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## Harry Potter: It's the end of an era

By Kelly Murad  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

From his first day at Hogwarts School of Witchcraft and



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**Novi Border Books and Music manager Pauline Saynor readies her display for the July 21 launch of the newest Harry Potter book "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows."**

Wizardry, and his many adventures with Ron and Hermione, to Dumbledore's lessons and battling Lord Voldemort, readers enthralled in the life of Harry Potter are preparing themselves for the end of an era.

"Harry Potter appeals to people

of all ages," said Nicole Pagenette, district marketing manager for Borders. "Kids have followed the series as they've grown up."

"Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows," the much anticipated finale to J. K. Rowling's epic series of witchcraft and wizardry will be released Saturday.

The book release coincides with the release of the fifth movie, "Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix," which was 10 days prior.

The Borders in Novi will host the Grand Hallows Ball prior to the revelation of the book at midnight Saturday.

The store will be completely transformed into a magical ballroom with purple and orange decor.

"It's going to really look like a ball inside," Pagenette said.

There will even be a panel of judges in attendance to crown a King and Queen, based on the best costumes.

"It's going to be a huge event," Pagenette said. "We are expecting a crowd of all ages."

Attendees of the Ball will receive a wristband as they walk in the door, which will determine

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## Novi's shared vision



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Novi News

**Kelle Marzoff communicates with Novi Police Department vehicles inside its communication center along Ten Mile Road. The department also coordinates emergency services with communities like Walled Lake and Wixom through the office.**

By Kelly Murad  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

Christine Andrysiak approached City Council at the last meeting to present findings of a shared service study.

The City hired Plante and Moran to conduct an inventory of the shared services they offer within Novi and surrounding communities.

Andrysiak, Plante and Moran consulting manager and Novi resident, described the City as "progressive" in comparison with other communities.

Novi is currently providing 100 shared service arrangements, which is worth \$1.5 million annually.

Other municipalities in the Novi area, communities in dispatch, which is currently provided for the City of South Lyon and Lyon Township.

"We are also exploring the possibility of sharing law enforcement services with Walled Lake," said City of Novi Mayor David Landry.

"Other services shared include various fire department resources, water and sewer, youth programs and school elections.

"The purpose of the study was not only to create a formal list of current shared services the City participates in, but to also identify additional shared service opportunities for the future."

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## Connect the path

■ City expands accessibility with walkways

By Chris Jackett  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

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The City of Novi has a vision of a connected community - connected via sidewalks to neighbors and businesses, making everything more accessible.

"Sidewalks are a great amenity that provides alternative transportation and links people to people," said Mark Spencer, city planner. "We've been wanting to provide a connection throughout the City since the 80s."

The City's "Pathway and Sidewalk Prioritization Analysis and Process" labels 127 potential sidewalk and pathway projects throughout the community, ranging in length from about one block to three miles.

A pathway is defined as an eight-foot bicycle path on the west side of most roads and a sidewalk is a five-foot pedestrian path on the east side of most roads.

The Analysis and Process grades various segments on a number of criteria, including

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## Fox Run opens new assisted living quarters at Novi complex

By Chris Jackett  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

Novi's economy and senior living facilities scored high marks on a day tradition fills with superstition and the fear of poor luck.

The Renaissance Gardens portion of Fox Run opened Friday 13th in front of a crowd of nearly 300 people. The new wing provides a sixth building for residents to live and opens up 50 new job positions resulting in more than 100 new employees.

"I've been told we're tempting

fate by opening on Friday the 13th," said Mike McCormick, executive director of Fox Run, who also noted the complex's overall grand opening was on Aug. 14, 2003, the same day of the blackout reaching from New York to Toronto.

The ceremony didn't encounter any other problems than a potted plant blown over by the wind, as Sens. Mike Bishop (R-Rochester) and Roger Kahn (R-Saginaw) were present alongside John Erickson, CEO and chairman of Erickson Retirement

Communities, and other complex, local and state officials.

The ceremony unveiled the first building of Renaissance Gardens, Rose Court, which consists of 110 skilled nursing care and 22 assisted living private rooms. This is the first assisted living facility on the Novi retirement campus.

"From more rooms will grow more hobbies and more activities and more friends," Erickson said.

A second clubhouse that will include a 240-seat performing arts auditorium, a salon spa, restaurant, pub area and a television sta-

tion, allowing residents to produce their own television shows, is also set to open next month across from Rose Court and host Fox Run's annual black tie gala on Aug. 25.

"They'll have a lot of jobs. They need a nursing staff, exercise, physical therapists. There's lots of education classes and people distributing pills. It'll all be one flat charge (for residents) too," said Barbara "The Candy Lady" Hohman, 85, who was the

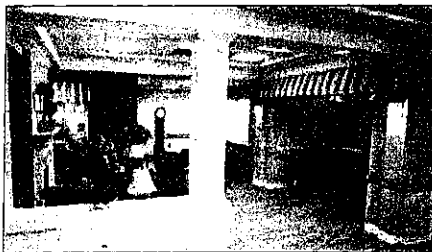


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Continued on 2A The interior of the Renaissance Gardens at Fox Run.

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• **FRIDAY**

Enjoy musicals? Check out Kids on Broadway at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. 10 Mile Rd., at 7:30 p.m. to see youngsters display their vocal abilities to music from "Sound of Music," "Annie" and "Peter Pan." This first show features children from Novi and surviving areas who completed a two-week theater camp. Future shows will be on Aug. 3 and Aug. 17. All tickets

cost \$5. Call (248) 347-0400 for more information on both the shows and camps.

