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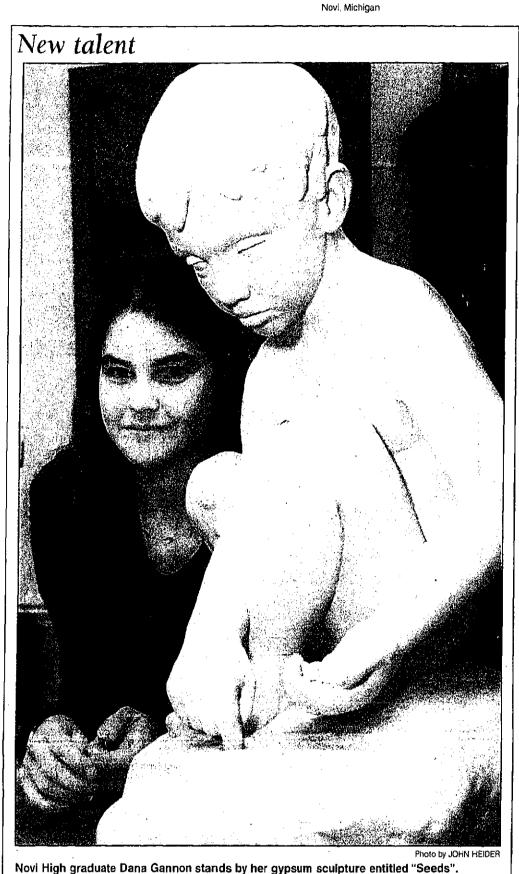
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Fire station could be stalled

By Victoria Sadlocha STAFF WRITER

City officials will be meeting in the next couple of weeks to make sure the new Novi fire station and training center currently in construction does not go up in smoke.

"The project is not on target as far as the May I completion date," said Richard Helwig, Novi city manager. "The project is about one-third complete and we will know more in a couple of weeks." Anthony Nowicki, Novi director of public services, said all parties will be sitting down shortly to discuss what exactly is going on at the 10 Mile and Wixom Roads construction site.

"Of course we're not satisfied with the progress," Nowicki said. "We want to determine why there is a delay."

In order to determine what the delay is, city officials will be sitting down with Novi developer James Chen for answers.

Last year, Greystone Construction, which Chen is Greystone behind, was awarded the contract to construct Novi's new fire station.

In December, Frank Ray of the architect, engineering and planning firm Nordstrom Samson Associates reviewed the status of the project per the city's request.

Ray advised the city that a payment request was unable to be processed by the firm because of insufficient documentation submitted by Greystone Construction.

The contractor had notified the city that future payments will be handled directly by a bonding company.

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Helwig said officials were exploring options with the bonding company and Chen to handle the situation and said he should have specific answers addressing the entire situation by Jan. 31.

As of the end of the year, Ray was still waiting for a revised construction schedule and a complete breakdown of subcontractors from Chen after repeated requests.

According to a written recommendation issued by Ray, it was suggested to Nowicki that the city obtain documentation that Greystone Construction can fulfill its contract and complete the proj-

The attention to the stalled activity came at the same time Chen appeared in court for the Main Street tenants versus Evergreen III lawsuit.

At the end of last year. Chen also dealt with Detroit Edison, who issued a disconnect order on the Main Street development.

A nondisclosed agreement was reached to keep the power on despite Chen's more than \$200,000 outstanding balance.

John Pitrone, a representative from the Hayman Company which manages the downtown development, said Chen was behind on his electric bill because of the funds Main Street tenants had withheld: Chen was unavailable for comment.

Council tables Gateway again

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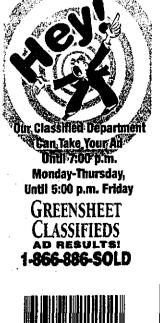
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Carley, a Deerfield Sarah

being out in nature, playing in me," Gannon said. She created the fields and has always had an appreciation and respect for the After many years of hard work. environment.

debut in Bay City

Gannon, a New Jersey resident, will be exhibiting some of her work in Bay City this month.

Novi graduate makes

Novi High School graduate Dana "It is about how we are still dependent on nature," Gannon Gannon will share her naturalism philosophy for the first time said about her collection. "It is during her Bay City art gallery about us as an animal species." Most of Gannon's works, which

will be on display Jan. 5 through Fcb. 3, were created after her 1999 completion of the New York Academy of Art's graduate program.

The Jersey City, New Jersey resident said she worked very hard in her Queens, New York studio preparing for the exhibit. "The deadline was good for

Assistants learn what it

from Brighton.

ences.

associated

takes to be a Novi teacher

Elementary teaching assistant

four new sculptures after finding out about the Bay City exhibit six months ago.

Gannon's average completion time for a sculpture had been about one to one-and-one-half years, depending on the size and how many sculptures she was working on at the time.

One of her sculptures, which is from her days as a student which will be displayed, is an oversized portrait of a woman pulling a root out of the ground which served

as Gannon's thesis project. The sculpture, made of gyp-

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STAFF WRITER

Novi residents are still left without a better idea of what the thoroughfare to their downtown will look like after members of the city council failed to adopt the Downtown Gateway Ordinance after its second reading. At the conclusion of the Jan. 3

Novi city Council special meeting dedicated entirely to the ordinance, council members were still not in agreement as to the particulars of the new ordinance which will apply to the area extending from Meadowbrook to Novi's downtown and up to Eleven Mile Road.

At the belly of the uncertainty was building setback requirements, where parking will be allowed, and what uses will be allowed in the corridor.

Area developers appeared before the council arguing in the most part for the release of ordinance wording which prohibits a liquor store, drug store, jewelry store or copy center in the corridor.

It was argued that since residential housing is the key to the mixed-use ordinance, services that residents need should be allowed for convenience so residents would have the opportunity

establishments.

"I look forward to seeing this ordinance become a reality," said Novi developer and businessman Jonathan Brateman.

Brateman said he does not like the specificity of the types of businesses which are not allowed because it will prevent specialty from stores

coming to the **City Council** member Lou Csordas said

he thought some of the retail uses which were stripped from the ordinance could be useful.

"I can't see the damage with having a drugstore on a corner," Csordas said

The council member thought it may create more of a neighborhood atmosphere.

"No overall comprehensive planning," said Michelle Bononi, Novi Mayor Pro-Tem. "That is what I feel is missing."

Bononi feels it would be a fatal flaw to include uses that would not be needed by residents in the development.

"I'm not convinced we won't end up with several strip malls,"

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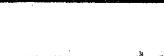


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Deerfield Elementary School teacher-intern Tricia Styles helps third-grader Ben Dale with a mathematics problem during a class last Friday afternoon.

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By Victoria Sadlocha

About 25 of Gannon's figura-

tive sculptures will be displayed

as part of "Origins Exposed," a

two person exhibit held at Studio

23/The Arts Center located at

The 29-year-old's interest in

figurative

Gannon said she remembers

stemmed from her upbringing.

Michigan

University graduates are getting

first-hand insights into Novi's

most progressive school, paving

the way to their own classroom

The Spartan alumni are work-

ing as fifth-year teaching assis-

tants under Novi school teachers

at Deerfield Elementary, sharp-

ening the skills needed for suc-

cess in front of the blackboard.

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By Angelo Parlove

next school year.

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Meaning, they instruct stu-Moreover, they get to be leachers, impacting the lives of the kids they come across.

"It's so rewarding to be in this environment," Carley said.

you to define your teaching

The teaching assistants diligently acquire this hands-on experience from each morning bell to the close of the school day - five times a week. Veteran and savvy educators from the Novi Community School District are valuable mentors to these fresh

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thing the teachers do." said everything," Carley said. "It helps

with a non-traditional school like Deerfield in action, such as multi-age classes, differentiated instruction and choice theory. "We are becoming well-rounded minds. because there is exposure to

dents, lead discussion groups, attend parent-teacher conferand participate in seminars. They Schools get to see the "buzz words"

style.'

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Man leaves scene after crashing into GMC Jimmy in driveway

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On Dec. 28 at 2 a.m., Novi police officers were dispatched to the 41000 block of Carousel to investigate a non-traffic hit andrim. Upon arrival, neighbors toldpolice they heard a crash and saw a dark colored GMC Jimmy back - store. On Der. 31 at about 5 p.m., vehicle. A Novi officer went and hair and a gray sweat-jacket plus three other packs of Newport ther information. talked to the registered owner of centered Golden Oaks Party Store the vehicle which was struck, but on Haggerty, concealed three botthe owner saw nothing. After thes of Champagne and ran out the cer saw the described vehicle he ran out of the store after him, he walked out of the store.

intoxicated answered. The officer mation. noticed several 40 ounce contain ers of beer in the room. The Noviresident said the vehicle was his, but just looked blankly at the offi-

asked him how old he was, and Department to report that an the male said he was 21 and born - unknown vehicle drove onto hisin 1983. After explaining the seri- lawn. The Novi caller said at about ousness of the offense, the Jimmy - 1:45 a.m. on Jan. 1, a vehicle lost driver finally told the officer, "all – control and drove onto his properright, I did it, I hit the van, didn't - ty. According to the police report, you ever do anything wrong?" He the suspect knocked down two told police he had started drinking trees and damaged the grass. after the accident. The officer told - Damage was estimated at \$1,000, the male be was under arrest for . A neighbor told the damaged-lawn ficeing the scene of a property resident that he heard the crash accident and for being in posses- but didn't see anything. Policesion of alcohol by consumption. said there was no debris from the The Novi male was taken to the vehicle left at the scene, but they

Needed the bubbly

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preliminary breath test.

ing Champagne from a Novi party - night

Police News

parked in a driveway. It was noted - but the suspect jumped in a fullin the police report the vehicle had size blue truck and fled south on man's license plate number and fresh damage to the front passen - Haggerty Road. Police checked the - gave it to police. A police officer ger side and was marked with area, but no suspects or witnesses later noticed the man's car pull point consistent to the struck were located. The complainant out of the Citgo gas station about eight-inch solid gold braclet - a vehicle. Police went to the door told police the estimated cost of a block away from Farmer Jack's, family keepsake made from a and knocked before a mail the three bottles was \$320. The described in the report as highly case is closed pending new infor- then noticed the carton and the grandfather was stolen from her

Lawn run

A resident in the 22000 block of of r when asked if he had been in Chase between Eight and Nine an accident. The officer then Mile Roads called the Novi Police. the side. Police also believe the - dow had been broken. vehicle left the yard with case

New Year's Eve for free after steal - reported to the Novi police that - to the house and it appears he went to his bedroom to unlock

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Needing the nicotine A Farmer Jack's grocery store employee in Walled Lake chased a thing that was taken from the 42-year-old Northville man Jan. 3 home was a carton of cigarettes. up and thee after hitting a parked - police were told a man with brown - after he stole a carton of eigarettes

cigarettes. The woman told police she saw the man put the cigarettes in his WIXOM patrolling the trailer park, the office door, The complainant told police coat. When she tried to stop him, The woman took down the

The officer stopped the man and necklace given to her by her other cigarettes in the passenger bedroom on dan. 4. seat. The man admitted taking the cigarettes and he was arrested was in place on Jan. 3, the day and taken to the station. A warrant is neuding

Windows scratched

A Walled Lake police officer was woman said. dispatched to Mary Helen Guest Elementary Jan. 2 after an educator noticed three windows were scratched by an unknown object from the outside. It looked like the scratches much as she could. could have been made by a rock.

Son breaks window

A mother reported that her son station where he blew a .20 on his - were able to determine the vehicle - ran away from home on Jan, T hit the tree while skidding side- and the next day she reported ways so it should have damage on again to police that her rear win- both cleaning and production She said she believes her son - the time the computer came up therefore it is most likely a sport was responsible for the broken missing. An unknown man celebrated utility vehicle. No accidents were window. He does not have a key

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the window so he would have access to the home while his parents were gone. She told police her son is afraid

to come home because he has a

court case coming up. The only

The case is open pending fur

Heirloom missing

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A family heirloom came up missing last Friday in Wixom. A woman, residing at 4059 Castlewood, told police that an

She stated that the bracelet before a cleaning company had serviced her home. The cleaning crew has the eode for entry through the garage, and therefore has access to her home, the

Wixom police contacted the woman who had cleaned the home. She said she knew nothing about the bracelet and would

cooperate with the police as

Computer missing

A Dell laptop computer with accessories was reported stolen from 28016 Oakland Oaks Court in Wixom on Jan, 3. The complaintant said that workers were in the building at

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No trival matter: Quiz Bowl team enjoys learning

By Angelo Parlove

something about Shakespeare, record of 3-1. Frank Lloyd Wright, satire, the Boston Tea Party and the Boston Cellics?

students are putting their knowl - Novi High School senior and Quiz edge of history, math, sciences, Bowl club member Ellen humanities and sports to the test - Lawrence. "I like this because it is as members of their school's Quiz - low-impact competition. There is Bowl club team. "The kids involved want to occasional paper cut." learn," said Novi High School

Bowl club faculty advisor Tom skills, the Novi High School stu-Brenner, "They are motivated and - dents are keeping this club easy good students." Over twenty Novi High School

school to hone their trivia skills back," Brenner said. and prepare for upcoming team neets against rival trivia fanatics. tices is always open to new stu-The Novi High School Quiz Mondays.

lowl club is bound for a big "There are no restrictions i in Redford, drawing more than 20 Hanlon said. "You just have to high school teams - 'some as far - want to learn." as Ohio

"It is such a thrill to get an mswer right," said junior Novi for the Novi News. He can be High School Quiz Bowl elub reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. nember Steve Hanlon, "A lot of 108 is are interested in truly playing, aparlove@ht.homecomm.net. not just joining another club for college

So far in the young season, the club is off to a good start, with both the varsity and junior varsi Do you think you know a little ty teams showing a winning

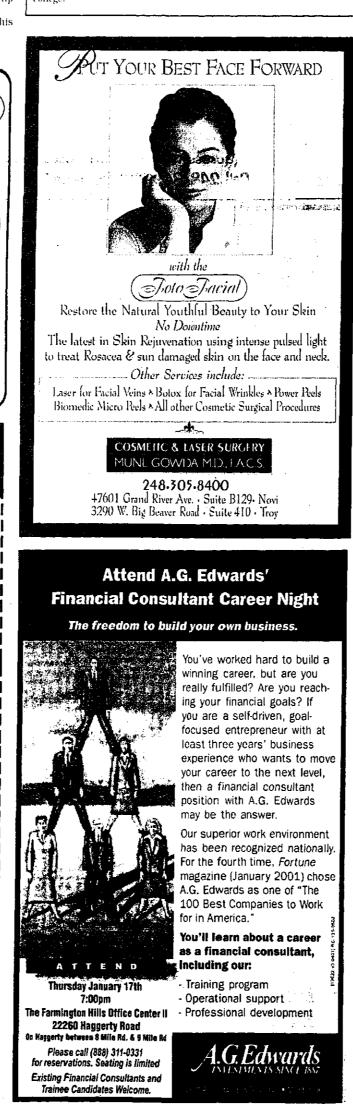
"It's an awesome start. Some people come here and know an amazing amount of trivia and Well, some Novi High School others come here to learn," said no threat of injury except for the Despite this desire to clash social studies teacher and Quiz intellects and boast their trivia

going and relaxed. "They want to have a good students meet each Monday after team, but they also keep It laid

The door to the Quiz Bowl prac "This is a way for students to dents, as well as those wandering get together and compete," the hallways after school and Brenner said, who has headed interested in what's going on in he club for the last three years. room 126 from 2-3:30 p.m. on

veckend tournament on Jan. 12° who plays. We want people who Catholic Central High School can come and want to play,"

Angelo Parlove is a staff writer



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Real Estate One Inc. and Evergreen III suit dismissed

By Victoria Sadlocha STAFF WRITER

The number of Main Street lessees at odds with their land- Main Street and corporate office lord was reduced by one after a were unavailable for comment, dismissal was signed in 52-1 District Court.

between Evergreen III, Inc. and Real Estate One, Inc. dropped the stated in their leases. number of downtown tenants to common area maintenance (CAM) order recently issued by District

Evergreen III - James Chen.

payment-of-rent complaint. III \$15,211.63 for heating, venti-

HVAC and electric late fee monthly charges. Although representatives from Real Estate One, Inc. at both the other tenants in the downtown development had alleged in the been charged HVAC charges as As a result of the dismissal,

Court Judge Brian W. MacKenzie The battle resulted in ten evic- in an effort to prevent the existing tion notices served by part-owner nine parties involved in the Main and managing partner of Street lawsuit to comment on the Case A rental unit eviction summons Eric S. Berkley, attorney repre-

year based on Evergreen III's non- Street lawsuit, refused to comment on behalf of his client According to court documents, regarding reasons why the Real Real Estate One owed Evergreen Estate One case was dismissed. Berkley said although technilation and air conditioning (HVAC) cally Real Estate One was not listgas and electric, after hours ed in the court ordered "restrain-

ing order," he felt he had an obligation not to discuss any of the cases involved.

