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### Blacklight Dance set for Jan. 24

The Dance Project reports that more Oakland County students than ever before are swing dancing to popular music, including swing dance clubs for students in Milford High School and the International Academy West.

Students are especially excited about the upcoming Blacklight Dance sponsored by the Swinginfusion, a swing dance club for students with locations in Farmington, Brighton, Milford and Ann Arbor.

It will take place 8-11 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 24, at the Novi Christian Community Center, 45301 W. 11 Mile, and is open to all students grade 8 and up.

Doors open for registration at 7 p.m. and swing dance lessons for beginners take place at 7:30 p.m.

Snacks and drinks will be provided at the dance.

Admission is \$10 per person at the door.

Signed liability waivers (available online) are required for entry.

## Features added to Beck crossing

By Lonnie Huhman  
Staff Writer

The mid-block crossing proposed on Beck Road will now include additional improvements.

The Novi City Council approved an amendment to the engineering services agreement with Spalding DeDecker Associates for additional design engineering in the amount of \$6,697.

The design fees for this project are now at \$16,277; the esti-

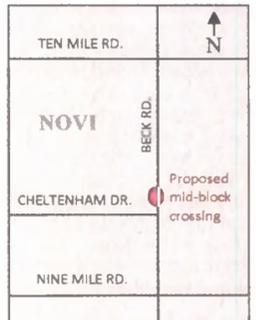
mated construction cost is \$166,939.

"During the initial study phase, which included some discussions with a representative of the adjacent neighborhood, it was determined that additional improvements were appropriate," Novi Public Services Director Rob Hayes said in his recommendation to council.

The preliminary design calls for Beck Road to be widened to construct a pedestrian refuge island and corresponding center

turn lane, according to Hayes. It was determined that the pavement in this area is in poor condition and should be rehabilitated as part of the project. The additional design fee being requested is primarily attributed to the design of these road rehabilitation improvements.

According to the Public Services Department, the city of Novi Non-Motorized Master Plan 2011 identified several locations for the potential devel-



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Sixty volunteers through St. James Catholic Church helped landscape a Novi home last year, which qualified for help through the Rebuilding Together Oakland County program.

## St. James looking to help rebuild more Novi homes

By Lonnie Huhman  
Staff Writer

St. James Catholic Church of Novi last year helped two homeowners with improvements and members are again looking to lend a helping hand to someone whose home needs a little care.

As part of the Rebuilding Together Oakland County program, St. James is looking for clients in Novi to help. One homeowner helped last year was Arlene Calunas, who

wrote to the *Novi News* to thank the church volunteers for their help.

"The kindness, respect, hard work and skill brought by the team of volunteers revitalized both my home and my spirit," she wrote.

The St. James team went to her home and, among many things, painted and installed new flooring. Sixty church parishioners volunteered their time and skills to help

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St. James volunteers installed a new floor at a Novi home during the Rebuild Day last April.

## Gatt seeking re-election as Novi mayor in November

Novi Mayor Bob Gatt announced that he'll be seeking his third two-year term in the Nov. 3 general election.

"I have never been more optimistic about the future of our Novi," Gatt said. "I am confident in our leadership, our new city manager, Pete Auger, and the wonderful, hard-working city employees. We all want what's best for the city we love and call home. I can't wait to

lead this great city for two more years."

Gatt is not shy about referring to the city as "Our Novi," having been an active leader in the Novi community for 40 years and playing an integral part of the dynamic growth of the city.



Gatt

Fourteen months ago, an unprecedented 86 percent of Novi voters re-elected him to a second term in office in one of the most impressive landslide victories in the history of Novi city elections.

"I truly believe that a special relationship exists between me and our Novi citizens," Gatt said. "I appreciate the confidence and tremendous support that Novi citizens have given

me over the years. We all share a common interest: Our love and concern for this great city called Novi."

Gatt was first elected mayor in November 2011 after eight years on Novi City Council. His full-time position is manager of the Oakland County Animal Control Division which oversees the Oakland Pet Adoption Cen-

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## ST. JAMES

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with the work on two Novi homes. It all happened over one day, but a lot of time and effort was put into it.

"We are looking to help someone in the community," St. James volunteer Bob Harmer said. "It's been a successful and impactful program here in Novi and around the county."

Each year on the last Saturday of April, RTOC provides housing repair to low-income homeowners who are elderly, disabled, military veterans and families with children who are unable to repair and revitalize their homes themselves.

The program's mission is to bring volunteers and communities together to improve the homes and lives of low-income homeowners.

### INTERESTED?

To learn more or become a candidate for help, call Pam Coles at St. James at 248-347-7778, go to <http://www.rebuildingtogether-oaklandcounty.org> or call RTOC at 248-432-6551.

Overall, through the help of 1,400 volunteers, the county program last year rehabilitated 47 homes and four non-profit facilities, built 11 ramps and made 36 minor home repairs.

The program is funded through donations to RTOC, which St. James does as well.

The repairs and services on last year's Rebuild Day contributed to \$700,000 of total increased market value (from \$600,000 last year), according to RTOC.



## Ultimate show

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Hobie kayak sales representative Ryan Barkley talks about some of the advantages of the foot pedal-powered kayaks his company sells at the Jan. 9 Ultimate Fishing Show at Novi's Suburban Collection Showplace. The entire main floor of the hall was filled with everything an angler could use, including rods, reels, lures, boats, waders and destinations to find fish.

## BECK

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opment of non-motorized crossings of major roads within the city, referred to as mid-block crossings. One of these locations was identified and funded in the 2013-14 budget on Beck Road between Cheltenham Drive and White Pines Drive.

This location is also part of a future east-west

regional pathway north of Nine Mile.

The crossing will include a 24-foot by 12-foot pedestrian refuge island and additional street lighting.

According to Ben Croy, a city civil engineer, the island would direct pedestrians in a way that they cross only one lane of traffic at a time.

The project would also include the construction of any additional pathways needed to connect

the mid-block crossing to the existing pathways and will include proper signage and pavement markings to help increase driver awareness of potential pedestrian conflicts. Additionally, portions of Beck Road will require widening to accommodate the crossing.

Beck has an average volume of 20,000 vehicles per day, according to the city.

"A properly designed mid-block crossing can

help direct pedestrians to cross in a defined location, rather than at random locations, and can help alert approaching vehicles that pedestrians may be present, making the crossing much safer," Croy said.

The project will be designed over this winter and construction is expected to begin this summer.

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## GATT

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ter in Auburn Hills. Prior, he was the chief of field operations for Oakland County's Community Corrections Program, a position he held since 2002.

Before joining Oakland County in 2002, Gatt served 27 years in the Novi Police Department and is still known by many residents as Offi-

cer Bob. Public safety remains Gatt's top priority on the city council.

"I have protected Novi residents and Novi families. I have lowered your taxes. I have maintained city service levels and added more public safety resources," Gatt said. "We've laid a great foundation for the future. Novi is poised to lead from a position of strength. We have been careful stewards of our finances, while maintaining quality services and

operations.

A business administration graduate of Wayne State University (bachelor's degree, 1972) and Eastern Michigan University (master's, 1997), Gatt developed a passion for public safety during his Novi police career. He started the local Drug Abuse Resistance Education program in Novi schools in 1988 when he served as a police detective. He also managed and operated the Crime Prevention

Section within the department.

Gatt was born in Highland Park and was raised in northwest Detroit with one brother and two sisters. He attended St. Monica Grade School and St. Francis De Sales High School in Detroit.

The only other candidate to file, as of Jan. 19, is Jason Dorsch, who also ran against Gatt in the last mayoral election. The deadline to file is 4 p.m. April 21.

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## NOVI POLICE BRIEFS

### Tires stolen

A Novi man had two tires stolen by unknown suspects who were spotted by a 9-1-1 caller.

The incident happened Dec. 21 on Springlake Boulevard outside of an apartment. The caller told police two men were taking the tires/rims off of a Ford Taurus, but a detailed identification of the suspects could not be given. Police arrived to find the tires missing and the lug nuts from the other two tires on the ground.

### Accidental liquor violation?

A woman called Novi Police on a report that an alcoholic drink was given to her 8-year-old child at an eatery inside Twelve Oaks mall.

According to the police report, the woman said they ordered a Blackberry Fizz, but instead got a Blackberry Sparkle, which contains champagne. The girl took one sip and said it was "gross." The mother wanted a report filed with the liquor commission. After a followup with management, police determined it was most likely an accident and there was no intent to harm.

### North Face jackets stolen

Two unknown men stole at least eight jackets from Dick's Sporting Goods store in Novi.

The thefts took place Dec. 22 at the location on Haggerty. Store staff told Novi Police the men were looking around the store when all of a sudden they both grabbed a handful of jackets, priced at \$200 each, and ran out of the store. A witness was able to identify the getaway car and police issued a be-on-the-lookout for the vehicle.

### Drunken driving

A female driver was arrested Dec. 21 for drunken driving after Novi Police spotted her driving erratically.

The police observed the car after 1 a.m. veer into both lanes after being at the traffic light at Grand River and Main Street. She was stopped at the I-96 ramp on Novi Road. Police reported immediately smelling alcohol inside the vehicle. The woman's breathalyzer registered 0.24 percent, three times the legal limit.

A search of the car turned up two open liquor bottles.

— By Lonnie Huhman

# New district court judge ready to work

By Diane Gale Andreassi  
Staff Writer

Novi 52-1 District Judge Travis Reeds had been serving in that elected role for about a week before holding a ceremonial robing at the South Lyon High School auditorium with family, friends and supporters.

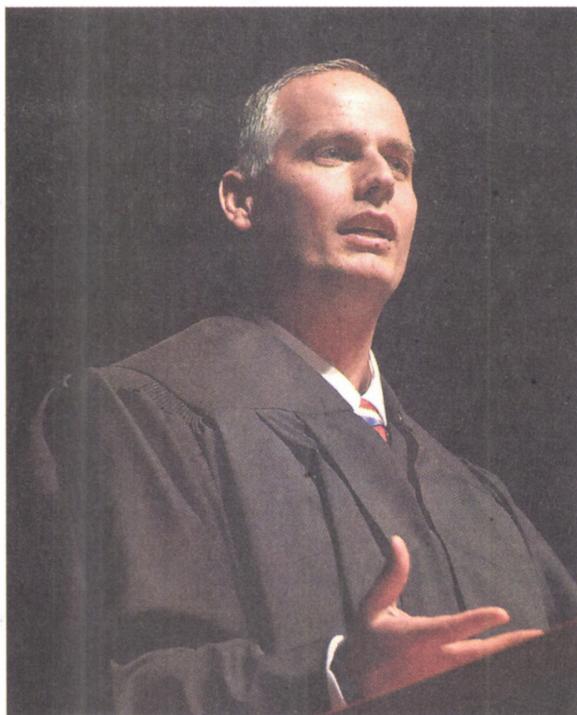
Reeds, who officially was sworn in last month by 52-1 District Judge Robert M. Bondy, picked his high school alma mater for the event.

"This is more for the community to meet me," Reeds said before the 50-minute presentation Jan. 15. "It's for them to see who is going to be working for them."

The 41-year-old South Lyon resident said he wants "to review the policies and procedures to see if we need to make changes. I want to make sure all procedures are in place properly."

He was elected last November, beating his former boss and longtime incumbent Brian MacKenzie, 64. Reeds won narrowly by 215 votes against MacKenzie, who had been on the bench 26 years.

In the year leading up to the election, MacKenzie's name had been in the news for reasons, including controversial sentencing for several domestic violence offenders and ordering defendants to take drugs tests at a facility owned by a fam-



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Judge Travis Reeds thanks his supporters at a ceremony last week.

ily friend who employed MacKenzie's wife and son.

It is uncommon for challengers to unseat an incumbent judge in Michigan. District court judges are paid \$138,000 annually. And those newly elected get a crash course on what to do.

"I started on Jan. 2 and

then I went to judge's training school in Lansing for one week," Reeds said.

The instruction for new judges — including lectures and practical tips — was presented by the state Court Administrator's Office with the Michigan Judicial Institute.

"I'm excited to serve the community," Reeds said.

Retired and serving judges throughout the state sat in their robes on the auditorium stage while family, friends and officials from communities in Wayne and Oakland counties watched in a full audience.

"I would like to see things done above the board," Milford Township Supervisor Don Green said about what he'd like to see from Reeds and his fellow district court judges. "I would like for them not to legislate from the bench and to follow the law."

Reeds' wife Karen and their children, Carter and Molly, presented him with his robe. His father, attorney Michael Reeds, gave him his gavel.

"My dad has always been a real inspiration for me," Reeds said, adding that the people gathered came not so much to honor him, but to support the judicial system.

Being elected judge "is about serving," Reeds said. The 52-1 District Court in Novi handles cases taking place in southwest Oakland County.

The court has three judges, though one position is vacant.

Dennis Powers of Highland resigned last fall and Gov. Rick Snyder is to appoint a replacement for him.

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## Novi man charged with stealing senior's savings

By LeAnne Rogers  
Staff Writer

A Novi man has been bound over for trial on a dozen felony charges that he stole the life savings of an elderly Westland man.

Anthony Edward Beard, 52, was supposed to be a caregiver for the elderly man, who resides in assisted living.

After waiving his preliminary examination in West-



Beard

land 18th District Court, Beard was ordered to stand trial on charges, including five counts of uttering and publishing, charges of embezzlement and identity theft, along with charges of illegally using and possessing a financial transaction device — a credit or ATM

card.

A not guilty plea was entered for Beard at his arraignment. He was released on personal bond, which was continued. A bond condition was that Beard has no contact with the victim.

The charges are that over a period of months Beard, while acting as a caregiver, stole most of the 86-year-old resident's life savings by accessing his bank through

forged checks and ATM, along with maxing out the victim's credit card accounts.

Approximately \$70,000 was allegedly stolen from the man over a period of months.

Beard is scheduled to be arraigned Jan. 22 in Wayne County Circuit Court.

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## Catholic Central High School band hits the right notes

By Lonnie Huhman  
Staff Writer

The band at Detroit Catholic Central High School received two big honors recently – a trip to Spain to perform and all-state honors for two of its members.

CC band and orchestra Director Greg Normandin said the success of music at the school is due to hard work and the friendships in the band.

“We strive to hold our entire program up to these standards as well. Our successes as a program come from the same ideals of dedication, hard work and love of music,” Normandin said.

This dedication took members to Spain at the end of December and into the new year for a series of performances. The trip to Spain was an unequivocal success, according to Normandin.

CC was selected for the trip based on previous performances in London and Rome over



CC band Director Greg Normandin (middle) with two of his outstanding students – Arun Mangrulkar (left) and Eddie Tchaouchev.

the last four years. In the past, students have performed in London, Paris, Rome, Monte Carlo, Honolulu and Madrid.

### Individual honors

Helping to lead this success were junior

Arun Mangrulkar, who was named the principal horn of the All-State Band, and sophomore Eddie Tchaouchev, who was selected as one of only seven string bass players for the All-State Orchestra.



The Detroit Catholic Central High School Band recently performed in Madrid, Spain.

Both students are also members of the Detroit Symphony Civic Orchestra.

“They represent the highest level of musicianship in the state of Michigan. Their success is the result of dedication, hard work and love of music,” Normandin said of the two students.

Both feel honored. “It feels great to be able to represent CC in the Michigan All-State Orchestra and to be able to be in an orchestra with many other people who share the same pas-

sion as me,” Tchaouchev said.

Mangrulkar said this honor is a big moment in what he hopes is a long music career.

“For me, this is a very important step,” he said. “I intend to pursue music in college and these types of achievements appeal to musical conservatories. I have been awarded this honor the past three years and I intend to pursue the opportunity next year in my senior year.”

What he likes about the band is that it has

provided so many opportunities to grow. But probably his favorite thing about the Detroit Catholic Central Symphonic Band is the friendships.

“The students in the band are a community and are very close,” he said. “Many of my best friends I didn’t meet until my freshman year that first day on the football field for marching band rehearsal. These are friendships I’m sure I will have for the rest of my life and I would not have gotten the opportunity to bond with my fellow band mates had I not joined.”

Tchaouchev agreed and said it’s because the orchestra at CC is very small. “I love the sense of camaraderie between us,” he said. “I really enjoy playing in the orchestra with my friends and having fun playing music.”

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## Gomez and Lindsay earn W.L. Schools Friend of Diversity Award

The Walled Lake School District recognized Katie Gomez, Geisler Middle School teacher, and Scott Lindsay, Walled Lake Northern High School teacher, as Friend of Diversity Award recipients Jan. 19 at the district’s Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration.

“Walled Lake Schools continues to build a culture around taking action for social justice. I am proud that our 2015 Friend of Diversity Award recipients, Katie Gomez and Scott Lindsay, are two staff members for whom actions speak louder than words and the actions of these individuals are indeed thoughtful and impressive,” said Kenneth Gutman, Walled Lake superin-

tendent.

Gutman said Gomez was nominated for her work on social justice issues, the outstanding relationships that she builds with students and their families from diverse backgrounds, as well as her involvement on the district-wide Multicultural Committee.

“Katie has a personal and professional calling to improve social justice issues wherever she sees them,” said Geisler Principal Dr. Sheryl Kennedy, who nominated Gomez. “She started a new after-school club at Geisler called the African-American Boys Book Club. This new Book Club has been a great success due to Katie’s passion, authenticity, and ex-

pectation that all of her students would excel.”

Lindsay was nominated for the Friend of Diversity Award by Greg Diamond, Walled Lake Northern principal, and Alec Bender, the co-chairperson of the Walled Lake Schools Social Justice Team. They said in their nomination letter that Lindsay has provided outstanding leadership on diversity initiatives at both the district level and at Northern. He is passionate about his involvement in diversity and social justice projects and he has been a trailblazer in advocating for all students.

At Northern, Lindsay has been the teacher sponsor of the Upstandards Club which



Walled Lake Consolidated School District Superintendent Kenneth Gutman (left) and board President Denise Bither (right) congratulate the 2015 Friend of Diversity Award winners Scott Lindsay, Walled Lake Northern teacher, and Katie Gomez, Geisler Middle School teacher.

has a goal to improve the climate at the school by working

against bullying and exclusion. He is also the teacher sponsor of the Gay-Straight Alliance Club at Northern. Last year, Lindsay taught the Positive Peer Intervention class at Northern that trains students to mediate problems between peers.

At the district level, Lindsay serves on the Multicultural Committee and helps with the Martin Luther King Jr. Day Celebration every year. He volunteered to participate in the original social justice training cohort at Oakland Schools in 2012 and has been a leader on the Walled Lake Schools Social Justice Team. He is one of the authors of the district’s Social Justice Plan.

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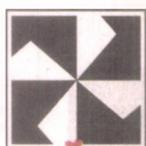
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## Superintendents group endorses May ballot proposal

Walled Lake Consolidated Schools Superintendent Kenneth Gutman was among the public school superintendents across Macomb, Oakland and Wayne counties who announced their support Jan. 15 of Proposal 1 on the May 5 ballot.

"Passing this proposal means Michigan will see over a billion dollars more for roads and bridges, hundreds of millions more for our kids' education and millions more from additional savings in maintenance and repair costs," Gutman said. "Safe, well-maintained roads benefit everyone in Michigan and, as superintendents, we believe we must seize this opportunity to move Michigan forward and invest in our kids."

If approved by voters,

the proposal would generate billions of dollars to fix Michigan's roads and bridges and strengthen funding for classrooms. The action was taken at a Jan. 5 executive board meeting of the Tri-county Alliance for Public Education.

The Michigan Legislature approved a plan in December to place a proposal on the May 5 ballot that would:

- » raise the sales tax from 6 percent to 7 percent;

- » repeal the sales tax on fuel;

- » restrict the use of School Aid Fund dollars in higher education; and

- » generate \$300 million in additional funds for public schools annually.

"Gov. Snyder and the Legislature deserve

credit for presenting a common-sense plan that addresses two critical investment priorities of Michigan citizens: to repair our roads and bridges and to strengthen our kids' education," said Robert D. Livernois, superintendent, Warren Consolidated Schools. "For the next four months, we'll be laser-focused on educating parents, school employees and the greater community about the need to support this critical ballot proposal that will benefit our kids and our economy."

The Tri-county Alliance for Public Education is a coalition of education leaders comprised of superintendents from every district in Macomb, Oakland and Wayne counties.

## Unity in the Community



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Novi High's Unity in the Community event last Friday, in recognition of Dr. Martin Luther King Day (Jan. 19) saw a few visitors from out of town performing, like the group Danse D'Amour from Oak Park.

### SCHOOL BRIEFS

#### Family Technology Night in Wixom

Family Technology Night is part of a county-wide initiative to help parents get their children interested in computers, business and information technologies via an evening of hands-on activities 6-8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 22, at Oakland Schools Technical Southwest Campus (1000 Beck Road, Wixom). Upper-elementary and middle school students will explore STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) with mom or dad in a fun introductory evening complete with snacks and door prizes.

"Most students do not really know the vast career opportunities that await them in the areas of information technology and entrepreneurship; students will begin to see the world of possibilities available to them, and hopefully find their passion, by having the chance to do hands-on work in this exciting area. Just as Family Engineering Nights have generated a lot of enthusiasm for engi-

neering, we think that Family Technology Nights will inspire the next generation of entrepreneurs and IT leaders," said Mike McIntyre, Career Focused Education STEM coordinator for Oakland Schools.

Oakland Schools Technical Campuses offer a free Information Technology and Marketing college-and-career readiness program to high school juniors and seniors in Oakland County. The intensive ITEAM "cluster" prepares students for a highly paid technical, business or marketing career in new areas that are critical for the economic success of this country.

There are three Family Technology Nights to choose from. Each of the events are free and will be held during the campuses' regular open house evening, but participation in the special Family Technology Night program requires pre-registration since space is limited.

For more information, please contact Mike McIntyre at Mike.McIntyre@oakland.k12.mi.us or,

to register, go to <http://parents.osregistration.org>.

#### Northville High School Information Session

Come and discover what it means to be a Mustang by taking part in the Northville High School Community Information Session 1-3 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 22. Tour the state-of-the-art, technology-equipped high school with student leaders as your guides.

Meet with academic department chairs and representatives from athletic teams, student clubs, and music and art programs, as well as current students, administrators and parents.

While the session is geared toward incoming freshmen for the 2015-16 academic year, families with students of all ages, as well as community members, are welcome to attend.

Northville High School is located at 45700 Six Mile. For more information, call 248-344-3800 or go to <http://nhs.northvilleschools.org/>.

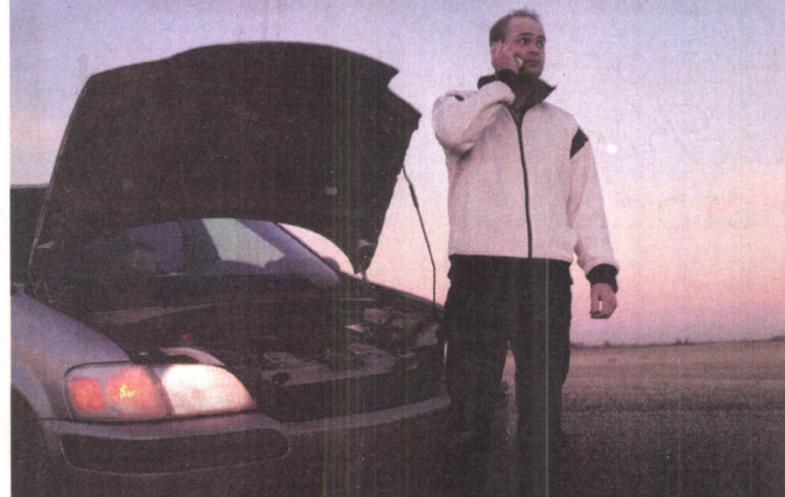
## DAR award



Novi High School senior Faith Boone (second from right) was presented Jan. 10 with the DAR John Sackett Chapter Good Citizen Award as her mother, Charity Jones (right), looked on. Americanism Chairman Carolyn Varga (left) explained that letters announcing the contest had been sent to local schools. This year's Good Citizen topic was Our American Heritage & Our Responsibility for Preserving it. The focus question was, "What does our past tell us about our future?" Students were given two hours to write their essays in a controlled setting with adult supervision and no access to reference materials. Upon hearing Faith read her essay, chapter members were very impressed. Faith was presented with a certificate a pin and a check. Her essay has been forwarded to the DAR state level. Also in the photo is Sylvia Nelson, chapter regent.

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# ZF Group poised to enjoy 'historic' year

By Nathan Mueller  
Staff Writer

ZF Group CEO Stefan Sommer said his company recognized that it has to "speed up in the area of driver assistance and in the area of autonomous driving" if it is going to be a major player as a systems provider.

So in an effort to accomplish that goal, the German company with its North American headquarters in Northville Township is in the process of acquiring TRW Automotive. The acquisition is expected to be completed by the first half of this year.

TRW Automotive, based in Livonia, is a global leader in automotive safety as it pertains to driver assist systems and vehicle safety systems. Sommer acknowledged there was a need to have access to them.

"It is a great opportunity," Sommer said Tuesday morning from the floor of the North American International Auto Show. "We have complementary operations, so we will not replace anything, we will not close and we will not merge anything."

"We will add all the contents together."

Sommer said even in the early stages of the



ZF Group senior production engineer Jeff Yates (right) talks with former ZF employee Mike Jones at the North American International auto show in Detroit. ZF Group, which has its North American headquarters in Northville Township, is in the process of acquiring TRW Automotive.

acquisition, TRW employees have begun to embrace the change and are "looking forward to starting all the activities of common technology and collaboration with all the ZF people."

"We will learn from

each other and it will be great job opportunity for everyone contributing to this story on a global basis," Sommer said.

And while ZF Group — which develops and produces transmissions, steering systems, axles

and chassis components, as well as complete systems for passenger cars, commercial vehicles and off-road machinery — has an obvious focus on the global market, its success in North America is key.

In 2014, ZF Group's sales in North America rose to an estimated \$4.9 billion, about a one-fifth increase compared to the previous year. Sommer expects 2015 to also show "strong growth."

"This is really the

center of our activities and we expect this will continue throughout the next two years," he said.

The company unveiled its second-generation eight-speed automatic transmission last August and plans on launching its plug-in hybrid version of the eight-speed automatic transmission this year.

There were 2.6 million eight-speed automatic transmission units produced in 2014, a number Sommer called "amazing." The new generation has further developments that help achieve an additional 3-percent fuel savings.

Major U.S. manufacturers such as Chrysler, Jeep and Dodge are already using the eight-speed transmission in their vehicles.

Bryan Johnson, a Canton resident and manager of marketing and communications for the ZF Group, said 2015 will be a historic year for ZF Group, which also is celebrating its 100th anniversary.

It's an accomplishment, but also a motivational tool for Sommers.

"It's a great (foundation) for us as we develop and design the next 100 years of a successful future for this company," he said.

## NAIAS schedule and prices

### Dates and times

The show is open to the public from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. (no admittance after 9 p.m.) through Jan. 24. It also is open from 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. (no admittance after 6 p.m.) Jan. 25.

Tickets may be purchased the day of the show at ticket booths inside Cobo Center or online at [www.NAIAS.com](http://www.NAIAS.com).

### Ticket pricing

Adults — \$13  
Seniors (65 and older) — \$7  
Children (ages 7-12) — \$7  
Children 6 and under are free

### Group tickets

A discounted rate of \$9 per ticket is available for groups of 30 or more.

### Parking

Parking is available in the following lots:

1. Joe Louis Arena  
900 W. Jefferson  
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2. Cobo Roof Deck  
625 W. Congress  
Hours: 6 a.m. to 11 p.m.

3. Millennium Garage  
432 W. Congress  
Hours: 6 a.m. to 11 p.m.

The Detroit People Mover also is a convenient method of rail transportation in the downtown Detroit area. Detroit People Mover stops are usually a short walk from most parking lots and Cobo Center is one of the stops on its route. The cost is 75 cents per person.

