SANDSTONE UPDATE

# Done deal?

City Council gives what appears to be the final approval to end ongoing litigation between the city and Sandstone Assoc. LP

By Victoria Sadlocha

On the eve of a Michigan Court of Appeals deadline, members of the Novi City Council gave their approval to settle ongoing litigation between the city and Sandstone Associates Limited Partnership, With a vote of 5 to 0, David Landry, Michelle Bononi, Richard Clark Leube Cooples and Coople

Louis Csordas and Craig DeRoche gave the nod to adopt a resolution approving an agreement to enter into a consent judgment to settle the sandstone litigation, said Novi Assistant Manager Clay

The resolution is to terminate lit-

The resolution is to terminate iliigation in the courts and enter the
referenced consent judgment."
Pearson said.
The Monday, June 24 decision
was rendered after a nearly four
hour combination city council
meeting and executive session concluding around 10-45 p.m.
City decision makers were work-

City decision makers were working under constraints, considering they were up against a 5 p.m. June 25 deadline issued by the Michigan Court of Appeals.

There was a deadline, Pearson

said. "It is safe to say all parties were aware of the appeals court

The Tuesday date was the final day motions would be accepted relating to the city's appeal of the

relating to the city's appeal of the previous court decision favoring Sandstone.

Oral arguments before the Michigan Court of Appeals were scheduled to begin July 9.

Pending finalization of the wording on the actual settlement document, acceptance by Sandstone and entry into Oakland County Circuit Court, the parties would make a motion to the appeals court to send it back to the trial court, officials said.

We did achieve all of our goals, şaid Lou Csordas, Novi city council-

Csordas explained he and other members of the council would dis-

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# Two Novi residents accused of tax fraud

■ Indictment accuses doctor and wife of conspiring against the IRS

By Victoria Sadlocha STAFF WRITER

A Novi resident and his wife were indicted last week on several counts of trying to defraud the Internal Revenue Service, said offi-cers from the U.S. Department of Dr. Timothy Kosinski and his wife, Barbara, were charged with one count of conspiring with Detroit businessman Melvin Detroit businessman Melvin Phillips "to Impede, Impair, obstruct and defeat the lawful functions of the IRS and with multiple counts of structuring transactions to evade reporting require-ments, said Special Agent in Charge Mark Kroczynski of the Internal Revenue Service Criminal

Each count of conviction for the violations carries a maximum penalty of five years imprisonment and a \$250,000 fine, sald United

Investigation Division.

States Attorney Jeffrey G. Collins. Timothy Kostnski is also being charged with five counts of "sub-scribing false personal and corpo-

rate tax returns" with each count carrying a maximum penalty of three years imprisonment and a \$250,000 fine.

According to documents issued by the U.S. Department of Justice, the indictment alleges the Bingham Farms dentist and president of T.J. Construction, his wife and Phillips made "off-the-books" cash pay-ments to construction workers employed to work on jobs for the Kosinskis.

Kosinskis.

Kroczynski said they also tried to conceal the existence of the cash payroll by failing to maintain records and by filing false corporate and personal income tax

returns.
It is suspected the Kosinskis and

the cash payroll system by cashing hundreds of checks at banks in amounts lower than \$10,000 for

the purpose of preventing the banks from fiting currency transac-tions reports with the IRS. Officials from the U.S. Department of Justice said many of the T.J. Construction projects were with Thyssen, Inc. - a sub-sidiary of German's ThyssenKrupp A.G. headquartered in Deiroit.

A.G. neadquartered in Detroit.
Kroczynski said that from 1995
through 1998, Thyssen paid T.J.
Construction more than \$41.8 million dollars and during that period,
the Kosinskis and Phillips withdrew more than \$7.6 million from bank accounts maintained in their names or under their control and made 'cash payments to Individuals associated with the construc-tion projects for the purpose of impeding and impairing the IRS from ascertaining and collecting federal income taxes."

The indictment documents state Kosinski had hired Phillips to work on the construction projects and supervise various construction

orkers.
"On June 5, Mr. Phillips pleaded guilty before U.S. District Court Judge Arthur J. Tarnow to one count of conspiring to impede, impair, obstruct and defeat the lawful functions of the IRS, including ascertaining and collecting federal employment taxes, by concealing the payment of millions of dol-

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Novi Police Officer Ken Meler had followed Meghan McDonald's life every step of the way - ever since he defiv-

# **A Special Bond**

# Officer and 18-year-old share unique past

By Angelo Parlove STAFF WRITER

Over 18 years ago, Novi police officer Ken Meier ushered in a new Novi resident, a stx-pound, 12-ounce baby girl, Meghan McDonald.

The new baby girl made a quick arrival on Gilbar Street on Oct. 4, 1983, with her mother, Judy McDonald, going into labor on her family room floor. Meier beat the ambulance to the McDonald's home and was put to the rare duty for a police officer — delivering a newborn baby. delivering a newborn baby.

Meier - trained for the situation only Meler — trained for the situation only by videotapes in the police academy — snapped into action. He sent family members scuttling for towels and other necessary supplies to bring Meghan into the world

on the scene, he delivered the baby. The ambulance then arrived and the mother and child were transported to St. Mary's

Hospital.
"I told her to keep her knees up and things like that. We were lucky every-thing went the way it was supposed to," Meier told the Novi News for an October

"I was so happy when the baby started now veteran Novi police officer has

"(Meghan) has always held a special place in his heart... She is kind of like the daughter we never had."

> Eileen Meier wife of Novi police officer Ken Meier

crying. We knew it was OK then," said Meier, the then 27-year-old police officer. "It was such a good feeling to be there. It was almost like being part of the family."

"When you're put into a role where you have to perform, it's good to know you can do it. This is something we're taught in the academy, but you never realize it will happen to you. Meter added.

Since that October day of Meier's and the McDonald's shared miracle over 18 years ago, the two families have stayed in

reserved a soft spot for Meghan.
"(Meghan) has always held a special place in his heart," said Eileen Meler, Ken Meter's wife. "She is kind of like the daughter we never had."
On June 8, Meler volunteered for bike patrol at the 34th Novi High School Commencement at Compuware Arena in Plymouth. He wanted to see Meghan McDonaid cross the stage with the class of 2002 and receive her diploma. "He's always been there for the family."

"He's always been there for the family," McDonald said. And McDonald invited Meier, who has served the Novi Police Department for 20 years, to her graduation party on June 15. She sent an invitation to the police station on 10 Mile Road. "He was really touched to be invited."

Eileen Meier said. "He was so happy to be

years and have three sons. Meghan McDonald plans to attend Schoolcraft College in the fall. She hopes to be a school teacher.

Angelo Parlove is a staff writer for the Novi News. He can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 108 or at aparlove@ht.homecomm.net.

# Excitement building for Vietnam veterans recognition

■ Novi city officials prepare for ceremony

By Victoria Sadiocha

After months of preparation and build-up, the City of Novi Vietnam Veteran's Recognition Day celebration is only days

This Sunday, the hard work of

many community organizations. The Novi Theatres, city employees and the mayor will come together as they all pay tribute and give thanks to those who served in the Vietnam War.

City of Novi Mayor Richard J.

Clark has been bearly troplyed.

Clark has been heavily involved with the entire process and is eager to pay respect to the men and women who in his estimation served the country in the war of

the forgotten.
These men and women

answered the country's call with-out question," Clark said. "For the first time (in history,) when they came home they suffered

again."

The mayor said the message he wants to get out during the event is June 30 is a day of healing, recognition and thanks.

He encourages all area residents to attend the 1 p.m. Novi Civic Center program and give support to the veterans along

with a long overdue thank you. Organizers of the event said the number of veterans registered for

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# **SEMCOG** looking for Novi input

■ Residents being asked to comment on transportation improvements

By Victoria Sadiocha

The Southeast Michigan Council of Governments tovites interested resi-dents to comment on projects for its flscal year 2002-2004 Transportation

improvement Program.

The program that council executives are now looking to amend contains 645 projects at a total cost of \$1.9 billion.

81.9 billion.
Proposed amendments to the program would add 39 projects and delete eight, producing a net increase of \$38.8 million, said Jeffrey Tumidanski from the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SPMCOG)

One Novi project, which has not received final program approval yet, is the replacement of the Grand River Avenue CSX railroad four-lane bridge with a five-iane bridge, Turnidanski

If given final approval, it is anticipated that \$2.85 million of financing for the bridge enhancement would come from the federal bridge fund and about \$250,000 from the Michigan Transportation Fund.

