs to be directed there, as well as toward improving our roads. We expect his considerable experience in budgeting will prove invaluable.

As with Catanzaro, Democratic candidate Colleen Crossey is to be commended for her willingness to be a public servant, but her challenger's experience and local roots are far too vast to overcome. **Hugh Crawford** deserves your vote Nov. 4.

The state House 38th District includes the townships of Lyon and Novi and the cities of Novi, South Lyon, Walled Lake and (a portion of) Northville. This is a two-year seat.

The county board 9th District include the cities of Novi, Northville (Oakland County portion) and the township of Novi. This is also a two-year seat.

COMMUNITY VOICE

Do you worry about Ebola coming to the Northville/Novi communities?

This question was asked at the Novi Civic Center.



"I am because it can spread like wildfire."
Marie Caruso
Novi



"I don't worry so much."
Virginia Suenkonis
Novi



"It's a concern, but I have faith in the CDC to deal with it properly."
Dennis Suenkonis
Novi



"I really do worry about it."
Susan Davis
Northville

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Judges aren't 'ours' or 'theirs'

Our Judge? That's an interesting election slogan for the 52-1 District Court race. The incumbent, Brian MacKenzie, labels himself as Our Judge. It is an interesting choice of adjectives for a jurist.

Imagine a football game that features Our Referee. A baseball game with Our Home Plate Umpire provides certain advantages. For some, winning in such an environment is enjoyable, for a while. With integrity in the system bypassed, the outcome loses validity. One also starts to realize it is not very fair on Their Side.

According to the dictionary, "our" indicates "belonging to us, as in a possessor or agent." In a courtroom, the attorneys for each side are supposed to be the agents for the opposing sides. The judge represents neither side and is supposed to be impartial. That's the basic rule of our justice system. Simply put, the judge should not be described as ours or theirs and parties are innocent until proven guilty.

Most news organizations in the area identify the fair, impartial candidate as Travis Reeds. In November, remember that Travis Reeds doesn't belong to anyone. That's what we need in a judge. He isn't ours or theirs.

Brian Bartlett
Novi

Yes to Catanzaro

Since Rick Snyder has been our governor, pensions are now taxed and homestead property tax credits have been reduced. The \$600 child tax credit and the tax credit for seniors over 65 have been taken away, along with many other deductions like college tuition and contributions to charities. Even the money people that lost their jobs receive is now taxed (unemployment insurance) – you know, the funds they collect to hold them over while they look for a new job and help keep people like David Trott from throwing them out of their home.

But Rick did not do all this alone; he had help from the Republicans in the Legislature, like Rep. Hugh Crawford. Hugh now wants his wife Kathy to take over and has already said he will be voting after the election for more tax increases. So there is no reason to expect any difference from Kathy.

All of this should put an end to the myth that the Republicans want lower taxes and that the Democrats will raise your taxes. That is why I will be voting for Jasper Catanzaro for state representative in the 38th District. I don't want to leave Michigan and since Snyder already taxed my husband's pension, I'm afraid another tax increase would be more than we can handle.

Carleen Tindall
Novi

Supports Catanzaro

I would like to share this story with your readers that hopefully they will find interesting.

Ford Motor Co. decided to outsource one of the major products produced at the Rawsonville Michigan plant in the early 2000s. Vice presidents from Ford manufacturing and from the UAW came out to address the nearly 400 people, both salary and hourly, who would be impacted by this decision. Together they allowed Rawsonville to try to save these jobs if together we could get the price of the products below a threshold that was agreed upon. It required taking almost 40 percent out of the cost to produce these parts.

Ford Motor Co. and the UAW introduced Jasper Catanzaro as

the liaison in charge of this task and assigned him to work full-time for the next several months to try to do the impossible. Within days of his assignment, he formed individual focus groups with engineering, hourly, skilled workers and all levels of management. He coordinated and led many of the focus groups himself and in many cases he worked both days and afternoons to listen to the input of the people.

Some of the suggestions included efficiencies, material changes, process improvements, plant layout and multiple shift patterns. Suppliers were warned if we lost this product, they would also lose. Nothing was left off the table and the so-called "thinking-out-of-the-box" theory was applied.

Within a few weeks, costs were being reduced. Mathematical errors that had not been noticed were applied to the cost savings. To make a complicated story simple, Rawsonville was able to save the jobs of more than 400 people and saved Ford Motor Co. nearly \$600 million over a 10-year period.

None of this would have happened without Jasper's intervention and leadership. He got the UAW and Ford management to buy into all the processes and cost saving ideas needed to pull this off. While there were many arguments and spirited discussions, Jasper kept us all focused on the goal of keeping people employed and providing a cost savings to Ford. The Rawsonville plant today is still a viable Ford facility and we owe it to Jasper Catanzaro.

Joel Goddard
plant chairman,
Rawsonville Ford Plant

Time for a change

Karen B. Zyczynski's letter in your Sept. 25 edition is a gutsy questioning of the records and motivations of two famous politicians in our town, Hugh and Kathy Crawford.

The couple has served so long and done so much work, we just accept them out of hand. In fact, with a popular name like Crawford, it's almost a sure ticket to win on the ballot. But that's not a good reason to decide who to vote for.

Ms. Zyczynski has some valid points to question Kathy's statement that "she (Kathy) wants to continue Hugh's great record..."

Ms. Zyczynski says that during Hugh's time in Lansing, "Hugh supported a \$470 per pupil tax cut in the foundation allowance school districts receive from the state, which totaled \$1 billion and allowed the state to give a huge tax break to business."

Maybe it's time we should look closely at records and not vote by familiar names. If the record shows action we are not comfortable with, it's time for the old guard to move on and accept their laurels for so many years of service.

Bob Moreillon
Novi

Vote for Glubzinski

My name is Michael Miller and I have been a Novi resident for over 30 years. My two children grew up in Novi and attended Novi Schools K-12. I am writing you this note in advance of the school board elections.

As a local citizen, I believe that who serves on our school board is of utmost importance. I have known Ann Glubzinski for 40 years and I cannot think of anyone I know with the character, integrity, values and experience to serve our community on the school board. Today's world is full of fiscal challenges and our school board has not and will not be immune. We need leaders

that will lead with fiscal responsibility today while protecting the financial foundation that keeps the school district strong tomorrow. This will require tough choices that will not be popular with all of our citizens.

We need experienced leadership that will make difficult decisions for the benefit of students. Character matters and I believe that Ann Glubzinski has proven she cares deeply. She has invested countless hours in developing her own skills and her resume reveals how qualified and capable she is. I know that politics are politics, but my hope is that the people in our city will vote for Ann Glubzinski not just for what she has already done, but because she continues to have the fire to fight for the kid's in our community.

Michael Miller
Novi

Questions judge's tactic

Recently I received by mail, a piece of campaign literature from Judge Brian MacKenzie. It was a negative attack on his opponent, Travis Reeds. I'm writing this because I found it offensive from a couple of different perspectives that hopefully have interest.

To begin with, the subject matter was not only dark, but a shot against defense attorneys in general. That being said, it is my understanding that anyone accused of crime is entitled to a legal defense. And what about folks that are accused of a terrible crime and are completely innocent? Our system says we are innocent until proven guilty. Why come out with literature that is aimed at discrediting a citizens' right to a legal defense?

Secondly, this is a non-partisan position. I know that candidates use negatively to seek election. But this is not a Republican challenging a Democrat. I happen to know that Judge MacKenzie is a Democrat, by the way. And so what. It's disturbing and unbecoming of a sitting judge to use these tactics to seek re-election. Talk about biting the hand that feeds you.

Angela Breneman
Milford

O'Connor for OCC board

If you vote for Dennis Paul Francis O'Connor to serve us on the Oakland Community College Board of Trustees, you won't regret your decision. On Nov. 4, you will be asked to elect two new trustees from a large field of 11 candidates. O'Connor deserves one of those seats.

I've known Dennis for almost 15 years. He has demonstrated what Oakland County voters expect from a public servant: a hard-working, fiscally conservative person, focused on providing the best education possible for our young adults.

He also is laser-focused on making sure that our tax dollars are invested properly on student achievement, so our young adults will be properly trained and "career-ready" for 21st century jobs in a global workforce environment. O'Connor has an outstanding track-record as a strong advocate of public education on the Novi Board of Education. I want him to bring that same philosophy to OCC.

Oakland Community College needs to narrow the educational "skills" gap that hinders our state's potential for dynamic economic growth. OCC also needs to create industry-specific technical and vocational training and education programs, so our young adults will develop skills to meet the demands of Michigan employers.

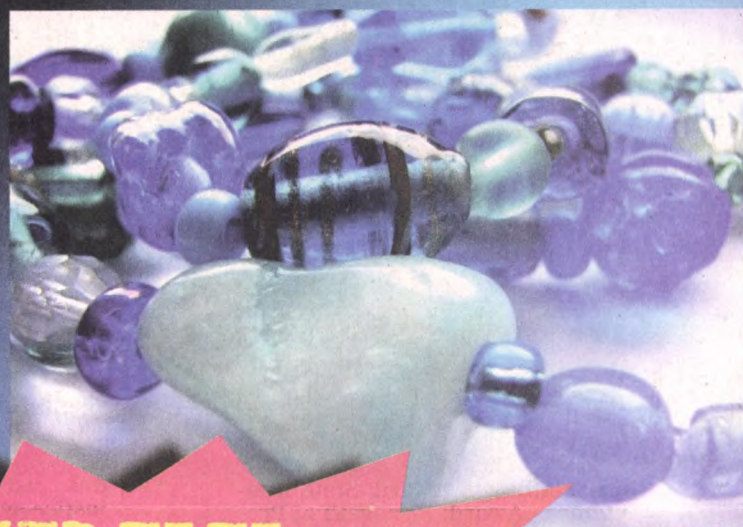
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Northville goalie stymies Shamrocks in district final

Melucci stars as Mustangs advance to Division 1 regional

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Alec Melucci might be considered a one-year rent-a-goalie.

But the Northville senior is a big reason the Mustangs survived what was termed the state's district "group of death" held at Novi's Meadows Stadium.

Melucci, a refugee from the lacrosse and hockey teams, made pair of miraculous first-half saves to propel Northville

to a 1-0 win Saturday over Novi Detroit Catholic Central in the Division 1 district final.

Junior Johnny Rodriguez's perfectly angled direct free kick coming from the left side of the box and into the upper right corner with 29:37 remaining in regulation proved to be the difference for the Mustangs (13-5-3), who played Tuesday in a regional semifinal at Westland John Glenn.

But it was Melucci's save



BRAD EMONS

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The Northville boys soccer team celebrates its Division 1 district title after beating Catholic Central, 1-0.

STATE CHAMPIONS: Novi boys tennis reigns supreme



The Novi boys tennis team celebrates its first MHSAA Division 1 state championship Saturday in Midland.

BRIAN GORDON

Wang bests Northville's Johnston at No. 1 to lead sweep in singles

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Jim Hanson got to enjoy something Saturday in Midland that he never experienced in his 45 years of coaching high school tennis.

And the same went for his Novi boys squad, which brought home the school's first-ever tennis state crown. The Wildcats earned the MHSAA Division 1 championship by scoring 31 points, while fending off challenges from runner-up Birmingham Brother Rice (23), defending state champ Ann Arbor Huron (20) and Troy (20). Northville finished seventh with 11 points.

It was only a year ago that Novi was edged by Huron for the state title, 30-29, but this time the Wildcats racked up 20 of their 31 points in singles. Senior Tim Wang (No. 1), junior Koushik Kondapi (No. 2), freshman Alex Wen (No. 3) and senior Andre Liu (No. 4)



Johnston

Wang

all came away with their respective title.

"Credit to the kids," said Hanson, who has spent the last 21 years coaching the Novi boys. "They held tough and got the job done. It looks like there might be a gap there, but believe me, it was closer than that. We took care of business and got that additional help from those other schools splitting up the points instead of one getting all of them."

The Wildcats built a three-point lead over Rice by scoring 22 on the first day of play.

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Novi girls golfers fourth at state finals

East Kentwood wins title; Northville gets 13th place

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

The Novi girls golf team put a bow on a highly successful season as they wrapped up play Saturday with a fourth-place finish in the MHSAA Lower Peninsula Division 1 state finals held at Bedford Valley Golf Course in Battle Creek.

East Kentwood, paced by individual medalist Sarah White, led from start to finish to earn the team title, carding a two-day total of 324-319-643. White shot back-to-back

scores of 73 for a 146 total, one stroke better than runner-up Jaclyn Fanola of Monroe.

Rounding out the top five teams in the 15-school field were Lake Orion, 334-319-643; Dearborn, 340-331-671; Novi, 337-338-675; and Davison, 341-341-675.

Northville, meanwhile, wound up 13th with a 367-374-741 total.

Novi, which sat in third place after Friday's opening round, was led by senior Katelyn Henry, who carded 81-80 for a 161 two-day total.

Other Novi scorers included Madison Kroetsch, 83-83-166; Maya Grandstaff, 84-88-172; and Alexa Hatz, 89-87-176. Abigail Livingston

added a 94 Friday for the Wildcats, while Claire Kalina shot 100 on Saturday.

"Great job by all," Novi coach Deb Harris said. "It's the best finish in Novi girls golf history. Everyone did their part to make this a success."

Northville's top performer was senior Katie Childers, who shot 85-85 for a 170 total.

Other Mustangs contributing included Alyse Clevenger, 92-95-187; Madison Beraman, 97-93-190; Jen Kowalczyk, 95-101-196. Allison Zwaraka and Elizabeth McGowan split days, each shooting 95.

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RUBY GRANDSTAFF

Novi's Maya Grandstaff takes aim in the Division 1 girls golf state finals at Bedford Valley in Battle Creek.

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TENNIS

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"The kids played extremely well on Friday," Hanson said. "We got seven flights to the semifinals, which is outstanding. All of our singles, along with one, two and four doubles, got to the semifinals."

Novi's No. 1 doubles team of Maxx Anderson and Daniel Yu, the top seed, also reached the finals before falling to third-seeded Jason Chen and Auston Choi of Huron, 6-1, 7-6 (7-5).

Meanwhile, the Wildcats' No. 2 team of Ryan Fernandes and Aakash Ray and the No. 4 tandem of Robert Chen and Aditya Chitta both made it to the semifinals before being ousted.

