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City Council - Monday, Sept. 18, 7 p.m. - Council Chambers - City Hall

Planning Commission - Tuesday, Sept. 19, 7 p.m. - Council Chambers

Downtown Development Authority - Tuesday, Sept. 19, 8 a.m. - Meeting Room - City Hall

Historic District Commission - Wednesday, Sept. 20, 7 p.m. - Council Chambers - City Hall

Senior Advisory Commission - Thursday, Sept. 21, 1 p.m. - Community Center

Agendas and minutes are available by clicking here

This Just In...

Long-term resident and educational professional appointed to Planning Commission

The City Council approved the appointment of Donna Tinberg to a seat on the Planning Commission at its meeting on Sept. 5, 2017 with a term expiration of June 30, 2020.

She is a former teacher and current educational consultant who resides on Thayer Blvd. in Northville. She has extensive experience in the areas of public policy/legislation through her work with the educational system and as a leader in educational organizations at the local, state and national levels. She was chair of the Victorian Festival for 17 years. Tinberg will bring the voice of a long-term resident to the Planning Commission.

I believe it's critical that we maintain the unique, historic character and charm of our community, yet I also recognize that we must continue to attract a diverse population, particularly young families who will become long-term residents, Tinberg stated in her application.

Kiwanis is an adult club that's all about kids



Photo by Liz Cezat

Erin Flynn, of Kiwanis, invites the community to this Saturday's pancake breakfast.

Kiwanis is a worldwide organization that launched a new club in Northville in 2012. It's a youthful group, with 50% of its members under the age of 40, all of whom live or work in Northville city or township. Erin Flynn, an attorney at Kelly & Kelly, is vice president of the club and will take on the president's role on Oct. 1, 2017.

The club is hosting a pancake breakfast fundraiser from 8 to 11 a.m. on Saturday, Sept. 16, under the tent on the lawn of the commons area adjacent to City Hall and the Northville District Library. Tickets are \$6 for individuals and \$25 for a household.

The menu consists of pancakes, sausage, coffee, tea, juice and milk, with food donated by Red Olive Restaurants and milk from Guernsey Dairy.

"This is the third year of the pancake breakfast and we hope to serve more of the community than ever before," said Flynn, a Windsor, Ontario native who now lives in Plymouth. "It's grown every year. We are counting on repeat customers and anyone who likes pancakes and wants to help us help the kids in our community."

A big part of the breakfast excitement this year is a fundraiser to build a brand-new playground near the Oak Grove picnic site at Maybury State Park. People can buy a piece of a puzzle that, when put together, forms the blueprint of the new play area. Donation amounts are marked on puzzle pieces and range from \$5 and up.

The playground build will be a community event that takes place in the late spring or early summer 2018. All are invited to participate. The group first got involved with Maybury in June 2017 when they coordinated the fishing derby. Maybury Park Director Traci Sincock asked if the club would be willing to raise funds for the new playground, and members readily agreed, knowing it would be a place where all kids, including special needs kids, could come and play.

Kiwanis helps kids in many ways. Kiwanis International and UNICEF have joined forces to eliminate maternal and neonatal tetanus through The Eliminate Project. The Northville chapter lends to that effort by holding a shoe drive - where used footwear and even ratty old sneakers are donated and converted into recycled materials. The club also holds a clothing drive and donates the collection to Vista Maria, a home for girls. For that event, students from Northville High School and Northville middle schools gave much of the clothing.

The club works closely with the Northville Township Firefighters Charity Fund to raise money for bike safety gear, such as helmets, bells and lights. The Fund holds a charity ball each year in February, donating a portion of the proceeds to Kiwanis. In the past, the club held a bike safety event at the Heritage Festival, but this year it will focus solely on the pancake breakfast.

Kiwanis began in Detroit more than 100 years ago. Now it's worldwide. The Northville club meets for lunch at The Village Workshop at noon on the first and third Wednesday of each month. Guests are welcome and can email: with questions.

Dan Ferrara, owner of Northville Gallery, was a founding member of the group. "I'm proud to belong to a group that has such strong ties to Detroit and Michigan," he said.

Flynn and Ferrara are co-chairs of the pancake breakfast. For more information or tickets to the event, <u>visit the club's website</u>.