Tumidanski sald other projects not.

t part of the finalized TIP relating to Novi residents include:

• Improvements to the Northwestern Highway and M5 con-

widening Orchard Lake Road to a six-lane boulevard; and
 realigning 14 Mile Road east of

Northwestern. "The improvements will make trav-eling to West Bloomfield a lot easier for Novi residents," Tumidanski said,

Turnidanski said the council also plans on introducing several "round-abouts" in the area including the intersection of Haggerty and 14 Mile

"It should get the traffic through e area a lot faster," Tumidanski

Already approved Novi TIP projects Transportation

widening 1.7 miles of Grand River

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#### WHAT DO YOU THINK? Anyone interested in comment-

ing may do so by mailing written correspondence to:

■ Lorraine Corradino Senior Planner SEMCOG Suite 300 Detroit, MI 48226

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#### By Victoria Sadlocha

Only two months after purchasing life-saving equipment, the Novi Police Department put it to use rescrining of 01-year-old Novi man. On June 24 at about 1:30 p.m.. Novi police officers Steven Balog and Craig Chismar were in the area off 10 Mile and Taft roads when they saw a small pickup truck drift off the road, careen through a said. parking lot and crash into a brick wall in the parking lot of Dr. Spillane's dental office, police said. "They got to the truck within sec-

onds of the accident happening," said Sgr. Thomas Lindberg of the Nort Police Department. The man was unresponsive and not breath.

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ing." ried in police vehicles allow officers to effectively and accurately determine if a person requires intervention and to administer the shock automatic external defibriliator, intended to restore the heart to police said.

Following instructions from the machine, officers provided a shock and began CPR. Police said the driver immediateon his own.

The Novi man was taken to

Providence Hospital in Novi and then later transferred To Lindberg said initial investiga-tions reveal it was a heart attack

that caused the Novi man to lose control, leaving the westbound lane of 10 Mile Road.

1 "I was out at the scene and it was really a neat thing to see." Lindberg said.

1 "The research statistics also show a person's chance for survival decreases by 7 to 10 percent for every passing minute the patient goes without assistance.

regular beat.

A portion of the 17 AEDs are also kept at police headquarters, city hall and other city owned facilities, Novi Chief of Police Douglas ly responded and began breathing Shaeffer said the \$45,000 AED program was created to ensure a person in cardiac arrest receives

help as soon as possible.

Research compiled by the department shows arriving to the scene of a cardiac arrest patient

Monday's accident was the first me members of the department sed one of the 17 AEDs pur-sed one of the 17 AEDs pur-

About four months ago, memoers of the council adopted a framework for settling the Sandstone litigation.

City officials said they requested a second from attorneys representation and put an end to about \$22,000 to the folial vaccruing interest on the partnership's property and the partnership's property and

unanimously to forward a proposal to Sandstone on April 23.

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framework because she said discussions had gone way beyond what cuss the settlement after all the appropriate signatures were on the dotted lines, but he did say he believed it was a done deal.

More office to exist the text to the continuence of the contin

Now, two months later council said Novi prohibited the opening of members gave another approval
which many officials hope will be the

Victoria Sadlocha is a staff writer







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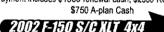
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# LAKES AREA TIMES

# Resident's rezone request | WL looking for downtown leader still in a holding pattern

The Commerce Township Planning Commission tabled a rezoning request from a man who has been waiting for years to devel-Commission at their June 17 meetop the property in question.

The property is located just off of Welch Road and north of Pontiac Trail. Owner Mark Sulaka request ed a rezoning from single family residential to local business. He told the commission he plans to build office space for a dentist and a podiatrist on the site.

Planning Director Connie Guest said there are several factors the commission has to take into con-sideration when considering the rezoning. She said they would have

rea to extend business zoning:

commissioners can gather more information from their planning area to extend business zoning; information
• is the use appropriate for the consultants.

• how long should Sulaka have to wait given that the commission is in the middle of restructuring their master plan.

• how long should Sulaka have to like hearing on the upcoming additions to Huron Vailey-Sinal Hospital. The hospital is planning a \$27 million construction project. master plan.
Sulaka said he has been trying to develop the site for nine years.

\$27 million construction project which will expand the Krieger Geriatric Center, create retail food

develop the site for nine years.

Currently there is an abandoned and pharmacy areas, add parking gas station and party store next to
the site and residential area on all
sides. Some commissioners left the
rezoning and proposed usage was
within reason, while others had regarding the buffer area between the hospital property and their homes. Currently, there are trees

commissioner Mirja Hoeft. She and commissioner Bob and a wooden fence separating the McGee felt the development may have too much of an impact on the residents living in the area around the property. McGee said he also wasn't sure Sulaka would be able to build the office space on the site. If the plan falls through, he said any number of businesses could be the face a local built under a local built product of the face and trees would not be displaced. Homeowner Barbara Bell said built under a local built product of the face and the substitution of the face and the face a built under a local business zon- she was concerned about security

built under a local ousness zoning.

There's a whole laundry list of
uses. Office is only one, McGee
said.

Guest said she didn't think other,
businesses that would be allowed
under the new zoning, such as a
doughnut shop or other type of
eatry, along with others, would
have a negative effect on the neighborhood.

There's a whole laundry list of
uses. Office is only one, McGee
said.

Sheriff deputies regularly patrol
the hispital grounds.

Hospital is a hothed of vandalism
for the township, Munro said.

Guest said the hospital has met
and exceeded many of the ordi-

McGee said he wanted to get and exceeded many of the ordi-McGee said he wanted to be input from the planning consultants helping the commission create the new master plan before making nearby residents.

The commission unanimously the hospital's special

Danlel Munro, the board of trustees' representative on the planning commission, said he doesn't see any problem granting the rezoning. He said Sulaka The planning commission's next

anticipates would allow local business usage.

Milford Times. She can be reached at (248)-685-1507, ext. 21 or by e-The rezoning was tabled until the mail at ejohnson@home

## Hospitality House looks for volunteers, funds and food

Their slogan is Helping our com-

Hospitality House, 309 Market Street needs more community volunteers to n Walled Lake, have been doing since give some time to the center, as well the help center opened its doors Feb. as financial or food donations.

we are now assisting over to tail the same of the same

are from people with an emergency involved in a Food right or the charty, which will be kicked off Aug. 25 at Market Day.

House have been able to respond to emergencies well, "she said. It's an immediate need that doesn't happen will be encouraged to raise money for luring normal business hours. We have been able to respond almost immediately to their need and refer them to any needed help agencies."

them to any necued neap agencies.

They also help people in Walled
Lake who are homeless and have
nowhere else to get food, she said,
however, some people need food
because they lost their job due to the

slow economy.

"Sometimes they have to decide whether to buy food or pay their electricity." Janson said. We provide the tricity. Janson said. We provide the Thursdays 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and food so they can keep their electricity on."

Saturdays 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
For more information or to

However, the help center always needs more quality canned goods with in-date expiration dates on the

paper products and baby food. We have been able to maintain a stock o food but we continually need more." Local Boy Scout and Girl Scout munity together."

And that's what volunteers at the help center. However, the center

4. You don't have to be a member of whe are now assisting over 65 famany of the churches to volunteer."

center is sponsored by three iocal churches — St. Anne's Episcopal Church. First Baptist Church of Walled Lake and Walled Lake United are planning a drawing in order to get funds for the center. They will also be for the center. They will also be for the center. They will also be Many of the calls volunteers receive

Many of the calls volunteers receive
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We already have a couple busi-Hospitality House, each business will have their own creative license. The

The center, which is behind the

on or to volum-

Will in the particular of the Like Area Times. She stock. Janson sald. We need breakfast foods, fruits. shampoo, soap, 110 or ddeel@hthomecomm.net.

#### By Diane Dempsey Deel

ALSO ON THE AGENDA Other issues dealt with by the Commerce Township Planning

 Approved a site plan for Verizon Wireless for an addi-tional cabinet area at a co-The managing director, who will e paid between \$47,000 and location on the Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital grounds.

storage building on their

National Main Street philosophy.

"The managing director will be ■ Approved a special land use request and site plan for Muli Lakes Conservation to build a manager. "I will take a lesser role with the DDA. We will focus more

Conlor's job with the DDA took on several different littles and duttes. She chose not to apply for the new position.

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operation," Vawter said, "This is' just a normal process that

Walled Lake officials are looking for someone to lead the city's downtown district.

The Walled Lake Downtown Development Authority is accepting applications for managing director. The position will replace the main street manager position.

Approximately 10 people have applied for the position is opsiced on the city's Web site and the National Main Street Center Web site. It is also being advertised in local Main Street guidelines.

According to take hold, Vawier sold of the committees that applied for the position is opsiced on the city's Web site and the National also being advertised in local Main Street guidelines.

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newspapers. He said he wants the managing According to the posting, the director to jump in with enthusiasm which was vacated by Tracy position calls for someone who to continue to revitalize the city. H should have education and/or would also like the person to have a experience in "planning, economic development, retailing, marketing, \$53,000, will lead downtown revi- design, volunteer or non-profit talization activities using the management, and small business els," Ambrose said. retention and recruitment

Officials will have their work cut "The managing director will be responsible for all operations of one who is extremely motivated DDA members, including Vawter, the DDA," said Phillip Vawter, city with excellent verbal and written will review application at the next communication skills. executive organization meeting. "We will scrutinize the applica-

come in and take us to new lev-

The managing director will have greater control with the DDA and tions to see who we would like to

with the DDA's sub-committees.
"It's really starting to take hold, "I'm looking for a person to come in

> and take us to new Casey Ambrose

of candidates they have available at the time of their meeting.
"If not, we're in opposition to
pick someone at this time,"
Ambrose said. We will continue to
interview to find someone who's

going to bring the most to the



# Local teen girls singing in Harmony

Two Walled Lake Consolidated School teenagers are calming babies and educating children about American Iuliabies in China after their CD of nursery songs hit

Beijing in April.