## Area auto dealerships look forward to 2015

By David Veselenak,  
Nathan Mueller  
and Jay Grossman  
Staff Writers

When it comes to cars expected to roll off the sales lot at Bill Brown Ford in Livonia this year, one vehicle comes to marketing director Andrea Calvaneso's mind: the 2015 Ford F-150.

With all the attention focused on the new truck, one of the leaders in sales, it's no surprise it's the new truck that's drawing a lot of attention to the dealership at 32222 Plymouth in Livonia.

"We're pretty fortunate to be in the heart of Ford country," she said. "We've already had quite a bit of eagerness surrounding that kind of vehicle."

Bill Brown Ford is just one area dealership prepping for a big 2015 as the beginning of the North American International Auto Show begins at Cobo Center in downtown Detroit.

The truck, being built in Dearborn, sports a new, lighter aluminum body, one of the big reasons the F-150 is turning heads in Livonia, Calvaneso said.

"I think the aluminum body is a big one," she said. "I just think there's so much more excitement around this vehicle, because it offers so much more than the previous models."

The dealership was a stop on the Ford F-150 Drive Tour back in December, which gave the dealership's customers a first look at the new truck.

After that stop, Calvaneso said anytime a truck is on the lot, it is purchased quickly.

"Whenever we get one, they're usually gone pretty quickly," she said. "We're continuing to get more units on our lot all the time."

### Lou LaRiche Chevrolet

Being a part of the Plymouth community is one of the keys to success for Lou LaRiche Chevrolet.

The dealership has been in business since 1970 and is heavily involved in the Plymouth community, including a

donation for Plymouth's Miracle League field that was built in 2011 for special needs kids. Lou LaRiche also contributes to Make-A-Wish, the annual Plymouth Fall Festival and other community events.

Located at 40875 Plymouth Road, the dealership itself recently underwent an extensive remodeling and expansion.

"Walk into the showroom and you'll see everything is bright and lit up," sales manager Debbie Dowling said Wednesday.

"Right now, we have two Corvettes, a Camaro, a Cruze, an Equinox, Traverse, Impala, Malibu and the all-new Chevrolet Trax on the floor today."

Scott LaRiche is serving as the chair of the 2015 North American International Auto Show, an honor his dad, Lou LaRiche, held exactly 20 years ago in 1995. Dowling said the auto show is the perfect place to go for anyone interested in a new vehicle.

"It gives the public an opportunity to see everything in one place," she said. "Once they find the Chevy they're interested in, they can come to Lou

LaRiche to purchase or lease it."

What are some of the anticipated hot sellers for 2015? Dowling said the new Silverado is especially popular, but she expects all the Chevy products to do well.

Looking back on 2014, Dowling said the Lou LaRiche dealership and entire auto industry enjoyed a very successful year.

"I think it was a very good year — we were up over 2013, so that's always positive," she said. "Right now, we're just looking forward to 2015 with the products we have and increasing our sales once again."

### Atchinson Ford

Community involvement has been the calling card of Atchinson Ford since it opened more than 50 years ago in Belleville.

The family-owned dealership, located at 9800 Belleville Road, has been active on community boards and volunteer committees, supported charities and given back to various groups and schools.

Selling vehicles is what they do, but community-focused is

who they are.

"It's a big thing for us," said Mike Sturtz, general sales manager. "Our owner is on the DDA, big with the Boys and Girls Club and chamber, you name it. If there is a group in town, he tries to get in the middle of it."

The success in the community also has translated to success in business.

Sturtz said while Ford Motor Co. had a pretty "level" year in terms of sales, their dealership was up 7 percent.

Atchinson also recently opened a new quick-lane store, giving them more capacity to do maintenance work and work on off-brands.

"Overall it was a record year for the overall health of the store," he said.

Sturtz said he is working on his projections for 2015 next week, but thinks they will come in "pushing 10 percent."

"I believe we can do it because we are in a growing community and have worked very hard to cater to the growing Canton community that doesn't have a Ford dealership in its city limits," he said.



Bill Brown Ford in Livonia was a stop on the Ford F-150 Drive Tour back in December, which gave the dealership's customers a first look at the new truck.

## Snyder touts skilled trades at auto show

By Jay Grossman  
Staff Writer

Gov. Rick Snyder wants to see a new generation of car buffs in Michigan that understands technology is equally important to horsepower.

"We messed up in our country several decades ago, when we sort of diminished the appreciation for skilled trades and we need to bring that back," Snyder said last week as he toured the floor at the 2015 North American International Auto Show.

"We need to have par-

ents and young people and people looking for their next career understand there's an equally honorable, equally important, equally well-paying track for career tech education in addition to university. And I want Michigan to be number one in that. It's a top priority of mine, because it's a huge economic advantage that Michigan can have because this is a huge national challenge."

Still hobbling on crutches after he tore his Achilles tendon, Snyder checked out several of the displays on the ground floor and in the

basement of Cobo Center, where a small track is laid out for prototype vehicles.

"Most people aren't familiar with mechatronics (a combination of electronics and mechanics). These are the people who will be doing the industrial automotive systems and managing the robotic equipment," he said. "Those jobs are well-paying jobs and they aren't going away. That's our future."

"This is where I really want to help out in that area between high school and higher education ... and let's make that line

go away. Because too often you wonder, 'Do I have to do this in high school, do I do this in community college ... where do I get the training?' We're going to make it much more seamless in Michigan."

With that in mind, Snyder said he hopes the show attracts a younger generation.

"I hope young people in particular come check out the show, because autos are a great thing to be involved with — period. But if you want to be on the cutting edge of technology, the best place to do it is the auto industry."



Michigan Gov. Rick Snyder signs the sculpture celebrating 100 years of the ZF automotive organization.

The governor wrapped up the tour by talking to some students and touting the show.

"This show is a great illustration of the success of the auto industry," he said. "The industry is

doing well, Michigan is doing well, Detroit is doing well. Let's stay on the gas."

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Johnson Controls, which has a technical center in Plymouth, unveiled its battery start-stop technology as a way to increase gasoline mileage and efficiency during a press event last week at the North American International Auto Show at Cobo Center in Detroit.

## Johnson Controls touts new battery for Ford F-150

By David Veselenak  
Staff Writer

Johnson Controls is looking toward start-stop technology as a way to increase gasoline mileage and efficiency. The company is hoping powering the Ford F-150, the North American Truck/Utility of the Year, is enough to begin to boost attention to its technology.

The Milwaukee-based company, which has a technical center in Plymouth, unveiled its Absorbent Glass Mat battery technology during a press event Jan. 12 at the North American International Auto Show at Cobo Center in Detroit. The technology comes standard in the 2015 Ford F-150 2.7-liter model and is an option on other models of the truck. It is the first vehicle with this type of battery made by Johnson Controls.

Using the technology could lead to a fuel savings as high as 5 percent and can help automakers meet emissions regulations by 2025, company officials said.

"Not only do they need to power more stuff, batteries are also being used to help automakers meet increasing fuel economy and emission reduction regulations," said Joe Walicki, who was recently appointed vice president and president of the company's Power Solutions business. "Start-stop vehicles are here and they have room to grow."

It's a technology that's seeing growth in other parts of the world: Walicki said 60 percent of all cars in Europe are utiliz-



Johnson Controls demonstrates some of its innovative seating systems at an early-morning press conference Jan. 12 at the 2015 North American International Auto Show.

ing the technology. AGM batteries are expected to reduce carbon dioxide emissions by 14.8 million tons and reduce fuel usage by 1.6 billion gallons, according to the company.

"It's an affordable way for our customers to get incremental fuel savings without having to make significant changes to their vehicles," he said. "A car that can save a little bit of energy at a stoplight can save a lot of energy in the long run."

The company produced 140 million batteries in 2014, more than any other supplier in the world, Walicki said. The company also supplies batteries to other vehicles, including the hybrid Range Rover.

Craig Rigby, the advanced market and technology strategist for Johnson Controls out of Milwaukee, Wis., said the decision to work with Ford in adding an AGM battery to the F-150, which is manufactured in Dearborn, is a great one for both companies.

"The really great thing

about that vehicle and bringing start-stop technology to the F-150 is that it is the largest-selling vehicle in the U.S.," he said. "The leverage they get by putting that fuel savings technology in that vehicle is really tremendous."

While the AGM battery is produced in Toledo and St. Joseph, Mo., Rigby said brainstorming and the development process happened across the company's worldwide locations, including the facility off Halyard Drive in Plymouth.

"We're a global company. We have engineering activities here in Michigan, we have engineering activities at our headquarters in Milwaukee, we have a very strong team in Europe," he said. "Certainly, as it relates to working with automakers that are based here in the U.S., the team in Plymouth is invaluable and really amazing."

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## Livonia company shows off aerodynamic simulations at show

By David Veselenak  
Staff Writer

When it comes to building aerodynamic vehicles, most car companies have needed to build several models to test in wind tunnels and other conditions. But using technology from one company located in Livonia may make those test models less needed.

Exa, a company headquartered in Burlington, Mass., and which has an office in Livonia, demonstrated its cloud-based technology this week at the North American International Auto Show at Cobo Center in Detroit.

The vehicle simulation the company ran at its booth during the auto show press previews was a 2015 Jaguar XE. Complete with three-dimensional glasses, viewers can see the aerodynamics in action on a simulated vehicle on a screen in the basement of Cobo Center.

"They designed the entire aerodynamics digitally, and they didn't build a single (model) that they put in a wind tunnel to track the aerodynamics," said Ales Alajbegovic, vice president of ground transportation applications and an Ann Arbor resident. "When they built



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Ales Alajbegovic is vice president for ground transportation applications for Exa Corp. Nearly all of the world's auto manufacturers use Exa's airflow simulations when designing vehicles to minimize drag.

the first model, they tested it because they wanted to see how it works, and it worked as designed."

Dwight Pugsley, director of North American auto sales, said most car companies are using their technology, with the exception of Mercedes and Volvo.

Using the technology allows companies to maintain speed and accuracy when designing vehicles, said Pugsley, who lives in Brighton.

"We supply this technology to all the OEMs worldwide," he said. "They utilize this for aerodynamics, aero-acoustics and thermal."

"Every car you see, sleek and streamlined, is a result of using our digital technology."

The program also allows for several team members to view and utilize the equipment through a Web-based infrastructure, allowing those working on a simulation to be in several locations at a time.

The company, which also has offices in France and Japan, moved their Michigan office from Ann Arbor to Livonia several years ago to be closer to the automakers in the Metro Detroit area.

"It was ideal in having the highway corridor, with easy access," Pugsley said. "I moved it because it was closer to the OEMs."

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**AUTO SHOW BRIEFS**

**\$10 million baby**

Alfa Romeo went old school at the North American International Auto Show in Detroit with an impressive display of some classic racing cars.

The Italian car company has a 1932 Gran Premio Tipo B P3 on display. It features a double supercharged engine developing 215 horsepower at 5,800 rpm and has a top speed of around 145 mph. Only six of these cars were produced.

Next to that is a 1951 Gran Premio Tipo 159 Alfetta. It has a supercharged straight-8 engine that cranks out 425 horsepower with a top speed of 191 mph. Only six of these cars were produced.

Across the aisle is a 1967 33 Stradale, a rare collector's item that could sell on the market for a cool \$10 million. The car is the inspiration for Alfa Romeo's 2015 4C.

The three cars were directly shipped to the NAIAS from a museum in Italy.

**Military vehicles**

Also new to the NAIAS this year is a display of army vehicles in the basement of the Cobo Center. Donna Edwards, community relations officer for the U.S. Army, said there's a reason the vehicles are located in the basement.

"If they were upstairs, they'd crash through the floor and end up down here," she said, explaining some of the equipment weighs more than 30 tons.

The equipment is on loan from the Detroit Arsenal in Warren. Anyone with kids or a love for really big machinery will want to check out this display.

**Radio-controlled racetrack**

Vehicle simulations not your thing? You'll be able to test drive a Ford Focus near the Dearborn-based company's display, though it will be much smaller than most would expect.

A racetrack set up near the entrance allows for two drivers to control two radio-controlled miniature Ford Focus vehicle along the track, using a remote to control the vehicle as it changes elevation and maneuvers along. A real-size 2015 Ford Focus lays nearby in the display for those wanting to see the new model of the vehicle.

— By Jay Grossman, Nathan Mueller and David Veselenak

**Artist brings the light to auto show**

By Jay Grossman  
Staff Writer

Gabriel Hall is creating masterpieces out of light.

The 33-year-old artist from Livonia is the founder of New D Media, a pioneering company that specializes in projection mapping, in which high-powered projectors are used to create digital scenes on the sides of buildings and other canvases.

Scored with music, the images dart about as they tell a story and stir emotions.

"Projection mapping is a non-invasive way to add digital branding to architecture and the environment around you, using high-powered projectors to light up animation," Hall said. "The animation is especially fit so it uses the architecture like a movie screen for the story. It's a little bit of magic, a combination of science and technology, the 'wow' factor and a huge canvas."

The public can see the company's work at the 2015 North American International Auto Show. Hall and his team helped create a miniature "smart city" for DENSO automotive suppliers that illustrates how vehicles, homes and the surrounding infrastructure might connect to become more energy-efficient.

"V2V (vehicle to vehicle) is the major technology they're showcasing," Hall said.

"Through this technology, cars 'talk' to each other in a way so that safe distances are always maintained and intersections are woven in a way that cars can cross through without stoplights."

New D Media first started working with DENSO at the 2015 Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas. For the past month or so, Hall has been bouncing back and forth between Las Vegas and Detroit creating content, setting up the projects making sure the display plays back perfectly.

The company itself has been on a roll: Hard Rock Cafe hired it to create a massive digital clock on the side of the Compuware building for a rocking New



Gabriel Hall (left) and Daniel Land of New D Media stand by the smart city exhibit they built for DENSO Automotive. The pair created the future concept city landscape using multiple projection systems onto a 3-D background.

Year's bash. Another of its displays made it into the top 20 at ArtPrize 2014. And in 2012, Chevrolet hired New D Media to help with an ad for the World Series.

The company's work was displayed at the Detroit Institute of Arts and also the Detroit Public Library, where in 2012 it was hired to turn the front facade of the library into a building from ancient Rome.

"We've had a good run over the past few years," Hall said. "And right after ArtPrize we were hired by DENSO, so we went from the art world to the corporate world in a flash."

**Hometown roots**

Hall grew up in Livonia, graduating from Stevenson High School in 1999. His parents still live in Livonia, while he and his wife Joanie are raising a family in Farmington.

He studied film directing and special effects at the Center for Creative Studies in Detroit and then spent seven years working at a pair of ad agencies in Southfield and Birmingham.

At the same time, he was honing his skills in projection mapping as a video jockey at music festivals around the country.

"Because I was doing these stage designs and being the VJ, I noticed there were not a lot of companies that did the type of projection work that I specialized in," he said. "So I saw an opportunity to take this art form to different heights and commercialize it in ways to form a profitable company that uses the art form I want ... it hasn't been easy, but at the same time it was pretty awesome work."

He formed New D Media in 2010 and was quickly joined by Daniel Land, a fellow CCS student who lives in Detroit. Sean Hodgson is an animator for the company, while John Hudson is the projector tech. Two other employees help build the sets.

There's a lot of detail work and expenses involved in each project. To light up buildings, for example, the company uses projectors that weigh over 100 pounds and cost up to \$4,000 a day to rent.

**Next up**

On Aug. 24, New D Media will be creating a digital piece for St. Mary's in Livonia to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Armenian genocide. For several reasons, it's a project that Hall is particularly proud of.

"Essentially, we'll be projecting 1.5 million particles onto St. Mary's bell tower from the bottom of the tower to the top over a four-hour period in memory of the 1.5 million souls lost in the genocide," he said. "I'm very much honored to be a part of this ... and this will be my first big projector job in Livonia, which I'm pretty happy about too."

Hall has received national recognition for his work, but he still sees himself as the hometown artist - holding a projector rather than an art brush.

"I'm thrilled to be representing Livonia with this art form," he said. "I've lived in this area my whole life and I'm just happy I can shine a good light on it."

**Company prints out 3-D cars at auto show**



Spencer Sharp of Local Motors takes Car & Driver magazine writer Tamara Warren for a spin in the 3-D printed car.

By Jay Grossman  
Staff Writer

Imagine printing out your next Cadillac or Ford F-150.

An Arizona-based company called Local Motors is literally printing 3-D cars at the North American International Auto Show. Spokeswoman Kate Hartley said Local Motors hopes to become the first company in the world to put a 3-D car on the road.

"We do it in three phases," she said Jan. 12 as a crowd of reporters gathered around the company's exhibit. "The first one is printing ... this phase takes about 44 hours. The second phase is milling or refining ... and the third phase is rapid assembly."

The electric car, called the Strati, is made of ABS plastic and reinforced with carbon fiber. The vehicles weigh an aver-

age of 1,600 pounds and can travel slightly over 80 miles on a single electric charge. Hartley said it takes about three days to finish the product.

"It's going to be an actual car," she said. "The great thing about 3-D printing is you can print around the components you want to use in the car. You just slip them in."

The public attending the show will have a chance to see Local Motors print out and build a car from start to finish. Plus, there will be opportunities to ride around in one in the Cobo Center basement track.

How fast the car goes depends on the power train that's installed.

"We actually plan to put 3-D cars on the road in the next 12-18 months," she said. "Hopefully one day you can come to a Local Motors micro factory and tell us the car you want and we'll be able to print it for you right there and then."

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# All about that lace at NAIAS Charity Preview

It was a night of heavy metal at the North American International Auto Show's Charity Preview — and not just on the cars. More than 13,000 patrons went all-out bling Jan. 16 with top trends of silver and gold head-to-toe sequins, lace overlay gowns and navy as the new black.



Julie Yolles

SOCIAL SCENE

What glistened most was the unprecedented \$5.3 million that was raised for nine children's charities: Boys & Girls Clubs of Southeastern Michigan, Boys Hope Girls Hope of Detroit, The Children's Center, Judson Center, The Detroit Institute for Children, Think Detroit PAL, March of Dimes, Children's Hospital of Michigan Foundation and the DADA Charitable Foundation Fund, a fund of the Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan.

The \$5.3 million brought the amount raised for children's charities to more than \$100 million, \$50 million of which was raised in the last 10 years alone.

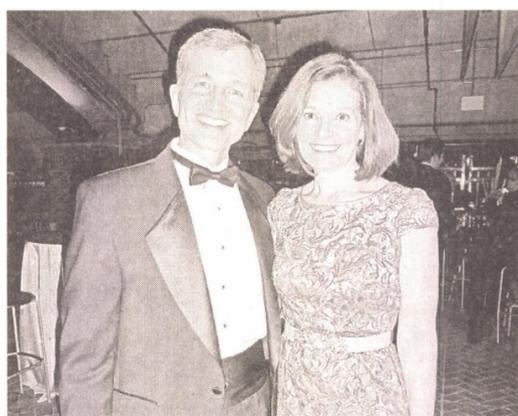
"The NAIAS is the pinnacle of auto shows all over the world," said NAIAS Chairman Scott LaRiche, a Northville resident and co-owner of Lou LaRiche Chevrolet in Plymouth. "It's all about family, teamwork and hope."

And LaRiche's family was front and center at the Charity Preview ribbon-cutting ceremony, including patriarch Lou LaRiche, the NAIAS chairman 30 years ago.

What did Lou say about his son taking center stage and following in his footsteps?



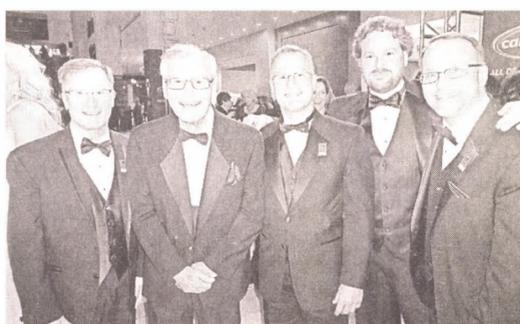
Novi resident Cynthia Haffey and Juan Pablo Rosas from Mexico City check out the E400 Cabriolet.



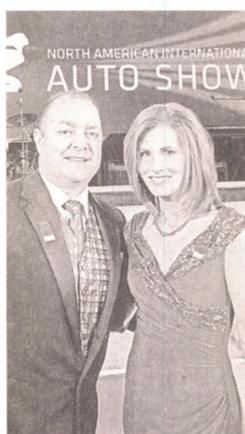
Ford Motor Co. Fund Controller and Novi resident Larry Border attended the Ford-sponsored AutoGlow with his wife Pam. The AutoGlow, held at Ford Field, benefited The Children's Center of Detroit.



GM Vice President of Global Design Ed Welburn (left) and Northville resident Steve Fecht in front of the Buick Avenir concept car.



Some of the LaRiche family (from left): Jimmy LaRiche, owner of Coastline Valet in Boca Rotan, Fla.; Northville resident Lou LaRiche, who was the NAIAS chairman 30 years ago and owns Lou LaRiche Chevrolet in Plymouth; John LaRiche, owner of LaRiche Chevrolet-Cadillac in Findlay, Ohio; Steve LaRiche, who works with his grandfather Lou, at Lou's dealership; and Bob LaRiche, owner of LaRiche Toyota in Findlay, Ohio.



Northville residents Mark and Suzie Merucci.

"It's a father's dream come true. I am so proud," Lou LaRiche said following the ribbon-cutting.

"Dad's goal for all of his sons to have their own dealership is coming to fruition," said son John LaRiche, who owns LaRiche Chevrolet-Cadillac in Findlay, Ohio.

The glamorous guests sipped champagne and

strolled among the cars and trucks 6-9 p.m., followed by a standing-room-only concert by the Steve Miller Band.

NAIAS continues through Sunday, Jan. 25. Ticket prices are \$13 for adults; \$7 for seniors (65 and older) and \$7 for children ages 7-12 (free for children age 6 and under when accompanied by parent or guardian). Show hours and more information are online at [www.naias.com](http://www.naias.com).

## CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS - PUBLIC HEARING

The Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) has scheduled a public hearing for Wednesday, February 18, 2015 at the Northville Township Municipal Office Building, located at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI. The ZBA will consider the following requests for variances to the zoning ordinance:

- 20401 Haggerty Road - Chapter 145, Sign Ordinance, Monument Sign (Electronic)
- 47820 7 Mile Rd. - Chapter 170, Zoning Ordinance, Detached Accessory Structure (Height)

Written comments regarding these requests will be received by the ZBA at 44405 Six Mile Road, Northville, MI 48168. The meeting will begin at 7:30 P.M.

Paul Slatin, Chair  
Zoning Board of Appeals  
Publish: January 22, 2015

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## CITY OF NORTHVILLE COUNTY OF WAYNE, MICHIGAN

### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON AMENDMENT TO AND RESTATEMENT OF THE DEVELOPMENT AND TAX INCREMENT FINANCING PLAN OF THE NORTHVILLE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS IN THE CITY OF NORTHVILLE:

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the City Council of the City of Northville, Michigan, will hold a public hearing on Monday, February 2, 2015, at 7:30 p.m. prevailing Eastern Time, at the City of Northville Municipal Building - City Council Chambers, 215 West Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, to consider the adoption of an ordinance approving an amendment to, and restatement of the Development and Tax Increment Financing Plan (the "Amended and Restated Plan") for the Northville Downtown Development Authority pursuant to Act 197 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1975, as amended.

The boundaries of the development area to which the Amended and Restated Plan applies are as follows - **REVISED DESCRIPTION:**

- (1) All the lots in the block bounded on the north by Dunlap Street, on the east by Center Street, on the south by Main Street, and on the west by Wing Street, such lots being part of assessor's plat no. 6.
- (2) All the lots in the block bounded on the north by Main Street, on the east by Center Street, on the south by Cady Street, and on the west by Wing Street, such lots being a part of assessor's plat no. 3.
- (3) All of lots 211, 212, 213, and 214, and 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249 and 250, all in assessor's plat no. 3, in the block bounded on the north by Cady Street, on the east by Center Street and on the west by Wing Street.
- (4) All the lots in the block bounded by Main Street on the north, Church Street on the east, Cady Street on the south and Center Street on the west, such lots being a part of assessor's plat no. 1.
- (5) All the lots in the block bounded on the north by Main Street, on the east by Griswold Road, on the south by Cady Street and on the west by Church Street, such lots being part of assessor's plat no. 1.
- (6) That part of lot 718 in assessor's plat no. 7 described as beginning at the southwest corner of Lot 718, thence north 01D 35M 15S west along the westerly line of such lot 262.55 feet; thence south 35D 05M 35S east 103.70 feet; thence south 67D 02M 43S east 75.63 feet; thence south 4D 29M 50S east six feet; thence north 85D 30M 10S east 354.78 feet; thence north 85D 29M 53S east 62.40 feet to the easterly line of such lot; thence southerly along the easterly line of such lot to the southeast corner; thence westerly along the southerly line of such lot to the P.O.B., in the block bounded on the east by Griswold Road, on the south by Main Street and on the west by Hutton Street.
- (7) All the lots in the block bounded on the north by Dunlap Street, on the east by Hutton Street, on the south by Main Street and on the west by Center Street, such lots being a part of assessor's plat no. 7.
- (8) All of lots 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683 and 684, and 686, 687, 688 and 689, all in assessor's plat no. 7, in the block bounded on the east by Hutton Street, on the south by Dunlap Street and on the west by Center Street.
- (9) All of lots 527 and 546, 547 and 548, all in assessor's plat no. 6, in the block bounded on the east by Center Street, on the south by Dunlap Street and on the west by Wing Street.
- (10) All of lots 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, all in assessor's plat no. 2; all of lot 72 except the east part measuring 19 feet on the north line and 24 feet on the south line, all of lots 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, except the east 75.89 feet thereof, all of lots 80, 81 and 82 except the east part measuring ten feet on the north line and 10.16 feet on the south line, all in assessor's plat no. 1; all of that part of vacated Church Street lying easterly of lots 177 through 181, inclusive, and westerly of lots 75 through 80, inclusive, being a part of Assessor's Northville Plat No. 1.
- (11) That part of lot 718 in assessor's plat no. 7 described as beginning north 85D 30M 10S east 1171.25 feet and north 2D 55M 2S west 165.05 feet from the center one-quarter corner of section 3 for a point of beginning; thence south 85D 30M 10S west 417.18 feet; thence north 4D 29M 50S west six feet; thence north 67D 2M 43S west 75.77 feet; thence north 35D 5M 35S west 121.81 feet; thence north 1D 35M 10S west 24.48 feet; thence north 41D 8M 10S west 83.64 feet; thence north 5D 44M 20S east 509.61 feet; thence north 86D 6M 50S east 111.20 feet; thence south 5D 44M 20S west 58.56 feet; thence south 22D 40M east 320.69 feet; thence north 2D 55M 2S west 19.97 feet; thence south 51D 5M 14S east 50.94 feet; thence south 76D 57M 29S east 117.98 feet; thence north 88D 47M 12S east 161.98 feet; thence south 2D 55M 2S east 310.10 feet to the point of beginning, bounded on the west by Hutton Street and on the east by Griswold Street.
- (12) All of lots 738 and 739 in assessor's plat no. 8 and all of lot 8 in assessor's plat no. 1.
- (13) All of lots 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 in assessor's plat no. 1.

Copies of the proposed Amended and Restated Plan, maps, plats, etc. are on file at the office of the City Clerk for inspection during normal business hours of Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. local prevailing time, or on the City of Northville's website at [www.ci.northville.mi.us](http://www.ci.northville.mi.us) and the Downtown Development Authority's website at [www.downtownnorthville.com](http://www.downtownnorthville.com) (go to About Downtown, then Studies and Reports).