Novi's No. 3 doubles team of Sai Gotur and Abhishek Subash was unseeded, but earned the first point of the tournament with a 6-1, 6-0 over Grosse Pointe South before losing to Rice, 6-2, 6-4.

"We lost seven of our eight doubles players from last year, so we had to kind of restructure our doubles and they were the key," Hanson said. "Even though our singles each won a state championship, it was our doubles that really made big, big contribution."

Wang, the defending No. 1 singles champ headed to Columbia University, found himself in a rematch again with Northville junior Connor Johnston, who had won two of the three meetings between the pair this fall, including a victory in the regional.

After taking the first set 6-4,

Wang found himself down 4-1 in the second before rallying to force a tiebreaker at 6-6. In the 12-point tiebreaker, Wang closed it out, 7-5, to repeat as champ.

"Tim won the first set and played extremely well," Hanson said. "He fought his way back in it. It was a very emotional moment for Tim, let me tell you."

Kondapi, who was the state champ at No. 3 as a sophomore, moved up to win at No. 2 with a 6-4, 2-6, 6-3 triumph over third-seeded Chris Adams of Port Huron Northern. Kondapi, who had only one loss all season, reached the finals with a 6-3, 4-6, 6-2 semifinal victory over Hunter Li of Grand Blanc.

Wen, meanwhile, capped a perfect season in his first year with the Wildcats by posting a 7-5, 6-4 victory over Rice's Jack Winkler in a battle of top seeds. Wen's victory sewed up the team title for Novi.

"Alex played an excellent first set," Hanson said. "He was up 3-2 in the second, then he cramped up and there was a possibility wasn't going to play anymore. He was hurting big-time. He couldn't move too well, but somehow he summoned some energy down deep and pulled out a win. That was very big for us."

Liu also put an exclamation point on an unbeaten season with a 6-0, 6-2 victory over Timothy Kao of Ann Arbor Skyline at No. 4. Liu was impressive in his four straight-set victories en route to the title, losing just 12 games.

It was a dream season for the Wildcats, who captured six tournament titles, including the KLAA Association 'A' and Divi-

sion 1 regional.

"We kind of had the target on our backs ever since we were ranked No. 1 all season long and I didn't play that up with the kids at all," Hanson said. "I said we're going to play one match at a time, one tournament at time. Try to win that and do the best we can and try and correct any mistakes we were making in those matches in the tournaments."

And Hanson put together a challenging schedule during the regular season to test his talented team.

"We didn't want to get ahead of ourselves," he said. "What our season really did was allow us to position ourselves with seeds at the (state) tournament. We had everybody seeded other than three doubles. Five flights got the first seed. And Tim was seeded second behind Connor. And what that means is that if you're in that first or second seed, you don't have to play another seeded player the first day. We worked hard all season long trying to get in that position. Once we did, we had to hold our seeds. And if we held our seeds, we knew we were going to win the title. We were tested in a number of matches."

And after coming so close in 2013, Hanson could finally savor the moment. He began his tennis coaching career in 1969 at Livonia Clarenceville before moving to Novi in 1984; he has continued to lead the girls program for the past 30 years.

"We had to work for this," Hanson said humbly. "It was no cakewalk, by any means."

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BOYS TENNIS RESULTS

MHSAA DIVISION 1 BOYS TENNIS TOURNAMENT

Oct. 17-18 at Midland
TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Novi, 31 points; 2. Birmingham Brother Rice; 3. (tie) Troy and Ann Arbor Huron, 20 points; 5. Ann Arbor Pioneer, 15; 6. Rochester Adams, 12; 7. Northville, 11; 8. Bloomfield Hills, 10; 9. (tie) Grand Blanc, Troy Athens, Ann Arbor Skyline and Port Huron Northern, 9 each (23 schools).

FINAL FLIGHT RESULTS

No. 1 singles: Tim Wang (Novi) defeated Connor Johnston (Northville), 6-4, 7-6 (7-5); **semifinals:** Wang def. Ian Yi (A.A. Pioneer), 6-1, 6-3; Johnston def. Josh Mukherjee (Bloomfield Hills), 6-1, 6-3.

No. 2: Koushik Kondapi (Novi) def. Chris Adams (P.H. Northern), 6-4, 2-6, 6-3; **semifinals:** Kondapi def. Hunter Li (Grand Blanc), 6-3, 4-6, 6-2; Adams def. Steve Forman (Troy), 2-6, 6-3, 7-6 (6-4).

No. 3: Alex Wen (Novi) def. Jack Winkler (Rice), 7-5, 6-4; **semifinals:** Wen def. Josh Li (Adams), 6-1, 6-1; Winkler def. Naren Nathan (Athens), 6-2, 6-1.

No. 4: Andre Liu (Novi) def. Timothy Kao (Skyline), 6-0, 6-2; **semifinals:** Liu (Novi) def. Brad Silverman (Bloomfield Hills), 6-4, 6-3; Kao def. Ben Walters (Grand Blanc), 6-2, 6-4.

No. 1 doubles: Jason Chen-Austin Choi (A.A. Huron) def. Maxx Anderson-Daniel Yu (Novi), 6-1, 7-6 (7-5); **semifinals:** Chen-Austin Choi def. George Hamaty-Joe Paradiso (Brother Rice), 1-6, 6-4, 6-1; Anderson-Daniel Yu def. Alex Balte-Vince Thieu (Troy), 6-2, 4-6, 6-1.

No. 2: Brendan Dillon-Christian Abelarde (Brother Rice) def. Will Brenner-Orion Sang (A.A. Huron), 6-2, 6-0; **semifinals:** Dillon-Abelarde (Brother Rice) def. Nico Figueroa-Sayhaan Goroya (A.A. Pioneer), 6-0, 6-2; Brenner-Sang def. Ryan Fernandes-Aakash Ray (Novi), 6-1, 6-1.

No. 3: Alex Cardigan-Brendan Chen (A.A. Huron) def. Dan Lunghamer-Sean Abelarde (Brother Rice), 3-6, 6-2, 6-3; **semifinals:** Cardigan-Chen def. Michael Lee-Josh Lee (A.A. Pioneer), 7-6 (7-1), 6-3; Lunghamer-Abelarde def. Adi Das-Andiow Saha (Troy), 6-1, 6-0.

No. 4: Aneesh Rastogi-Brandon Guo (Troy) def. Travis Tucker-Sam Schwartz (Rice), 4-6, 6-4, 7-6 (7-3); **semifinals:** Rastogi-Guo (Troy) def. Nikhil Kaira-Grant McLean (A.A. Pioneer), 5-7, 6-3, 6-2; Tucker-Schwartz def. Robert Chen-Aditya Chitta (Novi), 2-6, 7-5, 6-1.

NOVI RESULTS

Tim Wang, No. 1 singles (champion): defeated Connor Johnston (Northville), 6-4, 7-6 (7-5); def. Ian Yi (Pioneer), 6-1, 6-3; def. Franklin Brzozovich (P.H. Northern), 6-2, 6-3; Alex Matise (Clarkston), 6-2, 6-3.

Koushik Kondapi, No. 2 (champion): def. Chris Adams (P.H. Northern), 6-4, 2-6, 6-3; def. Hunter Li (Grand Blanc), 6-3, 4-6,

6-2; def. Brian Carpenter (Skyline), 6-2, 6-0; def. Mark Vanderstoep (Holland West Ottawa), 6-0, 6-1.

Alex Wen, No. 3 (champion): def. Jack Winkler (Rice), 7-5, 6-4; def. Josh Li (Adams), 6-1, 6-1; def. Joe Miller (West Ottawa), 6-4, 6-0; def. Douglas Kubek (Grosse Pointe South), 6-1, 6-2.

Andrie Liu, No. 4 (champion): def. Timothy Kao (Skyline), 6-0, 6-2; def. Brad Silverman (Bloomfield Hills), 6-4, 6-3; def. Chris Sandler (Rochester), 6-1, 6-1; def. R.J. Fenton (Traverse City Central), 6-4, 6-3.

Max Anderson-Daniel Yu, No. 1 doubles (runner-up): lost to Jason Chen-Austin Choi (Huron), 6-1, 7-6 (7-5); def. Alex Balte-Vince Thieu (Troy), 6-2, 4-6, 6-1; def. Austin Barajas-Nick Govert (West Ottawa), 6-1, 6-0; def. Sam Lall-Trevor Schick (Grand Blanc), 6-1, 6-1.

Ryan Fernandes-Aakash Ray, No. 2 (semifinalists): lost to Will Brenner-Orion Sang (Huron), 6-1, 6-1; def. Veer Sraty-Kai McKenney (Skyline), 6-0, 3-6, 7-6 (7-5); def. Aravindh Ravithas-Pranial Gaur (Athens), 6-4, 6-1.

Sai Gotur-Abhishek Subash, No. 3: def. Ben Abud-Morgan Warner (Grosse Pointe South), 6-1, 6-0; lost to Dan Lunghamer-Sean Abelarde (Rice), 6-2, 6-4.

Robert Chen-Aditya Chitta, No. 4 (semifinalists): lost to Travis Tucker-Sam Schwartz (Rice), 2-6, 7-5, 6-1; def. Kevin Dietz-Geron Gosselin (Grosse Pointe South), 6-1, 6-3; def. Jason Jin-Ben Ding (Adams), 6-2, 6-3.

NORTHVILLE RESULTS

Connor Johnston, No. 1 singles (runner-up): lost to Tim Wang (Novi), 6-4, 7-6 (7-5); def. Josh Mukherjee (Bloomfield Hills), 6-1, 6-3; def. Michael Faber (Troy), 6-0, 6-1; def. Nicholas Ang (Rochester), 6-0, 6-1.

Oliver Daniel, No. 2: def. Grant Klarier (Grandville), 6-0, 6-0; lost to Chris Adams (P.H. Northern), 6-0, 6-0.

Andrew Schafer, No. 3: def. Evan Miller-Galov (Pioneer), 7-6 (7-4), 6-1; lost to Jack Winkler (Brother Rice), 6-2, 6-0.

Stephen Freeman, No. 4: def. Pravinth Ravithas (Athens), 6-2, 6-2; lost to Timothy Kao (Skyline), 6-2, 6-2.

Janak Mukherji-Jason Wang, No. 1 doubles: lost to Josh Hentschel-Brendan Doyle (Midland), 6-3, 1-6, 6-4.

Nick Chatas-Umais Rao, No. 2 (quarterfinalist): def. Alex Westphal-Mike Licata (Livonia Stevenson), 6-0, 6-0; lost to Nico Figueroa-Sayhaan Goroya (Pioneer), 6-0, 6-2.

Jonathan Bi-Evan Simoff, No. 3: def. Clay Wilson-Hunter Austin (P.H. Northern), 6-2, 6-2; lost to Adi Das-Andiow Saha (Troy), 6-3, 6-2.

Yannis Bi-Victor Lee, No. 4: def. Vishnu Kannan-Raymond Zhao (Skyline), 7-6 (7-5), 6-2; lost to Aneesh Rastogi-Brandon Guo (Troy), 6-3, 6-2.

GIRLS SWIMMING

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Northville motors around Salem

Northville overcame the one-two punch of sisters Lisa and Linda Zhang to earn a 100-86 KLAA Central Division dual meet girls swimming win Oct. 16 at home against Salem.

The Mustangs, who improved to 6-0 overall and 3-0 in the division, got individual first-place finishes from Kelsey Macaddino, 200 freestyle (2:00.69); Laura Westphal, 500 freestyle (5:20.28); and Nicki Pumper, 100 backstroke (1:02.77).

"I was very pleased with our team tonight," Northville coach Brian McNeff said. "Swimming-wise, Salem is our toughest competition in the conference, so I knew this would be a good meet. They have some of the best swimmers in the state on their team, so I

knew we were going to lose some races, but figured our depth would carry us."

Northville's 200 freestyle relay team of Macaddino, Natalie Filipowicz, Gillian Zayan and Westphal also took first in 1:44.68.

Meanwhile, the Rocks' Linda Zhang took the 200 individual medley (2:10.02) and 100 freestyle (54.7), while Lisa Zhang added firsts in the 50 freestyle (25.2) and 100 butterfly (58.69).

The Zhang sisters were also members of Salem's first place 200 medley relay (1:52.44) and 400 freestyle relay (3:41.25) teams.

DUAL MEET RESULTS

NORTHVILLE 100

SALEM 86

Oct. 16 at Northville
200-yard medley relay: 1. Salem (Molly Rowe, Linda Zhang, Katie Xu, Lisa Zhang), 1:52.44; 2. Northville (Nicki Pumper, Jennifer Ostrowski, Ana Barrott, Natalie Filipowicz), 2:00.25; 3. Northville Darby Mroz, Jessica Yan, Sarah Ptashnik,

Elena Pando), 2:00.59.

200 freestyle: 1. Kelsey Macaddino (N'ville), 2:00.69; 2. Patricia Freitag (Salem), 2:01.07; 3. Alissa Moore (N'ville), 2:01.76.

200 individual medley: 1. Linda Zhang (Salem), 2:10.02; 2. Laura Westphal (N'ville), 2:13.17; 3. Mroz (N'ville), 2:20.75.

50 freestyle: 1. Lisa Zhang (Salem), 25.2; 2. Pumper (N'ville), 25.98; 3. Gillian Zayan (N'ville), 26.65.

1-meter diving: 1. Camille Burt (Salem), 219.07 points; 2. Jordyn Williams (Salem), 183.75; 3. Haley Allgeyer (Salem), 143.18.

100 butterfly: 1. Lisa Zhang (Salem), 58.69; 2. Macaddino (N'ville), 58.78; 3. Xu (Salem), 1:01.88.

100 freestyle: 1. Linda Zhang (Salem), 54.77; 2. Zayan (N'ville), 56.67; 3. Filipowicz (N'ville), 58.41.

500 freestyle: 1. Westphal (N'ville), 5:20.28; 2. Moore (N'ville), 5:22.22; 3. Freitag (Salem), 5:24.04.

200 freestyle relay: 1. Northville (Macaddino, Filipowicz, Zayan, Westphal), 1:44.68; 2. Salem (Xu, Jenna Chen, Stephanie Solterman, Freitag), 1:46.01; 3. Northville (Ptashnik, Barrott, Hannah Craig, Moore), 1:46.94.

100 backstroke: 1. Pumper (N'ville), 1:02.77; 2. Molly Rowe (Salem), 1:03.93; 3. Mroz (N'ville), 1:04.13.