However, their singing group Harmony wasn't complete until Kim Titus, who will begin ninth grade at Northern in the fall, joined Amanda MacKay and Amanda Meredith to record other albums for

China and the United States Jim MacKay, manager of the girl group, said his daughter was already singing at racetracks throughout Michigan and Ohio. He thought his daughter needed partners and that's when Meredith joined

the group.
Soon the girls started singing at mall when John Gu, who was seeking talmall when John Gu, who was seeking talompanies.

Baby Steps, of nursery songs for

two other girls to record Christmas songs for the Chinese company.

the right fit for their group. Titus is the replacement for an original third member. Sarah Hauenstein.

mall when John Gu, who was seeking tarent to record American nursery sories for Beijing Tomorrow Oriental Technologies, heard them sing. He offered them a recording contract.

MacKay, who will begin ninth grade at MacKay, who will begin ninth grade at MacKay who will begin ninth grade at MacKay.

merican audiences.
Titus is now under contract with the

"We like the idea of having a third per-

They knew right away that Titus was

The girls have been performing not only at racetracks but locally at the Walled Lake Memorial Day Parade and the Wixom Founders Day Celebration. Soon Nickelodeon, Disney and others

They are beginning to record the CD,

to sing in front of tired Christmas shop pers while standing in line. "All of a sudden everyone was in a good

mood," Vicki Meredith said.

Meredith agreed with her mother that music has always been a part of her life "It's always been my dream to sing as long as I can remember," she said. "Once I'm out there, I know this is the place I'm

supposed to be."

MacKay also has always loved to sing. "I have a picture of me at four. And if you asked me then what I wanted to be when I grew up, I knew I wanted to be a singer." MacKay said and added that her father's mother used to sing professiona

Titus enjoys being a part of the group. "This has always been a dream I've had but I never thought it would happen at this age." Titus said.

Residents can find out more information about the group by going to their

Web site at akaharmony.com MacKay, who will begin ninth grade at Malled Lake Central in the fall, and Meredith, who will begin ninth grade at Malled Lake Central in the fall, and Meredith, who will begin ninth grade at daughter has always had a penchant for deceived the Lake Area Times. She can be reached at (248) 349-1700 ext. 110 or deceived the Lake Area Times.

# Chalk one up for downtown WL art festival

Janson, en-chairman of the Walled that similar events were popular Lake Downtown Development in 16th century Italy when official at Cathedrals and city build commission artists to Art Festival for the whole family to create masterpieces for the form

By Diane Dempsey Deel
STAFF WRITER

Show off their artistic talent with chalk.

Take Plymouth is known for their tee festival, we would like properties as Huron Valley Hospital and city officials unveil their plans for a chalk art festival.

Artists from within and outside of the community will be welcomed into the city to draw masterpieces on Walled Lake's downer fun and competition to the event. He is also planning a corporate art challenge, which would bring more fun and competition to the event.

Show off their artistic talent with chalk.

"Like Plymouth is known for the known for a known for a chalk art festival, we would like pizze. They will also be able to taste wine, pasta and pazze. They will also be able to taste wine, pasta and other Italian favorites.

"It hink it will be a really great event for both families and businesses in the community," she said. "They came to us — to our little community—to sak us to the ers and other Italian favorites.

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"It's not going to be a craft show or art fair." Barry said. "It's a free vent to come to."

All of the businesses will be able to taste wine, pasta and ther Italian favorites.

"It's not going to be a craft show or art fair." Barry said. "It's a free vent to come to."

All of the businesses will be able to participate in the event the way they want to she to purchase items if they event to she to our be to our be to our be to said. They came to us — to our little community—to said. "It's a free vent. This is exciting. We are Just — to our little community—to said." They came to us—to our data. They will also be able to taste wine, pasta and there is able to taste wine, pasta and the community—to said. They came to us—to our data. They will also be able to taste wine, pasta and there is able to taste wine. The course to us—to our little community—to said. They cam

terpieces on Walled Lake's down-town lake front area.

"This has never been done before to my knowledge," said Pam other states. Barry pointed out

enjoy. You'll have to see it to munity to view. believe it." "Four hundred years later we're Jack Barry, event planner at trying to do the same thing in the Huron Valley Hospital, said he is hoping to get 100 to 125 artists to Walled Lake will be turned into everyone.

successful.

Barry plans to kick off the event
at Walled Lake's historic

The window agod unite at event

"St. Patrick's Day everyone is

Irish." Janson said. "In May 2003,

everyone will be Italian in Walled

received."

involvement," Janson said. However, she knows everyone

writer for the Lake Area Times. She

Janson believes the event will be unique and fantastic amusement for deel@ht.homecomm.net.

# **Japan Bound**

## Novi High School student to live international dreams

By Angelo Parlove

Nova High School student Tiffany lacivas hended to Shiga, dapan, on tidyal, as one of 15 Michigan stu-derit chosen for the da hagary Shiga Student Exchange

through the exchange program. where she will stay with a diels in home of a new country

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"It has been a lifelong dream to go to Japan... When I get there, I'll drop to my knees and start sobbing. I won't believe I'm in Japan."

Navi High School studer

television programs and Japanese comic books. She also works at a Japanese market in Novi. The Novi High School student

applied to the program last year, but was put on its alternate list. However, this time around she Title: is partly from proved to be Japan bound. "When she got in she was so exelted." Smith said, "She wa screaming and bouncing off the

widls. However, Smith said her grand daughter will have to adjust to the customs of Japanese life, such as 165 applied to the the formal school uniforms that (567/Shiga Student Exchange Include navy skirts and a white

things," Smith said.

Kelly will to return to Novi on

family will host dapanese exchange students for two weeks in September, where the visiting stu-dents will live in their home and attend Novi High School.

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On June 16 a Novi man called the police to report someone had broken into the basement of his closed pending further informa-

#### Runaway Froot Loops

The Novi Police Department received a largeny call from Country Inn on Haggerty Road June 16 at about 5 a.m. The night manager told officers a group of teenagers visiting the hotel had stolen a glass cereal bin from the breakfast room. The manager said 17 to 19 and had been visiting friends who purchased a room. According to the report, before the uspects entered the breakfast room nothing was missing. A check of the room after they left revealed a dispenser bin full of Froot Loops was gone. The value of the cereal and bin was estimated between \$12 and \$20.

A Novi resident received a huge surprise when he woke up and a nolder model Chevy pickup with a cap.

saw a stranger in his bedroom On June 17 at about 4 a.m., a disabled male in the 26000 block of Georgia called police after findhome in the 40000 block of Eight ing a stranger on his bedroom floor. When police arrived the man told police sometime between 9 told police the unknown person a.m. and 6 p.m. an unknown person broke his basement window, entering his home. The 41-year-old male said the suspect then went through his house looking into all of his dresser drawers.
According to the report, the Novi
resident said hased on his investigation nothing was taken. He also yelled and told the person to leave his house. According to the report, the homeowner told police showed police the path he believed the suspect took while searching his home. No finger-prints were found, and the case is to find any fingerprints and a K-9 search took police to a dead end The Novi man was unable to pro vide a description because the house was too dark.

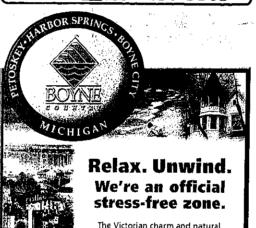
#### Missing Truck

Surprised to find his truck missing, a Novi man called police for help. A 46-year-old male in the 31000 block of Springlake, between W. Pontiac Trail and West Park, told police someone he suspects ranged in age from stole his 1991 GMC full-size pick up sometime between 11:30 p.m. June 19 and 7 a.m. June 20. The truck was parked in front of building six in the parking lot of the Springs Apartments. The report stated the pickup had a cap and a ladder rack. The owner also told police the vehicle con tained many tools and business checks. Noises were heard in th area at about 3 a.m. on June 20 and the Walled Lake Police Department took a call involving

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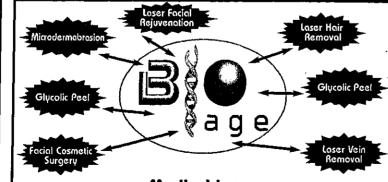
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#### Senior master games

Area residents older than 49 are invited to register for the Fifth Annual Oakland County Master Games July 26 and 27. Participants will compete for medals in athletic events including volleyball, basketball free throw, 3-on-3 basketball, race walking, swimming, track and field, tennis and more. Events for both days start at 9 a.m. and will take place at Royal Oak Kimball High School, Those interested may register by mail only now through July 5. For more information or to request a registration booklet, call (248) 858-4633.