• **SATURDAY**

Visit the 5th Avenue Ballroom, 25750 Novi Rd., to see The Killer Flamings perform an upbeat mix of rock and pop cover songs from the 80s to the present. Ranging from No Doubt to the Killers, the \$5 cover charge will get you in the door for the 10 p.m. show. Call 5th Avenue for more details at (248) 735-4011 or check out <http://www.fifthavenuebilliards.com> and <http://www.killerflamings.com>.



• **SUNDAY**

It wouldn't be summer without a good barbecue! The 11th Annual Michigan Translators/Interpreters Network Summer BBQ will be held at 46320 W. 10 Mile Rd. from 4-10 p.m. The community is invited and admission is free, but registration is required. The event will feature a moon bounce, ballet stretch session, ensemble performances and Swami Sam Tarot card readings in four languages. Register at [bb@suzukimycrs.com](mailto:bb@suzukimycrs.com), by calling (248) 344-0909 or by faxing (248) 344-0092.

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# MY BUSINESS

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## Names in the News

### Addition at Better Health

Better Health Stores is pleased to announce the addition of Mary Vandewiele as Affiliate Program Director and as minority owner of the chain. Vandewiele leads the team partnering with local MD's, Chiropractors, DO's and naturopaths to offer lower prices on nutritional, as well as serve as a referral service for holistic practitioners. Vandewiele has an extensive background in health, science education and marketing. Better Health is the area's largest locally owned Health Food Store with 12 Michigan locations serving greater Detroit, Ann Arbor and Lansing areas. The Better Health main store is located at 42875 Grand River in Novi.

### Fanning Howey announces promotions and new staff

The Board of Directors of Fanning/Howey Associates, Inc. promoted Theo Pappas, AIA from project manager to executive director and Gary Sherman, RA from project manager to operations manager. The Board also announced the hiring of Dr. James Edoff as educational planning and programming specialist.

Theo Pappas, AIA, joined the firm in 1999 and has extensive experience in designing educational and performing arts facilities. Since joining Fanning/Howey, he has worked extensively with clients such as Milan Area Schools, New Haven Community Schools, Olivet Community Schools and Romeo Community Schools.

Gary Sherman, RA, has more than 30 years experience in the architectural industry and directed projects totaling more than \$250 million in construction costs since joining the firm.

Dr. James Edoff is a 35-year veteran of the Michigan educational system, including 12 years as superintendent of Fitzgerald Public Schools.

Fanning/Howey is a full-service architectural/engineering firm focused on the planning and design of K-12, university/higher education and municipal projects.

### Panera Bread Honors Area Employees

Novi Panera Bread bakery-cafes locations are pleased to announce their 2007 Associates/Baker of the Year honorees.

The honorees and their locations are: Anna Gadzeva-Dzhogova of Wixom (Twelve Oaks Mall); Shannon Papez of

Novi (City Center Plaza); and Lori Todd of Livonia (City Center Plaza).

This year, Panera Bread is proud to honor a total of 56 individuals: 48 Associates of the Year; and eight Bakers of the Year. These distinctions are given by the Panera Bread management team to individuals that demonstrate a continued commitment to Panera's concept values. A special picnic was held in June to celebrate this year's honorees.

### Giuliani visits Novi

Republican presidential candidate Rudy Giuliani visited Rock Financial Showplace last Thursday, while on his campaign trail. The former New York mayor described his economic and trade goals while promising to give the United States a bigger role in the global marketplace.

### DMC Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital Names Nurse of the Year

DMC Huron Valley-Sinai

Hospital (HVSH) named Walled Lake resident Melissa Mayes RN, BSN, OCN, as the 2007 Nurse of the Year.

The Nurse of the Year Program was developed to encourage the recognition of the positive nursing performance.

The program is intended to distinguish and reward those nurses who exemplify clinical excellence in nursing care.

This is demonstrated by consistent appropriate performance, commitment to their nursing care, committee participation, Detroit Medical Center activities and to the institution as a whole.

Mayes works in the HVSH Charach Cancer Treatment Center (CCTC).

She regularly volunteers her time for specialty community programs offered by the CCTC such as National Cancer Survivor's Day, Play in Care and Cance to Care along with continuing her own professional growth by chairing the CCTC Nurse Practice Council.

She received her Bachelor of Science in Nursing from Madonna University in Livonia.

Prior to joining HVSH, she worked at Botsford Hospital, Metro Home Health Care and was a visiting home care nurse.

## Tower out of bankruptcy

By Chris Jackett  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

Tower Automotive is out of bankruptcy court protection after New York-based Cerberus Capital Management's purchase of the auto part manufacturer for \$1 billion was approved last week.

"The court approved the sale agreement and reorganization under Chapter 11 requirements," said Joe Kirik, spokesman for Tower Auto. "It's not a done deal yet, but it should be finalized by the end of the month."

The Novi-based company is one of the world's largest producers of vehicle frames and a critical supplier to Detroit and import car companies.

Tower adds to the private equity firm Cerberus' recent \$6.1 billion investment in Chrysler Group (owned by DaimlerChrysler), as well as majority stakes or ownership of GMAC Financial Services, Guilford Mills and Peguform Group. Guilford Mills is the largest automotive seating supplier in the United States and

Peguform Group is a German-based manufacturer of plastic parts used in automobiles.

Cerberus bought a controlling stake in General Motors Acceptance Corporation for \$1.4 billion last year and recently split partnership ties with bankrupt Troy-based auto parts supplier Delphi Corp., which did not influence the deal with Tower, according to Kirik.

