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## **Meetings**

**City Council** - Monday, April 16, 7 p.m. - Council Chambers - City Hall

**Downtown Development Authority** - Tuesday, April 17, 8 a.m. - Meeting Room - City Hall

**Planning Commission** - Tuesday, April 17, 7 p.m. - Council Chambers - City Hall

**Historic District Commission** - Wednesday, April 18, 7 p.m. - Council Chambers - City Hall

**Senior Advisory Commission** - Thursday, April 19, 1 p.m. - Community Center

[Agendas and minutes are available by clicking here](#)

## **This Just In...**

## Local Jeweler celebrates milestone anniversary



Congratulations to the Mazzoni family on the 85th anniversary of Orin Jewelers. They first came to downtown Northville in 1982 (their first store opened in 1933). They're a local favorite known for jewelry repair, appraisal and custom design. [Find out more](#) about this longtime retailer in the video produced by the Downtown Development Authority.

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## City-wide communications survey extended through Friday, April 13

The City of Northville has extended its communications survey until Friday, April 13, to elicit more feedback. To date, we've had 220 responses and would like to reach 250. We invite responses from residents, business owners, people who work in the City and frequent visitors.

The survey will help evaluate the effectiveness of existing publications ([City News](#) and [Northville Matters](#)) and social media ([Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#)). [Click here for the online survey link](#).

Survey questions focus on readability, organization and reader engagement. Responses will help the City understand and respond to the community's needs while improving our communication efforts. Those who want to sign up for City News, a weekly e-newsletter [can do so here](#).



## Oakland County offering free Financial Education Seminars during National Money Smart Week April 21-28

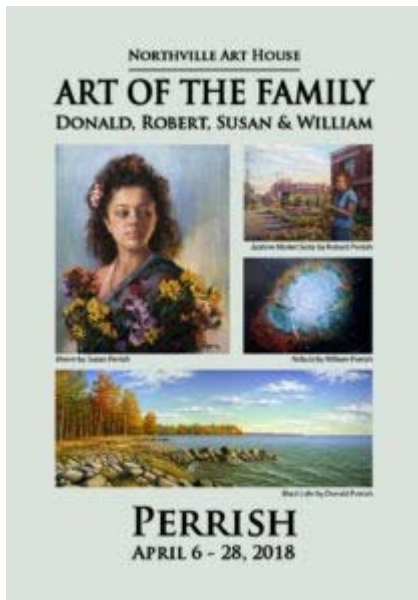
Oakland County Michigan Works! is partnering with the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago to bring Money Smart Week (MSW) to consumers in southeast Michigan April

21-28. The county will host free seminars as part of the national financial education campaign to help consumers make smart money decisions.

Sessions are being held at Michigan Works! service centers in Novi, Southfield and other Oakland County suburbs. Topics include debt management, household budgeting, smart spending habits, understanding credit, saving strategies, identity theft protection, teaching children about money, and retirement planning. Seminar leaders include experts from local banks, credit unions, investment firms and realty offices.

There is no cost to attend but space is limited so please RSVP. View the entire schedule, location and register at [www.MoneySmartWeek.org/Events](http://www.MoneySmartWeek.org/Events).

## Events / Things to Do



**April 6 - 28**

**Art House Exhibit: The Art of the Family:  
Donald, Robert, Susan and William  
Perrish  
215 W. Cady Street**

- **Art of the Family** features paintings and sculptures from a family of award-winning artists. The exhibition answers the age-old question of nature versus nurture by demonstrating the existence of both innate talent and learned skills in shaping the artist.

Donald, the eldest brother, has been drawing and painting his entire life. He attended the College for Creative Studies and is a freelance artist involved with fine art, murals and architectural art

design.

Robert studied art at University of Michigan. After 30 years in the commercial art

business, his art has evolved from wildlife painting and sculpture into landscape and figure painting.

William, like his brothers, picked up drawing at an early age. Largely self-taught, he explores different mediums and subject matter, developing his skills with each project.

Robert's wife Susan grew up surrounded by music and art. Her mother is a talented watercolor artist and her father was a gifted woodworker. After the couple's children were grown, she found her artistic talent through drawing, specializing in soft pastel portraits.

Regardless of their beginnings and how their artistry is expressed, one common trait among each artist is a sense of passion for art. Works in the exhibition are available online at [Art of the Family](#).

**Also on View - Photography by Michigan Emerging Artist, Katlan Michalak of Ann Arbor**

The Art House is open Tuesday-Friday from 12 -5 p.m. and Saturday from 12 -4 p.m. 248-344-0497 or [visit our website](#).

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**Want to help the environment?  
Volunteer for the Spring Bug Hunt or  
Rouge Rescue**

The Friends of The Rouge will hold the Spring Bug Hunt on April 14. Volunteers are needed and encouraged to [sign up here](#).

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**It's time for Rouge Rescue 2018!**



Spend a few hours with your friends and neighbors to improve the Rouge River and make a difference in your community.