#### Novi watering notice

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with an even-numbered address and on odd-numbered days for properly with an odd-numbered street address. To determine if an address is even or odd numbered Novi Civic Center. The jazz concert street address. To determine if an address is even or odd numbered Summer concert series. The concert is sponsored by Providence street address. The Alternate Day Lawn Watering program was developed to ensure the city car Company Fund. In the event of inclement weather, the show will be held in the Novi Civic Center on the domestic and fire flow requirements of all its customers.

Day Lawn Watering program. The program allows the watering of lawns and landscaping on even.

#### Learn to skate

Registration is going on now for the Novi Ice Arena's Learn to Skate summer program. Although the first session has begun, it is not too late to register for the arena's second session. The work-shop begins July 22 and runs through Aug. 14. The cost is \$45 and sessions are available 11:30 a.m. Tuesdays and 4:30 p.m. Wednesdays, Classes are 30 minutes long and include 15 minutes of practice time and free open skating. Those older than two years old are invited to partici-pate. For more information, call (248) 347-1010.

Keep an eye on your mailbox because the City of Novi 2002 property tax bills are on the way. The mailing will take place to all

integrity and honesty, coordination of school district activities and judgment. He also scored perfect marks for planning a balanced school budget, maintaining the respect and support of staff mem-bers and encouraging citizen par-

education meeting.

on a five-point scale by the seven Novi Schools' board of education members, with each member individually surveyed. The grades were then compiled together for single scores, with Lippe receiving near "excellent" marks in each area.

The evaluation covered six majo rating categories, with a total per formance average of 4.86. These rating categories addressed the superintendents overall performance (4.9) and goal achievements for the 2001-2002 school year (4.8), as well as the four areas of community (4.9), administrative (4.9), faculty (4.9) and board of education (4.8) relationships.

Bruce Bagdady said.

Lippe received perfect scores for Now Open

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# Novi Schools superintendent gets praised with high marks and words

■ District gives ·· annual evaluation of Emmett Lippe

Novi Schools completed its annual evaluation of superintend-ent Emmett Lippe this month, announcing the district leader's "report card" for the 2001-2002 shool year at the June 20 board of

The superintendent was graded

"Excellence and ability is expected and that's what we have," Novi Board of Education Vice President

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"Excellence and ability is expected and that's what we have." "People not only enjoy working

Novi Board of Education vice president

for (Lippe), but enjoy working with (Lippe), "Novi Board of Education trustee John Balagna said. The Novi Schools' superintendent received his lowest evaluation for providing the school board members with adequate informa-Novi Board of Education president Carol Elfring said Lippe has received an excellent evaluation in tion on school programs and oper-ations, as well as for his ability to each of his 10 years as Nov speak and write. Lippe received a 4.4 score in both of these areas, still well above the "good" rating. In all, 36 individual criteria were

with Lippe earning good to excel-lent marks in each one. Novi Board of Education trustee George Kortlandt compared Novi Schools' to a symphony, with Lippe out front as its leader and conductor. "No school district is successful

ing at a high level," Kortlandi added. Lippe deflected the board's prais and "symphony" references to the staff members at Novi Schools. "We have a staff that is outstanding here. They play the music and make the school district what it is,

unless all components are operat

Angelo Parlove is a staff writer for the Novi News. He can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 108 or at

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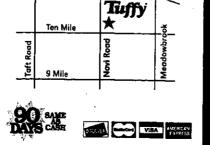
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# From Novi High to a high-flyin' U.S. cadet

States Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs recently. Among the 929 graduates stood one of Novi High School's former stu-

dents, David Thompson.
Standing shoulder-to-shoulder with his fellow cadets, Thompson listened as Rumsfeld reminded the graduates that "while you entered the academy in a time of peace, you leave in a time of war." Referring to the September 11 terthe graduates that "while you entered the academy in a time of peace, you leave in a time of war."

Referring to the September 11 terrorist attacks, the statement seemed to strengthen the graduates resolve to "preserve and defend" as "fifty punctuated" the ceremony with the traditional lessing of the basis in the academy was a "attacks."

was the toughest," admitted "Dare to propose innovative changes," said Rumsfeld in his speech to the graduates. Armed with these guiding words, it is noget that Thompson, along with his fellow cadets, will enjoy the rewards of a challenging military career in the U.S. Air Force.

By Mary Ann Frazer

SPECIAL WRITER

U.S. Secretary of Defense
Donald Rumsfeld addressed a reflective, post September 11 gradualting class of the United
States Att. Korpo Academic records the process he refused as the process h

the academy's boot camp immediately following his graduation from Novi High. "The first year [at the academy] was the toughest," admitted

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Foreign Exchange Program and Michigan Freedom Academy, and received the Presidential Award

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Hargrave academy Brandon Sadier Ramsey, son o

St. Clair holds the Novi High School record in discus and was All-Conference in track. He also engineering. He plans to study aeronautical

Class of 2002 with honor on which included 91 gradu-

Ramsey will be attending Bowlin Green State University. To be an honor graduate, cadets must maintain a GPA of 3.0 or higher and complete the Advanced Studies Diploma. Twenty-six honor graduates also Hargrave's Honor

countries and B. Rai 19 states.

#### In the Service

Marine Corps Recruit Depot. Parris Island, S.C. and was promoted to his current rank. Engelan is a 1997 gradmarine Corps Pfc. Value V.

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Engelan, son of Rila Engelan of Novi, recently completed basic training at cally and mentally.

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Marine Corps Pfc, **Brent M. Vogel**, a 1995 graduate of Walled Lake Western High School, recently report-



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# Former Frigates crosses the border

#### Cvetkovski brothers open new restaurant

By Diane Dempsey Deel

will be hopping their sombreros food," Cvetkovski said, "I'm very

and Grille, 1103 East Lake Drive, delectable dishes at reasonable prices, according to owner Robert Cvetkovski. The oversized burrito Nevertheless. restaurant is located in the for- he also has some hard-to-find ner Frigates bar location, which - traditional Mexican foods on the Cverkovski Totally gutted and renovated to create a quaint. "A lot of items like flautas and

Diners will be able to nibble on many appetizers on the menu, such as Caucun Nachos and a Grande Botana with all the top-pings. However, they will have to save room for other treats.

topping it with legula and adds a spark to make it sizzle.

That adds a lot of flavor to our

The menu offers extra large fajftas," Cvetkovski said. burritos for the heartiest appetite. Patrons can also choose combination—plates—of—Mexican cuisme and fajitas, enchiladas, tacos and other specialties.

Lighter appetites can choose from an array of Mexican salads. Cyctkovski also offers barbethe chicken, ribs and pork din-ners with a Texan flair. He's her favorite table. and of his ribs, which is creat d from his family secret recipe, "Almost everyone who tries our ribs loves them." he said.

Cvetkovski is pleased to open his restaurant on the Walled Lake water front. However, he is not new to the area. He owned Baskin Robbins in Novi for 10 years before closing his doors and opening his current busi-

riess.
"I was here when there was nothing out here." Cvetkovski said of his earlier Novi days.

He decided to turn away from the making scooping ice cream to making margaritas because of his pas-sion for Mexican food. "Mexican food is my favorite

after calling at the newest picky about Mexican food. I Mexican restaurant to hit the searched the southeastern part Ole Ole Southwestern Bar to Florida for recipes. Once I

Mexican atmosphere for the tamales are rarely found in entire tamily. Mexican restaurants, he said. He makes fajitas fanciful br

> Some residents have become regular customers since the

restaurant opened its doors in May. Čliris Gillespie, a Walled Lake resident, enjoys coming to the restaurant so much she joked about having a plaque with her

name imprinted along the wall of Gillespie said. "The food is fabu-lous. Robert always talks to us when we come in. He's very nice

**PUBLIC NOTICE** 

PUBLIC NOTICE OF THE CITY OF NOVI'S ATTEMPT TO SECURE FUNDING FROM FEMA TO COMPLETE A FLOOD MITIGATION PROJECT
The City of Novi has applied to the Federal Emergency Management Agency
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The current culvert is hydraulically undersized and is causing flooding of

ornes, properly and strets man are algocen to the weetan, the proposes solo-on was one of several alternatives considered. One alternative considered was allow the flooding to continue. Other alternatives considered included elevating relocating structures, or lowering the roadway. Permiss from the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality may be equired for the project. All necessary permits will be obtained prior to construc-no of the project.

about the action or request a copy of the findings by contacting the Federal Emergency Management Agency, Region V, 596 S Clark St. 6th Floor, Chicago, IL 60605-1521, Requests can also be made to Jeanne Millin, Regional Environmental Officer at (312) 408-5540 or Jeanne\_Millin@fema.gov.



Brothers Robert and Sam Cvetkovski display some of their fare from their Walled Lake's restaurant Ole Ole! on East Lakeshore Drive. Robert displays their huge Rattlesnake burrito and Sam

preferred dish.

p.m. Monday-Friday.

Township resident, comes for her and Sundays from 12 p.m. - 10 p.m. The bar is open until mid-"It's the best choose enchilada night Friday and Saturdays.

I've ever had," Ansiett said.

Restaurant hours are Ha.m.p.m. Monday - Friday.

For more information call (248) ddecl@ht.homecomm.net.

