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Leap of the MEAP

Fourth grade test scores are up

■ Three elementary schools showed 14.7 percent increase in reading scores.

By STEPHANIE FORDYCE Staff Writer

This year's Michigan Education Assessment Program scores in reading and math have been tallied and the result is that the Novi School District is continuing its success in education.

Overall, fourth graders in the district rose 7.4 percent in reading and one percent in math, compared with last year's results. The percentage indicates the

number of students who received a satisfactory score. With the exception of Parkview, the elementary schools' scores demonstrated an exceptional percentage increase in reading, with Novi Woods, Orchard Hills, and Village Oaks averaging a 14.7 percent rise. "We feel very good about the showing," said Super-

intendent of Instruction Dr. Rita Traynor. "We have maintained a high average across the district and within the Oakland and tri-county area. We are very proud of our students."

All the elementary schools maintained a high percentage in both subjects, especially math.

The MEAP test was administered to fourth and seventh grade students last winter.

The tests measure whether a student has met learning goals in all general subject areas.

Percentages from the fifth and eighth grade MEAP tests in science, social studies and writing are set to be released later this summer.

When comparing fourth and seventh grade averages with the state, the district's scores prove significantly

The MEAP's math assessment includes one sixminute section and two longer untimed sections.

The reading portion of the test has two parts: one that includes a piece of fiction and the other an informational reading piece. Traditionally the informative section is taken from a social studies book. Both pieces are followed by a set of roughly 60 questions pertaining to each.

There was a stronger performance this year across the board on the informational at all levels, which indicates that this area is being addressed strongly by

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4th Grade 95.0 90.1 Orchard Hills 75.6 Village Oaks 77.3 96.6 94.3 93.1 Novi Woods 70.1 92.5 78.9 94.4 District average 85.9 78.5 95.4 State average 58.2 74.8 71,7 7th Grade 66.0 80.0 85.1 State average 48.4 62.8

MEAP Scores

Century's first NHS grads

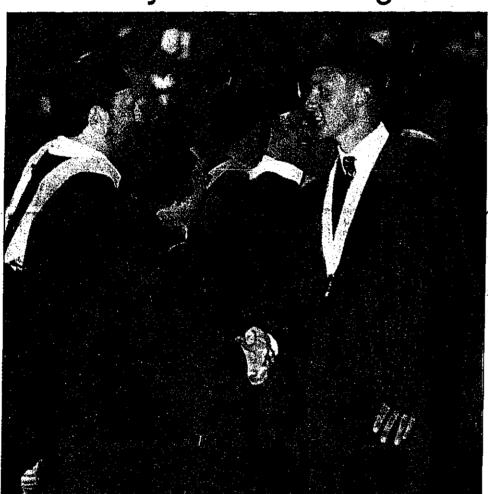


Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Middle School Principal Milan Obrenovich congratulates new graduate Adam Borashko.

352 Wildcats race into millennium

By STEPHANIE FORDYCE Staff Writer

With the turn of their tassels, the Novi High School Class of 2000 said good-bye to high school and hello to the future.

Held at the Compuware Arena in Plymouth on June 10, proud families, friends, and school officials looked on as 352 graduates received their

You have represented your school, your community, and yourselves with dignity and class," Novi High School principal Dr. Jennifer Cheal told her seniors. "And even though you will leave us today. you will be leaving a wonderful part of you behind." Graduate Lem Gilmer, 17, said although he has

some wonderful memories of Novi High School, he was very glad to have finished this level of his edu-

"I'm looking forward to starting my life," he said. Gilmer will attend Michigan State University, where he will major in business.

Gilmer's friend and future MSU roommate, Mike Lee, said he too was thrilled and relieved about the momentous accomplishment.

"High school was a great experience." he said. "I made a lot of good friends and enjoyed a lot of fun activities, but it's time for us to move on." During the commencement ceremony, the senior

class officers each gave speeches reminiscing about

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Stepson faces trial in kicking death of Willowbrook resident

■ William Olsen will stand trial on open murder charges in the death of Thomas Tuttle.

RANDAL YAKEY

At first, Thomas J. Tuttle, 70. opened his McMahon Circle home to his troubled stepson, who referred to him lovingly as "Dad."

Then, he wanted him out, Now, police say William Anthony Olsen, 38, brutally kicked his steplather in the abdomen, resulting in Tuttle's death.

Olsen is facing the rest of his life

in prison after prosecutors in a June 7 preliminary examination outlined how he allegedly, after the assault, left Tuttle lying on the floor of his bedroom for seven hours before calling 911.

Prosecutors say these actions resulted in Tuttle's death.

Novi 52-1 District Court Judge Brian MacKenzie ordered Olsen to stand trial in Oakland County Circuit Court on the open murder count, but asked the prosecutor's office to consider a second degree murder charge.

Novi Police filed murder charges against Oisen in May. Olsen was arrested less than a week later in Santa Barbara, Calif., after police

spotted him attempting to hide behind a tree. Novi police got a tip that Olsen was in California after he had been seen in the Hollywood district of Los Angeles.

On December 21, Olsen and Tuttle apparently fought about Olsen's refusal to leave the residence.

"It's an incident of passion and hot blood," said Defense Attorney Michael McCarthy. "He (Tuttle) had problems with

his heart that he wasn't getting treatment for." But Assistant Oakland County Prosecutor John Skrzynski said Olsen was aware of his stepfather's

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City hall puts pedal to metal for road bond

■ What would you want on a new road bond? The city seeks input from residents.

By RANDAL YAKEY

Cough, Cough.

It's not the sounds of a summer cold, oh no. It's the sound of Novi residents being asked to cough up money for the road repairs, possibly this November with a road bond

last week's meeting After between city officials, the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) and the Road Commission for Oakland County (RCOC), Novi City Manager Richard Helwig made it clear that the city needs to complete the road projects or face serious problems in the future. Helwig is hoping that a new bond issue placed before the city residents would be successful. Last year, 53 percent of the voters trounced a \$28.5 million road bond issue.

"We need to unify as a community if we have any chance at all to play catch up and that is all we are trying to do. We're not getting caught up. We're not getting ahead." Helwig said.

"We are behind folks, we are seriously behind. If this doesn't happen, this community could cave "If this doesn't happen, this community could

> Richard Helwig, Novi City Manager

Helwig, who took over the city manager's post this past April. has made road improvement a priority and will make a play for a road bond issue this fall.

"I think what is before the (city) council and the community at large is to get the best input we can at the grassroots level, particularly given the defeat of the road bond issue last fall," Helwig said.

He said city officials will be meeting with neighborhood focus groups over the next 30 to 45 days to hear from residents what road work tops their priority lists.

"We'll give all that to the city council in the later part of July of the later part of August so they can decide what could go in front of the voters this fall, if that is their choice," Helwig said.

The city manager said that the

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All-Star game debuts next week

HomeTown Newspapers is proud to present the 2000 East/West All-Star

Baseball and Softball Games on Thursday. June 22, 2000. The games will pit the top senior players from the East (Northville, Novi, South Lyon, Milford and Lakeland) against those from the West (Brighton, Hartland, Pinckney, Howell and Fowlerville).

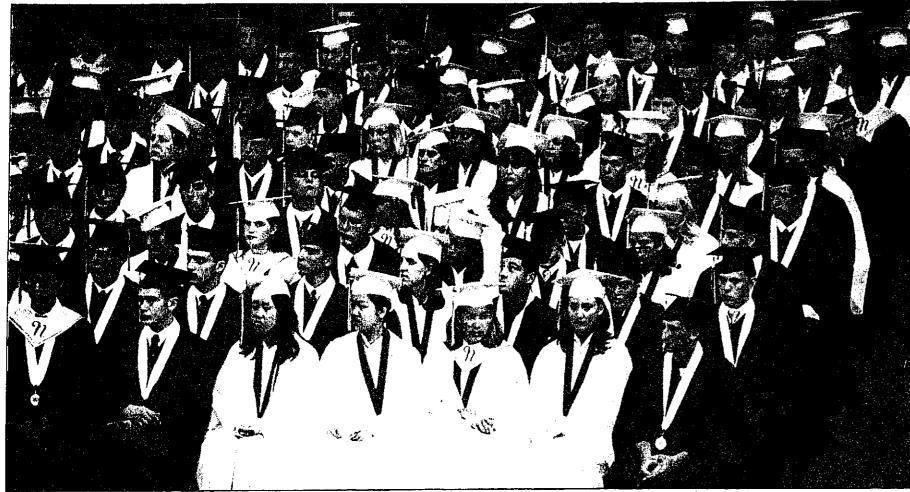
Both games will be played at Brighton High School with the softball game beginning at 2 p.m. and the Baseball immediately following with a 4 p.m. first

HomeTown will also be sponsoring a skills competition on Wednesday. June 21, beginning at 6 p.m. at Brighton High School. Competitions for varsity baseball players will include a home run litting contest as well as throwing accuracy and fastest pitcher competitions.

On the softball side, there will be a hitting contest as well as a fastest pitcher competition for all varsity athletes.

For information about the games, turn to page B-1

Ready for the world: Novi High's Class of 2000



Novi High School graduates take their seats at Plymouth's Compuware Arena Saturday evening, June 10, to receive their diplomas



the stage at Compuware to receive her diploma Saturday night.

Photos by John Heider

After picking up those diplomas on June 10, the first Novi High School graduating class of the new millennium participated in the Senior All-

Beginning at 10 p.m. after graduation, the seniors enjoyed fun, food, and entertainment in a Wizard of Oz set-

With an Emerald City casino, laser tag, air-brush tattoo artist, and "star struck", which allowed the graduates to make their own music video, the fully volunteer-supported event was a huge hit.

At right: Students pause along the "Yellow Brick Road" during Saturday's All-Night Senior Party at Novi High School

The "flowers" that lined the road, contained photographs of Novi High School 2000 graduates when they

At far right: Matt Burtch, top, seems to be getting the better of Andy Wilson as the two sumo wrestle during Saturday night's All-night Senior Party at Novi High School.

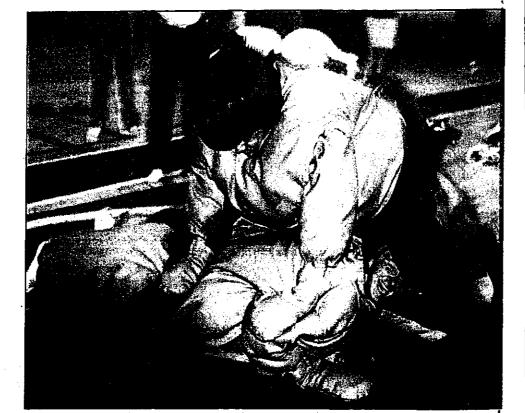




At left:Chloe Clark hugs a Novi School District administrator after receiving her sheepskin during Saturday night's commencement at Compuware Arena.

Above: After four years of hard work, Dan Kittle prepares to receive his diploma from Novi High School.





Novi 8th graders move forward

Embarking into the unknown youngest," he said. can be both scary and exciting say Novi Middle School eighth graders. graders will have older siblings Next fall, these students will be facing new challenges and new sur-next year, they weren't quite sure if

here at the middle school, but I'm brothers there," Slovan said. "One also really looking forward to will be a junior and the other a

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Slovan and Terry Welsh walk into high school in the fall.

"I don't think you have as much sforduce@ht.homecomm.ne

have been extremely positive.

What a day

Floral Zang and Ashleigh Evans compete in a team relay event during Orchard

Hills Elementary's field day activities Monday morning at Maybury State Park.



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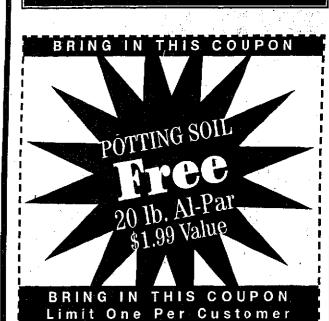




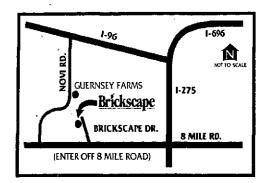
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Walled Lake School Board

The Walled Lake School Board meets at 7:30 p.m. in the Educational Bervices Center. Board of Education Room, 850 Ladd Road, Building D.

Novi School Board

The Novi School Board will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the Educational Services Building, 25345 Taft Road.

Ordinance Review

The Ordinance Review Committee meets at 6 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center, city council chambers.

Music series "The Sounds of Summer" free music series tunes in tonight at 7 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center lawn.

Historical Commission

The Novi Historical Commission meets tonight at 7:30 p.m. at the Novi

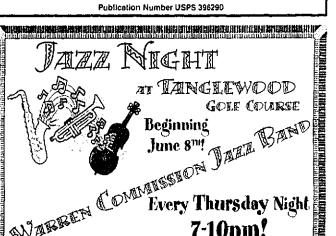
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The Novi Oaks Charter Chapter of the American Business Women's Association meets at the Wyndham Garden Hotel, at 42100 Crescent Civil Air Patrol Blvd. Social hour is set at 6 p.m. and dinner is served at 7 p.m. Meetings are open to all working women. For reservations, call Audrey Gulley at (248) 624-1718. For membership information, call Bettie Johnson at

Cholesterol Screening

Total cholesterol screening by fingerstick method, will be offered 1-4 p.m., at the Botsford Center for Health Improvement-Health Development Network, 39750 Grand River Ave. Cost is \$5 fee. For more information call

Motor City Speak Easy Toastmasters

The Motor City Speak Easy Toastmasters Club meets from 7-9 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church, 777 W. Eight Mile. For more information call Tom Lahiff at 348-6019 (evenings). Visitors are welcome.

Tuesday, June 20

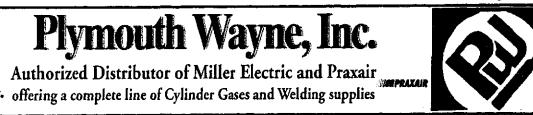
Garden Club

The Novi Garden Club will meet at 1 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center.

The Sixgate Composite Squadron, Civil Air Patrol, meets Church of the Holy Cross on Ten Mile Road, between Taft and Beck roads, from 7-9:30 p.m. Adults and youths who have finished the sixth grade are welcome. For additional information call 349-2669.

Novi Toastmasters

The Novi Toasimaster Club meets at 7 p.m. at Meadowbrook Elementary School, located on Meadowbrook Road, one block south of Thirteen Mile. New members are welcome anytime. For more information on the Toastmasters, check out the web site at: www.toastmasters.org



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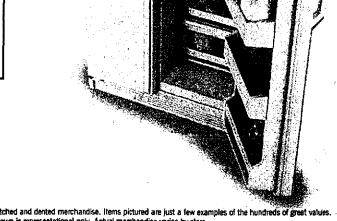
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Kenneth Sams, Brighton; Jessica Sanchez, Novi; Valerie Smith,

■ Here are Novi Christian's graduates for 2000:

Pinckney; David Sproul, Farmington Hills.

"Switched-On Schoolhouse," Elfner

said she received all the education

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By STEPHANIE FORDYCE

It was a big day for Novi Christian and home school students as they, too, became graduates of the new millennium.

From as far as Fort Wayne, Ind. to right here in Novi, 22 students gathered to receive their diplomas. June 3, at Novi Christian. "I am just so happy to be done,"

said dual-salutatorian Thanna Elfner, 18, who has been home schooled off and on most of her life.

said she has really enjoyed the home school experience. "It was great because it not only allowed me to help out at home, but to work as well," the Novi graduate said. "One of the great things about home school is that it's very

Howell said home school allowed listening to a teacher give a lecture her the opportunity to complete her education at her own pace. "In public school, you have to fol-

low the teacher's curriculum, but faster pace," she said. home school included wearing what she wanted, staying up late,

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because they provided lots recordings and pictures from historic leaders and events in each subject area." she said. Elfner said while her mom she said. helped her with her earlier educa-

tion, the computer program gave her the chance to teach herself. Salutatorian Jessica Sanchez an opportunity to explore other said because it is a Christian home areas of interest, it allows them to school, she was able to learn the develop their own personalities.

"I enjoyed it because home school allowed me to incorporate the bible into my studies," she

Moore agreed.

"I think one of the bigger advantages of home school verse public school, in my case, was that home school let me go with my beliefs." Novi Christian School Adminis-

trator Dr. Gary Elfner said home school not only gives its students "I think the potential for social-

they are dealing with people of all ages," he said. "Where as in a classroom, they are grouped with only students their age. And typically its the same group of kids for twelve straight years.' Dr. Elfner explained that this is

"It was wonderful because allowed me to be involved with my community a great deal," she said. "I was out there working and dealing with all kinds of people."

Now that the future eagerly awaits these recent graduates, the three each have their own plans. Sanchez will be attending the University of Detroit Mercy where home educated during 1999-2000 she will study to become a nurse in in the United States. anesthesiology, Thanna Elfner will be working to save money for college and Moore will attend North-

vears and finish her education at Ferris State University. "Home schooling has really developed over the years with soaring results and the interest is growing," Dr. Elfner said. "I think the individuals from different levels of er for Novi News.

an unnatural setting because they are consistently under the direction of a dominant personality and added with home school, the level of concentration is much higher. Sanchez said she too thought the program elevated her social standcame from far and wide to graduate June 3 together.

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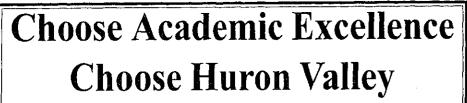
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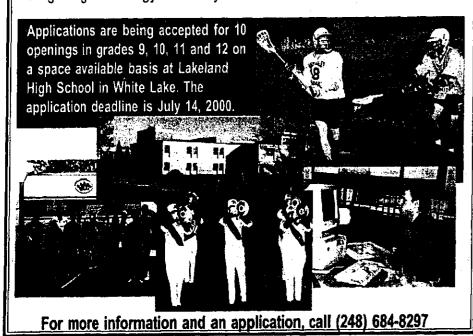
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City of Novi looking for WWII vets to honor July 2

VETERANS DAY

■ The City of Novi will recognize World War II veterans with a special ceremo-

ny on July 2 at 1 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center. The city is still looking for veter-

Creating a memory for the future from a time long past can be difficult when the topic is World War II service men and women, considering that 1,000 of the vet-

The numbers are staggering, so much so, that Novi Mayor Richard Clark decided to honor these veterans before the effort would be moot. The World War II Veterans Recognition Day will be held July 2 at 1 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center with recognition and certificates from Mayor Clark, performances from the Novi Concert Band; which will play songs from the 1940s, and "Stars and Stripes" by the Novi Theatre

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ans to honor in addition to the 70 already registered to be present. If you are interested, call Maureen Malone at (248) 347-0445. bers are dwindling. When the veterans do honoring World War II veterans and showtalk and show us pictures, they are usual- casing their stories and personal victories.

said Maureen Malone, community relations manager for city of Novi. included in the festivities will be a presentation from Novi High School social

ly the only ones still alive in the photos," Kelly said he felt it was very important to know the history of veterans who are dying in greater quantities than casualties of the war they fought in.

Both Mayor Clark and Kelly were studies teacher Gary Kelly and several of inspired to honor and record the history of his students, who put together a website local World War II veterans after reading

tion" which details the disturbing facts that 30,000 veterans of the second war die each month.

orabilia including medals, letters and other

Pat Holf is a volunteer for the World War. Il committee and also a facilitator between The city of Novi is still looking for more. the school and the city. veterans to add to the 70 that have already She said the recognition effort not only registered to be present on July 2.

honors the veterans but it also gives a positive light to the city which has dealt with If you are a World War II veteran and are, many negative issues in the past year. interested in attending or telling your "This is something positive for the city. story, please contact Maureen Malone at,

Clark decided to have a recognition day. Kelli Cooley is copy editor for the Novi The entire event is funded by donations News/Northville Record. Her e-mail from generous businesses, Holt said. address is kcooley@ht.homecomm.net. The Recognition Day will also have mem-

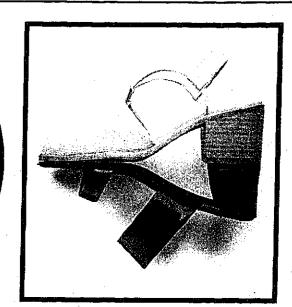


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According to Novi Police reports. the man apparently had an argument with his mother and he got out of the car and entered the Max & Erma's restaurant where he tried to get served alcohol at the bar-Management refused to sell the man alcohol and he began "smashing things", according to one witness account. He was also said to be "flipping over chairs and patio

Novi police were called to the scene and secured the area. But after they got the suspect inside the squad car, he began spouting obscentties and threatening police. Even though the man was placed in hand cuffs, he was able to kick at the left rear window. At one point, according to police, the man's foot broke through the window spraying glass onto another officer at the scene "Let me get out of these cuffs." the man said at one

point. "I feel sorry for you (officers) when I get rough with you." The man was pulled from the car transported to Providence Hospital. One officer was treated for minor injuries at the scene. The suspect

The man is being charged with

KNIFE PULLED ON OLD BEAU An alternation between two men kill the other on June 8.

the Saddle Creek apartments 35-year-old suspect went through The new boyfriend had been visitdid state that there was an knife from his pocket and bran- pocket. "I only took clothes," the dished it in front of the victim's

The incident occurred outside

The victim admitted there were—friend, police overheard the woman words, however, he insisted that he asking her friend to come to the fail never approached the man. The and bring her some elgarettes. The knife-wielding suspect, according woman suggested that the friend to the victim, stuck the knife within an inch of his face and uttered "kill" and an assortment of obscen-

with the knife, he was confronted by the man and only took out the

was give a sedative for injuries he The woman claim's that the vicsustained while pounding his head tilm had been stalking her since against the metal cage inside the ending the relationship earlier in

No charges were filed and the disorderly conduct and resisting knife was confiscated and placed into the police evidence room at the

COPS WON'T NOTICE

that, at one time, dated the same ... A Novi woman was arrested after woman, resulted in one of the men attempting to take over \$2,000 in pulling a knife and threatening to merchandise from Twelve Oaks According to police reports, the

where the victim lives. His ex-girl- the Hudson's Department store, friend also lives in the building, seemingly aisle by aisle, trying on clothes then tearing off the price ing the woman just before the inci-tags and either putting on the dent occurred. Statements to police - clothing or attempted to conceal it were contradictory, but both men before store security stopped her. After the woman was taken into exchange of words and the new police custody, the woman became boyfriend, either after being con- upset with police when they quesfronted or out of anger, took the tioned her about the \$110 in her

woman insisted.

WHERE'S THE CAR

NO BAD APPLES HERE Novi police said they conducted a While making a phone call to a

sting operation June 7 on a number of party stores and restaurants. using a 17-year-old decoy who was attempting to buy alcohol. According to police reports, none wrap the eigarettes in something to of the establishments sold to the conceal them. The woman told her minor and all asked to see I.D. friend the "stupid cops" wouldn't from the vouth.

The vehicle is described as a

white 1993 Pontiac Grand Am with

license number QDY 245. Anyone

with knowledge of the crime or the

location of the vehicle are asked to

A Novi resident returning home

entrance way to their home on

in but apparently the returning

owner scared off the burglar before

The suspect is described as a

suspect was also wearing a base-

Windsor Court, June 8.

call the Novi Police at 348-7100.

Citizens with information about the above incidents are urged to call A Novi man returned from an the Novi Police Department at 348afternoon of fishing and found one

from his driveway while he was out | Food needed

The summer months are difficult for most food banks because they de According to police, the man left not receive as many donations as in the fall and winter. But the need is his home around 8:30 a.m. and returned later that evening around still great. Novi residents are asked to help The Sports Club stock the shelves of the food banks to keep them going through out these difficult

> Items in need are: canned fruit, complete boxed meals (no other ingredients required), canned meats, disposable diapers, paper towels, toilet paper, paper products-plates, cups, napkins, etc., hygiene products,

> All donations may be placed in the specially marked boxes at The

Any non-member making a donation will receive a complimentary day scared off a burglar after the sus- guest pass to the fitness center. Questions? Call Debbic Nutile, director pect was spotted standing near the of community relations, at (248)735-8850 x4026.

According to police reports, the front door of the home was kicked Mission wasn't impossible

> Congratulations to Novi Middle School's Destination Imagination team who went on to finish in the top third of their division at the Global Finals

white male approximately 15 to 20 This year, the group was the city's first team ever to head to the world years of age, wearing blue shorts, a competition, after placing first in the regional and state matches with gray shirt, and black shoes. The their amazing "Fruit Roller Coaster" project.