Maybury gets new trailhead kiosk

Last weekend, the Regional Trailhead Kiosk and the LINK signage with Maybury were installed and celebrated. The LINK non-motorized system was developed in a unique partnership between the City of Northville, Northville Township, DNR, the DDA, Wayne County, Oakland County, City of Novi and Friends of Maybury. Now,

cyclists, walkers and runners can start at Maybury State Park and travel safely through the City of Northville, Northville Township and into Dearborn via Edward Hines Drive.



The Regional Trailhead Kiosk project was funded by the Friends of Maybury and the DNR. On hand were City Mayor Ken Roth, DNR Southern Field Operations Chief Scott Pratt, DNR Rose Lake District Supervisor Murdock Jemerson, Friends of Maybury President Chuck Murdock, Maybury Park Supervisor Traci Sincock and a great turnout of community supporters.

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Photo by Liz Cezat

Dominic Mathis and his 2-year-old son Deniro shop for produce at the market. (Dominic is a personal chef from California.) Every Thursday (through Oct. 26) Farmers' Market 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Shop for fresh, locally sourced produce and top-quality cheese, fish, jam, baked goods and other edibles from farmers and merchants. There are more than 70 stalls of Michiganmade and Michigan-grown products. In addition, fine juried crafters and vendors sell garden art, soaps, jewelry, furniture, woodworking and home accessories.

Gardeners can shop for plants and flowers to get their gardens growing. Master

gardeners are available to answer gardening questions until noon.

The Farmers' Market is held at the northwest corner of 7 Mile and Sheldon Rd, with on-site parking and additional parking at Northville Downs, across from the market.

For more information, please contact the Northville Chamber of Commerce at 248-349-7640 or visit www.northville.org.

Heritage Festival in Downtown Northville



Sept. 15 5 - 11 p.m. (Parade 6:30 p.m.)

Sept. 16 11 a.m. - 11 p.m. Sept. 17 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

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This year, the Northville Heritage Festival celebrates 150 years of Northville becoming a village; it became a city in 1955. Celebrate the rich history and small town charm of the Northville community. Click here for a full schedule of events.



Overview of historic events to commemorate the 150th Anniversary

Saturday, Oct. 16

10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. - Water Wheel Centre (see flier in this issue) (tours last for ½ hour, final one finishes at noon)

10 a.m. - History Walk - Maybury (see flier in this issue)

1 p.m. - Commemoration ceremony led by Northville Mayor Ken Roth in Town Square

1:30 p.m. - Concert in Town Square featuring the Dodworth Saxhorn Band

2:30 p.m. - Band leads attendees from Town Square to Ford Field

3 p.m. - Baseball game - Eclipse vs. Monitor Base Ball Club of Chelsea

Sunday, Sept. 17 Events at Mill Race Village

- 12:30 3:30 p.m. tours of Mill Race Village buildings
- 12:30 3 p.m. Crème Tea, Cady Inn (admission fee)
- Duck race in the afternoon

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Now - early October (open during regular library hours) 150 Years. Celebrate the History of Northville. 1867 - 2017 Northville District Library

View a display of historic photos that show the people, places, events and things that have made Northville a distinctive Midwestern city.

Library historian Wendy Mutch put together a beautiful bound book of the Northville Record's Centennial Edition, published in 1969, which recounts Northville's first 100 years. It is available for viewing in the library.

There are also books on Northville history available for check-out.

Events, times and locations may change. Watch the websites and social media sites of the City of Northville, Chamber of Commerce and Mill Race Village for updates.



Tour Northville's historic valve plant Saturday, Sept. 16, 10 a.m to noon

Free tours of the Water Wheel Centre — formerly Northville's historic Ford valve plant — will be offered from 10 a.m. to noon on Saturday, September 16, during Northville's Heritage Festival.

The former manufacturing plant designed by Albert
Kahn was the first of Henry Ford's village industries.
Converted into commercial and office space beginning in
2005 by R&D Enterprises, it has been recognized for its
innovative renovation. Tours will feature the offices of
HKS Architects and inFORM Studio.