#### **School Briefs**

budget for 2002-2003 school

Novi Schools' adopted a pro-posed budget for the 2002-2003 school year with the fiscal year ending June 30, 2003, at its June 20 board of education

The district estimates total rev \$178,838.

Novi Schools projects a bal-

#### Kortlandt to be sworn in July 1

#### NOTICE **CITY OF NOVI** REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY USE PERMIT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Weiss Construction Company is requesting Temporary Use Permit to allow placement of four office / storage trailers at 905 W. 14 Mile Road (Haggerty Pumping Station) from July 3, 2002 until July 2003

e permit.
This request will be considered at 3:15 p.m. on July 3, 2002 at the Novi Civi

Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road. All written comments should be directed to the City of Novi Building Department and must be received prior to July 3, 2002. TEMPORARY USE PERMIT SECRETAR

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# TUP 02-025

#### CITY OF NOVI NOTICE OF ADOPTION

**ORDINANCE NO. 02-18.170** 

NOTICE

CITY OF NOVI

REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY USE PERMIT

TUP 02-023

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that St. James Catholic Church is requesting a Temporary Use Permit to allow placement of two tents for a Vacation Bible School at 46325 Tan Mile road from August 3, 2002 until August 10, 2002. A public hearing can be requested by any property owner of a structure locat-ed within 300 feel of the boundary of the property being considered for temporary

se permit.
This request will be considered at 3:00 p.m. on July 3, 2002 at the Novi Civi

City of Novi Building Department and must be received prior to July 3, 2002.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Novi City Council has adopted prinance No. 18.170 - AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 97-18. IS AMENDED, THE CITY OF NOVI ZONING ORDINANCE, FOOTNOTE (II) OF HE SCHEDULE OF REGULATIONS CONTAINED WITHIN SECTION 2490 OF SAID ORDINANCE, RELATING TO HEIGHT REQUIREMENTS IN AN OST DISCOURT OF THE SCHEDULE OF REGULATIONS ON THE SOUTHER SECTION AN OST DISCOURT OF THE SOUTHER SOUTH OF THE S RICT, AND TO AMEND SUBPART 2509.6(g), RELATING TO BERMS, IN PRICE TO CLARIFY THE PLANNING COMMISSION'S AUTHORITY TO WAIVE REQUIRED BERMS WHEN ADJACENT TO RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT UNDER

CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.

The Ordinance was adopted by the City Council on Monday, June 17, 2002, and the provisions of the ordinance shall become effective filteen (15) days after its adoption. A complete copy of the Ordinance is available for public use and inspection at the office of the City Clerk, 45175 W. Ten Mrie Road, during the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. prevailing local time.

(6-27-02 NR/NN 1115544)

#### **NOTICE OF SPECIAL** ASSESSMENT HEARING CITY OF NOVI - SAD #154 COUNTY OF OAKLAND, MICHIGAN

TAKE NOTICE that the City Council of the City of Novi, Oakland County, dichigan, has determined it to be necessary to prepare an amended special ment roll to cause a new assessment to be made for the following described

The construction of approximately 618 feet of 8" Sanitary Sewer Main in Section which will provide a direct benefit to that portion of Shawood Walled Lake Heights Subdivision containing the streets known as Pleasant Cove and Crown Drive

The City Council has determined that all of the cost of the above

described public improvement shall be assessed against the following described roperty abulting the above described improvement:

50-22-10-280-009 50-22-10-280-002

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the City Council will meet on Monday, July, 2002, at 7:30 o'clock p.m., prevailing Eastern Time, at the Novi Civic Center. 5175 West Ten Mile Road in the Council Chambers in the City of Novi for the purse of hearing objections to the amended special assessment roll.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that appearance and protest at such hearing is equired in order to appeal the amount of the special assessment to the State Tax ribunal. An appearance or protest may be made by an appearance at the Hearing protest the Special Assessment or by filing an appearance and protest by letter. THIS NOTICE is given by order of the City Council of the City of Novi, MARYANNE CORNELIUS CITY CLERK

(6-27-02 NR/NN 1116049)

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#### NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION FOR THE PRIMARY ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 6, 2002

To the qualified electors of the City of Novi, Oakland County, Michigan: Notice is hereby given that Monday, July 8, 2002 is the last day to register to vote or change your address for the Primary Election to be held on Tuesday August 6, 2002. If you are not currently registered to vote in the City of Novi at your present address you may do so at the following locations:

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At any of the Secretary of State Branch Offices located throughout the State during normal business hours

At any of the Secretary of State Branch Offices located throughout the State during normal business hours

At the specified agency for clients receiving services through the Family Independence Agency, the Department of Community Health, Michigan Jobs Commission and some offices of the Commission for the Blind

At the military recruitment offices for persons enlisting in the armed forces.

(6-27 & 7-4-02 NR/NN 1115543)

#### **ASSESSMENT HEARING** CITY OF NOVI ~ SAD #154 **COUNTY OF OAKLAND, MICHIGAN**

The construction or approximately 618 feet of 8" Sanitary Sewer Main in Section which will provide a direct benefit to that portion of Shawood Walled Lake Heights Subdivision containing the streets known as Pleasant Cove and Crown Drive The City Council has determined that all of the cost of the above ed public improvement shall be assessed against the following described the stabilities the behavior described in the solution that all of the cost of the above of public improvement shall be assessed against the following described the stabilities the behavior described the second of the solution that all of the cost of the above the stabilities the public described the second of the solution of the second of

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TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the City Council will meet on Monday, Juh 2002, at 7:30 o'clock p.m., prevailing Eastern Time, at the Novi Civic Center 1175 West Ten Mile Road in the Council Chambers in the City of Novi for the pur

Harris relimine road in the control Chambers in the City of Novi for the purpose of hearing objections to the amended special assessment roll.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that appearance and protest at such hearing is
required in order to appeal the amount of the special assessment to the State Tax
Tribunal. An appearance or protest may be made by an appearance at the
Hearing to protest the Special Assessment or by filling an appearance and protest

y letter.

THIS NOTICE is given by order of the City Council of the City of Novi MARYANNE CORNELIUS, CITY CLER

(6-27-02 NR/NN 1116049)

#### **Engagements**

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Myers of Novi

daughter Blythe Myers to Peter Tipping of Toledo. Ohio.

The bride-to-be is a 1996 graduator of Novi High School and a 2000 graduate of the University of Toledo. She was teaching physics at Bryan High School but will be teaching physics with Sylvania Southview High School.

The grong-elect is a 1994 graduator of the grong control of the grong of the graduator of the grong of the graduator of the

announce the engagement of their daughter Blythe Myers to Peter

enues and unappropriated fund balance to total \$60,624,368. Total revenues include five major sources: local receipts, \$21,095,869; state receipts. \$32,459,645; Intermediate revenues, \$3,342,654; federal revenues, \$1,005,362 and other, \$2,542,000. The unappropriated und balance is estimated at

anced budget with expenditures for its 2002-2003 general operat-ing fund at \$60,624,368. Proposed total expenditures for the operating fund are broken down into four categories: \$36,265,986; support services, \$18.931.638; community service es, \$1,726,333 and other trans actions, \$3,700.411.

Novi Schools' board of education member George Kortlandt will be sworn in for his third successive term as a school board member on July 1.

Kortlandt ran unopposed to Novi Schools' election. The seat is for a 4-year term. Kortlandt has aiready served two successive terms over the last eight years.

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The bride-to-be is a graduate of Regina High School in Harper Clonlara in Ann Arbor in 1996 and woods. She has a bachelor of sci-

teaching physics with Syrama Southview High School. The groom-elect is a 1994 graduate of Toledo Christian Schools and a 1998 graduate of the University of Michigan (2000), and she is employed with BASF.

The groom-elect graduated from Madonna University in 2000.

A September 27, 2002 wedding in 1995 and from Madonna University in 2000. Assoc. in Holland, Ohio.

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Tax empowerment bill passes House

parers. The creation of the bill came for the Novi News. She can be room the House Tax Policy reached at [248] 349-1700. ext. 105 from the House Tax Policy Subcommittee on Tax Simplification.

The committee chaired by A recently approved Michigan Cassis was created about a year Senate bill allowing residents greater understanding of tax at several different locations, interviewing everyone from novices to accomming professionals.

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# NOTICE OF SPECIAL

TAKE NOTICE that the City Council of the City of Novi, Oakland County, lichigan, has determined it to be necessary to prepare an amended special sessment roll to cause a new assessment to be made for the following escribed public improvement in the City of Novi: The construction of approximalely 618 feet of 8" Sanitary Sewer Main in

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TIME: mornings
DETAILS: Free well-care service

for pre-emolled children to 3-1/2 years who do not have well-rare usurance or Medicaid. PHONE: [248] 926-3341

#### Summer Concert Series

DATE: Mondays LOCATION: Walled Lake Villa is ocated at the intersection of Ladd Road and Pontiac Trail. The Gazeho is located at Riley Park on Common Street near the intersec-tion of W. Walled Lake Drive and Ponton Trail, The Boathouse (for merly Bogev's is located at 142 E. Walled Lake Drive. TIME: 7:30-9 j.m. DETAILS. Free concerts in

Walled Lake.