100 breaststroke: 1. Xu (Salem), 1:12.6; 2. Yan (N'ville), 1:15.07; 3. Craig (N'ville), 1:16.53.

400 freestyle relay: 1. Salem (Lisa Zhang, Solterman, Freitag, Linda Zhang), 3:41.25; 2. Northville (Macaddino, Zayan, Pumper, Westphal), 3:41.36; 3. Northville (Sabrina Lee, Yan, Mroz, Moore), 3:58.38.

Dual meet records: Northville, 6-0 overall, 3-0 KLAA Central Division; Salem, 1-1 KLAA Central.



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PREP FOOTBALL

Plymouth ground game does in Northville

Mustangs need win versus Grand Blanc to get playoff berth

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Fundamental football was the recipe for success Friday night for the Plymouth football team.

The Wildcats rushed for a total of 422 yards and punched their playoff ticket in the process with a resounding 42-17 win over host Northville in a battle of 5-2 teams at Tom Holzer Field.

Plymouth got game-best 241 rushing and three touchdowns on just 18 carries from junior Cameron Stella, while 6-foot, 195-pound senior Anthony Kenney added 122 yards on 16 attempts and two TDs to improve to 6-2 overall and earn its seventh playoff berth in the past eight years.

“Last week, we tried to do too much on offense,” Plymouth coach Mike Sawchuk said of a 30-20 loss to Canton. “And we tried to put too much in control of the quarterback’s hands. We made a lot of mistakes. This week, on both sides of the ball, we just went back to basics, tried to get a hat on a hat, get tough again and not try and finesse people. It paid off and it’s a good football team we just played.”

Meanwhile, the loss dropped Northville to 5-3 overall. The Mustangs now must go on the road Friday to get that playoff qualifying sixth win at 5-3 Grand Blanc.

Northville was limited to 257 total yards offense and committed two costly turnovers which led to first-half scores.

“We didn’t execute well in any aspect of the game and it’s



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
Plymouth quarterback Deji Adebisi tries to elude the pressure of Northville tackler Matt Komorous during Friday’s Kensington Conference crossover.

very disappointing outcome,” Northville coach Matt Ladach said. “They had some huge holes. They won the line of scrimmage on offense and on defense. There’s no doubt about it that we lost the battle in the trenches tonight.”

The Wildcats scored twice in the opening quarter to go up 14-0. Stella ran 29 yards for a TD with 4:29 left, followed by 4-yard keeper by quarterback Deji Adebisi to end the quarter after the Mustangs muffed a snap on a punt in their own end as Plymouth recovered the ball at the 22.

With 9:44 left in the second quarter, Stella made a high-light reel 40-yard TD run, breaking three tackles while keeping his balance on one hand on his way to the end zone

for a 21-0 advantage following Van Nguyen’s extra point. The score was set up when Hussein Youssef recovered a fumble at the Northville 40.

Although it was all Plymouth for the most part during the first half, Northville showed some life, scoring with 2:35 left in the first half on a 1-yard TD run by P.J. Schnepf to cut the deficit to 21-7.

After the Northville defense held, the Mustangs got the ball back with only 47 seconds left.

Junior quarterback Justin Zimbo completed a 38-yard pass to Terrell Cunningham down to the Plymouth 22 with only five seconds left. After a timeout, the Wildcats’ defense then jumped offside and Kevin Moody came on to boot a 34-yard field goal as time expired

to cut the deficit to 21-10 at intermission.

But the Wildcats scored with 6:08 left in the third quarter on a Stella 38-yard run to make it 28-10. And with 2:16 left in the third, upback Anthony Kenney bulled his way in from 5 yards out to increase Plymouth’s lead to 35-10.

“Cam Stella and A.K., they’re hard workers at practice,” Sawchuk said of his running back tandem. “They do everything we ask them to do. Cam is a special athlete. This was our goal, to get back into playoffs. And this group of seniors, through their freshman and JV years and last year, they’ve only won five games, so they reached their goal of winning six games.”

With 8:28 left in the game,

Zimbo scored on a 42-yard keeper up the middle as he shed three Plymouth tacklers to cut the deficit to 35-17.

But Kenney answered with another TD when in barreled in on a 9-yard run with 5:31 remaining to make it 42-17.

“Their kids played really hard. I got to give them credit,” Ladach said of the Wildcats.

Plymouth limited Schnepf to 91 yards rushing and Zimbo to 66 rushing and only 113 passing.

“Keeping it simple,” Sawchuk said. “We literally ran two defensive fronts all night, just keep it simple and not try and do too much. Sometimes that pays off.”

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PREP FOOTBALL

Shamrocks fall in Boys Bowl, 31-8

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Hopes of going to the post-season for the Novi Detroit Catholic Central football team were dashed in in Sunday’s Boys Bowl.

Sophomore running back Allen Stritzinger scored three touchdowns as visiting Warren DeLaSalle spoiled CC’s homecoming and knocked the Shamrocks out of the playoff picture, 31-8.

The loss drops CC, the MHSAA Division 1 runner-up three of the past four years, to 3-5 overall and 1-3 in the Catholic League’s Central Division.

DeLaSalle (5-3, 2-2), which kept its playoff hopes afloat, jumped out to 10-0 advantage on a 28-yard field by by Jake Townsley in the first quarter with 8:38 left, followed by Stritzinger’s 4-yard touchdown run with 1:38 remaining.

CC, meanwhile, missed a field-goal attempt just before the half.

With 8:29 remaining the third quarter, DeLaSalle quarterback Joey Garabino scored on a 1-yard sneak. Stritzinger followed with a 5-yard TD run with 3:39 remaining in the same quarter put DeLaSalle on automatic Pilot, 24-0.

Stritzinger, who rushed for a game-high 135 yards on 18 carries, scored again with only 1:47 to go in the game on a 71-yard TD run.

The Shamrocks got on the board with only 20 seconds left to avert the shutout as Nicholas Cococcetta caught a 23-



DENNIS BARNES
Catholic Central’s Alexander Bock (12) makes the grab in front of DeLaSalle’s Josh Wilk in Sunday’s Boys Bowl.

yard TD pass from Joe Fanning. CC added the two-point conversion on a pass from Fanning to Ike Marchie.

DeLaSalle finished with 291 total yards as Garbarino was 8-of-11 passing for 100 yards.

CC was limited 191 total yards, including just 40 on the ground. Fanning, who came on for starter Jarod Luomala after he was injured in the second quarter, was 11-of-17 passing for 171 yards.

Marchie was the Shamrocks’ leading receiver, with five catches for 66 yards. CC was picked off twice.

Defensively, linebacker

Jordan Jenkins paced the Shamrocks with one solo and nine assisted tackles. Chyle Johnson recovered a second-quarter DeLaSalle fumble to go along with five solo and three assists. Alexander Bock added four solo tackles and four assists.

CC, which last missed the playoffs in 2012, has a total of 24 state playoff appearances under coach Tom Mach since the MHSAA began its postseason playoff format in 1975. To guarantee a spot in the playoffs, teams must have at least six regular season victories.

PREP FOOTBALL

Rockets rush to 44-32 victory against Novi

Jackson goes for 358 all-purpose yards in defeat

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

Westland John Glenn’s Rockets didn’t need to go to the air, they just kept it on the ground.

Glenn ran the ball a ton Friday night and it resulted in 430 yards rushing as the Rockets overcame a 20-16 halftime deficit to earn a 44-32 Kensington Conference crossover victory over host Novi.

The Rockets, who improved to 5-3 overall, can clinch a playoff berth this week with a win at Southfield-Lathrup.

And despite a game-best 240 yards rushing and three touchdowns from junior Emanuel Jackson, the loss dropped Novi to 3-5 overall.

The Rockets racked up 59 rushing attempts as Glenn senior Jamie Melchor led the way with 142 yards on 23 carries and five touchdowns.

Melchor scored on TD runs of 16, 5, 7, 3 and 1 yard, while Jaylen Smith added 124 yards on 17 attempts, including a 64-yard TD run just a minute into the third quarter to give the Rockets the lead for keeps, 23-20.

L.J. Crawford also added 88 yards on 13 carries, while Andre Brown chipped in with 62 yards on only three attempts.

“The main deal is that they made us miss tackles,” Novi coach Jeff Burnside said. “The other thing is that they got in the open field a couple of times. They got good backs and they just kept pounding us. They have a big offensive line and they just kept pounding, pounding, pounding. We got worn out a little bit. The kids played their hearts out, though. They played hard, real hard.”

Glenn took a 3-0 lead on Race Loving’s 29-yard field goal with 4:17 in the first quarter, but Jackson responded with a 49-yard TD run just 1:15 later to cap a six-play, 66-yard drive to make it 6-3. After Glenn jumped offside on the extra point, the Wildcats elected to go for the two-pointer, but Jackson was stopped.

With 9:53 to go in the second quarter, Devontez Jones caught a 25-yard TD pass from sophomore quarterback Alec Bageris and Kent Maidens’ PAT made it 13-3.

Melchor countered with a 16-yard TD, while Jackson answered with a 37-yard TD run of his own to put Novi up 20-10.

Glenn, however, marched 75 yards on 10 plays in just 4:44 to cut the deficit to 20-16 at intermission on Melchor’s 5-yard TD run. Jones blocked Loving’s PAT attempt.

The Rockets then outscored Novi 21-6 in the third quarter as Melchor ran for a pair of TDs, while Smith added another for a 37-26 lead. Jackson countered with an 80-yard TD run for the Wildcats.

With only 2:39 remaining in the game, Melchor capped a 10-play, 64-yard TD drive with a 1-yard TD run for a 44-26 Glenn advantage.

Jackson then took the ensuing kickoff 94 yards for a score to give himself 358 all-purpose yards on the night.

“They have shifty backs and they try and make you miss,” Burnside said of the Rockets. “It’s a lot like trying to tackle Emanuel (Jackson). He’s the same way. He’s a good player and they had a couple of guys close to his caliber. We just missed too many tackles tonight.”

Defensively, Glenn’s Andrew Wicker had 10 tackles, including six solo.

Tyler Cehelnik paced Novi with nine solo and three assists. Patrick Wojtylo, who broke a team record with 24 in a 45-14 loss to Northville the previous week, added nine total tackles to raise his season total to 76.

Novi winds up its season Friday at home against Howell, which has won three straight following a 28-21 win last week over Waterford Mott.

“They’re kind of a Jekyll-and-Hyde type team,” Burnside said of the Highlanders (4-4). “They’ve had some interesting losses. They lost to Glenn 35-14, but then they beat Hartland (28-21), which up to that point was their only loss. Then they upset Brighton (34-10). They’re probably a lot like us.”

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PREP VOLLEYBALL

Mustangs’ attack too much for Stevenson

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Livonia Stevenson’s volleyball team unleashed flashes of quick-strike brilliance Oct. 14 against visiting Northville, but the Mustangs countered with three sets of sustained thunder.

In a KLAA Central Division match that marked senior night at Stevenson, the Mustangs repelled several dangerous Spartans runs to rack up a 25-20, 25-17, 25-16 victory.

The triumph improved Northville’s division record to 5-5 and 18-11-1 overall, while Stevenson slipped to 1-8.

The opening set typified the match – and perhaps the season so far – for Stevenson as it bounced back from an early 8-2 deficit to seize a somewhat-comfortable 17-12 lead.

However, the taller, more-experienced Mustangs closed out the set with a 13-3 streak, powered mostly by sophomore kill artist Emily Martin.

Although pleased with the road victory, Northville coach Amanda Yaklin would like to see a little more mid-set intensity from her team.

“It’s easy to get pumped up when you have 24 points and you’re down two sets, but I tell

the girls that it’s more important how hard you play in the middle than at the end,” she said. “We’re looking for that consistency all the way through the match.”

Novi devours Lions

On Oct. 14, KLAA Central Division champion Novi completed a 10-0 season with a 25-20, 25-16, 25-20 victory at South Lyon.

The Wildcats, who improved to 34-4-1 overall, were scheduled to face KLAA South champion Canton (17-4-1, 9-1) in the Kensington Conference first-place crossover Tuesday.

BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

Mustangs run to fifth straight Kensington Conference crown

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

The outcome may have been a little too close for comfort as far as Northville boys cross country coach Chris Cronin was concerned. But the Mustangs still managed to capture their fifth consecutive KLAA Kensington Conference title by a comfortable 24-point margin over rival Novi, 49-73, in a meet held at Huron Meadows Metropark in Brighton.

In the 12-school field, Canton placed third with 123 points, while Salem finished fourth thanks to the first-place showing of junior Chaz Jeffress, who tied the Rocks' school record with a time of 15 minutes, 37 seconds (5,000 meters).

Northville, meanwhile, got a runner-up finish from junior Conor Naughton (15:50). Senior teammates Nick Noles (15:58) and Jason Ferrante (16:14) took seventh and eight, respectively.

"We knew Novi had some talented runners after racing them a week ago Tuesday," Cronin said. "And (coach) Bob (Smith) always peaks his guys perfectly, so we weren't surprised today. I thought we looked a little flat coming off basically 10 days of not racing because the guys had been accustomed to racing every seven days."

The Mustangs' other two scorers included sophomore Ben Cracraft (10th, 16:41) and junior Kenny Goolsby (18th, 16:45).

"For the most part, I thought we ran a pretty smart race," Cronin said. "Our top three stayed together and Conor (Naughton) broke out at the end. Nick (Noles) and Ja-



Novi's Joost Plaetincq (left), Franklin's Tony Floyd (middle) and Northville's Conor Naughton jockey for position in Thursday's Kensington Conference meet.

son (Ferrante) maybe didn't finish as high, but were still first team all-conference."

Junior Joost Plaetincq paced Novi with a third-place finish in 15:50, followed by senior Sahisnu Malapati, 12th (16:36); sophomore Scott Mac-

erson, 14th (16:40); and sophomore John Landy, 15th (16:40).

"I think our sights are narrowing in on the regionals, this is a good tune-up for that," Novi coach Bob Smith said. "That's how we approach this race, was a tune-up.

"I was pleasantly surprised with our depth today. Joost always ran outstanding, so it kind of spread our pack time out a bit. But our two through six guys were real close together and that's been the hallmark of our team this year. So that was a pleasant surprise. Sometimes things go bad in a big meet, but we held it together nice."