Tours are 30 minutes each beginning at 10 a.m. The last tour will begin at 11:30 a.m. No reservations are required. Tours begin at the door nearest the water wheel. The building is located at 235 East Main Street at the northeast corner of Main and Griswold.



Maybury History Hike Sept. 16 10 a.m. Meet at the Trailhead Building

Before it was a state park, the area was home to Maybury Sanatorium, operated by the City of Detroit for the treatment of patients with tuberculosis. Most of the buildings are gone, but evidence remains of this past use. Join us on this easy 1 mile walk to hear the stories and see photos and building sites. Suitable for all ages; program will last about 1-1/2 hours.

Sponsored by Friends of Maybury

A Recreation Passport is required for entry to all Michigan state parks and recreation Areas. Click here to learn more.



Saturday, Sept. 16 Maker Faire Car Show and Beer Tent The Village Workshop 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.



The Village Workshop is Hosting its 3rd Annual Makers Auto Faire as a part of the Heritage Festival in Downtown Northville. The Makers Auto faire will feature live music from The Global Village Band and a Beer Tent from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., and Impasto Italian Inspired Wraps food truck from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

There will be free tours of the workshop and maker projects on display during the event. The <u>Village Workshop</u> is located at 455 E. Cady Street, behind the Northville Car Wash. Proceeds from beer tent sales to benefit The Tipping Point Theatre.

Sept. 16 (Industrial Rouge)
Oct. 7 (Natural Rouge)
Paddle the Rouge River with Friends of the Rouge



This fall there are two opportunities to join a group paddle on the Rouge River. The tours are being organized by Friends of the Rouge in conjunction with two local liveries. The two tours offer contrasting perspectives on this recovering urban river.

On Saturday Sept. 16, Friends of the Rouge partners with Riverside Kayak Connection on a tour that highlights the river's industrial past. Beginning in Melvindale, paddlers will cruise past the Ford Rouge Complex, pass under historical suspension bridges, possibly see great blue herons and kingfishers, and may even spot a freighter making its way up the river.

On Saturday Oct. 7, Friends of the Rouge partners with Heavner Canoe Rental to offer a trip that feels like an up-north paddle. Following the Lower Branch within the City of Wayne, paddlers are surrounded by a surprisingly healthy forest with towering cottonwoods, several steep riverbanks and even a bit of whitewater to negotiate.

Both tours are limited to experienced paddlers due to water quality concerns. To sign up for the Sept. 16 Kayak Tour, contact Riverside Kayak Connection at 734-285-2925. (\$50 kayak / \$30 bring your own, both include shuttle and lunch). To sign up for the Oct. 7 paddle, contact FOTR at 313-792-9621 or spetrella@therouge.org (\$45 per canoe/\$10 bring your own).

The Rouge River covers 466 square miles in three counties and 42 communities in the metropolitan Detroit area. Friends of the Rouge is a non-profit 501c3 organization dedicated to promoting restoration and stewardship of the Rouge River and is currently working to develop a Rouge River Water Trail.

Lunchtime Lecture Series Northville District Library

Bring a brown bag lunch to the Northville District
Library for this lunchtime series on how best to use social media to get new

business. Hear Candy Jones-Guerin, Constant Contact presenter, on these topics.

Wednesday, Sept. 20, 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Drive New Business with Marketing & Social Media

Understand the different social media platforms, how to choose what to say, and where to say it.

Wednesday, Oct. 18, 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Power of the Inbox: Tips for Successful Email Marketing

Learn why regular email doesn't work, and how to use techniques like automated list building tools. Get tips on design elements that work...and those that don't.

Wednesday, Nov. 8, 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Content Marketing: What to Say and How to Say It

Learn time-saving tips and apps to help your content, how to create engaging links, tips on using graphics, pictures and videos, re-purposing content across multiple platforms, and more. Get the tools you need to create your content easily and effectively.

Register online or call 248-349-3020.



Friday, Sept. 22 Northville High School Homecoming Parade 5:30 p.m. step off

The Northville High School Homecoming Parade will step off at 5:30 sharp from behind Old Village School on Cady Street and

proceed to northbound on South Wing to eastbound on West Main to northbound on North Center to 8 mile to enter the stadium.