Court documents showed lessees representing Real Estate One received a lease agreement from Evergreen III on Feb. 9, 2000 showing the suite they occupied The dismissal of the case past that they should not have was 9,968 rentable square feet resulting in the first year of rent due of \$214,312 or \$21.50 per rentable square foot. The rent was nine in the battle started by what Real Estate One was not one of scheduled to increase 25 cents tenants alleged to be excessive the businesses listed in the gag per square foot each year for 10 The remaining nine Main Street

businesses involved in the case are Quizno's Subs. Lazy Lizard Cantina, Bluegreen Vacations, Designer's Choice, Larson Jewelry Design and Manufacturing, Novi was served to Real Estate One last senting Evergreen III in the Main Jewelers, Coffee Trader, Kitchens By Design and Salone Agape.

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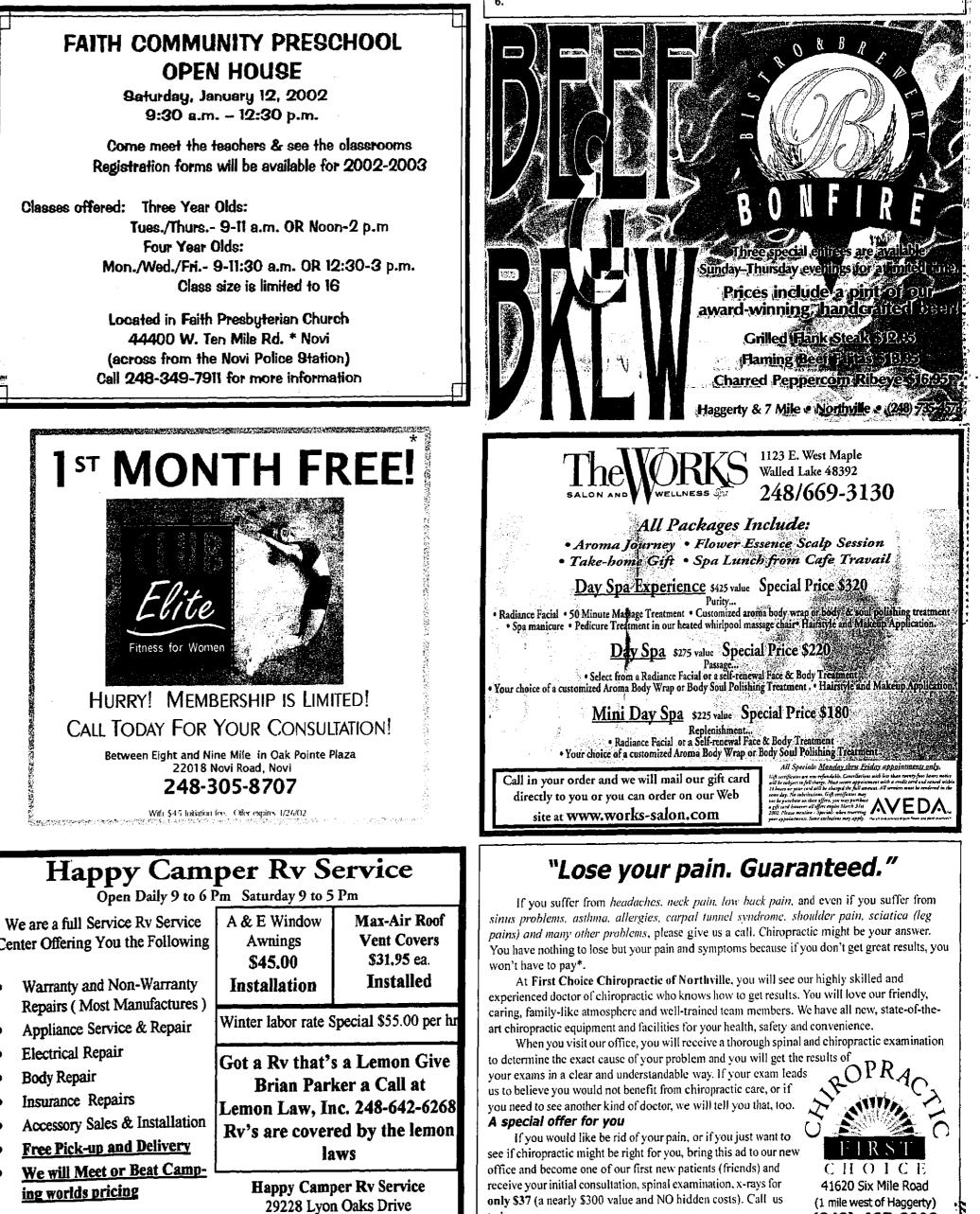


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Photo by JOHN HEIDER Carl Rickel sleds down the hill at North Lakeshore Park last week with daughter Monique,

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Sculptor to have first show at Bay City gallery

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sum, weighs close to 500 pounds and took Gaution about a year locomplete working 15-hour days. Another one of Gampon's sculptures, which will be displayed, is a 3 year old male cronching down to the ground planting a seed. Gaunon said her favorite seulo she finds she has become very attached to her projects throughout her 40 years scalpting.

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The artist's relationship with Ge h of the works begins when she binks of the imital idea.

After that, she begins the entire-

Under construction?

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Business Briefs

attended a conference of office.

procedures and natient educa-

tion. The meetings were attend-

and the topics included anatomy

and physiology, vertebral sub-

ed by doctors from the Midwest - practice in Novi since 1979.

Nordstrom

luxation research, spinal defor- Associates of Novi is pleased to neering services at NSA.

process by constructing small sure the sculpture is a realistic "I want the figures to seem intro- University of Michigan and versions of what she envi- depiction. stoned, working the concept out compositionally with each pro- to work, you have items that are introspective or think about how involved and the freeness so she and work on being represented by totype incorporating a small very precious," Gannon said. change,

ferent ways to look at the proj- noticed in all of the pieces. ect," Gaunon said. Once satisfied with the conture is her thesis project and said – cept, she builds the inner struc – and the second is all are either very ture using metal armature, blocking it out with clay. "Technically speaking, it is difficult because the clay is very heavy," Gangon said. She will then bring in models humans who are calm and contem-

during the final process to make – plative.

When you really get something When viewing Gannon's collec- never liked sculptures that are major, graduating in 1996. "I fry to think of a million dif- tion, two characteristics are melodramatic or cutsie - like kids

The first being none of her humans have facial expressions thin or have shapely figures. "I try to use more interesting body types," Gannon said. She said her subjects are expressionless because they represent she said.

spective," Gannon said. smiling." When creating her projects, Gannon said.

Gannon makes rubber molds for She looks forward to the exhibeach sculpture so she can make it and said Studio 23 is a great Sundays. limited edition replicas in which place for her first professional she will keep one of each of her designs. "I can't really part with them,"

Gannon began taking sculpture sculpture, Gannon has three lifeclasses while attending size works in the show.

thought it was fun. the sculpture relates to them. I've decided on sculpture as her a gallery in the city. "I really enjoy making things and enjoy realistic work,"

sculpture show because it is very exhibit, call (989) 894-2323. large and spacious, enabling it to hold the larger pieces.

After attending the opening reception of her Bay City exhibit. "And also so viewers will be She enjoyed the creativity Gannon will return to New York Gannon's sculptures, along with

paintings by Chris LaPorte, may be viewed 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays through Fridays, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturdays and noon to 4 p.m. For more information about the

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Teaching assistants learn first-hand skills in classroom teaching assistant from year of teaching experience. At Continued from 1 Northville. "You get to know the the end of the year, they are Watching how teachers plan kids and teach to them. It allows ready to assume the responsibilhings out is an incredible us to be strong and confident ity of a classroom." said Deerfield rocess," teachers in every way."

Elementary teaching assistant Lindy Fike, who is from Dexter. hands on experience - opposed found a working partnership in Then you get to bring it back to to 10 weeks for most universities cultivating and shaping the your class." undergraduate degree, Michigan program the top in the nation. said. "There is very good, posi-State requires a mandatory fifth. For the sixth straight year, the tive communication. (MSU) year of practical teaching experi-U.S. News and World Report tends to be very responsive to us ence - along with 12 credits of rated the school's elementary in the field." master's classes in curriculum and secondary education pro-

are awarded their teaching cer- States. tificates.

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Boneni said Craig DeRoche, Novi City council member, said he was confor businesses to operate. ness owners what type of business ber of the council," Clark said. "You can not please everyone all

Doinidis of Novi recently procedures, Dr. Doinidis's office P.E. has joined their firm as the ing an ordinance telling people Meadowbrook Road next to the ing services. Hutchens joins the what type of business they can 7.11 convenience store. He has firm with over 27 years of open," DeRoche said. Before warning all members next meeting. ence and will work to strengthen they need to come back to the The city of Novi Planning Samson and expand the in-house engl- next meeting ready to vote, Novi Commission made its positive ext.

Thus, this extra school year of

has made the Michigan State teachers of tomorrow. After receiving a four-year University elementary education studies - before their students grams as the best in the United

"Over an entire year, you really program," said Deerfield 108 see the kids grow," said Joyce Elementary principal Richard aparlove@ht.homecomm.net. Sandie, a Deerfield Elementary Njus. "It is like they gain a full

ed there are many business

Street, which provide open space

"We are never going to satisfy

every business and every mem-

Clark said everyone needs to

behave in the spirit of coopera-

tion and vote up or down at the

Deerfield Elementary and

Michigan State University has "It is a great program." Nius

Angelo Parlove is a staff writer for the Novi News. He can be "The fifth year has made the reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 0r - at

Gateway: ordinance tabled Photo by JOHN HEIDEr The Novi Fire Department's new station house and training center is under construction at

cerned the ordinance was mirroring protectionism by telling busithey may or may not operate. "I do not feel comfortable creat- of the time,

did not feel the ordinance pro- nance in September of 1999. moted protectionism. Clark stat-

Since that time, different city committees and city council have developments, including Main been working on revising the Downtown Gateway Ordinance. The purpose of the atmosphere

is to create a hometown atmos phere while traveling to the city's downtown. Roadways leading into downtown Plymouth and Northville were sited as visual examples. 1.298.4

Victoria Sadlocha is a staff writer for the Novi News. She can be reached at (248) 349-1700. 105 or at Mayor Richard J. Clark said he recommendation of the ordi- usadlocha@ht.homecomm.net.

Engagements

Tillany Dobson announces the ugagement of Heather Klaer to lonathan Mastuv The bride elect is the daughter of

arry and Cathy Klaer of St. Joseph. She is a 1996 graduate of st. Joseph High School and a 2000 graduate of Michigan State Eniversity with a degree in packagog engineering. Heather is eurently employed in packaging design of Bath & Body Works in olumbus, Ohio,

The groom elect is the son of Annad John Prince of Canton and Dave and Famja Mastny of Oxford. He is a 1995 graduate of Novi Highschool Jonathan received a pack as nut engineering degree from Michigan State University in 1999. and is now employed as a packagnig de signer af Nestle Corp. The couple plan a July 13 wed lung which will be held in St. Joseph

wedding.

the corner of Ten Mile and Wixom Roads. For more on the development of the station.

Chiropractor Nicholas S. mity, adjustment and correction announce that James Hutchens

located at 24037 new vice president of engineer-

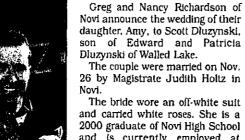
Klaer - Mastny

Vogt of Northville nounces the engagement of his daughter. Karen Kathleen, to Ethan Edwin Robison, the son of Norm and Mary Robison of DeWitt.

mechanical engineering experi-

The bride-elect is a 1991 graduate of Northville High School. She received her degree in 1995 from Michigan State University and is currently employed at Janssen Pharmaceutical. The groom-elect is a 1990 graduate of DeWitt High School and a 1995 graduate of Michigan State University. He is now employed at Aerotek Automotive. They are planning a July 13

Voat - Robison



Wedding

Artisian Jewelers. The groom is a 1995 graduate of Walled Lake Western and is currently employed at Prime Time Electric.

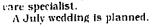
and is currently employed at

Mr. and Mrs. Dluzynski

Engagements

Mr. and Mrs. Kirk N. Patee of South Lyon and Mr. and Mrs. thomas P. Robb of Novi are pleased to announce the engagement of their children, Kristen Parce, to Thir Robb,

The bride-elect is a 1993 graduate of Novi High School and a 1997 graduate of Michigan Stale University with a bachelors degree in musical education. She is curreatly employed at Novi Meadows as a vocal music teacher and is in the process of completing her musters in music education from Michigan State University. The groom-elect is a 1991 gradunite of Novi High School and a 1996 graduate of Walsh College with a bachelors of business administration degree in marketing. He is currently employed at Bochringer Ingelheim, a pharmaceutical company, as a senior





Patee - Robb

and Arthur Belloli of Novi announce the engagement of their daughter, Erin Elizabeth Belloli, to Paul Bryan Henige, son of Victoria and Robert Henige of Chesaning. The bride-elect is a 1992 graduate of Northville High School and a graduate of Western 1996 Michigan University. She currently works for Merck and Co., Inc. and lives in Birmingham. The groom-elect is a 1987 high school graduate and a 1992 graduate from Michigan State University. He currently works for Superior

Patricia Stuber of Manchester

Industries and lives in Royal Oak. A Jan. 12 wedding is planned.



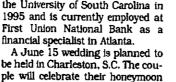
Belloli - Henige

ment of their daughter, Alicia Lynn, to David Edward Harwell, son of Pamela Harwell of Colorado Colo. and Benjamin Springs, larwell of Charleston, S.C. The bride-elect is a 1990 graduate of Northville High School. She received her bachelor of business administration from Western Michigan University in 1994 and is currently employed as a channel account manager with Check Point Software Technologies in Atlanta. The groom-elect is a graduate of Bishop England High School in Charleston, S.C. He received his bachelor of science in business at the University of South Carolina in 1995 and is currently employed at First Union National Bank as a financial specialist in Atlanta,

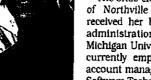
Al and Cheryl Hanson of Northville announce the engage-



Hanson - Harwell



traveling in Italy.



Area Briefs

State of the City Address

ed to join Novi Mayor Richard J. Saturday, Feb. 16. The special Clark and members of the Novi City event held in the Novi Civic Center Council for the 2002 State of the is offered to give dads an opportumore information, call Craig Klaver at (248) 347-0445.

Chilly Willy Winter Festival

Come and celebrate winter in the nonresidents. Novi Civic Center for the city's annual Chilly Willy Winter Festival. The event will take place 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 19. The Winter fun will include the annual tournament and the "Kid's Movie boards and commissions, Kim 9 p.m.

Winter Property Tax Bills and Dog Licenses

Department reminds all residents Community Winter 2001 property tax bills are due on or before February 14, 2001 n order to avoid late payment penalties. Also, Oakland County department located in the Novi Civic Center through May 31 without penalty. For more information both, call the treasurer's department at (248) 347-0440.

Daddy-Daughter Dance

The city of Novi Parks, Recreation and Forestry Road in Novi.