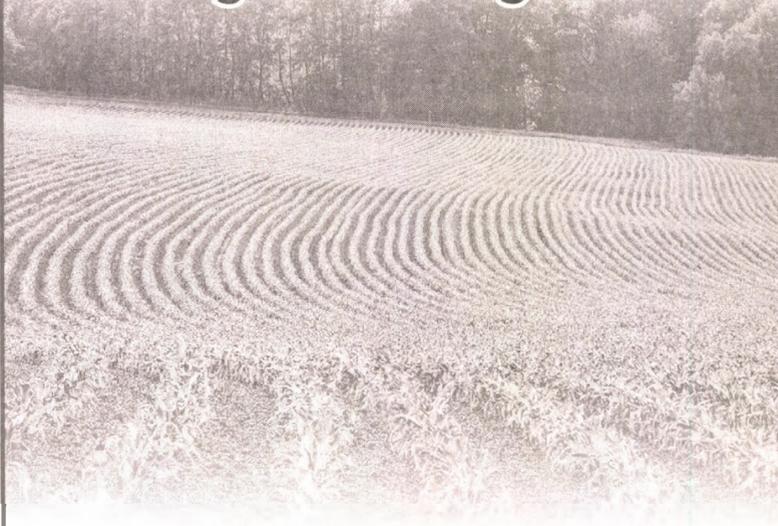
At the public hearing, all interested persons desiring to address the City Council shall be afforded an opportunity to be heard in regard to the approval of the Amended and Restated Plan for the Northville Downtown Development Authority and all aspects of the Amended and Restated Plan will be open for discussion at the public hearing.

FURTHER INFORMATION may be obtained from the office of the Northville Downtown Development Authority, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, 248-349-0345.

This notice is given by order of the City Council of the City of Northville, Michigan.

DIANNE MASSA, CITY CLERK  
CITY OF NORTHVILLE

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# Detroit Zoo cares for eight rescued lizards

The Detroit Zoo is caring for eight lizards that were among 343 confiscated by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in September. The Sahara spiny-tailed (*Uromastyx geyri*) and mastigure (*Uromastyx dispar*) lizards were being smuggled into the United States from Mali, when they were intercepted.

According to the USFWS, the lizards were poached from the wild and destined for the pet trade. Due to the inhumane methods used to ship the animals and the conditions they were held in prior to their arrival in the U.S., 200 of them died while in expert care within a few weeks of being seized.

The Detroit Zoological Society agreed to provide a home for four of each species; the remaining surviving lizards were distributed to other zoological institutions.

"These eight lizards represent a global crisis in wildlife trafficking. Many individual animals die in situations like this and the impacts on wild populations can be catastrophic," said Scott Carter, DZS chief life sciences officer. "We are happy to be able to provide great care and per-

manent sanctuary for these lizards and to help bring attention to this important wildlife issue."

The lizards arrived in late November in poor condition and are receiving daily care and observation in quarantine, which will likely last for six months or longer. Once out of quarantine, the lizards will be seen at the Holden Reptile Conservation Center.

And that will be quite a sight.

"Their tails are extremely spiny and heavy and they will use them to whip an attacker should they feel the need to defend themselves," said Patricia Mills Janeway, director of public relations at the zoo.

The lizards' rescue is supported by the Kalter/Lezotte Fund for Wildlife Rescue, established in 2012 to facilitate the rescue of animals with the intent to provide sanctuary at the Detroit Zoo. To contribute to the fund, make a check payable to Detroit Zoological Society and send it to Fund for Wildlife Rescue, 8450 W. 10 Mile, Royal Oak, MI 48067 or call 248-336-5704.

The Detroit Zoological Society is a nonprofit organization that oper-



A Sahara spiny-tailed lizard.

DETROIT ZOO

ates the Detroit Zoo and Belle Isle Nature Zoo. Situated on 125 acres of naturalistic habitats, the Detroit Zoo is located at

10 Mile and Woodward Avenue off I-696 in Royal Oak. The Detroit Zoo is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. through March.

Admission is \$14 for adults 15-61 and \$10 for children 2-14, senior citizens 62 and older and active military with ID;

children under 2 are admitted free. For more information, call 248-541-5717 or go to [www.detroitzoo.org](http://www.detroitzoo.org).

## Mega fun



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Angela Johnson helps guide her son Christian over a small balance beam during a day-after New Year's Day fun fitness gathering at the Novi Public Library. Novi's Mega Fun and Fitness brought a number of mats and obstacle courses and things to tumble around for kids to sharpen their physical coordination skills on.

# Novi offering youth hockey, lacrosse, acting opportunities

The Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department has partnered with Stacey's School of LAX and Dominate Lacrosse to bring high-quality lacrosse instruction to Novi for boys and girls in grades 3-8.

The free beginner girls lacrosse clinic will be held 7-8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 22 (the registration deadline was Jan. 19). The boys clinic is set to take place 8:30-10 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 7, with a registration deadline of Feb. 3.

Whatever the current skill level, the lacrosse clinics will help players with development, knowledge of the sport. The clinics are led by Nick Diegel and Stacey Tardich. Diegel played Division I lacrosse at Ohio State University, where he was recognized as a three-year varsity letterman and two-time academic all-

Big Ten. Tardich has been playing and developing girls lacrosse in Michigan for more than 20 years.

To register, visit [www.cityofnovi.org](http://www.cityofnovi.org) or in-person at the Novi Civic Center at 45175 10 Mile. For more information, contact Chase Root at [croot@cityofnovi.org](mailto:croot@cityofnovi.org) or 248-347-0598.

### Kids floor hockey league forming

The Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department is offering a youth floor hockey league for boys and girls in kindergarten through third grade each Sunday from Feb. 22 through March 22. Sessions will take place for 90 minutes noon and 6 p.m. and includes a 30-minute practice and game. Each team will participate in one session each Sunday. The deadline for registration is Friday, Jan. 30.

The league will focus on the basic fundamentals, while maintaining an emphasis on fun and friendship. Registration includes five games and practices, jersey and award.

Volunteer coaches are needed. If there is an interest in volunteering as a coach, please indicate so during the registration process. Registration is available online at [www.cityofnovi.org](http://www.cityofnovi.org) or at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 10 Mile. For questions about the league, contact Chase Root at [croot@cityofnovi.org](mailto:croot@cityofnovi.org) or 248-347-0598.

### Novi Civic Theatre offering beginner's acting class

The Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department is offering a new class for beginning actors in grades 1-4. The Begin-

ner's Active Class will be led by seasoned Novi Civic Theatre instructor Megan Wright at the Novi Civic Center's theater (45175 10 Mile) 6-7:30 p.m. each Wednesday from Jan. 28 to March 25.

The eight-week class is for young stars looking to develop acting skills while having fun learning about theater. The class will introduce characterization, blocking, theatrical terms, and include theater games.

At the end of the session, participants will take part in a short production to showcase their newly learned skills to families.

Registration is available now through Jan. 25 via [www.cityofnovi.org](http://www.cityofnovi.org) and at the Novi Parks office located in the Novi Civic Center. Space is limited and early registration is recommended.

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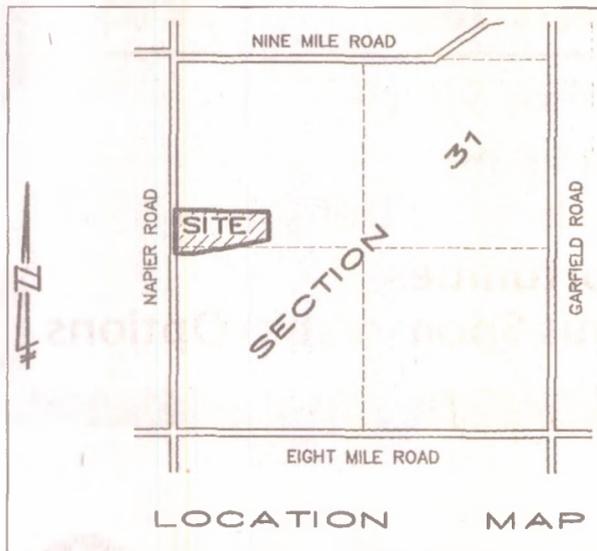
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### CITY OF NOVI PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, February 11, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider **CHAMBERLIN CROSSINGS JSP 14-82, FOR OPEN SPACE PRESERVATION OPTION, PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN, WETLAND PERMIT AND STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN APPROVAL**. The subject property totals 16.61 acres and is located on the east side of Napier Road, south of Nine Mile Road in Section 31. The applicant is proposing 12 single-family detached homes with associated infrastructure. 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, February 11, 2015.

Novi Planning Commission  
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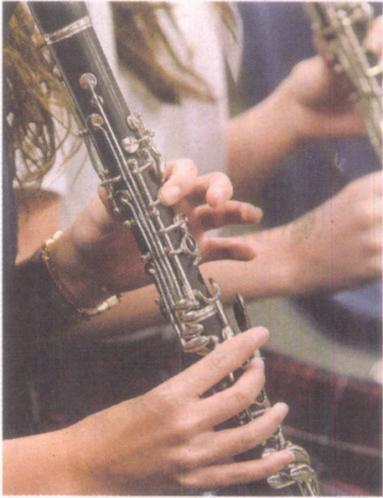
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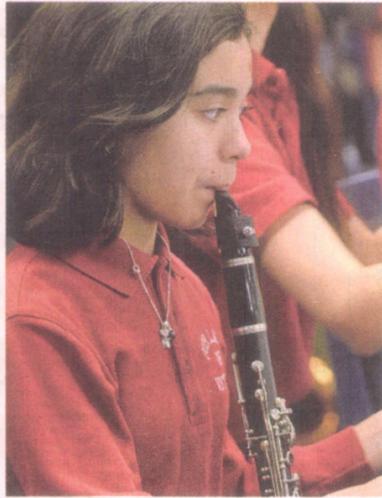
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A clarinetist positions her fingers on the instruments during an OLV band practice.



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Our Lady of Victory student Lauren Aughton warms up on the clarinet before playing with the school's band.



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER  
Colin Gardner plays the tuba Jan. 14 during an afternoon rehearsal of the Our Lady of Victory seventh- and eighth-grade band. The band was re-formed this year after many years of absence.



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OLV students Ella Jones (right), Linnea Baldori (center) and others make up the flute section of the seventh- and eighth-grade band.



OLV music teacher Steve Cross conducts the school's seventh- and eighth-grade band Jan. 14.

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# OLV BAND MAKING SOME SWEET MUSIC

By Lonnie Huhman  
Staff Writer

Music is in the air at Our Lady of Victory School.

After nearly seven years off, the band has been brought back to this Northville elementary and middle school, which is part of the historic Catholic church located near downtown. This year, it's offered in seventh and eighth grades, but next year it will be expanded to sixth-graders having the opportunity to learn an instrument. It's been a hit with students and staff.

"We look forward to it because it's so much fun," said eighth-grader Maria Williams, who plays the oboe.

Some in the class, like Maria, have musical experience, while others have picked up an instrument for the first time. Band teacher/director Steve Cross's leadership, an expanded arts program has been added to the curriculum, which includes music.

There are 25 students in band right now, but Cross expects it to grow.

"It's been a lot of fun and there's a lot of excitement about it from the students, which has carried over to the rest of the school," Cross said.

Eight-grader Brendan Bebb joined the band to try something new. He's taken to the trumpet and said he's been inspired by Cross' teaching.

"Mr. Cross does an excellent job in teaching us. He makes it fun and he has this quick pace that I like," said Brendan, who plans on continuing to learn the instrument when he goes to high school next year.

The all-school Christmas performance was the big debut for the band and it played an important part in making the show a success. Cross said the performances will only get better as the band continues to grow.

There will be another big performance for the band and school April 23 with the spring showcase, which will also feature an art and science fair.



Sammy Metz (left) and other OLV students make up the trumpet section in the band.

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## NORTHVILLE

## Meet Your Legislators Breakfast

The Northville Chamber of Commerce is hosting a Meet Your Legislators Breakfast 7:30-9 a.m. Friday, Feb. 6, at Genitti's Hole in the Wall (108 E. Main, Northville). The event sponsors are Robert Law, Strategic Communications Solutions and the Detroit Regional Chamber. The event includes a buffet breakfast, provided by Genitti's. Cost is \$12 for chamber members, \$15 for non-members.

"The Meet Your Legislators Breakfast provides an opportunity for residents and the business community to meet their state officials, hear about committee work and future legislation that may affect the Northville community," said Traci Sincoc, associate director of the chamber.

Presenters include state Sens. Patrick Colbeck, 7th District, and Mike Kowall, 15th District, and state Reps. Kathy Crawford, 38th District, and Kurt Heise, 20th District.

Reservations and payment may be made by contacting the Northville Chamber of Commerce at 248-349-7640 or traci-sincoc@northville.org.

## Meet with Heise

State Rep. Kurt Heise invites local residents to meet with him to share their perspectives and ask questions from noon to 1 p.m. at the Northville District Library, 212 W. Cady.

Beginning this month, Heise's office hours will be the second Monday every other month rather than each month; however, he will continue to hold coffee hours the third Friday of each month.

Heise is also available to meet with constituents by appointment either in the district or at his Lansing office. Residents are invited to call toll free 855-REPKURT or email KurtHeise@house.mi.gov to schedule an appointment.

## Long-term planning seminar

Nancy Nawrocki, of the Nawrocki Elder Law, Special Needs & Disability Planning, PLLC of Brighton, will present a free seminar, Long-Term Care Planning, for senior citizens and their families 10:30 a.m. to noon, Friday, Jan. 30, at the Northville

Community Center, 303 W. Main.

The seminars are free, but persons attending are encouraged to register online at [www.nawrockilaw.com](http://www.nawrockilaw.com) or by calling 888-459-7749.

## Barnes &amp; Noble presenting authors

Authors Jon Milan and Gail Offen explore the many small towns, villages and major cities — including Detroit, Brighton, Howell, Lansing, Grand Rapids, Portland and Muskegon — along Grand River Avenue using rare, vintage images from the David V. Tinder Collection of Michigan Photography. Part history and part travelogue, their book *Images of America: Grand River Avenue* explores the ordinary and the extraordinary: historical sites, curiosities and even some of the newer attractions along the way.

The two will be at the Northville Barnes & Noble (17111 Haggerty) for a talk and discussion at 7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 13. A slide show presentation is included. Books are available now. RSVP is not necessary. For more information, call 248-348-0696.

Michigan author Paul Flower wrote a suspense novel, *The Redeeming Power of Brain Surgery*, set in Michigan that has been dubbed "rural noir" by reviewers. He has a book signing 2-4 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 21, at the Barnes & Noble.

## Heise reappointed as chair of Criminal Justice Committee

State Rep. Kurt Heise was appointed by House Speaker Kevin Cotter to serve as chair of the Criminal Justice Committee for the 98th Legislature.

"House Republicans have shown we are serious about fighting crime and promoting public safety," said Heise, R-Plymouth. "I was excited to be named the chairman of the Criminal Justice Committee last session, and I am honored that Speaker Cotter reappointed me to chairman for the 98th Legislature. I look forward to continued work with Gov. Snyder on crime prevention and corrections reform."

Heise also was named as a member of the Local Government, Judiciary and Elections committees.

## Becoming a Love &amp; Logic Parent

Love and Logic is a philosophy of

raising and teaching children that allows adults to be happier, empowered and more skilled in the interactions with children. Love allows children to grow through their mistakes. Logic allows children to live with the consequences of their choices. Northville Youth Assistance is presenting a series of three Love and Logic four-session workshops (select one):

» Wednesdays, Feb. 4-25, 2-3:30 p.m.; Silver Springs Elementary School, 19801 Silver Springs Dr.  
» Wednesdays, March 4-25, 7-8:30 p.m. Silver Springs Elementary School.

The fee is \$20 per person. Contact the NYA office at 248-344-1618 if this presents a financial hardship. Pre-registration is required.

## 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. For more information call 734-453-1780 or go to [www.plymouthelks1780.com](http://www.plymouthelks1780.com).

## Rotary's Little Libraries

Northville Rotary is initiating the installation of Little Libraries, small book depositories where community members can exchange books. The Rotarians would like to establish six locations throughout the Northville community and seeking suggestions as to where the locations might be. Rotarians are encouraging other organizations to volunteer and assist in this effort as well.

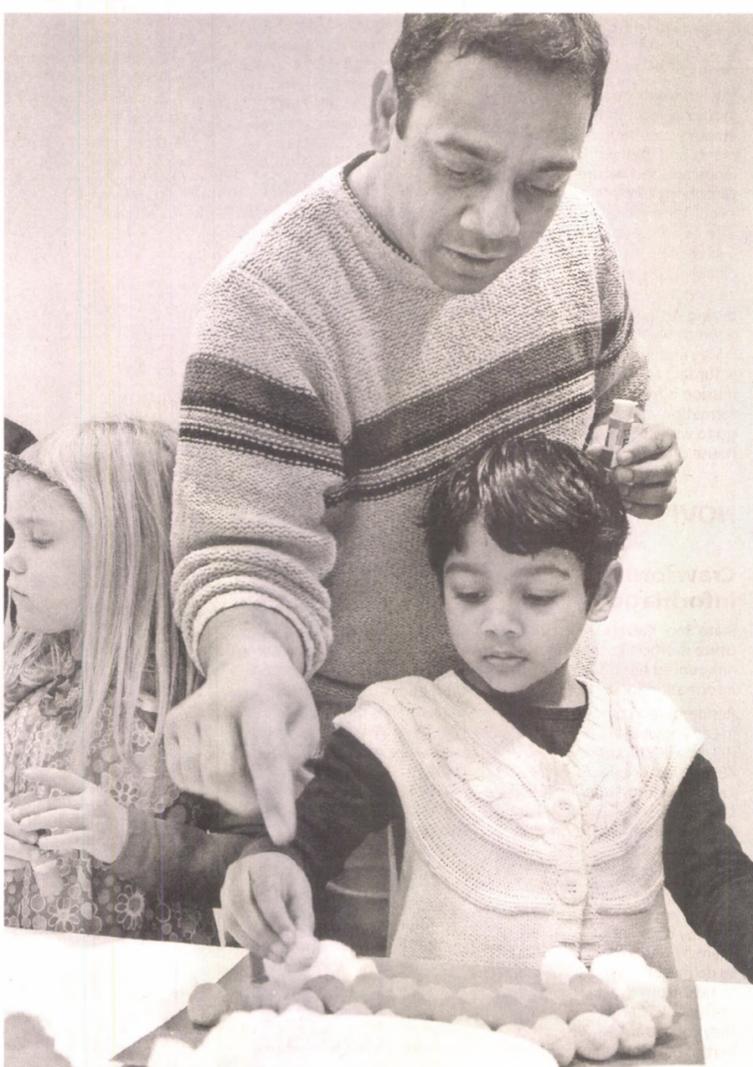
For more information, contact John Kelly at [john@kellykellylaw.com](mailto:john@kellykellylaw.com) or 248-348-0496.

## Film fest deadlines

The deadlines for the 2015 Rock Hard Film Fest all-ages competition are approaching — Feb. 1 for filmmakers. Returning as special guest judge is Allee Willis, a Grammy and Tony award-winning songwriter/artist.

The three-day event will kick off its second year at Detroit Farm and Garden at 7 p.m. Friday, June 5. Registered filmmakers and musicians will be introduced and then randomly paired into

## MLK Day



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Chris Bose helps his daughter Nithya, 4, during a Martin Luther King Jr. Day crafts event at the Novi Public Library. Kids got to make peace symbols, bells and a rainbow out of puffy fabric.

teams by random drawing. All teams will be given specific elements that need to be incorporated into their music videos. They will be given 48½ hours to complete their music videos. The finished music videos will then be screened at a Detroit theater and a \$500 first-place cash prize will be given for Best Music Video. Also awarded will be the Audience Choice award for Best Song.

The entry cost is \$100 for filmmakers; \$80 for student filmmakers; and \$50 for musicians.

Mail payments to P.O. Box 5290, Northville, MI 48167.

Sponsors opportunities are available; contact event founder Lisa Meininger-Abraham at [rockhardfilmfest@gmail.com](mailto:rockhardfilmfest@gmail.com).

For more information, go to [www.rockhardfilmfest.com](http://www.rockhardfilmfest.com) and follow on [www.facebook.com/rockhardfilmfest](http://www.facebook.com/rockhardfilmfest), [www.twitter.com/rockhardfilm](http://www.twitter.com/rockhardfilm) and [www.instagram.com/rockhardfilmfest](http://www.instagram.com/rockhardfilmfest).

## John Dempsey exhibit at Art House exhibit

The Northville Art House presents Between Landscape and Place, an exhibition of paintings by John Dempsey which are composed in order to confront a variety of environments and perspectives at once. They bring together a number of complex contemporary spaces for the purpose of an immediate com-

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## Brief Summary



## GRASTEK®

Timothy Grass Pollen Allergen Extract  
Tablet for Sublingual Use 2800 BAU

Carefully read the Medication Guide before you or your child start taking GRASTEK and each time you get a refill. This Brief Summary does not take the place of talking to your doctor about your medical condition or treatment. Talk with your doctor or pharmacist if there is something you do not understand or you want to learn more about GRASTEK.

## What is the most important information I should know about GRASTEK?

GRASTEK can cause severe allergic reactions that may be life-threatening. Stop taking GRASTEK and get medical treatment right away if you or your child has any of the following symptoms after taking GRASTEK:

- Trouble breathing
- Throat tightness or swelling
- Trouble swallowing or speaking
- Dizziness or fainting
- Rapid or weak heartbeat
- Severe stomach cramps or pain, vomiting, or diarrhea
- Severe flushing or itching of the skin

For home administration of GRASTEK, your doctor will prescribe auto-injectable epinephrine, a medicine you can inject if you or your child has a severe allergic reaction after taking GRASTEK. Your doctor will train and instruct you on the proper use of auto-injectable epinephrine. Talk to your doctor or read the epinephrine patient information if you have any questions about the use of auto-injectable epinephrine.

## What is GRASTEK?

GRASTEK is a prescription medicine used for sublingual (under the tongue) immunotherapy to treat Timothy and related grass pollen allergies that can cause sneezing, runny or itchy nose, stuffy or congested nose, or itchy and watery eyes. GRASTEK may be prescribed for persons 5 through 65 years of age who are allergic to grass pollen. GRASTEK is taken for about 12 weeks before grass pollen season and throughout grass pollen season. GRASTEK may also be taken daily for 3 years to provide a sustained effect for a fourth year in which you do not have to take GRASTEK. GRASTEK is NOT a medication that gives immediate relief for symptoms of grass allergy.

## Who should not take GRASTEK?

You or your child should not take GRASTEK if:

- You or your child has severe, unstable or uncontrolled asthma
- You or your child had a severe allergic reaction in the past that included any of these symptoms:
  - o Trouble breathing
  - o Dizziness or fainting
  - o Rapid or weak heartbeat
- You or your child has ever had difficulty with breathing due to swelling of the throat or upper airway after using any sublingual immunotherapy before.
- You or your child has ever been diagnosed with eosinophilic esophagitis.
- You or your child is allergic to any of the inactive ingredients contained in GRASTEK. The inactive

ingredients contained in GRASTEK are: gelatin, mannitol and sodium hydroxide.

## What should I tell my doctor before taking GRASTEK?

Your doctor may decide that GRASTEK is not the best treatment if:

- You or your child has asthma, depending on how severe it is.
- You or your child suffers from lung disease such as chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD).
- You or your child suffers from heart disease such as coronary artery disease, an irregular heart rhythm, or you have hypertension that is not well controlled.
- You or your daughter is pregnant, plans to become pregnant during the time you will be taking GRASTEK, or is breast-feeding.
- You or your child is unable or unwilling to administer auto-injectable epinephrine to treat a severe allergic reaction to GRASTEK.
- You or your child is taking certain medicines that enhance the likelihood of a severe reaction, or interfere with the treatment of a severe reaction. These medicines include:
  - o beta blockers and alpha-blockers (prescribed for high blood pressure)
  - o cardiac glycosides (prescribed for heart failure or problems with heart rhythm)
  - o diuretics (prescribed for heart conditions and high blood pressure)
  - o ergot alkaloids (prescribed for migraine headache)
  - o monoamine oxidase inhibitors or tricyclic antidepressants (prescribed for depression)
  - o thyroid hormone (prescribed for low thyroid activity).

You should tell your doctor if you or your child is taking or has recently taken any other medicines, including medicines obtained without a prescription and herbal supplements. Keep a list of them and show it to your doctor and pharmacist each time you get a new supply of GRASTEK. Ask your doctor or pharmacist for advice before taking GRASTEK.

## Are there any reasons to stop taking GRASTEK?

Stop GRASTEK and contact your doctor if you or your child has any of the following after taking GRASTEK:

- Any type of a serious allergic reaction
  - Throat tightness that worsens or swelling of the tongue or throat that causes trouble speaking, breathing or swallowing
  - Asthma or any other breathing condition that gets worse
  - Dizziness or fainting
  - Rapid or weak heartbeat
  - Severe stomach cramps or pain, vomiting, or diarrhea
  - Severe flushing or itching of the skin
  - Heartburn, difficulty swallowing, pain with swallowing, or chest pain that does not go away or worsens
- Also, stop taking GRASTEK following: mouth surgery procedures (such as tooth removal), or if you develop any mouth infections, ulcers or cuts in the mouth or throat.

## How should I take GRASTEK?

Take GRASTEK exactly as your doctor tells you.

GRASTEK is a prescription medicine that is placed under the tongue.

- Take the tablet from the blister package after carefully removing the foil with dry hands.
- Place the tablet immediately under the tongue. Allow it to remain there until completely dissolved. Do not swallow for at least 1 minute.
- Do not take GRASTEK with food or beverage. Food and beverage should not be taken for the following 5 minutes.

- Wash hands after taking the tablet.

Take the first tablet of GRASTEK in your doctor's office. After taking the first tablet, you or your child will be watched for at least 30 minutes for symptoms of a serious allergic reaction.

If you tolerate the first dose of GRASTEK, you or your child will continue GRASTEK therapy at home by taking one tablet every day. Children should be given each tablet of GRASTEK by an adult who will watch for any symptoms of a serious allergic reaction.

Take GRASTEK as prescribed by your doctor until the end of the treatment course. If you forget to take GRASTEK, do not take a double dose. Take the next dose at your normal scheduled time the next day. If you miss more than one dose of GRASTEK, contact your healthcare provider before restarting.

## What are the possible side effects of GRASTEK?

In children and adults, the most commonly reported side effects were itching of the mouth, lips, or tongue, swelling under the tongue, or throat irritation. These side effects, by themselves, were not dangerous or life-threatening. GRASTEK can cause severe allergic reactions that may be life-threatening. Symptoms of allergic reactions to GRASTEK include:

- Trouble breathing
- Throat tightness or swelling
- Trouble swallowing or speaking
- Dizziness or fainting
- Rapid or weak heartbeat
- Severe stomach cramps or pain, vomiting, or diarrhea
- Severe flushing or itching of the skin

For additional information on the possible side effects of GRASTEK, talk with your doctor or pharmacist. You may report side effects to the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) at 1-800-FDA-1088 or [www.fda.gov/medwatch](http://www.fda.gov/medwatch).

This Brief Summary summarizes the most important information about GRASTEK. If you would like more information, talk with your doctor. You can ask your doctor or pharmacist for information about GRASTEK that was written for healthcare professionals. For more information go to [www.grastek.com](http://www.grastek.com) or call toll-free at 1-800-622-4477.

## The Medication Guide has been approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

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parison. "We move through a variety of industrial, post-industrial, modern and post-modern environments and then work to resolve landscape and nature within this cacophony of place," Dempsey said. "These compositions are offered to the viewer to visually explore and chronicle that complex relationship."

The exhibit runs through Jan. 31 during Art House hours (from noon to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday and noon to 4 p.m. Saturday) at 215 W. Cady. Admission is free. For more information, call 248-344-0497 or go to [www.northvilleart.house.org](http://www.northvilleart.house.org).

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### Crawford contact information

State Rep. Kathy Crawford's office is officially open and she announced her office contact information for constituents. Residents can contact Crawford in Lansing at 517-373-0827, at P.O. Box 30014, Lansing, MI 48909-7514 or by email at [kathycrawford@house.mi.gov](mailto:kathycrawford@house.mi.gov). Crawford's office is located at 124 N. Capitol Ave., Room 887, Lansing. The office is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

"I want constituents to know that my door is always open to them," Crawford said. "For me to do my job effectively, I need to hear from the citizens whether I meet with them in district or they contact my Lansing office. Part of my job involves being in Lansing and I want all residents to know how to easily get in touch with me."