Saturday, Sept. 23 Tour de Ville Bike Tour - Northville Rotary The Village Workshop



The <u>Tour de Ville</u> benefit bike ride is a familyoriented event and not a race. All routes begin and end in Historic Northville at The Village Workshop. The routes include a 10-mile ride that travels exclusively along the historic Edward Hines Drive. There is also have a 34-mile route and a 53-mile route (for exerienced riders).

Saturday, Sept. 23 AAUW Northville-Novi Home Tour



Satisfy Curiosity, Get Inspired, Live Vicariously at the 21st Northville-Novi Home Tour. Be ready to walk through when the doors open to five private Northville residences on Saturday, Sept. 23, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. A \$20 tax-deductible donation is your key to this highly anticipated, exciting self-guided tour.

Docents will guide you through a Victorian-era Queen Anne style home; a home with a story

to tell in family heirlooms; a professionally decorated lake condo; a former model home with builder details and special items collected from Asian travels; and a large designer home that has a game room, workout room, home theater and wine cellar. Two homes have new Epiphany kitchens. For a delicious reminder of the event, \$5 recipe books will be available for purchase at one of the homes.

Two downtown Northville businesses will add to the fun. The Lace Museum of Detroit is extending its hours for ticket holders. Stroll through a rare collection of European and American 19th century handmade lace in a salon-style setting where special pieces are for sale. Conveniently located across the street, you're invited to enjoy complimentary refreshments and 10% off all purchases at Starring "The Gallery" from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Many local businesses sponsor the annual tour, which is the major fundraiser for the Northville-Novi branch of the American Association of University Women (AAUWNN). Funds support activities to advance equity and empower women and girls through community outreach projects. To discover more about this organization, visit here.

Go to the website and click on Buy Tickets Now! Buy tickets from an AAUWNN member or purchase tickets at the following businesses:

- Starring "The Gallery," 118 W. Main St., Northville (Also, tickets can be picked up here on tour day from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.)
- Gardenviews, 117 E. Main St., Northville
- Pear-Aphernalia, 184 E. Main St., Northville

Meadowbrook Art Center, 41200 Ten Mile Road, Novi

Tickets may be purchased from display homes on tour day, but availability is not guaranteed. Although credit cards may be used online, tickets purchased at stores or display homes require cash or check. For more information or questions, contact Jane Hecker, Home Tour Chair, at 734-276-6160 or by email.

Saturday, Sept. 23 Household Hazardous Waste collection and electronics drop-off 8 a.m. - 2 p.m. City Yards - 650 Doheny

This event is open to residents of the City of Northville, Northville Township and the City of Livonia

Acceptable Items - Household paints, stains, dyes; floor wax, carpet cleaner; furniture polish, bathroom cleaners, stain removers, solvents; pharmaceutical waste (non-controlled substances only); nail polish, glue; fertilizer, lawn and garden chemicals, pesticides; antifreeze, motor oil, gasoline; automotive batteries and dry cell batteries, fluorescent bulbs (all types); fire extinguishers and smoke detectors; mercury thermometers, thermostats and elemental mercury.

Electronics recycling - computer CPU's, flat screen monitors/TV's, printers, scanners, keyboards, mice; cell phones, fax machines, copiers and televisions. No CRT televisions or monitors will be accepted. If you are a Northville resident, you may place these items out with your trash.

Items not accepted - Commercial waste, industrial waste, radioactive material, explosives, ammunition, 55-gallon drums, shock sensitive materials, household trash, refrigerators, microwaves or other appliances, tires, yard waste and concrete. For information on how to dispose of these items, please contact the Wayne County Resource Recovery Coordinator at 734-326-3936.



2nd Place: Gail Borowski, A Kiss on the Skull, fumage and colored pencil, 11" x 9"

Through Oct. 28 9th Annual West of Center Juried AllMedia Exhibition Northville Art House

Be a pART of it! The Northville Art House is hosting the 9th Annual West of Center. This is a juried all-media exhibition featuring 32 works of art selected by juror Brian Nelson, professor of sculpture at Eastern Michigan University. In keeping with the philosophy of bringing the

community the unexpected, the exhibition includes paintings, photographs, sculpture and mixed media pieces created by 22 contemporary artists working with traditional and nontraditional media in diverse styles.