> Team members include Heather Balon, Melissa Doolin, Dallas Odom, James Gee, Alissa Wagner and Dawn Wilfong, who were accompanied by parent coach Roger Wilfong and Cathy Gee, the district's facilitator. Destination Imagination is a youth-oriented, problem-solving program

Thornton Creek, a Northville school district elementary school located in Novi, will offer a walk through for families and students to locate new, classrooms from 4-5 p.m. on Aug. 25.

All classrooms will be locked and teachers will not be available. Also on Aug. 28 at 8:50 a.m., parents are invited to attend the parent coffee in the cafeteria. However, they will not be allowed to take children.

Novi grads, vintage 2000, head off for new lives

LaPan said.

the past and wishing their fellow classmates luck in the future. "Together, we have laughed, cried, loved, lost, succeeded, and failed." Class Secretary Andrea to their friends and family as they Eberline told the seniors.

"And as we begin a new chapter also say farewell to the teachers in' our lives, it's important to and staff who have made their high remember that anything is possible school careers so enjoyable. - the sky's the limit." The school's 13 valedictorians Joyner Clinard) immensely," Frick

and five salutatorians joined forces said. to deliver their speech entitled, "All "Of all the four years I had her I Need to Know I Learned at Novi for choir, she has always been High School," there for me.' The group agreed that they

Gilmer said of his teachers, he's learned a number a valuable skills, really going to miss his physics instructor Ryan McCloud. their education and within them-"He wasn't just your average regselves, such as patience, kindness, ular teacher who gave lectures, he

and wisdom, as well as how to really made learning fun. He had a great sense of humor and really cooperate and organize their time. Best friends Katherine LaPan, worked well with his students," 17, and Sarah Frick, 18, said they will miss each other very much as The seniors seemed very confithey each take different paths after dent for the road ahead and said said.

the school really did their job in While LaPan will be attending preparing them for the future. Grand Valley State University for a To its graduates, the senior class career in elementary education. Frick will be attending Oakland

"Although I'm looking forward to "If I had to describe the Class of moving out of the house, it's really 2000 with one word, it would be going to be sad leaving my friends,' 'focused'." Glimer said.

Frick said size will remember the As some graduates say good-bye Class of 2000 for its wide range of head into the college world, they personalities and diversities. "Everybody is so different, which think makes our class so interesting," she said. "I'm going to miss P.J. (Paula

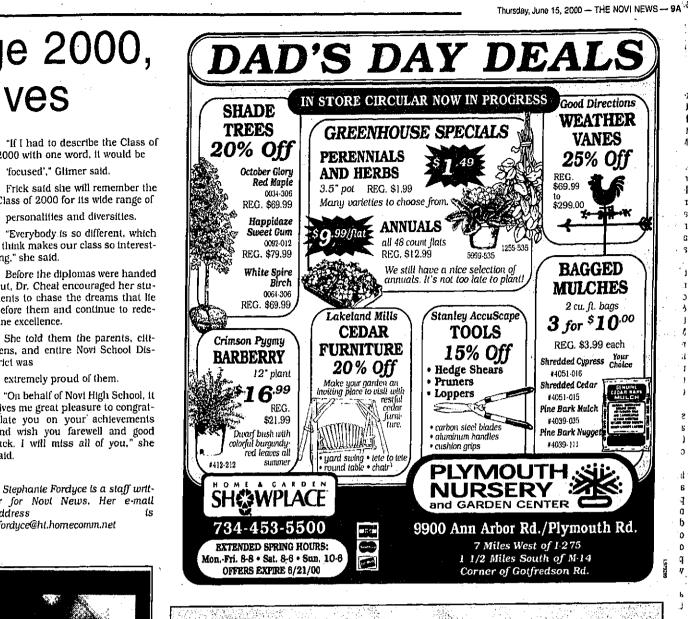
> out, Dr. Cheat encouraged her students to chase the dreams that lie before them and continue to rede-

She told them the parents, citizens, and entire Novi School Dis-

extremely proud of them.

"On behalf of Novi High School, it gives me great pleasure to congratulate you on your achievements and wish you farewell and good luck. I will miss all of you," she

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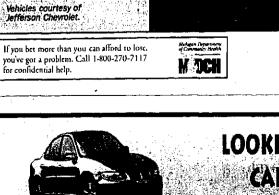
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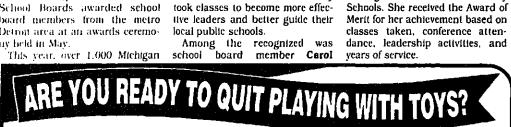
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artain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations establish limits for contaminants in water provided by public water systems.

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Some people may be more yuinerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer (undergoing chemotherapy), persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)/Center For Disease Control (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by Cryptosporidium and other microbial contaminants are available from the Sale Drinking Water Hottline (800-428-4791).

The City of Novi purchases treated water from the Detroit Water and Sewerage Department (DWSD). The DWSD water supply source is from surface water. The majority of the water supplied to the City of Novi comes from the DWSD Lake Huron Water Treatment Plant. This plant is located north of Port Huron, Michigan at the lower and of Lake Huron. The DWSD treatment facilities operate 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Chlorine is used for disinfecting the source water and Fluords is added to the treated water for the dental care benefits.

Important Information about Lead and Cooper.

used for disinfecting the source water and Fluorida is added to the treated water for the dental care benefits.

Important Information about Lead and Copper
In 1992 we began listing homes with plumbing systems which may contribute lead and copper to the household water supply. The results of lead and copper testing have all been below the EPA prescribed action levels.

Health Effect: Lead is a common metal found throughout the environment in lead-based paint, air, soil, household dust, food, certain types of pottery, porcelain, pewier and water. Lead can pose a significant risk to your health if too much of it enters your body. It builds up over many years and can cause damage to the brain, red blood cells and kidneys. Infants and young children are typically more vulnerable to lead in dinnking water than the general population, it is possible that the lead levels at your home may be higher than at other homes in the community as a result of materials used in your household plumbing. If you are concerned about possible elevated lead levels in your home's water, you may wish to have your water tested, or you could flush your tap for 30 seconds to 2 minutes before using tap water. Additional information is available from the Sale Drinking Water Hotizing (800) 424-791.

ne (600) 426-4791. City of Novi Residential Lead and Copper testing (1999)							
Contaminants	Tort Date	Units	Samples Collected	Samples Exceeding AL	Action Level (AL)	90 th Percentile Value	
Lead	3/99	мсл	5	0	0.015 MG/L	<0.002	
Conner	2/00	мел:	5	٥	1.30 MG/L	0.028	

The major source in Drinking Water of Lead and Copper is from corrosion of household plumbing; erosion of natural deposits.

General Information about Our Distribution System:
In 1999 we purchased 2,102,006,300 galons of treated water from DWSD. We currently have more than 10,835 customers on our Water Distrion System. In an effort to Improve the reliability and meet the needs of our growing community we have Capital Improvements valued in excess or

If you have questions or concerns about this report you can contact: Bruce Jerome, Water and Sewer Superintendent, (248) 735-5839. Detected Contaminante Tables
The tables and information contained on the next pages are based on tests conducted by DWSD in the year 1999 and within the last five (5) call far years. DWSD conducts many tests throughout the year, however, only tests that show the presence of a contaminant are shown.

LAKE HURON WATER TREATMENT PLANT 1999 REGULATED DETECTED CONTAMINANTS TABLES

Cantandana	Test Date	Units	Health Goal	Allowed	Level Detected	R	nge ·		
Contaminant	MCLG MCL Law Hig	High	Major Sources in Drinking Water						
				1		सं:	711804	KBM Frankrica (Milangrapa) in relative	
Fluoride	Oct. 99	рфm	4	4	1.13	n/a	r/a	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive, which promotes strong teeth; Discharge from fertilizer and summum factories.	
Nitrate	Oct. 99	ppm .	10	10	0.24	r/a	r/a	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tentes; Sewage; Erosion of natural soils.	
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Dichloromethene	Mar, 80	000	0	6	0.29		0.99	Ottobarge from pharmeceutical and chemical factories.	
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Total Trihalomathanes	3.99- 12/99	P90	0/4	100	Avorage 15.3	0.3	41.3	By Product of Drinking Water Chlorination,	
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onitoring is to	assist EPA in determining	the occurrence of	of unregulated contain	iinenis in drinking v	vater and whether fu	iture regulation is	warrante
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Conteminant	Text Date	Unite	"Future MCLG	*Future MCL	Average Level Detected	Range		
						Low	High	
Fluorotrichioromethene	3/99-11/99	bour	Ν̈́θ	Wa.	0.24	0	0.94	
Inchloromethane (Chloroform)	3/99-12/99	ρρυ	0	U/B	8.C	3.2	29.0	
Bromodichloromethane	3/99-12/99	ppb	Ö	n√a	5.1	3.4	9.2	
Discomochloromethane	3/99-12/99	ppb	60	Na.	2.2	1.6	3.2	
Biometorm	3/99-12/99	ppb	0	n/a	0.2	0	0.2	

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The components.

New MCLG effective December 16, 2001.

The EPA recommends reporting results from any voluntary monitoring that is above a proposed MCL or above a level of concern. The detected unregulated contaminants in these tables do not meet these otheria.

LAKE HURON WATER TREATMENT PLANT DETECTED UNREGULATED CONTAMINANTS FROM VOLUNTARY MONITORING (Reporting in CCR is not required)

	Test	Units	*Future	*Future	Average	Range	>
Contaminant		MCLG	MCL	Level Detected	Low	High	
Total Haloacetic Acids	5/99-12/99	bbp	r√a	60	10,2	2.2	17.0
Dibromoscetic Acid	2/99-12/99	ppb	n⁄a	n/a	0.3	0	1.3
Dichloroacetic Acid	3/99-12/99	ppb	0	n/a	5.6	2.2	10.0
Trichloroacetic Acid	3/99-12/99	ppb	300	n/a	4.4	0.	7.1
Bromochloroscetic Acid	3/89-12/89	DDD	r/a	n/a	2.3	0	4.4

Sum of trichloroacetic acid, dichloroacetic acid, monochloroac based on total. * New MCLG-MCL effective December 16, 2001

Contaminant	Test	Units		Future	Average	Range	
Contaminant	Date		MÇLG 'MRDLG	MCL MRDL	Level Detected	Low	High
Haloscetilenitriles	7/97-12/98	ppb	n/a	n/a	1.3	0.6	2.2
Haloketones	7/97-12/98	ppb	0/4	.r√a	0.6	1 0	1.4
Chloral Hydrate	7/97-12/98	ρpb	n/a	rve.	1.0	1 0	2.4
Total Organic Halides	7/97-12/98	ppb	r/a	r/a	115	 	245
Chlorine Flesidual	7/97-12/98	pom	4	4	1.3	1.9	1.4

onitoring was conducted under the EPA 1996 Information Collection Ru

* Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level (
ADDITIONAL	UNREGULATED CONTAMINANTS THA	T WERE NOT DETECTED
Dichlorobutane, 1-4	Butylale	Eplam
Fluorotrichloromethane	Carboxin	Hexachtorocyclohexane
Dibromo-3-chloropropane, 1, 2-	Chlorothalonii	Hexachlorocyclohexane (Beta-E
Hexachioroethane	Cyanazine	Hexazinone
Methyl Ethyl Ketone	Cycloate	Methiocarb
Methyl Isobutyl Kelone	Cyprazine	Octachlorcyclopentene
Methyl Tert-Butyl Ether (MTBE)	Dacthal	Polybrominated Biohenyls (PBB
Monochioroacetic Acid	DDD, 4,4'-	Prometon
Monobromoacetic Acid	DDE, 4,4'-	Pronamide
Tetrahydrofuran	DDT, 4,4'-	Pronzine
2,4,5,-T	Diphenamid	Propoxur (Baygon)
Acifuorten	Endosulian, alpha	Tebuthiuron
Ametryn	Endosullan, beta	Terbacil
Bentazon	Endrin Aldehyde	Trifluratin
Bromacil	*	

8ymbol	Abbreviation for	Definition/Explanation
MCLG	Maudmum Contaminant Lavel Goal	The level of conteminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health.
MCL	Maximum Contaminant Level	The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
ppb	Parts per billion (one in one billion)	The ppb is equivalent to micrograms per iter. A microgram = 1/1000 , militaram.
ppm	Parts per million (one in one million)	The ppm is equivalent to milligrams per liter. A milligram = 1/1000 gram.
NTU	Nephelometric Turbidity Units	Measures the cloudness of water,
π	Trautment Technique	A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in disking water.
AL	Action Lavel	The concentration of a contemiciant, which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
n/a	Not applicable	

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Brochures describing the 200 9 p.m. and Friday-Saturday, 10 Summer Reading Program are now a little smaller through their for-

and under, which begins Monday. In the winter He is also covered by 462-6422. June 26.

Man exchange student Jonas Vogt. The foot of the Black Forest and who will attend Northville High just at the Rhine River. a comprehensive health insurance School, He will arrive in Michigan in August and leave in June of Kids going into grade five and 2001. Each family will host Vogt for

torical stock data? Want to learn be groovy programs, cool projects. Rotary member Joanne Inglis is for more about that "hot stock" your and hip prizes throughout the the student to learn how families in the United States live. "The host families provide meals. lodging, love, and understanding."

Ms. leanne Galend would be appreciated, but not necessary.





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she said. "The student is not to be In an application letter sent by plan in the case of sickness of considered a guest but rather as a Vogt to Rotary, he said his goal emergency, Inglis said. member of the family."

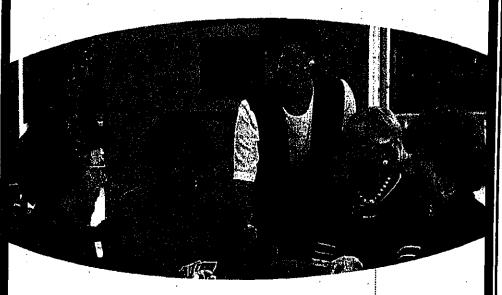
when he comes to America is to

Vogt will be responsible for his out the period of exchange, Inglis Vogt will come to America from own entertainment and personal said. The club is looking for three host his native Furtwangen. It is a town expenses which he said includes More information can be For more information, call 349 program for children in grade four families to house 17-year-old Ger- of about 20,000 and is situated at skateboarding and snowboarding obtained by calling Inglis at (734)

Inglis said this includes helping learn English to help him later in Vogt and his new host family with support and counseling through-







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immalett@homecomm.net "We have people who have a very broad range of driving skills," said state Rep. Bruce Patterson, R-Canton. You have Mario Andretti and then you have my daughter, Mario Andretti has a high level of skill and he could probably drive safely doing any number of other things. That would include the use of a cell

For others, chit-chatting on the phone while driving might prove too much of a distraction.

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The additional penalty would be road. \$25, tacked on to the fine, and one more point on the driver's license. there can be other distractions for drivers.

off the road and lead to trouble, he said.

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ty lawmaker. House Bill 5567. previous research has shown. His bill also proposes a study, to improvement for those who used have withstood court challenges which would add penalties for an Some women apply makeup be conducted by the Michigan Sechands-free phone technology, lead-the NHTSA noted. ty lawmaker. House Bill 5567. previous research has shown. infraction if a police officer con- behind the wheel; men sometimes retary of State and the State Police, ing those U.S. researchers to the But the NHTSA said better data cluded that the use of a cell phone shave. Patterson admits to having two years after the effective date of conclusion that it was the conver- collection on the subject was needcontributed to an accident or traf- been spotted by a legislative aide the new penalty to determine just sation itself that diverted the atten- ed. At the time of the study, only combing his mustache while on the how many tickets are handed out tion of drivers.

Nonetheless, his bill is specific to

ing in a radio station, even lighting have been cut off by drivers who That's the basis of a bill intro- a cigarette can take a driver's eyes—were using cell phones at the time,"

for cell phone distractions.

Researchers who have looked short of recommending a ban on relation to traffic accidents. cell phones and he explained the linto the question have reached dif- cell phone usage while driving. The Patterson is not a proponent of purpose is to look into the common fering conclusions. At the University NHTSA noted that nearly all states by drunk drivers. The National Highway Traffic

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banning ceil phone usage while belief that wireless communication ty of Toronto, researchers found had laws on the books against tions, as Patterson's bill proposes. driving and he recognizes that in particular is distracting to that cell phone usage while on the careless driving, and that includes If other lawmakers agree, Michigan road increased drivers' accident Michigan, Patterson pointed out. could the first. "I've had a number of con- rates by four times, roughly the Tickets for careless driving issued Changing tapes in the deck, dial-stituents express to me that they same rate of increase experienced to cell phone users in Ohio who were weaving out of their lanes

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Nonetheless, the NHTSA stopped tion on the use of cell phones in

two states were compiling informa-

No state was tracking phone

usage in relation to traffic viola-

Novi Community Schools is requesting bids for Workstations and Laptops and Televisions, VCR's and Projectors. These are 2 separate bid documents. Requirements are detailed in request for bld (RFB) documents that are available from the district office: Novi Community Schools, 25345 Taft Road, Novi, MI 48374. Sealed proposals for all work described in these RFB's will be received at the bove location no later than 2:00 p.m. local time on June 26, 2000 Absolutely no bids will be accepted after this deadline

> CITY OF NOVI PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing at their Regular Council meeting on MONDAY, JUNE 19, 2000, at 7:30 P.M. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, Michigan, regarding possible placement of a Tornado Warning Siren north of Nine Mile Road and west of the Thornton Creek Elementary School driveway. If you have any comments regarding this matter, they may be presented in write ing or during the Audience Participation section of the Agenda.

(6-15-00 NR/NN 979175)

NOTICE — CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY USE PERMIT TUP 00-026

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that DeMattia Group is requesting a Temporary Use Permit to allow placement of a construction trailer at 39600 Lewis Drive (Magna) from June 2000 through May 2001. A public hearing can be requested by any property owner of a structure located within 300 feet of the boundary of the property being considered for temporary use

This request will be considered at 3:00 p.m. on June 21, 2000, at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road. All written comments should be directed to the City of Novi Building Department and must be received prior to June 21, 2000. TEMPORARY USE PERMIT SECRETARY

(6-15-00 NR, NN 979438)

CITY OF NOVI **VACANCIES ON CITY BOARDS** & COMMISSIONS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Novi City Council will be interviewing applicants on Monday, JUNE 12, 2000 beginning at 7:30 p.m. for appointment to the seautification Commission, Cable Access Committee, Economic Development Cor-Seaumication Commission, Cabis Access Committee, Parks & Recteation Housing & Community Development Committee, Parks & Recteation Commission, Planning Commission and Alternate Member Zoning Board of Commission, Planning Commission and Alternate Member Zoning Board of Commission, Planning Commission and Alternate Member Zoning Board of Commission, Planning Commission and Alternate Member 2001 (1997).

If you are interested in serving on a City board or commission, applications are available in the office of the City Clerk, 45175 W. Ten Mile, or by calling 347-0456 to receive an application by mail or tax. Please submit your application by Thursday, June 8, 2000 to allow time for scheduling appointments.

(5-18/25 & 6-1/8/15-00 NR/NN 973696) MARYANNE CORNELIUS, CITY CLERK

CITY OF NOVI REPROGRAMMING OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK **GRANT FUNDS**

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the City of Novi will hold a Public Hearing on the reprogramming of Housing and Community Development Funds. The Hearing will be held on Monday, June 19, 2000, at 7:30 p.m., EST, at the Novi Civic Center,

All interested citizens are requested to attend this Hearing. Comments will also be received in writing or in person at the City Offices, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, Michigan 48375, until 5:00 p.m., June 19, 2000.

(6-8/15-00 NR/NN 978394)

NOTICE — CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR BIDS SOFT K COPPER WATER TUBING

The City of Novi will receive sealed bids for a **Soft K Copper Water Tubing** according to the specifications of the City of Novi. Bid packages are available at the Office of the Purchasing Director. Sealed bids will be received until 3:00 p.m. prevailing eastern time, Tuesday, June 27, 2000, at which time proposals will be opened and read. Bids shall be

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All bids must be signed by a legally authorized agent of the bidding firm ENVELOPES MUST BE PLAINLY MARKED "Soft K Copper Water Tubing" BID
AND MUST BEAR THE NAME OF THE BIDDER.

The City reserves the right to accept any or all alternative proposals and awar the contract to other than the lowest bidder, to waive any irregularities or informali-ties or both; to reject any or all proposals; and in general to make the award of the contract in any manner deemed by the City, in its sole discretion, to be in the best

(6-15-00 NR, NN 979324)

NOTICE — CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR BIDS **WATER SERVICE MATERIALS**

The City of Novi will receive sealed bids for Water Service Materials according to the specifications of the City of Novi. Bid packages are available at the Office of Sealed bids will be received until 3:00 p.m. prevailing eastern time, Wednes day, June 28, 2000, at which time proposals will be opened and read. Bids shall be

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Oakland County Executuve Patterson does not want new judge in Novi

over how to cut down on the num- judges (Brian) MacKenzie and "community court."

concerned and if that means one to Patterson. large "mega district" than so be it. land and White Lake) to the Clarkston court." Patterson said.

"I don't have a problem with said then that the larger district adding judges and it could be detri- tor's Office recommended earlier According to Powers, Novi is the There has been some controversy (State Rep. Nancy) Cassis and takes away from the concept of a mental to the area in getting anoth- this year that the two divisions be busiest court in the state, behind (Dennis) Powers wanting to have

"That would lessen the load on Patterson less than two weeks

expanding the facility. Just to add the judge there would cost us over

the Novi court. I'm going to the mat ago said that he did not support

combining the two courts. He also said there will be less flexibility for gan Supreme Court Administra- the Novi court.

Judge Dennis Powers of Novi's the docket continues to grow. In whelming" number of cases that Detroit. Each judge at the Novi through the 52-1 District Court in one big district. As long as the judge does not sit in Novi."

52-1 District Court said that the combining of the two districts into place another building would be According to Oakland County combining of the two districts into place another building would be According to Oakland County their docket. The 52-1 court in Novi, which one, rather than keeping the two lost. utive L. Brooks Patterson said that has reached capacity in only its districts separate, would not allevi- The Novi court had over 55,000 the state legislature will not

> temporary solution," Powers said. er district, you have more flexibili-

If the district is realigned, Powers tem, the year it opened. The Michiare not under the jurisdiction of

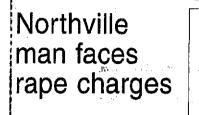
he wants what is best for all parties fifth year of existence, is a concern ate the Novi problem in the long new cases filed in 1999. There have approve the judge unless the disbeen approximately 104,000 cases tricts are combined. cases was 85,189 and in 1996, it court judge in Clarkston. The "I keep saying, if you have a larg- was at approximately 59,000. In Clarkston court would then be 1995, there were approximately responsible for Highland, White

er judge or building in the future, if combined to help ease the "over- only the 46th District Court in

District courts have jurisdiction Commissioner Kay Schmid-R-Novi. over all civil lawsuits up to \$25,000 and all criminal misdemeanors rge "mega district" than so be it. "Putting another judge in the "Putting Rose, Highland, and going though the Novi court over The original proposal was to adding up to over a year in jail. The "My preference would be to bal- Novi court would force us to White Lake (townships) in the the past two years in 1998 and combine the Clarkston and Novi district court also has jurisdiction ance the two districts by moving respond to the possibility of Clarkston district would only be a 1999. In 1997, the total number of courts into one division and add a over traffic violations and felony

the Novi News. His e-mail address 51,000 cases in the Novi court sys- Lake, and Rose Township, which

court has nearly 20,000 cases on



BY ANDREW DIETDERICH

ship man finds out Friday if he will go to trial in 3rd circuit court for the alleged rape of a minor. Matthew Sarampote, 25, will stand before Judge John MacDonald on three charges of criminal sexual conduct III, which is penetration of a person between the ages of 13 and 15 years old. The charges stem from an incldent that allegedly took place

A 25-year-old Northville Town-

March 14. According to a Northville Township police report, a 15-year-old neighbor of Sarampote allegedly went to his township apartment after meeting him that day. Once there, the report said, the 15-yearold allegedly consumed alcohol with Sarampote and another "of

age" couple. Details of what happened after the alleged drinking began, have yet to be revealed in court, but Northville Township Detective Michael Wildt told the Northville Record in April that the 15-year-

old alleges Sarampote raped her. Sarampote was in 35th district court Judge Ron Lowe's courtroom June 9 for examination. During an examination, the judge decides if the case should be tried or if the allegations hold no merit. However. Sarampote's attorney asked for an adjournment citing the inability to properly review the case.