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Gazebo July 22 - Sou Walled Lake Villa - Southern Knights July 29 - George Milisap Motown, R&B - Gazebo August 5 - Dixle Ramblers Walled Lake Villa LOCATION: north lawn of the Novi Civic Center, Ten Mile Road between Novi and Taft roads George Millsap

Malled Lake Villa
August 25 - Ramos Rock - The
Boathouse (Market Days, 3 to 5 p.m.)

DETAILS: free concerts hoseu browlence Hospital and the Novi Historical Commission (Aug. 8 hospital and the Novi concerts will be held in the DATE: every Thursday: June 27 -Shella Landis Trio (Jazz) center if inclement weather

Blues (blues) Aug. 8 - The Millionaires (swing) Aug. 15 - Novi Concert Band Supply, 42750 Grand River TIME: noon-3 p.m. DETAILS: Rosarians from Rosestelassies, marches and show tunes!

West Rose Society will answer your osc-growing questions. PHONE: Pat at (248) 449-4626

DATE: Tuesday, July 9 LOCATION: Fifth Avenue Ballroom, 25750 Novi Road, Novi

TIME: 7:15 p.m. DETAILS: Meet 10 to 12 new people for five minutes each. It's fast-paced, fun and exciting, Prelast-paced, fun and excling, Pre-registration is required. PHONE: For additional informa-PHONE: (517) 552-0673 or tion, please contact Terri Freytag at 113 or e-mail him at 248/348-5600 ext. 205.

DATE: Wednesday, August 7 LOCATION: Links of Novi TiME: 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. reg-istration, 10:00 a.m. shotgun start, four person scramble format, steak dinner and awards reception mmediately afterward.

DETAILS:Whether you are a vet-eran golfer, or just beginning to learn the game, we invite you to join in the fuul Proceeds to benefit IAEM and The Dwarf Athletic Association of America. PHONE: For additional informa-

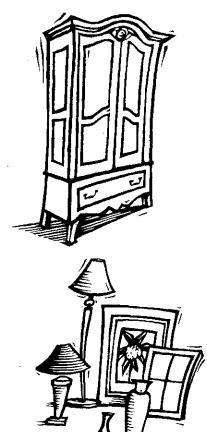
DATE: Thursday, Aug. 15 LOCATION: Links of Novi, 50395 10 Mile Road, Novi TIME: 9 a.m. check-in, putting

contest; 10 a.m. shotgun start
DETAILS: 15th annual Novi
Chamber of Commerce outing:
scramble format and rules; lunch at the turn; contest holes, games and prizes: 50/50 raffe; steak din-ner; and team awards. PHONE: 9248) 348-5600

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#### Library Lines

The Novi Public Library is open Monday Thursday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Friday-Samrday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The library is closed on Sunday during th W. 10 Mile Road, just east of Talt.

#### Tales Through Time

Sign up is now underway for the 2002 Summer Reading Program, "Tales Through Time." The program is for children in the

#### Time Machine Troopers

Kids going into the 5th erade and beyond are invited to sign up for "Time Machine Troopers. We'll feature awesome programs. olects, and prizes throughout

#### Tie-dye extravaganza

Kids going into 5th grade and up can make their own tie-dyed lothing on Monday, July 1, at i o.m. Wear old clothes and bring a 00 percent cotton T-shirt or ther Item to dye. There is a \$1 fee for this project, Register in alvance in the Teen Area.

#### Adult book discussion group

Disobedience" by Jane Hamilton he group meets Monday, July 1, t 7 p.m. In the library meeting

#### Craft programs

scheduled for Tuesday, July 2. Crafts for children ages 5-6 will be at 1 p.m.; crafts for children each 40 minute program. No reg-istration is necessary, but space

#### Mad Scientists

Mad Scientists will spark imag mations and explore magical summer. We are located at 45245 potions with fun, interactive activities on Wednesday, July 3, at 1 juin. No registration is required for the one hour prorequired for the our hour pro-gram, which is for children age four and up.

#### Independence Day closing

The library will be closed Thursday, July 4, in honor of

#### Independence Day. Drop-in story time

Story time for two- and three -olds will be held Friday, July 5. No registration is necessary for the 30-minute session.

#### A Frontier Adventure

Kids going into the fifth grade was like to be a child in Michigan hi the 1800's on Monday, July 8, from 1-2 p.m. With the help of an expert in Pioneer living, you'll learn about 19th century chores and games in this interactive, hands-on program. Please regis ter in advance in the Teen Area.

#### Library Board meeting

The Novt Library Board Our July selection is Directors meets Monday, July 8 at 7 p.m. In the library meeting room. Community members are welcome to attend.

#### Magical entertainer

Magical entertainer Chris Linn will amaze you with cool tricks and other fun stuff on Wednesday, July 10, at 7 p.m. No age 7 and up will be at 2 p.m. registration is required for the 50-There is a \$1.00 materials fee for minute program, which is for children of all ages.

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## School's out but books are still in with children

#### By Diane Dempsey Deef

Walled Lake and Wixom children

re still bitting the books after craft sessions. school is out. Many area children have toined summer reading clubs at the Walled Lake and Wixom libraries. The libraries are sponsoring "Join the Winner's Circle" for sum-

Preschool children can join the club by getting rewarded for listening to their parents or other caregiver read to them. Older children and get their sticker," Rickabaugh reading club.
"We have many fun, unique and also get rewarded for their inde-pendent reading. Teenagers are also encouraged to join the summer reading programs for their education, she said,

everything from creating chalk sidewalk designs to making finger idewalk designs to making finger up for the program up until the end of summer. However, they must complete the required reading to be a winner, which will be a complete the required reading to be a winner. puppets. library director, sald children are a winner.

both have additional programs for learned at the end of the school ing reading materials, as well, of

cult members. Wixon will be offering everything from a Tastefest of International dishes to pass to Craft sessions.

Walled Lake will be offering the reading clubs each year, she willed the reading clubs cach year, she will extend the reading said. We hope to course, she will extend the reading said. We hope to course, she will extend the reading said. We hope to course, she will extend the reading said. We hope to course, she will extend the reading said. said. Library workers sign children any question you may have about

thrilied when they earn a sticker, which represents the books they have read.

Jane Kahan, Wixom Library's mer programs call the Wixom Library at (248) 624-2512 or the mer is a good opportunity to visit mer is a good opportunity to visit mer is a good opportunity to visit mer is a good opportunity or visit mer is a good opportunity to visit mer is a good opportunity or visit mer is a good opportunity to visit mer is a good opportunity to visit mer is a good opportunity or visit mer is a good opportuni "They get so excited to come in the library and join the summer 3772.

Summer reading programs are meaningful to further children's education, she said,

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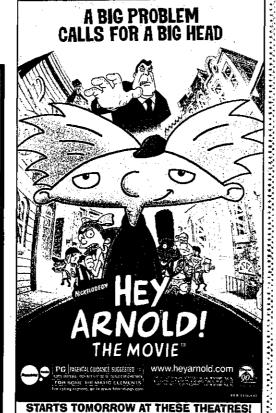
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recognition is in the high 90s and recognition is in the migh sus and that does not include the veterans' families nor does it include veterans who called to say they were coming but prefer to sit in the might be supported by the problems of the movies started to change," Wilhelm suid. The world was changing and people were different feeling very different

proclamations delivered by city, Living Dead."

state and county representatives. events leading up to the special ceremony, the Novi District Library hosted the program "What ages were provided for all guests Films Teach Us About Us."

June 18 program, Wilhelm dis- vsadlochawht.homecommunet.

cussed with a room-full of atten dees how films of the 1960s and 1970s reflected society's attitude

Some of the activities planned about things."

r the indoor ceremony include a The Detroit curator discussed patriotic musical tribute, the play "War Stories," which is an original Now Theatres' production based on actual letters written by "The past because of the more realistic endings, the lead character's on actual retters written by cuttings, the lead characters Vietnam servicemen and women to their loved ones at home, the POW Committee of Michigan's Missing Man's Table and special like in the movie 'Night of the Indian Committee of the Power Indian Committee of the Indian Committee of Indian Committee of

state and county representatives.
As part of the city-sponsored which seemed to them at that time ages were provided for all guests by Coffee Trader, Picasso Cafe, The nearly two-hour discussion and lecture was led by Ellot Wilhelm, curator of The Detroit Victoria Scallocha is a staff writer

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"Our expectations of the movies started to change. The world was changing and people were feeling very different about things."

> Eliot Wilhelm DIA Detroit Film Theater curator

Eliot Wilhelm, curator of The

Film Theatre, poses for a pic-Young of the Friends of the Novi Library group during the Novi District Library's recent rogram titled "What Film reach Us About Us." The twohour June 18 discussion cenered on films of the Vietnam

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Let's debunk myths this July 4 holiday

those right here in Novi - will be celebrating independence next week. As being one of the brightest people to they do so, many will probably be celebrating under the veil of myth.

success of our customers.