Daddy-Daughter Dance 6:30 to Novi residents are cordially invit- 8:30 p.m. Friday, Feb. 15 and

City Council Appointments

Members of the Novi City Council Commission, Pamela Superfisky will serve again on the Election Commission, Sarah Gray will serve The Novi City Treasury again on the Housing & Development Commission, David Paul will serve on the Parks, Recreation and Forestry Commission and LaVerne have her new CD, "Home To You" dog licenses are available at the serve again on the Zoning Board of for sale. Appeals

bers of the Novi City Hall. City Hall more.

is located at 45175 W. Ten Mile

Every five years the city of Wixom Community Services Department

asks for assistance in planning pri-City Address. The event will occur nity to spend a quality evening with oritizing the City of Wixom's recre-7 p.m. Monday, Jan. 14 in the Novi their special young ladies. Tickets ational needs. You are invited to Civic Center. A reception will follow include refreshments, souvenirs, a attend one of two public participaand there is no admittance fee. For picture of daddy and daughter and tion meetings to develop goals and music by D.J. Willie. Admission is recommendations for city facilities. \$7 for residents and \$8.40 for non- We need your input to ensure we residents. Tickets for Novi resi- meet the needs of the Wixom residents will be available at the Civic dents. The results will be incorpo-Center on Jan. 15 and Jan. 29 for rated into the City of Wixom Parks which is a tool we utilize for applytions please contact Community voted during their Jan. 7 meeting Services at 248-624-2850. Please snow sculpting contest, chili cook- to unanimously appoint the follow- mark the following dates on your of electric scooters are regulated

> Taylor-Papp will serve on the Library Board, Sue Flanagan will The public meetings will be heid at The serve on the Beautification the Wixom Community Center, 49015 Pontiac Trail, Wixom, ML

Martha Reeves to hold CD release party in Walled Lake

songs and blues tunes as well as

Reinke and May Sanghvi will both from her own label. Itch Records, from 7-11 p.m. at The Boathouse, that determines eligibility for stu- grants. 142 E. Walled Lake Dr. in Walled dent financial aid from federal pro-Lake. The Southwestern Oakland This live performance will also Cable Commission will meeting 7 include guests Billy Farris, Gary earnings to complete the form.

IN MEN'S.

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Novi Police begin January

moped safety campaign Wixom Parks and Rec needs residents' input

By Victoria Sadlocha STAFF WRITER

Department began a safety cam- horns, headlamps and brake lights. paign this month to remind all parents and minors the importance of minimum equipment, it may only be moped safety

Novi Police Lt. David Butler said although many residents are not and Recreation 5-year Master Plan, riding right now, mopeds are popular Christmas time presents. This ing for state and federal grants on means a refresher course of motorrecreational projects. Any ques- bike rules is important this time of vear.

Mopeds, Go-peds and all models off. Bridge tournament, Euchre ing individuals to openings on city calendar: Jan. 14 from 7 p.m. until under state law and local ordi- important effort to prevent injury

Experts at ACT offer the following www.fafsa.ed.gov. information to help families find the Martha Reeves will perform new resources they need to complete their financial aid paperwork. financial aid.

Free Application for Federal Student mine if other financial aid forms are Aid (FAFSA). Beginning Jan. 1, stu-required. Meet Martha on Sunday, Jan. 20 dents will be able to submit the form • Apply for

grams. Students will need family income statements from their 2001 p.m. Feb. 6 in the council cham- Rasmussen, James O'Donnell and Colleges and universities also use the FAFSA, but may also require www.act.org.

nances, officials said. Ownership also includes cooperation with the minimum equipment Members of the Novi Police requirements including seats.

operated on private property. Other requirements include all operators must have a valid Michigan drivers license or special moped license if the driver is 15 years old and riders younger than 19 are required to wear a helmet.

Also, moped operation is prohibited on sidewalks. Butler said the campaign is an

The start of a new year is quickly students to fill out additional forms. approaching and that means one The FAFSA is available from high dents can take the ACT Assessment thing: It's financial aid time again. school counselors or at on Feb. 9, 2002, the next nationwide

Financial aid tips from ACT: • Apply early for admission and postmark deadline is Jan. 18 (an The most important form is the Check with your college to deter-

Look into work study programs.

· Surf the Web for financial aid information For more financial aid specifics, visit with your counselor or visit

According to documents issued by the department, "mopeds are defined as self-propelled vehicles If the vehicle does not have the with engines less than 50 cc that are capable of a top speed less than 30 mph on flat ground." Go-peds or electric scooters fall under the definition of a moped in the Michigan Vehicle Code and

and promote motorized vehicle safe-

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must be registered with the Secretary of State. For further information on moped regulations, call officer Tim Harper at (248) 348-7100.

College-bound high school stu-

test date. The registration postmark

deadline is Jan. 4. Late registration

additional fee is required for late reg-

ACT scores are accepted by virtu-

ally all colleges and universities in

schools. The test fee is \$24 (\$27 in

Florida). Colleges use ACT scores,

along with a student's high school

GPA and other information to help

determine admissions and the

appropriate course placement for

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SETTING THE WHEELS IN MOTION: NOVI OLYMPIC TORCH RUNNERS

Breen awarded with torch

By Angelo Parlove STAFF WRITER

Novi High School graduate and farmington resident Lori Breen Bught through personal adversifles to taste a bit of an Olympic

In January of 2000, Breen suffered an eclampsia stroke due to complications from the birth of er second child, paralyzing her right arm, foot and ankle, partialy paralyzing her right thigh and taking her speech.

She spent nine weeks in the Rospital in rehabilitation, where she began learning to walk and talk all over again, as well as liccome left-handed. "It was hard being away from

my kids that long," said Breen, the mother of two children, Genevieve, 3. and Kenny, 1 - who is healthy ind happy after the complicated

"I had to get my stamina back." she said. "I went home from the hospital in a wheelchair, and nowcan walk with a cane pretty

On Jan. 6, Breen was one of more than 11,000 Americans that ficiped carry the Olympic flame across the country to its destination at the 2002 Winter Olympics ib Sali Lake City, Utah. She hoisted the Olympic torch for nearly a quarter-mile along Rochester Road in Royal Oak with the help of a modified motor scoot

Her husband, Ken Breen, built a stand on the scooter to hold the torch in place, while Breen drove it with her left hand from the Red Run Golf Club entrance to Parkdale Avenue.

("I'm proud to carry the torch." liteen said. "It is a once in a lifethe opportunity." However, Breen is putting her dympic participation in sound

nerspective After the stroke and I almost died, you realize the only thing that matters is the people around u," she said. "I don't get too excited about commercial things."

Pre-eclampsta is caused by hypertension during childbirth and can sometimes turn to eclampsia, causing seizures and strokes in women. About 5 per- their community involvement or cent of pregnant women experi- the ability to overcome personal ence pre-eclamosia

Torchbeaters for the 2002 pleacross the U.S. were nominat-Winter Olympics were selected for ed for the honor.

Na. TOR $[0, \beta_{1}] \in [0, \infty]$ Photo by JOHN HEIDEI

Novi High School graduate and Olympic Torch runner Lori Breen grasps the torch along with her husband Ken and son Kenny. Breen carried the torch Sunday afternoon in Royal Oak

Road.

Local torch bearer runs for mom tragedies. More than 50,000 peo-

By Victoria Sadlocha

her leg of the Salt Lake 2002 Olympic Torch Relay through General Motors Corp. employees Westland on Jan. 7. Months after finding out she fing to be chosen to serve on

learned her mother was dying of Committee. cancer. tenths of a mile before passing the Priebe said, before running the

rekav Priebe planned on video taping sibilities, she read letters nominatin honor of his daughter Julic's her portion of the less-than-one-14th birthday and said the rest of quarter-mile leg and mailing it to Olympic Torch run.

She said her mother had been said about some of the nomina-The down-river native, is a self-sick since July, but just found out tions. proclaimed "sports fanatic" and it was untreatable cancer shortly was once part of Detroit Tiger - before Christmas. Priebe immedi- - brand team administrative assisately flew to Florida to spend what - tant said it was because she was Langenhorst also served on she said will most likely be the last chosen to be on the committee that

Committee and had been working The 50-year-old resident ran her in the "Chevrolet Drives the Salt for the Novi News. She can be might know what they wrote. Chevrolet coworker wrote an essay on the event for about 18 months part of the mother dedicated carry Lake 2002 Olympic Torch Relay to reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 105

Priebe first became involved with Novi resident Janis Priebe was the Torch Drive after putting her thinking of her mother as she ran - name in a hat at work. Detroit Renaissance Center were encouraged to enter a draw-

between Ann Arbor Trail and Joy campaign.

would be one of the runners, she Chevrolet's Olympic, Steering "I never get chosen for anything," "I'm hoping to get it on tape." Priebe said. "My name was the first one chosen."

> As part of her committee responing other employees for the "I had tears in my eyes," Priebe

The Venture and Tracker 191 she was also chosen to participate

Oakland County recipient of McKinney Grant

Oakland Schools Wraparound is homelessness vary but many are the proud recipient of the McKinney due to unemployed or underem dates districts to accept homeless

The Salt Lake 2002 Olympic that does not impact Oakland into shelters, live on the street or in cars. In addition, there were 2,000

before the flame left Michigan. Victoria Sadlocha is a staff writer nominating letter, but thought she

Priebe said she was excited from

As part of the process, she com-

pleted her official torch bearers

training certification program and

Priebe said one of the training

requirements was as you pass the

glass, just the flame, to prevent the

Detroit portion of the relay,

Chevrolet provided interactive trail-

tainment and play Olympic-

A pep rally was held in the

themed virtual reality games.

the very beginning.

received her uniform.

torches from shattering.

The McKinney Act federally man-

facilitates this enrollment and works are equally diverse in ethnicity and with federal law. Additionally, the

> Oakland Schools Wraparound is a of-school placement. For more information about Oakland Schools

Torch carrier Novi grad

By Angelo Parlove STAFE WRITER

A once in a lifetime opportunity arrived for a former Novi graduate this past weekend, giving her a taste of her Olympic

dreams. On Jan. 6, Amy Hartland, a 2000 Novi High School graduate. raised the Olympic flame above her head carrying it for nearly a quarter-mile jog along Ryan Road - between Dolores and Morrisev Roads - in Warren. Hartland was one of more than 130 Michigan torchbearers that carried the cherished world symbol across the Great Lakes state on its way to the final destination, the 2002 Winter Olympics

in Salt Lake City, Utah. "It's been my dream to go to the Olympics since I saw the 1992 games," Hartland said. Currently, the Novi native attends the University of South Carolina in Columbia where she competes at the national level as member of her school's women's swim team.

"When I get old, I hope I get to repeat this story 5 million times." she said. Hartland was selected as a torchbearer not only for her aca-

demic and athletic achievements, but for her involvement in the Novi community, as well. For the past two summers, she

has worked as a supervisor at the Novi Teen Center, planning events and directing kids towards good choices in life. "We focus on underage drinking and dicting disorders. We help gear them and prepare theni! for the life ahead." Hartland said Furthermore, Hartland spoke with students at Novi Meadows

and Orchard Hills Elementary in Novi about her Olympic participation and following your dreams on Jan. 7. "These kids are impressionable, and I want to share it with

people." Hartland said. "You do hard work then something kicks you in the back and you get rewarded

Resident shortly before her run date nominated requirements was as you pass the torch, you never touch the actual by tamily

tips of the 3-and-a-half -pound By Victoria Sadlocha As part of the metropolitan STAFF WRITER

A Novi marathon runner proves ers and display areas for guests adversity may be overcome after and family members to enjoy enter- running in the Jan 6, Ferndale leg of Salt Lake 2002 Olympic Torch Relay.

Resident Lisa Simms was nomiautomaker's Detroit Winter Garden nated for the torch-bearing honor by her mother and sister. Simms did not see a copy of the

"I have a feeling they mentioned some serious medical problems l had about 10 years ago," Simms

The Novi mother almost lost her life as a result of three medical events occurring in one year from a bungled gallbladder surgery.

Since that time, Simms has run other documentation. The liaison marathons, started a women's philanthropic education organization, became very active in her mother The somewhat secretive philan

thropic organization is something Simms is very proud of. After learning about the group as

a child, she started the first Novi chapter of the organization which unique program that helps high-risk raises money to educate women. Simms has also chaired a homeless shelter program and served as a Girl Scout troop leader.

A media representative from Chevrolet said Simms was chosen tact Susan Benson, Wraparound for her "commitment to personal

"I'm getting very excited." Simms said before the relay. The 37-year-old torch bearer ran at 6:15 p.m. on Woodward Avenue between Eight and Nine Mile Roads.

Most of Simms' family traveled. from the west side of the state to attend the celebrated run and cheer her on.

Langenhorst to carry Olympic Torch By Victoria Sadlocha STAFE WRITER Langenhorst was running his leg It may just have been Novi restdent Pete Langenhorst's great his family would be there to cheer. Florida for her to watch,

Co-worker nominated

sense of humility that landed him a spot in the metropolitan Detroit leg of the Salt Lake 2002 Olympic Torch Relay "I really don't know why someone-

would think I'm inspirational." Lungenhorst said. Langenhorst said a anonymous but he really did not know who or

women selected through the Motors Corp. for 20 years and curdifference by inspiring others, serv- Renaissance Center. ing their community in an exemadversity," said a media represen- carry the Olympic flame. tative from Chevrolet Motor

Division. The theme for the Winter and all torchbearers have conducted an inspirational act.

terrific. "It's absolutely Langenhorst said. He was very excited to be chosen. Although each leg of the relay is short, the 43-year-old resident had

in shape. Langenhorst ran his part of the relay 6:20 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 6, on Woodward Avenue between Eight for the Novi News. She can be schools when they lost their homes

and Nine Mile Roads in Ferndale.

Baseball's farm team. Chevrolet's Olympic Steering holiday with her mother.

about why he was an inspiration, coordinating many automaker at 7:28 a.m. on Merriman Road Hometowns Across the Country" or at usadlocha@ht.homecomm.net. sponsored events. The Chevrolet Venture brand "The inspirational men and manager has worked for General

Chevrolet program have made a rently works in Detroit's

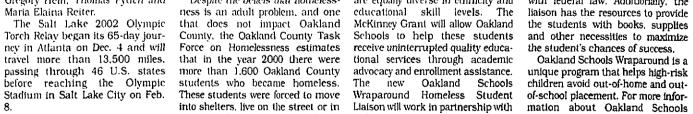
Joseph Cossman, Robert Drost, tricts.

Olympic torch drive is inspiration - Gregory Hein, Thomas Pyden and Maria Elaina Reiter.

before reaching the Olympic students who became homeless. The been working out everyday to keep Stadium in Salt Lake City on Feb. These students were forced to move

Each runner ran about two- or at usadlocha@ht.homecomm.net. ed family or friends. The causes of students.

Chevrolet and its network of Grant for Homeless Students. With ployed parents. Many families expe-students into school without proof of plary manner, embodying the dealers helped select about 3,505 this grant Oakland Schools has rience a serious illness or perma-residency, immunization records or the Boston and Chicago Olympic Spirit and overcoming torchbearers - out of 11,500 - to developed a new half time position to next disability that impact their livcoordinate services for the homeless ing arrangements. Other Chevrolet chosen runners student population for all 28 from Novi included Sigal Cordeiro. Oakland County public school dis- dents come from all 28 school dis- for each student's enrollment are church and has been a caring Despite the beliefs that homeless-



Victoria Sadlocha is a staff writer to 3.000 students who left their and programs. A hotline for schools, reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 105 and were forced to live with extend- ed to identify and assist homeless

new Oakland Schools

Oakland County's homeless stu- to assure that the required records tricts in Oakland County and they received within 30 days, in keeping

liaison has the resources to provide

children avoid out-of-home and out-Wraparound and the McKinney Homeless Student Grant please con-

Director, Oakland Schools at (248) and community growth."

McKinney Grant will allow Oakland the students with books, supplies

Wraparound Homeless Student Liaison will work in partnership with Oakland County's homeless shelters agencies and parents is being creat-

Kensington Metropark

events scheduled at Kensington nature center. All are free and open 800-477-2757. to the public, unless otherwise indicated, though the usual park entry (248) 685-0603 or (800) 477-3178.

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The first "Appreciation Day" 2002 will be celebrated on Martin Admission to all 13 Huron-Clinton ends, hours are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Metroparks will be waived. All parks will be open, including

use of all trails and paths on this hills and cross-country ski trails will be open if there is snow.

some facilities, special programs or prohibited. Food service will be

Female

Caucasian

Fracture

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Advanced Age

History of Bone

•A small, thin frame

Kensington Briefs is a listing of free entry into the Metroparks.

events, unless otherwise indicated. introduction to birding, you'll hike are open. For more information/registration, the trails to find some winter birds. call Kensington Nature Center at Pre-registration required. Bring binoculars if you have them. For ter, please call, 1-800-477-3178.