"We're asking for an adjournment to allow for more discovery," time to pick up the police files and

An irritated Lowe said he was concerned the attorney assigned to the case was no longer handling it and asked Butler why there had been a change. Butler said the original attorney was no longer working with his

who took over the case was out of Lowe granted the adjournment, but made it known he didn't like the circumstances. The case will go before Judge

firm and that the senior attorney

John MacDonald June 16. Andrew Dietderich is a staff writer for the Northville Record. His eaddress adletderich@ht.homecomm.net.

Bistro keeps threatened license

BY ANDREW DIETDERICH

The liquor license suspension of Bonfire Bistro and Brewery has been rescinded — for now. The Michigan Liquor Control Commission gave the reprieve after the business appealed a three-day license suspension by the commission that would have closed the ousiness from June 23-25. The suspension was the result of

a January alcohol sting conducted by Northville Township police in which a Bonfire employee sold alcohol to a 16-year-old police decoy. Rocky's of Northville, 41122 Seven Mile Road, also sold alcohol to the decoy and faces a June 23

According to a letter to Chip Snider, Northville Township director of public safety, the LCC said, please withhold enforcement of the suspension of the licenses, as requested ... pending the outcome of the appeal hearing."

A spokesman of Bonfire said the grounds of the appeal are the decoy

acted illegally and lied to the bar tender. Police sent the 16-year-old decoy into every business in the township that has a Class C liquor license and had the decoy attempt to buy alcohol. Every business except Bonfire, Rocky's and Farmer Jack on Haggerty Road denied selling him the alcohol. A spokesman for Rocky's said they also plan to appeal the decision.



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Medical, 43365 Citation, 12:18

Service, 45182 West Park, 7:38

Medical, 44000 Grand River, 8:09

Medical, Twelve Oaks and Novi

Medical, 30734 Tanglewood, 2:37

Injury accident. Ten Mile and Novi-

Fire alarm, 42100 Crescent, 6:11

Injury accident. Beck Road and I-

Medical, 43100 Twelve Oaks Cres-

Medical, 23706 Chipmunk Trail.

Service, 26991 Wixom, 7:23 a.m.,

Injury accident, Eight Mile and

Fire alarm, Novi Road and Arena

Drive, 9:32 a.m., Engines 3, 1.

Medical, 25805 Beck Road, 10:03

Injury accident. Nine Mile and Cen-

ter Street, 10:39 a.m., Squad 3.

Investigation, 48443 Nine Mile

Building fire, 25875 Novi Road,

Vehicle fire, 39595 Ten Mile Road,

Medical, 21090 Haggerty, 1:28

Medical, 29916 Boileau, 12:03

Medical, 23764 E. LeBost, 11:15

Medical, 25618 Carousel, 1:13

Medical, Lakeshore and South

Medical, 43489 Castlewood, 2:29

p.m., Squad 3. Medical, Twelve Oaks and Novi

Medical, 50395 Ten Mile Road,

Fire alarm, 40611 Paisley Court,

Medical, 24500 Meadowbrook,

Investigation, 45551 Amherst. 10:45 p.m., Engine 4.

Medical, 24500 Meadowbrook,

Medical, 22475 Venture, 7:06 a.m.,

Medical, 31265 Wellington, 8:01

Building fire, 27550 Novi Road,

Injury accident, Beck Road and I-

Electrical fire, 157 Wainright, 8:50

p.m., Engine 2. Medical, 41650 Manor Park, 11:11

Fire alarm, 43055 Crescent, 5:03

Power lines burning, Novi Road

Fire alarm, 49000 Eleven Mile

Road, 7:31 p.m., Engines 1, 3.

Medical, 23706 Chipmunk Trail,

Medical, 26237 Kentucky, 7:42

Medical, 45125 Ten Mile Road,

Grass fire, 40500 Grand River, 9

Trash fire, Nine Mile and Beck

Medical, 25771 Abby, 8:58 p.m.,

Vehicle fire, M-5 and Fourteen Mile

Road, 8:58 p.m., Engine 2. Medical, 27500 Novi Road, 10:48

Road, 3:08 p.m., Engine 4.

and Cottisford, 12:26 p.m.,

3:11 p.m., Engines 1, 2, 4.

96, 4:01 p.m., Squad 4. Medical, 30244 Rousseau, 6:53

Lake, 1:49 p.m., Squad 2.

Road, 2:39 p.m., Squad 1.

3:08 p.m., Squad 4

3:23 p.m., Squad 2.

6:13 p.m., Squad 1.

THURSDAY, JUNE 8

a.m., Squad 2.

p.m., Squad 2.

p.m., Squad 1. FRIDAY, JUNE 9

Engine 3.

a.m., Engines 1, 2.

7:35 p.m., Squad 3.

SATURDAY, JUNE 10

7:53 a.m., Squad 3.

p.m., Squad 4.

a.m., Engine 4.

p.m., Squad 1.

6:02 a.m., Squad 1.

11:41 a.m., Engines 1, 3.

Gate, 8:19 p.m., Engine 1. Investigation, 26213 Kentucky,

10:26 p.m., Engine 4.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7

a.m., Squad 2.

a.m., Squad 3.

p.m., Squad 2.

12:44 p.m., Engine 3.

Road, 11:15 a.m., Engine 4. Fire alarm, 42400 Crescent, 11:19

a,m., Engines 1, 3 Medical, 23333 Willowbrook, 11:25

a.m., Squad 3.

p.m., Squad 3.

Meadowbrook, 7:45 a.m., Squad

Road, 4:53 p.m., Squad 3.

Road, 9:52 a.m., Squad 1. Medical, M-5 and Thirteen Mile

Road, 12:58 p.m., Squad 2. Medical, 31111 Woodstone, 1:43

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and Squad number.

MONDAY, JUNE 5

a.m., Squad 3.

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p.m., Squad 2.

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p.m., Engines 1, 2.

96, 7:45 p.m., Squad 4.

cent. 7:54 p.m., Squad 1.

11:53 p.m., Squad 3.

TUESDAY, JUNE 6

a.m., Squad 4.

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Lawmakers dicker over state's road funding distribution plan

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When lawmakers rewrite Michigan's road funding distribution formula later this year, they will likely replace it with a system state offi-

Rather than just divvying up Michigan's \$1.7 billion in trans- Bob Welke. portation funding in a three-way split among the road agencies at the various levels of government state, county, and local - as is the case now, asset management will allow the state to rank roads and he is impressed with how well the the state. prioritize repair projects based on a Such factors might include the number of vehicles that use that road, lane miles, congestion, and commercial weights carried by it. Asset management is the "key recommendation" of a report completed earlier this month by the Act 51 Transportation Study Commit-

ment is expected to be presented to the legislature and Gov. John Engler in June. State lawmakers have until the end of the year to replace the current law, which expires December 31. Already, at least three proposals implementing aspects of the report have been introduced to the state House and Senate, but many

tee. Now being printed, the docu-

to be draftêd. Many of the details have yet to be settled, such as what performance factors will be used and how they will be evaluated. If the report is being heralded now as a great compromise, it is in those details that controversy could be reignited.

of the implementing bills still need

Road upkeep and traffic congestion rank consistently as top concerns of Michigan residents. And if that's a number one issue, the road funding distribution formula - set in Public Act 51 - lies at the heart of it. First passed in 1951, the act divides road money -- from gas taxes, license fees, federal grants, etc. — to road agencies like the Michigan Department of Transportation, county road commissions, and municipalities. The division - 39.1 percent to the state, 39.1 percent to counties and 21.8 percent to cities and villages - has ong been a source of contention.

cized for keeping the biggest share of the money of any single road County road commissions, particularly Oakland County's, have been chronically underfunded for years. Many municipalities, tired of waiting for repairs or upgrades from the state or county, have gone ahead and passed local road bonds

The MDOT has often been criti-

in order to do the work inside their umits themselves. It is the disagreement over the funding distribution formula that has kept many lawmakers and local officials, particularly those in Oakland County, opposing increas-

es in the gas tax in the past. "The key to this is that it is a long term strategy. Everyone recognizes that it is going to take time to come up with the definitions and criteria for the performance factors. So it will take time to set this up," said Robin Pannecouk, spokesperson for the MDOT. In the meantime, if the legislature follows the recommendations of the committee, the current distribution percentages

would continue. The change over to asset management would require an intensive new information gathering process, according to Craig Bryson, of the Oakland County Road Commission. Handing out money by a percentage is simple by comparison. Evaluating each road in the county to be ranked in an asset management system would require compilation of a great deal of infor-

mation, he pointed out. Pannecouk agrees. Much of that information, for instance traffic counts, may already be in the files of various road agencies, but she said she is uncertain if the state and county agencies gather the same information or gather it in the same way. So additional research may be needed.

All those details are to be worked out by a new Technical Advisory Panel. That's where differences between the levels of government may reemerge, according to Bryson. Pannecouk, however, said that the fact the panel is to have representation from the Michigan Junicipal League, the County Road Association of Michigan and metropolitan planning councils, as well as the MDOT, should alleviate

"And what if those performance factors show that the pte overall just isn't big enough?" Bryson said. "What if they show more money is needed? What then?" Oakland's Road Commission has advocated an increase in road funding through higher gas taxes for years. "We have all the resources we need," Pannecouk countered. "It's a matter of prioritizing them properly and that is exactly what asset man-

agement is intended to do." The study committee members included Reps. Rick Johnson, R-LeRoy, and Thomas Kelly, D

Wayne, as well as Sens. Phil Hoff- committee was able to address all Johnson said the change would all coordination of road planning. If, new construction man, R-Jackson, and Joseph the concerns of all the various road also take care of the so-called Mer- for instance, a commercial route Young, D-Detroit. Also on the com- agencies. mittee were Sam Hart, of the Inter-

national Union of Operating Engi- the committee went to great have been able in the past to avoid ties would be expected to work neers, Local 324, in Livonia; Robert lengths to address the all the con-collection of a portion of the diesel Hetzler, President of the Monitor cerns raised by all the levels of gov-fuel tax. cials describe as "cutting edge," a Sugar Company in Bay City; Jor- ernment. process known as "asset manage- dan Tatter, Commissioner for the Johnson has already introduced related legislation amending Act • Setting a base level of funding Michigan Department of Agricul- a bill to implement a portion of the 51, Senate Bill 1274. ture; and former MDOT director

Kelly agrees the report is a sig- the pump and making wholesalers nificant compromise. He has said responsible for getting the tax to

Committee staffer Polly Kent said

Jud Gilbert, R-Algonac, and 5807,

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report. House Bill 5806, by Rep. There are also a great many other recommendations in the The panel wrapped up its work in by Johnson, would change the report for which legislation has not a meeting May 5 when all but one, state diesel fuel tax to simplify col-Young, agreed to sign the report. lections, allowing truckers to pay at other disagreements.

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 That mass transit programs, including the Detroit Department of Transportation and the Suburban Mobility Authority for Regional Transportation be coordinated, and that mass transit be coordinated with other modes of transporta-

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12:00 p.m. - Intercessions Word Ministry 12:30 p.m. - (con't)

1:00 p.m. -- Adventures with Pirate Pete 1:30 p.m. - Chamber Spotlight 2:00 p.m. - Financial Strategies: Get Organized 2:30 p.m.-4:30 p.m. - Kali Mai

5.00 p.m. -- Dance with Virginia 5:30 p.m. - Army News Watch 6:00 p.m. - Christian Singles 6:30 p.m

7:00 p.m. Lansing Connection -- New Millennium: Medicine 8.00 p.m. - Law Talk: Michael

Duggan 8:30 p.m. — (con't) 9:00 p.m. - Senseless Death II: Prom Night 9:30 p.m. -- (con't)

TUESDAY, JUNE 20 10:00 a.m. - Legislative Forum

10:30 a.m. — Christian Singles Today 11:00 a.m. -- Inside Reform Today 11:30 a.m. -- (con't) 12:00 p.m. - Summit University 12:30 p.m. -- (con't) 1:00 p.m. — Battle of the Books 1:30 p.m. — (con't) 2:00 p.m. — Lansing Connection

2:30 p.m. — Fitness Motivators 3:00 p.m. - Senseless Death II: Prom Night 3:30 p.m. — (con't) 4:00 p.m. - Teen Talk 4:30 p.m. - Pet Talk: Horses

5.00 p.m. - The Way, The Truth, and The Life 5:30 p.m. — People Things Happen 6:00 p.m. - Harvest Ministries 6:30 p.m. - Building Scene 7:00 p.m. — Potpourri: Story Teller 7:30 p.m. - Financial Strategies: Get Organized

8:00 p.m. — Salon Glamour and Etiquette with Gioria 8:30 p.m. — (con't) 9:00 p.m. — Unsung Heroes and Unsung Institutions 9:30 p.nt. -- (con't)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21 10:00 a.m. - Salon Glamour and Etiquette with Gloria

10:30 a.m. -- (con't) 11:00 a.m. - Financial Strategies: get Organized 11:30 a.m. - Broadway on Ice 12:00 p.m. — (con't) 12:30 p.m. — MDOT Today

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5:30 p.m. --- (con't) 6:00 p.m. — The desus center 6:30 p.m. — Dance with Virginia: Showtime Announced 7:00 p.m. - Adventures with Pirate Pete 3:30 p.m. -- (con't) 7:30 p.m. - Cosby and Company: 4:00 p.m.-4:30 p.m. Photographer

8:00 p.m. — Chamber Spotlight 8:30 p.m. - Step 'n Move to the

9:00 p.m. — Todd L. Levitt Show: Magistrate Judith Holtz 9:30 p.m. — (con't)

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Showtime 11:00 a.m. — Building Scene: Tom Cogswell 11:30 a.m. - People Who Make Things Happen 12:00 p.m. — Bagels and Talk with

Tracy 12:30 p.m. — 1 Remember: Bozo 1:00 p.m. — Senseless Death II: Prom Night 1:30 p.m. — (con't) 2:00 p.m. — Potpourri: Story Teller

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5:00 p.m. - Shaarey Zedek

8:00 p.m. - People Who Make Things Happen 8:30 p.m. — Pet Talk: Horses 9:00 p.m. - Let's Talk with Ben Marks: Justice Clifford Taylor

FRIDAY, JUNE 23

6:00 p.m. - Unsung Heroes and 10:00 a.m. - To Be Announced 10:30 a.m. - Christian Singles 6:30 p.m. — (con't) 11:00 a.m. - The Jesus Center 11:30 a.m. - Lumen Christi 12:00 p.m.-2:30 p.m. - To Be 3:00 p.m. - Lewis and Clark Trail

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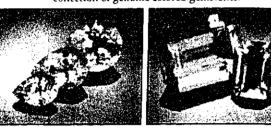
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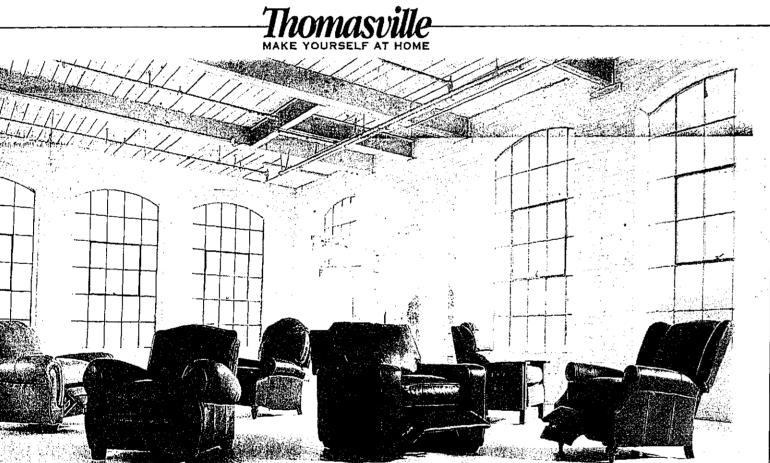
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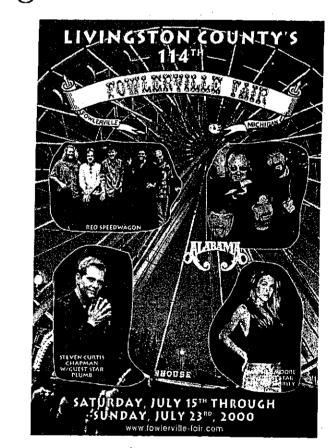
Parkview Elementary School students Maria Foley, Mark Gardner, Cassie Fall, Lauren Hon and Syblee Dinu play "Hot Cross Buns" on recorders as their class took a look at Medieval times last week. First grade teacher Sherry Griesinger said the students have been learning about different customs and tradi-

tions of medieval times throughout the year. Students Andrew Breaughand Madalyn Buha said they enjoyed hearing about all the kings and queens, castles, torture chambers, and feasts of the famous period. "We also liked hearing about the jesters and the funny shoes they wore," John Shoop said.



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Howard R. Anderson

Obituaries

63. Mr. Anderson was born in He is survived by his wife, Marge; one daughter, Terri (Tom) Anderon-Berger: son, Tom: brother

Harley; and two grandchildren. Mr. Anderson was preceded in leath by a brother, Harold. A memorial service was held on Saturday, June 10 at O'Brien many duties for the church.

Memorial contributions to the

ROY E. DAILEY

Oak. He was born Sept. 19, 1922. in Highland Park to Otho and Cora Joseph Hospital in Pontiac. He was (Peterson) Dailey.

Mr. Dailey served in the United States Navy with the Seabees during World War II. He was a supervisor with Michigan Bell for 42 years and retired in 1982. Mr. Dailey was a deacon and a charter member of Meadowbrook Congregational

> member but he also performed He is survived by his wife. Molly S. of Novi; two daughters, Barbara (Brian) Boyle of Carleton, Texas, and Patricia (Charles) Hokett of

Novi; and three grandchildren. Services were held on Saturday. May 13 at Meadowbrook Congrega-

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of Northville. Memorials to the Meadowbrook Congregational Church Building Fund in memory of Mr. Dailey would be appreciated by the family. John P. Dougherty

John P. Dougherty, 75, of Novi Not only was he a very active died June 5 at his residence. He was born in 1925. Mr. Dougherty was Battalion Chief from the Detroit Fire Department and retired after 38 years of

dedicated service. Surviving Mr. Dougherty are his wife, Norma Jean; daughters Nancy (Sandy) Mann and Peggy (Ken) Dahl and sons Jack and Jim:

will be at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Memorials to Angela Hospice, 14100 Newburgh Road, Livonia, Mich., 48154-5010 would be

Church in Novi. Visitation was

sister, Helene Adams.

appreciated.

Northville died June 8 at William Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak. He is survived by three daughters, Barbara (Ken) Cooper, Nancy (Jack) Trainor, and Kathleen (Ed) Hart; three brothers and one sister; died on June 8. grandchildren Randy and Alex eight grandchildren: Allison, Meg,

Interment was in White Chapel Kate and Bridget Dougherty; and Patrick, and Michael; and five great-grandchildren. Nowack was preceded death by his wife, Helen.

> Services were held on Monday June 6 and 7 at O'Brien/Sullivan June 12 at Our Lady of Victory Funeral Home in Novi. Interment Church in Northville, interment was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Southfield. Arrangements were made by O'Brien Chapel/Sullivan Funeral Home, Novi.

Memorials to the Memorial and Honor Program, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, P.O. Box Frank S. Nowack, 87, of 3704, Memphis, TN 38173-0704

> PHYLLIS ELAINE OPPERMAN Phyllis Elaine Opperman, 57,

Phyllis Templin Dec. 27, 1942

She was married to Richard I Opperman on July 2, 1966. Mrs. Opperman is survived by her hus band, a Novi resident, as well as daughter, Susan (Edward Ruchala Opperman of Farmington Hills and sons Michael Opperman of Redford and Peter Opperman of Novi. She is also survived by her moth; er, Olga Templin of Dearborn and

brothers Kenneth (Helen) Templin of Tennessee and James (Carelyr Templin of Farmington Hills. The funeral was June 10 Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home in Farmington. Pastor Christophe Fairbairn officiated, Mrs. Opper man was cremated.

Memorial contributions may b made to an organization of the

Novi postal carriers worked hard to deliver the goods, food for the hungry

non-postal volunteers, picked up about six tons end and deliver it to another food program in Emergency Food Program work; and the of food items left at mailboxes throughout Novi Novi - at the Holy Family Church - on Monday by the generous residents of our city. Novi Truck & Trailer donated a truck to trans-

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gold in May when the N.A.L.C. Food Drive Dean Albert, an employee of Novi Truck & Trail- er (Pete); Faith Community Presbyterian brought in 12,000 pounds of non-perishable er, not only volunteered his time to drive the Church; Holy Family Catholic Church, driver truck for us, but when there was no more room Dean Albert; the volunteers that loaded and Our Novi letter carriers, along with the help—for food at Faith Community, he offered to store—unloaded the truck, along with the people at and support of management, clerks, and a few the remaining food on the truck over the week- area churches who work together to make the

The N.A.L.C. and the Novi Post Office would tion of Letter Carriers Food Drive Day." port the food to Faith Community Presbyterian like to thank everyone who donated food and

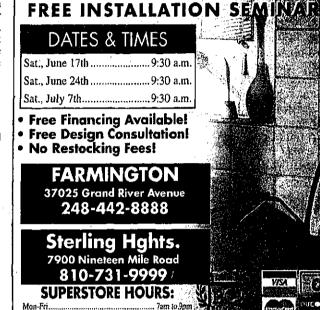
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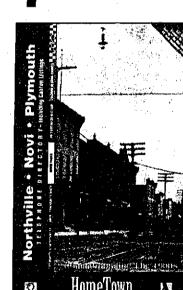
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As We See It

The big fish got away, but others will bite

the big one that got away. Novi erty investment in equipment officials are reeling over the worth millions that is also news that Textron Automotive taxed. million facility in this city.

in place. The council was sum on its facility? expected to say yea or nay on Some city officials say that ment seemed likely.

the near future.

Meanwhile, those who had want to deal with the flak. tax revenues annually, even tron. Meanwhile, three Textronbe enough, among other things, seek a tax abatement for a new to pay off the Novi Ice Arena Novi development. deficit, which comes in at For residents opposed to tax around that sum.

260,000 square office complex Flip the coin and the argu-If that's built, Novi will still ment sounds stronger the other draw a good tax revenue from way. If Novi loses its appeal of the development. However, the Sandstone judgment, isn't it there's a stability and desirabil- better to get high-taxpaying ity to having a single major cor- firms such as Textron in place porate citizen localing here, now, so they shoulder some of paying taxes and not using the burden? Even with an many city services. A light abatement, such a company

By now, you've heard about also has a hefty personal prop-

Corporation is no longer con- As the city council discussed sidering locating its new \$50 the policy, which squeaked by in a four-to-three vote, there The company's official state- has been a groundswell of resiment is that their timetable to dent opinion against tax abatebuild is moving ahead and it ments. The gut response from would take too long to secure a many taxpayers is I pay my tax abatement from Novi, now taxes on my home, why shouldthat the city has its new policy n't a corporation pay the full

June 19, although an abate- the public outery, as well as the threat of a recall against coun-Textron is expected to cil members who supported the announce its chosen Michigan tax abatement policy is one realocation for the development in son Textron shut the doors on Novi. The firm simply didn't

hoped that Textron's new The reality, city officials say, address would bear a Novi zip is that many other Michigan code point out that the city communities are actively must kiss goodbye \$700,000 in recruiting firms such as Texwith the \$300,000 tax abate- type firms are waiting in the ment. And that \$700,000 would wings, with possible plans to

abatements on principle, The land Textron was cying in another concern is if the city the city, 30 acres at Meadow- loses the Sandstone appeal, brook and Twelve Mile roads, taxpayers will face paying the isn't expected to lie fallow. developers some \$53 million, Developers Burton and Katz- plus interest. Shouldn't everyman already a have an one shell out their full fair approved site plan for a share of taxes, without a break?

industrial concern typically will pay serious taxes.