"While the journey was difficult, we are pleased to have court approval of a plan that deals fairly and equitably with our various constituencies while allowing Tower to emerge as a much stronger, leaner, more agile company," said Kathleen Ligocki, Tower's president and CEO. "Now, backed by our new owners, who have clearly demonstrated their commitment to the auto industry, we look forward to focusing on profitable growth with our customers around the world."

Tower declared Chapter 11 bankruptcy in February 2005 with \$1.3 billion in debt. During that period of time, the company has closed, sold and

downsized 13 factories in five different countries. With four more recent U.S. closures, the remaining 12 factories all reside in the U.S., four in Michigan.

"There was some pretty extensive restructuring under the bankruptcy, but you're never done restructuring," Kirik said. "We're going to proceed and do a better job at doing an excellent job that's quality for customers."

Tower is working at improving its product through all parts and locations, among all 10,500 global employees. Of its 34 plants, 12 are in the U.S., 10 are in Europe, 10 are in Asia, primarily South Korea and China, and two are in Brazil.

"Now we have a well-balanced business model and the revenue is split evenly between North America, Europe and Asia," Kirik said. "If you want to compete globally, you have to be global."

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# MY NOVI PEOPLE



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## ENGAGEMENTS



**Cheaney-Arnold**  
Chris and Patti Cheaney of Novi announce the engagement of their daughter, Michelle Cheaney to James Arnold, son of Ken and Gerni Arnold of Commerce Township.

The bride-elect is a 2000 graduate of Northville High School, 2004 graduate of Michigan State University, and will soon receive a Master's of Business

Administration degree from the University of Michigan, Dearborn. She is currently employed as a buyer.

The groom-elect is a 2000 graduate of Waterford Kettering High School and 2005 graduate of Michigan State University. He is currently employed as an engineer.

A September 2 wedding is planned in Clarkston followed by a Hawaiian cruise honeymoon.

## BIRTHS



**Talan Cash Skiver**  
David and Jillian Skiver of Redford are proud to announce the birth of their son, Talan Cash Skiver on April 9 at Providence Hospital, Southfield. His birth weight was 7 pounds, 3 ounces. He joins big brother Hayden Michael, who is 4.

Proud grandparents are Michael and Susan Kellogg of Novi.

## OBITUARY



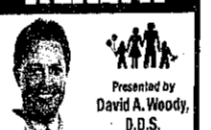
### JAMES L. BALAGNA

Age 88, July 14, 2007. Beloved husband of Ornella for 63 years. Dear father of James, John (Pam), Carolyn (Dennis) Bristol, David (Carrine), Susanne (Ed) Scloga, Diane (Jim) Tessmer, Joseph (Oris), Richard (Norma) and Marianne (Brian) Malarkey. Loving grandfather of 18 and great grandfather of 9. Brother of Marjorie Shultz and the late Laurence Balagna. Visitation at the O'Brien/Sullivan Funeral Home, 41555 Grand River, Novi, (248) 348-1800, Monday 5-9PM & Tuesday 1-9PM. Third Order of Mary Rosary Tuesday at 8:00PM and Scripture Services Tuesday at 7:30PM. Instate at Holy Family Church, 24505 Meadowbrook Rd, Novi Wednesday at 9:30AM until the Funeral Liturgy at 10:30AM. Interment Great Lakes National Cemetery, Holy, MI. Donations in James' memory can be made to the Third Order of Mary Marist Mission 29 Isabella Street Boston, MA, 02116-5216. On line sympathy message at, [www.obitcentral.com/funeralhome.com](http://www.obitcentral.com/funeralhome.com)

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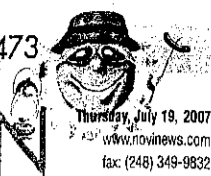
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# MY PARKS & RECREATION



## Broadway-bound children take to the stage in song

By Chris Jackett  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

The next generation of budding Broadway stars are on their way, starting with tomorrow's Kids on Broadway performance at the Novi Civic Center.

The culmination of a two-week camp, the show will feature children 7-12 singing, dancing and even doing a little "improv" work to famous tunes from "Sound of Music," "Annie," "Oliver," "Peter Pan," "Grease" and "Chorus Line."

"It's like a Broadway revue with songs everyone will recognize," said Debbie Lannen, Novi's performing arts coordinator and artistic director. "All the kids know 'High School Musical,' but not 'Grease' or 'Chorus Line,' where some of that staff originated."

Theatre education coordinator Lauren Sorrentino described it as a "journey through the history of Broadway," featuring snippets from 60 shows from "Showboat" to "Phantom of the Opera" over the course of an hour.

The show, which begins at 7:30 p.m., will feature 32 children from Novi, Northville, Hudsonville, Belleville and Commerce Township. Tickets cost \$5, a decrease from last year's \$18, and can be purchased in advance through the Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department or at the door before the show.

"It's known around in the state of Michigan, so people come to the area. There's a ton of summer camps around (but these kids choose ours for theatre)," Lannen said.

The 32 participants is a change from the previous format of about 100 performers, as result of the program's expansion.

Last year, the show featured about 100 children, 7-18, who went through one five-week camp meeting three times a week to learn singing, dancing and acting lessons and rehearsal for the show.

This year, the program has added improv workshops to the lesson plan and expanded to three two-week camps to produce three shows. The first camp, which began July 9, accepted children 7-12. The second camp, from July 23 to Aug. 3, will feature children 13-18 and the final "encore" camp will feature children 7-18 from Aug. 6-17. The final day of each camp is when the Kids on Broadway show takes place.