Although six runners broke 16 minutes, including Livonia Franklin's Tony Floyd (15:51) and Plymouth's Matthew Pahl (15:58), times were somewhat slower overall on the Huron Meadows course.

"It wasn't as fast as I thought it might be today," Smith said. "I think it was because of all the rain we had, so it's a little bit spongy. But yeah, it's pretty fast."

One runner who wasn't fazed by the conditions was Jeffress, a converted wide receiver and safety who juggled two sports during his freshman and sophomore seasons.

As a freshman, Jeffress finished 85th in the Division 1 state finals (16:22.5), but didn't qualify as a sophomore. He won by 13 seconds over Naughton, while equaling Nick Allen's school record of 15:37 set in 1998.

"I wasn't trying to lead the first mile, I just wanted to keep it easy and then pick it up around the third mile and see what I could do," Jeffress said. "Northville, Novi, some of my own teammates ... it's good competition for you."

The Division 1 boys regional will start at 11:30 a.m. Saturday at Willow Metropark in New Boston.

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KLAA CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS

KENSINGTON CONFERENCE CROSS COUNTRY MEET
Oct. 16 at Huron Meadows
BOYS TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Northville, 49 points; 2. Novi, 73; 3. Canton, 123; 4. Salem, 133; 5. Wayne Memorial, 136; 6. Plymouth, 142; 7. Livonia Stevenson, 150; 8. Livonia Franklin, 165; 165; 9. Livonia Churchill, 210; 10. South Lyon, 266; 11. South Lyon East, 296; 12. Westland John Glenn, 348.

Individual winner: Chaz Jeffress (Salem), 15 minutes, 37 seconds (5,000 meters).

TEAM SCORING
Northville (49): 2. Conor Naughton, 15:50; 6. Nick Noles, 15:58; 7. Jason Ferrante, 16:14; 16. Ben Cracraft, 16:41; 18. Kenny Goolsby, 16:45; 22. Sam Kremke, 17:01; 23. Sean Flanagan, 17:02.

Novi (73): 3. Joost Plaetincq, 15:50; 12. Sahisnu Malapati, 16:36; 14. Scott McPherson, 16:37; 15. John Landy, 16:40; 29. Cameron Misko, 17:07; 30. Aric Landy, 17:09; 59. Collin Thomas, 18:14.

Canton (123): 19. Billy Toth, 16:52; 20. Mike Roberts, 16:55; 25. Zac Clark, 17:05; 28. Ammar Chishti, 17:07; 31. Shane Andrews, 17:10; 38. Nick Socha, 17:23; 53. Sean Carey, 17:59.

Salem (133): 1. Chaz Jeffress, 17:37; 17. Noah Engen, 16:41; 35. Nabil Ahmed, 17:17; 39. Jacob Kubinski, 17:29; 41. Jason Rogers, 17:30; 43. Griffin Skaff, 17:35; 65. Ethan Sanfilippo, 18:26.

Wayne (136): 8. Devin Gibson, 16:20; 9. Malik Jordan, 16:22; 32. Uriel Figueroa, 17:13; 36. Michael Gibson, 17:17; 51. Jamie Carranz, 17:55; 75. John Gatton, 18:58; 80. Matthew Fischer, 19:54.

Plymouth (142): 5. Matthew Pahl, 15:56; 21. Ethan Byrnes, 16:56; 24. Jonny Dalton, 17:03; 26. Matt Dottavio, 17:05; 66. Joey Maciag, 18:28; 70. Alex Zolowski, 18:39; 71. Nick Schweikhart, 18:45.

Stevenson (150): 11. Erika Grisa, 16:29; 13. Luke Green, 16:36; 33. Nathan Ward, 17:14; 45. Ben Griffith, 17:40; 48. Alex Mikonczyk, 17:47; 55. Jacob Bieganski, 18:02; 64. Trevor Tillman, 18:23.

Franklin (165): 4. Tony Floyd, 15:51; 10. Keenan Jones, 16:25; 49. Alex Parello, 17:54; 50. Grant Rudd, 17:55; 52. Nathan McCall, 17:57; 54. Matt Lepper, 18:01; 77. Gage Wheeler, 19:01.

Churchill (210): 37. Jon Allesandrini, 17:22; 40. Josh Mussen, 17:29; 42. Jon Hovermale, 17:33; 44. John Sas, 17:37; 47. Matt Cohan, 17:42; 60. Alex Piper, 18:17; 74. Noah Hagood, 18:57.

South Lyon (266): 27. Bryce VanAsselt, 17:06; 46. Jordan Okdie, 17:41; 58. Brent Peruski, 18:07; 67. Brandon Wenner, 18:29; 68. David Szawala, 18:30; 69. Marshall Thelen, 18:35; 73. Jonathan Allen, 18:52.

South Lyon East (296): 34. Adam Caruso, 17:15; 61. Jon Kesler, 18:17; 62. Joshua Clark, 18:18; 63. Charles Marchand, 18:21; 76. Carter Reeds, 29:00; 78. Aaron Hoorn, 19:05; 79. Alexander Cronin, 19:08.

John Glenn (348): 56. Alex Hines, 18:03; 57. Ben Bibber, 18:04; 72. Zeke Thompson, 18:48; 81. Justin Hadyaniak, 19:57; 82. Kenyatta Mason, 20:12; 83. Cory Routen, 20:38; 84. Jeff Busick, 20:57.

GIRLS TEAM STANDINGS: 1. Northville, 33 points; 2. Salem, 66; 3. Livonia Churchill, 78; 4. Novi, 105; 5. Livonia Franklin, 110; 6. Plymouth, 185; 7. South Lyon, 185; 8. Canton, 209; 9. Livonia Stevenson, 245; 10. Westland John Glenn, 263; 11. South Lyon East, 275; 12. Wayne Memorial, 380.

Individual winner: Cayla Eckenroth (Northville), 18:16 (5,000 meters).

TEAM SCORING
Northville (33): 1. Cayla Eckenroth, 18:16; 3. Emma Herrmann, 18:55; 4. Hailey Harris, 19:03; 9. Rachel Zimmer, 19:37; 17. Emma Smith, 20:15; 28. Mirai Kobayashi, 20:53; 47. Taylor Gattori, 21:51.

Salem (66): 10. Shea Wilson, 19:41; 11. Shekinah Johnson, 19:49; 12. Lauren Arquette, 19:54; 15. Anya Cho, 20:02; 18. Kayla Hughes, 20:18; 23. Sierra Bowden, 20:33; 37. Elizabeth Tripp, 21:18.

Churchill (78): 4. Addison Mussen, 19:17; 5. Kathleen George, 19:29; 19. Caroline George, 20:18; 22. Lauren Bernhardt, 20:29; 26. Hailey Pampreen, 20:43; 40. Gabrielle Swider, 21:29; 44. Christina Murphy, 21:48.

Novi (105): 2. Hannah Lonergan, 18:44; 9. Jacalyn Schubring, 19:40; 20. Jessica Lyпка, 20:23; 35. Hadley Peterson, 21:10; 39. Heather Blair, 21:28; 41. Yash Patel, 21:35; 54. Shailley Fozdar, 22:03.

Franklin (110): 13. Natalie Douglas, 19:55; 12. Elary Marano, 19:56; 16. Amanda Pokrylky, 20:10; 31. Camryn Zurawski, 20:58; 36. Riley Smith, 21:14; 38. Natalie Martinez, 21:25; 59. Julie Wonch, 22:28.

Plymouth (185): 7. Annie Bonds, 19:35; 32. Hailey Foster, 20:58; 42. Charlotte Clark, 21:49. Marianne DeBritto, 21:52; 55. Emma Radke, 22:07; 60. Marina Malone, 22:36; 71. Allison Morren, 23:00.

South Lyon (185): 21. Madison Swaitlowski, 20:27; 25. Emily Hudgens, 20:39; 34. Maiju Oksanen, 21:05; 48. Mackenzie Flannery, 21:51; 57. Maria Banks, 22:18; 65. Jessica Cummings, 22:46; 76. Anna Boyle, 23:48.

Canton (209): 29. Samantha McGrath, 20:54; 30. Katie Cotham, 20:54; 46. Paige Calvert, 21:50; 51. Rosie Rufe, 21:55; 53. Samantha Rohrbach, 22:02; 58. Allison Putz, 22:18; 72. Anika Patel, 23:01.

Stevenson (245): 33. Julia Carcone, 21:03; 43. Kennedy Threlow, 21:39; 50. Emily Lauzon, 21:54; 56. Kaylee McCarthy, 22:18; 63. Megan Verant, 22:40; 70. Diana Graham, 22:58; 79. Emily Chapski, 24:54.

John Glenn (263): 27. Caroline Mahalak, 20:50; 45. Shiann Proffitt, 21:49; 61. Erica Robinson, 22:37; 62. Mary Luckhardt, 22:39; 68. Jackie Mueller, 22:54; 78. Asia Gardner, 24:36; 81. Bryanne Campbell, 26:06.

South Lyon East (275): 24. Erin O'Donnell, 20:39; 52. Jessica LaVoie, 22:00; 64. Kayla Zielinski, 22:44; 66. Mackenzie Wolschleger, 22:47; 69. Olivia McKeever, 22:55; 73. Lea Fields, 23:37; 75. Melissa Coomer, 23:45.

Wayne (380): 67. Nikita Bhangu, 22:50; 74. Jessica Leigh, 23:36; 77. Victoria Boyd, 24:10; 80. Melaina Climer, 25:11; 82. Kendelle Hood, 27:07; 83. Allison Jones, 29:34; 84. Gabrielle Niemiec, 31:56.

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

Northville girls pace Kensington meet

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

The names may change, but the result remains the same when it comes to the outcome of the KLAA Kensington Conference girls cross country meet.

Led by sophomore standout Cayla Eckenroth, Northville reigned as conference champion for the fifth consecutive year Thursday after the Mustangs placed four in the top 10 to score 33 points.

Salem and Livonia Churchill finished second and third in the 12-team field, with 66 and 78, respectively, while Novi and Livonia Franklin were next with 105 and 110.

Eckenroth, who helped the Mustangs to a Division 1 state title a year ago, is the new queen of the Kensington Conference trails as she clocked a career-best 18 minutes, 16 seconds on the Huron Meadows Course in Brighton.

Eckenroth jumped out to the lead from the start and never wavered, winning by 28 seconds over Novi senior Hannah Lonergan, who was runner-up in 18:44.



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Northville sophomore Cayla Eckenroth ran 18:16 to lead the Mustangs to their fifth straight Kensington crown.

"It was great, I got my PR, today and I beat my PR from last year, so it's been really

good," Eckenroth said. "I just wanted to run fast, have confidence, just know I could keep going and not get tired. I like to go out fast."

Not to be outdone were three other Mustangs girls who also ran career bests: juniors Emma Herrmann (third, 18:55) and Hailey Harris (fourth, 19:03) and freshman Rachel Zimmer (eighth, 19:37). Northville's fifth scorer was sophomore Emma Smith, who took 17th (20:15).

"She (Zimmer) really stepped up and we needed a performance," Northville coach Nancy Smith said. "She did an amazing job as a freshman, best performance of the year, I think, by 45 seconds.

"We knew Salem would be a challenge coming into it, so we knew we had to have at least three in the top five in order to overcome them. And with Rachel stepping up, she was our fourth, because our normal four or five (runners) kind of dropped back a little today."

The Division 1 regional, which starts at noon Saturday, Oct. 25, at Willow Metropark in New Boston, will feature

nine Kensington Conference teams, including Northville, Salem and Churchill.

The Mustangs could be getting a boost next week as junior Lexa Barrott, who was an all-state runner last year after running 18:27 (13th), could make a return to the lineup after being out most of the season with an injury.

"She has been able to warm up and cool down and 10 minutes in her spikes each day," Smith said. "So we're hoping to have her run at regionals and run a conservative race for her. It will be a big bonus for us. To have five solid running for us at the state finals is what we would hope for."

Also earning top 10 finish was Novi sophomore Jacalyn Schubring, who placed ninth (19:40).

Other Novi point scorers included sophomores Jessica Lyпка, 20th (20:23); Hailey Peterson, 35th (21:10); and Heather Blair, 39th (21:28). The Wildcats' non scorers were sophomore Yash Patel (41st, 21:35) and freshman Shailley Fozdar (54th, 22:03).

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FIELD HOCKEY

Guenther's two goals bolster Wildcats

Novi remains unbeaten following victory, draw

By Brad Emons
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Willow Guenther tallied a pair of goals Oct. 14 as Novi celebrated senior night with a 3-0 Michigan High School Field Hockey Association victory over visiting Livonia Ladywood.

The second-place Wildcats stand 7-0-5 in Division 1 play of the MHSFHA after a scoreless draw Friday at Birmingham Marian.

Against Ladywood, Novi got on the board early when Guenther rocketed a shot off a penalty corner.

"It was one of the hardest shots off a corner I've seen

have seen this season," Novi coach Kevin Kilgore said. "We kept the pressure on them all night long. We used great communication and well-timed stick-to-stick passes through the midfield to keep the ball on their end of the 50-yard line."

Novi's second goal came off came on a beautiful tip from Gina Salemi before the half. Amanda Minissale took a shot from the top of the circle and Salemi deflected it into the Ladywood net.

"Our defense and midfielders were beautiful tonight," Kilgore said. "They worked so hard dropping in on defense. The communication and outlet passes were incredible. That was really how we generated our offense drives tonight."

The Wildcats were able to

draw another corner in the second half and Guenther notched her second of the game to make it a three-goal cushion.

"It was a carbon copy of her first goal," Kilgore said. "I was so impressed at the velocity of the ball coming off her stick tonight. Overall, the seniors played their hearts out and it was great to see them working together to get a huge win for us."

Goalie Katrina Koomen posted the shutout for the Wildcats, who were coming off a 1-0 Division 1 victory Oct. 13 at home over Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook-Kingswood.

Meanwhile, the loss dropped Ladywood to 4-4-4 in Division 1.

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DIANE JACOBS
Novi's Willow Guenther (right) and Ladywood's Jillian Jacobs vie for possession.

BOYS SOCCER DISTRICTS

Survivor mode: Novi stops Stevenson in shootout, 2-1

By Brad Emons
Staff Writer

It's like rolling the dice, but the dreaded shootout worked in Novi's favor during a first-round Division 1 district boys soccer elimination match Oct. 14 against Livonia Stevenson.