Ice Skating Weather and ice conditions permitting, the ice rink is opened week-Luther King Day, Monday, Jan. 21. days, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. On week-

Winter sports area The hilly slopes at the winter day. The eight Interpretive Center sports area are ideal for sledding buildings and two Farm Learning and tobogganing with two tobog-Centers will be open.. Sledding gan runs and separate beginning, intermediate and advanced sledding hills. A special bunny hill for Watch for more "Appreciation young children features moguls Days" in 2002, with free use of for airborne fun. Snowboards are http://www.metroparks.com

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> "Winter Walk," On four miles of the paved hike/bike trall from the additional information or to regis- east boat launch to Maple Beach, is cleared for walking, cycling or in-line skating throughout the winter. Helmet use is required for Ice skating will be offered at the cyclisis, in-line skater and scootice rink located on Kent Lake. er operators. The walking area is open during regular park hours.

> > Disc Golf A 24-hole course, located at the north end of Martindale Beach parking lot, is open daily throughout the year during park hours.

For more information or to reais ter, contact the park office at 1-800-477-3178 or (248) 685-1561. General Information: Phone (800) 47-PARKS, or Websile at

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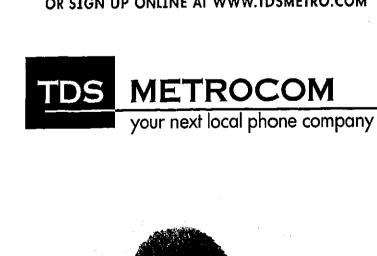
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Health and Fitness show packs Novi Expo Center

By Victoria Sadlocha STAFE WRITER

Expo Center last weekend for the demonstrations and free giveincreasingly popular Fourth aways Annual Health, Fitness and Lifestyle Show.

dees interested in beginning 2002 on a healthy note. More than 100 exhibitors including Bally Total Fitness, Pfizer pharmaceutical company. Five Lakes Grill, the Oakland

Community College Culinary Diabetes Association,

ment distributors - kept inter-High energy was brought to tional

Simmons led a group workout and provided inspirational motivations for exercisers of all ages. On Friday, Jan. 4, Detroit Lions defensive tackle, Luther

Arts program, the American Other appearances were made ext. the by fitness trainer Peter Nielsen vsadlocha@ht.homecomm.net.

Advanced Spine and Headache and former Martial Arts and Pro Center and many fitness equip- Kickboxing Champion Ken Levy. Levy and other pro-trainers Area residents filled the Novi ested participants busy with demonstrated the latest trends in kickboxing. Throughout the center, addi-

displays of interest the center's fitness stage on included seminars in relaxation The Novi event filled the center Saturday, Jan. 5 when enthusi- and meditation, weight manage-Jan. 4-6 with carloads of atten- astic health guru Richard ment, yoga and resort traveling. Booths providing food samples and interactive sports activities were also a big hit.

> Victoria Sadlocha is a staff Elliss, signed autographs and writer for the Novi News. She can provided a mini football clinic. be reached at (248) 349-1700. 105 or at



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Novi robotics team kicks off FIRST event of the season

By Angelo Parlove STAFE WRITER

America's most successful robotics' feet tall. competitions.

neers and other business profes- lem solve," Gee said. sionals from across the U.S. met at Robotics Competition Kick-off.

beginning the competition's 2002 season.

FIRST Robotics Competition sup- worked in the aerospace industry founder of FIRST Robotics norter and mechanical engineer for over 40 years.

Novi School Briefs

'Raising Adolescents' seminar

Many parents with adolescents

held

Daniel Gee of Novi.

Science and Technology (FIRST) Canada, the United Kingdom and scientists.

unveiled the new rules, officially World in Orlando, Fla. in April. the high school student to gain across the U.S. participating and sald Frank Minolli, a mentor for largest team possible, but rather to the Novi Nears. It can be reached there will be over 600 different the Novi High School FIRST assemble a team that can work at (248) 349-1700, ext. 108 or at solutions to the problems," said Robotics Competition team, who well together," said Dean Kamen, aparlowed the home communet.

Auditorium

Jan. 6, seeking this year's upcom- ball in this year's foreboding con- logical solution to the task at- the iBot which allows its users to ing challenges from one of traption - which reaches over five- hand. Over 170 corporations par- climb stairs and raise themselve ticipate in the event, including upright. "It teaches high school students - Intier, a national automotive com-More than 1,000 students, engi-how to design, engineer and prob-pany that sponsors the Novi High and fame for his much hyped In 2002, more than 20,000 stu- Competition team. These business- electric scooter, which was later the Novi Expo Center for the For dents and 600 teams - which come es act as mentors to the world's named the Segway Human Inspiration and Recognition of from nearly every state, as well as next generation of engineers and Transporter,

The event - which was hosted in tions, including the World not only to develop innovation and cool," said Jennifer Harvey event Michigan for the first time - Championships at Walt Disney the competitive spirit in students, coordinator for the Novi FIRST "This program is really good for ty and dedication, as well. "The secret of building a suc-"There are over 600 teams interest in science and technology." cessful team is not to assemble the

raising adolescents is not always a

and knowledgeable," said Novi Dr. Rosen is currently Chief of the giving season with a strong

Competition.

"Dr. Rosen is very impressive humorous topic."

worry about raising a responsible High School principal Jennifer Teenage and Young Adult Medicine finish.

Each competing team is com- Kamen is a world-renowned sei-Now the teams will have six posed of high school students, entist and inventor who began his weeks to design and build a func- engineers, parent volunteers and career with medical inventions. The innovative minds of today tional, radio-controlled machine other business professionals who including the first portable insulin and tomorrow gathered in Novi on that can pick up and score a soccer unite to find the ultimate techno- pump and a prototype wheelchair

> In 2001. Kamen gained notoriet School FIRST Robotics invention - IT - a gyroscope-based "(FIRST) tries to make learning

but foster leadership skills, integri- Robotics Competition kick-off. "And if works,"

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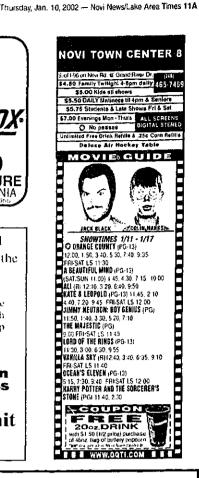
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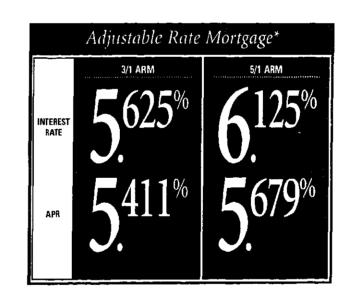
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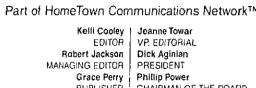
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Our fundamental purposes are to enhance the lives of our readers, nurture the home lowns we serve and contribute to the business success of our customers.

Let's stop the stalling; decide on Gateway

commendably

Are members of the city council receive direction and the go-ahead when it comes to adopting Novi's the entrance way. Downtown Gateway

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Ordinance? ordinance. The which was created to define the thorough- city council being fare to Novi's downtown, was approved by the Planning responsible or Commission in 1999 and has still not been adopted and of aggravation? approved by the city. Although the

potential for a big 'lawsuit" is hanging over members' meeting that both parties - developheads, they still need to make time- ers and council members - need to ly decisions for the benefit of the - take a leap of faith.

And since the point of the ordi- this project forward. ahead?

Meeting after meeting, developers The decision has already been spoke on each different revision of the process begin. the ordinance hoping they would

being commendably responsible or to begin business. As soon as it is cautions to the point of aggravation approved, they are ready to develop That is more than likely what is Are members of the putting fear in

council members voting voices - the thought of hungry developers ready to break ground and create who cautious to the point knows what? Novi Mayor Richard Clark said

at the last Gateway special That is what is needed to move

the downtown area utilizing hous- scenario and list an ordinance every ing, office and minimal retail - single possible retail business or type attracting more people to Main of office use that may want to come Street and its surroundings - into the corridor - which is what wouldn't it seem wise to move members of the council have been trying to do.

have cooperatively attended and made to develop the area. Let us let

Walled Lake on track

Often times cities reach a peak working to improve the city with essary strides to make improve- trators. ments.

right idea when they applied for program. Walled Lake has the the Main Street Oakland County opportunity to grow, progress and program. The program, which is a become an innovative trend setter three year downtown revitaliza- that other cities want to follow. first year. Main Street advisers has joined Main Street commitwill be in Jan. 10-11 to evaluate tees and worked hard to get the the program's success in Walled program off the ground. Take

Authority officials began actively row.

and then officials don't take nee- the advice of Main Street adminis-Walled Lake officials had fore-Walled Lake officials had the sight when they entered into the

tion project, is just finishing its We congratulate everyone who

However, residents' support is We commend Walled Lake offi-needed for the program to be an cials who didn't let plans for the absolute success. We hope everycity form haphazardly. Instead, one will offer their input so Walled city and Downtown Development Lake will have a brighter tomor-

GOVERNMENT

Per reader request, we have compiled a list so you can get in touch with your local and regional senators and representatives. Their accessibility allows you as readers to voice your concerns directly and allows them to better represent their districts. If you feel we have missed anyone, contact us at (248) 349-1700. ext. 113.

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Hear them out

Unless you are willing to pay additional USED as SUCh taxes, hear us out! On December 11, 2001 the Oakland County Circuit Court made a ruling "More housing headed to Novi" in the Jan. not interfere with or potentially contamiregarding the proposed transfer of only 95 3 issue of the Novi News. In the article, nate the process? Are we, as a city, to be out of 550 acres of the North Novi Park as Novi planning director David Evancoe held to a lesser standard, Mr. Capello, than part of the potential settlement of the explains why the Novi Planning Sandstone Judgment. According to the Commission is ruling, such a transfer can be made "If the city's master plan is amended so as to Park Estates, to reduce the size of the trafreflect a designation of the property to be fic island at its entrance. Evancoe is quot- table had to stop. It appears to me, sir, that transferred in a manner other than 'park.' ed as saying 'This is in case an emergency you are still the only one involved with or if the transfer has been presented to and vehicle has to make a U-turn at the tawdry comments that are quite unnecesapproved by the city's electorate ... "Hence, entrance, so they won't have to drive so far we as citizens of this community have sev- into the park." eral choices.

We can wait out the appeals process developments in Novi are now referred to newspaper, and so ... who cares? Was it necwhile \$100,000 of interest a week accrues. as "parks" while at the same time the city essary for you to make disparaging (The Sandstone Judgment has grown cur- is intent on obliterating forever 100 acres remarks on the appointment of Mrs. Paul rently, with interest, from \$33,000,000 to of real parkland in North Novi Park. It's as to the Planning Commission? If she made \$70,000,000 in just 3 years.) With an if they want to create the illusion that what the comment, and I didn't hear it, who ! additional 3-year appeal wait, we can they are destroying tsn't really gone. expect to pay additional taxes on what will Imitation may be the sincerest form of flathecome, with interest, \$150,000,000. As an example, the annual tax increases ticity.

* \$200,000 home will be at least \$600 per year for 15 years (\$9,000). • \$400,000 home will be at least \$1200 per year for 15 years (\$18,000), * \$600,000 home will be at least \$1800 Vote misrepresented per year for 15 years (\$27,000). If we wait, we'll not only pay higher taxes, we'll also pay higher costs for goods and services our merchants provide for us have tired at how the number of times my are different now? It seems that you are the because they, too, will be taxed, hence we vote and its volce in this community has only one on council still grasping at those end up paying twice!

The city can hold a special election. If a Novi parks." special election were to be held it probably would not take place for a few months and course but somehow that vote is now twistcity money costs us money, too

on January 9, 2002, to "remove" the design profit year in and year out. A golf course is nation of "park" from the portion of the a seasonal facility and giving Novi's experiland the city wishes to transfer to ence in running an ice arena, I feel that Sandstone as a part of the Sandstone judg- choice was justified. Subsidizing a golf ment.

As our parents used to say, "the money of location. tree does not grow in the backvard." Higher taxes will affect all of us living in this city. sumptuous to assume that all those Donating a fraction of park land will against the golf course agreed with me, I affect a handful of people, in comparison.

Larry Papp

Ramesh Verma

Resident says city could face another lawsuit if they settle

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but not reported by the Novi News: If the city uses a portion of North Novi Park to time frame. Remember the Water Park? utilities. This is a very fine ethical line to settle the Sandstone lawsuit, the city may Members of the Friends of Novi Parks pro- walk. find itself back in court with yet another moted that issue, also, if you want another developer.

In 1993, the city sued Paul and sonal facility you'd be hard pressed to find ing sure that the trial doesn't become Marianna Mitchell to force them to sell 40 a bigger loser than a water park in southacres to help create North Novi Park. Most east Michigan. This was also soundly voted of that land is in the "settlement parcel" against by Novi's citizens. now being considered for sale to Sandstone. The court ordered then that the and recreation leadership running the Mitchells have the right "without prejudice" Friends of Novi Parks. They tell us in the to seek additional compensation.

What might motivate them to do so? How are the experts on what the citizens of Novi about if the city sold the land for a much want and represent their views. Again, they greater price than they paid the Mitchells supported a golf course plan, which failed and allowed another developer to profit? On August 23, 1993, the Novi News failed to pass; and a Water Park, that failed reported "Mitchell says that he feels he to pass. If they have their hands on the can realize greater profit out of the land. pulse of Novi voters, the track record surewhich has been held by his family for 27 years, if it is developed for single-family residences. I'm not interested in selling it. I had in the past wanted to develop it with "Friends" views regarding the recent court another builder. I can get more doing that decision, but it ignores one of the importhan from what they're offering. I don't feel tant conclusions of the article. That is their offer is acceptable. Their appraisal is that the citizens of Novi will pay dearly for based on God knows what."

I've said consistently in my opposition to in southeast Michigan. I believe this plan Novi News this settlement that the city has taken on best minimizes the cost of this lesson to too many financial and legal risks by using the people and listens to the voice put forparkiand to settle the Sandstone lawsuit. ward by all the people, not a small minori-The threat of a Mitchell lawsuit is only the ty special interest. juiciest worm in the settlement can. There are many others.

The Planning Commission must consider these risks and costs as they decide on January 9 if North Novi Park land should be removed from the city's master plan. A quick decision on their part, concerned only with avoiding an increase in taxes,

may ironically result in exactly that.

By Jennifer Norris

Thin mints.

Caramel delights.

Peanut butter patties

the community's sweet tooth.

When it comes to cookies, these Girl

Girl Scout Troop No. 1279 is currently

to operate its own cookie booth at Hiller's

STAFF WRITER

Boxes of cookies are priced at \$3 each. Diane Gonzales, troop treasurer, said participation in the Girl Scout program can some selling techniques and it builds their provide young girls with several benefits self-confidence," said Flayer. Scout varieties are among the most pre- and necessary life skills. Her daughter, ferred and local scouts are ready to cater to Stephanie, has been involved in scouting a

number of years, she said. "It teaches [Scouts] to be more responsitaking orders for the delectable treats ble, Gonzales said. It teaches them the full circle once again. through Jan. 19. The troop also has plans right way to approach people."

cares? The State of the City address will be given - finally - to the city on Jan. 14. It Iseven on the calendar. Was it necessary, Mr.

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ing here, and we should be made aware of

proceedings. How interesting that when

Mr. Capello is litigating, the courts impose

a gag order (Main Street). Is the intent of

that to which you yourself in your practice

In his literature, Capello further com-

mented that the bickering at the council

sary as well as being totally unprofession-

al. It was bad enough that you personally

attacked councilmember Lorenzo in the

are held? Interesting, isn't it?

I've just finished reading the article that gag order so that John Q. Public can-

ETTER

Word 'park' no longer

requiring a new subdivision, Maybury

Isn't it sadly ironic that new residential

tery but it is a poor substitute for authen-

I have attended several meetings and

been misrepresented by the "Friends of

For the record, 1 voted against a golf

course was what I voted against, regardless

While I wouldn't be so arrogant and pre-

can tell you with 100 percent certainty that

1 am not alone. According to the Friends of

vote for bike and hiking trails in North Novi

There was a time in Novi's recent past

oted down a city wide bond issue.

when we did vote on a ballot issue regard-

Now we have some of the same parks

various meetings on this issue that they

to pass; the bike trail bond issue, which

A recent editorial in the Detroit News has

Park. Funny, I don't remember that on the

ballot

Tom Kozma

Capello, to challenge the mayor on his decision to give the Address to the people? Novi Whether previous mayors or administrations chose to present the Address to the chamber of commerce or the Jaycees is puite arbitrary. I would like to remind you and the last election proved it - that the chamber. Rotary and Jaycees no longer run this city. Do you not realize that things

straws. Mr. Capello, I strongly suggest that if you are to be an effective councilman and truly try to represent "we, the people," that you could cost the city between \$25,000 and ed to say that I voted for the sake of saving stop your petulant remarks - they only \$45,000. Remember, whatever costs the park land. I voted against a golf course make you look as stupid and as petty as I since one would be hard pressed to find a presume you to be. If this is the only thing We can ask the Novi Planning municipality in southeastern Michigan the "Old Boy Network" has to offer in the Commission, which is scheduled to meet that consistently ran a golf course at a next four years, then maybe you should abdicate your seat.