"Some [children] have come before, but they're really excited now because they get bigger parts in the show," Lannen said of the shows' split into two age groups. "A couple of really young ones are getting solo lines. It helps build confidence and do more because they're not getting lost in the crowd."

The two upcoming camps still have spots available and registration will be ongoing until each camp begins. There will be a registration table at the July 20 show.

"It's fun. Kids are having a blast and it gives them something to do. It's a bargain that's rare to get this kind of training," Lannen said, noting that some of her staff members have been involved in theatre for more than 30 years.

Sorrentino is the overall coordinator, working full-time as Lannen's assistant and using her bachelor's degree in teaching theatre and English from Western Michigan University to teach the children acting and improv material.

Olivia Ferguson uses her

### Registration for Kids on Broadway

Children can sign up any time at the Novi Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. 10 Mile Rd., or by calling (248) 347-0400.

### Kids on Broadway

Who: Kids on Broadway  
What: Musical Theater Performance

When: 7:30 p.m. Friday, July 20

Where: Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. 10 Mile Rd.

How Much: \$5 tickets at the door or in advance through the Novi Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department by calling (248) 347-0400.

background as a vocal and instrumental music student at Michigan State University to teach the song and music portions of the camps.

Elaine Buck, who owns the Performing Arts Academy in the Novi Ice Arena, rounds out the group with her 30 years of experience as a choreographer and dance instructor of ballet, tap, jazz, lyrical and pointe styles.

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## Pittao pretrial rescheduled

**Novi man awaits day in county court following murder charges**

By Chris Jackett  
NEWS STAFF WRITER

Bound from wrist to ankle in long-chained handcuffs, Daniel Pittao sat in an orange jumpsuit in the seats usually reserved for a jury panel, awaiting his pretrial in a homicide case.

Pittao is charged with the murder of his wife, Tamara, on Thanksgiving Day 1997 in their Novi apartment.

Among an overflowing room of spectators, attorneys met with Judge Michael Warren at the Oakland County Circuit Court in Pontiac last Thursday to begin Pittao's pretrial.

But the pretrial didn't get much further than clarifying future hearing dates, and was rescheduled for August 16.

The attorneys were also set to meet in court yesterday for a motion for bond reduction, said County Assistant Prosecutor Gregory Townsend.

A current Highland Park resident, Pittao plead not guilty to the count and has been held without bond since March.



File photo by JOHN HEIDER/Novi News

Led in by his former defense attorney Gregory Rohl, left, Dan Pittao enters the courtroom of 52-1 District Court Judge Brian MacKenzie at the pretrial exam for the murder of his wife Tamara. He now awaits his pretrial in Oakland County Circuit Court.

## Police Briefs

### A lawn job is no joke

According to a recent police report, an unknown suspect(s) drove over the lawn, damaging trees and flowers and plastic wrapped a truck in the driveway on Stratford Lane between Nine Mile and Beck roads.

An officer approached the residents of the property after driving by and noticing the tire tracks and damage done to the lawn, reports said.

Allegedly, the resident was unaware of the damage to her property, but said she was going to wake up her son to find out if he knew who did it because it wasn't funny.

The police report estimated that four boxes of Saran Wrap were used to cover the truck.

The suspect(s) may have been driving a black vehicle because two pieces of black plastic were found where the vehicle hit the tree.

\$3,000 worth of equipment was stolen, reports said.

According to the police report, the incident occurred between June 23 and July 7.

Allegedly, the lock was broken off the box truck and the suspect(s) stole a generator, water pump and tool box containing about 500 items.

The police report stated that a bull-dozer had been parked behind the box truck to keep someone from breaking into the truck, apparently that security system was ineffective.

### Busted again

A woman who was previously convicted of an OWI in Clinton Township was arrested for another around midnight July 9, reports said.

An officer was heading southbound on Novi Road when the woman, exiting the drive of a bar, pulled out in front of the officer onto northbound Novi Road. According to the police report, the officer had to brake suddenly to avoid a collision.

The officer pulled the woman over and asked for her driver's

license, registration and proof of insurance. Allegedly, the woman handed the officer a credit card at first, and then eventually gave him her driver's license, but not registration or proof of insurance.

According to police reports, the officer smelled an odor of intoxicants and proceeded to conduct field sobriety tests.

Allegedly, the woman was swaying and lost her balance several times. She was given a preliminary breath test and her blood alcohol concentration was .145 percent.

### Purse-snatcher

A woman's Coach purse was stolen from Lucky's in Fountain Walk between 10:30 and 11 p.m. July 7, reports said.

According to the police report, the woman was unsure if the purse was stolen from the women's bathroom or near the air hockey table.

Allegedly, her Samsung cellular telephone; car and house keys; wallet containing \$80; \$200 worth of gift cards; and driver's license were stolen along with the black leather purse.

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**Exact Science**  
Ajay Chandrasekaram, 11, peers into a microscope at the Novi Public Library during a visit by the Ann Arbor Hands-on Museum. Kids took part in a CSI-like investigation that day, trying to solve a fictional murder by analyzing handwriting, fiber and "blood" samples.

## On Campus

### Northwood University

Michael Hattiak, a senior and son of Michael Hattiak of Zeland and Debbie Hattiak of Novi, earned a second place award during the 41st Annual National Leadership Conference of Business Professionals of America in New York in May.

Ann M. Nelson, daughter of Arthur and Marianne Nelson of Novi, and Stephen D. Rabish, son of Dan and Frances Rabish of Walled Lake, were both named to the Dean's List for spring semester at Northwood University.