Kids learned life's lessons

This year, some kids at Novi But the lesson didn't stop Middle School learned a couple there. These kids passed with of lessons they are not likely to flying colors the subjects of

has very little to do with read- their mastery recently with ing, writing, 'rithmetic or even "Memorial Madness," a fund computer science. They young- raiser held for the David Lazsters had a year-long course in zari's Children's Trust Fund. life's home truths.

who taught industrial technolo- Eager to help them out, the gy at the middle school, were kids of his Team EightC orgatold in November that he had nized a school-wide field day, the flu. But it was much more charging their fellow students serious than that. In January, \$2 apiece to participate. For the Lazzari, 30, died as a result of trust fund, \$2,000 was raised. complications of a brain tumor. But that's not all the school

such a loss in their lives.

compassion and concern for What we're talking about here others. They demonstrated

Lazzari left behind a wife and Students of David Lazzari, two pre-school aged children.

Lazzari was known as a did to honor their young teachteacher whose students said he er. Before the event, they held a made him laugh with his jokes. tree planting ceremony. Shrubs But their giggles turned to tears spelled out "Laz" and teacher as his students flocked to his David Hartman made a bench.

When these kids look back on Just as they are entering ado- their time at Novi Middle lescence, the middle schoolers School, the school year 1999had to learn to cope with the 2000 is likely to linger in their tragic early death of a teacher. memories. And they may very For some, it might have been likely be better, more caring the first time they experienced students because of the tragedy they confronted head-on.

Levvers to the editor

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Invited guest surprised by ouster



Fordyce

really make the schools an enjoy- whenever John and I visit. able place to be.

including Hickory Woods Elemen- to be in the paper. tary as part of that beat, but recently I was a little discouraged woman told me I couldn't do the interview made me feel about what happened to John, our really bad for them. arrived there for an assignment. It was the kids.

Novi parent had urged us to write about the school. frishee fling, jelly bean race, and one they really enjoyed signed release forms. called "wash the dog" where the kids had to race to a tub of water and rinse a soaked sponge over their classmate's

It would have made some great art and the kids couldn't say enough nice things about the day and their gym teach-

Unfortunately while I was interviewing some students, I was approached by a woman who could have been either a

She told me that I had no right interviewing the kids or taking pictures without consent.

I explained to her that John and I had already checked because the kids deserve it. in at the front desk and that Mr. Cateracci was aware that we were there to cover the story for the paper.

The woman told me were not allowed to be there because we did not have permission from the principal and that the names and pictures of the students would not be released mail address is sfordyce@ht.homecomm.net and then asked me to leave.

I love my school beat. I love talking I was really hurt because I have always been very welwith teachers, kids, and staff who comed at Novi schools; who accept us with open arms

I was sad because here there were all these great kids I was particularly excited about having fun and were excited to learn that they were going The look of disappointment on the kids faces when this

photographer, and I when we She flatly told me "sorry" but it wasn't me I felt sorry for

I wanted to cover their field day After I left the field, I proceeded to the front desk to tell which was full of exciting events the secretary what had just happened, hoping she would put together by their wonderful tell me it was okay and to stay. Instead, she acted like she gym teacher Eric Cateracci. And a didn't know why I was there.

She said, "I didn't know that you were going to interview The kids were having a ball, playing fun games like the the kids and take pictures. You can't do that without

When we first arrived, I told her who we were and why we were there and then all of the sudden she acted like we just walked in the school without anyone knowing.

Now, I know schools all operate differently and I can understand if we needed to get some sort of permission on releasing the names, but you would have thought that they would have told me that when I first arrived.

No one even said, "well, give us the names of the kids you PTO volunteer or teacher who ordered me to stop talking to already talked to and took pictures of and leave them with us so we can authorize them for you." I am planning on calling the principal and speaking with

her on the situation and hopefully we can run that story It seems like a great school and I would love to include

Stephanie Fordyce is a staff writer for Novi News. Her e-

In Focus



New shoes needed

Novi grads (from left) Andrea Eberline. Natalie Ozog and Lindsay Terzes roll dice at the Senior All-night Party.

First roads were rutted, sound familiar?



gestion?

half-hour from Novi, commuters able to bypass. know that this time is easily doubled or more at rush hour. Imagine the same trip without free-

ways, without concrete, and - often

could take almost a week. The first roads leading out of Detroit at that time were to Detroit. little more than Indian trails, crude pathways cleared

trails, they gradually expanded into rutted, dirt roads. The road running between Novi and Walled Lake - now landowners. Novi Road - was planked in the late 1850s, improving traveling conditions somewhat for farmers transporting

their goods to Detroit and other markets. Still, the roundtrip would last three days or more. coaches, helping Novi farmers ship their goods more easi- rural areas in Oakland County.

ly to other parts of the state. By the 1890s, when America's industrial revolution was at its peak, an innovation in public transport was created, bringing the markets of Detroit well within practical reach Trail" as well as other local history books, of Novi farmers for the first time.

In 1895, a line ran between Detroit and Pontiac. Four years later, an additional line connected Detroit with Novi and Northville via Farmington.

- without roads. Farmers living in River to Farmington then headed west on Eight Mile Road Novi in the 1800s found Detroit a to Griswold Street in Northville and finally to Northville's good market for their produce, but Main Street station. It was this line that Novi residents it was a difficult and time-consuming place to get to. A could take a comparatively quick trip to Detroit. The typical trip from Novi to Detroit and back in the 1830s Detroit and Northwestern Railway constructed a powerhouse in Farmington as a headquarters for cars heading

through the dense woods. With the increased use of these some bus stations today. In order to build their tracks, the interurban would buy the right-of-way from cities and

recreation as it was a convenience. Traveling along the tracks that were laid directly through many communities, passengers were able to see parts of the state that they Railroads didn't reach Novi until the early 1870s. This may not have seen before, thus leading to land developwas an expedient alternative to the slow-moving stage ment in places like Farmington, Novi, Wixom and other

Barbara Louie is the author of the book "No. VI on the

Business issues bring parties together



dace Miller during the Detroit Regional environment and urban sprawl. Chamber's Leadership Policy Conference.

it's hard to find employees.

that his organization has been on support- across the Internet. They maintain the law ing Democratic candidates all along, but has been on the books for years to tax out- and technology. Detroit and the Thumb lag Granholm's comments served to point out of-state sales. Residents saw the first some of the trends that have emerged in attempt to collect on tax forms this past the conference. Changes in the social land- April. scape are also changing politics. And the

low unemployment rate. That's produced a um to a new five-year moratorium. The reaworker shortage. Michigan is already an son, according to Congressman Sander estimated 20,000 workers short in engi- Levin, D-Southfield, is that state and local neering and other high-tech fields. Attract- governments collect such a wide for a variing employees has become such a major ety of sales taxes and at some different issue that government officials at the state rates that collecting it would be difficult at and county level have begun recruitment best. In the session on Mackinac regarding

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lowing merchants:

have to be a Finding and attracting new employees in time to consolidate and coordinate the way Republican to be fact was the subject of the session on the they collect sales tax. pro-business. You island. Obviously that leads to better pay Another new issue is where to get all no longer have to a and benefits for employees.

Those social changes also create a whole may be the issue of taxation on Internet. course. It's a bit of an oversimplification. Cham- Republicans at the state level want to begin per President Richard Blouse would argue applying sales taxes to items purchased

Among the biggest changes is Michigan's just extended their old three-year moratori-

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those high-tech workers so much in Democrat to be Another issue affected by this change is demand. That of course is the issue that pro-worker," State the environment. A subject that used to pit has U.S. senator Spence Abraham Attorney General businesses against activists has seen new embroiled in controversy with his chal-Jennifer Granholm interest from both sides. As Bill Rustem, of lenger, U.S. Rep. Debbie Stabenow. He's said recently on Public Sector Consultants, pointed out, it's proposed granting more visas to foreign Mackinac Island. It a quality of life issue. Employees won't workers who have high tech skills. His critwas part of a come to this state if they find it to be a polics argue that steals jobs away from Michispeech given in a luted, dirty place to live. And that make gan workers. But Abraham maintains that fund-raising recepcount for the renewed level of interest on if we tried to train that many workers from tion for herself as Secretary of State Can-the part of businesses for addressing the among our own population it would put the state behind in technological development.

The gist of the talk was that the interests new set of issues although the resulting divides," not just one, a contention supof the two political parties are coming divisions occur, not necessarily between ported by the work of Katherine Willis, together. Workers don't do well when busi- the political parties, but sometimes in President of Cyberstate.org. There is the ness is bad. Businesses don't do well when places rather unexpected. A case in point divide between have and have-nots, of But there is also a huge division between

young and old. Interestingly, there are regional variations in access to computers behind the rest of the state. How and what, if anything, the state

should be doing about these discrepancies But the fed's want to put a moratorium are issues that have Republican and on new taxes on the Internet. In fact, they Democrats alike scratching their heads and searching for solutions. And it's no longer easy to predict where they may land.

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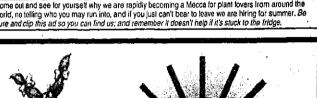
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To the Editor: While the issue of gun violence in America is a complex one, it's time

ing schemes, they get their money around, from TV and movie vioback and the city treats them to an lence, absent parents and a generam delighted that she has received evening and dinner at one of Novi's al societal disintegration. In America. 60 children are shot each day With these types of inspiration, and 12 children die from gun viothis advisory board could really lence that does not make head-

lines. That's a Columbine tragedy resourceful and productive during every day. These are not numbers that millions of mothers, fathers Joseph G. Toth and friends can live with anymore. With ten times more gun dealers

country, it's time for "common sense gun legislation" that will hold the owner of a gun responsible for crimes committed with it. We need background checks and sensible cooling-off periods to prevent angry people from purchasing a gun to settle a dispute. We must have safety locks for all handguns. Limit handgun purchases to one per month. What "law abiding citizen" needs more than 12 guns a year?

These common sense gun laws http://gonow.to/mimmm/

the failure to teach children the difference between right and wrong and respect for the rights of others. The problem of wanton killing can only proceed toward a solution when we stop blaming the inani-Second, if the board cannot mate gun for our problems and uncover or formulate any real look to the real problem. Parents,

money making and/or money savschools and churches must ing proposals within the six-month become responsible for teaching period, the facility should be immechildren discipline, right from diately put up for sale and sold. wrong, responsibility and respect Third, no one who was involved for the rights of others. Perhaps we with the original group that pushed need classes for the adult populafor or had anything to do with this tion so that they have the ability to ice arena should be appointed to teach these lessons. this board - let's have some fresh Donald C Young Jr blood, fresh eyes, and fresh ideas.

own money. If they cannot come up with any good workable money making or money saving ideas at the end of six months, the \$700 will be given to a local charity or However, if they do come up with for us all to take responsibility for

Fourth, each of the seven mem-

bers should put in \$100 of their

some money making or money sav- it. There is plenty of blame to go finest restaurants.

set clause - say six months.

ing example of how young people knuckle down and become very Denise Nussbaum this six-month tour of duty.

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large part due to the energy and

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Katie, along with the entire Fan-

ing at church, school and commu-

nity a regular part of their lives. I

her efforts. Katte is an outstand-

can make a difference.

last summer for the St. James

To the Editor Perhaps Council Member Lorenzo is correct - sell the Novi Ice

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Since springtime is camera and subject.

CONTROL KIDS, NOT GUNS

Arena and let's stop the hemor-

this disappointment. (Trivia: \$12.2 that guns are the problem. million invested in 7 percent CDs Most of the statistics that are would yield about \$854,000 in touted about how many children interest each year. Enough to pay are killed by guns don't tell you for some serious subdivision road

mprovements.) teenage gangsters, not little kids
But let's assume the position who find loaded guns around the and support this Proposed Risk Advisory Board (PRAB). Then we killed by air bags and swimming need and should have some special pool drownings.

To the Editor:

The purpose of the Million Mom March "to seek gun safety legislarhage of taxpayers' money to sublaws" may sound good but it Because of this \$11.5 million diverts attention from the real facility and the \$700,000 that the problem. It is unfortunate that the Novi taxpayers have spent so far, few real gun accidents are blown we the taxpayers, are now at \$12.2 out of proportion and misrepremillion and still burning money on sented to make the public think

> that most of these "children" are home. In reality, more children are

Every accident is blamed on the inanimate gun when the real prob-First, the seven-member commit- lem is the shooter or parental care-Toys. Wyndham Garden Hotel, tee should have a designated sun- lessness. The real problem is

than McDonald franchises in this

do not threaten the lawful gun owners, but rather separates them from those who are not. This is not about banning guns, but rather working together as Americans to try and reduce these senseless tragedies. To help contact Western Metro Detroit Area, Million Mom March e-mail: www.mimommarch@yahoo.com and Website:

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Kathryn Bandemer

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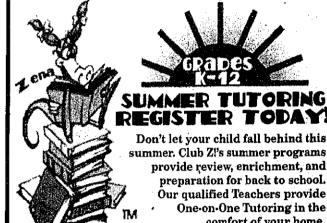
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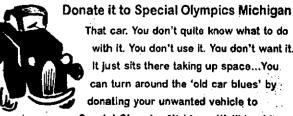




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New city manager urges support for road bond

entire community has to come together and that the road problems and a bond issue should not be laid at the feet of city council. are not Solomon. They are putting stages. their heart and soul into this comroots effort to pull this off this fall."

happen," Cassis said.

"Nowhere in Oakland County is there more state, federal, and local dollars coming together in local fund the mayor's shoulders. They the final design and preliminary struction.

Grand River between Wixom and

Roads sometime in 2002 and 2003. MDOT to help contribute

MDOT has requested the RCOC may be willing to participate finan-tribute another \$3 Million to the "It has got to be soon and it has projects than in Noxt. Right now, as speed up the Grand River improve-clally or the legislature may not be got to be genuine." Helwig said. far as Beck and Wixom tinter- ment so that the work does not willing to provide funds for the city This is not just on the city council changes) are concerned, they are in coincide with I-96 interchange con- in the future.

"We all know that nothing is handed to us on a silver platter. wig said. munity. But it is going take a grass Beck Roads is expected to be Novi's share is twenty percent," widened from three lanes to five Cassis said. That represents, of be out to get the word to the com-State money will filter down to sometime in the year 2001, according \$30 million dollars for the Beck munity that the city needs input on Novi, said State Rep. Nancy Cassis, ting to officials at the RCOC. The Road (interchange) improvement, a a road bond issue. total cost of the project is estimat- \$6 million commitment that the "We want to be in service club this fall. According to RCOC

Helwig agreed. With the state said. and county providing funds for the city. Helwig stressed that the city has already said they will con-

"If we fail, they have said they are not coming back for a while." Helas well as other projects along He added that all the stops will week that the demolition of the

people of Novi will be asked to commeetings, in church basements; we spokesperson Craig Bryson, the

final cost estimate for the project

Last November's failed road bond would have included funds for the Grand River project, as well as the change projects. Cassis also said that the state is prepared to issue Category A economic grants of \$2 million when Novi applies for them,

According to Cassis, the

Grand River bridge is scheduled for

For more information about the city's focus groups, call Novi Com-Malone at 735-5628.

4th graders ranked high on state test

Continued from 1 teachers at grades before the

MEAP," Traynor said. "We have to remember that the Student had to gain the skills which are tested in grades previous to those in which the test is given. 6 Traynor said she would like to emphasize that the MEAP is a "cri-Sterion referenced test."

"This differs from a standardized test where feedback is broader in scope and not as simple to tie into direct instruction," she said. *Results (from MEAP) can be

effectively used to improve instruclion for individuals and groups." Traynor said the schools will be using that information to improve leaching methods.

"The principals and teachers will be dissecting the data, and analyzing what areas of emphasis need to be examined as a focus," she

Stephante Fordyce is a staff writ-

Northville High student wins award

By MELANIE PLENDA Stalf Writer

Though Northville High School senior Heather Qualman may never have heard of Mike Flanagan, the \$10,000 in scholarship money he gave her may make him

Qualman has the distinction of being the the only Northville student to ever receive the "Flanagan" Scholars" award. She is one of 38 scholars in Wayne County to get

The award honors County Superintendent Mike Flanagan and also known as the Wayne Regional Educational Support Agency (RESA) Future Teachers Scholarship. The award is based on academic achievement, as well as an essay stating the importance of

Qualman said she never expected she could be one of these schol-

"I was so surprised. My dad handed me a letter one day and I thought oh great, a letter telling me I didn't get it, but I did. I was totally speechless," she said. In addition to the scholarship, Qualman was presented with a commemorative crystal apple.

The essay earning Qualman the prize extolled the virtues of teachers not only for the knowledge they impart but also the emotional support they offer students.

"They help students fulfill their dreams by their good influence," "Plus it's kind of cool to talk to teachers about stuff that maybe you can't necessarily talk to your

parents about. They can be good mentors that way. Qualman said she is going to use the money to study geology and secondary education at Hope Col-

In fact, it was an experience in a geological studies class at Northville High School which helped her decide her path, she

Qualman said she remembered taking the glacial tour of Northville in this class which sparked an interest she never thought she'd

*Northville used to be all glacters," she said. "That is why there are so many hills." Northytile School Board Presi dent Michael Poterala said he hoped someday her teaching might bring her back to Northville.

Though Qualman didn't say where she wants to end up, she did say she was anxious to put the money to good use in her studies to be a teacher and to make a differ-



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s a result of the attack

munity Relations Director Maureen

Randal Yakey is a staff writer for

Dr. Ruben Ortiz-Reyes, a forensic athologist for the Oakland County Medical Examiner's Office, testified that Tuttle suffered a heart attack

Ortiz-Reves testified that there luttle's heart was in poor condition

n." Skrzynski said. "I think we tive Ronald Roy, Olsen has several times changed the story of what happened the night of the incident Roy said said it was an eviction

"His father wanted him out of the

on the day Olsen was scheduled to "two" punches or kicks to the leave, he slept-in and did not make

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threat that resulted in the stepson's attack.

house," Roy said, "His dad had

"His father wanted him out of the house."

According to Roy, Olsen first told

Friday before the murder. He said sorting with a prostitute" and that he went out and got drunk with all he did not make it back to the his buddies and spent all day Fri- McMahn Circle residence until 4 day in bed," Roy said. a.m. that morning.

police that the night of his father's sented with a written statement death, the elderly dropped him off from Oslen stating that what he at the Rustic Pub in Farmington

On Dec. 31. Roy said he was pre-

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admitted to lying about his story his father's body on the bedroom and that Olsen told him another floor around 5:30 a.m. Then he story about "using heroin and conchanged it, saying he found the

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After two trips to the Northville State Police posts for interviews, Olsen said he had enough and did not want to do a third interview, Roy said. The Novi detective said

that Olsen allegedly even made reference to the incident as a "mur talking and that he would take his

chances with a jury," Roy said. Roy told the court that Olsen, at one point, made reference to his stepbrother and sister, who were in

and Kathy would find out he laid hands on him (Tuttle)," Roy said. Roy told the court that Olsen did the Novi News. His e-mail address

seemed to shed a tear. But he also said that Olsen knew he was kept out of his stepfather's will. During extradition to Michigan, Roy said that Olsen even offered up

"He said he didn't cause the injuries," Roy said. "But if he got five (years in prison.) he would plead guilty.'

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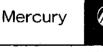
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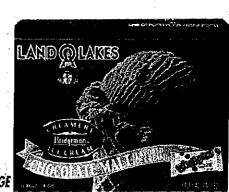
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long time ago."

As the cheering sections screech out their cheers, coaches shout encouragement and enthusiastic parents jam the Indoor stand as the team huddles for pregame

It has all the atmosphere of a championship high school basketball game. Coaches are issuing instructions and the players are getting ready for big event. And the woops, bellows and barks are all

All the participants, from students to parents, are aware the competition is tough but the lessons all will learn could open doors to their future. This is not a sporting event, however, it is a robotics competition.

There are nearly a thousand FIRST high school robotics teams in the nation. Since the robotics competition was first launched in 1992, teams from all over North America have been competing for the chance to show their works at the national championship competition held every year at Walt Dis-World's

Epcot Center in Orlando, Florida. At Novi High school, some students are

wondering when they too, are going to get their chance to get in on the action. One of those students is Eric Adams.

Adams. 11th grader, has

been dreaming for this opportunity expires, they will receive five

"I think a school like Novi should have had something like this a long time ago," Adams said. "I take computer classes but the high school doesn't have any robotics classes. Adams said he has attended

some of the other competitions but it wasn't really the competition itself that got him interested. "Everyone was really tight."

Adams said. "It seem like a lot of friendships were formed." Adams may have been looking

for a representative for Sun Microsystems at the time, who did send representatives to the demon-

"I always have liked to work for them," Adams said, who was accompanied by his mother.

Adams' mother, Diana, confirmed that he is looking forward to a career not with the Detroit Red Wings or the Boston Red Sox, like kids used too, but with Sun Microsystems

"That is all he talks about," his mom said.

Two weeks ago, a demonstration of FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) Robotics Competition took place at the Husky Company on Twelve Mile Road, just west of Novi

Often called the "Ultimate Mind Sport," it's making the computer nerds into technological solution finders and attractive geniuses and it is also encouraging students. men and women alike, to enter technology and engineering based professions. The international FIRST competition will have an estimated 378 teams this year.

The boom in combining science and technology to solve problems has gotten Novi interested in starting its very own robotics team. Huron Valley Schools and International Academy of Bloomfield Hills both have successfully competed in this arena.

At this particular demonstration match, the four robots in attendance attempt to pick up any number of a half a dozen yellow beach type balls and place them into a metal rack for one point each. There are also two black

beach balls. If one of those are deposited in the rack, the team receives five points.

Connecting the two racks (or goals) con~ taining the balls is a steel bar and underneath is a ramp. If a robot is able to be on the ramp when time

ot is able to clasp on to the steel bar before time clapses, that's an additional ten points. Each robot has a driver and coaches that call out instructions to the driver. But with a cheering crowd and teammates lining the sidelines, there seem to be thousands of coaches screaming encouragement.

The robots themselves are built and programmed by the students with help from volunteer engineers from such companies as General Motors. Daimler-Chrysler, and

Chris Kurecka, an 11th grader from International Academy of Bloomfield Hills, said he got involved two years ago when a coach asked him to join. Chris initially didn't think he had the timebut the opportunity to work with

said. "All this stuff I'm learning, I'll probably end up doing as a job later on. I'll probably end up doing some kind of engineering and this is great preparation for that. "



International Academy of Bloomfield Hills students Trevor McCulloch (left) and Meg Zeller work on their robot with a fellow teammate before the F.I.R.S.T. competition at Husky in Novi.

Story'. That was a wonderful experience and I can now do any of the

'three d's (dimensionals.)'" Kurecka said he feels that he will be able to use what he learned working with robots and apply it to his school work.

"In physics, next year, when we cover mechanics and talk about motors and things like that, I think

it will help." Kurecka said. Kurecka had a message for the students of Novi who may be inter-

ested in detting a team

compete. "It's a great educational experience, Kurecka commented. "You get to learn ābout robotics. You

together and

hear about robots on the space shuttle Ford Motor Company. and here's a chance to do things hands on with them. They are not complicated as they look robots won him over.

"It's been the best," Kurecka

One thing that is optional every year is to make a thirty second video," Kurecka continued. "It's the same stuff they used to make Toy

they all have to work tightly together because you only have two minutes. And, they have to make sure everything is planned out. You have to have a strategy. It's like coming into a football

"You have to do scouting on your opponents. You have to know what they can do," Kurecka said.

Each team basically builds it's own mini city. "(We) have four play

fields that are constantly going on, matches for

about a day and a half. Kurecka said. "Every team has a pit area."

The team

can be com-

prised of

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and fifteen

per team. All

prises of are

Huron Valley Schools International Academy of Bloomfield Hills Pontiac Northern High Pontiac Central High Walled Lake Schools Livonia Schools

AREA ROBOTICS

TEAMS

learn how they work." Kurecka said that, like hockey or basketball, for the five people that come out and drive the robot, it is a team sport.