James E. Korte

What are they hiding?

I agreed 100 percent with Kelli Cooley's column on Evergreen III. The freedom of Kim Taylor-Papp Novi parks, the anti-golf course vote was a the press is very important and I was glad to read that this situation will be scruti-

> If Evergreen III didn't want to give the impression of impropriety they certainly went out of their way to give the perceping a bond issue for bike and hiking trails. tion of a hidden money shakedown. Their With their extensive parks and recreation public relations person must be completeknowledge, why don't the Friends of Novi ly lacking any professionalism or they

parks quote that vote? Simple, the citizens truly are trying to hide something. In the days of organized crime, the Now these same people are supposedly for would come by and offer you "insurance" paying 15 years of taxes on 100 acres of and when you asked what you received pike and hiking trails because of a golf for your money, they broke your window. This has been said at public meetings course vote? This just doesn't make sense. Now when you ask what a bill for undocu-I remember another vote on parks in that mented "fees" are for they cut off your

> As for the gag order. I have confidence means of throwing money away on a sea- in Judge MacKenzle and believe he's maktainted and remains on the up and up. Larry Schmidt

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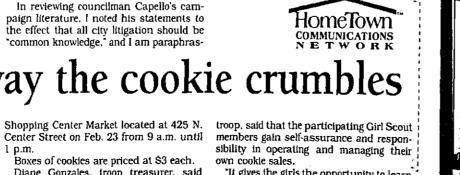
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"It gives the girls the opportunity to learn However, whether customers are craving shortbread or lemon pastry cremes, the tradition of looking forward to opening and smelling a fresh box of cookies has come

"It's a good product," said Flayer. "People Sally Flayer, cookie manager for the really enjoy eating Girl Scout cookies.

been quoted since it supports some of the a lesson to be learned by all municipalities

ly doesn't show it.

Contradictions

LuAnne Kozma the effect that all city litigation should be Novi "common knowledge," and I am paraphras-

In reviewing councilman Capello's campaign literature. I noted his statements to

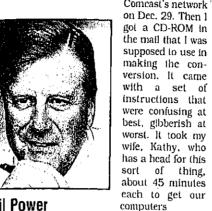
That's the way the cookie crumbles

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OTHER OPINIONS hursday, January 10, 2002

More federal, state regulation needed for cable internet access

to Comcast's broadband cable network serv- next month. ice who doesn't have a PhD in computer science - last week was just hell on wheels. It started with an e-mail from Comcast saying all former subscribers to MediaOne to cable-delivered broadband service, responded



Phil Power

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changed over. Turns out we were lucky, mostly because we don't get our e-mail through Comcast. Of the 70,000 or so Contcast customers in southeastern Michigan, many still can't access their e-mail (not counting the thousands who were forced to change their e-mail addresses), some are experiencing erratically slower broadband speeds than on the old system and a few discovered they can't use their computers at all (the erroneous changeover

instructions produced corrupted files). Customers are still complaining about inadequate technical support and telephone "that's likely just the start. We believe we have help lines that were either forever busy or the authority to deal with unfair or misleading involved intolerable waits. Comcast's com- business practices, customers who were ments were dazzlingly self-serving; spokesman Rich Ruggerio was quoted as saying, "Frankly, we did underestimate a little bit the number of customers who would call with general questions." Sure.

service problems sorted out, although I'd sure see the spread of high-speed Internet service hate to be one of the 110,000 Detroit@home throughout the state.

If you're anything like me - a subscriber users who will be switched to new network The proposal has drawn a lot of fire from Consider, however, the public policy issues themselves), who claim it would create a "web lurking in the background of this mess.

broadband were going to be switched over to Concast is an unregulated monopoly. It's by arguing that as a Comcast's network' far the dominant cable company in southon Dec. 29. Then 1 eastern Michigan. But if you've got a beel there is no such gol a CD-ROM in about the level of broadband service you're thing as a free the mail that I was getting from Comcast, you're essentially out market for broadsupposed to use in of luck.

What regulation exists - and there's not version. It came much - is at the federal level. If you're in a dominated by big with a set of hurry, I don't suggest trying to reach the firms like Comcast instructions that friendly folks at the Federal Communications and Ameritech. were confusing at Commission. As for your local municipality, best, gibberish at forget about it. For years, cities and townworst. It took my ships have been issuing franchises to cable wife, Kathy, who companies, but the locals don't have the cutting edge of the has a head for this power to levy fines if the terms of the contract broadband revolusort of thing, are not kept.

The legislation authorizing local cable fran- middle of the each to get our chises was passed years ago, before anybody ever imagined that cable lines could be used to deliver broadband services or that reliable the access to the Internet was going to be essen- changeover merely tial for a lot of families.

So is there any recourse available to the average guy who feels he got screwed? Maybe. Through the office of the Michigan Attorney General, the Michigan Consumer Protection Act provides penalties for companies that promise one thing to their customers but don't deliver. Gena Gent, spokesperson for Jennifer Granholm, says their office has received 14 formal complaints immediately after the Concast conversion started, and promised certain performance by their service provider but didn't get what was promised," says Gent.

On the horizon is proposed state legislation backed by Gov. John Engler that would cre-I suppose Comcast eventually will get its ate a government office to promote and over-

conservatives (not to mention telecom firms tax" and turn the free market telecom indus-The fact of the matter is that when it comes try into a regulated utility. Engler has

> practical matter. What regulation exists - and band in Michigan there's not much which is largely - is at the federal level. If you're in I think Engler's right. Michigan a hurry, I don't should be on the suggest trying to reach the friendtion, not in the ly folks at the pack. And the

chaos produced by Federal Comcast Communications confirms the danger of allowing an Commission. unregulated monopoly to con

trol the market without customer recourse In the meantime, customers who are still

Kuipers' staff

insists the proposal

Staffers say the

to come up again

having problems with their e-mail just might want to call the Attorney General's office in Lansing and ask about the Michigan Consumer Protection Act.

Phil Power is chairman of HomeTown Communications Network Inc., the company that owns this newspaper. He welcomes your comments, either by voice mail at (734) 953-2047, ext. 1880, or by e-mail at ppower@homecomm.net.

Unfortunately,

the plan has also

House Education

been in the

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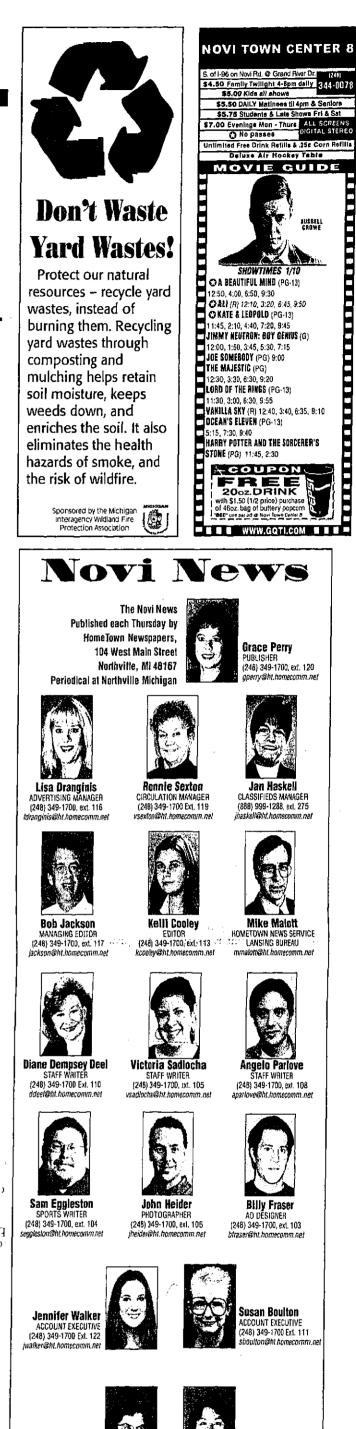
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the committee, and hands for eight

That's good news. But it is unfortunate that

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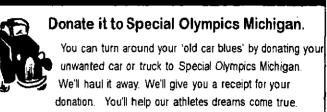
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Plan for state 'failing' schools stalled Unfortunately, the plan has also been in the

Remember this comment?

any parent in this slate. We need to give those time they graduate. parents some help. They deserve to be able to A year ago at this time, Republicans in the has not been forgottheir kids."

Michigan schools.

paign's most com-



weren't willing to Mike Malott

ways to improve the state's lowest performing Education Improvement Board. schools.

Of course, voters did reject that proposal in

then were starting the ninth grade are now half order a state take over.

the newspaper - you probably read the Novi angle.

way through the tenth. No one imagines that "To the parent of a seventh grader, an eighth reforms, once we decide what they should be. House Education Committee's hands for eight grader, a ninth grader, am I willing to say to can be effective immediately and transform months and no those parents that their kids don't matter, they bad schools into good right away. It is looking action has been should just wait a little longer, give us time to more and more like those students will leave , jaken. fix the system? No, I'm not willing to say that to high schools that have changed little by the

> do what's best for state House were unveiling their agenda for ten. The education education. Among the proposals outlined by chairman is report-It was made House Speaker Rick Johnson (R-LeRoy) and edly working on his roughly a year and Education Committee Chair Wayne Kulpers (R- own version of the a half ago by Anita Holland) were to identify the state's lowest per- package, along with Nelan, who at that forming schools and send in "educational other members of time was cam- SWAT teams" to help them improve. Despite the negative connotations of the it will likely incor-

> paigning for the use youchers in term "SWAT teams," the idea was to send a porate much of group of experts to the schools that most need what the senate It was the Kids help with orders to do whatever it takes to has already done. First! Yes! cam- bring things around. Last May, state Senators sent over a package plan, with Kuipers'

pelling argument. If that looked an awful lot like what House revisions, is likely we, as a state, Republicans were suggesting. Frankly, the package - Senate Bills 743- this spring for conaccept their solu- 746 - included a lot of good work by the sideration. tion, what then Senate Education Committee. They'd put it were we willing to together after many hours of committee testi- we've already seen an eight month lag in dealdo? Could we do it in time to help kids who day mony. Senators Loren Bennett (R-Canton) and ing with the issue. As action is delayed, time by day were getting closer to graduation from Shirley Johnson (R-Royal Oak) were instru- continues to slip by for students that need the only free, public education they'll ever get? mental in putting it together.

It would have identified the 5 percent of A lot has happened in the last year to dis-November 2000, based in part, I think, on the schools at the lowest end of the performance tract the attention of lawmakers, but frankly fact that many politicians were promising scale. Three-person teams would be sent in to there are few proposals in Lansing more they'd work quickly to implement alternative evaluate, and then would report back to a state important than this one.

The board might conclude the school was Milce Malott reports on the local implications Here we are now at the dawn of 2002 and lit- doing all it could, or it could make recommen- of state and regional events. He can be

the progress has been made. Students who dations for change. In severe cases, it could reached by phone at (810) 227-0171 or by email at mmalott@homecomm.net. Comments are part of public officials' job

So, if you're on your way to reading this Novi residents should partake in such a Washington Post or Chris Matthews, but column - since it's somewhere in the back of gathering. It was supposed to be a human you're not exactly Henry Kissinger either. I think I at least deserve this one: "The people News on somewhat of a regular basis. I'll So, I make a few phone calls to several - I'm will decide this issue." That's my favorite, by not going to mention any names here - Novi the way. Therefore, you've probably read all those planning commissioners at home and get For crying out loud, you hold an official

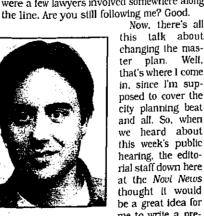
fabulous stories by our city reporter, Victoria, only answering machines. I leave them a position in your ing you to actualwith here. Give cal banter to write. You are my Sau

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Just give me



make this assumption.

Angelo Parlove

know that it is coming up. Sounds like a ed to do. pretty responsible thing to do. after all. My first idea for the story: I'll call a few to the political banter. I mean, I don't even get 349-1700, ext.

view story on it, let-

about that pesky city matter that's got some message. The obvious thing to do; you would city. I'm not askfur flying. You know the one - something have done the same thing." The message went something like this: ly form an opinabout Sandstone, some park land and somebody owing someone something. I think there "Hello, this is Angelo Parlove from the Novi ion or take a were a few lawyers involved somewhere along News. I just would like to get your response stance. I wouldto the upcoming public hearing regarding the n't be that pre-Now, there's all changes to the master plan ... "So on and so sumptuous. Just this talk about on. I even sucked in some air before speaking give me somechanging the mas- to deepen my voice. Give it a bit of old thing to work ter plan. Well, Hollywood flare. that's where I come Well, to spare you the details. I got one me some largon

in, since I'm sup- return call on the matter, from Novi planning worthless politiposed to cover the commissioner David Ruyle. The phone concity planning beat versation lasted about a grand 40 seconds. color my story. and all. So, when Ruyle had this to say: 'It's been brought to Help me out, I we heard about the planning table and the place to discuss have articles to this week's public this is at the planning table." Now, I'll be the first to admit that the best sources.

rial staff down here use for a newspaper is house training your something. I'm at the Novi News dog or lining the bottom of a birdcage. dying of boredom thought it would However, I must say, public discourse and out here. be a great idea for widening the marketplace of ideas comes in a me to write a pre- close second. As a local office holder, Mr. Ruyle did the is a staff writer

ting our readers bare minimum he should at least be expect- for the Novi News. Work with here. For the others, though, whatever happened

ning commissioners and see what they the Republican standards. Whatever hap- 108 or think about the notion of a public hearing. pened to: "It's necessary to hear the public's Then, I really got going: I'll see why they think opinion on this matter." I may not be the

For crying out loud, you hold an official position in your city. I'm not asking you to actually form an opinion or take a stance. I wouldn't be that presumptuous.

Wixom VFW will offer Life Line Screening

Novinews.com

By Diane Dempsey Deel STAFF WRITER

have Life Line Screening staff, will also be offered. who will offer tests that could possibly save residents lives, at \$40 each or \$99 for all three DICC-WISC. the post Jan. 17. The health screening will be tered or registry eligible ultraoffered from 9:30 a.m. until 2:30 sound technologists. A board to assess the risk of stroke and accuracy of the results before

include a Carotid Artery screening, Abdominal Aortic Áneurysm screening and an Ankle Brachial The Wixom VFW is planning to - Index (ABI). Bone density tests The tests, which are offered for tests, are conducted by regiscertified physician reviews the Health personnel will give tests - results of each test to ensure the

"They seem relatively reasonable

> Ron Case VFW member

seek appropriate follow-up care their hall. Case began making for stroke and the presence of come back questionable. The tests should be completed in ten minutes or less. Ron Case, VFW member, said the tests at the VFW Post are too."

good for people who have a hard time getting to the hospital for "It's close and convenient for health screenings. By offering For additional information them," Case said.