Culture Studies; Norman A. Nazarov of Novi earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Science; Matthew T. Nielsen earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Biomedical Engineering; Derek R. Betero of Wixom earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering; and Kiel D. Vandervel of Wixom earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Mechanical Engineering.

for the spring semester: Mark Eberline and Katelyn Tuck. **Spring Arbor University**

The following students have been named to the Dean's List for the spring semester: Victoria Hong of Novi, daughter of Randy and Heather Hong; and Stephanie Ling of Wixom, daughter of Donald and Lorna Ling.

### The College of Wooster

Kristen Svek, a junior studio art major from South Lyon, and Scott Smith, a freshman from Novi, were both named to the Dean's List for the spring semester at The College of Wooster in Wooster, Ohio. Both are graduates of Novi High School.

**Valparaiso University**

Karen Ann Janik, daughter of Chris and Nancy Janik of Novi, graduated Magna Cum Laude with a Bachelor's in Music Education from Valparaiso University, Ind., in May.

### Michigan Technological University

The following students graduated from Michigan Technological University during spring commencement ceremonies on May 5: Michael R. Bergeson of Novi earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemical Engineering; Anna L. Cynar of Novi earned a Bachelor of Arts degree, Cum Laude, in Communication and

### Bowling Green State University

Celeste Brittany Greer of Novi has been named to the Dean's List for the spring semester. She is the daughter of Martin and Dale Greer.

**Central Michigan University**

Central Michigan has named the following students from Novi to their Honors List for the Spring semester: Torisa Azevedo, Frederick L. Baker, Laura Shell Bowditch, Bradley D. Clois, Katharine Jo Colacino, Jonathan T. Drew, Jessica E. Felwick, Brittany K. Filippis, Ivan B. Gabo, Eric M. Hayes, Michael A. Kowalski, Zachary J. Penn, Eric M. Schlusker, Laura J. Shanoski, Scott A. Sattmeyer, Shawn Welting, Kari L. Yachsch.

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**SPORTS SPOTLIGHT: ALL-AREA TENNIS**

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**Kondapi rockets into state finals**

**Novi's No. 4 singles player finishes runner-up**

By Jeff Theisen  
 NEWS SPORTS WRITER

Novi's sophomore tennis player Goutham Kondapi could be counted on to reach the finals in every tournament he played in.

Kondapi's tournament streak ended at the state tournament. He made it to the finals before falling to No. 1 seed Eric Hubbard of Ann Arbor Pioneer.

Kondapi, 27-3 at No. 4 singles, won the West Bloomfield, Novi, KVC and regional tournaments.

"He's come a long ways. He played in doubles last year," Novi head coach Jim Hanson said. "He's just worked hard on his game and it showed."

"This is only the second (Novi boy) ever to make it to the state finals."

Hanson said balance is the key to Kondapi's game.

"He's a very consistent kid," Hanson said. "I think the thing that elevated him from his freshman year to his sophomore year is his foot speed, court coverage. He's a very competitive player."

With two singles players graduating above him, Kondapi will take a step up.

"Goutham's role will be a little different next year," Hanson said. "He's going to find tougher competition, but I think he's up for the challenge."

**First Team**

The rest of the Novi-singles players also bounce into the All-Area First Team — No. 1 singles player Vivek Athalye, Mani Mahadevan at No. 2 and Roshan Ramchandran at No. 3.

Athalye always faced the opponents best player and still managed to rack up a 16-7 record. He was part of the Novi team sweep for the KVC title.

"Vivek is one of the best players we've ever had here," Hanson said. "The Michigan High School Tennis Coaches Association recognized him as All-State. That's the highest honor you can get."

Mahadevan suffered an injury during the season, but still managed a 15-10 record and made it to the regional quarterfinals.

"Mani played steady. He had some good wins," Hanson said.

Ramchandran finished his Wildcat career with a 22-6 record at No. 3 singles. He won his flight at regionals and made it to the state quarterfinals.

"He played four years on varsity in the singles lineup. He's one of the best players that we've had the last four years," Hanson said of Ramchandran. "He had a truly outstanding year."

The Wildcat doubles combinations of Ryan Bell and Adam Doster at No. 1 and Ryan Goodman and Kevin Lai at No. 2 also made the All-Area First Team.

Bell and Doster finish the year with a 21-6 record.

"No. 1 doubles was an outstanding doubles team," Hanson said.

Goodman and Lai racked up an impressive 25-2 record, wins in the West Bloomfield.

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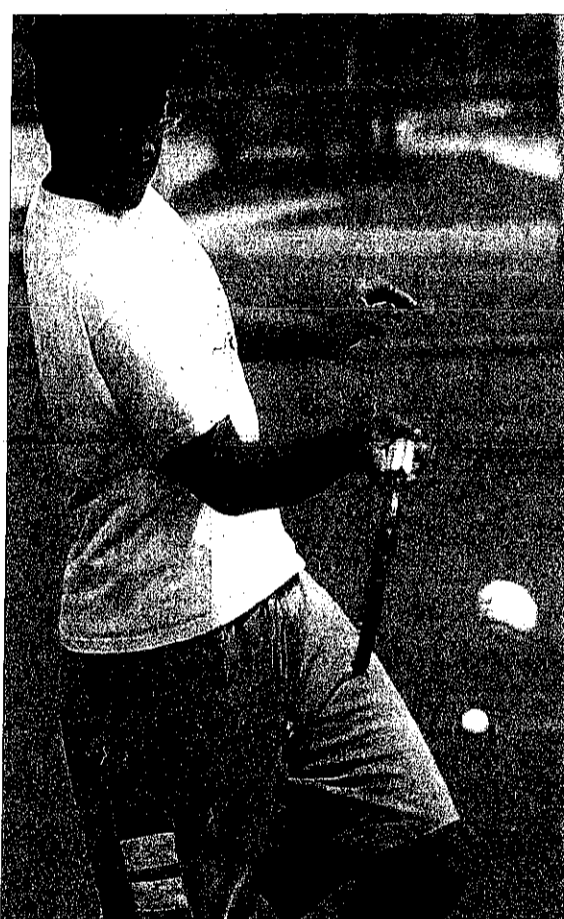


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Novi's Goutham Kondapi finished runner-up at state for No. 4 singles.