"Definitely," he said. "You've got the cheering team out there for you but for the five people that come out here, the two coaches, the human player and the two drivers;

given different tasks. Some plan out work sessions. Others do the actual construction or work with the programing of the computer mechanisms. Everyone gets involved and

everyone cheers on their team. "It was truly a remarkable experience. I was overwhelmed by the teamwork and camaraderie, the team building and the interest by the students in something like a geeky subject like science," said Trefor Jones. General Manger of Husky. "The who (FIRST) competition is

based on a game." "Kids these days aspire to be sports related careers and thinking of combining that with science and technology." Jones said, who did give the credit to Dean Kamen, an New England based entrepreneur, inventor and technologist, who dropped out of Worcester Polytechnic Institute but still holds over 30 U.S. Patents relating to medical devices, climate control systems and helicopter design, wanted to

make science fun for kids." Dominique Lee, a 9th grader Pontiac Northern High School. helped explained some of the intricacies of the event to a

group of Novi students. Lee said he got involved after an announcement on the school public address system asked if any students wanted to get involved. He was already interested even before he filled out his application and he couldn't

wait to get involved. The Husky Brigades aiready had a lego league where they make lego robots," said the enthusiastic Lee, a member of the Pontiac Northern Huskies Robotics team. 'lt's a mentoring, program with the middle school. I was familiar with that. So, I already had an idea of what it was about.

Lee said the reason he loves the programs is the entire process of creating the robots and seeing it

actually work. "We get to see out ideas drawn life," said Lee. "It's making math

and science fun for people. Lee said the enjoyed working with robots but that he had a vari-

ety of aspirations and interests. "I'd like to be a lawyer," Lee said. "And president of the United States. Republican, of course."

Ian McEwan, Executive Director of North American Proving Grounds and Test Operations for General Motors, talked of of the need to get students involved in engineering and the reasons why it so important to the country as

"We need to recognize as a students county that we have really serithat the ous educational problems. In the team comnext ten years, we plan to graduate less than fifty percent of the engineers that the industry projected they will need," said McEwan. "So that means we, as companies, need to do something about the numbers. Students who are interested in engineering aren't by the time they get to college. They have basically made their decisions.

"We have to get to the students in high school or middle school

and we have to show them that engineering is fun." McEwan said. McEwan talked

parent/teacher booster clubs that helped the Huron Valley team get exited about

FIRST in Milford. "I've never seen so many students dedicated," McEwan said. Jones concurs. Both men heaped praise on the parents and students and encouraged companies to join in and sponsor a team

"I thought that with Husky coming into the community and being a good corporate citizen. that it would be right up our alley in terms of the values we represent." Jones said. "It was Jennifer Harvey that was trying to get a team together and I said I was sure that the members of our team would like to get something

together." Jennifer Harvey, an Art Teacher at Parkview Elementary School. has been working to get a FIRST program for Novi High School.

Harvey, who's husband works

for General Motors, has been associated with the Huron Valley team for four years now and is hoping that local businesses will make donations. "We have the students, we have

the faculty, now what we need is sponsorship," Harvey said,

The Novi team has already been given a number of donations. Approximately \$2,500 from Husky Corporation and Novi Expo Center's Blair Bowman. rvev said both will get tising space on the robot.

"Husky will get their name on (it) and the Expo Center will get their name on (it)," said Harvey. But there is much more we need. We need a facility to construct

the robot. But Harvey said the program will need more sponsors and she's hoping that others will come forward to help the program get off the ground.

"I had a mother from an elementary school, and she's an engineer too, So she wanted to make a contribution. She doesn't even have any kids in the high school yet," Harvey said. "She said she wanted to support the project in any way she could."

And Harvey also stressed the FIRST teams are all inclusive. Unlike basketball or soccer teams where the boys play on one team and the girls on the other, these teams have both boys and girls ranging from high school freshmen to seniors. The robotics teams don't segregate. Boys and girls are involved on every level from planning to working on the robot to the support team.

Story by Randal Yakey **Photos by John Heider**

Elizabeth Stephenson, a sophomore at Milford High School, became involved after cheering on her brother and sister who introduced her to the competition.

"This is my first year and my brother and sister were in it last year and I reply enjoyed the competition." Stephenson said, decked

out in her team jersey. "Every year, it's a different game and there's a lot of cheering going on and that really pumps you up, Stephenson said, checking back at the robots in the center area fight-

ing it out like iron gladiators. The Novi Schools, with an enormous amount of support from the Chamber of Commerce's Kim Capello and Bowman, hope to be have a team in place by next year.

Randal Yakey is a staff writer for the Novt News. His e-mail address is ryakey@ht.homecomm.net.



Meg Zellers, left, and Trevor McCulloch celebrate an initial victory by their robot, "Pina Robota" in a F.I.R.S.T. robotics competition at Husky Detroit Technical Center in Novi.

Novi Highlights

West Park Drive. Any communi- Lake. activities director Suzanne Pom- tea-tasting, teas provided by mascot, "Mr. Good Neighbor members or \$22 at the door, if building customer loyalty; and to share a meal and offer supinville at 669-5330 as soon as Bigelow, along with tea sand- Bear."

The afternoon will include entertainment by DJ Pete Fetters, with emphasis on '50s asking them to vote on their

Charlie Gehringer entertained

tery trip to Kensington Park for and slow speed control. Having break.

wiches.

Novi Public Library

music. Refreshments will be fur- recently held under the direction teenage volunteers assisted nished by Kroger Store (Beck tion of the youth services in the program, with about 50 Road/Pontiae Trall) and Grand department and State Farm adult spectators in attendance. Court's Chef Bode. Programs Insurance. Representatives were will be given to those attending, youth service director Margi Karp-Opperer, insurance reps Mike Gabriel of the Novi office gram underway. The theme this and Larry Brandon of the Walled

The "rodeo" was successful sented. On display is an eye- there are 70 HomeTown newspadiscovered a need for small with about 50 youngsters in catching robot named Millie, blankets or covers at the nurs- attendance. They learned about ery unit at Huron Valley Hospi- bike safety, which also included tal. She enlisted the help of two an obstacle course. Novi police residents. Hilda Miller and Mar. officer Mark Boody checked Weber, whose grandchildren ton/Farmington Hills recently mer. Registration will start on Sunday, June 25. At this garet Moore, who taught other individual helmets and their Patrick, Michael, and Lauren residents how to crochet these correct fit, tires, handlebars, brakes, and so on.

Riders were directed through this month with music from the an obstacle course that consisthe performs country music on cling and changing direction. Gillette. Another display is by 28.

The facility will celebrate a piculc and the petting farm. completed the course, riders Father's Day by having a car Still, another one was a trip and were given a laminated card of show open to the public, from 2- tour of the Harvest Bread Co., achievement, complete with p.m. on Sunday, June 18. along with a shopping spree at their photograph; a goodie bag Grand Court is located at 45182 the Dollar Daze Store in Walled full of balloons, suckers, and coloring books; and additional ty member who wants to show Tea time is very popular with safety suggestions. Helping with 349-3743 or fax, 349-4523 by nents will be featured in the their car is asked to call the residents. They gather for the activities was State Farm Friday, June 16. Cost is \$17 for program: leadership excellence; House on Saturday, June 17

> Refreshments were furnished rep Larry Brandon demonstrat-A "Bike Safety Rodeo" was ed his 1901 Oldsmobile. About HomeTown Communications The library's youth department is also hard at work getting the summer reading proyear is Reading is Out of This provided by Bill Alter. Another is astronaut suit made by Mary

> > Carroll have participated in the reading program.

Novi Chamber of Commerce

The next chamber luncheon Epicure, from 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. with Farmington/Farmington care. RSVP is requested by calling Hills chambers. Three compospace is available.

Featured will be guest speaker additional information, call the by Twist and Shake. State Farm Philip H. Power, founder, owner, chamber office at 349-3743. and chairman of the board of Network Inc., a group of community newspapers throughout is as follows: traditional wor-Michigan, Cincinnati, Ohio: and ship at 8:15 a.m.; contempothe upper Midwest area includ- rary worship and Sunday World." Several exhibits are pre- staff of 20 employees. Today, summer. pers with a staff of 1,000. Reports will be given regard-

held at Cattails Golf Club. The large showcase displays a for July 26-30 at the Novi Expo set for June 19-22, from 9 ding anniversary. Rev. Mesenmoon colony and space port Center. Members should call the a.m. to noon; closing program bring was the founding pastor '30s and '40s; some being his ed of a number of challenges, made entirely out of Legos by chamber office for information at 6:30 p.m. June 22. own compositions. Guitarist Bob including having to mount and John Van Dusen, along with a regarding sponsorship, ticket. The theme for this year's

Lowe also appeared on occasion: dismount a bike properly, circumstellation scene by Alison info, or participation on July Vacation Bible School is Channel 14 and has received ability, straight line control. Christian Vandewile, who Also in the making are plans will be used as a script to film wish to contact her with inforweaving and maneuvering, stop- attended the US Space Camp in for the chamber and Disney God's story. As a service pro- mation for this column, call The residents enjoyed a mys- ping ability, short radius turns. Alabama this year during spring institute presenting a full day ject during VBS, students will 624-0173.

of professional training for area be collecting school items for businesses and organizations distribution to patients at on Friday, Sept. 22 at the Novi Ronald McDonald House and Hilton Hotel. The chamber will Children's Hospital, in addiwill be held June 20 at Country be in partnership for this event tion to children new to foster

> A group from Hope Lutheran will go to Ronald McDonald creativity and innovation. For port to families of seriously-ill Children's Hospital.

Youth events this summer include a Laser Tag Extravaganza, when both junior and senior high join together at US Blades in Farmington Hills. Regional Lutheran ing the Novi News and Northville School at 9:45 a.m.; and tra- Youth Day will be celebrated Record. Originally, the company ditional worship again at July 31 with a trip to Cedar published six newspapers in 11:15 a.m. There will be no Point. The annually-held Bass Western Wayne County, with a children's church during the Lake Festival at Camp Michi-Lu-Ca is scheduled for Aug.

Summer Sunday School is 11-13. scheduled for June 18 A very special occasion will through Aug. 6; special be celebrated during coffee an outstanding display of an ing the annual Chamber Chalarrangements are being made hour immediately following lenge Golf Mixer with Farming- for adults to attend this sum- the 9:45 a.m. worship service June 18, with commissioning time, the Rev. Victor Mesen-Plans will be finalized for the of all summer learning lead- bring and his wife, June will Music and Motor Fest scheduled ers. Vacation Bible School is be celebrating their 50th wed-

"Holyword Studios." The Bible Jeanne Clarke. Should you

Business

David J. Boyd, the Edward future in light of a proposed Jones investment representa- break and predictions that the tive in Northville, will host a personal computer era is over, broadcast for individual Joining Ballmer to discuss ther information, call the BNI investors Thursday, July 13 at Microsoft will be Art Russell, p.m. The broadcast titled Edward Jones technology ana-Live with the CEO of lyst and Alan Skrainka, Edward Microsoft," will be a live pro- Jones chief market strategist. gram to Edward Jones branch For more information on the offices nationwide via the firm's July 13 broadcast or to reserve

Steve Ballmer, the president contact David at (248) 348and CEO of Microsoft, the 4610 or Edward Jones' interacworld's leading software compa-tive. Website is located at ny, will discuss Microsoft's www.edwardjones.com.

a seat for this free program,

Business Network International local meetings; For fur-

regional office at (810) 323-3800. • Thursday, June 15 Business Network International Northville Chapter regular meeting, from 7 to 8:30 a.m. at Kerby's Koney Island, Eight Mile and Haggerty Road.

BNI Wixom Chapter regular Restaurant, 29710 S. Wixom Novi.

Road between Pontiac Trall and

BNI Novi Chapter regular meeting, 7-8:30 a.m. Kerby's Koney Island, Eight Mile and Haggerty Road, Northville.

meeting, from 7-8:30 a.m. The meeting, 7-8:30 a.m. at Leon's Hilton, 21111 Haggerty Road, and I-96).

• Wednesday, June 21

NW Farmington Hills Chapter; Boyes, Wright, Pittman & Co.,

The summer worship schedule

BNI Northville Chapter regular meeting, 7-8:30 a.m. at Kerby's Koney island, Eight Mile and • Friday, June 23 BNI Farmington Hills regular

BNI Wixom chapter regular Grand Cafe, downtown Farming- meeting, 7-8:30 a.m. Leon's Restaurant, 29710 S. Wixom Greater Novi Chapter, Novi Road (between Pontiac Trail

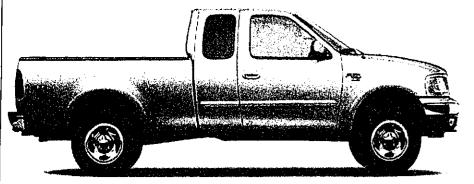
Darren La Londe has been appointed managing director of ommercial real estate lending for Michigan Heritage Bank. Most recently, he served as vice president of Northpoint Capilal. Prior to that, he was vice president of Great Lakes Bank commercial real estate loans. He received his degree in

business administration from Oakland University

La Londe and his wife. Debhie and their two children reside in Northville Township.

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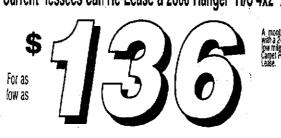
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Community Events

Our Lady of Providence Center, weight control and smoking cessawhich serves developmentally dis- tion, a two-hour session for each, abled girls and women, will host its which combines the power of hypfirst annual La Cappella Performing Arts Series beginning in June at its chapel in Northville.

The Performing Arts Series ing award-winning Christa Grix on her electric harp. The concert will be held on Thursday, June 15 at 7 p.m. Admission is \$10. A percussionist and bass player will accompopular jazz compositions of Chick powerful hypnotic session, behav-Schwartz, and Johnny Mandel. Other performances in the series

16th century replica instruments on Tuesday, July 18 at 7 p.m. Providence Hospital and Medical

Centers will hold Wellness Seminars for weight reduction and a smoking cessation program at the following locations: Weight Reduction Program

 Providence Medical Center. Livonia: Mission Health Medical Center, 37595 Seven Mile Road (at Newburgh) will host the weight control program on Thursday, July 13, from 3-5 p.m. and 6:30-8:30

· Novi Park: Providence Medical Center-Providence Park, 47601 Grand River Ave., (Beck Road entrance) will host the program on Saturday, July 15, from 1-3 p.m. Smoking Cessation Program

 Providence Medical Center. Livonia: Mission Health Medical Center, 37595 Steven Mile Road (at Newburgh) will host the stop smoking program on Wednesday, July 12, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. • Novi Park: Providence Medical

Center-Providence Park at 47601 Grand River Ave. Beck Road entrance) will be held Saturday, July 15, from 10 a.m.-noon. Providence Hospital and Medical Centers will present the highly

Michael Miller will be the new

music director at Novi United

Methodist Church, effective July 1. He and his wife, Dorothy and their

ence to the music program. His pre-

vious responsibilities include the

development and oversight of the

Effective Aug. I. Elaine Wroe will

be the new choral director at Novi

United Methodist Church, She and

her husband. James also reside in

Wroe has had a great deal of must-

Northville. This is being offered to all

Religion

family reside in Novi.

music ministry.

by controlling overeating, binging, snacking and emotional eating; begins with "Mostly Jazz," featur- and to stop smoking without weight gain or withdrawals. The first 45 minutes of each sesment of the breastfeeding infant. sion is a free orientation. If the participant feels comfortable with how many register. For more infor- men will also be offered for \$40 (an Northyille Parks and Recreation the program, then they pay a one- mation or to register, call (248) pany Grix as she performs the time fee of \$59. This fee includes a 926-3341.

Corea, Richard Rogers, Allan for modification booklet, a home reinforcement audio cassette tape. and unlimited free repetitions of includes a performance/lecture of the seminar if needed. The semifestive Renaissance music using nar is sponsored at the hospitals regularly. For reservations, call 1-877-345-

> buyers Workshop at Novi Community Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road on Wednesday, June 21 at Richard at [734] 453-4425. 7:30 p.m.

> > erties, Farmington Hills; Cynthia Benson, Larry Sklar and Marvin Cohen of Kaye Financial. Register today. Call (248) 322- meet every first and third Saturday 1500, ext. 235. Refreshments and of the month at 3 p.m.

Guest speakers will be Sharon

Alliance (MABA) 2000 Detroit Bonsai Convention will be held June

30-July 2 at the DoubleTree Hotel, I-96 and Novi Road, entrance on Sheraton Road. Friday and Saturday, June 30 and purchase, July I. from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.: Sun-

day, July 2, from 9 a.m. to noon.

Tickets are \$5 per person. There will be exhibits of miniature bonsai trees, market place for gift items and vendor area to select bonsai trees, pottery, and tools. al information.

Church of Northville will conduct

Vacation Bible School for grades K-7,

Monday through Friday, June 26-30,

from 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

entering its 20th year of ministry.

The schedule of activities is exten-

The Oakland County Health location, 27775 Novi Road) to offer Division will offer a breastfeeding pampering hand treatments for support series at its West office located at 1010 E. West Maple Road, Walled Lake.

Topics covered will include: solving common breastfeeding problems; how to pump; taking care of mom; and growth and develop-Date and time is determined by

Chapter of the DAR will meet Novi is sponsoring outdoor sum- bicycles and riding in the parade, the zoo. Concerts are included with June 19 at the home of Sandra mer soccer camps for recreational Rakoczy, 2862 Woodmont, Canton. level players. All aspects of soccer long. Please bring school supplies and will be covered with an emphasis books and toiletries for the veterans, All DAR members and For information or if there are shin guards and a ball. All particiany questions, please call Doris pants receive a T-shirt. All ses-

Homeowners interested in learn-Lesnick of Re/Max Executive Prop- ing to lay their own brick patios, cost: \$50. walks and driveways can attend classes from now through September at Brickscape Gardens, which

class is \$5 per person, refundable The Mid-America Bonsal with any brick purchase. Call (248) 348-2500 to reserve a spot Brickscape offers a wide selec-

tion of bricks, sand, and other at the Novi Senior Center, 45175 materials for do-it-vourselfers and W. Ten Mile. A certified antique Show dates and hours will be helpful instruction at the time of appraiser will be there at a cost of Brickscape Gardens is located do not bring paintings. Refresh-

on Brickscape Drive, north of

Eight Mile and east of Novi Road.

For further information, please call Brickscape at (248) 348-2500. On Saturday, June 17, from annual Fourth of July parade and noon to 3 p.m. representatives is looking for additional partici-

Ministries; an evening of special

Brass; morning and evening wor-

ship services; exhibitors; and a

ministers, as well as sessions to

conduct the business of the EPC.

Lunches are available by advance

arts and craft items to donate to on skill development, ball control the auction/fund raiser; also and fun. An excellent staff plus 215 W. Main St.; Northville Townformer high school and college ship Hall, 41600 Six Mile Road; premier players will be instructing. Come ready to play with water.

sions are coed.

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June 26-30 or Aug. 7-11 K-third grade, 9-10:30 a.m., Third through fifth grades, 9-11

a.m., cost: \$60. Sixth through eighth grades, noon to 2 p.m., cost: \$60. Register at the Livonia YMCA. Registration fee for the one-hour Call (734) 261-2161, ext. 3314 if you have any questions.

\$2 per item for appraisal. Please

The Northville Township Foun-

dation is again coordinating the

Ward Evangelical Presbyterian

Church on Six Mile, Northville is

offering a summer series titled, "Set-

ting My Moral Compass," (seven guiding principles for your life) held

on Sundays at 6 p.m. in the chapel.

Dr. David Brown will be speaker.

June 18 - Morality: June 25

Unconditional Love: July 2 - Teen Choir Homecoming Musical; July 9,-

Spirituality: July 16 - Contentment July 23 - Relationships; and July 30

ments will be served.

Novi Parks and Recreation will present - "Antique Road Show" -Wednesday, June 28 at 12:30 p.m.

for all participants except nonparade participants. For details, Call Anette Findlay at (248) 349-

es will be given away; first 50 6192. The children's bicycle parade A Father's Day gift basket of has long been a part of the July 4 skin and fragrance products for parade celebration. This year, has offered to sponsor the event. All children of the Northville comhe Livonia YMCA Soccer Club, in munity, ages 5 and over are invited The Plymouth/Northville collaboration with Soccer Zone to participate by decorating their areas just inside the front gate of

> The parade route is 1 1/2 miles Bicycle parade applications are available at Northville City Hall, Northville Community Center, 303 Library, 212 W. Cady St.; and the Northville Community Foundation, 321 N. Center, Suite No. 130. For further information, contact Northville Parks and Recreation at

events this summer. Call the Novi location at (248) 348-8922 for

· Saturday. June 10-Saturday, June 17, "Father's Day Event" (all [248] 348-1233.

Children 15 and under are encouraged to draw a picture of profit organizations and bike their dad and his favorite furniture, which will be posted in the store for viewing. Entry forms are available at all Art Van stores beginning June 10. One entry per person. Flash-

lights to give to dad on Father's Day, June 18 will be available while supplies last. • Wednesdays, June 21 through Aug. 30, from 6-7:30 p.m. Detroit Zoo "Concerts in the Park" Concerts take place in the grass

regular zoo admission. The zoo is open until 8 p.m. on Wednesdays. Concert schedules available at Art Van Furniture in Novi. South field, Mount Clemens, Waterford, Sterling Heights, Warren and

New Hope Center for Grief Support will be conducting grief support sessions on the third Thursday of each month at St. Paul Luteran Church, 201 Elm Street, Northville from 7-8:30 p.m. The session swill be open to the public and will be Novi's Art Van Furniture, 27775 facilitated by an experienced grief Novi Road, along with other Art Van counselor. This month's session will locations, is sponsoring many be held on June 15. The sessions are sponsored by Northrop-Sas saman Funeral Home and New Hope Center for Grief Support, For more information call the center at

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For information regarding rates call The Northville Record or Novi News (248)349-1700:

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There is a fee of \$20 a child or \$50 music featuring the renown King's

Ward Evangelical Presbyterian dinner to recognize newly-ordained

ning at 7:30 p.m. us for this important event. This annual General Assembly kicks off a June 19-23, from 9 a.m.-noon at the year of celebration for the EPC now

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vices June 21, 22 and 23, begin-The General Assembly will meet at Ward Presbyterian Church. 40000 Six Mile Road, Northville.

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Both Miller and Wroe bring with commissioners and guests from all attend the evening worship ser- Road, is a very special place - an

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dren who have completed grades

This series is taken from the Serpreschool, will be provided for con- mon on the Mount, Matthew 5-7.

ter VBS will be held June 19-23. from 8:45 a.m. to noon. All chil-

1-6 are welcome. For more information, please call (248) 477-6365.

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On Campus

Jeffrey Smither, a graduating autor at Northville High School, is e reciptent of a \$1,000 Schoolcraft oilege Trustee Scholarship for 2000-2001. The awards are for fulltime attendance for the fall and winsemesters at Schoolcraft College and may be renewed for the followig year if the students meet contined eligibility requirements.

Trustee scholarships are awarded nually to graduating sentors in cognition of their academic hievements. Approximately 80 iolarships are granted each year.

Michelle L. Pantaleo of Novi was mong 45 Western Michigan Univerby sentors named a 2000 Presidenal Scholar. The award is WMU's gliest honor presented to a senior. Students are nominated for the award by faculty members. They are elected on the basis of their general ibademie excellence, academic and/or artistic excellence in their

rajor and intellectual and/or artis-Pantaleo was named a Presidenial Scholar in social work. Children have always been the main focus of ier life and she plans to work with oungsters in her career. She gradues in June with a double major in spetal work, and sociology, and has ben accepted to the master of social wirk program at the University of chigan for the fall.



er for Family and Children services her fieldwork placement at Chil-Family Independence Agency in president for two years of Eta Eta nication major. Sigma, a student social work group. She is a Medallion Scholar, a mem-

Musicians Wanted

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grounds for automatic disqualification. Entries will only be returned if they are accompanied with a self-addressed, postage-paid packaging. The News and Record are not responsible for lost or domaged materials. • Entries will be accepted from June 8 through 5 P.M. on June 29. Judging will take place in the week thereafter, with the winner being notified no later than July 7. • Employees and family members of Hometown Newspapers are not eligible.

Music Contest Entry Form

FITLE OF ALBUM SONG IS ON (If Applicable)

BAND MEMBER NAMES (If Applicable)

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& INSTRUMENTS PLAYED

NAME OF ARTIST OR BAND.

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DEADLINE

5:00 P.M.