Work days will be held across the region. Most sites will work on Sat. May 19. A few sites are working earlier and are listed below. Please [visit us online](#) or call 313-792-9621 for the most up-to-date list. Volunteers should wear sturdy, closed-toe shoes, long sleeves, and long pants. Expect to get a little dirty, have fun, and meet others who care about the river. Free t-shirt provided to all participants (limited quantity at each site).

### **A sampling of early Rouge Rescue Work Days**

- Quarton Lake Garlic Mustard Pull - April 19
  - E.L. Johnson Nature Center Tree Planting - April 21
  - Rouge Park Cleanup Day, Detroit - April 28
  - Rotary Park, Novi - May 5
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**EGG HUNTS • FARM ANIMALS • SEED PLANTING  
EASTER BUNNY • SMOKEY THE BEAR • TOOTH FAIRY  
FACE PAINTING • CONCESSIONS • AND MORE!**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 14**  
**GATES OPEN AT 9:30AM, EGG HUNTS BEGIN AT 11:00AM**  
**MAYBURY FARM - 50165 8 MILE RD., NORTHVILLE**

**KIDS AGES 2 – 10 CAN REDEEM EGGS FOR A  
PRIZE BAG FILLED WITH CANDY & TREATS!**

**ADMISSION IS \$5 PER VEHICLE (CASH ONLY)**

**LIMITED FREE PARKING AT MAYBURY FARM**

**RAIN DATE: SUNDAY, APRIL 15**

**ADDITIONAL PARKING AT MAYBURY STATE PARK (ANNUAL RECREATION PASSPORT REQUIRED)**

**EGG HUNT LIMITED TO  
THE FIRST 700 KIDS**

**BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE PARKS PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE:**



**April 21**  
**Raise One for the Rouge fundraiser**  
**American Harvest Brewpub, 18600**  
**Haggerty Road, Livonia**

Friends of the Rouge (FOTR) invites you to Schoolcraft College's new American Harvest Brewpub for a beer tasting and brewery tour on Saturday April 21, 5- 7 p.m. Schoolcraft College has been hosting FOTR's Fall Bug Hunt since 2004. Schoolcraft recently started a brewing and distillation technology program and the products of this program will be featured.

Tickets for the event are \$35 in advance for FOTR members/\$40 for non-members and include beer tastes, a brewery tour and appetizers. All proceeds support Friends of the Rouge. [Click here for tickets.](#)

Friends of the Rouge is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization with a mission to restore, protect and enhance the Rouge River watershed through stewardship, education and collaboration.

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**ARBOR DAY SEEDLING GIVE-AWAY**  
*for*  
**NORTHVILLE RESIDENTS**

*Sponsored by the Northville Township and City  
Beautification Commissions*

**Saturday, April 21, 2018**

**9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. (or until seedlings are gone)**

**Northville Township Hall**

**44405 Six Mile Road**

**(southwest side off Sheldon Road)**

Tree seedlings are available, at no charge, to City, Township, and Northville School District residents. Individuals must show proof of residency. Requests by phone, mail, or from large groups cannot be accommodated.

For additional trees, order form can be found [here](#).

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**Northville Historical Society 2018 Lecture Series**  
**The Wreck of the Edmund Fitzgerald**  
**April 25, 2018**

The Edmund Fitzgerald is the largest shipwreck in the Great Lakes, broken into pieces by a November gale in 1975. 29 men simply vanished in the storm, leading researchers to puzzle over the final moments that denied the sailors a Mayday call.

Ric Mixter has visited the wreck site in person, diving 550 feet down in a small submersible in 1994. Since that time, he has interviewed investigators from the Coast Guard and Cousteau Society as well as the men who built the Fitz in Detroit. His documentary is considered the best available on the subject with exclusive construction footage Mixter uncovered as well as his spellbinding video from down below.

Ric Mixter was given an award for 20 years of maritime preservation by the Association of Great Lakes Maritime History. He has produced over 30 shows on local history for PBS and the Outdoor Channel and has appeared on the History and Discovery Channel as a shipwreck expert. Energetic and animated, he has changed the way lecturers share history.