**All-Area Tennis**

<p><b>Player of the Year</b>                  Goutham Kondapi, Novi junior</p> <p><b>First Team</b>                  Vivek Athalye, Novi senior                  Mani Mahadevan, Novi senior                  Roshan Ramchandran, Novi senior                  Ryan Bell, Novi senior                  Adam Doster, Novi senior                  Ryan Goodman, Novi senior                  Kevin Lai, Novi senior</p> <p><b>Second Team</b>                  [Names are too small to read]</p>	<p><b>Player of the Year</b>                  Pat Nemes, Catholic Central senior</p> <p><b>First Team</b>                  Connor Bush, CC senior                  Ryan Cebula, CC senior                  Justin Burgin, CC senior                  Clay Engel, Northville senior                  Patrick Larabell, Northville sr.                  Alex Thurman, Northville junior                  Eric Hepler, Novi senior                  George Riegel, Novi junior                  Craig Howell, Novi junior                  Travis Blackledge, Novi senior                  Nick Zaroya, Novi senior                  Matt Beemer, South Lyon jr.                  Chad Wright, South Lyon sr.                  Andrew Behrend, Huron Valley senior</p> <p><b>Second Team</b>                  Nick Garry, CC senior                  Chris Maly, CC senior                  Matt Aubrey, CC junior</p>
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Catholic Central senior Pat Nemes is the 2007 All-Area Player of the Year for lacrosse.

**All-American for 2nd time**

**CC's Nemes leads team to state finals**

By Jeff Theisen  
 NEWS SPORTS WRITER

Catholic Central's Pat Nemes finished his Shamrock lacrosse career with his second straight All-American honor.

Nemes, a senior attackman, racked up 50 goals and 37 assists for Division I state runner up Catholic Central.

"He's a pretty complete player. He can go left or right," Catholic Central head coach

Dave Wilson said. "He shoots hard. He's great at ground balls."

Other teams were sure to load up defensively against him, but Nemes still found ways to get the job done.

Wilson said in practice they would throw different strategies against him, but things could be different during the game, and Nemes would change on the fly to figure out a way to score or pass to an open teammate.

Nemes isn't a rah-rah guy. He prefers to lead by example, but what he does on the field and at practice shows why he's one of the best players in the state.

"He has a tremendous work ethic," Wilson said. "Other players

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**All-Area Lacrosse**

**Player of the Year**

Pat Nemes, CC senior

**First Team**

- Connor Bush, CC senior
- Ryan Cebula, CC senior
- Justin Burgin, CC senior
- Clay Engel, Northville senior
- Patrick Larabell, Northville sr.
- Alex Thurman, Northville junior
- Eric Hepler, Novi senior
- George Riegel, Novi junior
- Craig Howell, Novi junior
- Travis Blackledge, Novi senior
- Nick Zaroya, Novi senior
- Matt Beemer, South Lyon jr.
- Chad Wright, South Lyon sr.
- Andrew Behrend, Huron Valley senior

**Second Team**

- Nick Garry, CC senior
- Chris Maly, CC senior
- Matt Aubrey, CC junior

**Brad Janer, CC junior**

- Kyle Zlomek, Northville senior
- Neal Gallagher, Northville sr.
- Matt Zielke, Northville junior
- Andrew Lamoureux, Northville sophomore
- Tyler Corcoran, South Lyon sophomore
- Nick Dirado, South Lyon so.
- Dylan Pesch, South Lyon so.
- Chase Lundin, Huron Valley senior
- Brett VandenBusche, Huron Valley senior
- Trevor Pettrill, Huron Valley senior

**Honorable Mention**

- Jake Marmut, CC senior
- Kyle Kaminsky, South Lyon junior
- Andrew Connelly, Huron Valley junior