Legislative staffers Ruth Ann Jirasek and Amy Smith will join Crawford in her Lansing office. Jirasek, a Novi resident, will continue her position as chief of staff, which she held under former Rep. Hugh Crawford, Kathy's husband. Smith has worked in the House for four years and will also continue in her position as legislative aide in charge of constituent work.

### Two mini grants awarded

The Anton Art Center, Region 10A Regranting Agency for the Michigan Council for Arts and Cultural Affairs servicing Macomb and Oakland counties, has awarded \$28,750 to 12 Oakland County organizations through the MCACA mini grant program, including the following local awards:

- » Creative Many Michigan of Wixom was awarded \$1,200 to support attendance at the Americans for the Arts and Volunteer Lawyers for the Arts conferences in 2015.
- » Hickory Woods Elementary Parent Teacher Association of Novi was awarded \$500 to support its program American

Short & Tall Tales, a performance by the Wild Swan Theater. For fiscal year 2015, Region 10A (Macomb and Oakland counties) received 41 mini grant applications, representing an increase in applications from both counties over 2014. More than \$117,000 in requests were made with total project budgets approaching \$450,000. MCACA made \$40,500 available to the Region for regranting, all of which was awarded in the first round of funding.

### Wixom cops promoted to sergeant

The city of Wixom promoted three of its police officers to the rank of sergeant.

At the Jan. 11 city council meeting, police officers Linda Fultz, Michael DesRosiers and Mark Bradley reaffirmed their oath of office and assumed their new rank of sergeant. Fultz and DesRosiers are 20-year veterans of the department, while Bradley has 13 years in.

Wixom City Manager Tony Nowicki said that he is pleased and noted the impressive qualifications of the sergeants and their dedication to the law enforcement profession and to the city of Wixom. Nowicki further stated that "these promotions are the final phase of a police staffing program that is aimed at increasing the effectiveness of the police department and demonstrates to current and future stakeholders in the community that Wixom is committed to maintaining and protecting their investments in the city as well as ensuring the high quality of life residents enjoy. Sgts. Fultz, DesRosiers and Bradley have my respect and full confidence."

Clarence Goodlein, chief of police and director of public safety, said these promotions will enable the Police Department to provide additional leadership and effective supervision for its patrol officers and provide better service to the residents and businesses in the community. Goodlein added that "these new sergeants exhibit all of the characteristics that our community has come to expect from its police personnel and the police department."

### Bubbleman entertaining in Wixom

The Bubbleman, Ron Loyd, will enchant the crowd with double merry-go-round bubbles, smoke filled bubbles, bubbles inside of bubbles and more 10:30-11:30 a.m. Saturday, Jan. 24, at the Wixom Public Library (49015 Pontiac Trail). Events are geared toward families with children ages 2-10 years.

Pre-register online at [www.wixomlibrary.org](http://www.wixomlibrary.org), call 248-624-2512 or stop by the library and register in the Children's Department.

### New fitness classes

The city of Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services De-

partment offers more than a dozen opportunities to meet goals of leading healthy and active lifestyles with classes for every age and ability. Fitness classes range from beginner's gentle yoga and balance training to cardio-pumping, Piloxing and Zumba.

Classes begin throughout the month of January and are offered mornings, mid-days and evenings. For a full listing of available classes, go to [www.cityofnovi.org](http://www.cityofnovi.org) or pick up a copy of the Engage! magazine.

Registration is going on now via [cityofnovi.org](http://cityofnovi.org) and at the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department located inside the Novi Civic Center, 45175 10 Mile. For more information, call 248-347-0400.

### Scrapbook for a cause at library

Kick the creativity into gear and get your paper, stickers and cardstock ready by joining the Novi Public Library from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 28, for 12 hours of scrapbooking fun.

To partake in this day full of craft making, each individual will pay \$30 for a six-foot table. Consultants from Creative Memories and Close to My heart will be on hand to help with any creativity needs. Crafters will get the opportunity to enjoy lunch, make and takes and giveaways. All proceeds will go toward the library to support future programming opportunities.

If you would like to participate in this scrapbooking event, call 248-869-7204 to register or go to [www.novilibrary.org](http://www.novilibrary.org).

### Daddy Daughter Dances dial up sweetness

The city of Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department will host the annual Daddy Daughter Dances 7-9 p.m. Friday, Feb. 6, and Saturday, Feb. 7, at the Novi Civic Center.

Hand in Hand in Candyland is the theme for this year's event. Dads (or significant male in child's life) and daughters will come dressed in their finest as the DJ spins current hits along with some old time favorites. The evening will feature plenty of sweets, including a giant chocolate fountain, popcorn, candy and a snow-cone machine. At the conclusion of the night, 800 balloons will fall from the ceiling, delighting attendees.

The price is \$14 per person for residents and \$17 for non-residents. Wrist corsages and charms are both available for pre-order for \$8 each and will be available for pick up at the dance. Each couple will receive a free photo and additional packages will be available for purchase during the dance. Each child will also receive a special gift as they depart the event.

To register for either night along with the corsages and charms, go to [www.cityofnovi.org](http://www.cityofnovi.org) or visit the Novi Civic Center at 45175 10 Mile. Spots fill up fast, so do not delay. For questions

about the event, contact the Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services office at 248-347-0400.

### 2015 State of the City Address

Novi Mayor Bob Gatt will deliver the 2015 State of the City Address on Thursday, Feb. 12, providing Novi citizens and business partners an opportunity to reflect upon the 2014 accomplishments and learn about the goals Novi will strive for in 2015. The event, in partnership with the Novi Chamber of Commerce, begins with a 7:30 a.m. breakfast at the Suburban Collection Showplace.

Interested parties can register online at [cityofnovi.org](http://cityofnovi.org) (\$23 per person) or mail a check (\$20 per person, made payable to city of Novi) to Community Relations, city of Novi, 45175 10 Mile, Novi, MI 48375.

Contact 248-347-0416 for more information.

### Wig & Make-Up: 101 class

A free Wig & Make-Up: 101 class will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Jan. 26, in Commerce at DMC Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital and hosted by Befitting You Wig Boutique. Local bridal makeup artist Sheila Rossetti will customize selection of the perfect BeautiControl colors to try on and give expert application advice ([www.FlawlessRadiance.com](http://www.FlawlessRadiance.com)). This is a great opportunity for individuals dealing with cancer treatments or Alopecia. Please RSVP at 248-937-3895.

### Novi Farmers Market continues through winter

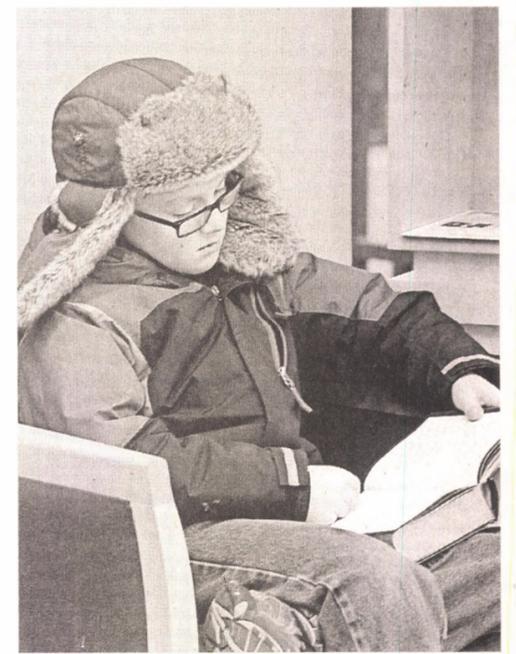
The 2014 Novi Farmers Market was so successful — with hundreds of people enjoying fresh vegetables, flowers and other items throughout the summer and fall — that the market will continue through the winter with gourmet foods and artisan items indoors at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 10 Mile.

The winter market will take place twice monthly from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. the following Saturdays: Jan. 24; Feb. 14 and 21; March 7 and 21; and April 4 and 18.

The market will showcase an expanded selection of Michigan food products, as well as selected artisans with items to complement the home. Patrons will find foods, decor and gifts for holiday entertaining.

To stay in the know about the Novi Farmers Market, including recipes, vendor features and more, like it on Facebook. For more information, contact

## Cool day, cool book



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER  
Sam Stinson, 10, curls up Jan. 2 with a Hugo Caberet book at the Northville District Library. As that day was gray and cold, it was a good place to be with something to read.

manager RoseAna Twitchell at 248-347-0400 or [www.rtwitchell@cityofnovi.org](http://www.rtwitchell@cityofnovi.org).

### Coffee with the Superintendent

Join Novi Schools Superintendent Steve Matthews for Coffee with the Superintendent at the Novi Public Library in the Board Room 202 on: Feb. 9 (6:30 p.m.); Feb. 11 (10:15 a.m.); March 9 (6:30 p.m.); March 11 (10:15 a.m.); April 13 (6:30 p.m.); April 15 (10:15 a.m.); May 11 (6:30 p.m.); and May 13 (10:15 a.m.).

### Art classes for older adults

City of Novi Older Adult Services invites those ages 50 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](http://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:

For more information, call 248-347-0414.

### Clothing recycling program

For Walled Lake residents, recycling unwanted clothing is now as easy as a walk to the curb with the free curbside collection program offered by Simple Recycling.

The program is simple and convenient since pickup occurs on the same day as recycling service, collection bags are provided and replacement bags are left each time full bags are set out for curbside pickup.

While the focus is on recycling clothing, Simple Recycling will also accept shoes, accessories, toys, books and small home goods in working condition such as kitchen ware and tools.

Residents who live in communities not serviced by the Simple Recycling program are encouraged to donate unwanted clothing to their favorite charity or thrift shop. A list of local organizations, including those that offer pickup, is available on the RRRASOC website at [www.rrrasoc.org](http://www.rrrasoc.org).

## CITY OF NOVI VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO SERVE ON CITY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Notice is given that the Novi City Council will be interviewing applicants for appointment to the following Boards & Commissions:

- Beautification Commission
- Board of Review – Alternate
- Construction Board of Appeals
- Library Board
- Zoning Board of Appeals

If you are a registered voter and interested in volunteering to serve on a City Board or Commission, information about the various Boards and Commissions is available at [www.cityofnovi.org](http://www.cityofnovi.org) or at the office of the City Clerk, 45175 Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375, (248)347-0456.

The deadline for filing an application (available on the website or at the City Clerk's office) is Friday, January 30, 2015. Applicants will be interviewed in the Council Chambers at the February 9, 2015 Commission Interview Committee at 6 p.m. for Beautification Commission, Board of Review and Construction Board of Appeals and those applying for the Library Board and Zoning Board of Appeals will appear at the February 9, 2015 City Council meeting beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Maryanne Cornelius, MMC, City Clerk

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## City of Novi Public Hearing Notice

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Zoning Board of Appeals for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, February 10, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers Novi Civic Center 45175 Ten Mile Road to consider:

### CASE NO. PZ14-0056 43741 WEST OAKS DR (WEST OAKS 1 SHOPPING CENTER)

The applicant is requesting variances from the CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Sections 2400 to allow construction of an additional on the north and west sides of the existing center with a reduced north front yard setback of 69.96 ft. and a reduced west side yard setback of 67.73 ft., and Section 2507 to allow loading zone located on the side of the property. The property is located west side Novi Rd., South of 12 Mile Rd.

CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES; Section 2400 requires minimum front and side yards setback of 100'. Section 2507, within the RC District, requires the loading zone be located in the rear yard or interior side yards.

### CASE NO. PZ14-0063 47601 GRAND RIVER AVE. (PROVIDENCE HOSPITAL CAMPUS AND KIDNEY CENTERS OF MICHIGAN)

The applicant is requesting variances from the CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, a dimensional/non-use variance from the requirement of Section 2517 of the Zoning ordinance that a lot or parcel to front on a public street unless specifically provided by ordinance, for all parcels, whether existing or to be established in the future as approved by the City, remaining to be developed adjacent to and utilizing the so-called Providence Ring Rd. as their primary access, as depicted on the attached drawing and currently part of Parcel 22-17-400-039. The property is located on the south of Grand River, west of Beck Rd., west side Novi Rd., and south of 12 Mile Rd.

CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES; Section 2517, "Frontage on a Public Street", states that no lot or parcel of land shall be used for any purpose permitted by this Ordinance unless said lot or parcel shall front directly upon a public street, unless otherwise provided for in this Ordinance.

### CASE NO. PZ14-0064 24844 MALLARD TR.

The applicant is requesting variances from the CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Section 2400 to allow construction of a new covered porch addition with a reduced rear yard setback of 17 ft. The property is located east of Napier Rd. and north of 10 Mile Rd.

CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Section 2400 requires minimum rear yard setbacks of 35 ft.

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## SYNOPSIS JANUARY 15, 2015 – SPECIAL MEETING CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE BOARD OF TRUSTEES PLANNING COMMISSION, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION/BROWNFIELD REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

DATE: Thursday, January 15, 2015  
TIME: 6:30 p.m.  
PLACE: 44405 Six Mile Road

CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor Nix called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Robert R. Nix II, Supervisor Marv Gans, Trustee  
Sue A. Hillebrand, Clerk Symantha Heath, Trustee  
Marjorie F. Banner, Treasurer Mindy Herrmann, Trustee  
Fred Shadko, Trustee

Planning Commission: Present: Richard Allen, George McCarthy, Kent Anderson, Timothy Zawodny, Eric Lark Absent: Lisa Anderson  
EDC/BRA: Present: Janice Wilkiemeyer, Bill Wehrle, Joseph Xuereb, Joseph Vig, Mike Nolta, Joe Hige, Jennifer Frey Absent: Judith Costigan, Michael Hale

### 1. Agenda:

- A. Informational meeting on the Development of the Five Mile Road corridor presented by Supervisor Nix and Mr. Gary Roberts.
- Brief Public Comments: Three members of the audience had questions or comments.
- ADJOURN: Meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

A draft of the complete minutes will be available January 27, 2015.

Respectfully submitted: Sue A. Hillebrand, M.M.C.

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## SYNOPSIS JANUARY 15, 2015 – REGULAR MEETING CHARTER TOWNSHIP OF NORTHVILLE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

DATE: Thursday, January 15, 2015  
TIME: 7:30 p.m.  
PLACE: 44405 Six Mile Road

CALL TO ORDER: Supervisor Nix called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Robert R. Nix II, Supervisor Marv Gans, Trustee  
Sue A. Hillebrand, Clerk Symantha Heath, Trustee  
Marjorie F. Banner, Treasurer Mindy Herrmann, Trustee  
Fred Shadko, Trustee

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

#### 1. Agendas: Approved

- Approve the Regular Agenda and the Consent Agenda items:
  - Minutes – Board of Trustees – December 18, 2014 meeting
  - Minutes – Planning Commission – October 28, 2014
  - Minutes – Zoning Board of Appeals – November 19, 2014
  - Minutes – Historic District Commission – December 4, 2014
  - NYA Program Report
  - School Tax Collection for Northville Public, Plymouth/Canton, RESA (Wayne County) and Schoolcraft College

#### 2. Appointments, Presentations, Resolutions & Announcements:

- Re-appoint Timothy Zawodny to the Planning Commission – Approved
- Re-appoint Robin Schleh to the Historic District Commission – Approved

#### 3. Public Hearing: None

4. Brief Public Comments: Mike Hilfinger, from Strategic Communication Solutions, presented his fourth quarter report to the Board of Trustees.

#### 5. New Business:

- Township Hall HVAC Controls Contract – Payment No. 4 – Approved
- Building Department – Vehicle purchase – Approved
- Water & Sewer Department – Vehicle purchase – Approved
- S.E.M.C.O.G. Annual Dues – Approved
- Standardized Development Agreements – Approved
- Public Safety – Vehicle purchases – Approved

#### 6. Unfinished Business: None

#### 7. Ordinances: None

8. Check Registry:  
A. In the amount of \$1,236,543.13 – Approved

#### 9. Board Communication & Reports:

A. Robert R. Nix, II, Sue Hillebrand, Marjorie Banner, Marv Gans, Symantha Heath, Mindy Herrmann, Fred Shadko, Chip Snider

10. Any other business for the Board of Trustees: None

11. ADJOURN: Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

A draft of the complete minutes will be available January 27, 2015.

Respectfully submitted:  
Sue A. Hillebrand, M.M.C.

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RELIGION CALENDAR

Send calendar information to [cstone@hometownlife.com](mailto:cstone@hometownlife.com) by noon Monday to be included in Thursday's publication. The calendar is also available online at [www.hometownlife.com](http://www.hometownlife.com).

**Brightmoor Christian**

**Location:** M-5 and 13 Mile, Novi.  
**Contact:** 248-668-7014 or [CelebrateRecovery@brightmoorcc.org](mailto:CelebrateRecovery@brightmoorcc.org).  
**Web:** [www.brightmoorchurch.org](http://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 [holymfamilynovi.org](http://holymfamilynovi.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.

**Crosspointe Meadows**

**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](http://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](mailto:DestinyW3C@gmail.com) or visit [www.DW3C.org](http://www.DW3C.org).

**Emmanuel Lutheran**

**Location:** 34567 Seven Mile, Livonia.  
**Web:** [www.emmanuel-livonia.org](http://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.  
**Special Needs Ministry:** Contact Judy Cook, 248-442-8822.  
**Women's Coffee Break Bible Study:** 10-11:30 a.m. Mondays - "Everybody's Normal Till You Get to Know Them" by John Ortberg  
**Adult Bible Class:** 11 a.m. Sundays - "Seeing Grey in a World of Black and White" by Adam Hamilton

**Faith Community Presbyterian Church**

**Location:** 44400 W. 10 Mile.  
**Contact:** 248-349-2345 or visit [www.faithcommunity-novi.org](http://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](http://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 Ogle; and Little Critters for preschool age.

**First Presbyterian Church of Northville**

**Location:** 200 E. Main.  
**Contact:** 248-349-0911 or visit [www.fpcnorthville.org](http://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.fumcnorthville.org](http://www.fumcnorthville.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**

**Location:** 40700 W. 10 Mile.  
**Contact:** 248-427-1175 or [holycrossnovi@gmail.com](mailto:holycrossnovi@gmail.com); visit [holycrossnovi.org](http://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](http://www.livoniachurch.net).  
**Sunday Worship:** 11 a.m.  
**Bible School:** Sunday 10 a.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](http://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](http://mbccc.org); or email to [office@mbccc.org](mailto:office@mbccc.org).  
**Sunday Worship:** 10 a.m.  
**Church School and Nursery Care:** provided during worship.  
**Fellowship Hour:** 11 a.m.

**NorthRidge Church**

**Location:** 49555 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth.  
**Phone:** 734-233-3621.  
**Email:** [phaton@northridgechurch.com](mailto:phaton@northridgechurch.com).

**Northville Christian Assembly**

**Location:** 41355 Six Mile.  
**Contact:** 248-348-9030; [ncalife.org](http://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 and community social events.  
**Contact:** Rabbi Avrohhom and Leah Susskind at 248-790-6075 or [rabbi@novijewishcenter.com](http://rabbi@novijewishcenter.com); [www.novijewishcenter.com](http://www.novijewishcenter.com).

**Novi United Methodist**

**Location:** 41671 W. 10 Mile.  
**Contact:** 248-349-2652 or visit [umcnovi.com](http://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](http://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.

**Orchard Grove Community Church**

**Location:** 850 Ladd Road, Walled Lake.  
**Contact:** 248-926-6584; [www.orchardgrove.org](http://www.orchardgrove.org).  
**Author Goff speaking:** Love Does author Bob Goff will be speaking Sunday, Jan. 25 during regular service times at 9:30 and 11:15 a.m. Love Does is a New York Times Best Seller about what it means to live out love on a daily basis. Love Does shares powerful stories coupled with eye-opening truths and empowers anyone who longs for a better world and a new perspective on life. Goff is also an attorney who founded Restore International, a non-profit human rights organization operating in Uganda, India and Somalia. He pioneered the vision of Restore International to fight for freedom and human rights, to improve educational opportunities and to be helpful to those in need of a voice and friend. For more information, visit his website at [www.bobgooff.com](http://www.bobgooff.com).

**Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church**

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

**Our Lady of Victory**

**Location:** 132 Orchard Drive, Northville.  
**Contact:** 248-349-2621 or [olvnorthville.org](http://olvnorthville.org).  
**Saturday Worship:** 5 p.m.  
**Sunday Worship:** 7:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

**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.

**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.thepentecostalsofno-vi.org](http://www.thepentecostalsofno-vi.org).

**Plymouth St. John's Episcopal Church**

**Location:** 574 S. Sheldon in Plymouth.  
**Contact:** 734-453-0190, Ext. 16, or visit [www.stjohnsplymouth.org](http://www.stjohnsplymouth.org).

**Praise Baptist Church**

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

**Prince of Peace Lutheran**

**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.  
**Valentine's Day Dinner/Dance:** 7-11 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 14. The theme this year is "Dancing in the Streets." Tickets are available until Feb. 11 for \$20 per ticket through the church office.  
**Free monthly movie:** 6:45 p.m. Friday, Jan. 30; "Fly Me to the Moon" - an animated space adventure.

**St. James Catholic**

**Location:** 46325 10 Mile, Novi.  
**Contact:** 248-347-7778.  
**Pastor:** Monsignor John Kasza.  
**Mass schedule:** 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. 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](http://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**

**Location:** 201 Elm St., Northville.  
**Contact:** 248-349-3140.

**Unity of Farmington Hills**

**Location:** 32500 W. 13 Mile, Farmington.  
**Contact:** 248-737-9191; [AdministrativeDirector@unityfth.com](mailto:AdministrativeDirector@unityfth.com).

**Unitarian Universalist Church of Farmington**

**Location:** 25301 Halsted, Farmington Hills.  
**Contact:** [www.uufarmington.org](http://www.uufarmington.org).

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 Holiday deadlines are subject to change.

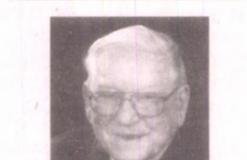
**ALLEN, CHARLES JAY**  
 Age 93, of West Bloomfield, January 18, 2015  
[www.mccabefuneralhome.com](http://www.mccabefuneralhome.com)

**ANDERSON, CARR E.**  
 94, of Middleville, Michigan, passed away on January 9, 2015. Carr is survived by his wife Adeline and his three daughters Jill, Jacque, and Carla; three grandchildren; brothers and sisters-in-law and a son-in-law; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his brother Keith Anderson and his sister Jennie Oaks. Carr was born on February 18, 1920, in Nova Scotia, Canada. His family moved to Milford where they lived for many years. After graduating from Milford High School and Pontiac Business School, Carr joined the Air Force and rose to the rank of Staff Sergeant. Following military service, Carr returned to Milford where he raised his family and ran a fuel oil business until he retired, at which point Carr and Adeline alternated between Arizona and northern Michigan before finally settling down in Middleville. A memorial service was held on January 22. Memorial donations may be sent in his name to Barry County Commission on Aging, 320 W. Woodlawn Ave., Hastings, MI 49058.



**BANNERMAN, LAWRENCE**  
 a resident of Rose Twp., long time resident of Milford and life-long farmer, passed on January 17, 2015 after complications from a stroke. He was 78 years old. He is survived by Frieda, his beloved wife of over thirty-two years; children, Brian (Will Eckert) Bannerman, Ron Bannerman, Diane (Kevin) Thompson, Brenda (Alec Buckner) Bannerman, Chris (Larry) Barron Josephson, Charles Hollon, Theresa Justice, Randy (Kelly) Hollon, Bren (Eric) Jaarda; thirteen grandchildren; twenty great grandchildren; sisters, Carol (Ron) Allie and Mari-on (the late Jim) Armstrong; brother, Raymond (Delores) Bannerman and many nieces, nephews, and dear friends. A Funeral Service will be held at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, 404 E. Liberty St., Milford, on Thursday, January 22, at 11AM with Rev. Steve Ortell officiating. A procession to his farm and committal prayers will follow. Friends may visit at the funeral home on Wednesday, January 21, from 3-9PM. For further information please phone 248-684-6645 or visit [www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com](http://www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com)

**BOURNS, DOROTHY**  
 of Milford, January 14, 2015. For information [www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com](http://www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com)



**BURLEY, DAVID "MURRAY"**  
 A lifelong resident of the Milford area, died surrounded by family, on Sunday, January 11, 2015. He was 88 years old. Born on January 3, 1927 into the large family of James and Elizabeth (Clark) Burley. Murray joined his three brothers and seven sisters. He was a proud member of the American Legion Post 216, serving as its historian for years and helping with honor teams for veteran's burial services. He was an active member of Milford Presbyterian Church. Murray Burley was a farm boy and Navy flier, a long distance Teamster, a John Deere aficionado and fan of big band music. He was a storyteller, cartoonist, a sketch artist and talented woodworker, a loving husband, father, family man, friend and a child of God for whom the term "salt of the earth" seemed perfectly suited. Murray is survived by his beloved wife, Mary, his sons and daughters, James D. (Marsha) Burley, Lynda (Philip) Mullally, Carole (Paul) Gmelin, Allan G. Teasel, David L. (Cindy) Teasel, Alana Hoefl, Dinah (William) Brinson, Cathy (Harold) Burton; 15 grandchildren and 13 great grandchildren; and by his sisters, Thelma (Howard) Armstrong, Norma (Norton) Caswell, Ann Ries, Juanita (George) Rogers. He is preceded in death by sisters, Hazel, Jean and Mildred and by brothers, Roy, Harold and Ralph. Also surviving are a host of nieces and nephews and their families and a multitude of friends who join with his family in mourning the death of a good man and giving thanks to God for his life among them. Funeral services for Murray Burley took place at Milford Presbyterian Church, Main Street at Liberty, on Friday, January 16, 2015. Rev. Bryant Anderson officiated. Burial Milford Memorial Cemetery. Memorials to the Milford Presbyterian Church. For further information please call Lynch & Sons, Milford at 248-684-6645 or visit [www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com](http://www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com)

**CHARLICK, EUGENE "GENE"**  
 Age 82 of Highland, January 18, 2015. Funeral Services were held on Wednesday, January 21, 2015. For further information please phone 248-684-6645 or visit [www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com](http://www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com)

**DeMARCO, STEVEN**  
 of Northville, August 28, 1942 - January 17, 2015. Arrangements by L.J. Griffin Funeral Home-Northrop Sassaman Chapel.