The Wildcats tallied their only goal during 80 minutes of regulation time, followed by a pair of 10-minute overtimes, thanks to a penalty kick. Then they drilled home eight out of nine PK attempts during the shoot-out to stay alive in the state tournament with a 2-1 victory over the visiting Spartans at rain-soaked Novi's Meadows Stadium.

The victory improved the Wildcats to 13-3-3 overall, while Stevenson, the KLAAs Central champ, bowed out at 13-3-3.

In the ninth round of the shootout, Novi's Ian Hanley ended the suspense by beating Stevenson goalkeeper Austin Kaczmarek for the game-winner after the Wildcats' Tommy McMaster went low on the previous attempt to stop Spartans shooter Austin Rynicki.

Ironically, Novi coach Brian O'Leary switched keepers for the shootout as McMaster, the senior, came on for junior Sam



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In a driving rainstorm, Novi's Amissi Kajinake breaks in on Stevenson goalie Austin Kaczmarek, who prevents a goal with a punch save in the district opener

Sheeran, who had excelled during the first 100 minutes of action with seven saves, including a keep stop on Stevenson's Max Hoover late in the second OT.

"In general, Tommy (McMaster) is a bigger kid," O'Leary said. "Sam's probably 5-9, 145 pounds where Tommy is 6-2, 185. Just the fact that he eats up more space in there and has a little bit longer of a reach. ... The two goalies, when you ask them, they say Tommy is better at it so it was a no-brainer."

After a scoreless first half in a battle of top 10 teams, the Spartans got on the board with 31:07 left, when senior forward Hunter Mullett made a great individual one-on-one effort down the left wing and scored unassisted.

Novi, however, continue to apply offensive pressure and got the break it needed with 15:01 left in regulation, when Tony Asimadu was fouled in the box. Teammate Ryan Kobakof came on to convert the PK to even the count at 1-1.

"I think Tony (Asimadu) made a great play," O'Leary said. "He beat a couple of people getting himself in the box there."

In the first round of PKs, Stevenson and Novi both scored on all five shots.

Philip Vrzovski, Tyler Gregory, Sam Landefeld, Brandon Eklund and Brady Brown converted for the Spartans, while Kent Maidens, Amissi Kajinake, Kobakof, Connor O'Leary and Asimadu did for the Wildcats.

In the second round, Kaczmarek went high to deny Nick Harder on the first shot, but McMaster matched him by going low to rob Dominic Rea.

Trevor Furkas and Alex DeFlorio then scored for Stevenson, while Novi's Spencer Roy and Nate Giese found the back of the net as well to set up the fateful ninth round of shooters.

"It's tough, it just keeps happening, the PK losses," said Stevenson coach Ken Shingledecker, whose team went 0-1-2 against the Wildcats this season. "It was a great game and one of the craziest I've been a part of. The PK taking made the goalkeepers not look great, but PKs were fantastic from both sides."

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BOYS SOCCER

It's a Quick fix: Shamrocks oust Wildcats on PKs

By Brad Emons
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It's all about reaction time, in the world according to Chad Quick.

The senior midfielder from Novi Detroit Catholic Central scored the equalizing goal late in the second half and then made good on a second opportunity during the penalty kick shootout as the Shamrocks came away with a 2-1 victory in the Division 1 district semifinal over host Novi at Meadows Stadium.

State-ranked Novi, which was coming off a 2-1 shootout win Oct. 14 over Livonia Stevenson, found itself in another PK battle in the second round of the district.

And it appeared the Wildcats wouldn't even need overtime after Eduardo DeOliveiro broke the scoreless battle when he found the back of the net with only 28:44 remaining.

"Once they (Novi) scored, they started putting everybody back and it made it hard to play through them, so we just had to keep getting balls and play to the corners," Quick said.

And with only 4:18 remaining in regulation, Quick found an opening in the Wildcats' defense and tallied the game-tying goal.

"Noah (Kleedtke) took the corner, it came in, Justin (Murray) headed it, the defender made a save on the line and it was just a reactionary goal, just got my body to it and it went into the back of the net," Quick said.

After both teams were unable to score during a pair of 10-minute OT periods, the game went to penalty kicks and CC made good on all five as Kleedtke, Quick, Champ Kozlowski, Arturo Gonzalez-Galindo and Paul Wiedmaier (the game-clincher) all cashed in.

Quick, however, got a second chance to try another PK after Novi goalkeeper Tommy McMaster, who stopped the CC midfielder's ini-

tial shot, was detected by the officials moving too early off his line.

"Since it didn't go my way the first way, I saw him start leaning, so I just pulled it back to the center and he guessed wrong," Quick said of the Novi goalkeeper.

Meanwhile, Novi coach Brian O'Leary had no objection with the call on his senior keeper.

"He's (the official) in a better spot than I am, so I'm sure it must have happened," O'Leary said. "They wouldn't have made that up."

Once Novi went on top, the Wildcats found themselves doing a lot more defending in their own end.

"What happened there with about 10 minutes left in the game (CC) went to four forwards, so I had to bring one of my midfielders back to play defense and guard one of their forwards, which means I got to bring a forward back into my midfield," O'Leary said. "That's pretty standard procedure at the end of those games. You just wait to see what they do and you hope in that span when they're moving people up you can score on a counter."

Junior forward Tony Asimadu nearly broke through for a second Novi goal, but CC sophomore goalkeeper Peter Kirouac was able to keep a clean sheet over the final 48:44.

Novi's first three PK takers – Kent Maidens, David Schulte and Connor O'Leary – all scored. But the fourth shooter, Ryan Kobakof, fired high over the crossbar.

While CC improved to 15-4-4 overall, Novi ended finished at 13-4-3.

"Just a great bunch of guys," O'Leary "They stick together through thick and thin more than probably any team I ever coached. Kids contributed from the top to the bottom. I don't think we've had as many subs contributing at the end of the season as we have this year."

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SOCCER

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just 3:30 into the match that had the Shamrocks, champions of the Catholic League, scratching their heads.

CC's Will Coffman crossed the ball into the middle of the Northville box and teammate Paul Wiedmaier timed it with an acrobatic bicycle kick attempt that appeared headed into the back of the net, only to have Melucci do his best Tim Howard impersonation and come up with the save.

"It was just reaction," Melucci said. "I don't know ... it was crazy, (I) dove for it, stuck my hand out and got a piece of it, I guess. It was awesome, just a surprise and I'm glad I made it."

Northville was also glad Melucci made another highlight point-blank save with only 25 seconds left in the first half to rob Anthony Chavez and keep the score at 0-0.

"It actually helps out a lot, to be honest with

you," Melucci said of his lacrosse and hockey background. "I got a feel, I guess, for different sports. I got used to this sport as the season went on. So it's pretty awesome. I used to play (soccer) when I was 4 or 5. This is the first real competitive season I've been in. The coaches work with me all the time and it's helped out a lot."

Nobody was more pleased with the outcome than Northville coach Henry Klimes, who bagged his fourth district title in 24 years.

"I'm so excited for the kids," Klimes said. "I think we really played a solid game today. CC brought the best of us out. We defended against the wind the first half because we know CC comes out really fast and hard, so we felt if we could keep it 0-0 ... Melucci made two unbelievable stops early on to help us stay 0-0 in the first half. Then, I knew in the second half the way we could possess and go forward and have some of the wind. It was meant to be."

The Rodriguez goal

proved to be no fluke, as CC sophomore goalkeeper Peter Kirouac had no chance to stop the the 18-yard direct free kick.

"For some reason, Johnny Rodriguez loves this Novi field because he looked and saw that he had a corner on a free kick and he buried it," Klimes said. "We had some other opportunities, too, but I thought overall we subbed quite a bit to keep guys fresh. They worked hard and it was a great team win. I thought the boys really played a great game."

CC, which captured its first Catholic League A-B Division title in 22 years, ended its season at 15-5-4 overall. Other district casualties at Novi included the host Wildcats and Livonia Stevenson, both top 10-ranked teams (along with Northville).

"Their goalkeeper was remarkable," CC coach Gene Pulice said of Melucci. "He made some really good saves and kept them in the game, for sure. Hard-fought game for Northville."

Meanwhile, Pulice was given a yellow card during the first half and the

Shamrocks took a bench red late in the second half. And the CC coach let it be known he was frustrated with the officiating.

"I told the guys this, 'At the end of the day we're still No. 1,'" he said. "We have a great group of guys. They fought hard. Every tackle they went into went against us. So at that point it's kind of like ... how do you tackle, where do you tackle, why do you tackle?"

"I can't change the outcome now, but our guys know we all think highly of them and they think highly of themselves. We had a great season. You can't take that away from us."

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CITY OF NOVI, MICHIGAN
NOTICE OF OFFICIAL PUBLIC ACCURACY TEST PRIMARY/ SPECIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2014

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Clerk's Office will conduct a Public Accuracy Test of the Optical Scan tabulating equipment to be used for the Primary/Special Election to be held on Tuesday, November 4, 2014. The test will be conducted at 4:00 PM on **Tuesday, October 28, 2014** at the Novi City Clerk's Office, 45175 Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375.

The Public Accuracy Test is conducted to demonstrate that the computer program used to record and count the votes cast at the election meets the requirements of the law. This test is open to all interested parties. For further information, contact the Novi City Clerk's Office at 248-347-0456.

MARYANNE CORNELIUS, MMC, CITY CLERK
Publish: 10/23/14

City of Northville
Proposed Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance
Article 2 and Article 10 – Cady Street Overlay (CSO)

At its regular meeting on November 3, 2014, the Northville City Council will introduce for first reading proposed amendments to the City of Northville Zoning Ordinance. The proposed amendments would update the Zoning Ordinance, to amend Article 2 Zoning Districts and Map Interpretation and add Section 10.06 to Article 10 Central Business District to establish the Cady Street Overlay (CSO). The overlay zoning district will provide regulations regarding land use within the Cady Street Corridor. It will also establish specific height limitations for various parcels and establish new design requirements to ensure quality development on the fringe area of the City of Northville downtown. There would also be a restriction that first floor residential uses are not allowed on the north side of Cady Street from Church Street west to Wing Street.

Public comments will be received at the City Council meeting scheduled for November 3, 2014, at 7:30 p.m. at the City of Northville Municipal Building – Council Chambers, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, 248-349-1300. Written comments may also be submitted to the above address. Complete text of the proposed ordinance amendment is available for review at the City Clerk's Office during normal business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday, local prevailing time.

CRAIG STRONG, BUILDING OFFICIAL
DIANNE MASSA, CITY CLERK
Publish: 10/23/14

City of Northville
Proposed Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance
Article 21, Section 21.01 Sign Regulations

At its regular meeting on November 3, 2014, the Northville City Council will introduce for first reading proposed amendments to the City of Northville Zoning Ordinance. The proposed amendment would update Article 21 of the Zoning Ordinance, Section 21.01 Sign Regulations, pertaining to LED and electronic changeable copy signs. The intent of the changes is to clarify current regulations and specifically state that LED signs, electronic changeable copy signs, digital message centers, and illuminated channel letters are prohibited in the historic district. The regulations also state that the Historic District Commission does not have the authority to approve these signs except in cases where they are historically compatible.

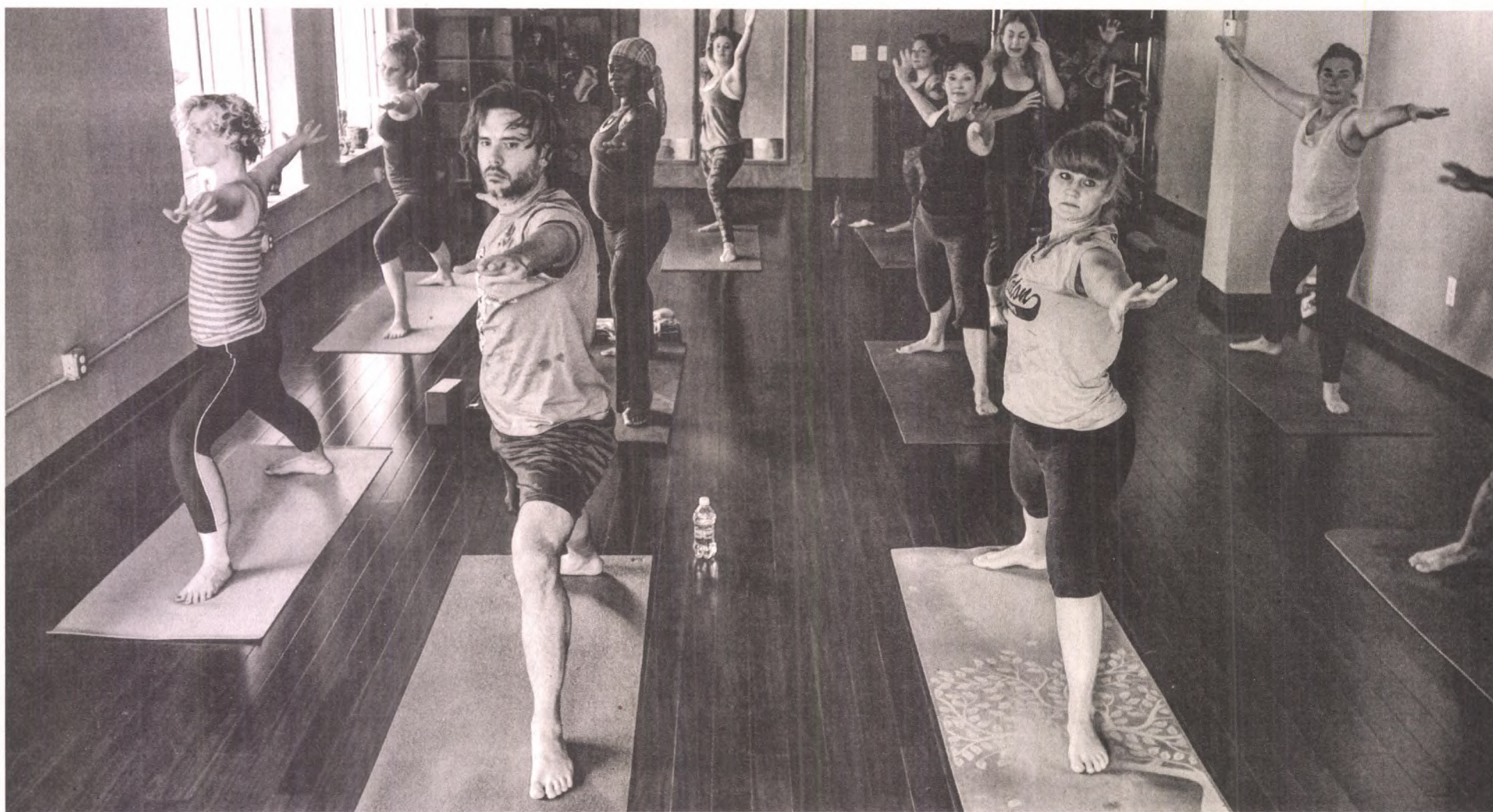
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SYNOPSIS
OCTOBER 16, 2014 – REGULAR MEETING
CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