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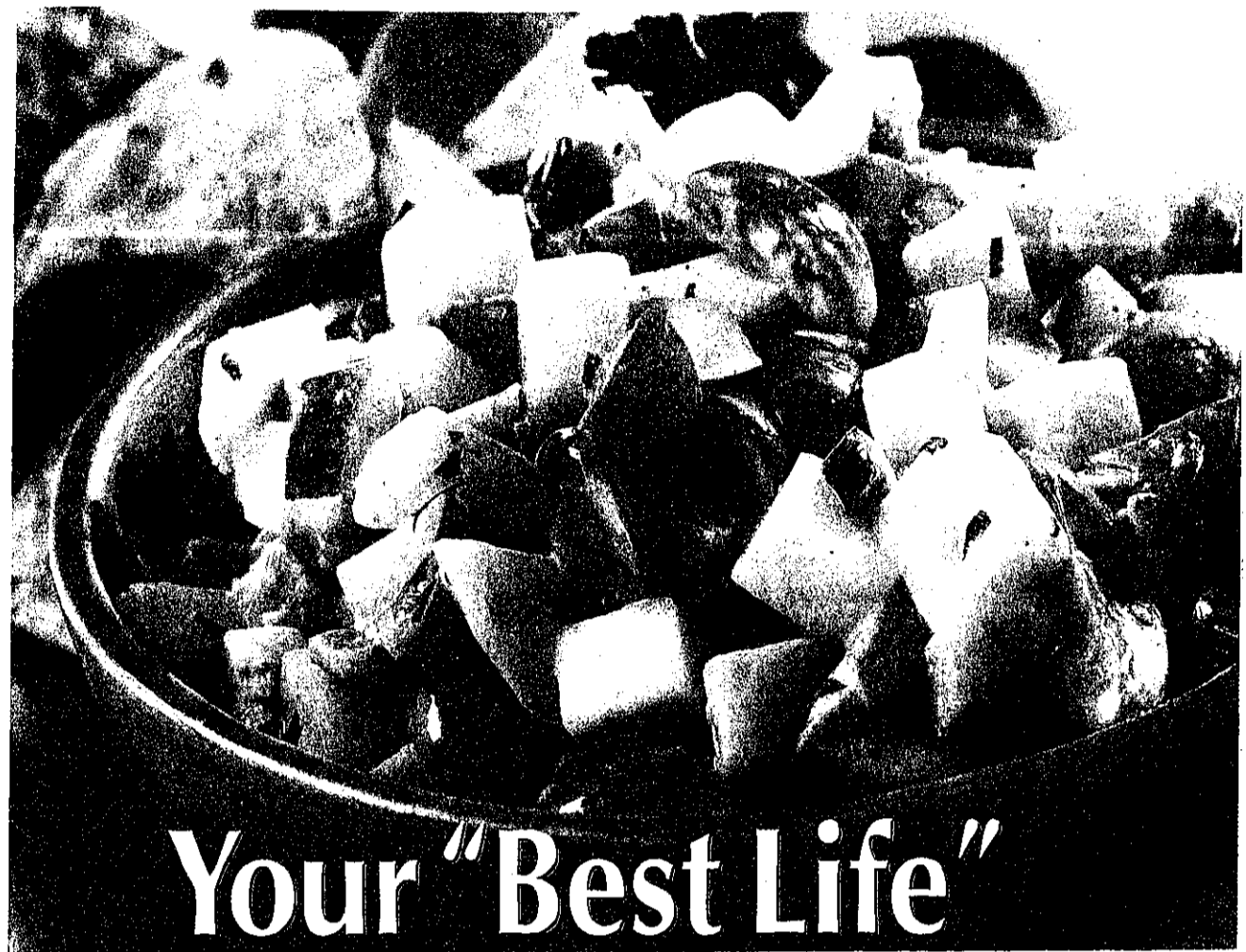


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## Your "Best Life" Within Reach

### Creamy Mango Salsa With Light Mayonnaise

Makes: 4 servings  
Prep Time: 10 minutes

- 1/4 cup Hellmann's or Best Foods Light Mayonnaise
- 1 tablespoon lime juice
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cumin
- 2 cups quartered grape tomatoes or cherry tomatoes
- 1 medium ripe mango, peeled and chopped
- 1/2 cup chopped red onion
- 1 medium jalapeño pepper, finely chopped (optional)
- 1 teaspoon chopped fresh cilantro (optional)

In medium bowl, blend mayonnaise, lime juice and cumin. Stir in remaining ingredients. Serve with corn chips, if desired.

(This recipe is also terrific with Hellmann's or Best Foods Canola Real Mayonnaise or Hellmann's or Best Foods Real Mayonnaise.)

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**Nutrients per serving:** 100 calories, 45 calories from fat, 0.5g saturated fat, 0g trans fat, 5g total fat, 5mg cholesterol, 125mg sodium, 15g total carbohydrate, 11g sugars, 2g dietary fiber, 1g protein, 20% vitamin A, 45% vitamin C, 2% calcium

### Tea-Scented Couscous

Makes: 6 servings  
Prep Time: 10 minutes  
Brew Time: 5 minutes  
Cook Time: 10 minutes

- 1 14.5-ounce can chicken broth
- 1/2 cup water
- 3 Lipton Green Tea with Mandarin Orange Flavor Pyramid Tea Bags
- 1 10-ounce box couscous
- 1/2 cup golden raisins
- 1 tablespoon Bertolli Classico Olive Oil
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 2 green onions, sliced
- 1/3 cup toasted sliced almonds

In 2-1/2-quart saucepan, bring broth and water to a boil over high heat. Remove from heat. Add tea bags; cover and brew 5 minutes. Remove tea bags and squeeze. Stir in couscous, raisins, olive oil and salt. Cover and let stand 5 minutes. Just before serving, stir in green onions and almonds.

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**Nutrients per serving:** 280 calories, 50 calories from fat, 0.5g saturated fat, 0g trans fat, 5g total fat, 0mg cholesterol, 350mg sodium, 49g total carbohydrate, 0g sugars, 4g dietary fiber, 8g protein, 2% vitamin A, 2% vitamin C, 4% calcium, 6% iron

## CROWD PLEASING Meals

**I** doesn't matter what time of day it is, someone in the family is always hungry. When you need a quick, easy and delicious meal that will always deliver, use convenience foods to help you make breakfast, lunch and dinner your family will love.

**Multi-task** — Consider ingredients that can be used in more than one dish. For breakfast, *Hungry Jack* Pancake mixes and syrup make delicious pancakes, but also try using them to whip up waffles, crepes and desserts. In addition to the traditional preparation, *Hungry Jack* Mashed or Easy Mash'd Potatoes can be used to make delicious breads, soups and cakes.