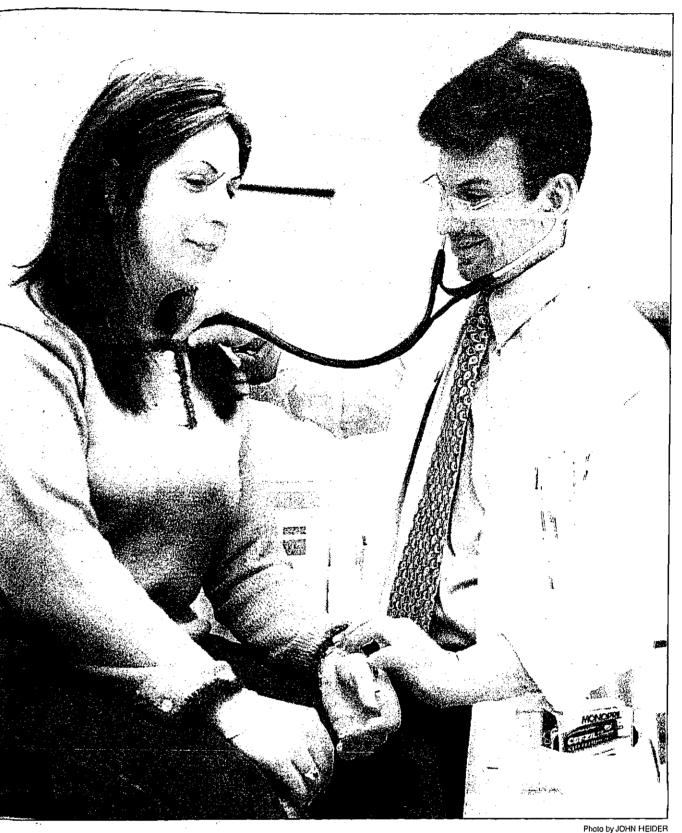
with their doctor if the results arrangements for them to come vascular disease or osteoporosis able price-wise," Case said. "And that's what we were looking at tion at the screenings on the

Screening officials, the company ease, Is the nation's leading provider of aneurysms and osteoporosis. Life Line approached the VFW ultrasound screenings, Life Line ule at appointment call 1-800-

early enough for their physician "They seem relatively reason- to begin preventative procedures. There will also be free informaidentification and control of risk According to Life Line factors for stroke, vascular disabdominal aortic these non-invasive, painless about the screenings or to sched-



REGIONAL MARKETPLACE



Dr. Robert Brateman checks in on long-time patient Colleen Serrico at his Karim Blvd. practice. Brateman is moving his medical practice to a new building on Grand River Avenue in Novi.

New facility allows Dr. Brateman to improve service to patients

By Annette Jaworsk SPECIAL WRITER

It's almost as exciting as having a new member of the family. The new Brateman Medical Center ful fills a long awaited goal for Dr. Robert Brateman's Family Practice in Novi. And they couldn't be more thrilled about their modern facili ties at 40015 Grand River. The project completes Brateman's vision to constantly improve his service to patients. "We have been blessed with many wonderful patients and their

families, and have grown to the point where we need a facility to accommodate them more efficient y and comfortably," he said. New And Improved The long anticipated moving date s scheduled for the end of January 2002. The new office will be a

quantum leap from the existing facilities. Sheer size will double to 5,000 square feet. The number of exam rooms will increase from the six to 13. · The parking and entryways will

be more readily accessible, especially for the handicapped and sen- ers physical exams as well as adult for patients. There will be more restroom facilities, with easter access. And amidst the shiny new building and state of the art techriology will remain the reliability and comfort of seeing a physician in Family Practice.

Family Practice, Family Care "This office can answer nearly all your health care needs." Brateman pointed out.

How To Get The Most From Your Doctor Visits by Dr. Robert Brateman

1.) Have realistic expectations. Not all problems can be handled on one

visit; other problems may require subsequent visits. 2.) Try to focus on the most important issue at hand.

Know all the prescriptions you are currently taking. 4.) Know when you are supposed to see a consultant and for what rea-

5.) Ask specific questions.

acute and chronic care.

need." said Brateman.

A Family Affair

Know when your refills are up. 7.) Try your best to follow the treatment plan given. The treatment is tailored specifically for that patient's needs. 8.) Understand your medical insurance rules and regulations.

The focus is on the family in the Irving, contributes by doing paper-Family Practice here. They care not work, bookkeeping and many valu-

father's store. When the day came for the forperformed the honors on their

And the building is actually joint project with his brother, Jonathan Brateman Properties Jonathan will be in charge of

agement "He was very instrumental in the Since family is such a high prior- initial phases with the land pur-

selections and décor. His father, proved invaluable."

It's a personal point of pride that Brateman was also instrumental in working with his architect on the building's design. "I wanted to create a state of the art facility where we could deliver outstanding medical care." he said.

He welcomes his current patients to enjoy the new building, as well as welcoming new residents who've located to the area in need of quality family medical care. The updated facilities will allow them to see more

The members of the staff also

The Brateman Medical Center's

Business in Brief

Consumers Energy awards grants

The Consumers Energy Foundation has awarded \$11,150 in grants to 15 community organizations to encourage the volunteerism of 24 employees at the utility's southeastern Michigan customer service centers.

The Volunteer Investment Program (VIP) grants honored Debra McIntyre-Dodd, senior public information director, who volunteered more than 90 hours with Brownie Troop 2051 in South Lyon. McIntyre-Dodd serves as the troop's co-leader. The S900 grant supports troop activities.

The Consumers Energy Foundation sponsors the Volunteer Investment Program to recognize employees and retirees who donate personal time to nonprofit groups. Employees and retirees who volunteer more than 45 hours to qualifying organizations are eligible to apply for grants to benefit the group. Local employee volunteer recognition teams review grant applica-

tions for eligibility and determine grant amounts. Grant amounts are based on the level of leadership and time commitment of the employee or reliree, the organization's response to community needs and other criteria.

Last year, the Consumers Energy Foundation awarded VIP grants totaling \$280,800 to 439 organizations on behalf of 954 employees

CORA opens clinic

CORA Rehabilitation Clinics announces the opening of its fourth clinic in Michigan. The clinic, CORA Rehabilitation Clinics -Commerce, is located at 1555 Union Lake Road in the R & M Plaza. The clinic began accepting patients and is open Monday through Friday during regular business hours. CORA Rehabilitation Clinics offer physical therapy and occupational therapy and speech therapy services for patients with orthopedic, sports, neurologic and workrelated illnesses and injuries. Other services offered include mechanical spine care, work programs and functional capacity evaluations. CORA's Regional Manager, Justin Borra stated, "The clinic accepts Medicare, and is on the provider panel of most HMO's and workers' compensation insurers. We have three other locations in Michigan and

are very excited about opening another clinic." Bora added, "our goal at CORA is to help our patients who have lost function and mobility due to illness or injury get back to work and to their previous activities as soon as possible.

Mike Chrisman has been appointed as Clinic Manager. He has been a resident of Oakland County for more than 30 years and has 20 years experience in the outpatient rehabilitation industry. CORA Rehabilitation Clinics is a multi-state provider of comprehensive outpatient rehabilitation services with 46 clinics in operation.

Grand opening for TCF Bank

TCF Bank is celebrating the opening of its new office at 555 Haggerty in Commerce Township with special grand opening festivities. Festivities began Dec. 21 and continue through Jan. 21. Visitors can register to win a grand prize of \$1,000 holiday cash. Two second place prizes of \$500 will also be awarded. Contest details and rules are posted at the office.

The new office features five drive-through lanes, a drive-up ATM, and convenient parking. TCF Bank also offers extended banking hours, which include early morning hours beginning at 7:30 a.m. and late evening hours until 8 p.m., Monday-through Friday, Saturday banking hours are 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. The office is open Sunday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

"Commerce Township is growing rapidly, and similar growth patterns are forecast for many years to come. The northward expansion of the M-5 Connector will support future growth in Commerce Township," said Lou Campos, senior vice president and director of branch administration. The M-5 Connector is a link to all major freewavs

Linda Donnan will manage the new office. Donnan has been with TCF Bank for seven years. She began as a part time teller at the bank's Howell office, held several positions in the bank's retail division, and most recently managed the bank's Pauline Blvd. office in Ann Arbor.

Farmers receive new aid

Consolidation among financial institutions has intensified competition among rural and urban borrowers for capital and is giving rise to new programs to ensure farmers will have access to sufficient operatng credit

Farmers traditionally relied on a local financial institutions to meet all their operating credit needs. But recent mergers of financial institutions have diverted funds previously available for agricultural operating credit to non-agricultural borrowers. Additionally, regulatory and self-imposed limits on banks' agricultural lending portfolios are forcing many growing farm operations to seek operating financing from multiple providers.

Each Finance Pro brings years of experience in agricultural financing in the region and the capital to meet all the customer's operating financing needs at competitive rates and flexible terms. John Deere Credit Finance Pros are financial representatives who work directly with producers at the local level. This gives producers

the opportunity to consolidate all of their financing needs, including large operating loans, with a company that is dedicated to agriculture. John Deere Credit, a strategles business unit of Deere and Company, provides retail, wholesale and lease financing for agricultural, construction, commercial and consumer equipment, including lawn and grounds care and recreational equipment, operating lines and revolving credit for agricultural inputs and services.





only for the whole person, but also able suggestions. It's a role reverthe entire family. Their patients sal for the father and son: range in age from 103 to any one of Brateman once worked in his many newborns, he said proudly.

Patient services cover everything from infant to geriatric needs. This mal groundbreaking, his parents includes well baby and pediatric care, school and sports physicals 50th wedding anniversary. for the younger set. Adult care cov-

"I want to be there for their routine care as well as those times of building leasing and property man-

ity here, it's no surprise that his chase, permits and other planown family was instrumental in the ning. Without his help, the projsuccess of the new building. His ect would not have succeeded. mother, Elaine, worked with color His expertise in Novt real estate number will remain the same call

patients more efficiently.

Brateman

"We want them to know that we're family doctors and in their neighborhood." he said. include Dr. Mudita Malhotra, Dr. Deanna S. Master, and Dr. Olga Mondrusova. All doctors are on staff at Providence Hospital in Southfield and work with

Providence Park Novi, where they can send patients for outpatient and emergency care as well as subspecialty consultation. They will be joined by the support staff, who are looking forward to the new facilities as well.

new facility will open at the end of January at 40015 Grand River in Novi, just around the corner from their current office. The phone said (248) 473-8580 for appointments.

Make New Friends But Keep The Old

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Off the Wall Coffee House discovers niche

By Diane Dempsey Deel STAFF WRITER

 Young and polished folk musical falent radiate as they entertain a close knit audience at Off-The-Wall Acoustic Coffee House in Walled Lake.

Jim Bertin, who sets up entertainment, said the coffee house at St. William Catholic Church in Zeph Hall has been a huge success since it opened eight years ago.

The coffee house began with an open microphone format. However, Bertin was soon able to hire better known talent to entertain folk music lans.

"It's a friendly atmosphere."

Bertin said. "It's very casual." Bertin said the coffee house does not make a profit from the concert series. Instead, the money that is

taken in is donated to a St. William Catholic School scholarship fund. According to Bertin, Off-The-Wall is the fourth largest coffee house in

the state. Everyone will appreciate the stage and sound effects.

"It's well lit," Bertin said. "It's almost in your face. It's so much more meaningful in a small room. It creates an intimate relationship that only a small stage can."

Bertin enjoys setting up the acts for the concert series and maintaining the coffee house, although it's a

lot of work. However, the rewards are great when he sees how much people love it.

"It creates a community," Bertin said. "There is a spiritual element in folk music.

People put their heart and souls into their musical work, he pointed out. They are continually searching for how they feel and that fascinates people.

Last week, Patricia Pettinga of alamazoo stole the show with her moving music.

She is highly creative and has he ability to reach inside and grab your heart," Bertin said.

The 2001-2002 concert series began in October. However, folk and

blues music lovers still have a chance to catch five more shows before the concert series ends for the year.

Matt Watroba, who hosts a Detroit radio folk music show, will be the next headliner Jan. 19.

"He's a very popular folk singer in his own right," Bertin said. Even though folk music fans love

listening to the headliners, they also like listening to new talent who perform on the open microphone. Some of the fresh talent are serious about their work and go on to further their

folk singing career, he said. "It's an exciting way to have a good musical experience for everyone." Bertin said.

OFF THE WALL PERFORMERS SCHEDULED

Saturday, January 19th, 2002 at 8:00p.m. - Matt Watroba - Local Folk Music's best friend comes to play.

Saturday, February 2nd, 2002 at 8:00p.m. - David Barrett Songwriter and Guitarist

Saturday, February 16th, 2002 at 8:00p.m. - Mustard's Retreat Two friends come back for a show

Saturday, March 2nd, 2002 at 8:00p.m. - A Singer Songwriter Circle- A night to experience the beginnings

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Two lakes area church members will travel to Russia to train citizens

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By Diane Dempsey Deel STAFE WHITER

Two lake area men will be heading to Russia and the Ukraine where they will spend about two weeks preparing other men for the ministry.

The Rev. Don Magee, pastor of Lakes Baptist Church, and Phil Wilson, song leader at the church. will leave Walled Lake on Jan. 10 and arrive in Moscow the next day.

However, there won't be much time for relaxing. Instead, they will have a few hours to catch up on their rest and see the sights before they take an 11-hour train ride to Kirovo-Chepetsk. The city is about

500 miles south of the Arctic Circle. There, they will teach about 24

men who are preparing for the ministry. The men are part of a nine month Bible institute sponsored by six Detroit area churches, including Lakes Baptist and First Baptist Church of Wixom.

After their instruction is completed for the Bible Institute, they will travel to Terphopyl, Ukraine for a lew days to visit two pastors who are being sponsored by Lakes Baptist. They will also participate in a regional pastoral meeting in the Ukraine before heading home Jan. 28.

Magee said the classes they will

"They will learn who wrote the books. why it was written and what the books have to say for Christians."

> Rev. Don Magee Lakes Baptist Church pastor

be teaching are similar to classes that are offered in a seminary.

"They will learn who wrote the books, why it was written and what the books have to say for Christians," Magee said. He pointed out that there will be

some barriers as they teach the men seeking the ministry.

"It will be difficult teaching them through a translator," Magee said. They will also have to adjust to the frigid temperatures since they will be so close to the Arctie Circle. It will probably be 20 to 40 degrees below zero Fahrenheit while they are there. Wilson said he has learned

Russian do's and don'ts from a fellow co-worker, who is originally from the former Soviet Union.

women to set a Bible on the floor or to show the bottom of their shoes. he said. He was also glad to be prepared for one more Russian custom. "In Russia, Christian men will kiss other men on the lips," Wilson said. "A lot of things would calch me off guard if I didn't already know it." However, they will be greeted with Russian hospitality while they are visiting, They will have translators

to help them communicate and they will have a chef to prepare their meals. "The fact that I'm going to be

teaching men about the gospel and how to share it will potentially affectthousands of people," Wilson

It's offensive to Russian men and said. "It's a very humbling thought and it's a very exciting thought as well.

The Rev. Gene Krachenfels, pastor of First Baptist Church of Wixom, went to Russia in November as part of the Bible Institute. He said it was a tremendous trip and great experience.

"We're excited to be a part of it," Krachenlels said. "I have to admit, I would like to go back."

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'Wildcats top Vikings, Lions, Eagles to start new year right

"Brandon Davis had

a big game for us. He

really stepped up and

"We hit some big shots down the stretch," Schluter said, "Brandon Davis had a big game

for us. He really stepped up and

hit some very big shots for us." The Wildcats will have

returned to action when they vis-

ited the Northville Mustangs

Tuesday lafter the Novi News

went to print) before hosting

Milford tomorrow at 7 p.m. in a

Novi 67, South Lyon 59

The Novi Wildcats defense

came into their game against

KVC rival South Lyon looking to

shut down their potent offense

and to keep control of the game,

which they accomplished with

The Wildcats followed the lead

of Emmenecker, who had 22

points on the night, while

Schram collected 12 points and

10 rebounds against the Lions

and senior forward Brian Swift

added 10 points for his season

"Brian is usually the guy who does the little things," Schluter

"He sets good screens, boxes

"He doesn't score much, but

stepped up and made some big

of the more prominent Lion

threats, but it didn't stop the

veteran South Lyon cagers from

getting their points one way or

the Novi Wildcats who helped

build, mold and support the tra-

"They still show me respect,"

Novi head hockey coach Dan

dition of Novi Wildcat hockey.

The Wildcats used their sti-

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Pat Schluter

Novi basketball coach

hit some very big

shots for us."

By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER

The Novi Wildeats cagers delinitely know how to get the New Year headed in the right direction.

The Novi Wildcats basketball team is feeling the glow of three straight wins after the squad pounded Walled Lake Central 70-36 in a non-conference match up Jan. 2 before standing fast against the South Lyon Lions in a 67-59 win Jan. 8 in a Kensington Valley Conference contest

The 'Cats topped the streak off' with a game against KVC opponent Hartland Eagles - one that could be described as a scorefest that resulted in a 68-63 Novi victory

"We had some big performances in the Hartland game." Novi coach Pat Schluter said. "Offensively we were very, very good. Defensively, I wasn't happy with that game. Our goal is to hold teams under 45 points and at home we gave up 63."

But Schluter couldn't complain about the win.