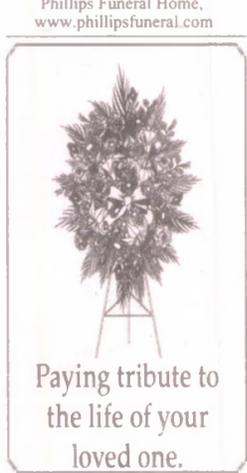
**DOWNEY, THOMAS J.**  
 Age 77, of Northville, Michigan passed away January 14, 2015. Share condolences at [casterlinefuneralhome.com](http://casterlinefuneralhome.com)

**KOSTECKE, WINONA**  
 Age 88 of Milford, January 15, 2015. Funeral Service were held at Our Savior Evangelical Lutheran Church, Hartland, on Tuesday, January 20, 2015. Memorials may be made in her name to the Juvenile Diabetes Association. For further information please phone 248-684-6645 or visit [www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com](http://www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com)

**MAYNARD, MARK E.**  
 Age 65, passed away January 14, 2015 with his wife at his side. He was born on May 17, 1949 in Mt. Clemens, son of the late Donald Shirley Maynard. Mark was a proud Army veteran serving in the Vietnam War. He was awarded the Purple Heart, Bronze Star and Army Commendation Medal for bravery and valor. He was wounded while trying to save his squad from enemy mortar, rocket-propelled grenade and automatic weapons fire. He will always be remembered for his generous, selfless nature and his willingness to always help others. Mark enjoyed training horses for harness racing and was a huge Detroit Tigers fan. He is survived by his beloved wife of 45 years, Paula. He was preceded in death by his parents. Donations may be made to Wounded Warriors. Arrangements by PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME. [www.phillipsfuneral.com](http://www.phillipsfuneral.com)

**McMENEMY, THOMAS E.**  
 May 19, 1967-January 13, 2015 L. J. Griffin Funeral Home Northrop Sassaman Chapel

**REINHARDT, JOHN**  
 May 16, 1936-January 15, 2015 Arrangements by Phillips Funeral Home, [www.phillipsfuneral.com](http://www.phillipsfuneral.com)



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**SMIGIELSKI, BARBARA ANN BOCKSTAHLER**  
 Age 88, passed from this life peacefully on January 15, 2015 in Albuquerque. Born on April 13, 1926 in Detroit, she attended Principia College, then graduated from the University of Michigan and retired from the Northville (Michigan) District Library prior to moving to Albuquerque to be with her daughter, Laura. She is predeceased by her parents Frieda and Edward Bockstahler, her husband Leo Smigielski, brother Edward Bockstahler and his wife Betty; and her son, Stephen Smigielski. She is survived by her daughter, Laura Smigielski Garcia and husband, Phillip; niece, Caryl Bockstahler Knoche VanderRoest and husband Wil, plus much loved great nieces and nephews and other family members. Barbara's family is grateful for the care which she received from the many loving staff members at St. Theresa Health Care & Rehabilitation facility. A memorial service for Barbara will be held at Acacia Park Cemetery (Southfield, MI) during the summer where she will be laid to rest next to her husband and son. Details on the service will be announced at a later date. Barbara was an avid reader, so the family asks that contributions be made in her name to the Northville District Library Endowment Fund, <http://org/index.php/participate/giving-to-your-library>

**WILLIAMS, CHARLES M. SR.,**  
 Age 81 of Farmington Hills, January 12, 2015. Share condolences at [casterlinefuneralhome.com](http://casterlinefuneralhome.com)

**WINEGARDEN, WILLIAM A.**  
 Age 78 passed away at home on January 13, 2015. William is survived by his wife, Mary, daughter Sherri Carroll and husband John, son Jim Winegarden, and grandsons, Patrick and Sean Carroll. A memorial service will be held January 31, 2015 at 11:30am at the South Lyon Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses, located at 56985 10 Mile.



May peace be with you in this time of sorrow.

# RELIGION

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ton.org.  
**Details:** This religious education program is open to the public and currently enrolling new students. Classes are grouped into grades K-5, 6-8 and 9-12 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.  
**Multigenerational Services:** 6:45 p.m. Fridays.  
**Details:** Family members of all ages can gather for drumming, chanting, and meditation followed by a brief participatory worship service which could include stories, songs and sharing. A religious education activity will follow, such as an art project, music, dance, game or theater. The evening will close with a light snack and a short time to socialize, ending at 8:30 p.m.

**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.  
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# Winter Classic

JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER  
**A line of sporting dogs and their handlers prepare to run around a ring Jan. 16 at Novi's Suburban Collection Showplace during the Michigan Winter Dog Classic show. The four-day show drew humans and their dogs from all over the Midwest and Ontario.**

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 Evening Service 6:00 p.m. • Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.  
 Senior Pastor: Rob Freshour / Assoc. Pastor: Randy Weak  
 Website: www.fbcsouthlyon.com  
 Email: fbcsouthlyon@sbglobal.net

## Northville

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 Sunday School for all ages, 10:30 am.  
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 Religious Education 349-2559  
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 11:00 am Worship Service  
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 Reed Heckmann, Pastor/Teacher  
 www.solidrocksouthlyon.com

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

## FASTSIGNS relocating from Northville to Livonia

Signs and graphics provider FASTSIGNS of Northville has moved to a larger facility at 37148 Six Mile, Livonia.

"Our new location allows us to serve our customers even better with increased square-footage and the location is in a more convenient area for customers to come and go," said Kevin Miller, who co-owns FASTSIGNS with Roger Cunningham. "The added space allows for a much larger production area that will help us meet the demand for high volume signage projects and quick turnaround."

FASTSIGNS of Livonia's new location is 2,223 square feet, which is more than 400 square feet larger than its previous space. The center provides wall, window and floor graphics, architectural signs, wayfinding solutions, trade show displays, safety signage, vehicle wraps and more. Miller and his team also acquired a new large format laminator, which helps enhance signs and visual graphics and provides surface protection for long-term signage.

Independently owned and operated, FASTSIGNS has been providing visual communications and marketing solutions to local businesses and organizations since 1998. Miller and Cunningham also own a FASTSIGNS center in Ann Arbor, which they opened in 1992.

"The sign industry has experienced many changes since we opened our first FASTSIGNS center over 22 years ago," Miller said. "With the evolution of technology and our team's extensive knowledge and experience, we look forward to continue providing businesses and organizations with creative visual solutions they may have never known possible."

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FASTSIGNS' new showroom at 37148 Six Mile, Livonia..

## Options for moving money from a discontinued 401(k) plan

**Q: Dear Rick: In 2015, my company is discontinuing its 401(k) plan. The company says that, at least for the next few years, we could leave the money in the plan or move it into an IRA. Should I leave my money or move it? If I move it, should I use a Roth IRA or a traditional IRA? I want to continue to contribute for my retirement. Since I can't do a 401(k), what are my other options?**

**A:** It's a shame that your company had to discontinue its 401(k) plan. A 401(k) plan is a convenient way to save for retirement. However, you do have other options.

In reviewing your situation, I recommend a direct transfer from your 401(k) plan into an IRA. By directly trans-



**Rick Bloom**  
MONEY MATTERS

ferring the money, there are no tax consequences and the money can continue to grow tax-deferred.

Another benefit of moving the money into an IRA is that you will have total control of your money. In a 401(k) plan, you are limited to the company's options. In an IRA, you can invest in anything that you choose.

The one potential downside of an IRA is that you do not have the same flexibility to borrow the money as with a 401(k) plan. However, if that is important to you, you need to confirm that you still will be

able to borrow from the plan if it is discontinued. I believe that 401(k) loans should be avoided in the majority of situations.

If you decide to directly transfer the money, the key is to make sure that you are smart in how you invest the money. I am a believer of low-cost, commission-free investing. Companies like Vanguard, Fidelity, Charles Schwab and TD Ameritrade all offer a host of low-cost, commission-free funds. Also, Fidelity, TD Ameritrade and Charles Schwab have local branches.

As to whether the money should go into a Roth IRA or a traditional IRA, I recommend a traditional IRA. If you put the money into a Roth IRA, the entire amount will be current-

ly taxed to you. If you want to convert some of your IRA into a Roth IRA on a yearly basis, that may make sense.

With regard to new contributions, the most tax efficient way is to use an IRA. If you contribute to a traditional IRA, you should be able to deduct your contributions. If you contribute to a Roth IRA, you would not get a tax write-off, but the money grows tax-free and would also not be subject to the required minimum distributions rules.

Good luck.

*Rick Bloom is a fee-only financial adviser. His website is bloomassetmanagement.com. If you would like him to respond to your questions, please email rick@bloomassetmanagement.com.*

## BUSINESS BRIEFS

### Manufacturing meeting at Schoolcraft

The Procurement Technical Assistance Center of Schoolcraft College has scheduled its inaugural Subcommittee on Manufacturing meeting for Jan. 27 at Schoolcraft College in Livonia. The manufacturing group discussion will be led by Chairman David Nelson of the Michigan Manufacturing Technology Center.

"Michigan continues to have a lot of energy behind, and opportunity for, manufacturing excellence," said Alexander Masters, the procurement counselor who oversees and serves as a liaison to the PTAC of Schoolcraft College's committees and councils. "A key objective and goal in hosting this manufacturing group of executives and senior-level employees is to encourage new ways in which to strengthen our state's competitiveness in providing manufacturing support to the federal marketplace's needs."

Masters further remarked on the need to have federal contractors be a resource to one another as well, saying that the greatest opportunity for government contracting success lies in best practices, recommendations for strategic program enhancements, and avenues for dialogue on key topics and industry discussions.

Membership to the committee is open to firms who are demonstrating existing or strong government contracting potential, while also having been in existence for at least two years. Firms interested in attending should reach out to Masters by email at amasters@schoolcraft.edu.

Additional questions and comments may be directed to the PTAC of Schoolcraft College team by phone at 734-462-4438 or by email at info@schoolcraft.edu.

### Taste of Northville registration underway

The Northville Chamber of Commerce is now accepting registrations for the annual Taste of Northville Business Showcase Event, presented by Community Financial Credit Union, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Saturday, March 14, at Northville High School.

The showcase will feature interactive exhibits from retail, service and nonprofit businesses at this fun family-themed event. This year's theme will celebrate the "Wearing of the Northville Green" (St. Patrick's Day). The early bird registration fee of \$175 (chamber members' discount) includes booth space, table, chairs, set up assistance and four tickets to the event.

Business participants are encouraged to provide promotional giveaway items, along with their company literature. Event attendees vote on awards for the Best Restaurant/Caterer, Best Business and Best Theme displays.

The Business Showcase application form is available on the Chamber of Commerce website ([www.northville.org](http://www.northville.org)) or can be obtained by contacting the chamber at 248-349-7640.

### DFCU Financial rewards members with \$24 million cash back

DFCU Financial credit union announced that more than 100,000 members are receiving a piece of its \$24 million payday.

"At DFCU Financial, returning cash back to our members is our way of saying 'thank you' for their loyalty," said Mark Shobe, president and CEO, DFCU Financial.

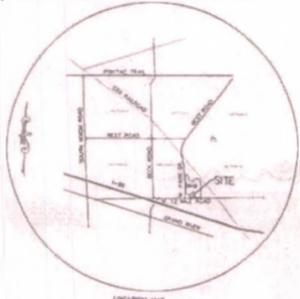
DFCU Financial's streamlined structure and management approach have allowed it to pay a collective \$181 million to its members since 2006, a sum DFCU said is larger than any financial institution in the United States. This year's reward surpasses last year's \$23 million payout by DFCU Financial.

The organization returns approximately half of its annual earnings to members, who receive 0.50 percent cash back on their portfolios — which may include checking, savings, auto and mortgage loans and credit cards — annually.

In 2015, members received an average cash back direct deposit of \$250 and the largest reward totaled \$18,000. In many cases, members' cash back rewards are significant enough to pay a mortgage or car payment.

### 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, January 28, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider **NOVI CORPORATE CAMPUS PARCEL 2, SITE PLAN NUMBER 14-60, FOR PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN, WETLAND PERMIT, WOODLAND PERMIT AND STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN APPROVAL. THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IS LOCATED IN SECTION 9, ON THE EAST SIDE OF WEST PARK DR AND NORTH SIDE OF TWELVE MILE ROAD.** The subject property is approximately 4.85 acres and the applicant is proposing to build a one-story 52,500 square foot speculative office/warehouse building with accessory parking facilities on Lot 2 in the Novi Corporate Campus development. Plans are available for review at the Community Development Department in the Novi Civic Center.

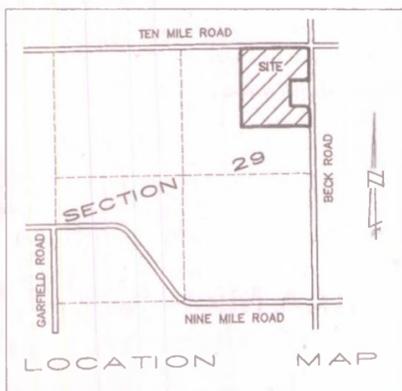


All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments may be heard at the hearing and any written comments must be received by the Community Development Department, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 during the city's regular business hours, Monday through Friday, 8 A.M. to 5 P.M. Written comments must be received by 4:00 P.M., Wednesday, January 28, 2015.

Novi Planning Commission  
Michael Lynch, Secretary  
Published January 22, 2015

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, February 11, 2015 at 7:00 P.M. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider **VALENCIA SOUTH, JSP 13-75 AND ZONING MAP AMENDMENT 18-708 FOR PLANNING COMMISSION'S RECOMMENDATION TO CITY COUNCIL FOR A PLANNED REZONING OVERLAY ASSOCIATED WITH A ZONING MAP AMENDMENT FROM R-1, ONE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL TO R-3, ONE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL WITH A PLANNED REZONING OVERLAY (PRO).** The subject property totals approximately 41.31 acres and is located in Section 29, south of Ten Mile Road and west of Beck Road. The applicant is proposing a 66 unit single-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, February 11, 2015.

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## OUR VIEW

# Help young people achieve their dreams by mentoring

It's an observation that has been used so often, it has lost some of its impact. But it is still as important today as it was in 1996, when First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton coined it. Yes, it takes a village to raise a child, but it also takes people willing to give of their time to make that happen.

This is National Mentoring Month. For 14 years, January has been set aside to recognize people who serve as mentors and issue a call for more people to get involved in helping our youth become productive members of society.

The roads young people follow today are filled with pitfalls that can lead them astray. In January 2014, MENTOR published The Mentoring Effect, the first-ever nationally representative survey of young people on the topic of mentoring. The report shows that "quality mentoring relationships can play a powerful role in providing young people with the tools they need to make responsible decisions, stay focused and engaged in school, achieve academic and personal goals and reduce or avoid risky behavior like skipping school, drug use and other negative activities." The report also shows one in three young people will reach adulthood without such a powerful asset.

President Barack Obama, in proclaiming January as National Mentoring Month, noted that, "In a nation of limitless possibility, every child deserves the chance to unlock his or her potential. When young Americans have the support they need to make the most of themselves, they can achieve their dreams and strengthen our country, which has always moved forward by extending ladders of opportunity to the next generation."

Those "ladders of opportunity" are available in our communities through local programs like Youth Assistance, which works with young people who are having difficulties within their families, in school and in the community. In many cases, young people are referred to these programs by the police, courts, schools, parents or guardians and other agencies.

Mentoring has many benefits for all involved. According to the Federal Mentoring Council, the potential is there for better academic performance and better school attendance. Mentoring also has been linked to improvements in youths' perceptions of parental relationships and better prospects for moving on to higher education.

And the benefits of mentoring go beyond that. According to the National Mentoring Partnership, many mentors say that the rewards they gain are as substantial as those for they assist. Mentoring is a shared opportunity for learning and growth.

Being a mentor doesn't require advanced degrees or special skills, just a few basic qualities—a sincere desire to be involved with a young person; respect for young people; being an active listener; having empathy; seeing solutions and opportunities; and being flexible and open.

The NMP notes that: "Good mentors are willing to take time to get to know their mentees, to learn new things that are important to the young person and even to be changed by their relationship. Accept the challenges and rewards of mentoring a young person and experience the benefits that will last each ... a lifetime."

U.S. Supreme Court Justice Sonia Sotomayor may have said it best: "When a young person, even a gifted one, grows up without proximate living examples of what she may aspire to become—whether lawyer, scientist, artist or leader in any realm—her goal remains abstract. Such models as appear in books or on the news, however inspiring or revered, are ultimately too remote to be real, let alone influential. But a role model in the flesh provides more than inspiration; his or her very existence is confirmation of possibilities one may have every reason to doubt, saying, 'Yes, someone like me can do this.'"

Be that person who can make a difference. Become a mentor. There's a young person out there waiting for someone just like you. Not sure where to start? Try the Youth Assistance programs in Novi (248-347-0410) and Northville (248-344-1618).

## MENTORING WORKS



# NOVI NEWS

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## COMMUNITY VOICE

### At what temperature or wind chill do you think it's too cold to have school?

This question was asked at the Novi Public Library.



"Probably a wind chill of minus-25."

Ian Youmans  
Novi



"I would say a wind chill of minus-10."

Catherine Ruber  
Novi



"A wind chill of minus-10."

Mikayla Timson  
Novi



"I would also say a wind chill of minus-10."

Brianna Timson  
Novi

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Less subsidizing of businesses

Why do Michigan taxpayers pay for companies to jump from one Michigan community to another?

Tata Enterprises is in negotiations to move their world headquarters from Novi to Royal Oak. A recent *Novi News* article quoted the developer as saying they are waiting to see "what incentive packages the state ... is going to contribute to fill in the gap of making this project economically feasible for Tata Technologies to move their headquarters to Royal Oak (from Novi)."

A few months ago, Harmann Becker received funding from the Michigan Economic Development Corp. and tax relief from Novi to move jobs from Farmington Hills to Novi. A recent study by the *New York Times* determined that every American family pays almost \$700 per year in tax incentives and subsidies from state and local governments to businesses. I question the value for Michigan taxpayers when companies pit one local community against another.

First class businesses with long-term, high-paying jobs will be attracted to our communities by excellent schools, public amenities, excellent roads and transportation, and good stewardship of taxpayer dollars. I'd like to see less subsidizing of specific businesses, and more public investment in infrastructure like roads, bridges, and the education of our young people, from preschool through high school and beyond. That will build strong communities, and will attract business.

Gwen Markham  
Novi City Council member

### Swap school start times

Will there ever be a day when I can go to school more than half awake? Like other local high schools, Novi high school starts early, at 7:15 a.m., a time that is way too early for most teenagers to be alert.

When we reach our teenage years, our biological sleep-wake schedule shifts to a later time, making it harder to fall asleep before 11 p.m. According to the National Sleep Foundation, teenagers need at least 8½ to 9½ hours of sleep. However, with a start time of 7:15 a.m. it is impossible for local nocturnally-inclined teens to get the sleep they need. Shifting the starting time to later for high school could provide significant benefits.

Some U.S. school districts showed positive results after start times were changed. A study conducted in a school district in Minneapolis in 1996 provides one example, where start times were changed from 7:15 a.m. to 8:40 a.m. After three years they saw improved attendance, an increase in continuous enrollment and less tardiness. It would be difficult for anyone to argue that these improvements do not exemplify an optimization of the learning environment for teens.

We can help teens overcome sleep deprivation by bringing an end to early high school start times. I suggest trading the elementary school times (9:08 a.m.) with the high school time (7:15 a.m.) in the Novi school district. Shifting the start times to later in the morning provides an effective way to invigorate sleep-deprived high-schoolers and this change can provide lasting benefits for these individuals, their families and to society at large.

Kristen Worden  
Novi High School student,  
Class of 2018

### Minimum wage should be \$10.10

Nothing can be more gifting to others than to raise one's pay, especially when the cold sets in. This year, numerous protests have prompted more violence within the nation, but about 25 percent of those protests, according to various sources, have been linked to hiking the minimum wage nationwide. Even though those protesting are mostly fast-food or retail employees, they don't deserve to be living less than what the average American citizen deserves. We cannot let poverty overtake the nation, who just six years ago climbed out of the recession.

The protests come after new research finds that the current federal minimum wage, at \$7.25 per hour, isn't enough to sustain a family of three. As the inflation rate increases, the value of money decreases and with today's high prices of living, the fight for higher wages is only getting sluggish and gripping as Republicans take over Congress. Recent studies show that increasing the federal minimum wage to \$10.10 would improve the quality of life for 30 million Americans.

You and I can do something about this. We can stop the poverty increase and increase the federal minimum wage. We can petition Congress to change their point of view, join those who are currently in the situation or donate to those who are suffering from this. I pledge to start today. Will you join me? If we don't change how Congress can help others, we may all be soon surrounded by beggars.

Elgan Wu  
Raise the Minimum Wage member

### Changing the rules

It seems clear the GOP is intent upon changing the rules to "guarantee" the election of a GOP president in 2016. This conspiracy has been outlined by Republican Rep. Pete Lund, who with his counterparts in select other "blue states," want to manipulate the electoral college. Not nationwide, mind you, but only in select Blue States that elected President Obama but are now GOP-controlled Congress.

This naked power grab and sabotage of our electoral process should be identified for what it is. Rep. Lund and his co-conspirator were not satisfied with massive voter suppression in the last election., the GOP now wants to change the rules to rig the next election.

This sabotage and manipulation of our political process should be seen as what it is. A bunch of adolescent babies who cannot win the game so want to change the rules. Pathetic.

Gerald Maxey  
Farmington Hills

### Oppose Electoral College bill

Voters beware — your vote for the president and the vice president may be meaningless in future years if the state Legislature adopts a proposed bill that would change how Electoral College votes are allocated.

The League of Women Voters of Northwest Wayne County urges you to contact your state representative, opposing HB 5974 which would change the way Michigan votes for the president of the United States. Currently, along with 47 other states, we use the "winner takes all" system which allocates all of our 16 Electoral College votes to the candidate who wins the popular vote in Michigan.

HB 5974 would change the current system to one where the candidate who wins the statewide vote would get at least nine

of the state's 16 Electoral College votes and then an additional electoral vote for each 1.5 percent point increase in their margin over the second-place finisher. The second-place finisher would get the rest of the electoral votes.

According to *Crain's Detroit Business* news, if this bill had been in effect in 2012, President Obama would have received 12 of the state's Electoral College votes and former Gov. Romney would have received four. This result would not have reflected the will of the majority of voters who supported the top candidate. President Obama would have received only 12 electoral votes, not the entire 16, even though he won the popular vote by 400,000 votes.

Tell your state legislators and the governor that you do not want them to take away the "winner-take-all" basis for the Electoral College. To find out who your legislators are and how to contact them, please go to [www.lwnvww.org](http://www.lwnvww.org) and click on the link for "They Represent You."

Angela E. Ryan  
president, League of Women Voters  
Northwest Wayne County

### Addressing the 90 percent

If you're in the privileged 10 percent in this country, this letter is not for you. Rather, it is addressed to the poorer 90 percent of Americans who make up the economic range of declining middle class to outright poverty. If you're in this majority group, then this is for you.

The problem with our economy is that you don't understand why you're doing so poorly when the economy is growing. Statistics from the Commerce Department proclaim that the GDP grew by 4.6 percent annual rate in the second quarter and 3.5 percent in the third quarter. So why does median household income continue to drop?

Our conservative leaders — politicians, business leaders and the super-rich alike — tell us it's your fault. You keep wanting more, when our leaders keep explaining that the economy works better when the rich have more money and everyone else has less money.

Of course, since everybody knows that big money interests are the job creators, you've got to feel sorry for their situation. They're richer than they've ever been before, corporate profits are at record levels, executive compensation is at record highs.

But they're depressed because you're not buying enough. And so corporations aren't increasing production or investing in R&D. This spring, the Brookings Institute pointed to a reduction by half in new business formations 1980-2014. There's no point in expanding or investing if customers — that means you — aren't buying.

Be proud that only a few malcontents and noisemakers are pointing to the decline in collective bargaining and unionization as a contributing factor to the decline in real wages. Less than 7 percent of our private sector workers are union members.

But we're told not to believe the progressive nonsense that a higher minimum wage pushes up all other wages, and that the only way to grow the economy in a way that benefits the 90 percent is to push for a structural change in which stronger unions and a higher minimum wage play strong roles. We're also told not to believe that better public schools, access to advanced education and a more progressive tax system would help too.

Dan Stuart  
South Lyon

# Fowkes named road chairman of county road commission

By Laura Colvin  
Staff Writer

The May 12 statewide election to increase road funding is critical to the Road Commission for Oakland County as the agency works to repair and maintain more than 2,000 miles of paved roads and 770 miles of gravel roads in its jurisdiction.

That's the word from RCOC Commissioner Ron Fowkes, a village of Milford resident who last week was elected chairman of the RCOC's three-member board, on which he's served since 2011.

The bill, in part, would eliminate the sales tax on fuel and increase the state sales tax to 7 percent. If approved by voters, it is expected to generate \$1.165 billion in new revenue for roads. A large portion of those funds – \$800 million in 2016 and \$400 million in 2017 – would be dedicated to MDOT debt service, with the remainder going toward roads through a state formula for funding.

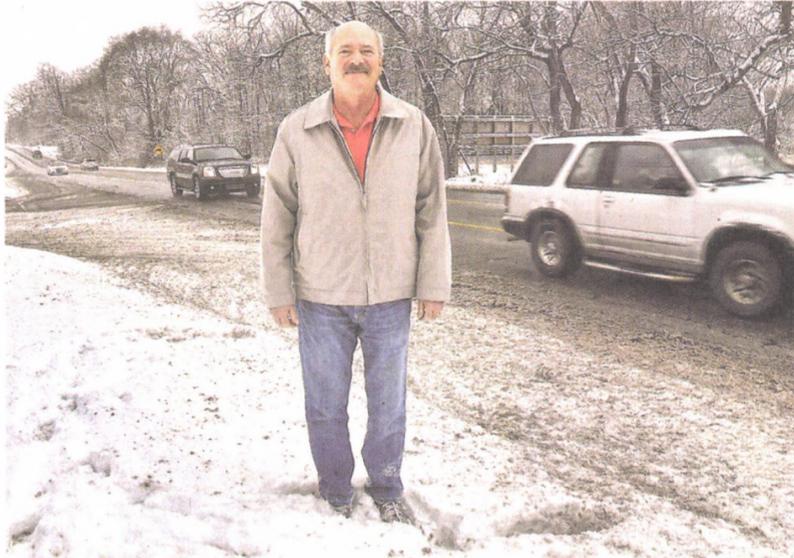
In 2018, all revenue for roads generated by the bill would be dedicated to new projects.

"Oakland County will be the largest recipient of additional funds, aside from MDOT, in the state," Fowkes said.

In the first year, 2016, Oakland County would receive about \$14 million in additional funds, \$28 million in 2017 and \$42 million in 2018.

"That's when we would be able to make the biggest difference," Fowkes said. "It would enable us to immediately attack and preserve roads that are rated in fair quality, which means they still have a stable base, but may be getting pot holes and surface deterioration."

"We can go in and put an inch-and-a-half maintenance cap on these roads – a preservation



Village of Milford resident and newly-appointed RCOC Chairman Ron Fowkes stands near Milford Road, which is slated for a reconstruction project beginning this spring.

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overlay – that's designed to last about seven years and provide a smooth driving surface, but more importantly preserve a road that's still salvageable," he added, noting such a measure comes in at a cost of \$250,000 per mile, while the resurfacing of a two-lane asphalt road costs some \$1.25 million per mile.

### Poor conditions

With more than 40 percent of Oakland County roads classified in "poor" condition, Fowkes said, the additional funds won't fix everything, but will go a long way toward improvements.

Oakland County's gravel roads could also be better addressed with additional funding.

"None of our roads have had a decent overlay of fresh gravel in years and years," Fowkes said, noting it costs RCOC \$35,000 per mile to lay three inches of fresh gravel. "Unfortunately, our gravel roads are more like the old dirt roads of the past."

I would like to see \$1 million per year put into the county's 770 miles of gravel roads."

While the RCOC, like other Michigan agencies, has faced a funding crunch for years, Fowkes said he is "very, very proud to represent the Road Commission for Oakland County."

"We have a great team of very dedicated employees who work hard to keep our roads safe," he said. "Although our operating budget declined for much of the last decade, we are ardently committed to providing the safest roads in Michigan. Oakland County has consistently had among the lowest traffic fatality rates in the nation for a community our size and population, but it didn't happen overnight. We have been a leader in using crash-data evaluation as a primary basis for selecting future road projects for more than 30 years."

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### ROAD OVERSIGHT

In addition to Ron Fowkes, chairman, other members of the RCOC board include Eric Wilson, vice chairman, and former Chairman Greg Jamian. The board traditionally elects its officers at the first meeting of the new year in January. Road Commission board members are appointed by the Oakland County Board of Commissioners and serve for six-year terms.

The three commissioners for the Road Commission for Oakland County are responsible for representing the organization in many respects.

Commissioners meet formally twice every month to approve yearly and three-year revolving budgets, major purchases, permits, right of way acquisitions, labor contracts, legal matters, winter maintenance guidelines and to award contracts for local construction projects (projects using federal dollars, such as the upcoming Milford Road project, are bid and awarded by MDOT).

Commissioners also meet with individual citizens when concerns arise, county communities and attend RCOC-related monthly meetings and two multi-day County Road Association conferences each year.

Networking with local and state lawmakers for road construction regulations and funding issues is also an important part of the job, Fowkes said.