*The lecture will be at the New School Church at Mill Race Historical Village, 215 Griswold St, Northville at 7:00pm. The lecture is free of charge although donations are accepted at the door to help defray costs.*



**Friday, April 27, 3:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.**  
**Saturday, April 28, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.**  
**Household Hazardous Waste &**

## Electronic Collection

Ford Field (Livonia) enter off Stark Road from Schoolcraft  
Open to residents of Livonia, City of Northville and Northville Township

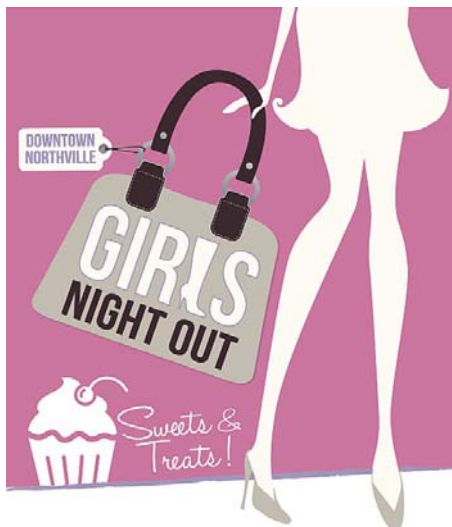
Items accepted: Household paints, stains, dyes; floor wax, carpet cleaner; furniture polish, bathroom cleaners, stain removers, solvents; pharmaceutical waste (non-controlled substances only); nail polish, glue; fertilizer, lawn and garden chemicals, pesticides; antifreeze, motor oil, gasoline; automotive 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, monitors, printers, scanners, keyboards, mice; cell phones, fax machines, copiers and televisions.

### 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.

City of Northville residents who live in Oakland County are able to participate in this event.



**April 27**

**5 - 9 p.m.**

### **Girls' Night Out - Sweets & Treats**

Gather your girlfriends and join in the fun for a night of new merchandise, special offers, giveaways and fun in Downtown Northville. Businesses are staying open late and preparing a special event for [Girls' Night Out](#).

This popular event only happens twice each year. Take part in drawings and discounts at nearly 50 retail stores. From art galleries to boutiques, and home decor to jewelry, there's something for everyone.

After you've experienced the stores, unwind at one of 20 bars and restaurants. Everything is just a short stroll within the classic yet trendy downtown. There's also convenient, free parking. Many restaurants are offering specials for Girls' Night Out

guests.

## **Business**

### **Scheduling online inspections**

Contractors and homeowners in the City of Northville may schedule inspections using the new [online inspection portal](#). The portal allows users to request all types of inspections, such as building, electrical, plumbing and heating. Users must have their assigned permit number when using the Inspection portal.

If you are requesting an inspection for the following business day, it must be scheduled by 3:30pm.

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### **Paperless billing option for utilities**

Utility bill customers may now sign up to receive email bills or arrange for automatic payment through the City's website. E-bills are emailed on the billing date with a full page bill attached in pdf format. Automatic payment is an arrangement between the customer's bank and our bank by which the amount due is deducted from the customer's account each due date. You can [sign up here](#) or call 248-449-9901 with questions.

## **Around Town**

### **What to do if a water main breaks**

Each year the City has between 10 and 20 water main breaks, and most of these happen when the temperatures are below freezing. If residents see water bubbling out of the ground, contact the Public Works Department at (248) 449-9930 or (248) 349-1234 after hours and report its location. The sooner the leak is identified and reported, the quicker it can be repaired, reducing the chances of contamination entering the water system, and minimizing the cost for lost water.

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### **Historic Resource Council 2017 Directory is available**

City Hall has a copy of the Historic Resource Council 2017 Directory, which lists architects, contractors, suppliers and others who specialize in historic preservation, rehabilitation and adaptation of historic structures and houses. This directory will interest residents of historic homes, owners of businesses in historic buildings and

others who own property or are involved in the City's Historic District. The book can be viewed at City Hall and [online](#) at Michigan Historic Preservation Network's website. (see the publications page).

## At Home

### Free home fire safety review

The Northville City Fire Department, which serves the Cities of Northville and Plymouth, is pleased to offer home fire safety reviews. Simply contact the Department at 248-449-9920 to schedule an appointment. A team of Fire Department personnel will meet with you at your home and review items such as smoke detectors, electrical outlets, storage of flammable materials, home escape plans and other items that can have an impact on home fire safety. This is a free service.

The National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) reports that in 2014, structure fires caused 2,860 deaths, 13,425 injuries and \$9.8 billion in property damage. Home fire safety reviews can help reduce the risk of fire and its consequences.

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### Sewage backups

Homeowners may experience an overflow or backup of a sewage disposal system or storm water system. If you intend to file a claim with the City, [please check our website for 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.

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## 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.

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## Get social with City Hall online

Follow our Facebook page ([Northville City Hall, Michigan](#)) and our Twitter account [@NorthvilleCity](#).



You will be able to see stories, photos and videos of the City's people, places and events. We'll let you know about City services, such as trash pick up, payment of taxes and utility bills, and roads under construction. Plus, we want to hear from you. Share your photos and comments; ask questions. If you "like" the Northville Facebook page, you'll see our posts in your news feed.

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## Add your name to the City News mailing list

New subscribers to City News can sign up below (if you are viewing the e-mail version). You can also [sign up on the City of Northville website](#) (homepage, left hand column under Quick Links)

If you have comments or requests for specific news items, please e-mail Liz Cezat, Communications Manager, at [lcezat@ci.northville.mi.us](mailto:lcezat@ci.northville.mi.us).

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