Amy Petricea of Northville and Corps Air Station Miramar, San Petricea is majoring in elementary Marine Corps in July 1987. He is

ber of the Alpha Lambda Delta and was named to the Dean's List in Golden Key national honor societies recognition of her achievement of a and is enrolled in the Lee Honors 3.5 or better grade point average for College. She has been a volunteer at spring semester at Michigan State a local soup kitchen and as a men- University tor for area elementary students. Pantaleo is the daughter of Nancy | ford Ducker.

Michelle Pantaleo of Novi accepts her Presidential Scholar award.

in Kalamazoo while also completing Lisa Antuna of Novi were named to Diego. the Dean's List at Oakland Universidren's Protective Services at the ty for the 1999-2000 academic year. Northville High School, joined the Kalamazoo. Pantaleo served as co- education and Antuna is a commu- the son of Rosa R. and Opren P.

Novi resident Melissa L. Ducker Ducker is the daughter of StanSapla of Northville

Engagements



Ebel-West

Dan and Carol West of Novi announce the engagement of their son, Thomas, to Nikole Ebel. daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel West of Newnan, Ga., formerly of

Northville. The bride-elect is a 1995 graduate of Northville High School. She received a bachelor's degree in 1999 from Clemson University. and is currently employed at Amertean Management Systems as a Kyme Aaseby of Doran, Minn., and Patty Heintz, also of Northville. business analyst.

The groom-elect graduated from Detroit Catholic Central High School in 1995, and from Clemson Northville High School in 1996. University in '99. Thomas is and is currently attending the Uniemployed as a sales engineer with versity of Michigan-Dearborn cam-

In Service

Marine Corps Staff Sgt. Primitivo

D. Sapla Jr. recently received the

Marine Corps Good Conduct Medal.

The medal recognizes honesty and

faithful service during a three-year

period. To earn it, Sapla achieved

and maintained a satisfactory level

of performance and an unblemished

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373, Marine Wing Support Group

37, 3rd Marine Air Wing, Marine

Sapla, a 1985 graduate of

Sapla is currently assigned with

pus. Michelle will graduate the end A Sept. 23 wedding will take of this month. The groom-elect graduated from place at Callaway Gardens in Pine Mountain, Ga. Breckenridge High School in 1994 and from Christ for the Nations, Dallas, Texas, in 1997. He is the

youth pastor at First Assembly of

Mackinder-Aaseby

Donald and Carol Mackinder of

Northville announce the engage-

Terry Aaseby, son of Vern and

Bonnie Aaseby of Thief River Falls,

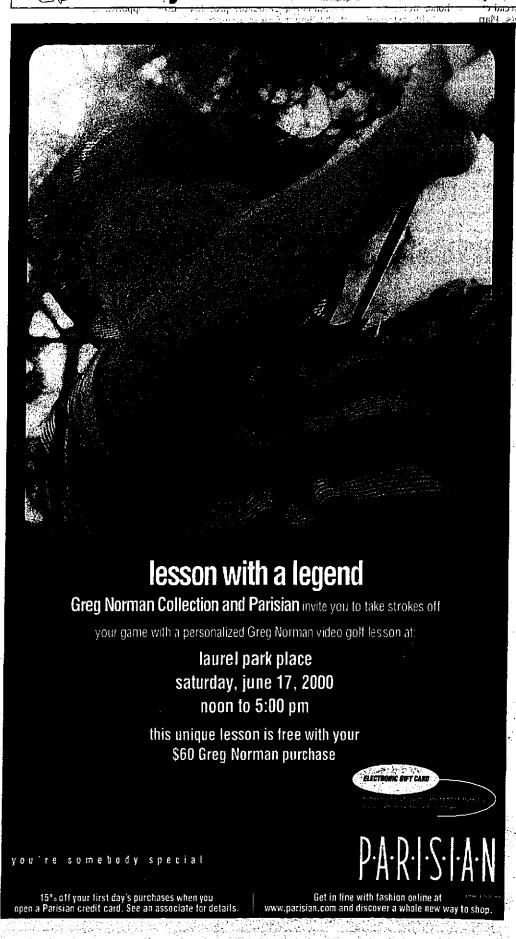
The bride-elect graduated from



Mr. and Mrs. John Litzelman of

The couple plans to reside in

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Diversions

NEWS 5AA THURSDAY

June 15

Novi Seniors

in the Novi Civic Center is open to June 28 at 12:30 p.m. seniors 50 and older. Many ser- We have secured a certified session. vices and programs are provided to register for an activity, please call (248) 347-0414 or by fax at (248) 347-3286.

COMING EVENTS AT THE SENIOR CENTER · Travel Club, Thursday, June

15 at 9:30 a.m. Meet in the Novi Senior Center opportunities. Tour companies will offerings and may even take you there in advance through slides or a video. Door prizes, refreshments.

> • Still time to sign up for several summertime day trips

June 20; Grand River Dinner Cruise in Caldonia, Ohio, June 27; Freedom Festival Fireworks on the Detroit River, Wednesday, June 28; Casino Windsor, July 12; Motor City Casino, Aug. 2; Mystery Tour, Aug. 9; Detroit Tigers vs. Baltimore Orioles at Comerica Park, Aug. 10.

• Extended trips are too numerous to mention. Visit the Novi Parks and Recreation office to pick up flyers on great destinations such as Greece. Hawaii, Branson, Cape Cod, Colorado, New Orleans, Stratford, arranged by calling the Senior France, New Hampshire and many Center.

Ballroom dancing/live band, from 1-3 p.m. Tuesday, June 27; Tuesday, July 25; Tuesday, Aug. 22.

tion Day, Sunday, July 2 at 1 p.m., donation. The city of Novi is having a very special-event to honor World War II vets. Plan to attend this extraordi- at the Senior Center to persons nary tribute. Inspiring music, delicious refreshments, interesting displays, and special presentations. If you know a World War II veteran, please have them register at Novi

antique appraiser who will be able at \$10 each for seniors who wish to sell their antiques (no deal-

 Looking for a Few Good Men and Women

You don't even have to be that for a fun introduction to all of our cal variety show "Showstoppers" upcoming summer/fall travel Sept. 13, 14, 15 and 17. Come to be present to explain their travel ister. Rehearsals will be held on Mondays.

brochure mailed to your home.

 Services for Homebound Home-delivered meals are ing (248) 735-5617, between 8

ing (248) 347-0203, from 9 a.m. to noon daily. Ask for Diane. Telephone reassurance calls are provided to homebound Novi seniors needing reassurance. Calls are made by volunteers and can be

 Nutrition/Food Services daily at the Novi Senior Center. Advance reservations are necessary. Call the center from 9 a.m. to noon at least three days in

advance. There is a \$2 per meal Focus Hope/Food Commodity distribution programs are provided

meeting income criteria.

Blood pressure screening is provided every Wednesday at the Senior Center, between 11 a.m. to

Body Recall exercise program Novi Camera Club, second with a certified instructor on each day, monthly at 7:30 p.m.

session or register for a 10-week monthly, 12:30 p.m.

Stretch and strength training for seniors with a certified instructor on each Monday, Wednesday and Friday, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.. There is a \$3 per class drop-in or register for 10-week session.

Massage therapy at the center by a certified massage therapist. A 25-minute session for \$10. The

good. Anyone wishing to be in the sessions are by appointment only. cast/chorus for our big fall musi- Please call (248) 347-0414. Tai Chi/Qi gong and karate ses-Novi Parks and Recreation to reg-sions are available through Novi Parks and Recreation.

•Newsletter/Brochures/Calendar Copies of the monthly calendar

Department provides transportation options for Novi seniors 50 of activities and menus are avail- and older; Subsidized cab rides able at Novi Parks and Recreation. provided for \$2 for a one-way ride Register to receive the quarterly within the city of Novi. Call Com-Novi Parks and Recreation munity Cab at (248) 349-8118 for a ride. Novi senior vans operate daily within the city. Suggested donation of \$2 per ride. Advance reservations are necessary by call-

arranged for Novi residents by calla.m. to 11 a.m. daily. **Medication Assistance** The Senior Center has several

Transportation

The Novi Parks and Recreation

programs designed to assist those having difficulty paying for their • Home Energy Assistance

Novi residents who are income eligible may receive assistance Catered lunches are provided with their utilities and home Information and Referral

The Senior Center has information to address the needs and interests of seniors: in-home support, housing legal services, lob opportunities, Medicare and volunteer opportunities.

· Books/Cards/Clubs at the Novi Senior Center Pinochle tournaments, Mondays at 12:30 p.m.

Contract bridge every Thursday. 12:30 p.m. Duplicate bridge on Fridays, 12:30 p.m.

The Novi Senior Center located Senior center Version), Wednesday. There is a drop-in fee of \$2 per Novi Library, second Thursday,

Held monthly, the Novi Camera Club, second Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. Monthly Bookmobile at the Novi Center, third Tuesday of the month, 11:30 a.m. to noon. Quilting, second Wednesday of

the month. Novi Center, 10 a.m.

Creative writing, call Jan at 347-Crafts, Tuesdays at the Novi Center at 10 a.m. Senior ushers for the Novi The ater, call Jan at 347-0414.

Pen pals, call Jan. at 347-0414. Novi Garden Club, call Elinor at (248) 477-7913. Michigan Fishcarvers on Wednesdays, 7-10 p.m. Oil painters every Wednesday,

Novi Senior Center, 10 a.m. . Dance at the Senior Center Monthly ballroom dance to the "Satin Sounds" band. Fourth Tuesday, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

Clogging, open dance and beginners/intermediate instruction. Day and evening classes, flyers and registration at Novi Parks and

Line dance, western and regular, on Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 9:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Leagues The senior bowling league meets at Novi Bowl each Thursday at 1

The Novi Senior Center offers several league opportunities: Golf

Women's Division, Mondays at 9 a.m., Pebble Creek Men's Division, Mondays at 9 a.m., Pebble Creek Mixed Division, Thursdays at 9

a.m., Pebble Creek • Travel Numerous day and extended travel opportunities are available. Flyers on the many trips are displayed at the Novi Parks and

Monthly travel meetings are held on the third Thursday. Tour companies are available at that time to drop in. There are no club dues or

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ment of their daughter. Michelle, to ment of their daughter, Kristen, to Kevin W. Heintz, son of Dave and The bride-elect is a 1995 graduate of Mercy High School. She

received a bachelors degree in accounting and finance from Indiana University in May 1999 and is currently enrolled in graduate school at the University of Texas, Austin, Kristen anticipates gradua-The groom-elect graduated in 1995 from Catholic Central High

School. He is a 1999 graduate of the University of Texas with a degree in mechanical engineering, and is currently employed at Exxon Mobil Corp. in Houston,

Kluska-Heintz

Ken and Elaine Kluska of

Northville announce the engage-

A fall wedding is planned.

Litzelman-Gaylor

Highland, formerly of Northville, announce the engagement of their daughter, Colleen Michele, to Mark Richard Gaylor of South Lyon. An August wedding is planned at Church of the Holy Spirit in Highland, with a reception following at Mystic Creek Country Club. Mil-

 World War II Veterans Recogni-Novi Civic Center. Parks and Recreation. Attending World War II veterans will receive special recognition on this day. No

Monday and Friday at 9:30 a.m. Book discussion for seniors, fees.

TRANSPORTATION · Bus Service for Local Shop-

and local banks.

• Telephone Reassurance (Tele-Homebound residents can receive a daily telephone call to talk and check on their well being.

Wheels program. If interested, call (800) 851-1454. p.m. at the Senior Center.

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sen-Meets every Thursday. Weigh-ins p.m.

Come get your blood pressure checked by a nurse from St. Mary's Hospital nursing staff, free of charge. Held at the Senior Center on the fourth Monday of the month, from noon to 2 p.m.

Northville Township senior citizens

ping Trips Tuesdays: Meijer, Kohl's, Target

Shopping Center Market/Busch's from your home. Cost is \$2. Call the Senior Center for reservations

Lunch and Shopping at the Mail

Park Mall for an afternoon (noon to ping. The days scheduled are the second and fourth Monday of each month. Pick-up will begin from your home (11 a.m.) or the MAGS parking lot (11:30 a.m.). Cost is \$2. Please call to make reserva-

ONGOING ACTIVITIES Card Playing

Join us for cards at the Senior Center. Enjoy several hours of fun p.m. to 3:30 p.m.; Pinochle, Mon-4:30 p.m.; beginning Pinochle on \$37. The bus will leave from MAGS Tuesdays, from 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 at noon. Call now to reserve your

Senior Drop-in Volleyball All levels are welcome. Held on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Parks and Recreation Center.

day at 9:45 a.m. at Allen Terrace. maceutical Program for Seniors Cost is \$3 per class. No registra-Qualified Northville and tion is necessary. · Pot Luck Luncheons

on the big screen TV at 1:30 p.m. SENIOR CENTER TRIPS • Travel Show Meeting

the travel show meeting. Tour companies will be at the Senior Center to present information on Refreshments will be served and door prizes will be presented. No

• Windsor Casino We will be going to the Windsor Casino on Wednesday, June 21. The bus will depart from MAGS at 9 a.m. and return at approximate-4 p.m.) of movies, lunch and shop- ly 4:30 p.m. Cost is \$22, which

for the Farmington Founders Festival. The bus will depart from MAGS at 10 a.m. and return at approximately 2:30 p.m. Cost is \$2 for transportation. Call the center to • Tiger Game at Comerica Park ner included.

Annual Mackinac Get Togeth- Canadian Rockies

The Mackinac Island 33rd annual Michigan parks and recreation cial event includes hotel accommo-

to co-sponsor this trip; therefore. Center and register.

trip prices have been reduced. Now Held on the third Tuesday of the cost for a resident is \$470 for every month at the Senior Center. double or triple accommodations Meet at noon, bring your own table and \$600 for single accommoda-

CONTRACTED TRIPS June 20, social security scan dals at the Soaring Eagle Casino Depart at 8:15 a.m. and return at

8:15 p.m. Residents \$49, non residents \$50. Casino incentive pack-· June 21, Shipshewana, Ind. for the Amish Flea Market Depart at 7:15 a.m. and return to

p.m. Residents \$59, non residents \$60. Lunch included at "Das Dutchman Essenhaus." July 11, Irish Hills

Depart at 7:30 a.m. Cost is \$69 for residents, \$74 for non-residents. • July 12, Pelce Island Adven-

On June 22, we will be heading \$61 for non-residents. • July 12, 59th Annual Chesaning Showboat 2000 Featuring Kenny Rogers Depart at 1 p.m. and return at

• July 27-29, Stratford Festival, the Tigers on to victory. Cost is Canada Cost is \$399 per person, double

occupancy, for residents. July 29-Aug. 5, Vancouver and

cost is \$1,649 per person, double SENIOR ETTNESS

 Senior Water Aerobics This is a six-week session with a cost of \$48. Classes will meet on Aug. 9. Class begins at 1 p.m. at retirement community has offered on Beck Road. Stop by the Senior

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Northville Seniors

older. For more information or to register for an activity, please call

(248) 349-4140. SERVICES

 Newsletter The senior newsletter is a monthly publication filled with information on senior citizen activities, trips, and services. You can (alternating Fridays). pick up a newsletter at the Senior Center or receive it monthly by mail for an annual contribution of

free of charge. Please call the

Senior Center to register. Nutrition Hot, nútritious meals are provided Monday through Friday at Allen Terrace for a donation of \$1.50. Meals can be delivered to your home through the Meals on

ake place from 8-9 a.m. The meeting runs from 9-10 a.m. Blood Pressure Screening

Michigan Emergency Phar-

The staff at the Northville Senior age 65 and over are eligible to Center at 215 W. Cady Street coor- receive three months' worth of predinates the following services and scriptions through the MEPPS proactivities for seniors age 50 and gram. For more information, call the Senior Center.

Fridays: Farmer Jack/Hiller's or

24 hours in advance. . Bus Service for Movies. Twice a Month The senior bus goes to Laurel

Food distribution is the fourth for just \$1. The schedule is as folriday of every month, 11 a.m. to 2 lows: Bridge, Wednesdays, 12:15 days and Thursdays, 12:30 p.m. to

> (Verify days on monthly recreation calendar at the center.) Cost is \$1. • Body Workout Exercise Class This class meets every Wednes-

service, a dish to pass, and \$1.

Afterwards, there will be a movie

Join us June 13 at 11 a.m. for Bus begins pickup at 9:30 a.m. upcoming trips and travel.

charge. Call the center to register.

includes a \$15 lunch voucher. Farmington Founders Festi-

Please join us as we head to Comerica Park on Sept. 7 to cheer

senior "Get Together" will be Oct. 22-25 at the Grand Hotel. This spedations, transportation, a full breakfast and five-course dinner Mondays and Wednesdays. The each day. Special activities and session runs from June 26 through entertainment are also planned. Waltonwood at Twelve Oaks the pool at Our Lady of Providence

Depart 6:30 a.m. and return 7:15 p.m. Cost is \$60 for residents and 12:45 a.m. Cost is \$69 for residents, \$70 for non-residents, Din-The Muscular Dystrophy

MDA Muscular Dystrophy Association

Movies

the NOVI

Thursday, June 15, 2000

Shaft: Jackson delivers

READER

Shaft MPAA Rating: R Release Date: Friday, June 16 Recommended

hal 1971 film, it is a sequel and not a remake.

By Ken Marten

HISTORY OF "SHAFT"

Director John Singleton's film is the fourth in the Shaft series based on

the novel by Ernest Tidyman. Although it shares the same title as the origi-

Richard Roundtree played private investigator John Shaft in the first

film, as well as in its two sequels, Shaft's Big Score (1972) and Shaft in

Africa (1973). He also starred in the "Shaft" television series (1973-1974).

In Singleton's production, Roundtree reprises his original role as the uncle

The original Shaft and first sequel were directed by Gordon Parks, the

first African American in Hollywood to direct major films. Many critics have

credited Parks and Shaft with breaking the blaxploitation mold—the early

70s film genre consisting of low-budget crime dramas often strewn with

Isaac Hayes, who wrote the musical score for the original Shaft, co-wrote

the score for the new film with David Arnold. The "Theme From Shaft" won

of Samuel L. Jackson's character, NYPD detective John Shaft.

sex and violence that starred African American actors.

By Heather Wadowski SPECIAL WRITER

If there is one thing that Samuel L. Jackson (Pulp Fiction, A Time to Kill) is known at being good at in a film, it is kicking people's butts and swearing a lot. After Pulp Fiction, it almost seems wrong for Jackson to be on the screen without saying a vulgarity every few minutes or beating someone up. It is for that reason, and that reason alone, that Shaft is worthy of seeing.

In a heated summer where potential action blockbusters are coming

out every Friday, a film needs to differentiate itself from the competition. Shaft did just that by giving Jackson the role he was born to play. Who else can get away with beating up people, shouting profanities, and still getting all the ladies?

Jackson plays police detective John Shaft. However, Jackson is not THE John Shaft viewers know and love from the seventles. Writer/director John Singleton (Boyz N the Hood, Rosewood) casts the original Shaft, Richard Roundtree, in the role of John Shaft's uncle in this remake.

In this film, Shaft focuses on trying to put Walter Wade, played by Christian Bale (American Psycho), a wealthy college student, behind bars for killing a young black man. Although Shaft arrests Wade, he skips bail and flees out of the country for two years. When he returns, Wade teams up with a Dominican drug lord played by Jeffrey Wright, who also wants revenge on Shaft.

Shaft's only hope to not only put Wade behind bars, but to also survive, is to find a witness who's testimony would convict Wade. Shaft and Carmen played by Vanessa Williams, his colleague on the police force, and friend Rassan played by Busta Rhymes, all attempt to find a witness on the run and stop a twoyear case before Shaft is killed.

action film, the cast makes it shine light they usually are portrayed amongst its competition. While the in—something that is important to film is truly Jackson's, Wright steals the film since it focuses on racism Jackson's spotlight whenever he is and stereotyping. on screen. Wright plays his charac-Bale also shines as the rich, racist ter with the exact amount of college student. Rhymes provides

vengeance that is needed to be

believable as the city's top drug lord,

yet shows emotion and tenderness

when he is around his family and

baby daughter. He comes off as both

a villain and a guy just trying to pro-

sidekick. He outshines Williams, the other singer-turned-actor. The film's major downfall is how

comic relief as Shaft's smart aleck

predictable everything is. Viewers can predict the ending of the film, as

well as each scene. Still, Jackson and Wright make up for this with their memorable performances, which just may be the best of their careers.

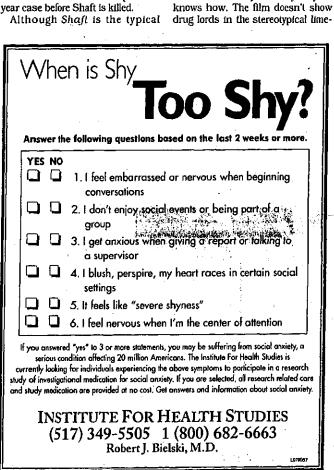
With its non-stop action, Shaft is definitely not to be missed on the big screen. But with stiff competition, it could get lost in the crowd. It is best to see it opening weekend before something else, and possibly something better, is released.

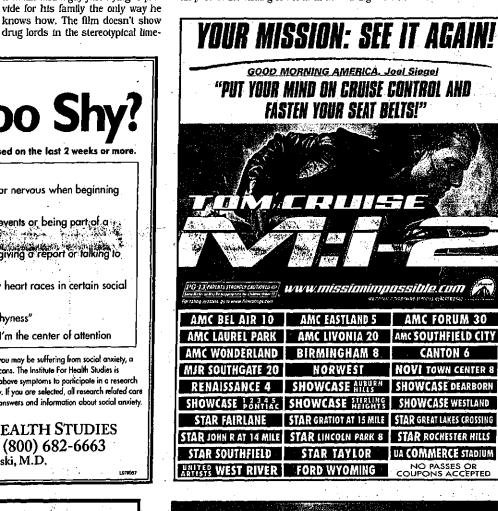


The cast of "Shaft", from left to right, Ruben Santiago-Hernandez as Grovitch, Vanessa Williams as Carmen, Dan Hedaya as Roselli and Samuel L. Jackson as John Shaft.

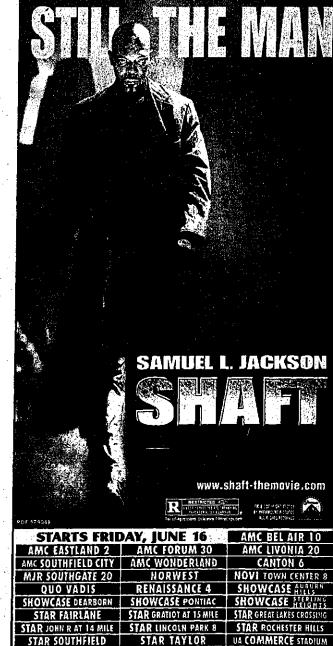
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Comeback kids

Semifinal win over Pinckney highlights day

By DAN KITTLE Special Writer

The Wildcats had seen this situation before.

A week earlier, they had looked up at the scoreboard ominously notifying them that time was

running out, that this team was on the brink of going home for good. They had stared elimination in the face before. And they had prevailed.

This week, they faced a similar situation in the Regional semi-finals. Trailing Pinckney, 4-3, in the bottom of the final inning, a sense of desperation hung thickly in the air at Brighton High School. This seemingly invincible Novi team was just three outs away from turning off the lights on a season they weren't ready to let go. At this point, the question on everyone's mind seemed to be: can they really do it again? Can they pull this one off too, or is it just too late?

Sophomore Matt Gorman, one of the catalysts of a late rally in last week's come-from-behind win, got the team going with a beautiful bunt down the third base line. After taking two pitches, he squared, bunted, and laid down a ball that rolled a few yards toward third and settled in the infield grass. Racing towards the bag as the Pirate catcher bounced out from behind home, the young speedster easily beat

the throw to put the tying run on base. Thus, the rally was underway, and the excitement began to pick up in the Wildcat clubhouse. Following a groundout by Cervi that moved Gorman into scoring position, Mitch Maier beat out a

ground ball to short for an infield hit. advancing Gorman to third.

With one out and runners on the corners, the opposing hurler uncorked a wild pitch that hit the front of home plate and bounced to the backstop. Gorman raced home, and had time to stomp his way in as he celebrated the game-tying run. Now, with Maier on second, first base was open. Seeing this, the Pinckney coach decided to issue Brendan Hadley a free pass and take his chances with cleanup hitter A.J. Rowe.