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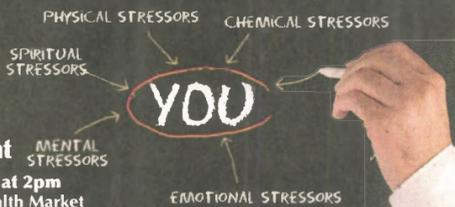
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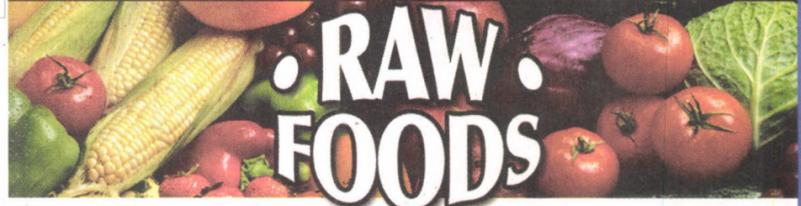
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Aaron Wallace is the owner of Balance Your Fitness. Our mission at BYF, is to help you live your life in balance. My educational background is a B.S. in Exercise and Health Science from Alma College. Additionally, he is certified as a CHEK Practitioner, Holistic Lifestyle Coach and Golf Biomechanic.

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# What matters is the deal at Varsity Lincoln of Novi

By Greg Mullin  
Staff Writer

Varsity Lincoln of Novi is celebrating auto show season with great deals and a Certified Pre-Owned Sale. More than 150 Certified Pre-Owned Lincolns are on-site, ready to drive off the lot for as low as \$15,995.+

In 2014, 540 Certified Pre-Owned vehicles were delivered at Varsity Lincoln, making the dealership the number one Pre-Owned sales volume dealer globally.

The dealership has held the honor of highest volume sales dealer globally for 17 consecutive years.\* They offer a newly remodeled showroom, indoor delivery area and service reception aisle.

This year, Varsity Lincoln celebrated its 20th anniversary and won six prestigious automotive awards. They encompass the Triple Crown Award, Lincoln Leaders of Excellence, President's Award, Ford One Hundred Club, CPO Sales Leadership and Premier Club.

Hurry over to Varsity Lincoln these next three days to catch the deals:

» Thursday, Jan. 22, 8:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.  
» Friday, Jan. 23, 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
» Saturday, Jan. 24, 8:30 to 5 p.m.

"I have the MKS and I love, love, love the technology in it," said Lincoln MKS owner Latanya Tarleton, who has been a customer at Varsity Lincoln for 16 years. "I get the best service here. I never have to worry about anything," she continued.

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Jason Towe told us why he got a Lincoln, stating "I definitely love the comfort and the

sportiness of the Lincoln. The cost was a big factor for me. It was actually cheaper than my last car I owned, and I feel I'm getting a better quality car for what I'm paying!"

"There are numerous benefits of purchasing a Certified Pre-Owned, including the outstanding warranty that comes with the vehicles," Law said. "The 100,000-mile, free bumper-to-bumper warranty that comes alongside all Certified Pre-Owned purchases is better than a new car warranty! Additionally, any time the vehicle is in for a service visit, you can receive a loaner for no cost exclusively at Varsity Lincoln!"

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\*Based on 12/2014 Total New Retail Sales, Pre-Owned Sales and Service Customer Satisfaction per Lincoln Sales Report.

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## Yanke steals show in Novi's triumph

Senior guard stellar in second half vs. Northville

By Brad Emons  
Staff Writer

Back in 1942, George M. Cohan was known as "The Man Who Owned Broadway."

Fast forward to Jan. 16, 2015, and the Novi boys basketball team had its own version of *Yankee Doodle Dandy* as senior guard Max Yanke played Jimmy Cagney by popping in 16 of his 18 points during the second half to lead the host Wildcats past rival Northville, 62-54.

The 6-foot-2 lefty was al-

most non-existent in the first half, scoring just two points, but took center stage in the pivotal fourth quarter when he exploded for 12 points, including a big triple from the left wing with 3:22 left to give Novi a seven-point cushion, 52-45.

"He's a senior and I challenged my seniors today knowing this was the last Friday night home game they're going to have against Northville," Novi coach Brandon Sinawi said. "(Yanke) was struggling the first half and we sat him last (part) of the second quarter. And I talked to him at half-time and challenged him to step it up, be a senior and lead.

He's done it before this year and responded on the biggest night for us. I'm proud of him and how he's worked so hard. He deserves to win and have that fourth quarter that really lifted us."

Naji Ozeir, a 6-5 junior forward, hit three straight triples to start the second quarter and finished with 18 points to match Yanke's team-high. Senior guard Brad Dotinga, who was all over the floor defensively, pitched in with 13 points.

Northville's 6-3 senior sharpshooter David Morrissey, as usual, paced the Mustangs' scoring attack with a game-high 21 points before eventu-

ally fouling out late.

Junior forward Nick Wilds added 12 points, while sophomore Kevin Morrissey came off the bench to score nine.

The Mustangs shot only 22-of-69 (31.8 percent) from the floor, including 4-of-19 in the final quarter, after trailing by only two after three quarters, 42-40.

"I think we need to play smarter for 32 minutes," said Northville coach Todd Sander, whose team slipped to 5-4 overall and 0-3 in the KLAA Central. "We do really good things for long stretches and then we have a few minutes of let-



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Novi's Jaylen Dixon (left) wrestles for the ball with Northville's David Morrissey during Friday's Central Division encounter.

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Novi's Ellie Mackay (left) tries to rip the ball from the hands of Northville's Emily Maresh during Friday's KLAA Central Division clash.

## N'ville girls rally in 4th to get past Novi, 36-31

Late free throws seal Central Division victory

By Brad Emons  
Staff Writer

It was there for the taking down the stretch.

But Northville made a few more plays during crunch time and sank four straight free throws in the final minute Friday to hold off host Novi, 36-31, in a match-up of KLAA Central Division girls basketball rivals.

The Mustangs went 2-of-8 from the foul line during the second half until freshman point guard Mariah Modkins stopped the bleeding by nailing two straight to give Northville a three-point cushion, 34-31, with only 47 seconds remaining.

Her two free throws came after Lindsey Rathsburg came up with a huge steal with 53 seconds left.

Novi then missed an attempt with 29 seconds to go, but got a steal from Jenna Lowney with 17.4 remaining. Freshman Ellie Mackay, who led the Wildcats and all scorers with 13 points, got off 3-point attempt with only three seconds left, but it was partially blocked.

The Mustangs corralled the rebound and senior Emily Maresh went 2-of-2 from the line with only 1.3 seconds remaining to seal the victory.

"As well as we shot foul shots in the first half (5-of-6), an opposite job in the second half," said Northville coach Todd Gudith, whose team con-

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MARK HICKS  
Northville's Nick Strom (left) and Novi's Ryan Turner jockey for position in front of Wildcats goaltender Josh Richardson as the Mustangs' Kevin O'Connell unloads a shot.

## Wildcats win hockey rematch

Hofelich, Richardson star in triumph over Northville

By Brad Emons  
Staff Writer

Brad Hofelich ignited the offense and goaltender Josh Richardson sparked the defense as Novi avenged an earlier boys hockey loss this season to Northville with a 4-2 victory Friday night over the Mustangs at Novi Ice Arena.

Northville, ranked No. 5 in Division 1, won the first meeting between the state-ranked teams Nov. 26 by a 4-3 margin.

But this time it was Novi's turn as the Wildcats, ranked No. 7 in Division 2, improved to 10-5 overall and 4-3 in the KLAA's Central Division.

Hofelich, a senior, finished with two goals and two assists, while Richardson, a junior, stepped up by making 25 saves.

"I think he kind of solidi-

fied himself as our number one goalie," Novi coach Mark Vellucci said of Richardson. "He kind of did up in Cal-umet (with 34 saves in a 4-3 win Jan. 9). The boys have a lot of confidence in him and I think he's gaining confidence, too. He definitely played well within himself."

Novi jumped out to a 2-0 first-period lead on goals by Bryan Fegert (from Ryan Baxter and Hofelich) and Hofelich (from Baxter and Fegert).

Northville then cut the deficit to 2-1 with 1:46 left on Kevin O'Connell's goal off an assist from Alex Meacham.

"Unfortunately we've been coming out slow in the first period this year," Northville coach Clint Robert said. "It's kind of been our Achilles' heel and we've been able to battle back and make up for that. The ice was fairly tilted in our favor the second period, but Richardson did a

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## Quinn takes over Northville volleyball reins

Yaklin steps down, will continue as assistant

By Brad Emons  
Staff Writer

There's been a passing of the torch in the Northville varsity volleyball program.

Amanda Yaklin, who guided the Mustangs to back-to-back Class A final four appearances, is stepping aside

after six seasons as head coach.

Yaklin's successor is Rebecca Quinn, who was hired in mid-December. Quinn served as a volunteer assistant last season and works on the Force Volleyball Academy staff with Yaklin.

"Due to increased outside commitments, Amanda had to step down from the head coaching position," Northville A.D. Bryan Masi said. "But

we're very happy that she's going to continue in the program. We're hoping we won't miss a step. Amanda is staying on as an assistant and taking a lesser role."

The 29-year-old Quinn most recently served as the varsity volleyball and softball coach at St. Clair Shores Lakeview High School (2010-13). She was also JV coach and was a varsity volleyball assistant at Bloomfield Hills Lahser.

"Rebecca brings a wealth of experience and knowledge," Masi said. "Her dedication, passion and character will help our volleyball program continue to build a rich tradition of success."

Quinn is a 2003 graduate of Auburn Hills Oakland Christian High, where she earned all-state honors in both volleyball and softball.

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# NHS grad Alashe finds way to San Jose

Ex-Mustang taken fourth overall in MLS SuperDraft

By Brad Emmons  
Staff Writer

It was apparent that Northville High grad Fatai Prince Alashe registered pretty high on the Richter Scale for the Major League Soccer's San Jose Earthquakes.

The 21-year-old midfielder, who started 80 of 85 games during his college career at Michigan State, was taken No. 4 overall Thursday in the 2015 MLS SuperDraft by the Quakes, who finished last in the Western Conference with a 6-16-12 record.

"I'm just really excited," Alashe said during a session with the media following his selection at the Pennsylvania Convention Center in Philadelphia. "I think my in-

terview with them went pretty well; I'm pretty excited about it. I definitely enjoyed their coaching staff, the guys I met at the meeting. I'm glad they took a chance on me and decided to draft me. It's really exciting to get going and start going to work."

Alashe tallied 14 goals and 15 assists during his MSU career. As a senior, he was named a second team All-America by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America. He also earned NSCAA all-Midwest Region and all-Big Ten tournament honors last season.

Alashe finished the year with eight goals and eight assists as the Spartans reached the elite eight of the NCAA tournament before falling 3-2 to Providence College.

Earthquakes head coach Dominic Kinnear said Alashe was the best player available at the No. 4 slot.



Northville High grad Fatai Alashe, who played four seasons at Michigan State, was taken by San Jose fourth overall Jan. 15 in the MLS SuperDraft.

"Fatai is a good all-around midfielder with a lot of range," Kinnear told sjeearthquakes.com. "He can play in the holding role or a little farther up the field, so we are very happy to get him. We interviewed a number of players at the combine and he impressed us there as well. He is a player with a lot of promise and we are

looking forward to seeing him when training camp opens."

Alashe, the highest pro draft selection ever to come out of Michigan State, was unable to compete in the MLS Draft Combine due to a groin injury he suffered on the first day.

Kinnear, however, was impressed by the 21-year-old's response to the

question of where he sees himself in five years.

"He goes, 'I see myself as an MLS all-star,'" Kinnear told panelists on the MLS live draft coverage. "He doesn't have his sights on something else. He wants to come in and play right away and that had a good impression on us."

In 2013, Alashe earned all-Big Ten tournament honors and was on the 2010 all-Big Ten freshman team. Alashe, an economics major, was also named a Big Ten Distinguished Scholar as a junior.

Alashe comes from a soccer family. His older brother Latif, also a former all-state player at Northville High, earned four letters while playing at the University of Michigan. During his junior and senior years at Northville, Fatai earned all-state honors both seasons, scoring 10

and nine goals, respectively.

"I've always been a pretty physical player," the 6-0, 173-pound Alashe told mlssoccer.com. "I think I have a lot of growing to do coming into the league. Everyone's bigger, stronger, more physical, stuff like that. But I definitely think I can hold my own. We'll see how it goes at the start of preseason. I'll get a good feel for it and I'm a pretty quick learner and good at adapting to different playing styles. So I think I'll be all right."

Training camp is right around the corner for Alashe. The Earthquakes open their MLS season March 7 at FC Dallas.

"Never been there before," Alashe said of San Jose, "but I'm from Michigan and we're not used to warm weather, so I'm excited to go there."

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## Northville girls hockey team has tough two-game stretch

Northville found itself going through the gauntlet last weekend of the Michigan Metro Girls High School Hockey League.

Grace Healey enjoyed a four-point night Sunday, but it wasn't enough as the Mustangs fell to Division 1 leader Grosse Pointe South, 8-4, at Livonia's Edgar Arena.

The Blue Devils, who improved to 10-0 overall and 10-0 in Division 1, got two goals and one assist from Ava Russano, while Erin Brannagan added a pair of goals. Lauren Kramer also finished with a goal

and two assists. Northville (1-9, 1-9) was outshot 30-24 as Healey collected a goal and three assists.

Mo Hackett also contributed a goal and assist, while Claire Murray and Kendall Murray each tallied a goal. Other Northville assists went to Megan Kerr and Emily Comben.

Isobel Bush started in goal for the Mustangs, making 13 saves while allowing six goals. She was replaced by Annette Taylor, who played the second half while making nine saves and yielding two goals.

Bridget Donaldson made 20 saves for the Blue Devils, who led 3-1 after one period and 8-2 after two.

Northville fell 9-1 in a Division 1 encounter Saturday to second-place Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook (9-1, 9-1) at Wallace Ice Arena.

Ramsden spoiled Natalie Keoleian's shut-out bid with an unassisted goal with 11:19 left. The Cranbrook goaltender made eight saves.

Taylor and Bush split time in goal for Northville, combining for 14 saves.

## Culver deals Shamrocks icers first two setbacks

Goals proved hard to come by over the weekend as Novi Detroit Catholic Central, the state's top-ranked team in Division 1, dropped a pair of games against host Culver (Ind.) Military Academy at Henderson Ice Arena.

Culver completed its two-game sweep Saturday with a 3-1 victory over the Shamrocks, who slipped to 10-2-1 overall.

The Eagles (21-5-1) led 1-0 after one period on Karch Bachman's unassisted goal and went up 2-0 after two on a Michael Curtis goal from Spencer Page and James Collins.

Catholic Central, the three-time defending MHSAA Division 1 state champion, got its first goal of the weekend with 5:55 remaining in the final period on Andrew Lane's tally from Ryan Burnett.

But Culver answered just 13 seconds later after winning the face-off on Dominic Garcia's goal from James Collins.

Culver goaltender Dean Shatzer made 19 saves, while CC's Spencer Wright had 22 saves. The Shamrocks were held without a shot dur-

ing the final period Friday while suffering their first setback of the season as Culver skated to a 4-0 win.

The Shamrocks were outshot by only one, 16-15, through the first two periods.

Culver got first-period goals from Collins and Zachary Main to jump out to a 2-0 advantage. The Eagles padded their advantage to 4-0 after two periods on goals by Bachman and Brennan Kapcheck.

Culver goaltender Nicholas McNab notched his fourth shutout of the year and improved his personal record to 10-1-1. Alec Calvaruso made 22 saves for CC.

**NORTHVILLE 6, CANTON 1:** On Monday, the Mustangs (11-2-1, 5-2) pulled away with three unanswered goals in the final period to beat the visiting Chiefs (3-7-2, 0-5-2) in a KLA West Division 1 conference crossover at Novi Ice Arena.

"Other than our top line, we talked about shuffling our lines to find some secondary scoring," Northville coach Clint Robert said. "It's not because of lack of effort because they've been playing well. We just wanted to shake things up and four of our six goals tonight came from the other lines."

Northville led 1-0 after one period on Anthony Solak's goal from Nick Strom and Brendan Hicks.

The Mustangs increased their lead to 3-0 in the second period on goals by Hicks (from Solak and Strom) and by Alec Morgan (from Jack Meacham and Kevin O'Connell).

Canton's Brian Oldani countered with a second-period power play goal from Cooper Rice and Connor Wherrett.

But Northville put it away on goals by Morgan (from Meacham and O'Connell),

Kyle Danks (from Riley Brass and Hicks); and Danks again (from Sam Bradley and Zach Oaser).

Northville goalie Chance Boutin made 19 saves, while Canton's Nick Borg turned away 36 shots.

**NOVI 2, BRIGHTON 2:** Brad Hofelich's goal with only 5:44 remaining Saturday enabled the host Wildcats (10-5-1, 4-3-1) to earn a tie against the KLA West Division 1 leading Bulldogs (7-6-2, 4-0-2) at Novi Ice Arena.

Novi led 1-0 after one period on Bryan Fegert's goal at 5:38 from Ryan Baxter and Hofelich, but Brighton squared the game at 1:11 on Lee Pietila's goal from Jay Keranen at 11:36 of the second period.

Colin Biek then put the Bulldogs ahead 2-1 at 3:50 of the final period off an assist from Brody White before Hofelich answered with the game-tying tally from Baxter and Brennan Martin.

Novi goaltender Josh Richardson stopped 18-of-20 shots, while Jake Price made 25 saves for Brighton.

**NOVI 6, HARTLAND 4:** A four-goal outburst in the second period enabled the Wildcats (9-5) to earn a victory Jan. 14 over the KLA West Division 1 leading Eagles (9-5) in a battle of Division 2 state-ranked teams at Novi Ice Arena.

Novi jumped out to a 2-1 advantage after one period on goals by Pat Wojtylo (from Brad Hofelich and Ryan Baxter at 3:46) and Hofelich on a power play from Bryan Fegert and Baxter at 5:49.

Fifth-ranked Hartland got a first-period goal from Logan Quinn (from Nathan Lipon) at 7:42.

The second period was all Wildcats as Nik Tevillager got things started at 1:02 on a goal from Wojtylo before Hartland's Trevor Murray answered just 21 seconds later from Lipon.

Seventh-ranked Novi then scored three in a row to take a 6-2 lead on goals by Tevillager (from Andy Mizerowski and Jimmy Hole at 3:51); Brandon Kour on a power play (from Wojtylo and Hole at 10:51); and Brendan Wesler (from Alex Wells and Tevillager at 12:42).

The Eagles' Nick Snyder tallied a short-handed goal with 15:11 remaining in the third from Lipon and Dan Smith.

Lipon then scored from Quinn and Brendan Lipon with only 1:09 remaining to trim the deficit to two, but Novi held on as goalie Ryuta King made 15 saves on the night.

Christian Spengler had 30 saves for the Eagles.

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great job keeping us off the scoreboard. Finally, we kind had kind of a nice bounce for us and (O'Connell) was able to get the puck and get a nice wraparound when goalie looked that other way. That was huge for us."

But Novi answered just 2:35 into the final period as Brendan Wexler tallied a power-play goal from Fegert and Hofelich to make it 3-1.

"We certainly felt like we had the momentum going into the third period," Robert said. "We took a penalty and they scored with eight seconds left on the power play. We were poised to kill it. We felt good if we had killed that penalty and be where we wanted to be."

Northville, however, made it a 3-2 game with 9:16 to go taking advantage of a five-on-three as Alec Morgan scored on a power play from Nick Strom and Meacham.

But the Wildcats put it away with 2:22 remaining on Hofelich's power-play goal from Baxter and Pat Wojtylo.

"We played a solid game," said Vellucci, who notched his first win in four tries coaching against the Mustangs. "We made a whole commitment to defense tonight. Everyone was all in and concentrated. Our



MARK HICKS

Novi players celebrate by jumping onto the glass with their fans following a 4-2 win Friday over rival Northville at Novi Ice Arena.

big line of Baxter, Fegert and Hofelich stepped up and outplayed their big line of Meacham, Morgan and O'Connell. That's what it came down to.

"The crowd was really into it. It was a high, intense game. Very few penalties, none in (the) first. It was great, great night for hockey, great crowd."

Northville senior goaltender Chance Boutin made 17 saves as Northville fell to 10-2-1 overall and 4-2 in the KLA West Central.

"I give my boys a lot of credit," Robert said. "They didn't quit, kept battling and battling. Morgan had a breakthrough and Richardson made a great save to keep it 3-2, then we took an unfortunate penalty. I was looking forward to seeing

how the game would play out. I kept thinking to myself, 'We're going to get the tying goal.' I don't know at what point. I was confident we were going to tie the game, but the penalty took that option away and that changed the whole thing."

Despite the loss, Robert said the season series between the two schools couldn't get any closer.

"This is my seventh season coaching Novi-Northville and I really think these two teams are the most evenly matched," he said. "Two great games of high school hockey. It's very disappointing to lose, but it was fun to be a part of a really good hockey game."

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# Rice needs overtime to slip past rival Catholic Central

Warriors take down Shamrocks, 59-53

By Marty Budner  
Staff Writer

Brother Rice and Catholic Central always seem to provide classic sports entertainment. Friday night was no different.

In a physical basketball battle that took more than two hours to complete and featured a combined 71 foul shots, the Warriors needed overtime to slip past the pesky Shamrocks.

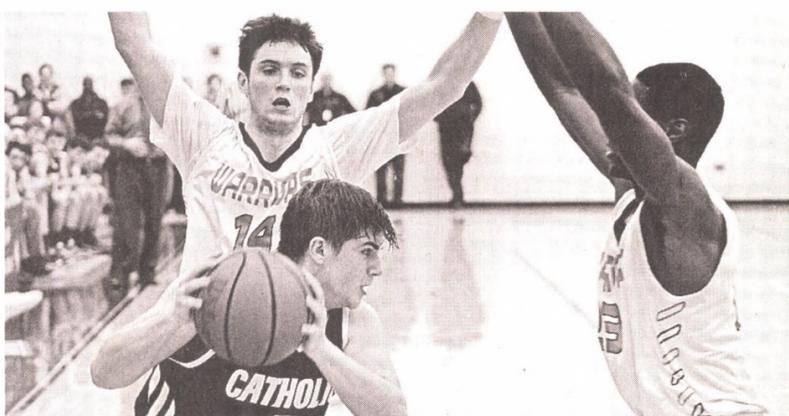
The final score was 59-53.

"Of course it was a fun game to watch, it was CC-Brother Rice," said Shamrocks coach Bill Dyer, whose team fell to 3-5 overall. "I played in the Catholic League and I've coached in the Catholic League for close to 20 years now. I'm used to these kind of games."

Rice, which raised its record to 7-1 and remained perfect in the Central Division at 2-0, hadn't played in a week due to exams. Veteran coach Ed Shaffer indicated the layoff might have caused his team's rustiness.

"We couldn't make a shot early on and credit to them," Shaffer said. "We've been playing well, but we had Tuesday off and I think that kind of hurt us. But our problem was we used that as an excuse."

"We know how tough CC is going to play and



Catholic Central junior guard Tyler Laurentius is hemmed in by Brother Rice defenders Ryan Jordan (left) and Kevin Hayes during Friday's overtime game. The Warriors pulled out a 59-53 victory.

and that's Catholic League basketball," he added. "Somehow we got out of it. I don't know if we deserved it. We talked about grinding one out and we knew we were going to have to do that and I guess that's what we did. That was a grind."

CC took the early advantage with a 10-0 lead. Rice's first basket came four minutes in on a trey by Jaqualin Hannah.

The Shamrocks, led by sophomore forward C.J. Baird, went on to 22-14 halftime lead and maintained a 33-30 advantage heading into the fourth quarter. Rice outscored CC by a 16-13 margin in the final eight minutes to force overtime. The Warriors got a couple of late steals and finally tied the game on a pair of free throws with

10 seconds left by senior forward Kevin Hayes.

In OT, Rice won the tip and took its first lead of the game on a layup by senior forward Drew Gallagher. CC senior guard Champ Kozlowski responded with a trey to put his team up by a point, 49-48.

However, Hayes followed with a tip-in to give Rice a 50-49 lead, an advantage it would never relinquish. The Warriors outscored the Shamrocks by a 9-4 margin from that point on to earn the hard-fought victory.

"They were just a more veteran team than us and they made great plays down the stretch," Dyer said. "We had the lead late, but they played better with the lead than we did. We had some casual turnovers and we missed some free throws."

Hayes, who was 12-of-19 from the free-throw line, finished with a game-high 22 points. Gallagher, who hit 10 free throws, was Rice's next leading scorer with 13. Senior guard Ryan Jordan canned nine points for Rice, which was 27-of-46 from the charity stripe.

Baird was CC's leading scorer with 19 points and senior center Ike Marchie added 14. The Shamrocks were 14-of-25 from the line.

"I really thought we made progress tonight," Dyer said. "We made some good strides and we got better as a team this week in practice and it showed tonight. But we just didn't do a good job finishing tonight. If we can do that, we'll really be going in the right direction. I believe in us."

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nected on 11-of-19 overall. "And quite frankly, that was keeping the game as close as it was. I thought if we had made our foul shots in the second half, we could have stretched the lead from three to five to seven. And we were never able to stretch the lead."

Sophomore forward Jessica Moorman, who fouled out late, led Northville with 11 points, while freshman guard Kendall Dillon added nine off the bench. Sophomore forward Brook Adams also chipped in seven.

"We had a few (eight) turnovers, especially the first quarter," said Gudith, whose team led 12-9 after one quarter, but was tied 19-19 at intermission. "I think we were

trying to win the game in the first three minutes. I told the kids at halftime that it's still a 32-minute game. The game is not going to be done in three minutes. It was more unforced turnovers. We were playing maybe a little too fast out there."

The Mustangs managed to bring a 29-26 advantage into the final quarter, but then started missing free throws in the fourth.

"We survived," Gudith said. "We knew it was going to be a tough game. Both teams are kind mirror images of each other in terms of roster. We both have a lot of youth on our teams."

Northville improved to 7-2 overall and 2-1 in the KLAAs Central.

"It was a big game naturally because of the rivalry, but it was a big game for the division," Gudith said. "We're sit-

ting one loss behind Salem and to go down two games to Salem now, even though it's early in the division, it's a big mountain you have to try and climb if you want to get back into the division race because we didn't want to go down two games to Salem already."

Novi (5-3, 1-2) went 1-of-10 from the floor during the final quarter and 11-of-46 (23.9 percent) for the game.

"That's not very good, but I think the missed free throws in the first half (3-of-8) where we missed five of them, didn't do us any favors," Novi coach Bill Kelp said. "Northville has a lot of talent and I'm just proud of how hard we played. At times tonight, I had three freshmen on the court. We're just trying to get better and learn from it."

Northville had more

turnovers (20) than Novi (17). Kelp thought that number was too high for his team.

"We got to quit turning the ball over ... unforced turnovers," he said. "I think since we're so young we want to play fast, but we play in a hurry too much. We want to play fast, but we don't want to play in a hurry."

Senior Kelsey Miller added seven points, but Mackay was the only Wildcat to score in double figures.

"She's a special little player and hopefully she keeps developing," Kelp said of his ninth-grade guard. "She's got a lot to learn, but she plays without fear and that's a quality that any coach wants to have in a player."

The two teams will meet again Friday, Feb. 6, at Northville.

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# Franklin Road upended, makes coaching change

Brown resigns after six games with Warriors

By Brad Emons  
Staff Writer

Novi Franklin Road Christian will have a different voice on the bench for the remainder of the boys basketball season after Renardo Brown reportedly stepped down following a 2-4 start.

Athletic director Glynn Blackwell will serve as interim coach and he was greeted Jan. 13 by three-time defending MHSAA Class D state champion Southfield Christian, which rolled to a 68-40 victory.

Assisting Blackwell on the bench was Franklin Road school superintendent Dan Robinson, who formerly coached at Livonia Franklin, along with current assistant Dominique Williams.

Brown, a native of Highland Park who played at West Virginia University, went 12-10 last season. He could not be reached for comment.

Blackwell, also a Highland Park High grad who played four seasons at the University of Illinois, declined to go into specifics regarding Brown's sudden resignation.

"I would just say this - (Brown) was a great guy and did a good job, imparted a lot to the kids and so (I) decided to go in a different direction," Blackwell said.