**Spite Up Your Meal** — By adding just a few extra special ingredients you can turn an ordinary meal into something special. Add meat, vegetables or cheese to your *Hungry Jack* Casserole Potatoes. Or, for mashed potatoes, stir in extra ingredients after cooking for added flavor, such as grated Parmesan cheese, shredded cheddar cheese, crumbled cooked bacon, sour cream, corn or french-fried onions.

**Make the Most of Leftovers** — Have pancakes for dinner or add your favorite toppings and make them sundaes for dessert. Use extra potatoes from dinner to make a potato salad for lunch.

**Be Creative** — Whether you are hosting a party or just feeding the family, make your meal a special event by decorating the table or creating a themed recipe evening. Let the kids get creative by decorating their food. Create a football field out of waffles or use shaped molds to form whimsical pancakes.

**Make Mealtime Family Time** — Create memories and great times in the kitchen by encouraging the whole family to help with everything from stirring to decorating and tasting.

For more delicious meal ideas and cooking tips, visit [www.hungryjack.com](http://www.hungryjack.com).



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This summer you can submit an entry on how *Hungry Jack* is always a crowd pleaser at your table for a chance to win five groceries and gas for a year. Watch for the contest at [www.hungryjack.com](http://www.hungryjack.com).

### Chocolate Chip Coffeecake

Prep Time: 12 minutes  
Ready In: 45 minutes  
Servings: 16 biscuits

- 2-1/2 cups *Hungry Jack* Buttermilk Pancake and Waffle Mix (Do Not Add Water)
- 1/3 cup sugar
- 1/2 cup miniature semi-sweet chocolate chips
- 1/2 cup water
- 1/2 cup sour cream
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract

### Topping

- 1/4 cup sugar
- 1/4 cup finely chopped walnuts
- 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon

Heat oven to 375°F. For coffee cake, spray an 8- or 9-inch square pan with nonstick spray. Combine pancake mix, sugar and chocolate chips in medium bowl; stir until just mixed. Add water, sour cream and vanilla; blend well. Using an ice cream scoop, shape dough into 16 2-inch dough balls. Place balls in 4 rows of 4 each in prepared pan.

For topping, combine sugar, walnuts and cinnamon in small bowl; mix well. Sprinkle topping over dough.

Bake 24 to 26 minutes or until golden brown. Cool 10 minutes before serving. Serve warm.

**High-altitude directions:** Add 1/4 cup flour to dry pancake mix. Bake as directed above.

### Crispy Buffalo Wings

Prep Time: 10 minutes  
Ready In: 1 hour  
Servings: about 3 dozen wings

- Crisco® No-Stick Cooking Spray
- 1 stick melted butter
- 1 5-ounce bottle cayenne pepper sauce
- 1 teaspoon celery seed, optional
- 1 1/2 cups *Hungry Jack* Potato Flakes
- 2 pounds chicken wings, rinsed and dried

### Preheat oven to 425°F. Line sheet pan with foil. Spray with nonstick spray.

Combine butter, cayenne sauce and celery seed, if desired, in shallow microwave-safe dish. Cook cayenne sauce on high (100 percent power), 45 to 60 seconds or until butter is melted.

Blend ingredients well with fork. Reserve 1/2 cup sauce. Place potato flakes in another shallow bowl. Dip chicken into cayenne sauce; roll in potato flakes. Gently pat potato flakes onto chicken. Place wings on prepared sheet pan. If desired, wings can be covered and refrigerated several hours.

Just before baking, drizzle wings evenly with remaining cayenne sauce. Bake uncovered 40 to 45 minutes or until juices run clear when meat is pierced with a fork.

### Italian Garden Pizza

Prep Time: 22 minutes  
Ready In: 12 minutes  
Servings: 8

- 1 4.9-ounce package *Hungry Jack* Creamy Onion with Chive Potatoes
- 1 thin and crispy prepared pizza crust
- 5 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil, divided
- 1 0.5-ounce packet pesto sauce mix
- 2 ounces pepperoni slices (about 30 slices), optional
- 1-3/4 cups (8 ounces) Mozzarella and Asiago with Roasted Garlic Shredded Cheese, divided
- 1/2 cup chopped green peppers
- 1/2 cup sliced scallions
- 3 roma tomatoes, sliced

### Prep potatoes according to package directions. Cool pizza crust with 2 tablespoons olive oil. Combine pesto sauce mix with remaining olive oil.

Spread potatoes evenly over crust. Drizzle with pesto mixture. Top with pepperoni, if desired.

Reserve 1/2 cup cheese; sprinkle 1-1/4 cups cheese over pizza. Top with green peppers, scallions, tomatoes and remaining cheese. Bake 12 to 14 minutes or until cheese is bubbly and golden brown.

### Cheddar and Bacon Smashed Potatoes

Prep Time: 5 minutes / Ready In: 25 minutes / Servings: 10 (1/2-cup)

- 2-1/2 cups water
- 5 tablespoons butter
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup heavy cream, light cream or milk
- 1 4.9-ounce package *Hungry Jack* Cheddar and Bacon Potatoes Potato Flakes
- 1/3 cup crumbled cooked bacon (about 4 slices), if desired

Combine water, butter, salt, cream, potato sauce mix and potato flakes in 3-quart saucepan; stir.

Heat to boiling; reduce heat to low and cover. Simmer 12 to 15 minutes, stirring occasionally, until potatoes are tender. Remove from heat.

Add potato flakes and additional bacon, if desired. Stir with wooden spoon just until potato flakes are incorporated. Serve immediately.