"The important thing is we outscored them," he said.

The Wildcats turned to the scoring power of senior center Jamie Schram, who poured in 28 points and hauled down 10 rebounds in the wining effort. Senior guard Brandon Davis showed why it is important to be a true athlete, adding 18 points and four assists in a break-out game, while junior Matt Emmenecker added 10 points. nine assists and seven rebounds in the win.

Even with all of the offensive game play, Schluter said he out and plays to the best of his would like to see an improvement on his defense.

"We let them start off good and against South Lyon he really get going," he said. "From there, they gathered confidence. We were not as intense as we were against South Lyon. We knew fling defense to shut down some this wasn't going to be a cakewalk

But there were definitely the positive

another.

"They had nine three-pointers," Schluter said.

"They have a lot of fire power on that team and we had to play good defense to keep it in check. "South Lyon did a very nice job against Schram and he got into some foul trouble. We ended up shooting pretty well and had Emmenecker hitting some big shots for us.

Schluter noted that his squad put together all of the goals he had set for them earlier this season when they played the Lions. *We

emphasize defense, rebounding and free throws for every game," he said. "We hit 20of-30 from the line and met our goals for the game."

Novi 70, WL Central 36

The Wildcats were more than ready to go when they came off their holiday break and took on the Vikings of Walled Lake Central.

In a game that found the Novi cagers leading by 38 points at the end of the third period, the chance for some of the players who do not see very much court time came.

"Everyone got to play," Schluter said.

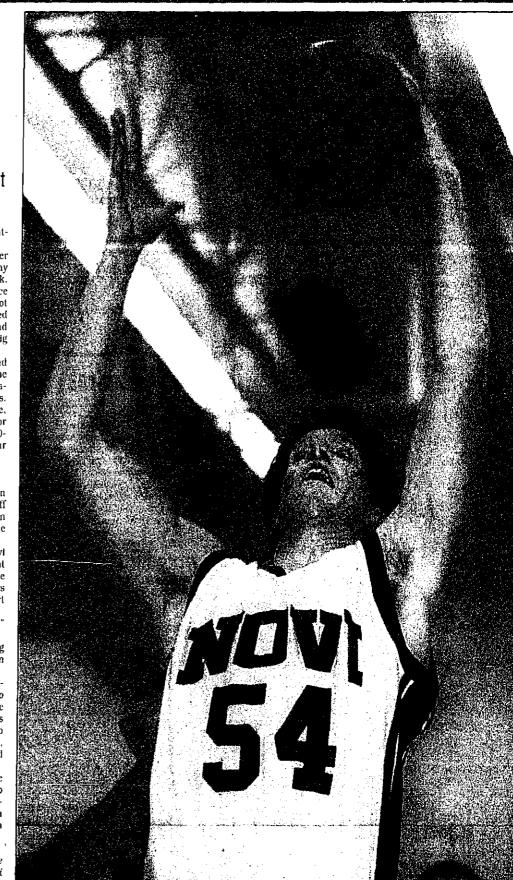
"I thought we had a strong performance from everyone on the team.

Including top notch performances from Evan Rodriquez, who scored three points off the bench for the Novi victory, as well as Trey Simpson, who added four points in the win, and Adam Noble, who added four in the winning effort.

Leading the way for the Wildcats was Emmenecker, who had 18 points against the struggling Vikings, while Shaun Dicken collected 15 and Schram added 14 points.

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scored 28 points against Hartland

Tankers win West Bloomfield Invite

By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER

The Novi Wildcats boys swim team took to the West Bloomfield Invitational Jan. 12 with the weight of being the event's defending champions on their shoulders - it didn't seem to bother the Wildcats much.

The Novi squad hit the pool with enthusiasm and energy and captured the first-place spot of the Invitational for the second year in a row, gathering 212 points with North Farmington taking second with 174 points.

"We were hoping we could do it." Novi coach Larry Teahan said. "The kids really came through for us and had a good meet."

The Wildcats took first-place finishes with the 200 Medley relay, which had three first-place finishes with the fastest time coming in at to winning and had some pretty

team of Jordan Moblo, Juhwan Yoo, Jack Tyler and Tehwan Yoo while the team of Dan Thelan, Edward Santos. Chris Piepczak and Matt Swift took first as did the team of

one minute, 47.19 seconds with the

Brian Harnacek, Soloman Zheng, John Wang and Brandon Gariepy. "We are really short on depth this season," Teahan said, "Going into a meet like this and winning it sort of tells us the other teams we were competing against were short with depth as well.'

The divers on the team captured two firsts and a second-place finish with Dan Bassett collecting 348.20 points for a first. Scott Rettmann had 320.25 for a first and Matt VanNatwick had 148.00 for a second place finish in his division.

"I was very pleased with the divers and the diving they did." Teahan said. "Matt was really close

nice dives.

"He wasn't lining up his finishes as well as he would have liked. If he would have lined them up better, he would have probably won his flight.

The Wildcats also collected four first-place finishes from swimmers the 500 freestyle event. in Harnacek finished first in his division with a time of 5:52.49 while Stuart Smith collected a first in 5:50.57. Matt Shafer notched a first-place finish in the 500 free with a time of 5:35.09 while Jack Tyler took first with a time of 5:07.64

The kids really responded well to this meet. Teahan said. "We didn't know what we were going to see as far as results until each kid was finished with their events. We were happy with the final results.

The 400 free relay team of Tyler,

Northwood Invite (V)

Milford High School

Novi Invite (9, JV, V)

South Lyon High School

Walled Lake Central HS

Brighton High School

Northville high School

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South Lyon High school

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Volleyball

Basketball

Cheerleading

Hockey

Wrestling

Swimming

Note: All times are p.m. unless otherwise noted. All games are scheduled for

Tehwan Yoo, Mobio and Ian Robertson took a first-place finish as well with a time of 3:29.19.

Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Next Level Athletes B3

Thursday, January 17, 2002

Individuals collecting first place finishes were Ed Anglin (200 free, 2:09). Tyler (200 free, 1:53.04), Moblo (200 IM, 2:09.43; 100 backstroke, 57.16) and Zheng (100 backstroke, 1:17.83).

The Wildcats will have returned to action when they hosted Northville Tuesday (after the Novi News went to print) before hosting the Vikings of Walled Lake Central in a non-conference match up today at 7 p.m. before hosting Brighton Jan. 24 at 7 p.m. in a Kensington Valley Conference contest.

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Cheerleaders show more improvements

The Novi Wildcats cheerlead-Competitive Cheer Invitational and were very satisfied with

"Needless to say, I was pleasthrilled because they scored higher than Brighton, who

Sam Eggleston, Sports

ended with a fourth place finish. It is very rare that we receive a score above Brighton, making this an even greater accomplishment.

in the Jump and Skills rounds that, according to Denys, were higher than the scores they received in December. "Most obvious to me was a

nine (out of 10) for our towtouch jump in Round 1, which is a great accomplishment this early in the season." Denys said. "Additionally, I felt the girls exhibited more energy and enthusiasm in their Skill enthusiasm in their Round. We had lacked floor

> Continued on 2 the month of January

By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER looked to be success ers - from the Freshmen team to the Varsity - took a trip to Howell to compete in the First was held Dec. 28 and featured

their results. The Varsity team had a strong day, finishing third behind Hartland and Ladywood, while

Phelps said. "They still call me coach and they are still gentlemen. It is always nice when you can give a team or a young man something they can take with them when they leave. You see **Continued** on 2

the JV and Freshmen teams took first in their divisions. antly surprised at our finishing place," Novi Varsity coach Amy Denys said. "The girls were

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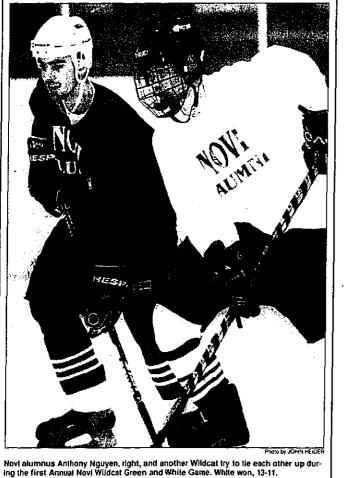
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Alumni hockey game

By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER

Though the final score reads more like a football final than a hockey game, the First Green and White game - featuring Alumni Novi Hockey players was a success with the players. their families, friends and fans as well as the coaches.

The contest, which found the White team notching the victory 13-11 over their Green rivals,

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Milford game should be good

Whenever you find two Kensington Valley Conference basketball teams going toe-to-toe on the hardwood, you can expect a pretty good game. That is what I am expecting when the Milford Redskins come

trolling into town tomorrow at 7 p.m. looking to beat our Novi

Wildcats The Wildcats coached by vet

eran helmsman Pat Schluter, will no doubt l prepared and quite ready for Sam

opponents Eggleston The Wildcats have the for-

their KVC

tune of turning to players like Jamie Schram, Shauri Dicken, Brandon Davis, Chase Chandler Jeff Bowdell, Chris Lewis, Adam Noble, Evan Rodriguez, Trek-Simpson, Brian Swift, Eric Van Tassel and, Jastly, Matt Emmeneeker.

This crew is a highly dedicated and determined team. their want to win is only surpassed by their desire to play the best basketball they are able. Schluter has a way of making his kids see what it takes to be fully prepared when taking on some of the best teams around --- such as their season opening ambush of top-rated Valled Lake Western

The Novi Wildcats will not be heading into a game against a team like Milford thinking they are automatically going to notch a victory. These boys, along with their coach ing staff, know that every team that takes the floor has the ability to win - no matter what the olds, The Milford Redskins will be

oringing decent speed and abovewerage shooting ability to the Wildcats' gym and will no doubt be planning on showcasing their talents tomorrow evening. Any team in the KVC comes ready to play no matter their record or their

bilitics The 'Cats are lucky enough to have above-average basketball talent nearly clear across the board, from the top of the roster to the bottom. They will be ready for almost anything the Redskins have to offer - and that is going to be

quite a bif. Not that this is going to be an easy win. I don't think there is going to be a clear-cut winner in this contest until at least the fourth-quarter. Lam, of course, picking the Novi Wildcats to walk away victorious in

this contest - and I know these guys are going to prove me righ Novi 57, Milford 51. Sam Eggleston is the sports

writer for the Novi News and the Lake Årea Times. He can bereached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 104 or at seaaleston@ht.homecomm.net.

First game notches win for White team

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that attitude and those lessons. they learned when they come back and take the ice again." The Green and White game featured players such as Brian Ward, and fellow alumni how bockey is

who is a junior at the Virginia played. Military Institute and a member of their lacrosse team there, as well be in their (the alumni's) shoes," as Brian Markowicz, who still Phelps said plays club hockey at Ferris State University.

chance to hit the Novi ice again. I have been notified that this is were Jeremy Goodman, Rob Innis, going to become an annual Travis Maloit, Jeff Poulos, Angelo event Barduca, Kyle Major, Bryan Vigna, Charley Hunter, Dan game isn't just for the players. Szlaga, Brad Zarem, Curt Russell. Anthony Nguyen, Andy Saarl, Ryan Major and Matt Hoy. Coaches included Dave Zarem, the game clean with his officiating bigger and better things in this or and Bob Harve kept up with all of the action as

the game's scorekeepers. graduating college and starting ston@ht.homecomm.net.

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successful careers. It is great to know that Novi hockey was a partof their life. Phelps also noted that there will be plenty of players eager to the first quarter and to only eight come back and show their peers total points in the first half of the

"The seniors from this year will overall with 17 points and 10 Freshmen and JV squads, will host 12:30 p.m.

"We will have six kids graduating and I know they will be com-Other players coming back for a ling back to support this program.

Phelps added that this type of "There was a lot of parent involvement here," he said, "They were always involved, especially when their sons played here. It is Phelps, John Smith and Dennis great to see them and to see how Gagnon. The event also featured proud they are of the program we two guest skaters, Jim Ban and have built. We want to keep it Rick Cox, while Dick Wilson kept - improving and keep striving for

Sam Eggleston is the sports "The Alumni game was a great - writer for the Novi News and success," Phelps said. "It was the Lake Area Times. He can great to see these kids come back. be reached at (248) 349-Most of them are on the verge of 1700, ext. 104 or at seggle-

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IV Scores

Novi JV Basketball

team hosted Kensington Valley

Conference (KVC) rival South Lyon

last Tuesday and posted a solid 57-

33 victory. The Wildcats came out of

the gate with a lot of heart and hustle

to set the tone of the game, and the

outcome never was in doubt, J.W.

Woods led the Wildcats with 14

points, Kerry Kreutzberg had 10

points. In the second game of the

Novi last Friday and flew back

wounded, as the Wildcats clawed the

Eagles, 60-39, to raise their unde-

feated KVC record to 4-0. The Wildcat

Mark Angelocci had a great game

rebounds

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eek, the Hartland Eagles landed at

The Novi Junior Varsity basketball



The Novi Varsity cheerleading team looks as happy as can be as they pose for the camera after Novi cheer ready for more

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presence in December. However on Saturday, the team really pulled off an exciting cheer that the crowd really seemed to

scores in the Stunt round as well, after having added some including some tumbling "I was glad to see that the new material did not negatively defense held the Eagles scoreless in Denys said. "The new sequences game. Every player saw some action. that the rest of the cheer."

the 8th Annual Novi

"I was glad to see that the new material did not negatively impact our overall execution. The new sequences were just added this past week and, obviously, less practiced that the rest of the cheer."

Amy Denys Novi varsity cheer coach

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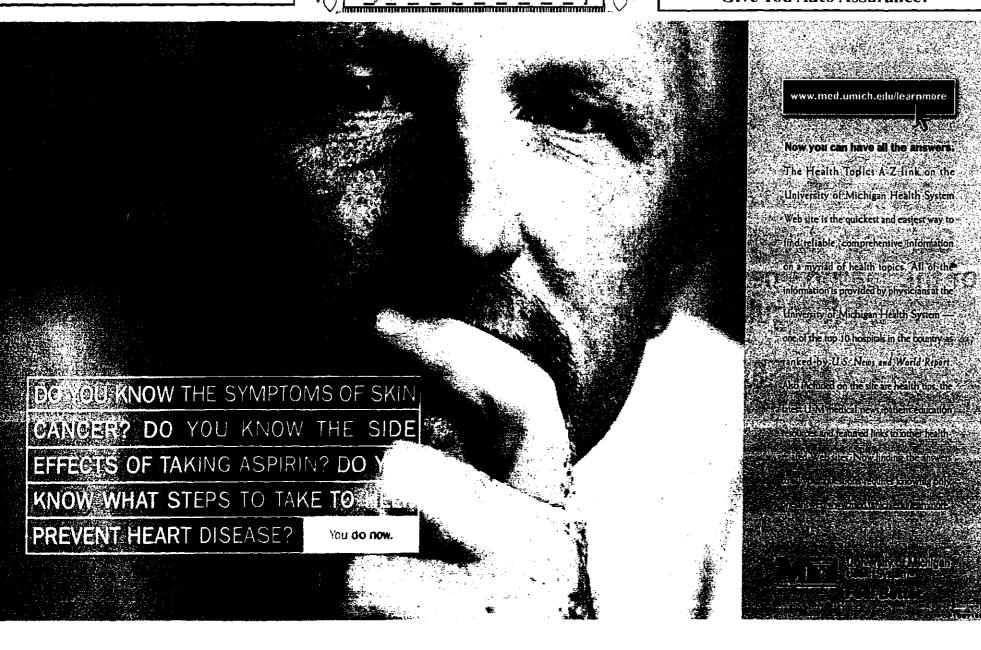
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enjoy The Wildcats improved their

Competitive Cheer Invitational were just added this past week Saturday at 9 a.m. with the JV writer for the Novi News and the and, obviously, less practiced and Freshmen opening the Lake Area Times. He can be 4 event. The Varsity and Junior reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. The teams, including the High teams will begin around

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Next Level Athletes

By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER

Lake Area Times is dedicated to naments that year. all of the young adults who have taken the next step beyond high school athletics. It is here we are able to applaud them for their efforts,

their dedication and their deter-

Dave Whitbeck, Sophomore, Western Reserve University - Dave Whitbeck, a graduate of Northville High

School, is a member of the Case Western Reserve University Spartans swim team. Whitbeck specializes in freestyle and butterfly swimming for the Spartans.