Southfield Christian, which improved to 4-2 overall and 3-0 in the Blue Division of the Michigan Independent Athletic Conference, led 15-5 after one quarter and 33-14 at halftime as junior forward Marlo Brown and freshman forward Bryce Washington combined for 20 points.

The 6-4 Brown, the only returning starter from last year's state

championship squad, finished with a game-high 24 to go along with 17 rebounds, while the 6-2 Washington added 23 points.

Franklin Road (2-5, 0-2) simply could not trade baskets with the Eagles during the second half and the Warriors had a difficult time grabbing defensive rebounds.

Austin Hearn, a junior guard, finished with a team-high 16 points, while junior guard Gavin Harris added 10 for the Warriors, who didn't help themselves at the free-throw line going 18-of-34 (52.9 percent).

"What we're trying to accomplish this year

is that we want to compete every game," Blackwell said. "We have some athlet-

icism, we have some size, so we're just trying to work out the kinks. We're going to work on the details. Like tonight - a lot of missed layups, missed free throws, those are things that will allow us to keep us in the game a lot better. We know Southfield Christian is a great team. We did pretty well against their trap, their press breaks, but again we're focusing on details, more discipline and hopefully they'll buy into those things."

Blackwell said he won't make wholesale changes going forward. "Every coach has a different philosophy and I'm not going to try and tweak it too much, because I don't want it to be too overwhelming for them," he said. "Besides, coach Brown and I worked together on some of the plays. I was more like a spot coach. I just didn't do the day-to-day coaching as coach Brown did."

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## BASKETBALL

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downs, whether it's not being able to get a loose ball that leads to big hoop for them. We just need to put together a complete game. Our effort is great. Our guys are working hard. They're going to get rewarded."

Northville also didn't help itself at the foul line

going 7-of-18 (38.8 percent).

"We feel we have a lot of guys that can shoot it, not necessarily too much," Sander said. "We had guys step up, but it seems to be a different guy every game right now. We just got to be more consistent."

Northville went to a zone two different times to try to force the Wildcats to shoot from the perimeter. Novi was

21-of-42 from the floor (50 percent) and 13-of-22 from the foul line.

"We're not the greatest outside shooting team and (Sander) knows that," Sinawi said. "He does his homework on us. He switched it up, too, because (Morrissey) was in foul trouble. But (Yanke) stepped up and hit some shots. We had good ball movement and a couple of turnovers out of it. But all in all, we

played well against it."

Despite the loss, Sander saw many positives.

"I'm proud of my kids, I'm proud of how they fought," he said. "Typical Northville-Novi game, really crazy, wild finish. But (Novi) played well. They made a lot of shots early."

The two rivals will meet again Friday, Feb. 6, at Northville.

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## Franklin Road boys cagers fall against Knights, 52-50

Jaren English tallied 17 points to lead three players in double figures Friday as Grosse Pointe Woods University-Liggett edged host Novi Franklin Road Christian, 52-50, in a Michigan Independent Athletic Conference Blue Division boys basketball game.

Jordan Peterson and Anthony George chipped in 11 points apiece for the Knights, who improved to 5-2 overall and 2-1 in the MIAC Blue.

Junior guard Austin Hearn sparked the Warriors (2-6, 0-3) with 17 points, while junior forward Joshua Bause contributed 15 points and 12 rebounds. Junior center

Joshua Betcher added 15 points.

**STEVENSON 66, NORTHVILLE 65:** For the second straight KLAAs Central Division game, the Mustangs (5-3, 0-2) found themselves on the wrong end of another last-second shot as senior guard Noah Campbell double-clutched and threw up a desperation 3-pointer from the left wing with only one second left for visiting Livonia Stevenson (4-3, 2-0).

It was only four days earlier that Northville fell 47-46 to Salem on a free throw with only three seconds remaining.

Campbell finished with a game-high 26 points, as did Northville senior guard David Morrissey.

Senior center Ryan Roberts added 17 points for the Mustangs.

**NOVI 54, SOUTH LYON 39:** Senior forward Brad Dotting scored 10 of his game-high 19 points in the final quarter Jan. 13 as the Wildcats (5-2, 2-0) posted the KLAAs Central Division triumph over the host Lions (1-7, 0-2).

Junior forward Najj Ozeir added eight points for Novi, which led 25-18 at halftime and 40-30 after three quarters. The Wildcats, however, struggled at the foul line, going 10-for-19 (52.6 percent).

Luke Wolfe scored 11 points for South Lyon, which made 10-of-13 free throws (76.9 percent).

## Liggett's Ristovski tallies 31 in MIAC Blue win vs. Warriors

University of Detroit Mercy signee Lola Ristovski poured in a game-high 31 points to lead host Grosse Pointe Woods University-Liggett to a 73-46 Michigan Independent Athletic Conference Blue Division girls basketball victory Friday over Novi Franklin Road Christian.

The Knights, who improved to 6-3 overall and 4-0 in the MIAC Blue, led 32-24 at intermission before pulling away in the third quarter with an 18-8 run.

Alexis Johnson, an eighth-grader, led the Warriors (6-3, 2-1) with 25 points, 12 rebounds and four assists. Senior guard

Katherine Larabell added 11 points.

**NOVI 42, SOUTH LYON 26:** On Jan. 13, Alex Felice scored 15 points and added seven rebounds as the host Wildcats (5-2, 1-1) earned a KLAAs Central Division win over South Lyon (1-7, 0-2).

The Wildcats also got 12 points and five steals from Ellie Mackay, along with eight points from Kelsey Miller.

Larissa Dean paced South Lyon with 11 points.

**NORTHVILLE 39, STEVENSON 29:** Freshman guards Roan Haines and Mariah Modkins led a balanced scoring attack with nine and eight points, respectively, as the Mustangs (6-2, 1-1) picked up a KLAAs Central Division victory Jan. 13 at Livonia Stevenson (3-5, 1-1).

Aryn Dochenez scored a game-high 14 points for the Spartans.

**FRANKLIN ROAD 63, SOUTHFIELD CHRISTIAN 13:** On Jan. 13, eighth-grader Alexis Johnson scored a game-high 23 points to go along with five rebounds and four steals to propel Novi Franklin Road Christian (6-2, 2-0) to a lopsided Michigan Independent Athletic Conference Blue Division win over Southfield Christian (0-8, 0-4).

Sophomore Danielle Fusco added 12 points and eight assists, while junior Hannah Rayburn added nine points.

## THE WEEK AHEAD

### BOYS BASKETBALL

**Friday, Jan. 23**  
S. Lyon East at Northville, 7 p.m.  
Novi at Stevenson, 7 p.m.

**Monday, Jan. 26**  
Rochester at Novi, 7 p.m.

**Tuesday, Jan. 27**  
Franklin Road at Roeser, 7 p.m.

**Friday, Jan. 30**  
Salem at Northville, 7 p.m.  
Novi at S. Lyon East, 7 p.m.

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### BOYS SWIMMING

**Thursday, Jan. 22**  
Northville at Novi, 6:30 p.m.

**Friday, Jan. 23**  
Stevenson, 6:30 p.m.

**Saturday, Jan. 24**  
Northville at Salem Inv., noon.

**Thursday, Jan. 29**  
Northville at W.L. Western, 6:30 p.m.

**Salem at Novi, 6:30 p.m.**

**Detroit CC vs. Brother Rice at Livonia Comm. Rec. Ctr., 7 p.m.**

**PREP BOWLING**

**Thursday, Jan. 22**  
Detroit CC vs. Brother Rice at Drakeshire Lanes, 3:30 p.m.

**(at Super Bowl)**  
Northville vs. Salem, 3:30 p.m.

Novi vs. Plymouth, 3:30 p.m.

**Saturday, Jan. 24**  
Detroit CC at Varsity Tri-County at Five Star Lanes, 9 a.m.

**Saturday, Jan. 24**  
Northville vs. M.D. Prep at Woodland Lanes, 3:30 p.m.

**(at Canton's Super Bowl)**  
Wayne vs. Novi, 3:30 p.m.

**Thursday, Jan. 29**  
Detroit CC vs. Divine Child at Classic Lanes, 3:30 p.m.

**Friday, Jan. 30**  
(at Town 'N Country Lanes)

Novi vs. Canton, 3:30 p.m.

Northville vs. Plymouth, 3:30 p.m.

**PREP SKIING**

**Thursday, Jan. 22**  
Novi vs. SH-Ladywood-OLSM at Alpine Valley, 4 p.m.

Detroit CC vs. Farmington at Mt. Brighton, 6 p.m.

**Tuesday, Jan. 27**  
Detroit CC vs. South Lyon at Mt. Brighton, 5 p.m.

**Wednesday, Jan. 28**  
Novi vs. W.L. Northern, Marian at Alpine Valley, 4 p.m.

**Thursday, Jan. 29**  
Novi vs. W.L. Northern, Marian at Alpine Valley, 4 p.m.

Detroit CC vs. Howell at Mt. Brighton, 6 p.m.

**COMPETITIVE CHEER**

**Saturday, Jan. 31**  
Northville Invitational, 9 a.m.

**TBA** - To be announced.

## Trio goes unbeaten for Novi grapplers

It was a perfect week for three Novi wrestlers following a team-dual tournament Saturday at Chelsea, where the Wildcats finished with a 3-2 record.

That fourth-place finish was preceded by a KLAA Central Division double-dual victory Jan. 14 against host Salem (36-27) and rival Northville (45-24).

Junior Willie Jackson (125 pounds), senior Evan Davis (135) and Kyle Benkarski (152) each finished 7-0 as the Wildcats improved to 12-9 overall and 2-0 in the KLAA Central.

In the Chelsea tourney, Novi defeated Jackson Northwest (45-18), Linden (42-30) and Team X (75-0), while falling to Dearborn Edsel Ford (37-29) and Jackson (37-27).

In addition to Jackson, Davis and Benkarski each going 5-0 on the day, the Wildcats also strong showings

from Zach Roach (103), 4-1; Cooper Smith (215), 3-1; Dorian Haney (285), 2-0; and Jared Engebretson (285), 2-1.

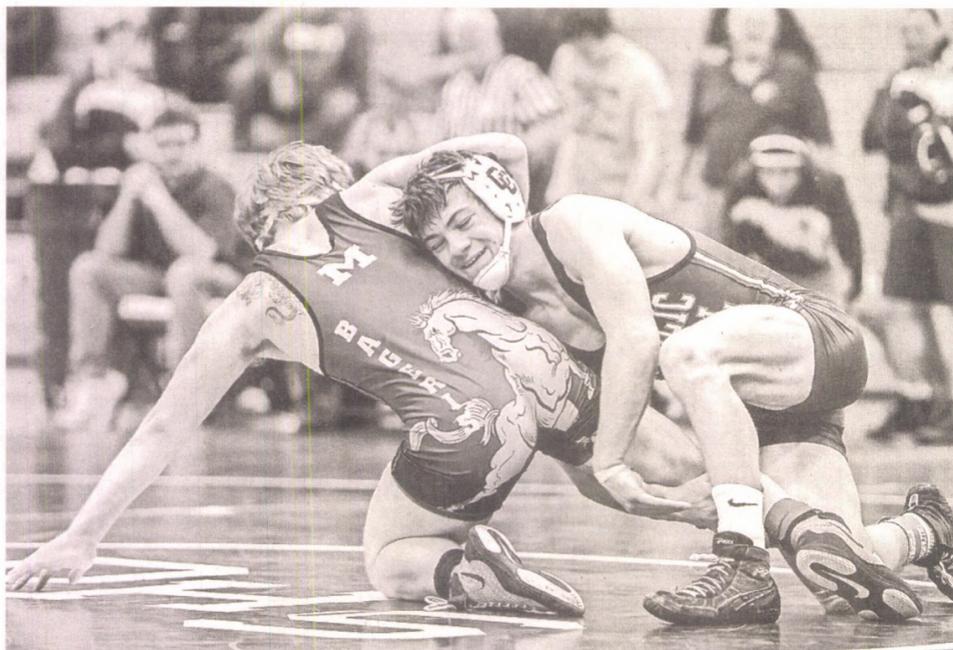
Earning victories against Salem included Roach, Jackson, Davis, Benkarski, Neil Haakenson (160) and Engebretson.

Meanwhile, scoring wins over the Mustangs for Novi were Roach, Eric Wright (112), Jackson, Davis, Lincoln Cleary (140), Chase Sparling (145), Benkarski, Haakenson, Smith and Haney.

### Mustangs go 0-4

Northville lost all four matches Saturday at the Chelsea tourney as senior captain Shuhne Wang (125 pounds) went 4-0 on the day and remained unbeaten since the Wayne County tournament.

The Mustangs also lost a double-dual Jan. 14 to Novi (45-24) and Livonia Stevenson (45-30).



Catholic Central's Trevor Zdebski (right) takes control in his match against Trevor Bageris of Milford at the Macomb Dakota Duals. SCOTT CONFER

## CC rules Dakota Duals after win over Davison

Shamrocks complete big week of wrestling

By Brad Emons  
Staff Writer

It proved to be a highly productive week for the No. 2-ranked Novi Detroit Catholic Central wrestling team.

It started Jan. 15 for the Shamrocks with a 34-30 dual meet road victory over No. 3 Davison, followed by a 5-0 showing en route to the team title Saturday at the Macomb Dakota Duals.

CC, which improved to 14-2 overall, outscored its five opponents by a combined 283-63, with wins coming against Madison Heights Lamphere (58-12), host Dakota (36-26), Warren Woods Tower (64-13), Milford (60-6) and Sterling Heights Stevenson (65-6).

"It was a good day for us," CC coach Mitch Hancock said. "Our schedule the last four weeks has been brutal, so this was a nice opportunity for us to get our offense going, pick up some quality wins and work on some things we may not get to."

Going unbeaten on the day for the Shamrocks were Nick Giese, 5-0; Tommy Herrmann, Trevor Zdebski and Blake

Bueter, 4-0 each; Aidan Wagh, Conor Cox and Myles Amine, 3-0 apiece.

Joe Lyon also went 3-1 highlighted by a victory over Lamphere's Matt Guzinski, ranked No. 10 in Division 3 by MichiganGrappler.com. Lyon also beat state placer Zach Prater of Dakota, 3-2.

"Dakota matches up with us pretty well," Hancock said. "We need to learn how to finish out matches and do a better job a limiting team bonus points."

Others CC grapplers with winning records on the day included Nick Jenkins, Stone Moscovic, Ty Johnson, Jake Rioux and Aaron Rehfeldt at 3-2 each. Sam Giese went 2-1, while Josh Filban finished 2-2. Daniel Rehfeldt also won his only match.

In the win over Davison, CC captured eight of 14 matches while scoring bonus points in four of those victories.

Cox (171) clinched the victory when broke a 30-all deadlock in the final match with a 13-5 major decision to sew up the victory.

Meanwhile, at 125 pounds, Herrmann came up with signature 7-6 upset victory over No. 4-ranked Devon Perez.

"Tommy is turning the corner and showing the state that he can wrestle with the best of

them," Hancock said. "He is starting to believe in himself and wrestle through situations he may have given up on in December."

Sophomore Tyler Morland returned to the lineup for the first time since last February's team state tournament. He weighed in a 171, but racked up a first-period pin at 189 to spark momentum for three-time defending MHSAA Division 1 champions.

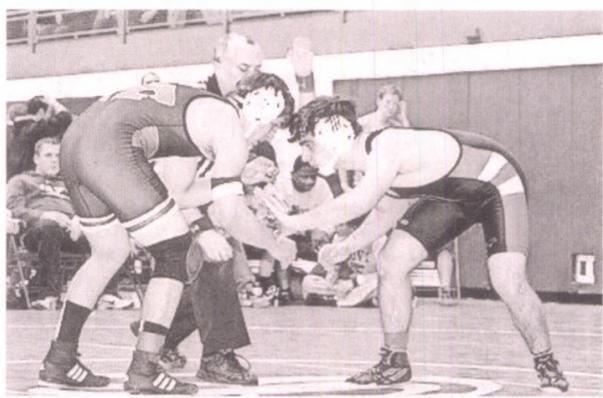
"It was great to see him back in a singlet and competing under the lights," Hancock said of Morland. "He has put in a lot of time and has been pretty patient with his return plan. He adds a huge punch to our lineup and makes us a much more versatile team lineup wise."

Also, picking up key wins for the Shamrocks were Amine, Zdebski and Giese.

Amine scored a 10-0 major decision over fourth-ranked Brendan McMill at 160, while Zdebski pinned Ryan Schlak.

Giese bumped to 215 and beat a seasoned Jake Ellis, 1-0, while Jenkins (285) also picked up a victory against returning regional qualifier Dakota Powers with a 1-0 double-overtime decision.

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Novi's Kyle Benkarski (left) edged Northville's Chris Koumariotis, 6-5, in the 152-pound match Jan. 14 at Salem. CATHY WRIGHT

## Groves touches out Novi swimmers in final relay

By Brad Emons  
Staff Writer

Birmingham Groves made a late surge Jan. 13 to hand host Novi its first boys swim setback of the season, 94-92, in a meet that wasn't decided until the final event.

Vincent Weber led a one-two-three sweep in the 100-yard breaststroke (1:03.71) as the Falcons outscored Novi 13-3 to pull even at 86-86 heading into the 400 freestyle relay.

Groves' foursome of Nathan Lazor, Cal Cerny, Andrew Dagenais and Biondo Connor Biondo then scored the all-important eight points for first place in 3:22.47 as Novi's teams settled for second and third, respectively, to provide the two-point margin of victory.

Despite the loss, Novi coach Brent Pohlonski was encouraged by the results.

"I was very happy with this meet," said Pohlonski, whose team slipped to 4-1 overall. "It was very satisfying to put some of our guys in different events and still be competitive with a quality team like Groves."

Novi's first-place finishers included Katulski, 50 freestyle (22.51); James Ciolli, 1-meter diving (297.65 points); and Arthur Shi, 100 butterfly (56.74).

### DUAL MEET SUMMARY BIRMINGHAM GROVES 94, NOVI 92

Jan. 13 at Novi H.S.  
200-yard medley relay: 1. Groves (Connor Biondo, Brenden French, Michael Bajorek, Brendan Cullen), 1:45.0; 2. Novi (Toraki Maehata, Narayan Manivannan, Joey Berman, Ryan Katulski), 1:45.13; 3. Novi (Maxwell Williams, Gordy Williams, Phillip Billiu, James Popyk), 1:47.99.  
200 freestyle: 1. Nathan Lazor (Groves), 1:50.37; 2. Siddhardha Kareddy (Novi), 1:50.71; 3. Billiu (Novi), 1:56.45; 4. Arthur Shi (Novi), 1:56.74.  
200 individual medley: 1. Biondo (Groves), 2:06.53; 2. Brian Son (Novi), 2:10.85; 4. Alexander Yuan (Novi), 2:11.14.  
50 freestyle: 1. Katulski (Novi), 22.51; 3. Popyk (Novi), 24.17; 4. M. Williams (Novi), 24.34.  
1-meter diving: 1. James Ciolli (Novi), 297.65 points; 2. Nathan Pellerito (Novi), 201.65; 4. Trey Richman (Novi), 173.50.  
100 butterfly: 1. Shi (Novi), 56.74; 3. Maehata (Novi), 58.64; 4. Billiu (Novi), 58.69.  
100 freestyle: 1. Cal Cerny (Groves), 51.45; 2. Popyk (Novi), 51.92; 4. Son (Novi), 54.03; 5. Berman (Novi), 54.25.  
500 freestyle: 1. Lazor (Groves), 5:02.59; 2. Katulski (Novi), 5:02.77; 3. Kareddy (Novi), 5:11.95; 4. M. Williams (Novi), 5:20.19.  
200 freestyle relay: 1. Groves (Cullen, Bajorek, Cerny, Lazor), 3:22.47; 2. Novi (Kareddy, Shi, Yuan, Katulski), 3:33.9; 3. Novi (G. Williams, Bradley Huang, Andrew Kilponen, Billiu), 3:38.14.  
100 backstroke: 1. Biondo (Groves), 57.71; 2. Berman (Novi), 58.24; 3. Maehata (Novi), 1:00.28.  
100 breaststroke: 1. Vincent Weber (Groves), 1:03.71; 5. Yuan (Novi), 1:08.08; 6. Huang (Novi), 1:09.33.  
400 freestyle relay: 1. Groves (Lazor, Cerny, Andrew Dagenais, Biondo), 3:22.47; 2. Novi (Kareddy, Maehata, Shi, Yuan), 3:25.28; 3. Novi (M. Williams, Popyk, Joel Katyk, Berman), 3:34.25.  
Novi's dual meet record: 4-1 overall.

## Freshman Maibach fuels Northville dual swim victory over South Lyon

Northville captured nine out of 12 events as freshman Kirk Maibach figured in four first-place finishes Jan. 15 in a 145.5-61.5 KLAA Central Division boys swim victory over South Lyon United in a meet held at South Lyon East.

Maibach captured firsts in the 200-yard individual medley (2:08.04) and 100 freestyle (50.26). He also teamed with Chris Geng, Troy Stacer and Mark Kaminski for a win in the 200 medley relay (1:43.96).

Maibach also anchored the Mustangs' victorious 200 freestyle relay, with Geng, Yash Bajaj and Nirek Sharma in time of 1:35.78.

Other individual winners for Northville included James Xue, 200 freestyle (1:49.97); Stacer, 100 butterfly (58.52); Matthew Schaffer, 500 freestyle (4:59.31); and Geng, 100 breaststroke (1:02.0).

Northville's 400 freestyle relay team of Kaminski, Larry Zhao, Fred Schulz and Xue also

touched the wall first in 3:30.4.

South Lyon was led by Nick VanDyke, who captured the 50 freestyle (22.83) and 100 backstroke (56.37).

"Overall, we had some positive swims," Northville coach Rich Bennetts said. "I'm still not happy with the way we are finishing our races and the relays continue to be a major area of concern for us moving forward."

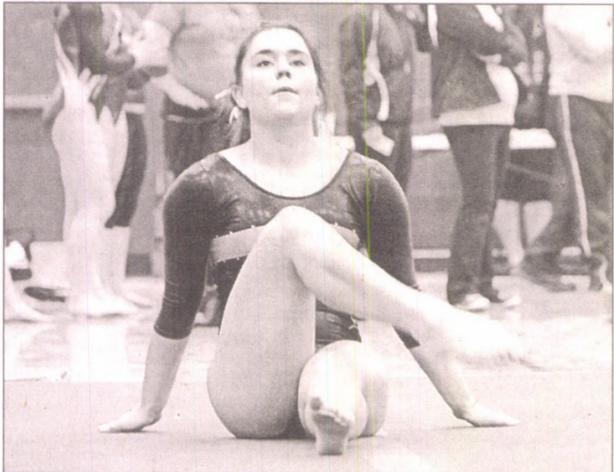
With the victory, Northville improves to 5-1 overall and 1-0 in the division.

"We have six weeks to get things where they need to be if we want to accomplish any of our goals for the season," Bennetts said. "At this point, we will be using our dual meets to make sure we can get the best possible lineup for our (Kensington) conference meet. If the relays don't come around, we will be in trouble, but the boys are working hard at it and we are making progress."

### NORTHVILLE 124.5, SOUTH LYON UNITED 61.5

Jan. 15 at South Lyon East  
200-yard medley relay: 1. Northville (Kirk Maibach, Chris Geng, Troy Stacer, Mark Kaminski), 1:43.96; 3. Northville (John Monterosso, Yash Bajaj, John Duan, Shane Boran), 1:48.94.  
200 freestyle: 1. James Xue (N), 1:49.97; 2. Trevor DeGroot (N), 1:52.75; 3. Fred Schulz (N), 1:55.12.  
200 individual medley: 1. Maibach (N), 2:08.04; 2. Geng (N), 2:08.9; 3. Bajaj (N), 2:10.06.  
50 freestyle: 1. Nick VanDyke (SLU), 22.83; 1. Kaminski (N), 24.15; 3. Nirek Sharma (N), 24.65; 4. (tie) Stacer (N), 25.16.  
1-meter diving: 1. Ethan Schmidt (SLU), 275.00 points; 3. Christian Field (N), 181.75; 4. Thomas Rys (N), 139.70.  
100 butterfly: 1. Stacer (N), 58.52; 2. Duan (N), 59.11; 4. Matthew Schaffer (N), 1:00.43.  
100 freestyle: 1. Maibach (N), 50.26; Kaminski (N), 51.71; 3. Sharma (N), 53.79.  
500 freestyle: 1. Schaffer (N), 4:59.31; 2. David Alameddine (N), 5:10.72; 3. Nicholas Mousakel (N), 5:23.56.  
200 freestyle relay: 1. Northville (Geng, Bajaj, Sharma, Maibach), 1:35.78; 3. Northville (DeGroot, Boran, Jack Breuch, Larry Zhao), 1:41.18.  
100 backstroke: 1. VanDyke (SLU), 56.37; 2. Xue (N), 59.17; 5. Monterosso (N), 1:01.42.  
100 breaststroke: 1. Geng (N), 1:02.0; 2. Bajaj (N), 1:05.89; 3. Roman Grossi (N), 1:07.03.  
400 freestyle relay: 1. Northville (Kaminski, Zhao, Schulz, Xue), 3:30.4; 3. Northville (DeGroot, Sharma, Stacer, Schaffer), 3:35.5.

## Mustangs place ninth



KAREN MCCALLUM

Northville's Brooke Stecker scored 8.2 on floor exercise as the Mustangs placed ninth out of 18 teams Saturday in the Jeanne Caruss Memorial Invitational gymnastics meet at White Lake Lakeland. Defending state champ Canton captured the team title with 144.90, while Northville's total was 130.425. Other standout performers for the Mustangs included captain Alyssa Breen, vault (8.75); Erin McCallum, uneven bars (8.5); and Maddie Dragon, beam (8.425). On Monday, the Mustangs scored 132.20 to defeat Lakeland-Milford (131.775) and Fowlerville (118.125) in a tri-meet at the Hartland Sport Center's Bounce Gym. Turning in top performances were McCallum, floor exercise (8.65); Lauren Shanahan, vault (8.6); Grace Jankowski, uneven bars (8.25); and Dragon, balance beam (8.25).

## VOLLEYBALL

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She went on to play softball from 2003-06 at Wayne State University, earning all-Great Lakes Intercollegiate Athletic Conference accolades. She also participated for the USA Women's Softball team in the 2006 Aruba Games.

Quinn graduated from WSU with a bachelor of science in the field of exercise and sports science and is currently working toward a master's in business administration from Saint Leo (Fla.) University.

Quinn, employed as an account manager for Coca-Cola Co., met Jan. 9 with the returning Northville players. She inherits a team that finished 32-14-2 overall in Yaklin's final season.

"What I told the girls is that I want state championships and that I only want to make a successful program better," Quinn said. "I'm not trying to fix anything that is not broken. My goal is to come in and win a state championship. That's all I want to do and there's no better program to do that

than Northville."

Yaklin, who played volleyball at Walled Lake Central High, Schoolcraft College and the University of Michigan-Dearborn, served as an assistant under Mark Grenier at Livonia Churchill before taking over as Northville's varsity coach in 2009. She compiled a record of 215-89-33 in six seasons.

Her six-year run was highlighted by Class A semifinal appearances in 2013 and 2012, losing both seasons to eventual state champions East Grand Rapids and Macomb Dakota, respectively. Her 2012 squad also captured KLAA Kensington Conference and Central Division titles.

"My role at Force Volleyball Academy has changed recently due to director Sander Cohen taking a coaching role with the USA Women's Volleyball team," Yaklin said. "I'm excited to hand the reins to coach Becky. She adds a fresh perspective and is ready to push the team to a high-level, championship mentality. The 2014 team was composed of young players. I'm excited to support and see their 2015 achievements."

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Insurance coverage is essential for renters.

## Insurance pros: Renter's policy provides critical coverage

By Julie Brown  
Staff Writer

A few weeks ago, a metro Detroit family lost their possessions in a fire, and didn't have renter's insurance. The Westland community has also been hard hit by apartment fires recently. Local insurance pros emphasize that such policies are vital for apartment dwellers or those in condos or homes who rent—and aren't all that expensive.