DATE: Thursday, October 16, 2014
TIME: 7:30 p.m.
PLACE: 44405 Six Mile Road
CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor Nix called the meeting to order at 7:30.
ROLL CALL: Robert R. Nix II, Supervisor
Sue A. Hillebrand, Clerk
Marjorie F. Banner, Treasurer
Symantha Heath, Trustee
Marv Gans, Trustee
Fred Shadko, Trustee
Mindy Herrmann, Trustee

ABSENT:
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:
1. Agendas: Approved
A. Approve the Regular Agenda and the Consent Agenda items:
1. Minutes – Board of Trustees Regular Meeting of September 18, 2014
2. Minutes – Zoning Board of Appeals Meeting of August 20, 2014
3. Financial Report – Third Quarter 2014
4. Investment Report – Third Quarter 2014
5. Northville Youth Assistance Program Report
2. Appointments, Presentations, Resolutions & Announcements:
A. Appoint Robin E. Schleh to the Historic District Commission – Approved
B. Repeal 256 of 2011 – Michigan Fireworks Safety Act – Approved
3. Public Hearing:
A. Set Public Hearing for REIS Brownfield Plan Amendment – Approved
B. Budget Public Hearing - Opened
4. Brief Public Comments: 2 members of the audience had questions or comments.
5. New Business:
A. Approval of Resolution to set the 2014 Millage Rates – Approved
B. Approval of Resolution for 2015 Budget – Approved
C. Budget Amendment #2014-6 – Approved
D. Community Park Paving & Pathway Maintenance Payment – Approved
E. Township Hall HVAC Controls Contract – Payment No. 3 – Approved
F. Bike Path and Maintenance Agreement – REIS – Approved
G. Purchase of Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) – Approved
H. Membership to Chamber of Commerce – Approved
I. Temporary Sign Request – Cub Scout Pack 721 – Approved
6. Unfinished Business: None
7. Ordinances: None
8. Check Registry:
A. In the amount of \$2,887,359.99 – Approved
9. Board Communication & Reports:
A. Robert R. Nix, II, Sue Hillebrand, Marjorie Banner, Marv Gans, Fred Shadko, Chip Snider
10. Any other business for the Board of Trustees:
A. Closed Session – AFSCME Union Contract – Approved
11. ADJOURN: Meeting adjourned at 8:44 p.m.
A draft of the complete minutes will be available October 23, 2014.
Respectfully submitted:
Sue A. Hillebrand, M.M.C.
Publish: October 23, 2014



RYAN GARZA | GANNETT MICHIGAN

Students strike a warrior pose during a Vinyasa yoga class at Be Nice Yoga in Detroit. Breathing and meditation help with joint stiffness, experts say.

YOGA'S MIND-BODY CONNECTION

Practice helps build muscle, shrink joint pain and may delay surgery

By Robin Erb
Gannett Michigan

The late-afternoon sun drapes the hardwood floor with subtle shadows and soft music with names like “liquid mind” and “deep peace” drifts in and out of the consciousness.

No one here at Karma Yoga in Bloomfield Township is uttering clinical phrases like “joint health” or “orthopedic replacement.” Rather, from yoga instructor Lynn Medow, simply this: “Breathe.”

And perhaps that’s the magic of yoga.

It’s the soothing, slow exhale of the day’s stresses for a nearly imperceptible exchange of oxygen-rich blood that is now flowing to these dozen spinal columns stretched on mats. Also being nourished: The accompanying pairs of elbows, knees, hips, ankles and wrists that gently angle, stretch, bend and twist.

Yoga, Medow says later, “is a moving medication.”

“You’re breathing and moving and you may hear a few words or directions to help prevent injury, but

you do it almost automatically. That’s how the body, on a very deep level, begins to release stress and tension,” she said.

Released, too? Joint pain.

Experts say yoga, the breathing and meditation practice that dates to ancient India, and similar low-impact activities are the best antidote for pain and stiffness that can be the result of a lifetime’s worth of stress, grinding and gravity.

Estimates vary on how many Americans have joint pain, but it’s clear that it’s a growing problem as we live longer and, for many of us, live more actively both in work and play.

Last year, the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention found that 22.7 percent of U.S. adults — \$2.5 million people — have arthritis, a complex family of musculoskeletal disorders. Among the most common is osteoarthritis, a painful degenerative disease caused by wear and tear on bones and joints.

About 22.7 million of Americans said arthritis

limits their daily activities.

“If we lived on the moon, we wouldn’t have arthritis. But with weight, it’s like a mortar and pestle on our joints,” said David Gilboe, a long time physical therapist based in St. Clair Shores and a board member of the Arthritis Foundation.

Low-impact activities like yoga, tai chi, and pilates are especially helpful in fighting that aging process, according to a growing body of research.

That’s because exercise doesn’t just control weight, which, in turn lowers the pounds-per-square-inch pressure on joints.

The oxygen-rich blood throughout the body in exercise also helps slow loss in bone and muscle and cartilage. It strengthens muscles, tendons and ligaments, which, in turn, helps keep joints properly aligned and at less risk for injury.

It also promotes range of motion, a particular problem for those with arthritis.

And specifically with low-impact activities, all this happens “with less offense to damaged joints,” Gilboe said.

Plus, deep, controlled

breathing lowers blood pressure and minimizes the production of cortisol, a stress hormone, and promotes the release of feel-good endorphins, he added.

Medow’s class this day is nearly evenly split between men and women. There are thin and thick bodies, tall and short, old and young.

In bare feet, the 62-year-old Medow pads between them soundlessly, periodically tapping on a closed-eyes participant to ask permission to help, then gently nudging legs, arms, hips and ankles into proper position.

Unlike a lot of exercise, yoga is for any ability, any age, any size and it doesn’t take much for the benefits to start kicking in, she said.

Trained in classical ballet, Medow was about 40 and also had added weight-lifting, aerobics and modern dance to her life. With two children and a job in social work, her life, like so many others, was clogged with meetings and deadlines and other responsibilities.

“I stepped on the yoga mat and felt I’d come home. It just felt right in my body. ... It was strengthening. It was

stretching. It was relaxing,” she said.

Over the years, Medow has pulled from different traditions and styles, adapting those to clients who come to her for private sessions. Some are partially paralyzed. Others are wracked with pain.

In a small private room with a body-length mirrors, bottled water, foam balls and other props, Medow and her client begin with breathing.

She moves on to the feet, the “root” of the body, she said, and works her way up to assess skeletal alignment and the body’s strengths and vulnerabilities.

“Yoga doesn’t deny your pain, but it’s about looking at what you can still do,” Medow said.

Always, she said, clients leave feeling better. Years of research back her up.

In one study published earlier this year, researchers found that eight weeks of yoga at home “significantly” reduced pain in the 39 participants with osteoarthritis. It also helped participants sleep better.

There are dozens of styles and traditions in yoga.

The trick is knowing which fits you, your interests and your abilities, said Julie Levinson, an instructor at Vita Wellness Center at Henry Ford West Bloomfield Hospital.

Like Medow, Levinson specializes in adaptive yoga, which uses chairs, blocks, bolsters, blankets, straps and towels to modify yoga poses.

“Some people who are hungry for that fast, competitive drill can find that in yoga,” she said.

But she and experts say it’s important to be cautious, too.

“Not every form of yoga is good” for someone with arthritis, said Eric Matteson, chair of rheumatology at the Minnesota-based Mayo Clinic, which has produced two books on arthritis.

It’s crucial to pay attention to the practice’s fundamentals, Levinson said: “Yoga encourages those mind-body connections to pay attention to the pain — the thing that got some of us in trouble in that it hurts-so-good, go-for-the-burn, Jane Fonda era.”

It’s always a good idea to speak with your health provider before any activity, including yoga, she added.



JESSICA J. TREVINO | GANNETT MICHIGAN

Dr. Rachel Rohde, assistant professor of orthopedic surgery at Oakland University William Beaumont School of Medicine, asks her patient Linda Kovan, 57, of Novi to open and close her hand. Kovan had surgery two days prior to this visit for an ulnar nerve decompression and trigger finger release.

Everyday joint damage different for men and women

By Robin Erb
Gannett Michigan

The differences between men and women, we have known for years, are bone-deep.

Dr. Rachel Rohde knows that firsthand. She’s one of the few female orthopedic surgeons in the U.S. and a mom.

And when the Beaumont Healthcare doctor isn’t reassembling fingers mangled by snow blowers or wrists gnawed

down by sports and jobs, she repairs the everyday wear and tear to joints.

For women, musculoskeletal engineering, hormones, gender differences on a molecular level, even life’s activities may contribute to certain injuries that are more pronounced than in men, she said. It’s the kind of pain that’s ever-present, nagging you out of sleep.

“I slept through the night last night,” said Linda Kovan, a 57-year-old Novi saleswoman, who recently came back

to Rohde.

Once a competitive tennis player and a dental hygienist, hygienist, Kovan has wrist and hand problems typical of many women, Rohde said.

It’s why Rohde uses spring-loaded scissors, a one-touch automatic can opener and fat-handled pens: “The best thing we can do is treat our bodies kindly and use the right tools,” she said. “It’s about protection before it happens.”

FIVE INJURIES COMMON IN WOMEN

HAND OSTEOARTHRITIS

Women are more susceptible to osteoarthritis, the results of daily wear and tear that grinds down the lubricated cartilage cushioning the ends of bones.

Best tip: In addition to gadgets that can take pressure off your joints when you’re cutting something or opening a can, for example, give your hands a rest from repetitive, forceful actions and try hand exercises. For more information and to see illustrations, go to www.mayo.edu and search “hand exercises.”

CARPAL TUNNEL SYNDROME

A common source of numbness and pain in the hand, carpal tunnel syndrome is more common in women than men.

Best tip: Resting your hands from repetitive motions. If you feel pain, try a wrist splint at night to ease symptoms.

DE QUERVAIN'S TENOSYNOVITIS

The tendons on the thumb side of the wrist are squeezed within a small sheath, causing pain at the base of the thumb when turning the wrist, grasping or pinching, or making a fist.

Best tip: A splint may keep the wrist and thumb from moving. It’s sometimes called a “thumb spica splint.”

PERONEAL TENDONOSIS

The peroneal tendons run on the outside of the ankle just behind the bone.

Best tip: Proper footwear is key. Give the 26 bones and 33 joints in your feet and ankles a rest from footwear such as high heels that subjects them to prolonged, unnatural forces.

BUNIONS AND HAMMER TOES

The bump on the inside of your foot near your big toe is particularly sensitive to pressure caused by pointed and narrow footwear. That force, made greater with heels, can push the big toe into the smaller toes. Likewise, bad shoes that cramp the toes can force joints upward, causing hammer toes.

Best tip: Generally sensible shoes. Reluctant? Consider: If you have surgery to correct either of these problems, your heel-wearing days will be over for good.

Painful joints don't mean giving up sports

By Robin Erb
Gannett Michigan

Nursing aging, achy joints doesn't mean it's time to stop moving.

It might just be time to change up your exercise routine and rethink what challenges you.

Early in his career, Dr. James Carpenter, who heads the new University of Michigan Musculoskeletal Center, advised one patient — a longtime, avid runner — that his knees were shot. No more running, the doctor said.

"He fainted right in the office," the doctor recalled.

The patient returned years later, handing the doctor a newspaper article about himself.

As it turns out, the patient took the doctor's advice, eventually turn-

ing in running shoes for hiking boots, and he challenged himself to climb to the top of the highest point in every state. A newspaper wrote about his efforts.

Carpenter said he no longer tells patients to stop running. The better advice for someone who loves their sport, he and others said, is to mix up those routines so that you're working different parts of your body and reducing overexertion of troubled parts.

"It's about modifying what you do," Dr. Michael Drelles, a pain management specialist with the Wayne State University Physician Group said.

So if you like a gym treadmill, try an elliptical instead, for example.

If you've always been a fan of aerobics, move to

low-impact aerobics, he advises. And if you like to run seven days a week, consider exchanging two or three of those days for a similarly high-aerobic activity, such as swimming.

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control & Prevention recommends the following for those with arthritis:

» 2 hours and 30 minutes of moderate-intensity aerobic activity per week or

» 1 hour 15 minutes of vigorous-intensity aerobic activity per week or

» An equivalent combination of moderate and vigorous activity. As a general rule, one minute of vigorous activity is the same as two minutes of moderate activity.

Additionally, muscle strengthening exercises should be done two or

more days per week, along with balance exercises three times a week if you're at risk of falling.

Very often, those exercises may help you delay — even avoid — surgery, Drelles said.

"Always realize that just because you're going to see a doctor ... you're not destined for surgery," said Drelles.

Rather, it's about talking about your options. That goes for activity, too. Ask your doctor about what sport or recreation might help — and what might aggravate — your pain.

Other ideas from metro Detroit and national doctors and experts

Walking: It not only helps you maintain a healthy weight and

strengthen your bones, it can boost your mood and improve your balance and coordination.

Aquaexercise: The buoyancy of the water takes the weight off the joints, making it a top recommendation for patients with joint pain but who still seek a highly aerobic exercise.

Biking: Pedaling continues to burn plenty of calories and the scenery flies by — but without the constant pounding of running.

Pickle ball: A racquet sport, it uses a lightweight, perforated ball and can be a bit more gentle on the knees and ankles than tennis.

Tai chi, yoga, pilates: These slow-mov-

ing, muscle-building activities stress relaxation and stress relief even as they burn calories, promote flexibility and strengthen muscle and other soft tissue.

Bowling: Those with back or shoulder problems must approach with caution. For others, bowling offers social interaction as well as relatively low-impact, calorie-burning movement.