Rowe made him pay. He drilled the ball over the left-fielder's head, and as it took one hop and reached the wall, the outfielder sensed the futility of it all and let the ball go. Maier rounded third and made his way home, giving the Wildcats a dramatic come-from-behind win, and keeping their dreams of a state championship alive.

"That was a great come-from-behind win," said coach Rick Green following the game. "I think having all those close ball games recently really helped us

Prior to the final inning, the Wildcats had gotten their offense from a trio of solo home runs. Hadley hit a bomb to left in the first, Cervi smashed his deepest shot of the season to left in the third, and Maier went deep to

right-center in the fifth. On the mound, Josh Sabol got the start, but was hurt by a pair of errors in the first that led

to two runs. These seemed to stay with him the rest of the way, however, as the right-hander

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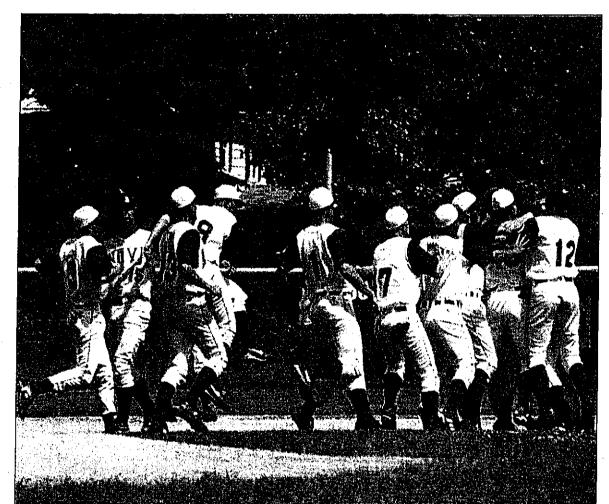


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Novi players swarm A.J. Rowe after his hit drove in the winning run against Pinckney last Saturday morning.

struggled, surrendering two more runs in the second, and putting runners on the corners in the fourth before

being lifted for Rowe. Rowe immediately got out of the inning unscathed, fielding a sacrifice bunt by the first hitter and striking out the next batter. He then went the rest of the way for the 5-4 wm. struggling at times, but getting the job done nonetheless. He was aided by Cervi's rocket arm from centerfield, gunning down a would-be Pinckney run in the

NOVI 7, TROY 0

The Wildcats jumped all over the Colts early in the championship game and didn't let down, cruising to a 7-0 victory. Troy's bench was completely obnoxious and loud, annoying both Novi and its fans, but they quickly quieted after the Wildcats put up five in

Cervi got things started with a double to the wall in left, and Maier and Hadley each followed with a walk. After Rowe struck out looking, Justin Shaw laced a two-run single to right that scored Cervi and Maier. Mike Kossik then drove in Hadley with a ground ball to second, and Sabol broke out of a slump with a big RBI double to center. Brandon Davis, battling the flu all week long, added an RBI single to left to cap the five-run first for the Wildcats.

From there, it was smooth sailing, as Rowe remained virtually untouchable on the mound. He went five more innings despite feelings of dizziness and muscle cramps, allowing four hits, while striking out 10 and walking three to earn his second victory of the afternoon. "I was getting really tired," said Rowe. "I was getting dizzy. I was seeing two Mitches.

Brendan Watson came on to pitch a perfect final two innings to seal the title for the Wildcats.

"I thought we were flawless," said Green. "Troy got to the finals and lost to CC last year, so I think we shocked them a little bit."

Shaw led the way offensively for the Wildcats, going 4-for-4 in the championship game and 7 for 8 on the day. He hit a solo home run in the fifth inning of game two, and a big two-run single in the first inning. "I was just more focused and patient at the plate," he said. "I saw the ball really well.

"That second game was some of the best ball we've played all year," he added.

"We came out ready to play," said Rowe about the championship. "I think we played well as a team."

Wildcats bow out to miracle grab

Mout on the sixthe fight center that produced the capturing a KVC title a District leastruck out three teams only run of the afternoon. If the and a regional championship all in the same season.

By JASON SCHMITT Sports Editor

As much as a few defensive mistakes cost the Novi softball team early on in its regional semifinal game against Ann Arbor Pioneer, it was a defensive miracle which inevitably ended

the season for the 'Cats. Senior Katte Cameron lined a two-out shot towards Pioneer's third baseman in the bottom of the eighth inning. The ball ricocheted off her glove as the tying run was headed towards home. But as fate would have it, the ball hung in the air just long enough for the shortstop to make a play on the ball. The catch ended the game and Novi's hope for a state title run. Pioneer held on for a 5-4 win in eight innings.

"It was a great play, and that's what makes regional softball so exciting," Novi coach Carol Diglio said. "To be in that situation, and have Katie Cameron up to bat. You can't ask for anything better.

Ann Arbor took a two-run lead with a pair of runs in the top of the eighth. Novi then struck back in their half.

Megan Colligan opened the later half of the eighth with a single, and moved up on a single by Holly VanCleave. After Colligan was forced out on a fielder's choice by Victoria Kaiser, Vanessa Byrwa followed up with a single to load the bases with one out. Allison Tingwall then hit a sacrifice fly which scored VanCleave and moved Kaiser up to third base with two outs. That's when Novi's most consistent hitter came to the plate.

"I don't know how the shortstop got back there," Diglio said of the game-ending snare. "It was a beautiful play. I'm talking

ESPN play of the week. The near rally was almost Novi's third of the game. The Wildcats had battled back from deficits twice before, and seemed destined to do it a third

"That was the good thing. Everytime we were down, we came back and battled, and battled," Diglio said. "I think we were the better team out there."

Diglio said her team's defense. or lack thereof, was the shaklest it's been this season. Novi committed six errors in the game.

"I don't know what it was. We never play defense like that." the coach said. Joelle Frantz was solid on the

mound, pitching another complete game with 10 strikeouts and just four hits allowed. None of the five runs scored against her were earned. Offensively, Colligan added a

two-run single in the fourth. scoring both Frantz and Sarah Bajorek and Cameron scored on a Bajorek RBI-single in the fifth to again tie the game at 3-3. "It was a very exciting game,

and I don't want the loss to downplay how great of a season we had," the coach said, "This was a very special team. The Wildcats finished the sea-

son 29-8, having won their second-straight Kensington Valley Conference championship as well as a district title.

Pioneer advanced onto the regional final game, where it lost to Walled Lake Western 1-0. The Warriors (20-16) advanced out of the regional to face Monroe (31-5) in the state quarterfinals Tuesday (after the Novi News'



Novi's Megan Colligan (above) hit the ball well, but Novi couldn't overcome six errors in a 5-4 loss to Pioneer.

All-star game coming up

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Schmitt

senior Jon Cervi will ever take a cut as a high school player. For six more of his Wildcat teammates, it'll be very much the same.

Northville seniors Matt Hare and Brian Boyes have played competitive ball since the ages of four or five, but this may be their last opportunity to don the hometown "N" they have worn since they were "this high."

Although the season ended two weekends ago for the Mustangs. and Novi's season will come to a close this week, the HomeTown Newspapers first-ever all-star baseball and softball games will be the last opportunity to see some of this area's best talent "Play Ball."

The idea for an all-star game wandered into my head about four months ago while reading through a sister publication of ours, the Plymouth Observer. I was checking through the results of the Observerland Invitational, a wrestling tournament sponsored by the Observer and Eccentric

One week from today, 30 soft- newspapers and offered to schools throughout the newspaper's cover-

> My initial thought was, "I know a lot of people associate that tourament, along with the Observerland Relays (track), with the community newspaper that provides the best local coverage for each of those schools."

> Well the thought was something like that, and I felt HomeTown Newspapers could do the same thing.

> But in what capacity? In what sports? How soon?

> After talking with fellow Home-Town sports editor Scott Kellev in our Brighton and Howell offices and then swapping ideas with Steve Bell in South Lyon and Milford, we decided to propose an idea for an all-star baseball and

softball game come early summer. The higherups bought into the idea, and since then we've been meeting every week to make it happen. The months rolled by until the event was weeks away. And now the weeks have rolled by so that now just six days remains before the first "Skills Competition" events take place next

Wednesday at 6 p.m. The all-star games will take place on Thursday, with the girl's sofball game getting underway at 2 p.m., followed by the best in baseball taking the field at approximately 4 p.m. All of the events will take place at Brighton High School, which is located at 7878 Brighton Road. The easiest way to get to the school from Northville or

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Rowe drafted by Brewers

Novi senior southpaw A.J. Rowe was drafted by the Milwaukee Brewers in the 50th round of to the state the The 2000 First-Year Player semifinals Fri-Draft last Wednesday afternoon. day in Battle "We weren't even home, so the Creek. guy left a message on our "I've always

answering machine, Rowe said wanted to of the Milwaukee representative play pro ball. A.J. who made the phone call. "I real- but right now Rowe ly wasn't expecting it, but if I did - my only goal (get drafted) I felt it would be in is to win a state title," the senior the later rounds." Rowe said he had been con- to offer me a contract, by the

tacted by a Brewer's scout a few rules." nights before the draft started. He said the representative can inquiring on his intentions. For make an offer either by phone or now. Rowe said he plans on by visit, although most of the baseball with the team. He said after that, he'll "play it by ear."

attending Macomb Community time offers are made with an offi-College in the fall and playing cial visit to the home. At the time of this story, he workout at Tiger Stadium along and his Novi team were set to with fellow teammates Brendan play Detroit Catholic Central in Iladiey and Mitch Maier last the state quarterfinals Tuesday summer.

Shootout Moves to Cranbrook

The eighth annual 3 V 3 Soccer can advance to the national finals Shootout tournament will be held in Orlando, Fla., in January Saturday and Sunday, July 8 and 2001. In 1999, eight Michigan 9 on the prestigious grounds of teams advanced to the national the Cranbrook educational com- finals where 600 teams from 40 plex. Male and female categories - states were represented. Michigan start at U6 and continue until teams claimed the 1999 U16 girls U19, and include both competi- recreational national title, third tive and recreational categories. place in the U12 boys competitive Adult competitive, recreational, category, and third place in the coed, and over 30 categories also U11 boys recreational category. exist, to make this a truly family The Vardar Soccer Club and event. The entry fee for a team of Summit Sports are working jointup to five players is \$110, and ly to bring this event to Detroit

participation of 250 leams. in Chicago in August. Top finish- 4088, ext. 16.

winner of that game would have advanced

said, "They iMilwaukeel now have

Rowe said he never worked out for the Brewers, but did attend a

guarantees three games and T- area soccer players. Registration shirts for all players. This year's deadline is Monday, June 26. event hopes to surpass last year's Registration forms can be obtained at all ABC Warehouse The top four to five teams in stores on the Internet at each category quality to partici- www.summit3on3.com or by callpate in the regional competition ing Summit Sports at 1-800-989-

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Stevens makes all-area golf team

The talent pool among the top 10 players in our area (Lakeland, Milford, Northville, Novi and South Lyon) consists of both upper and lower classmen, of big hitters and finesse players. The one thing, however, that each of these players share is their immense love for the

"I still remember, just a few years back, when we would have loved to shoot a 200," Northville coach Trish Murray said. As a team, Northville broke their own school record four times and two of its players, Pam Mouradian and Kate MacDonald, broke every

individual record at the school. Each of the 10 players on this year's all-area first and second team average better than 50 per nine holes. That's the first time in the history that this has happened. Although our top five players were easily rec-

ognizable for their incredible performances this regional golf tournament, where the sophopast season, the second five weren't far Here's a look at the 2000 HomeTown News-

paper's all-area girl's golf team.

Northville Junior * HomeTown's Player of

the Year team a year ago, the junior only got better with another year of experience.

Mouradian was a match medalist nine times in 2000, averaging 42.1 strokes per nine holes while finishing second at the regional golf tournament. At the state meet the junior shot a all-area first team. While her younger sister two-day total of 175 to place 10th individually and lead her team to a seventh-place finish. She was the first player in Northville history to inexperienced team, particularly early in the ever break 40 when she fired a 39 midway year, she, too, had to be right on her game for through the season. Mouradian was a firstteam all-Western Lakes selection as well.

"She, along with (Kate) MacDonald was always digging to get better." Murray said. "She is probably all of 90 pounds and it's amazing to watch her hit the ball."

Whenever she was playing at South Lyon's

Looking at HomeTown's 2000 all-area girl's home course, Downing Farms, Ashley was a School, Mills was a second-team all-area selecgolf team, it doesn't take long to figure out just threat to break the school's nine-hole record. tion last season after earning first-team honors now popular the game has become in recent. She did it a number of times, and it now as a sophomore. stands at 36. Her nine-hole average was 40.4. She was a first-team All-KVC choice. She

Milford Senior

Now that's how it's done. Heyn's golf career began, literally, four years ago as a freshman. By the time she was a senior she was the first Milford golfer to qualify for the state finals. She was a first-team All-KVC honoree. Heyn's ninehole average was 43.5.

Kate MacDonald

Northville Sophomore The other half of Northville's deadly combo. MacDonald averaged 43.3 strokes per nine holes, leading the pack on three different occasions. One of those occasions came at the able-mention all-KVC more was regional medalist with a round of 83 (school record for 18 holes).

bined rounds of 174. MacDonald was an alldivision WLAA member "She consistently got better as the season

She also tied the school record set by

Mouradian for nine holes (39) and finished

A repeat offender from HomeTown's first went on, and she wasn't even a weak player to begin with," her coach said.

> Amanda Gardner South Lyon Senior

Making her third-straight appearance on the may have surpassed her scorers. Amanda was as vital as ever to the Lions' fortunes. With an the team to have a shot. And she was, Gardner's nine-hole average was 44.7. She was once again a first-team All-KVC selection.

Northville Senior

One of the better athletes at Northville High

The senior was co-captain of the Mustangs and posted a scoring average of 49.1 per nine. She was the third player selected to placed sixth at the Oakland County tournathe all-division WLAA team and shot a 98 at the regional tournament. Called a "steady Eddie" by her coach, Mills rarely ever had a bad round for her team.

> Novi Senior Stevens was the lone bright spot on a rebuilding Novi team this year. The senior averaged 49.5

per nine holes and led

her team in scoring 12

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Lesley Matthaci

A first-team All-KVC selection, Matthaei's ninth at the Division II state meet with comthe Lakeland team. She finished 11th at the Oakland County tournament.

Christie MacRitchie

coach Tom Milkovich said.

Her nine-hole average was 49.

Lakeland Junior

Lakeland Junior MacRitchie was second-team All-KVC and the team MVP. "She was a real leader for us," Lakeland

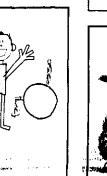
Heather Rudy

Northville Senior Much like her teammate, MacDonald, Rudy got better as the year went on, much like her career story. The senior picked up a golf club for the first time competitively two years ago and quickly honed her skills. She averaged 47.5 a round this season, earning her most-improved golfer honors on her own

She failed to break 50 just once this season and carried a perfect 4.0 grade point average through high school.

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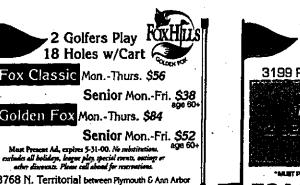
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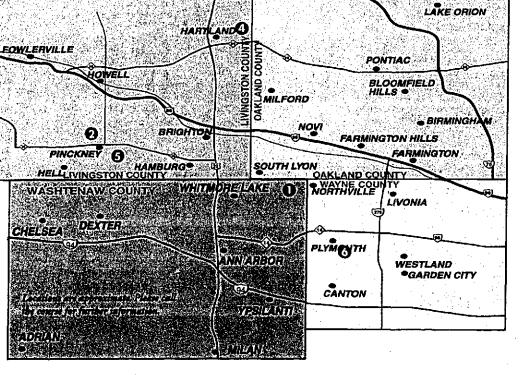
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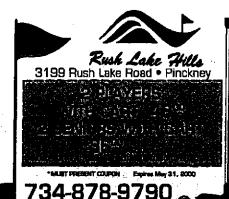
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softball fields are located off of Seventh Street, about a mile past Grand River Avenue. As of now, we have a few players who have prior commitments and will be unable to participate in the games. But the number of athletes currently committed

far outweigh those who can't. The East (Northville, Novi, South Lyon, Milford and Lakeland) baseball team looks real strong this season. Seven Novi players will take part in the game, including recent Milwaukee Brewer draftee, A.J. Rowe. The senior lefty had a 10-0 record with a near-perfect 0.50 earned run average when this column went to print. He'll be joined on the staff by fellow Wildcat Josh Sabol. Northvill'es Matt Hare, Lakeland's J.D. Maxwell and South Lyon's Jason Rohraff.

In the field, there will be hitting galore. Novi's Brendan Hadley brings his 12 homers and .558 batting average to the plate, and will be joined by teammates Cervi (.492), Mitch Maier (.385), Justin Shaw (.356) and Mike Kossik (.348).

Both Hare and Boyes will see time in the field, but star catcher Tim Edick will not be able to participate due to prior obligations. On the softball side, Northville representatives Natalie

Wooderson, Jennifer Caverly and Jackie Magnuson have been invited, but only Magnuson will be taking part in the game. Novi star Joelle Frantz will be playing with her Michi-

gan Oiler travel team that Thursday, and will not be able to join us. But fellow teammates, Katte Cameron,

Emily Majore will all be in attendance. Cameron comes into the game with the event's high-

On paper, the East baseball team looks to have a few more weapons than the West, while the softball

game looks to be everily matched up. The skills competitions will take place next Wednesday, beginning at 6 p.m. at Brighton. There will be three events for baseball players, and two for the softball participants.

The evening will begin with an "Under the Gun"

competition, pitting some of the areas fastest pitchers against each other in a hardest pitch contest. With Frantz out of town, Maureen Emaus of Northville, Erica Breisacher of Novi and Lindsay Watson of Milford look to lead the East.

From there the competitors will take part in a hitting contest for the girl's and an accuracy throw-contest for the guys.

The night will conclude with a homerun contest for the baseball players. Hadley will be unable to attend the contest, which opens the door for South Lyon's Tony Kern, Novi power hitters Shaw, Maier, Cervi and Rowe along with Northville's Andy Doren.

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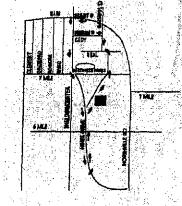
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New pumps may replace needles

There are more reasons than ever for children and teens with diabetes to give up the needles and hassle of insulin shots and switch to an insulin pump to maintain their blood sugar, an University of Michigan expert said.

New generations of devices as small as beepers and new coverage from Medicare and other insurers are making it easier for people with insulin-dependent diabetes, also called type 1 or juvenile diabetes, to take advantage of the technology. Research has continued to show benefits from the kind of intensive blood sugar control that a pump allows

"It's quite clear from recent research that near-normal blood sugars are of paramount importance to avoid the long-term complications of diabetes and insulin pump therapy is the most reliable method of consistently maintaining near-normal levels," said Pamela Thomas M.D., director of the pediatric and adolescent diabetes clinic at the U-M Health System. "Recent studies have shown that the quality of life for those on insulin pump therapy is much improved."

The U-M program called the "Pump team," is one of the largest pediatric programs in the U.S. with 100 patients now using the devices to maintain their blood sugar levels. The pumps give a constant flow of insulin, plus extra patient-controlled amounts at mealtimes, to help the body use sugar correctly.

Ktds and teens with type 1 diabetes must get insulin from other sources to replace what their bodies can't make in the pancreas. Most still use syringes several times a day to inject themselves with insulin but pumps have grown tremendously in popularity in recent years. Tens of thousands of the 1.6 million Americans with type 1 diabetes now use insulin pumps. The number is expected to rise even further with the FDA approval this spring of two new devices and the expansion of Medicare and other insurance to cover pump costs.

But kids and teens who enroll in the U-M program don't just get a pump and an instruction booklet. Thomas said. The U-M team has designed an intense program to help them adjust to a totally new way of managing their disease

"Out program focuses on children older than ten and requires a great deal of training," she explained. "After all, this is a very intensive medical regimen. We have a whole curriculum that patients agree to take part in, including everything from technical training to learning how to press the buttons on the pump to several stages of training for them and their par-

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the best technology and knowledge currently available. Thomas and her team emphasize problem solving and decision making skills that help patients care for themselves. Central to the program's success is the relationships developed between all members of the Pump

Team: patients, families, and providers alike. The program teaches kids about how to deal with everything from exercise and eating out to sick days and emergencies. It stresses personal responsibility because using a pump doesn't mean freedom from regular blood sugar checks throughout the day, nor from the careful dietwatching that all people with diabetes must do.

"The mainstay of treatment for juvenile diabetes is to provide that missing insulin back, but that's only part of the story," Thomas emphasized. "You can't maintain blood sugars in the normal range only with insulin, so we also have to think in terms of managing the diet, the amount of glucose or carbohydrates that are taken in, and managing exercise."

Insulin pumps demand a high level of attention and decision making ability from their users in order to avoid extremes in blood sugar levels, infections at the injection point or other problems. But pumps also give patients a lot more flexibility and normalcy in their lifestyle.

Rather than being tied to a strict schedule of meals and snacks to keep their blood sugar up and shots to give themselves insulin, patients can live for the moment and still take care of their diabetes. They only need to have an injection every few days while changing the infusion set, rather than injecting themselves several times a day. The pumps can deliver a much more precise insulin dose than syringes, including the small doses needed by children. Especially important for teenagers, patients can even sleep late in the morning without worrying about a sugar buildup. And for all patients, it allows much more activity without draining their blood sugar dangerously low, a condition called hypoglycemia.

The pump, worn on the belt or inside clothing, resembles a small beeper attached to a delivery tube. "This small flexible plastic catheter sits just under the surface of the skin in what we call the subcutaneous layer.' Thomas explained. "It delivers basal insulin," the background amount similar to what the body normally does 24 hours a day and it can deliver an insulin bolus, or peak dose, to match the amount of food that has been eaten.

"That's the part that the patient has to be intimately involved with," she continued. Every time the patient eats, he or she has to push the button to deliver the insulin. We like

patients and their families to take advantage of to say that it's the brain, the thumb and the pump that makes the whole process work. It's the patient who is telling the device what to

By taking intensive control of their diabetes in this way, kids can take charge of their own destinies. A major study completed in 1993, and a follow-up released early this year showed that type 1 diabetes patients who control their blood sugar levels intensively and keep them close to normal had a lower risk of eve disease. nerve disease and kidney disease - all serious complications association with diabetes. For those who are starting at a young age to grapple with a disease that will be with them for life, pumps offer a new level of control over their futures.

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Facts About Type 1 Diabetes and Insulin Pumps Type 1 diabetes, also known as juvenile or nsulin-dependent, accounts for 10 percent of the nation's estimated 16 million diabetes cases:

 Type 1 diabetes usually occurs in children or adults under 30, arising when the body's immune system attacks the insulin-producing cells or islets of the pancreas:

 People with Type 1 diabetes must take insulin for the rest of their lives to help their bodies break down sugar from food. Without it, they will die but taking insulin will never cure their disease. They must also watch their dlet, exercise regularly, and may need to take other medications.

People with the other form of diabetes, called type/2 or adult-onset, do not necessarily need to take insulin.

• Type / clabetes patients must check their blood sugar levels throughout the day and adjust their dose of insulin accordingly. To keep levels under strict control and prevent or delay future complications, they can get insulin from injections several times a day or from Insulin pumps that deliver con-'starif doses and added doses around mealtimes Insulin pumps have been in use since the

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They have monthly meetings starting in September at both Northville and Livonia locations. It's a comfortable group support setting for individ-uals experiencing panic attacks. The cost is \$5. For more information call Susan Franceschi at (734) 420-8100.

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A registered dietitian will work with you individually for three months to set up a realistic weight loss plan, organize your appetite and discuss the best strategies for weight loss. A \$95 fee and appointment is required. The class is sponsored by Botsford's Health Development Network, 39750 Grand River Ave. in Novi.

For more information and to register, call (248) 477-6100.

Asthma Education

Individual sessions with a registered nurse can provide the tools to better understand and manage asthma. Day and evening sessions are available. Families are welcome.

