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Life on the Vine

The First Presbyterian Church in Northville will host a two-day seminar, *Life on the Vine: Cultivating the Fruit of the Spirit* among Christian Men.



Hunter

Guest speaker will be Robert L. Hunter (Bob), a pastor, author, counselor and consultant with extensive experience in guiding congregations and leaders in their faith journey. He is currently serving as director of Stewardship and Endowment at Second Presbyterian Church, Indianapolis, Ind.

The seminar will begin with registration at 6:15 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 26, followed by a steak dinner and Rev. Hunter. Feb. 27 starts with breakfast at 7:45 a.m. followed by a morning session and small group discussions; lunch at noon; an afternoon session; worship and adjournment at 3 p.m.

For more information, contact the church (200 E. Main) at (248) 349-0911.

Preschool auction

Academic Pathways Cooperative Preschool, located at 30330 Schoolcraft Road, Livonia, will be hosting their annual auction event on Friday, March 5, at Genitti's Hole in the Wall, Northville. Tickets are \$35 per person or \$50 per couple. Tickets include a seven-course family-style dinner with dessert, silent auction, cash bar and murder mystery dinner theater. Go to www.academicpathwayspreschool.com for more information or call (734) 546-5246.

Alternative Health Fair

An alternative health fair will be held from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 13 at the Northville Senior Center, 303 W. Main Street.

Onsite food will be provided by the Red Pepper Deli and there will be four presentations:

10:30 a.m.: Learn and experience the healing benefits of meditation by Kathy Henning.

11:30 a.m.: Learn how to reverse diabetes with raw foods by Michael Dwyer.

1 p.m.: Learn about the healing properties of herbal tea by Linda Amick of Healthy Jones.

2 p.m.: Learn how gentle chiropractic can benefit your body by Dr. Carol Ann Fischer of TLC Holistic Wellness Center.



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Northville chiropractor Dr. Kenneth Stopa Jr. just spent two weeks at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, Colo., to care for U.S. athletes competing in this week's Winter Olympics and the 2012 Summer Olympics.

Northville chiropractor helps U.S. Olympic athletes at training center

Worked at clinic for two weeks

BY PAM FLEMING
STAFF WRITER

Being in tip-top shape is essential for athletes getting ready to compete in the 2010 Winter Olympics, which start tomorrow in Vancouver, B.C.

And Northville chiropractor Dr. Kenneth Stopa Jr. of Main Street Family Chiropractic recently helped to rehabilitate some of these athletes at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs, Colo.

Stopa left Jan. 25 to spend two weeks at the center, giving chiropractic adjustments to injured athletes.

The center is the hub of where the athletes train. Athletes were there that will be competing this week in Vancouver, but a majority of the athletes there now are preparing for the Summer Olympics in 2012.

Stopa worked on any injury that an athlete might have. "It could be a new skiing injury or snowboarding injury," Stopa said before he left.

Many of the athletes live at the Olympic Training Center.

"You work with them throughout their experience there," Stopa said. "They want you to stick with the athletes, because they are used to getting chiropractic adjustments. That's why they called me out there."

A HUGE OPPORTUNITY

Stopa was invited to the center and considered the two weeks a huge opportunity. The Olympics are showing a demand for chiropractors, and Stopa considered the invitation an honor.

"As far as we know he was the only Michigan chiropractor to be invited to this national event," said Ashleigh Price, one of Stopa's staff members.

He was invited to serve at the training center because of his participation in the Diplomate program at Palmer College of Chiropractic.

"The instructor asked me to fill out the forms," Stopa said. "He said, 'You never know. They could call you.'"

The center looks for certified chiropractic sports physicians, a special certification. Olympic Training Center chiropractors also need to have treated sports injuries for at least five years. The application to work at the training center also required letters from athletic trainers. Stopa is currently the team chiropractor for the Detroit Derby Girls roller derby team.

Stopa also had to go through a government background check before being approved to go to Colorado Springs.

He said he was scheduled to work at the center's clinic from 8 a.m.-6 p.m. and would hit the books afterwards to learn more about

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Northville revisits objectives

Only one change from last year's stated goals

BY PAM FLEMING
STAFF WRITER

Northville City Council members recently reviewed goals for fiscal year 2010-2011, which were set last year, with only one change from last fiscal year's priorities.

Medium and low priority designations were not ranked in any order.

HIGH PRIORITY GOAL

Long-term fiscal and financial stability still made the top of the list as the only high-priority goal for the city. The goal is to continue efforts to achieve a fund balance minimum of 25-35 percent of the city's annual budget and continue to investigate alternate revenue sources or enhancements.

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Dancing with daddy

Dean Bournay dances with his daughter Alia, 5, during the Friday, Feb. 5, Daddy-Daughter Dance at Silver Springs Elementary. The night featured crafts and some beauty touch-ups for the girls, and food and dancing for all. Attendees received a portrait with their dates as well. More photos, A2.

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Northville staff applies for government certification

Could bring more grant funding to community

BY PAM FLEMING
STAFF WRITER

City of Northville officials are working on obtaining a Certified Local Government designation for the community that would bring more grant funding to the municipality.

The city has been exploring the criteria to become a Certified Local Government for several years, completing and submitting an application to the State Historic Preservation Office for review in 2006.

This program was founded in 1980 to provide federal, state and local partnerships for preserva-

tion projects. Grant funding through the SHPO is available to CLGs to initiate and support historic preservation projects.

Nickie Bateson, assistant city manager and finance director, explained to city council members at their Feb. 1 meeting, that to facilitate this process, Sally Elmiger of Carlisle Wortman Associates has worked with the city's Historic District Commission, city staff and the Northville Historical Society staff to complete the extensive application.

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