Consider the following: There are many misconceptions about what happened on July 4. What a robe and slippers. He hated public actually happened was that the Declaration

was presented before Continental The Declaration ongress for signing.
Actual independence Congress for signing. had been declared two wasn't read to days earlier. It was July 2, not July 4, that was the public on July thought to have been 4. That event the marquis day in American history. In a happened four letter to his wife, John Adams wrote The sec-

will be the most memorable epocha in the history of America, I am apt to believe it which sold for \$27,000 in 1920. will be celebrated by succeeding gen-

ond day of July, 1776. 8.

on to the Declaration until July 19.

person who had the most at stake in on the Bell?) spired in the colonies until five or six upon.

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solve letter in his diary for July 4. So what? It's our holiday, and we nificance happened today."

Americans everywhere - including . Thomas Jefferson may be credited with authoring the Declaration and ever occupy the Oval Office, was far from being a polished statesman. As president, he regularly greeted foreign diplomats at the White House wearing

> speaking, and only once delivered his State of the On every other instance Congress in writing and had a clerk read it aloud.

· The most valuable signature on the to defferson or John Hancock, but to Georgia delegate Button Gwinnett. Only known copies of Gwinnett's signature

existed, one copy of

erations as the great anniversary les-tival." eyesore by the people of Philadelphia and was attempted to be sold for The Declaration of Independence scrap, but no buyers could be found. wasn't read to the public on July 4. The crack in the Liberty Bell was most That event happened four days later likely caused by a bad cast, not from on July 8. New York didn't even sign ringing. (And there's no evidence the Bell ever rang on July 4, 1776. Did we And as if that wasn't enough, the mention "Pennsylvania" is misspelled

the Declaration — King George III — OK — so we've been living a few lies. didn't learn about what had tran- As they say, history is a myth agreed

1776, the king entered "Nothing of sig---like--it. Happy Independence--Day,

# GOVERNMENT

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# TTERS

#### Wrong about road

I just finished reading the letter by Steve Loe about the traffic problems on South Lake Drive... what drivel. Mr. Loe, it's obvious you are probably the same guy who drives down the freeway at 85 with a doughtuit in one hand, a telephone in the other and a newspaper draped across your steering wheel. You drive around long lines that are waiting to make turns or exits then cut into the line somewhere near the front. You do 35 or 40 in subdivisions and park in handicapped spots. You open your door and ding the car next to you. You park at the curb in front of the door at stores in malls where there's no parking. You rarely use your turn signal. You roll through ston sims just like your wife. speed up when the light you're coming to turns yellow, make right turns on red in front of oncoming traffic and make obscene of District 15 would be well served to elect gestures at people who blow their horns at you to represent them.

you after you cut them off.

Mr. Loc, just in case you hadn't noticed,
all of us regular folks live in houses on streets in fear of people like you who make those streets treacherous. Stop signs speed humps, stoplights are not placed for your inconvenience, or to discourage use of our streets. They are there to try and slow our streets. They are there to try and slow down people like you who think the streets Kowall for senator are your personal playgrounds on which you should be allowed to do as you please. You have no sense of personal responsibil-

a hurt family member but with your attitude you should pray you are never the
target of a lawsuit for someone you hurt as
you make your right turns on red from
South Lake Drive, and lefts on red arrows

House, When the Senate passes their ver-

#### Supporting Kowall

I would like to thank State Representative Mike Kowall for the manner in which he has carried out his duties as state representative for the residents of Waterford and White Lake Township. Mr. Kowall will be leaving his current post soon and hopes to be taking on new responsibil-ities as state senator for District 15, serving the Novi, West Bloomfield, Commerce, Milford, Holly and White Lake areas.

citizens he represents. He returns constitutents' calls in a timely fashion. He is down-to-earth and demonstrates a high degree of common sense while carrying out his duties. His work habits and personality traits will serve him well should he be

Michael McCormick

We in the Lakes Area have been fortu-You have no sense of personal responsibility. You are self-centered, spoiled, inconsiderate and should have been spanked a ers, concerned about the problem we have few times... years ago.

I hope you never have to sue the city for mits from the DEQ for the control of weeds

when you think traffic is clear. But I also hope you get every ticket you deserve as you drive through our town like too many people these days thinking...'I can do whatever I like and no one can stop me the second of the seco hard-working legislator who will be accessible for them. You will be pleasantly surred Sidelko prised when you realize Mike has listened to your concerns and follows them up for

reach that directly which he was working out the legislation for us.

Please mark your calendar to remember to vote on August 6. And, when you are voting, please remember to look for "Mike Kowali" on the ballot and vote to keep Mike

you. I couldhardly believe it when Mike gave me his cell phone number so I could reach him directly when he was working on

make issue #1. Volume 50 a commem tive one, designed just like the very first

#### More thanks from the All-Night Partiers

Many thanks to the following businesses and individuals who made generous contri-butions to the Class of 2002 Senior All-Night Party. The food that was donated helped to create the best buffet in ANP history. Your support of the graduates is

truly appreciated!!
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# OTHER OPINIONS

# Forget facts when ideology is involved

finger-pointing now going on over the common sense, a sense of common purpose and reliance on facts (rather than ideology) as guides to sound public poli-

cy.
Also getting swamped are actual mat-

stance, including important issues (also called "pub-Michigan, Both who believe they represent a noncompetitive spur to the public K-

12 system) and reviled (by those who believe they represent a systematic assault on public education), charter schools have been around for eight years. Presently capped by the legislature at 189 institutions, charter schools now enroll nearly 60,000

Last year, the legislature established a commission "to conduct a complete and objective review of all aspects of public school academies in Michigan." Chaired by MSU President Peter McPherson, the eight-member commission issued its report in May. Essentially, it called for creating 250 new schools by 2017, together with improvements in oversight and accountability for charter school

The commission's report made small headlines before being overtaken by more sensational news. Word from Lansing is that the legislature, if it ever gets around to thinking about things other than 

Detroit Free Press their own findings based on four years of research into charter schools in Michigan, Pennsylvania, Illinois and Connecticut. They concluded charter schools have a mixed record in reaching their objectives of increasing student achievement, lever-

aging improvement in public schools and satisfying customers (i.e. parents).

Charter school students, parents and teachers are generally satisfied with their State

school's curriculum and instruction.

• Many charter schools are provoking

Universities) get
3 percent of the improvements in public schools as they compete for student enrollments.

• Michigan charter schools, however, student, which have shown smaller gains and larger comes to a tidy losses in student achievement than pub- \$12 million. With

 Although many charter schools in universities Michigan are located in poor urban areas, "they tend to enroll lower concenemploy around 100 staffers to trations of at-risk students than neigh-

boring public schools."

• Charter schools are supposed to deliver good education at lower cost than 60,000-odd charpublic schools, but they tend to receive and spend more than comparable public schools. 'Over time, the proportion of spending on instruction in charter schools has drifted downward relative to employs some spending on administration."

Overall, Miron and Nelson concluded that Michigan charter schools "often proschool students duce weaker outcomes at greater cost than non-charter schools."

I talked about this with Tom Watkins,

the State Superintendent of Education. about all this last weekend. Walkins served on the McPherson Commission, but did not concur with its findings, especially on increasing the cap on charter schools to 250 by 2017 and doing committed to charter schools to 250 by 2017 and doing committed to charter schools to 250 by 2017 and doing committed to charter the c another study about outcomes.

"This puts the cart before the horse," says Watkins. "It makes no sense to start budget deficits, is likely to follow along a whole lot of new charter schools and

City for a cool '50's diner-type shot

lon of gas was 25 cents (I have no idea on

Christopher Nelson, researchers at Acting now would let a term-limited gov-Western Michigan University's ernor and legislature lock in public poli-Evaluation Center, published in the cy on charter schools for the next 15 years. That's a bad way to do things."

In this, as in many other things subject to flows of cash from the government, it's instructive to follow the money trail. In the case of charter schools, the univers

mainly Central Michigan and Grand Valley Forget the facts. With Governor Engler and the Republican majority in both this money, the

houses of the

coming years.

legislature ideologically committed to charter schools, you can confidently expect a lot more of them over the

Forget Governor Engler and the Republican majority in both houses of the legislature ideologically committed to charter schools, you can confidently expect a lot more of them over

of the company that owns this newspaper, He would be pleased to get your reactions

# Ever been too early for a birthday party?

There's cake and ice cream, presents, music and generally just a fun time for all.

photographer, locate a stylin' vintage hot current issue's volume [49] and issue [25] rod and head over to Don's of Traverse number. I calculated our 50th birthday music and generally just a fun time for all. So you can imagine my excitement when our staff met last week to start preparing for the Novi News' 50th birthday celebra-



an editor get to be that one, it's just a guess) versus \$1.60 part of such a sig-Not very often. We started toss-

issue 50 years ago - same typeface, same layout, etc.
Then, we thought, why not let our advertisers in on the party and offer them the same rates that we did in the 1950s. Man, how could businesses NOT like that?

Just for kicks we could have everyone

see those things.
I'd do some research on established n the history of a ing around ideas their thoughts on the past half century. grand celebration.