There is a \$30 fee and an appointment is required. * For more information and to register, call (248) 477-6100.

Breastfeeding Basics

This workshop covers the "how to's" of breastfeeding and answers questions and concerns of women who are already breastfeeding. The fee is \$20, and the classes are held at Botsford's Health Develop-

ment Network in Novi. For information and registration, call (248) 477-6100.

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This is a multi-stationed exercise and education program designed for the individual with limited experience using fitness equipment. Participants will be instructed on the proper use of weight and cardiovascular

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Cancer Support Group "Focus On Living," a self-help group for cancer patients and their fami-

Co-sponsored by the American Cancer Society, "Focus on Living" provides an opportunity to discuss concerns, obtain answers and gain support from others who share the same experiences.

lies, meets the first Wednesday of each month at St. Mary Hospital in

Registration is not necessary, and there is no charge to attend. For more information, call (313) 655-2922, or toll free 1-800-494-1650.

Diabetes Education

This comprehensive program includes self-monitoring of blood glucose, diet and meal planning, disease management with exercise, potential complications of the disease, and presentations by a pharmacist and a

This is a continuously revolving six-week program held on Monday evenings from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at Providence Medical Office Center, Ten Mile and Haggerty roads. There is a \$20 fee. Call (248) 424-3903 to register.

Surgical Preparation

Through the Sally the Surgery Star program, children scheduled for surgery are taken on a tour and familiarized with the surgical experience. A variety of educational materials and supportive teaching tools are used to help children deal positively with the idea of a hospital stay.

Admission to the program is by appointment only. There is no charge. Call the Providence Medical Center-Providence Park at (248) 380-4170 to register.

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Conducted by an exercise physiologist and a nutritionist, this 12-week program starts with a fitness assessment and nutritional consultation, followed by three weekly monitored workouts and weekly nutritional support. Day and evening classes are available.

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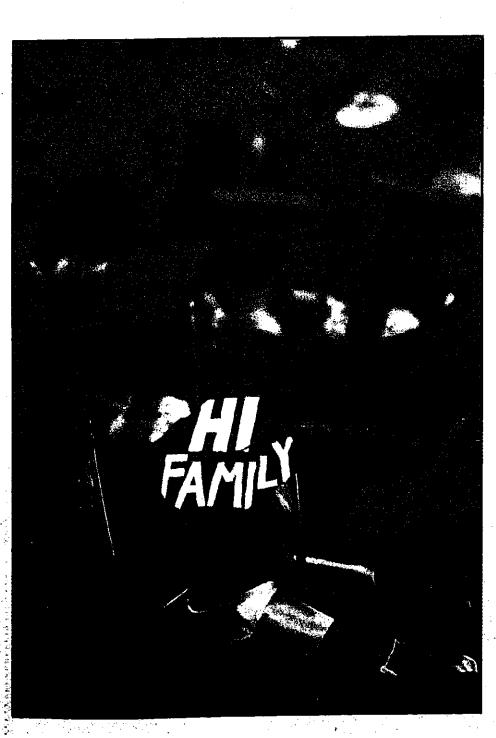
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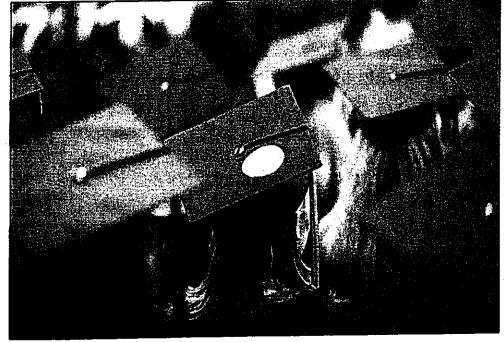


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Remember Me This Way at SLHS commencement i



Paul Tobel, Daryl Dix, Mark Theisen, Brad Morris and Bryan Pinion posed for a picture taken by a family member after com-

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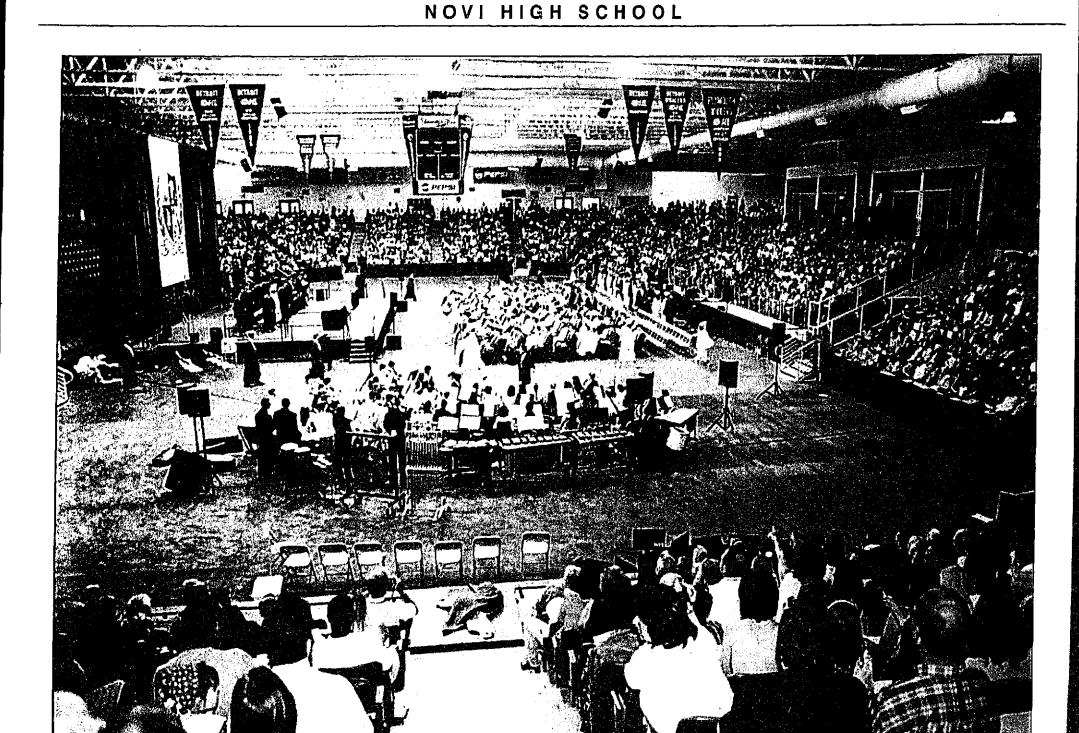
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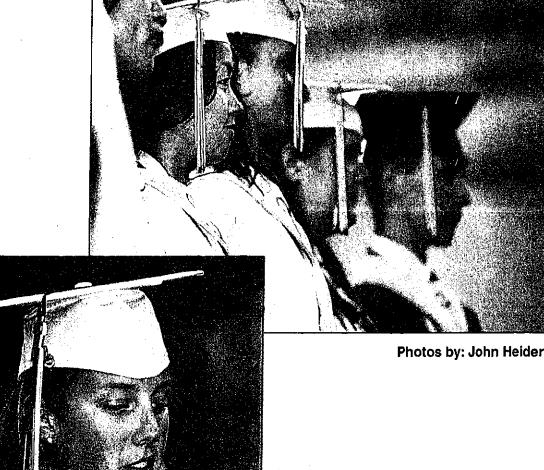
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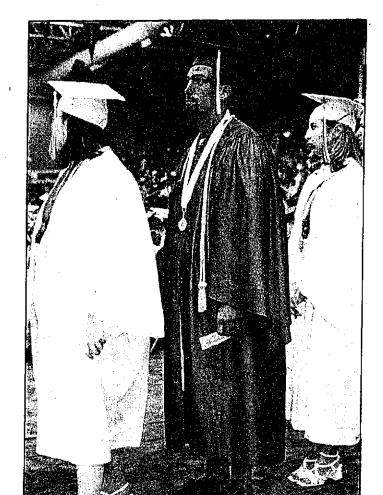


Novi High

Amy Hartland

prepares to get

student



Members of Novi High's varsity baseball squad, like Brendan Hadley, center, hardly had enough time to put on their graduation caps and gowns - and get to Compuware Arena in Plymouth after competing in a playoff game at Brighton High School that went late into Saturday afternoon. Here, Hadley sports a pair of sandals over his Wildcat Green baseball socks.

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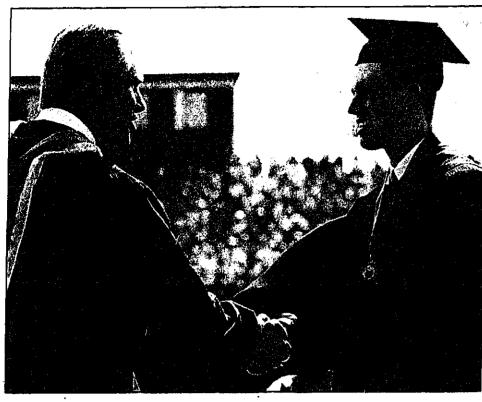
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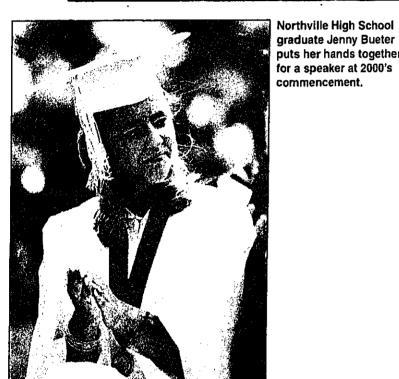
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Northville High School Principal Dr Tom Johnson, left, greets a Mustang graduate during the

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Class President Heather Gillespie addresses her fellow graduates.



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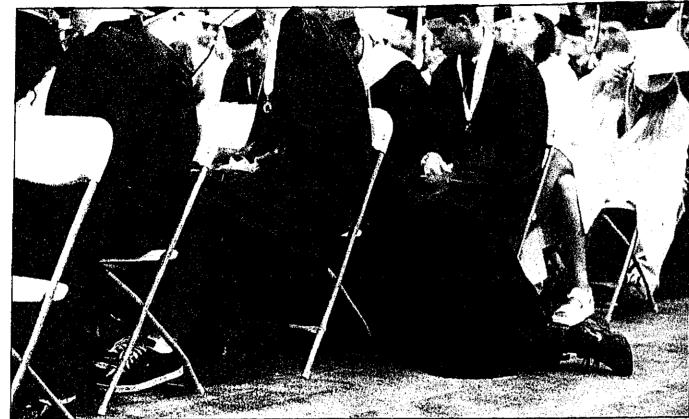
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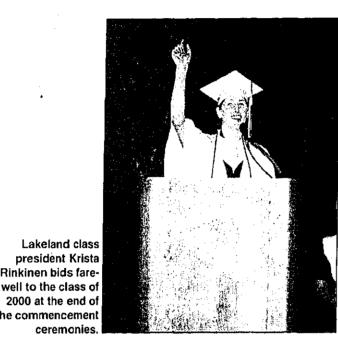
The welcome address by Milford class President



Video Instructor Laura Wally took a moment away from behind her video camera to rescue a white mouse that was weaving its way between rows of graduates at Lakeland's graduation.



MHS grads applaud the opening of the ceremonies.



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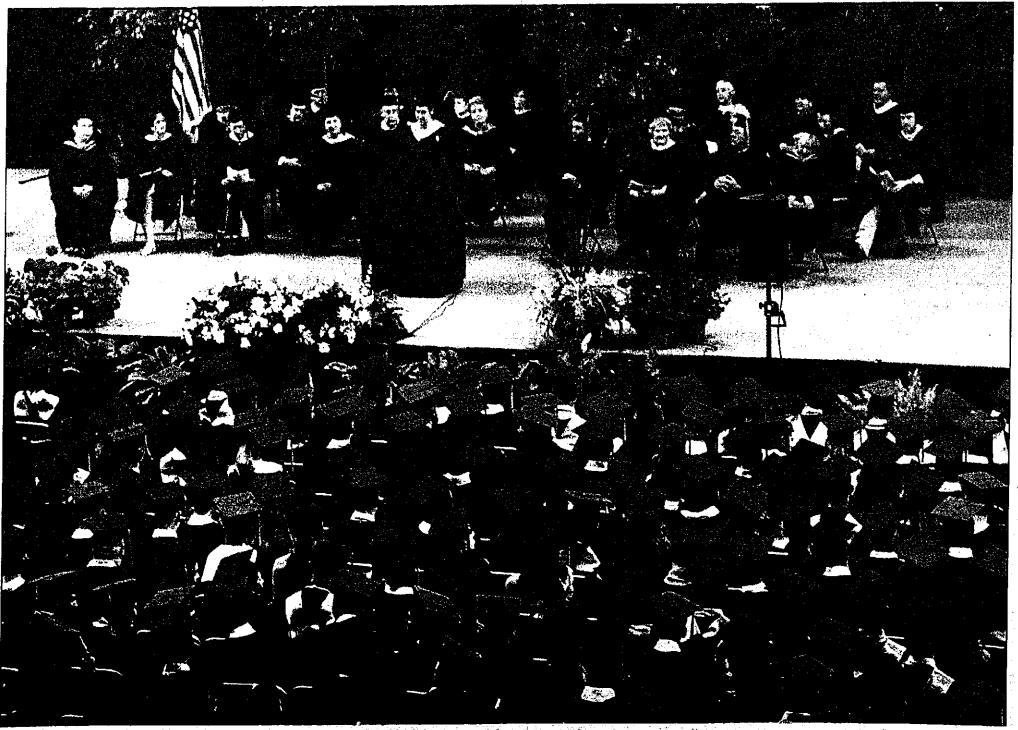


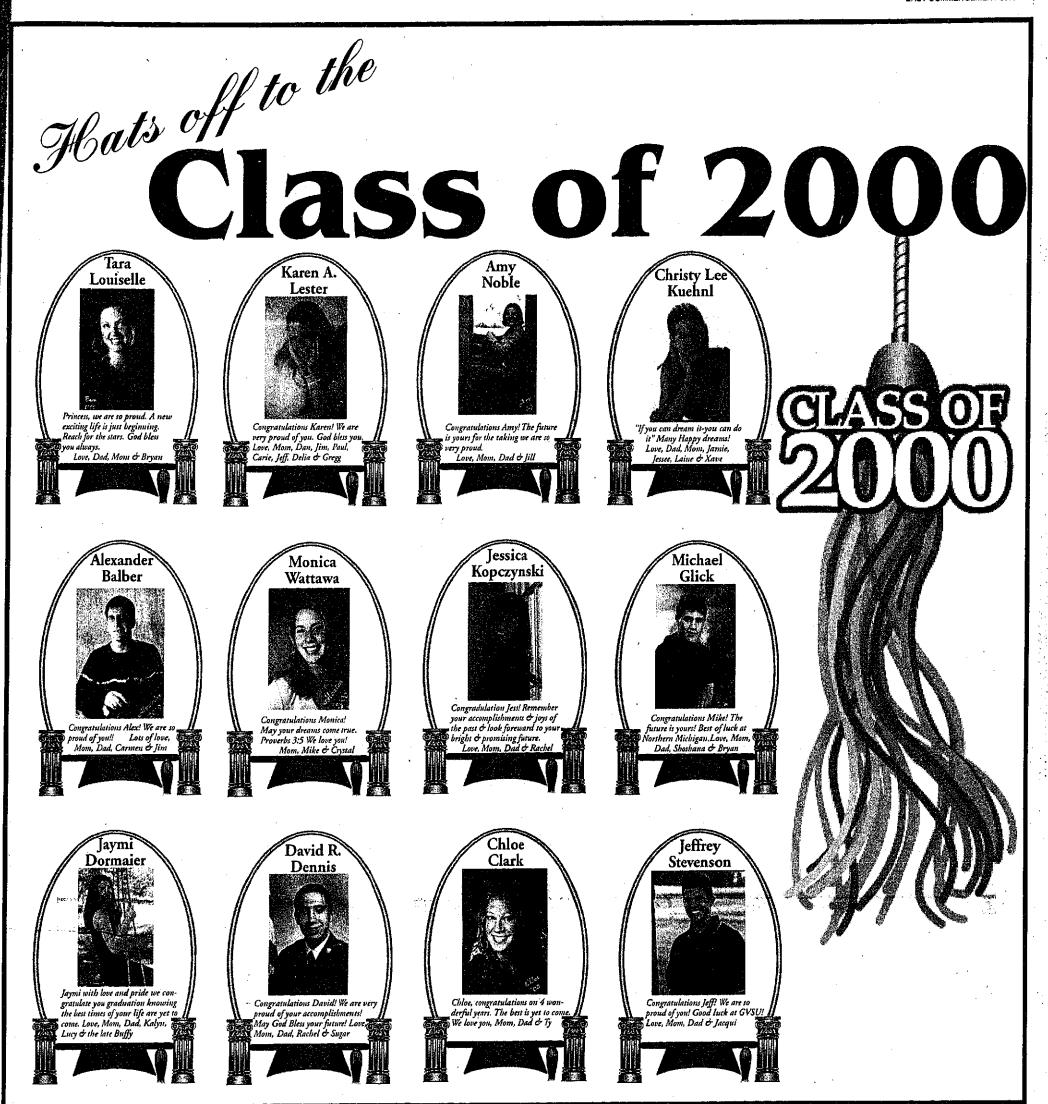


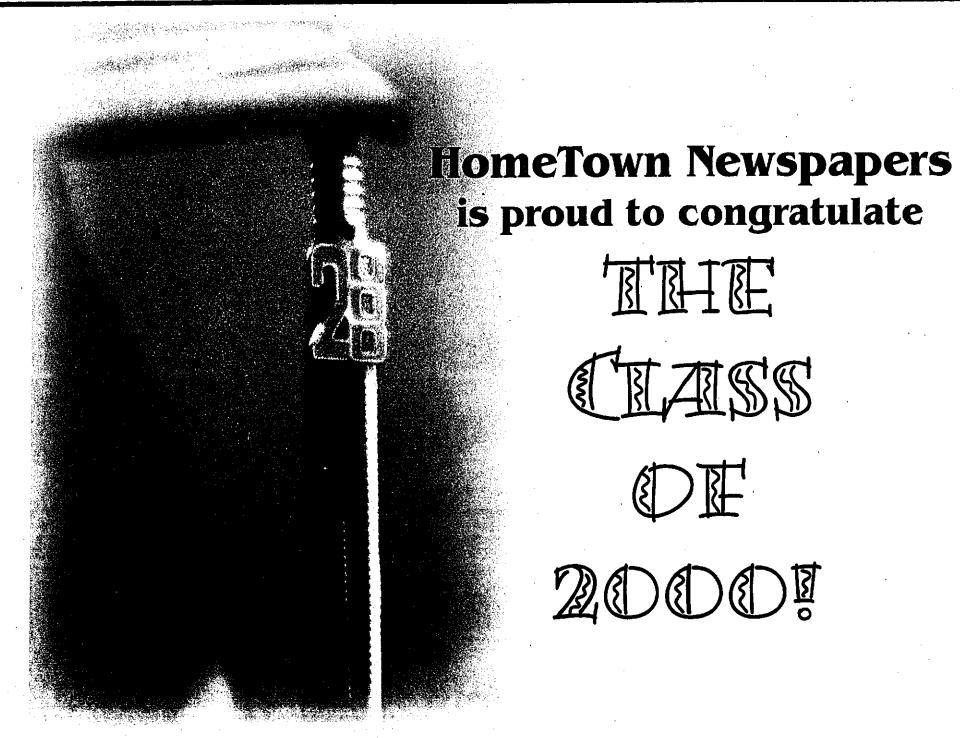










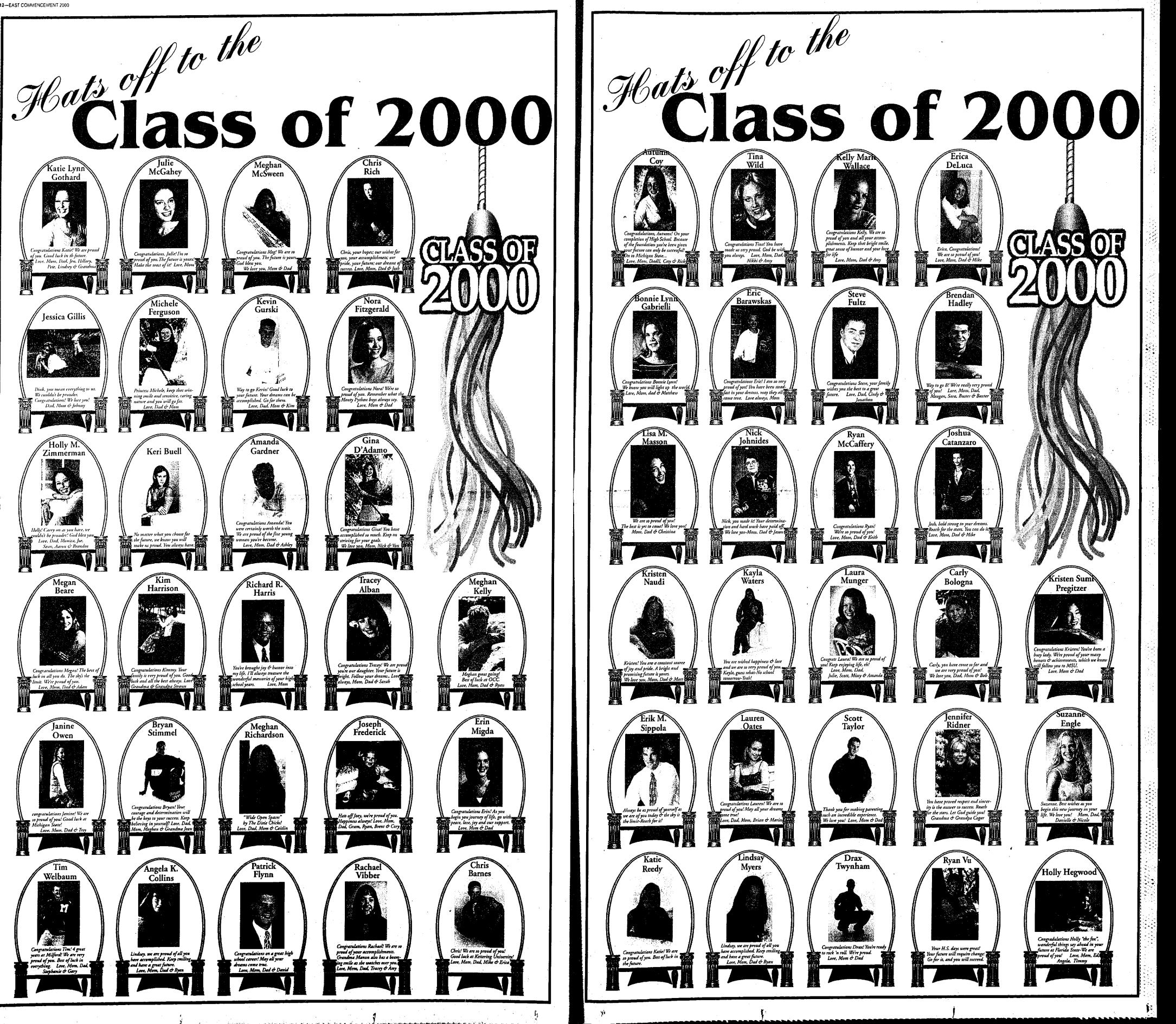




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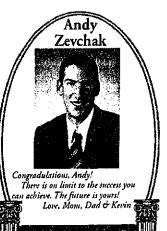
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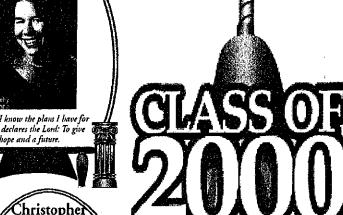
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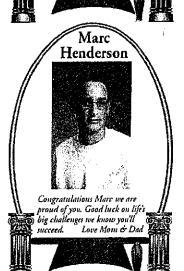


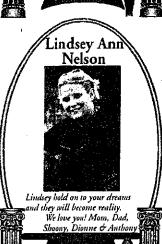




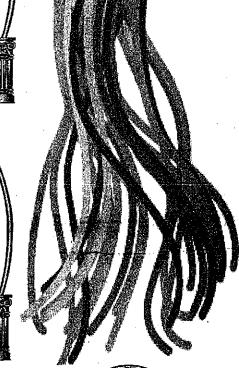




















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