Golfing: Like bowling, golf must be approached carefully with certain joint problems, like back or shoulder pain. Still, it also can help build muscles that ultimately can alleviate that pain. If you have joint pain, it's important to talk to a health provider before taking it up for the first time.



Trenton Mayor Kyle Stack, 57, right, is a longtime athlete who works out regularly. She has had her hips replaced and hopes to delay or avoid knee surgery. Stack and Roy Vreeland, her personal trainer at Trenton Athletic Club, review the progress she has made.

Knee, hip replacements are signs of baby boomers' active lifestyles

By Robin Erb
Gannett Michigan

Orthopedic implants — once the dreaded inevitability of our final, fragile years — are now part of the lives of the nation's active baby boomers and their adult children.

Sure, we're living longer and parts wear out. And collectively, we're carrying around more pounds these days — an increased pounds-per-square-inch grinding down on knees and hips.

But then there's this, too: Few of us — to borrow from poet Dylan Thomas — will go gently into retirement.

Instead, we're zig-zagging across tennis courts and knocking out laps at the local pool.

Twisting and wrenching on hockey rinks and chasing glory on the softball diamond.

Pounding out 5Ks and marathons trying to squeeze extra mileage out of joints pounded during the era of high impact, no-pain no-gain racquetball and home video aerobics.

All of this means millions of Americans are in line for replacement parts in the coming few years. In the meantime, they turn to everything from physical therapy to pain pills to chicken shots made from the combs of roosters.

An estimated 45 million have some level of joint pain, according to the Minnesota-based Mayo Clinic, which has published two consumer-oriented books on managing arthritis pain.

Less than a decade ago, 792,449 new hips and knees were put into Americans; by the year 2020, that number is expected to jump to nearly 2.1 million, according to a study published this year in the *Journal of Bone and Joint Surgery*.

Even in the depth of the bum economy between 2009 and 2010, business in the orthopedic operating room was booming, with some major joint replacements showing double-digit

growth.

"People anticipate being active in retirement," said Dr. James Carpenter, who heads the University of Michigan's new Comprehensive Musculoskeletal Center, where 250 doctors from nearly a dozen specialties are focused on the complex interplay of muscle and tendon and cartilage.

Among baby boomers, he said, "there's an expectation and a demand that they function longer and function without pain."

Finally, today's technology, including fine-detail imaging equipment and robotic arms, have made orthopedic surgery almost routine in recent years. There's less scarring and quicker recovery time.

At the Detroit Medical Center, Dr. Roland Brandt uses MAKOpasty, a robotic arm that helps doctors resurface only the parts of the knee damaged by osteoarthritis. In December, DMC doctors used the machine for the first time in hip surgery, said the longtime orthopedic surgeon.

"The kind of procedure that used to keep someone in the hospital for two or three days with swelling and discomfort is now an outpatient procedure with an hour and a half of recovery time and you go home," Brandt said.

Patients worry about months of painful recovery, but he said: "I can tell them they'll be back on the golf course in two weeks if things go well."

Bone on bone

Joint pain is often the result of a lifetime of wear-and-tear of cartilage, the tissue that allows for frictionless, painless motion.

Orthopedic surgeon Dr. James Eberhardt sees it when he pulls out an arthritic hip — the loss of cartilage, the inflammation and then bony spurs that build up painfully as bone grinds bone.

Imagine a chicken bone with

that white, shiny stuff at the end, he tells patients.

If you scrape that white stuff off with a knife, the Oakwood Healthcare doctor said, "you've given it arthritis."

Such wear-and-tear can be made worse by decades-old, minor damage — the kind of thing that Rebecca Bartek imagines she sees, as if in slow motion, each time a girl's elbow slams onto the floor of a volleyball court or a knee twists out of whack on a lacrosse field.

For half of her work week, Bartek is an athletic trainer at Academy of the Sacred Heart in Bloomfield Hills. The other half, she's at Henry Ford Health System's Detroit campus teaching "joint preservation" classes to those in their 30s, 40s and 50s seeking relief from joint pain that has grown intolerable.

"I tell the girls: 'I know you want to get back as soon as you can to playing. But you have to take the time, re-educate the muscles, or I'm going to see you when you're 35,'" she said.

Athletes of any age — both competitive and casual — worry about the right foods to eat before the big game and the best workouts for the gym. They ignore those nagging little pains, often the body's message that worse is to come.

The key is listening to your body's pain now — not tomorrow or next week, she and others said.

"Bigger, faster, stronger — everyone wants that. But you have to protect those joints, too."

Kyle Stack, mayor of Trenton, knows.

"I was really involved in sports all my life and I think it's come to bite me in the butt," she said, chuckling.

Tough to exercise

After a lifetime of tennis and ice skating and dancing and softball (a catcher), she has had both hips replaced and her knee is giving her trouble these days. Pain — occasional at first

and then ever-present — made it tougher to exercise. She gained weight, putting more pressure on the joints, a vicious cycle.

In fact, a single pound is equivalent to four pounds on your knee, according to a 2005 study published by the journal *Arthritis & Rheumatism*. Controlling factors like footwear and gait, researchers concluded that shedding just 10 pounds reduces the "compressive load" on the knees by 48,000 pounds each mile.

"I was getting kind of depressed — 'God, am I ever going to get better?'" she said.

That's when officials from Oakwood Healthcare approached her. Oakwood doctors wanted to partner with the city to step up health screenings and health programming — an effort unveiled last month to shrink the city's collective waistline, address chronic health problems and focus residents on healthy living.

Stack was daunted. But, typical of an athlete perhaps, she also was all in.

Amid the clink of weight machines, Stack and Roy Vreeland, her personal trainer at the Trenton Athletic Club, reviewed the progress she has made: lifting more weight, more reps, fewer inches and, most important, a general return of her energy and confidence.

Vreeland, counting Stack's reps and with a post-workout tuna fish sandwich and a health drink awaiting, says tracking your progress is as simple or as complicated as you want to make it. Done correctly, though, the results are the same.

"It's the muscular system that supports and stabilizes the skeletal system, including the joints," he said. "When you lose the muscle, you lose the structural support around hips, around the knees, around the back, around the neck, around the shoulders."

"It only gets worse as you continue to lose muscle tissue."

Joint reasons to lose the pounds: hip and knee pain

It always surprises me that my clients don't associate complaints of bad knees, hip pain and swollen ankles at night with weight gain or obesity.

When I suggest that weight loss may help to alleviate some, if not all of those symptoms — if no permanent damage is present — they're in shock or denial.

Osteoarthritis is the most common joint disorder. It's due to aging and wear and tear on a joint. While obesity does not directly cause osteoarthritis, it increases the amount of stress on joints and contributes to wear and tear.

For every 10 pounds of excess weight gained, you increase your chances of joint pain and or osteoarthritis by approximately 40% according to the HealthCentral.com, an online site of health info.

Take a seat, relax those joints and take notes. No Mess!

The load-bearing joints, such as the knees and hips, are typically the most affected, said internist Dr. Kimberly Manning, associate professor of medicine and program director at the Emory University School of Medicine.

Diet is crucial to any sustained weight loss program, she said. But exercise, including resistance training, is essential to help people improve the functioning of their joints while losing weight.

Ah, you say, "But I can't stand up," or "It hurts to even walk into my house." All is not lost. Water aerobics offers a joint-gentle route to both cardiovascular fitness and strength training.

The buoyancy of the body in water takes the pressure off the hips and knees while the water provides challenging resistance.

The best advice? Keep moving. I discourage motorized chairs or any items that encourage patients not to walk — especially when they can walk.

No question, arthritis hurts but improving joints starts with working through some rehabilitation and strengthening.



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Dr. Kimberly Manning

Tops in the field: Commercial real estate leaders in region lauded

The Building Owners and Managers Association/Metro Detroit (BOMA/Metro Detroit) has named its 2014 Exceptional Leaders in the commercial real estate industry.

The recipients will be honored at The Outstanding Building of the Year (TOBY) and Leadership Awards Program on Friday afternoon, Nov. 7, at the Motor City Casino Sound Board in Detroit.

The program honors outstanding leaders in the local commercial real estate industry. Named to receive this year's exceptional leadership awards are:

» **Gina Goodin**, RPA of CBRE – Property Manager of the Year

» **John Guardiola**, RPA, LEED AP of Bedrock Real Estate Services – Facility Manager of the Year

» **Wiss, Janney, Elstner Associates, Inc.** – Service Provider of the Year

» **Karen Skierski** of Comcast Business – Supplier Member of the Year

"We have recognized and will celebrate the collective



Karen Skierski of Comcast Business

and individual efforts of these exceptional leaders. It is the generosity of their time and talent that validates the integrity of what we do every day, the difference we make to our professions, our tenants, our customers, and our communities," said Paul Magy, president of BOMA/Metro Detroit.

For additional information on the 2014 Leadership Awards, contact Emily Kerenen or visit www.bomadetroit.org.



Gina Goodin of CPRE

Founded in 1908, BOMA/Metro Detroit is a professional, nonprofit trade association whose nearly 400 members either own or manage commercial real estate, or provide goods and services to the industry.

BOMA Michigan members represent organizations managing more than 250 million square feet of office and industrial space, with employees and tenants totaling more than 1.25 million people in



John Guardiola of Bedrock Real Estate Services

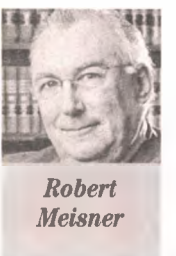
Michigan. Michigan members' annual expenditures contribute \$3.2 billion to the State's economy.

BOMA/Metro Detroit provides commercial real estate professionals the opportunity to work together for professional growth, advocacy rights, corporate profit, and the benefit of the Southeastern Michigan communities it serves. For more information on BOMA and membership, visit www.bomadetroit.org.

Audit law or no, bookkeeping should be solid

Q: I hear there was an amendment to the Condominium Act regarding financial statements and audits. Can you provide me with any information?

A: A statute was passed, I think, improvidently, to provide that an association of co-owners with annual revenues greater than \$20,000 shall on an annual basis have its books, records and financial statements independently audited or reviewed by a certified public accountant. Unfortunately, the association may opt out of the requirements on an annual basis by an affirmative vote of a majority of its members by any means permitted under the association's bylaws. I think it is important that every association have its financial statements, books and records independently audited or reviewed by a certified public accountant, but this is what the legislature has prescribed along with Gov. Snyder.



Robert Meisner

Q: I have a pit bull and the ordinance in my municipality prohibits pit bulls. I am an ex-military man and my psychiatrist has diagnosed me with PTSD. I want my assistance animal because for my therapeutic use and function. The association is saying that they don't have to agree to let me have my dog because it is dangerous and because of the ordinance. What do you think?

A: I think that the association will be compelled to allow you to keep your dog, because, otherwise, it will have violated the Federal Fair Housing Act. To prevail on a failure to accommodate claim under the Federal Fair Housing Act, a person must establish that 1) he or she is disabled within the meaning of the Federal Fair Housing Act; 2) he or she requested a reasonable accommodation; 3) the accommodation is necessary to afford him or her an opportunity to use and enjoy his or her dwelling; and, 4) that the association refuses to make the requested accommodation. In your particular case, Section 3615 of the Federal Fair Housing Act provides that "any law of the State, a political subdivision or other such jurisdiction that purports to require or permit any action that would be a discriminatory housing practice under the Federal Fair Housing Act would to that extent be invalid. I would suggest, therefore, that your ordinance is invalid as it relates to the Federal Fair Housing Act.

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.

Realtors applaud domain announcement for Web use

The National Association of Realtors has won the rights to the new .realestate top-level domain. NAR intends to use the .realestate domain along with the recently acquired .REALTOR domain to create order for real estate information on the Internet and to provide NAR members with tools that help brand themselves as the most trusted, valued source of real estate information.

While .REALTOR will be used exclusively by NAR members and its affiliated NAR business partners, it is anticipated that .realestate will have wider business ap-

plications. NAR encourages members to participate in the .REALTOR domain launch later this month, during which the first 500,000 members who register will be awarded a free one-year license, and procure the domain names they want and as many as they wish to creatively brand themselves.

"NAR is thrilled that it has acquired the rights to the .realestate top-level domain," said NAR President Steve Brown, co-owner of Irongate, Inc. Realtors in Dayton, Ohio. "As the leader in the real estate industry and the 'voice for real estate,' NAR has been

a pioneer for new technology in the digital space and intends to use the .realestate domain in conjunction with the .REALTOR domain to build an online space where home buyers, sellers and investors can find credible and professional real estate resources and services."

NAR Senior Vice President of Marketing Bob Goldberg is excited about how these acquisitions will help transform the way Realtors do business online. "Obtaining this top-level domain along with .REALTOR will solidify NAR and our members' standing as groundbreakers in the rapidly

changing real estate environment and change how the Internet is used to educate and connect with consumers, not only today, but in the future."

NAR applied for the top-level domains through the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers, or ICANN, the organization that directs domains and IP addresses for the Internet..

Details on business rules, pricing and the launch date of .realestate will be available in the second quarter of 2015. For more information, visit www.realtor.org/topics/top-level-domain.