Your possessions will be covered in the event of a fire or theft, they say.

"Critical, yes, the word I use is critical," said Jeff Juenemann, owner of Juenemann Insurance in Westland. "It's

just part of common-sense living. You spend your money and you protect yourself from bad things that happen."

Juenemann, a Northville Township resident, said a renter's policy runs in the area of \$200-250 a year, with significant discounts applying for those who also have a corresponding auto policy. "You're living in an apartment building with six kitchens, six people doing silly stuff," he said. "It's going to protect you for a theft, it's going to protect you for a liability."

Liability examples include a slip and fall on the property or a dog bite. Juenemann noted often larger apartment complexes now require rent-

ers to show proof of insurance "because they want their tenants to have liability. Who's the next person who's going to get sued?"

He sees procrastination among renters who intend to get coverage but delay, rather than lack of awareness. Juenemann noted mortgage companies require homeowners to have coverage and the Michigan Secretary of State dictates auto insurance coverage.

"Nobody forces you to buy renter's insurance," he said.

Agreeing is Karen Nemier, co-owner of Kennedy Nemier Insurance Agency in downtown Plymouth. "Your lender's going to force you to buy

insurance" for a car with a loan, she said, adding the same is true for a home with a mortgage on it. "People procrastinate or they don't want to spend the money on it."

Nemier, a Plymouth Township resident, said renter's policies can run as low as \$10-\$15 a month. "Very easy to obtain," she said of renter's insurance.

"The landlord will not cover any of your possessions," she said, citing as examples a fire or water damage. "You have to replace those items yourself. It's very inexpensive coverage."

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## Heed Mich. court ruling on right of way

**Q: We have been maintaining a strip of land within a platted right of way of the street since we planted some railroad ties and many years have gone by with no one removing it. We heard there was a recent case that discussed those issues and are you aware of anything?**

**A:** Yes, a very recent decision from the Michigan Court of Appeals, which was published and therefore sets precedent indicated that the platted right of way in that particular case was within the scope of the "public highway" provisions of the Michigan Statute, and therefore, the expenditure of public funds on a road in a dedicated right of way is sufficient to constitute public acceptance of the roadway, even when the municipality never improved certain strips of land within the right of way. Therefore, I believe, depending upon the facts of that case, you may have a difficult road to hoe. On the other hand, each case is factually intensive and you should get an opinion from a knowledgeable real estate lawyer.

**Q: I am hearing a lot about the obligation to allow emotional support dogs and animals in condominiums. Are you aware of any action by HUD to deal with this claimed discrimination?**

**A:** Yes. Federal Fair Housing Law makes it unlawful to refuse to make reasonable accommodations and policies or practices when such an accommodation may be necessary to afford a person with a disability equal opportunity to use and enjoy his or her home. This includes refusing to grant waivers to "no-pet" policies for individuals with disabilities who use assistance or support animals. That is the decision of HUD in a recent case out of Puerto Rico, where the association was ordered to pay \$20,000 in damages plus a \$16,000 civil fine for refusing to allow a resident with disabilities to keep his emotional support dog. Consult with your attorney whenever there is an issue such as this.

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## HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND COUNTY

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Aug. 25-29, 2014, at the Oakland County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

BEVERLY HILLS	
17181 Beechwood Ave	\$290,000
15856 Birwood Ave	\$235,000
19630 Warwick St	\$343,000
BIRMINGHAM	
1280 Buckingham Ave	\$509,000
809 Emmons Ave	\$615,000
303 Greenwood St	\$530,000
1055 Lincoln Ct	\$220,000
1986 Northlawn Blvd	\$675,000
1992 Northlawn Blvd	\$660,000
648 S Bates St	\$840,000
400 Southfield Rd # 7	\$340,000
1875 Stanley Blvd	\$620,000
711 Suffield Ave	\$1,825,000
1004 Wimbleton Dr	\$490,000
1774 Yosemite Blvd	\$590,000
BLOOMFIELD HILLS	
1635 Mark Hopkins Rd	\$675,000
1196 Rolling Acres Dr	\$185,000
536 Barrington Ct	\$540,000
4420 Exmoor Cir	\$428,000
774 Kingston Ct	\$200,000
1040 Stratford Pl	\$410,000
1750 Tiverton Rd Unit 29	\$144,000
BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP	
3190 Berkshire Dr	\$276,000
1155 Covington Rd	\$980,000
7155 Holiday Dr	\$265,000
1820 Hunters Ridge Dr	\$270,000
839 Jonathan Ln	\$855,000
2634 Plum Brook Dr	\$188,000

315 Wilshire Dr	\$844,000
1262 Woodcrest Cir	\$333,000
42160 Woodward Ave	\$158,000
42160 Woodward Ave Unit 79	\$140,000
COMMERCE TOWNSHIP	
6163 Birchcrest Ln	\$440,000
9005 Commerce Rd	\$595,000
4941 Knollcrest Ct	\$429,000
4958 Ledgewood Dr	\$685,000
5148 Parkgate Dr	\$425,000
567 Sherbrooke St	\$100,000
5940 Strawberry Cir	\$424,000
6105 Strawberry Cir	\$286,000
141 W Beechdale St	\$140,000
2095 Warbler Ct	\$350,000
FARMINGTON	
36545 Lansbury Ln	\$226,000
23090 Lilac St	\$94,000
33709 Oakland St	\$295,000
FARMINGTON HILLS	
29912 Beacontree St	\$240,000
38387 Churchill Ln	\$192,000
36255 Crompton Cir	\$275,000
29635 Eastfield St	\$155,000
30219 Fink Ave	\$167,000
28143 Forestbrook Dr	\$225,000
31740 Franklin Fairway St	\$486,000
39217 Geneva Dr	\$286,000
28223 Harwich Dr	\$393,000
33607 Heirloom Cir	\$70,000
26050 Hidden Valley Dr	\$237,000
29629 Middlebelt Rd	\$218,000
34000 Northwick St	\$229,000
22065 Ontaga St	\$136,000
22121 Ontaga St	\$136,000
31482 Orchard Crk	\$80,000
20845 Parker St	\$190,000
28315 Peppermill Rd	\$200,000

24174 S Duncan Cir	\$140,000
38194 Saratoga Cir	\$178,000
35546 Springvale St	\$255,000
22085 Tredwell Ave	\$135,000
30615 W 11 Mile Rd	\$115,000
FRANKLIN	
27340 Willowgreen Ct	\$635,000
HIGHLAND	
3258 Oakridge Dr	\$110,000
3545 Tara Dr	\$175,000
LATHRUP VILLAGE	
27770 Evergreen Rd	\$76,000
17580 Lincoln Dr	\$135,000
MILFORD	
721 Atlantic St	\$223,000
435 Cabinet St	\$210,000
515 Knight St	\$200,000
140 Our Land Ln	\$180,000
155 Peters	\$305,000
480 Rowe Rd	\$265,000
826 Squire Ln	\$128,000
930 W Maple Rd	\$300,000
NORTHVILLE	
48205 Nine Mile Rd	\$500,000
100 E Eight Mile Rd	\$249,000
300 Ely Dr S	\$185,000
21487 Equestrian Trl	\$250,000
847 McDonald Dr	\$558,000
21128 Rosewood Ct	\$1,300,000
NOVI	
25953 Arcadia Dr	\$670,000
21882 Chase Dr	\$490,000
22651 Chestnut Tree	\$244,000
44512 Copland Ln	\$456,000
46294 Cordoba Dr	\$485,000
42741 14 Mile	\$200,000
51125 Hallfield St	\$318,000
24548 Knollwood St	\$190,000
27062 Maxwell Ct	\$295,000

24466 Riverview Ln	\$253,000
27300 Victoria Rd	\$300,000
23245 W Le Bost	\$208,000
SOUTH LYON	
24867 Carriage Ln	\$97,000
51923 Copperwood Dr N	\$425,000
158 Eagle Way	\$217,000
121 Elm Pl	\$198,000
1209 Hackney Ct	\$330,000
58475 Holland Dr	\$272,000
54365 Meadow Ct	\$405,000
57165 Meadowcreek Cir N	\$451,000
24542 Padstone Dr	\$75,000
20854 Parkwoods Dr	\$300,000
786 Pepper Dr	\$207,000
61451 Rolling Acres Dr	\$226,000
61451 Rolling Acres Dr	\$230,000
60648 S Lyon Trl	\$315,000
SOUTHFIELD	
20140 Alhambra St	\$160,000
22500 Avon Ln	\$94,000
28755 Glasgow St	\$46,000
18861 Lincoln Dr	\$140,000
17264 Maryland St	\$192,000
21550 N Tuller Ct	\$89,000
29791 Rambling Rd	\$89,000
20165 Rodeo Ct	\$110,000
27139 Selkirk St	\$124,000
5000 Town Ctr # 1906	\$210,000
WHITE LAKE	
10361 Elizabeth Lake Rd	\$160,000
10695 Oxbow Lakeshore Dr	\$390,000
691 Oxhill Ct	\$173,000
891 Pembroke Dr	\$377,000
9026 Tackles Dr	\$230,000
8096 Trenton Dr	\$335,000

## HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE COUNTY

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CANTON	
7434 Andover Dr	\$500,000
1698 Christopher Dr	\$119,000
194 Dunhill Way St	\$356,000
1584 E Lakeview Ln	\$203,000
44748 Forest Trail Dr	\$238,000
7096 Foxridge Dr	\$269,000
46085 Gainsborough Dr	\$230,000
41432 Haggerty Woods Ct	\$173,000
3976d John Dr	\$132,000
42543 Lilley Pointe Dr	\$88,000
4038 Norwich Dr	\$141,000
41969 Old Bridge Rd	\$164,000
659 Pheasant Woods Dr	\$333,000
1950 Preserve Cir W	\$180,000
42420 Proctor Rd	\$182,000
3078 River Meadow Cir	\$240,000
423 Robert Ct	\$305,000
1822 S Tannytown Rd	\$82,000
42005 Saratoga Cir	\$165,000
44411 Savery Dr	\$72,000
4349 Southbridge Dr	\$137,000
437 Stonehenge Dr	\$245,000
50076 Tottenham Ct	\$485,000
41215 Westfield Cir	\$188,000
GARDEN CITY	

33635 Kathryn St	\$106,000
LIVONIA	
30200 Seven Mile Rd	\$195,000
9227 Adams St	\$155,000
14379 Alexander St	\$155,000
14916 Alexander St	\$140,000
35956 Ann Arbor Trl	\$60,000
11012 Arden St	\$200,000
37354 Bennett St	\$265,000
29180 Bretton St	\$200,000
32267 Camborne Ln	\$365,000
27430 Dover Ave	\$170,000
10021 E Clements Cir	\$121,000
16203 Fairlane Dr	\$155,000
20275 Fremont St	\$190,000
19353 Hardy St	\$167,000
30651 Hathaway St	\$130,000
9344 Hix Rd	\$155,000
14507 Ingram St	\$150,000
14959 Knolson St	\$165,000
36927 Lancaster St	\$240,000
9435 Lathers St	\$124,000
18530 Loveland St	\$158,000
18636 Manor Ln	\$286,000
11200 Middlebelt Rd	\$50,000
28971 Minton St	\$126,000
37844 N Laurel Park Dr	\$175,000
14314 Park St	\$162,000
29650 Richland St	\$154,000
33970 Roycroft St	\$213,000
9610 Shadyside St	\$164,000
31778 Summers St	\$145,000
36467 Sunnyside St	\$219,000
37028 Vargo St	\$203,000

14045 Westmore St	\$232,000
16822 Yorkshire St	\$305,000
NORTHVILLE	
15958 Augusta Ct	\$800,000
16809 Carriage Way	\$159,000
16185 Country Knoll Dr	\$315,000
19806 Irongate Ct	\$124,000
16481 Lincoln Dr	\$380,000
42734 Lyric Ct	\$126,000
50376 Mulberry Ct	\$310,000
49439 N Glacier	\$360,000
39425 Springwater Dr	\$191,000
41672 Sunnyside Ln	\$320,000
PLYMOUTH	
349 Adams St	\$320,000
305 Arthur St	\$450,000
9106 Cobblestone Cir	\$403,000
40859 Newport Dr	\$105,000
10783 Red Maple Dr	\$350,000
362 Red Ryder Dr	\$310,000
9295 Saddlebrook Ct	\$428,000
801 W Ann Arbor Trl	\$875,000
51000 Weston Dr	\$393,000
REDFORD	
19468 Beech Daly Rd	\$36,000
19478 Beech Daly Rd	\$35,000
14134 Brady	\$102,000
12101 Centralia	\$50,000
10013 Farley	\$80,000
13949 Farley	\$117,000
15220 Garfield	\$15,000
26802 Lyndon	\$140,000
8987 Mercedes	\$83,000
20082 Olympia	\$18,000

12159 Rockland	\$39,000
24935 S Sylbert Dr	\$35,000
12317 Woodbine	\$80,000
WAYNE	
4574 Cleveland St	\$72,000
4520 Howe Rd	\$18,000
35021 Winslow St	\$83,000
WESTLAND	
33170 Ann Arbor Trl	\$78,000
7543 Arcola St	\$105,000
639 Autumn Ridge Dr	\$203,000
6751 Chirrewa St	\$48,000
34486 Fairchild St	\$20,000
35026 Fairchild St	\$42,000
29948 Gladys Ave	\$100,000
39101 Hayward Dr	\$275,000
32033 Hazelwood St	\$50,000
33484 Hiveley St	\$66,000
7708 Manor Cir	\$54,000
4746 Matthew St	\$5,000
1933 Mel Ct	\$30,000
639 N Harvey St	\$66,000
7246 N Hawthorne St	\$124,000
5901 N Karle St	\$56,000
6950 N Wayne Rd	\$325,000
6346 Pembroke Dr	\$135,000
8062 Pickering Pl	\$195,000
36665 Rolf St	\$115,000
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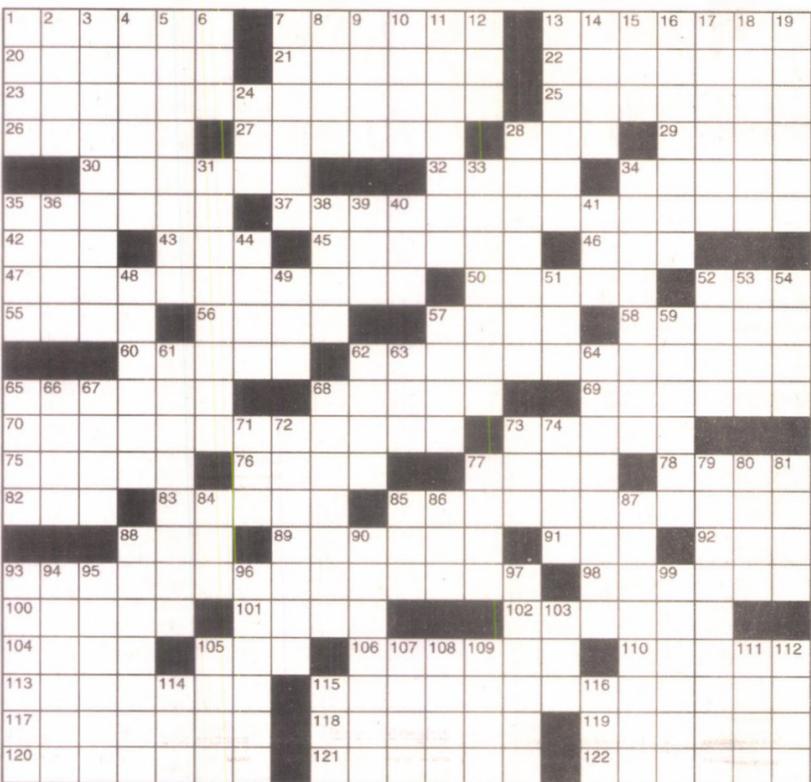
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## Snake Handling

- ACROSS**
- 1 Appear on the scene
  - 7 Mystery writer
  - 13 Sister of Snow White
  - 20 Canadian dollar coin
  - 21 As well
  - 22 Retired female prof
  - 23 Mischievous snake?
  - 25 Capitol Hill bigwig
  - 26 Bicycle part
  - 27 Like Saturn
  - 28 Ink-filled tool
  - 29 Blend
  - 30 One of the Musketeers
  - 32 Graceful bird
  - 34 Touchy — (overly emotional)
  - 35 Greeted with a head bob
  - 37 What there is when a snake is inside a keg?
  - 42 Sioux tribe member
  - 43 Beatle bride
  - 45 Golfer
  - 46 Palmer
  - 47 Study of snake vision?
  - 50 Bottom line
  - 52 HP or Dell products
  - 55 Confused
  - 56 Noble act
  - 57 St. Louis Arch architect Saarinen
  - 58 Canoe variety
  - 60 Skeletal axis
  - 62 Snake with a talk show?
  - 65 1980s TV's "Remington"
  - 68 "Crash" actor
  - 69 Peaceful
  - 70 Snake's relatives?
  - 73 Arcade game pioneer
  - 75 TV prizes
  - 76 See 81-Down
  - 77 Union foe
  - 78 Billfold filler
  - 82 Org. fining polluters
  - 83 1:50, e.g.
  - 85 Noodles shaped like knotted snakes?
  - 88 Emerald, e.g.
  - 89 Symbol of a team
  - 91 Camera type, for short
  - 92 Frying vessel
  - 93 Thing that hones a snake's skills?
  - 98 Part of TLC
  - 100 Gather up
  - 101 Treater's phrase
  - 102 Sobbing soul
  - 104 Sour
  - 105 Tit-for —
  - 106 "Pretty nice!"
  - 110 Now being broadcast
  - 113 Living an isolated life
  - 115 Snake's balderdash?
  - 117 Aromatic
  - 118 Gazed
  - 119 "— down the hatches!"
  - 120 "No, No, —" (old musical)
  - 121 Mistake list
  - 122 Broom room
  - 4 Derives from logic
  - 5 Rule breaker, e.g.
  - 6 Always, to poets
  - 7 On the line
  - 8 Hired hood
  - 9 Snug as —
  - 10 "It Had — You"
  - 11 Sticks with, as a belief
  - 12 Nibbled away
  - 13 Transmit again
  - 14 Boding sign
  - 15 Sun Yat —
  - 16 Pencil tops
  - 17 John of "Three's Company"
  - 18 Star, to Pierre
  - 19 Baseballer Strawberry
  - 24 Prefix with cycle
  - 28 Infamous box opener
  - 31 Lyric poems sung by single voices
  - 33 Newswoman Barbara
  - 34 "As I Lay Dying" novelist
  - 35 Star burst
  - 36 Big elevator producer
  - 38 Incursion
  - 39 Curve part
  - 40 Connections
  - 41 Lamb's call
  - 44 Frank
  - 48 Pass gingerly
  - 49 Golf ball supporter
  - 51 Pull along
  - 52 Funeral pile
  - 53 French city on the Orne
  - 54 — terrier (dog breed)
  - 57 Internet type
  - 59 Ghana's land
  - 61 Wall coatings
  - 62 Film snippet
  - 63 Petroleum
  - 64 Actress Huppert
  - 65 "Peter Pan" pirate
  - 66 Pack down tightly
  - 67 Actress Stone
  - 68 Where some very big birds are raised
  - 71 Goldfish part
  - 72 Superhero insect
  - 73 Put-on
  - 74 Mai — (rum drinks)
  - 77 Surfeit
  - 79 Hopefuls
  - 80 Jazzman Kenton
  - 81 With 76- Across, quit, informally
  - 84 "Jimmy" has two
  - 85 Pre-A.D. abbr.
  - 86 Suffix with ball or bass
  - 87 Suggestion
  - 88 Body signal
  - 90 Unthrifty type
  - 93 Mete (out)
  - 94 Actress Seyfried
  - 95 30-year late-night host
  - 96 Raspy
  - 97 Kigali's land
  - 99 Rome's Via —
  - 103 Tokyo, once
  - 105 Tightly strung
  - 107 Polish river
  - 108 Prefix with byte
  - 109 Boone of baseball
  - 111 "Gotcha"
  - 112 Pay to live in
  - 114 Filming locale
  - 115 Pal of Tarzan
  - 116 "Go On" network



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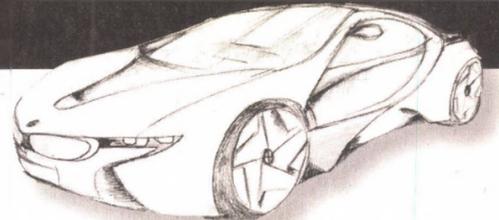
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# Car Report

## Ford Romps and Growls at NAIAS, But Everything Has a Digital-Tech Angle Too



By Dale Buss

Recently at the International Consumer Electronics Show 2015 in Las Vegas, Ford CEO Mark Fields detailed in a keynote speech the automaker's high tech vision and plans, including a goal to deploy a self-driving car for the masses within five years and investments in mobility projects to help promote digital connectivity and other transportation issues for the planet's urban populations.

The recruitment pitch came only a couple of hours after the Ford F-150 had been named North American Truck/Utility of the Year by a jury of U.S. and Canadian journalists. It marked the eighth time that a Ford vehicle had been named for that honor. The new Lincoln MKC also was a finalist for the honor. The aluminum-bodied, all-new F-150 also was picked over Chevrolet Colorado.

Ford's own presentation during press days at NAIAS was filled with the growls and screeching tires of a parade

in manufacturing technology. Also on the tech front, Ford announced at NAIAS that it's rolling out Ford Sync Applink 3.0 next year, giving customers "the ability to access their favorite compatible navigation app, much as they do on a smartphone, on in-vehicle touch screens."

And while Ford at NAIAS is offering plenty of horsepower for traditional automotive enthusiasts, the company also is providing a heavy dose of the "new" technology that has been transforming the automotive industry these days. In fact now, nearly everything -- performance, speed, fuel economy, handling, interior refinements and, of course, entertainment options -- now is presented in the context of new digital capabilities. So, anyone who traveled from the CES convention halls in Las Vegas to Cobo might take a while to realize exactly which gathering was which.

"Technology is really becoming one of the key words at auto shows, with each and every automaker working very hard to be relevant in that space," Ed Kim, vice president for industry analysis at consulting firm AutoPacific, told the Financial Post in Canada.

At CES, Fields presented a reasoned approach and plan to invest in smart mobility projects worldwide. In his keynote, he also made clear that Ford wants to become the first automaker to produce an autonomous vehicle for the masses -- but it's not in a rush.

"We believe in the industry that



Ford F-150 is North American Truck/Utility of the year.

And when Fields appeared at the North American International Auto Show 2015 at Cobo Center in Detroit on January 12, except for the much colder climes he might as well have been talking on a stage at CES. Fields conducted a bull session of sorts with college science, tech, engineering and math majors about automotive careers -- and he led by asserting how relevant Ford and its technology had become to CES, and vice versa, in recent years.

of new performance vehicles including the GT ultra-high-performance car, a new "supercar" that's been getting major buzz. The brand also debuted an offroad version, Raptor, of the new F-150.

In tandem with unveiling that sexy new GT carbon fiber supercar, the brand announced it's also investing in carbon fiber research to spur innovation



The all-new GT supercar that Ford revealed at NAIAS.

there will be a fully autonomous vehicle, probably within the next five years," Fields said at CES. "Unlike our luxury competitors, when we do come out with an autonomous vehicle, we want to make sure it is accessible and affordable to everyone."

Historians may see shades of the brand's founding father, mass production pioneer Henry Ford, in such a sentiment.

It's also noteworthy that Ford was the first volume manufacturer to offer many of the safety technologies that are coming together ultimately to enable self-driving, such as lane-departure warning systems and collision-warning systems on its mainstream Ford brand, as the Wall Street Journal noted.

Ford's emphasis, Fields said at CES, will be to make components such as automated parking systems and automated highway driving available first. He'll let the brands that are

ferently working on becoming first with self-driving vehicles, such as Mercedes-Benz, stay on the bleeding edge of this phenomenon and probably, as a result, beat Ford to market.

Expect Ford's partnership with Google for self-driving technology to keep the company close enough to its forefront.

And Fields' cautious approach might serve him well given that there remain many formidable skeptics about the possibilities of actual self-driven cars, given the lack of a commitment by Google to manufacture them and also the inevitable huge obstacles in driver behavior, traffic infrastructure and regulation.

Ford's "higher purpose," Fields told CES, is "driving innovation in every part of our business to be both a product and mobility company -- and, ultimately, to change the way the world moves."

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## The new office etiquette: Rules for today's workplace

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Gone are the days when office etiquette was clearly defined. In today's relaxed professional environment, conduct is more casual, which means it's often difficult to know what is OK and what isn't. Fortunately, some rules of workplace etiquette are universal.

These 12 tips can help you adjust to a new office or clean up your behavior in a place you've worked for years.

### 1. Avoid social media.

Unless your job requires you to peruse social networking sites all day, avoid them while you're on the clock. Though surfing Facebook or Twitter might be tempting, it can be detrimental to your work performance and productivity, not to mention the way your boss perceives your enthusiasm -- or lack thereof -- for your job.

### 2. Take that phone call elsewhere.

Everyone has a cellphone these days, so getting personal calls at work is pretty much unavoidable. But don't assume that just because your phone rings, it's OK to take it right there at your desk. If you get a personal call, excuse yourself and answer it in private. The last thing you want to do is air your personal business.



### 3. Gossip.

The big no-no. Who hasn't been tempted to speculate on the lives of their co-workers? It's especially tempting when everyone else in the office is doing it. But remember that gossip says more about you than it does about the person you're discussing. Don't talk about others, and keep your personal life private to discourage water-cooler talk about you.

### 4. Keep emails formal.

Email seems pretty casual, doesn't it? It isn't like correspondence on letterhead that requires careful composition and proofreading, right? Contrary to popular belief, work emails should be held to the same formal standards that you would hold any other office correspondence. So toss the slang, get the punctuation right and proofread before you hit send.

### 5. Watch your language.

No matter how comfortable you are with your co-workers, or how casual your office may seem, blurring out a curse word can get you noticed for all the wrong reasons. You don't want that accidental f-bomb to overshadow your work, so keep the language clean.

### 6. Stay tuned in to the world around you.

Want to plug in your headphones and jam while you finish that report? Go ahead (if your office allows it), but don't make them a constant fixture on your head. In the workplace, having headphones on all day can come off as antisocial. Need to focus on a project? Sneak away to a conference room for a while.

### 7. Knock before entering.

Sometimes an informal office atmosphere can go too far. That's especially true when people start drifting from one cubicle or office



to the next, without bothering to knock or otherwise announce their presence. Treat others as though they are in the midst of serious business, even if they aren't and knock before you enter their personal space.

### 8. Stay home if you're sick.

It seems like an obvious rule, but when you're stuck in the rat race, dropping out for a few days of the flu can seem detrimental to your career. However, going to work sick does more harm than good. Not only does it make you feel worse and potentially spread your germs to others, when you're under the weather your productivity most likely suffers. Make life easier on everyone and use those sick days.

### 9. Remember that scents travel.

Do you have an allergy to perfume or cologne? Do you

get a headache when you smell spicy food? Some of your colleagues might. Keep those potent lunches away from your desk, and don't overdo it on the fragrances. Those around you will be grateful.

### 10. Dress like the rest.

There are many places where expressing your unique style is a fantastic thing to do. The office is not one of them. To make sure you're dressing the part, use your boss's attire as an example. If you want to appeal to management, dress just a notch above the office norm.

### 11. Save the job search for home.

Looking for a new job? Don't do it on company time. Not only might someone get wind of your search (and feed that information into the gossip mill), but taking time away from your current

employer to look for a new one is just plain rude.

### 12. Remember that everyone has a life.

Show respect for everyone's down-time by avoiding late-night emails, phone calls or anything else that might require someone from the office to respond after hours. Save those for the next business day. Leaving the office behind when you walk out the door is important for everyone -- so honor business hours, but make sure you honor your time off, too.

Whether you're in a high-stress office or a relaxed small business, etiquette matters. Brush up on it now to continue making a great impression on your boss, co-workers and clients.

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