Steve Yutzy, Sophomore, Case Western Reserve

University - A specialist at the breast stroke, Steve Yulzy is a swimmer for the Case Western Reserve University Spartans swim and dive team. Yutzy, who graduated from Northville High School, is a sophomore with the Spartans.

Christina Moceri. Junior. Oakland University - Christine Moceri, a graduate of Northville, is a free style and backstroke swimmer with the Oakland University Golden Grizzlies women's swim and dive leam.

Standing 5-foot-8, Moceri is a returning letterwinner for the Grizzlies. Matt

University Golden Grizziles baseball team. Gabrielli, who throws with his right, is a 6-foot-1 catcher for the

Grizzlies and weighs in at 215 pounds Tim Edick, Sophomore, Edick, a 2000 graduate of Northville High School, is a righthanded pitcher on the Oakland

University Golden Grizzlies baseball team. ght handed, stands at 6-4 and weighs 220 pounds. ()

Walled Lake Western graduate, is Northville, MI, 48167.

a 6-foot-3 golfer for the Golden Grizzlies of Oakland University. As a sophomore, King recorded The Next Level Athletes article the fourth-best average among in the sports sections of the the Golden Grizzlies with a 77.4 Northville Record, Novi News and and played in 10 of the 11 tour-King shot his best score of the season (69) at the Bellarmine Invitational where he finished second overall. King also tied for Intercollegiate Golf Tournament mination towards the sports they and broke 75 six times in 24 her. rounds of play.

> Raburn, a senior forward for the Hornets and a graduate from and what the future holds. Novi High School, was a first team selection for the Academic NSCAA/Adidas All-Great Lake Region team. Raburn led the Hornets with

nts this season while earning my life." All-MIAA first team honors for the second consecutive year. Raburn earned third team All-Region honors last season.

Ryan Churella, Freshman, University of Michigan - Ryan Churella, a 2001 graduate of record Nov. 3 before collected a injury free this season and go 3-0 record at the Michigan State from there." University Open Nov. 17. Churella, who is in his first year wrestling with the

weight class. Mark Churella, Senior, University of Michigan -- Mark Gabrielli, Senior, Churella, who is a graduate of Oakland University - Matt Novi High School, is a 157-pound Gabrielli, a former Novi High senior (junior year in eligibility) School student, is a left-handed who finished third at the EMU batter with the Oakland Invitational Nov. 3 with a 5-1 record before taking sixth place at the MSU open Nov. 17 with a 4-3 record.

Next Level Athletes includes former athletes from the readership area of the Northville Record, Novi News and the Lake Area Times. Oakland University - Tim The Next Level Athletes are individuals who have taken the next step beyond high school athletics to the next level - including col- have know Kelly since kinderlege, semi-professional, minor garten and Alicia just moved here 349-1700, ext. 104 or at seggleleague and professional athletics. Edick, who throws and bats Anyone who would like to submit information about an athlete can ' af do so via email senaleston@ht.homecomm.net_or Chris King, Junior, Oakland mail information to The Northville University - Chris King, a Record, 104 W. Main Street,

describe Wild 'Stang senior captain By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER When Wild 'Stang gymnastics senior captain Lindsey Carlson started learning gynnastics at the second at the Bay Valley age of three, she had no clue what the future was going to bring for

Now that she is on her way and looking at an upcoming gradua Lydia Raburn, Senior, tion and the beginning of her col-Kalamazoo College - Lydia legiate career at Weslern Michigan University - she still isn't clear

Snowboarder, friend, fun all

"I am not sure what I am going to do or what I want to become All-District team as well as the Carlson said of her future in Western and beyond. "I guess I want to see what interests me and what there is for me to do before I 21 goals, 15 assists and 57 total make up my mind on the rest of

> Carlson, who hopes to transfer to Michigan State University after her freshman year at Western, said that she is pretty sure her immediate future doesn't hold too

much in the way of gymnastics. "I know the coaches over at Western and I am sure if I wanted Novi High School, finished sec- to I could walk on over there," she ond at the Eastern Michigan said. "I don't know if I am going to. University Invitational with a 4-1 I think I am just looking to stay everything I do."

When she isn't impressing her peers or judges on the bars, vault. beam or floor portions of the gym- in the little time Carlson has left Wolverines, is in the 141-pound nastics program, Carlson can be in her week? found having fun with her snowboard.

"I love to snowboard," Carlson said, "I try to get out an snowboard all of the time. It is just a lot of fun and something that I enjoy doing And when she isn't taking on the slopes?

"I like to hang out with my friends," Carlson said. "And go shopping, like every other girl Carlson can often be found

enjoying time spent in the company of her three best friends — is here in Northville." Alicia Boulet, Kelly Anderson and Alaina Brock. "You will probably never catch

not too long ago. Us four have ston@ht.homecomm.net.

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"It's a red Geo Tracker. Everyone knows that car. I think it is the only Geo Tracker ever made that is here in Northville.

> Lindsey Carlson Wild 'Slang gymnast

been best friends since the begin ning of high school. We don't mind being stuck together." Carlson noted that the people who always support her and push her to strive to be her best is her

mom and step-father. Marie and Mike McCall, with whom she lives, and her dad and step-mother Nels and Delores Carlson.

"They are always there for me. Carlson said. "I have a pretty good relationship with all of them and they are always supporting me in And when life isn't filled with

symmastics, snowboarding, shopping at Wet Scal in the 12 Oaks Mall, family or friends, what fills work at Rocky's in "1

Northville," Carlson said. "I am a hostess and I bus tables. I am going to start waitressing once the season is over, right now it would just be too much." Carlson said that she is pretty sure a lot of people at Northville High School know who she is -

and if they don't know her, they know her car "It's a red Geo Tracker," Carlson said with a laugh. "Everyone knows that car. I think it is the

only Geo Tracker ever made that Sam Eggleston is the sports

writer for the Novi News, Lake us not together," Carlson said, "I Area Times and the Northville Record. He can be reached at (248)

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Wild 'Stang senior gymnast Lindsay Carlson competes in the vault during a December tilt at home against Hartland.

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Carlson is more than a gymnast

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WALLED LAKE SPORTS

Central, Western tankers go head-to-head

Vikings collect the win against cross-town rivals, former teammates

The cross-town swimming rivals that were teammates just two years ago faced each other last Thursday when the Walled Lake Central Vikings beat the Walled Lake Central Warriors by á score of 115-69.

By Brian Doyle

SPECIAL WRITER

This is only the second year when swimmers at Walled Lake Central and Western have been on separate teams.

So far, the Vikings have held the advantage in the competition.

"Initially when the teams broke up. Central was far stronger [than Western]," said Warrior head coach Stuart Mair.

The former teammates are still developing the rivalry between

the schools. Although last week's meet wasn't as close as the Warriors may have liked, the meet is growing.

"It's evolving into a healthy competition," Mair said. The Vikings managed to take

nine first place finishes and the Warriors took three.

The Vikings started off strong. They took first in the 200-yard Medley Relay with a time of 1:49.45. The winning team consisted of Ryan Booms, Justin Fenwick, who swam a personal best during this event, Dan Lynam and Brian Wolak.

Booms, a freshman, went on to take three individual first place finishes and one more relay first. Booms took first in the 200-yard individual medley (2:08.79), 100yard freestyle (:55.28) and the100-yard breaststroke (1:05.59). Along with Sean Pientak, Fenwick, and Wolak, Booms also took first in the 200yard freestyle relay with a time of 1:42.56.

The Warriors grabbed first in the last relay of the day as Eric Budai, Emilio Diaz, Andrew Hall and Steve Helewski swam a time of 4:54 in the 400-yard freestyle relay. Diaz, was an unexpected addition to the team and is welcomed.

"He was a pleasant surprise." Mair said.

Along with that first place finish Steve Helewski took the 50yard freestyle with a time of :20.5. For the Warriors, Ken Belrose swam a 1:05.19 in the 100-yard backstroke.

Besides Fenwick's two first place relay's he gained one first place on his own for the Vikings. Fenwick took first in the 100yard butterfly with a time of 57.72. Dan Comiski also had a big day for the Vikings. He took first in the 200 and 500-yard freestyle events with times of 2:06.13 and 5:41.67 respectively. Diving captain Brian Chrzanoski won the diving portion of the meet by picking up 187.25 points.

With this victory the Vikings moved to 1-2 as the Warriors fell to 0-4.

Both teams have hopes for the

future, however. "Both teams are building to become better teams," Central coach Jeremy Brandon said.

The Western team also has youth working for them. Mair estimated that 90-percent of the swimmers for the Vikings were sophomores. Among the sophomores, there is one senior who came back from last year. Besides Diaz, Matt Nielson is the only senior.

The team also has been impressive in the early going although their record doesn't show it. Last Saturday, they qualified three relays for the Oakland County meet and two individuals are just tenths of a second away from qualifying. "They're the most exciting team I've ever coached," Mair said. Walled Lake Central also has

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walled Lake Central also has some definite positives. They just beat the Warriors and look to take on the Novi Wildeats today. They feel, this year, they may be able to topple the tough cats.

"Last year we came as close as we ever have," Brandon said. However, the team won't focus on obtaining victory but rather on cutting down their times.

Brandon said, "We're hoping that our team continues to make good progress."

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WL gymnastics; Brown steps up

By Sam Eggleston

With the return of one of their top gymnasts and emergence in dedication and talent of others, the Walled Lake gymnastics team is starting to look as though they are ready to take on the remainder of their schedule.

The gymnasts, led by coach Jennifer Hart, felt the pinch of close losses against Hartland, 142.65-139.8, and against Salem, 139.95-131.75, but also found the joy of winning with excellent performances turned in by Lindsay Brown in a 136.45-114.7 victory over Berkley.

The most recent event, and the one Hart said was their best performance, was the team's run against Hartland Jan. 14.

"We really did well, but we lost," Hart said. "It was our team high score, but we had some fouls and hobbles that hurt us. Up through the vault and bars we were neck and neck, but there was a big difference after that."

The biggest difference came in the floor event in the contest, an event the Hartland gymnasts dominated. a very good score. In most meets, it probably would have been high score."

The Walled Lake team, which is seeing the comeback of stellar junior gymnast Stefanie Schmaltz this week, was waiting the news on the outcome of knee surgery to one of their top gymnasts — junior Genna Borg.

The Walled Lake girls will return to action when they host Farmington Jan. 24.

WL 136.45. Berkley 114.7 The Walled Lake gymnasts start-

ed off fast and furious and kept the pace through the entire meet as they blasted Berkley with a loss. The biggest outcome of this meet, which was primarily dominated by the girls from Walled Lake, was the emergence of Brown as one of the team's top performers.

"She has really stepped it up," Hart said. "She gets up there and does what she has to do. She is tearning new tricks, which is important for us at this point. Most gymnasts would just want to perfect their routines at this point in the season. Lindsay wants to perfect her routine and add other



"They had excellent floor routine," Hart said. "They also had two nines on the bars,"

The Walled Lake team [4-3 overall) found Sarah Chrzanowski tying for third-place in the vault portion of the meet with a total score of 8.8 with Hartland taking first, second and tying for third.

The bars found Brown collecting 8.8 points for second place, but not good enough to stop Hartland's Megan Turner, who notched a 9.2 from the judges for first while Walled Lake's Amy Gursky took third with 8.55.

The beams found Eagle Erin Sturm taking first with an impressive 9.55 and Hartland teammate Turner in second with a 9.2 while Walled Lake's Gursky followed up in third place with an 8.95.

The floor program, dominated by the Eagles, found Sturm collecting 9.55 points for first place, Abbey Korchmak in second with 9.5 and Christin Perry in third with a 9.4.

"They had an impressive floor routine," Hart said. "Our two top scores for floor were 9.3's, which is elements to it as well." Brown's determination — along with the other gymnasis on the team — proved too much for Berkley to handle as Brown took a

Berkley to handle as Brown took a first in the vault with an 8.9 with Schmaltz right behind her in second with an 8.55 and Berkley's Sarah Berman in third with an 8.5.

The bars found Brown notching another first with a 9.1, while Schmaltz added another secondplace finish to her comeback with an 8.95 and Gursky took third for the Walled Lake sweep with an 8.55.

The beam found Walled Lake taking first and second with Brown taking the top spot with an 8.75, Gursky in second with an 8.45 and Berkley's Berman in third for a 7.8.

Cursky strutted her stuff in one of her strong areas — the floor routine — as she snatched up a first-place finish with a 9.1 while Berman took second for the Berkley squad with an 8.95 and Brown took third with an 8.9.

WL Western volleyball falls to 6-13 on season

By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER

The Walled Lake Western Warriors volleyball team will be looking to continue to grow strong as the season progresses — and if all else fails, they will make sure to keep the season fun.

The Warriors, who recently fell to 6-13 on the season, feit the sting of a loss against cross-town rival Walled Lake Central Jan. 14 15-1, 15-2 after playing in the Royal Oak tournament that resulted in the Vikings climbing out of pool play but falling in the later rounds 13-15, 15-12, 3-15 as well as losing to Canton (15-7, 15-8) and Farmington (15-1, 15-4) in Western Lakes Activities Association play.

"We just have to keep improving," Western coach Fritz Tallian said. "We are going to have to focus on our middle and have to really advance our middle attack." Tallian pointed out that there

has been steady improvement in his team, just not enough to beat a top-ranked program like Walled Lake Central.

"Once we start spreading out our offense and fix our problem of passing the serve to our target we will be able to compete at a higher level," Tallian said. "We have lost to some quality programs and it isn't because of a lack of effort." The Warriors will have the daunting task of defeating Plymouth Salem Jan. 24 when they return to action in a game that will require a lot of patience, determination and dedication for the Western team to pull off a win.

"Salem is as good as Central, if not better." Tallian said. "I think they may have even beat Central when they played. It is going to be a tough game, but it is going to be a real test of our abilities." Central's #8, right, Adam Griffin, battles a Livonia Churchill skater for the puck in his end as Viking goalie Craig Przytulski looks on.

Vikings hockey falls

Churchill proves to be too tough; Central still looking for second win of season



Central's Ryan Lukkari heads up ice against Churchill.

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The Walled Lake Central Vikings hockey team is looking for their second win of the season —' and hopefully that will be coming soon.

The Vikings, who fell to topranked Salem 6-0 Jan. 2 before falling to Farmington 4-2 a week later, recently felt the sting of another close game as they felt to the Churchill Chargers 4-1 in a WLAA contest.

"It is probably our best results yet," Central coach Jim Hogan said. "Though I am not talking about a win. The game was really up and down and was only 1-0 at the end of the first."

The Chargers went on to score two more in the second period before the Vikings finally got on the board with a goal from James Kerbawy that pulled the Central icers to a 3-1 deficit — but that was all the scoring the team would be able to muster. The Chargers capped the scoring and the game with another goal midway through the third period.

The Vikings had top-notch play from first-time starting goalie Craig Przytulski, who handled the net the entire game and stopped 29 shots on goal.

"We are very encouraged by what we are doing here," Hogan said. "We are just not getting over the hump. It seems to me that the hump gets bigger every time we turn around. The guys are working a lot harder than they were in the beginning of the season and it is starting to show."

The Vikings will return to action when they take on the South Lyon Lions today at South Lyon before hosting Notre Dame Saturday at

5:20 p.m. Farmington 4, WLC 2

The Vikings played even with the Falcons for most of the contest after falling to a 2-0 deficit early in the first period.

"(Farmington's coach) Mike Harris said we had the ability to skate with the big boys," Hogan said. "It just happens that when we make a mistake, it is the one that hurt us. Unlike the big boys, we are having trouble dodging that bullet."

The Vikings fought back in the second and third periods, scoring a goal in each, but the Falcons' lead was already too much and the loss was added to the Central icers' growing total. The Vikings scores game off of senior Mike Stakoe (unassisted ed) with the second coming off of senior Andrew Naylor [assisted by Stakoe]. Central used Matt McCallum in the net and her stopped 34-out-of-38 shots on goal.

Salem 6, WLC 0

When a team goes against the best team in the WLAA with the three best goal scorers in the conference, most teams are a little unsure about themselves. Tack on the fact that the Vikings had won only a single game prior to the encounter and it turns into a game that a coach only hopes his kids can survive.

"They are the best team in the league," Hogan said. "They pounded us pretty good. It was the second period that killed us for some reason. We didn't have an extreme amount of penalties, but Salem was able to capitalize on the ones that we did have."

The Vikings held the Rocks to one goal in the first period and one in the third — but the four scored in the second was enough to break them.

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