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of June 9-13, 2014, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

BEVERLY HILLS

15609 Amherst Ave	\$155,000
19146 Bedford St	\$394,000
18215 Birwood Ave	\$236,000
20730 Kennoway Cir	\$390,000
16141 Reedmere Ave	\$292,000
16161 Wetherby St	\$255,000
16187 Wetherby St	\$295,000

BIRMINGHAM

421 Arlington St	\$2,300,000
298 Bird Ave	\$283,000
1375 Bird Ave	\$525,000
2421 Buckingham Ave	\$220,000
1407 Cole St	\$553,000
1664 Cole St	\$403,000
1627 Derby Rd	\$585,000
2286 Dunstable Rd	\$325,000
1505 Emmons Ave	\$530,000
1885 Humphrey Ave	\$668,000
836 Lakeview Ave	\$635,000
536 Southfield Rd	\$440,000
2424 Windemere Rd	\$270,000

BLOOMFIELD HILLS

4165 Antique Ln	\$405,000
5169 Nob Hill Ct	\$425,000
10 Barbour Ln	\$240,000
235 Barden Rd	\$230,000
229 Lone Pine Rd	\$1,225,000
2473 Thistle Pointe	\$374,000
4589 Wagon Wheel Dr	\$398,000

BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP

1081 Alter Rd	\$306,000
3660 Burning Tree Dr	\$419,000

856 Foxhall Rd	\$350,000
3651 Halla Ln	\$600,000
4866 Malibu Dr	\$440,000
6300 Norham Rd	\$255,000
3845 Oakhills Dr	\$520,000
1948 Pine Ridge Ln	\$275,000
663 Sedgefield Dr	\$220,000
1142 Timberview Trl	\$245,000
4080 Willoway Place Dr	\$335,000
5167 Woodlands Ln	\$393,000
5499 Woodview Dr	\$418,000

COMMERCE TOWNSHIP

206 Annison Dr	\$55,000
1823 Applebrook Dr	\$430,000
3175 Belle Terre	\$75,000
4550 Commerce Woods Dr	\$225,000
7958 Flagstaff St	\$800,000
8567 Hummingbird	\$335,000
2155 Palmetto	\$249,000
2351 Palmetto	\$241,000
1885 Sleeth Rd	\$40,000
3580 Stallion Way	\$388,000
5706 Strawberry Cir	\$439,000
8240 Vandell St	\$75,000

FARMINGTON

22515 Floral St	\$126,000
33812 James Ct	\$60,000
33100 Slocum Dr	\$155,000

FARMINGTON HILLS

23424 Barfield St	\$138,000
34570 Bridgeman St	\$60,000
37801 Carson St	\$169,000
25312 Chapelweigh Dr	\$110,000
25312 Chapelweigh Dr	\$176,000
23047 Cora Ave	\$92,000
23731 Cora Ave	\$200,000
30856 Country Ridge Cir	\$287,000
28344 Farmington Rd	\$174,000
36950 Fox Gl'n	\$365,000

30016 Greenboro St	\$215,000
31134 Harmony Ln	\$70,000
28976 Kendallwood Dr	\$215,000
22100 Malden St	\$145,000
23218 Montclair St	\$140,000
27456 Old Colony St	\$535,000
21185 Parklane St	\$260,000
30007 Pipers Ln	\$207,000
30315 Rockshire Ave	\$227,000
24300 Springbrook Dr	\$128,000
30601 Sudbury Ct	\$285,000
22667 Vacri Ln	\$248,000
29680 Vista Ct	\$175,000
27508 Westcott Crescent Cir	\$175,000
25260 Westmoreland Dr	\$223,000

FRANKLIN

27220 Apple Tree Ln	\$329,000
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HIGHLAND

1943 Shewchenko Dr	\$175,000
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MILFORD

939 Bird Song Dr	\$168,000
1055 Byron Dr	\$200,000
1306 Evergreen	\$271,000
3889 Foxthorn Ct	\$525,000

NORTHVILLE

21615 Kilrush Dr	\$255,000
22249 Lujon Dr	\$75,000
22835 Poppleton Dr	\$100,000
675 River Park Village Blvd	\$205,000

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43000 12 Oaks Crescent Dr # 5066	\$190,000
25811 Abbey Dr	\$377,000
22881 Balcombe	\$290,000
24251 Hampton Hill St	\$250,000
45069 Huntingcross Dr	\$299,000
41763 Independence Dr	\$165,000
25700 Lochmoor Ln	\$380,000

41601 London Ct	\$460,000
45678 Marlborough Pl	\$395,000
24011 Meadowbrook Rd	\$120,000
24879 Reeds Pointe Dr	\$515,000
22213 Roethel Dr	\$650,000
41254 Scarborough Ln	\$397,000
31065 Seneca Ln	\$165,000
30129 Sterling Dr	\$415,000
49941 Streamwood Dr	\$400,000
27147 Victoria Rd	\$370,000
24307 Weathervane Ct	\$227,000

SOUTH LYON

25600 Belladonna	\$292,000
232 Columbia Dr	\$305,000
833 Eagle Heights Dr	\$225,000
23379 Elm Point Dr	\$495,000
22999 Fremont Dr N	\$480,000
1052 Paddock Dr	\$245,000
27965 Pontiac Trl	\$395,000
24383 Ravine Dr	\$475,000
850 Westbrook Dr	\$228,000
999 Westbrooke Dr	\$215,000

SOUTHFIELD

25735 Grand Concourse St	\$165,000
27180 Johnny Cake Ln	\$47,000
24500 Lois Ln	\$116,000
18188 Magnolia Ave	\$100,000
19678 Raleigh Cir N	\$46,000
5000 Town Ctr # 303	\$65,000
19922 Villa Ct W	\$84,000
18301 W 13 Mile Rd Unit A1	\$70,000
29185 Wellington Ct # 48	\$73,000

WHITE LAKE

10094 Elizabeth Lake Rd	\$239,000
325 Farnsworth Rd	\$124,000
8104 Kenwick Dr	\$150,000

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of June 30 to July 3, 2014, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

CANTON

40473 Blythefield Ln	\$142,000
45717 Graystone Ln	\$154,000
42553 Lilley Pointe Dr	\$90,000
6442 Raintree Dr	\$200,000
1650 Steeplechase Rd	\$455,000

GARDEN CITY

415 Belton St	\$50,000
32531 Bridge St	\$80,000
6431 Golfview St	\$110,000

LIVONIA

14204 Arden St	\$184,000
10948 Edington St	\$228,000
14947 Henry Ruff St	\$265,000
14959 Henry Ruff St	\$285,000
15600 Hidden Ln	\$170,000
30178 Hoy St	\$165,000

14611 Hubbard St	\$140,000
8925 Lathers St	\$117,000
29726 Mason St	\$149,000
38672 Mason St	\$190,000
30934 Orangelawn St	\$136,000
17947 University Park Dr	\$99,000
32448 Washington St	\$175,000

NORTHVILLE

47130 Seven Mile Rd	\$1,210,000
18435 Donegal Ct	\$371,000
48245 Four Seasons Blvd	\$919,000
46782 Merion Cir	\$800,000
39499 Village Run Dr	\$315,000

PLYMOUTH

1409 Beech St	\$269,000
9013 Hackberry Ave	\$175,000
15214 Lakewood Dr	\$230,000
9357 Mapletree Dr	\$312,000
276 N Holbrook St	\$225,000
49465 Pointe Xing	\$148,000
11846 Trailwood Rd	\$305,000
12428 Wendover Dr	\$420,000
1078 York St	\$219,000

REDFORD

24784 Ashley Ct	\$5,000
24787 Ashley Ct	\$5,000
24793 Ashley Ct	\$5,000
24796 Ashley Ct	\$5,000
24799 Ashley Ct	\$5,000
11371 Farley	\$64,000
17438 Garfield	\$40,000
15513 Norborne	\$75,000
11717 Tecumseh	\$60,000
7850 August Ave	\$115,000
34227 Beechnut St	\$105,000
8635 Cardwell St	\$202,000
35424 Dove Trl	\$105,000
35515 Dove Trl	\$88,000
34827 Hazelwood St	\$80,000
360 Lansdowne Dr	\$155,000
220 N Byfield St	\$140,000
1181 Rahn St	\$79,000
35879 Schley Ave	\$44,000
1215 Shoemaker Dr	\$44,000
694 Superior Pkwy	\$85,000
7315 W Frumin Ct	\$117,000

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Members are free, guests \$20, which will be applied to their membership. The Red Lobster is next to 7-11, near Trenton Road.

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

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Car Report

Toyota Remains Top Brand – But Audi, VW, Nissan Are Fastest-Rising



By Dale Buss

Audi, Volkswagen and Nissan comprised a trio of “top risers” that are pushing the envelope and mixing the picture for car brands worldwide.

“The auto industry in general has done pretty well” in the new ranking, Jez Frampton, global CEO of Interbrand, told me.

Automakers generally “have gotten smart in recognizing that they have to build strong brands for the future,” he added. “To succeed in the new world of mobility, they

have to reposition themselves in slightly different ways, and so their attempts to build brands have become much more sophisticated.”

Toyota held sway in the industry once again, at No. 8 in the overall list that was headed by Apple, Google and Coca-Cola. Toyota moved up from No. 10 overall last year, Interbrand said, based in part on campaigns such as “Let’s go places” and “Go fun yourself.”

“Traditionally perceived as a solid, trustworthy brand that is perhaps better known for its high-quality products than its personality, Toyota’s campaigns . . . are clearly designed to add a more exciting and playful dimension to its communications.” In fact, adding “excitement” to the brand across the board – also to be reflected increasingly in its products and pace of new launches – is a top priority of Toyota CEO Akio Toyoda, grandson of the founder.

Toyota also has made gains in areas ranging from workforce diversity to mobile technology and alternative powertrains, including its new fuel-cell vehicle.

Frampton was especially impressed by Audi’s 27-percent increase in brand value, to \$9.83 billion, a percentage rise that led its industry as Audi ascended to overall spot No. 45 from No. 51 in 2013.

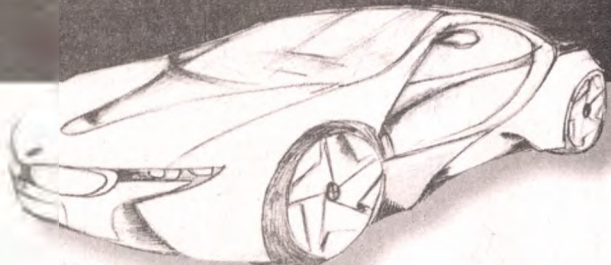
“Audi is building stronger experiences with its customers and owners in part through embracing the digital experience in dealerships” and even in shopping malls, he said. “It sticks out in the auto industry. Audi isn’t just putting configurators on its web sites. It recognizes that the way we want to experience things as consumers depends on where we are and who we’re with and what we’re doing. There’s a greater recognition of how people buy automobiles.”

Meanwhile, sibling brand Volkswagen also was a “top riser,” with its assessed brand value shooting up by 23 percent, to \$13.72 billion, and rising three spots to No. 31.

“Volkswagen has been working on its green credentials,” Frampton explained, as Interbrand cited VW’s “Think Blue” sustainability initiative as well as its strong performance in China this year, even while sales lagged elsewhere, including in the United States.

Nissan was the other biggest riser among car brands, with its brand value increasing by 23 percent, to \$7.62 billion, and its place on the overall list rising to No. 56 from No. 65 the year before.

“Nissan has really exhibited its



Toyota should get a brand-building boost from new Camry.

leadership with innovation in terms of electric vehicles, with the largest number on the road, and with deep commitments to autonomous driving as well,” Frampton said.

Overall, he added, “as differences among actual vehicles become narrower and narrower, the real differentiation that can be created in the auto business is through brands, what it means to you as an owner and user of the vehicle, and the way it expresses you among your peers and among people who see you driving.”

Interbrand’s take on the other highest-ranking automotive brands included these observations:

Mercedes-Benz, No. 10 overall: The brand has “revitalized itself” with new models and fresh expressions of its brand. “Continuing to provide the comfort, performance and safety consumers have come to expect from the brand, while also offering dramatic styling

and innovative new features, it’s no wonder Mercedes-Benz’s models still captivate.”

BMW, No. 11 overall: “Has been able to build on its premium status, while driving sustainable mobility forward” with its electric-vehicle program including the all-new i3 all-electric and Tesla-fighting i8 plug-in hybrid, Interbrand said. Also, over the last few years, “a focused brand strategy, internal clarity, and external brand consistency have all contributed to BMW’s success.”

Honda, No. 20 overall: The brand is aiming to “improve its relevance and responsiveness” in various global markets “by tailoring regional products more quickly” and partnering with Google and Apple in in-dash technology. But Honda also “has been plagued by recalls” lately. And “it could be argued that the product strategy isn’t as original or as responsive as those of its competitors.”



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Attending a job fair can seem a little like speed dating. You're one of many in a line of candidates who meet with participating employers so quickly there is barely time to shake hands and say hello before being rushed along.

With a little effort, however, you can use this brief time to your advantage. Here's how to stand out at job fairs:

BE CHOOSY

If you treat a job fair as a simple matter of presenting yourself for selection, you're cheating yourself. You should be the one doing the selecting. That begins with being choosy about the events you attend. A job fair that neither fits your specialty nor offers jobs in cities you would consider working in probably won't be worth your time.

Once you've found a suitable

event, don't worry about making an impression on every employer there. Instead, create a list of the three or four that are a great match for your professional goals and interests. Don't overlook less familiar firms, which may have excellent career opportunities while attracting less competition. After you've made contact with each of your top targets, investigate additional companies as time permits.

PREPARE TO STAND OUT

While your time with an employer during the fair may be brief, approach the event as though you were preparing for several conventional job interviews that just happen to be scheduled on the same day. Ask members of your network what they know about the employers you're targeting and research those firms' current priorities. Come up with a few questions

that demonstrate your familiarity with each company.

Dress as you normally would for an interview and prepare a résumé that's customized for each of your top choices. Bring hard copies with you to the fair, even if you submitted your résumé online when you registered.

Don't count on your résumé to buy you extended attention from an employer. Every minute of a company's time at a job fair is precious. Well before the event, practice a pitch that's about the length of a TV commercial. Write it out, memorize it and rehearse it in front of a friend willing to provide a critique. The pitch should establish who you are, what your specialties are and how you can benefit the business.

FOCUS ON LITTLE THINGS

The finer points of job-fair behavior can make the difference between a successful event and a

waste of time. Here are some tips that can lead to better results.

Lose the posse. It can be comforting to attend a big event with a friend or two, but would you bring them along to a conventional job interview? Remember that the idea is to stand out and make new connections.

Use the whole event. When you're standing in line to meet an employer or get lunch, introduce yourself to people around you. Take an interest in them, whether they're on the hiring or job-seek-

ing side, and let them know your own story. It's a low-stakes way to practice your pitch, as well as a chance to build your network.

Swag isn't free. You're here to find work, not to accumulate stuff you'll discover buried deep in a desk drawer the next time you move. Loading up on freebies looks unprofessional.

FOLLOW UP FOR MAXIMUM EFFECT

Keep in mind the job fair isn't over once you head back home. After the event, send your new contacts a brief thank-you email that reiterates what you can offer their companies. Remind them of any distinguishing points you discussed.

It's true that most aspects of a job fair are out of your control. But that doesn't mean it's an entirely random affair. If you approach it as enduring a day of drudgery in exchange for a long-shot chance at a job offer, it's unlikely to do you any good. But if you're selective and assertive about the parts of the process you can control, you'll have good reason to feel optimistic about your chances.

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