There will be a First Friday reception on Oct. 6, 6-9 p.m. The exhibit continues through Oct.28 at Northville Art House, 215 W. Cady. Gallery hours are Tuesday through Friday, 12-5 p.m. and Saturdays, 12-4 p.m. Free. Information: call 248-344-0497 or visit here.

For more information <u>visit here</u>, or call 248-344-0497 during business hours.

Business

Sign up for automatic tax bill payment

Take advantage of automatic tax bill payment. Residents and businesses may now pay their tax bills automatically by clicking here and completing the online form.

Enroll in the program and your summer tax bill will be paid on Aug. 31. For the winter tax bill, you designate the date of payment as either Dec. 31 or Feb. 14. By taking advantage of this program, your taxes will always be paid on time whether you are sick or out of town. Added benefits are no checks to write, no need to wonder if the check was received in time to avoid penalty and no trips to City Hall.

Participants in automatic bill payment of property taxes receive their tax bill in the mail on July 1 and Dec. 1 with a letter confirming when the withdrawal will be made from their account. PLEASE NOTE: This is a year-round program. Electronic Funds Payment is not available for only the summer tax or only the winter tax bill.

Tax & Assessing data lookup

You may retrieve tax and assessing data from the convenience of your home 24/7 by visiting the City of Northville's website.

If you have any questions, call the Tax & Assessing Office at 248-449-9901.

Accountability & Transparency

To meet the requirements for Accountability & Transparency under City, Village, and Township Revenue Sharing/County Incentive Program (CVTRS/CIP), the City of Northville must certify to the Michigan Department of Treasury they have produced and made readily available to the public:

- 1. A Citizen's Guide of its most recent local finances, including recognition of its unfunded liabilities
- 2. A Performance Dashboard
- 3. A Debt Service Report containing a detailed listing of its debt service requirements, including, at a minimum, the issuance date, issuance amount, type of debt instrument, a listing of all revenues pledged to finance debt service by debt instrument, and a listing of the annual payment amounts until maturity
- 4. A Projected Budget Report of revenues and expenditures including, at a minimum, the current fiscal year and a projection for the immediately following year and an explanation of the assumptions used for the projections

The above documents may be found by visiting the <a>City's website.

Around Town

Yard signs

Please be advised that signs cannot be placed in the right-of-way. Signs must be placed on your property, behind the sidewalk, or will be subject to removal. If you have any questions, please call Bill Barent, Ordinance Officer at 248-305-2707.

At Home

Sewage backups

If you experience an overflow or backup of a sewage disposal system or storm water system and want to file a claim with the City, <u>please check our website for</u> details or call the Department of Public Works at 248-449-9930.

When presenting a written claim, you will be required to provide the following items:

- 1. Copies of receipts for cleaning costs, plumbing bills, or other bills.
- 2. List of the damaged items and receipts to prove the ages of your items. Reimbursement for the Actual Cash Value of damaged items is the maximum amount payable.
- 3. Please make an attempt to provide pictures of anything you wish to claim that was damaged due to the sewer backup.

The filing of a claim does not guarantee reimbursement.

Most homeowner's insurance will not cover sewage backups, but insurance can often be obtained as an added item. Ask your insurance provider about this option. Also, consider having a plumber install a check valve - backflow preventer - to help minimize the risk of backups and related damage.

Northville Police Department has free gun safety locks

Don't take the risk of having an unlocked gun get into the wrong hands - especially if you have young children and teenagers. Stop in at the Northville Police Department lobby to get your free gun safety lock. There are no forms to fill out and no waiting.

Home Owners Associations

This is a partial list of Home Owners Associations (HOAs) located in the City of Northville. To add your name to the list or make a correction, please contact Liz Cezat, Communications manager, by email, or at or 248-305-2703. In the future, this list will be housed on the City website under: Community, Links of Interest, Neighborhoods.

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Lexington Condo Homeowners Laura Keller President lakeller826@gmail.com 248-596-1428

North Lexington Condo Homeowners Sue Gentz President <u>sgentz@wideopenwest.com</u> 248-374-5621

Northville Estates Chuck Murdock President murdock1@comcast.net 248-349-4382

Pheasant Hills
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