First, we would

makings of a pretty swell (that's lingo from it's still wrong. the era - just tryin' to get you in the spir-it) celebration.

To top it all off, I thought we'd run the

front page of the very first Novi News on the front page of the 50th birthday edition. back in 1959, or was it '58? How many the front page of the 50th birthday edition. Because we don't really have the proper storage conditions here at our office, all those old papers (hardbound) were taken over to the Novi Public Library years ago. So after our brainstorming meeting fin-

Although we don't get much foot traffic Although we don't get much foot traffic in our downtown Northville office, we'd date on Volume 1 Issue #1 - May 26, have a nice big birthday cake for cus-

In case you're horrible at math like me, I'll give you a clue: 2002 minus 1955 only equals 47. Uh, looks like we counted all our eggs

we'd look up prices then and now; A gal- before they hatched. Now if I can just get some of that yoke

off my mug...
! don't know the who, what, where, today (that one I do know). People love to when, how and why of this mess, but my highly-developed detective skills revealed businesses and see how many of them are that things got really messed up with our still around, and how many of those still June 1, 2000 issue, which jumps to Vol. have ties to the owners of the '50's. Get 110 for some bizarre reason. It follows that incorrect sequencing until Jan. 11 Anyway, you can see that this has the 2001 when it gets better - Vol. 48 #5 - but

I'm thinking I got it figured out and right this week - Vol. 47 #5 - but now I'm as confused as a newborn baby (which I was years ago was that? Let's see, my birthday is in November, which means I'll be 43, or is it 42, unless you factor in leap years and daylight-savings time, so it's really...)

Cal Stone is the editor of the Novi News. on our staff dress in '50's garb. You know ished, I headed to the library, getting more he can be reached at [248] 349-1700, ext. - poodle skirts, blue jeans with a cuff on and more excited at the thought of looking 113 or cstone@ht.homecomm.net.

# Try these sure-fire 'beat the heat' ideas

It's days like these that I don't even like sure wouldn't hurt. I just might have to can tell you that I am all for playing catch With the heat



Sam Eggleston

heat index startrecently, my avoid the summer furnace was sit-

climbing this

ing to snake its even get a reliable baby sitter.

Wait, wait, wait. I think I've got it. How time that we start looking for ways slide down all of those tube things and little I ways to down all of those tube things and little I ways to do that tonight — I think I might just go do that tonight — I think I might just go do that tonight very pleasant experience. Too bad we don't have one of those in our area, eh? To tell the truth, I think the best way to

furnace was sitting in front of the tube to catch the tube to catch the tube to catch the season on elevision, but that is out now so I have to look to other things.

How about the Tigers? Well, I am not one to tear on a team, but the Tigers really aren't the squad that I would spend my hard-earned eash to go watch — though a nice, cold drink at Comerica and a hot dog

thinking about getting off the couch and getting a cold beverage — heck, I just started sweating right now when I thought about writing about it.

give that one a go [plus they bring the food and the beverages to me). These about a movie? For those who like sports flicks, this isn't the year for you so that most of us will be making good memhit Add a mone? For those who like an ice cream cone. These are the years sports likes, this isn't the year for you so far. I guess we could always pack up and hit Attack of the Clones' or "Men in Black. If, you have the time of the could just skip it. Not to mention for those of us with young ones, it's hard to find the time to sit through a show or even get a reliable baby sitter.

> splash feet (or face) first into a man-made pool of fairly cold water. That would end the thoughts of getting cold, right? The only thing I would need to avoid is getting harpooned — I don't think that would be a know it I won't even remember that it's too

# **SEMCOG** looking for input from Novi

Avenue from two to five lanes from Clark Street to Beck Road in which \$4.995 million is coming from a Category A grant from the State of Michigan Transportation Economic Development Fund and \$4.255 million from the City of Novi 2000 Road widening 1.1 miles of Grand River

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Transportation Fund: • putting in an early warning sys-tem for the nearby Beck and Wixom roads bridges on 1-96 in which \$80,000 will come from the Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality Fund and \$20,000 will come from the Michigan Transportation Fund;

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Beck and Wixom Roads in which

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ransportation related proposed for each fiscal year. \$1.539 million will come from Interstate Maintenance Funding

and \$171,000 from the Michigan
Transportation Fund; and
• widening 1 mile of Novi Road from two to five lanes and adding a railroad bridge from 10 Mile Road to million is coming from Category C Economic Development Funds,

The SEMCOG's Transportation improvement Program is a threeyear planning document, updated every two years, used to implement transportation related projects proposed for each fiscal year.

from the Urban Surface Improvement Program is a three-year planning document, updated every two years, used to implement transportation related projects pro-

Officials said all amendments undergo the same scrutiny as original projects including an air quality conformity analysis, identification of funding sources, an environmental justice review and a public com-

for the Novi News. She can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 105

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# Mr. Handyman fills niche while changing image of the industry



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p.m. Monday through Friday, Call 248-486-6210 to schedule an appointment or for information.

To access their Web site go to

www.mrhandyman.com, or e-mail owner, Jim Faydenko at

been in business for about a year and a half, said Faydenko, and while the growth has not been quite as fast as he was hoping for by this point, he said he is still very satisfied with

the way things are going.

"Originally. I was hoping to have six vans up and running full-time at this point, but we're still at four." he

said. "There are things happening in the world that I think has had some

effect on that, but overall I'm very happy with the outcome of the busi

Faydenko said he spends a tot on oney on advertising in order to get the company up and running, but the way things are going, he said he hopes to cut that back as they get

more referrals and repeat customers.
"We're already seeing a lot of referrals and repeat business," he said.

The repeats alone are showing that

people are embracing our way of doing business." Faydenko, who has been in the

construction and remodeling busi-ness for many years, earned his bachelor's degree in business at Ferris State University.

Favdenko said he spends a lot of

swoc@mrhandyman.com. Mr. Handyman of South Lyon has

Co-owners of South Lyon's Mr. Handyman are Jim Faydenko (left) and Steve Wojciechowski.

#### Company fills the void if you don't have the skills, time or desire for the household project

If you're looking to get a project done around the house but don't have the skills, time or desire to do it

yourself, Mr. Handyman of South Lyon is your solution. GLUMr. Handyman does all the little jobs that most homeowners either jobs that most homeowners either don't want to spend their free time on or don't know how to do themon or don't know how to do them-selves, says owner Jim Faydenko. From deek maintenance, drywall, and roofing repairs and small bath-foom and kitchen projects to installing doors, ceiling fans, power washing and painting, Mr. flandyman is there to do quality work with synchepode employees.

work with experienced employees.
"A call to Mr. Handyman will get immediate attention from one of two full-time office personnel," said Faydenko, adding this is just the first step in trying to remove the stigma that handyman services are typically unprofessional and unreli

"if you've ever tried calling a handyman ad from the paper you probably know what I'm talking about," he said, adding you may wait days or even weeks before getting a return call.

Beyond that, Faydenko said all of the technicians at Mr. Handyman drive fully logoed vans and look clean and neat upon their arrival. Employees are also required to have at least 10 years experience in the

are very knowledgeable and know what it takes to satisfy customers. The company has built a reputation for prompt, safe and reliable service, he said, adding the main business philosophy is customer satisfaction

Unlike many local repair services, Mr. Handyman service technicians are dedicated, full-time employees, bonded and insured and directly accountable for performing quality work. In fact, Faydenko said Mr. Handyman guarantees its work. It's hard to find all that from someone who is out to try making a little money on the side or from businesses who use subcontractors.
"You're used to the guy with a beat

up truck pulling into your drive-way." he said. "We're trying to change that image into one of a rep-utable company with clean, fair and honest workers."

Mr. Handyman specializes in the smaller jobs that most remodeling companies would rather not get involved in, said Faydenko, because it ties up employees and typically is not as financially lucrative. Remodeling companies don't like to pull employees off big jobs to go hang pictures or install door locks or water heaters, he said.

"We're perfect for those smaller Jobs," he adds, "but if a client wants something bigger that takes longer than a week to do we try to guide them to the most efficient way for

a client wants to have their whole roof redone, his company would refer them to someone who strictly does that line of work. It's better and more efficient for the cus-

remodeling business, said running a haudyman service is a totally differ-

ent ball game. There's a lot more involved technically, he said. For instance, Faydenko said he will get anywhere from 125 to 150 calls a month for handyman services, while the remodeling and con-struction industry is much slower paced. Because of that, he said it is much more important to have an office that is staffed full time and is

knowledgeable about the business.
"Good employees and scheduling is the backbone of our business," he said. "We like to explain everything up front and give the best quality

Mr. Handyman's clientele tends to be people with a little more disposable income than the average home-owner, said Faydenko, and typically these people are willing to pay a lit-tle more for quality work from a rep-

utable company.
"Most people today are double-income families who don't have the time or the interest in doing all those minor home repairs," he said. minor home repairs," he said.
"They'd rather be spending their free
time with their family."

No experience necessary

#### There are creative ways to do business

By Tim Kissman M DIRECTOR OF PUBLICATIONS

Let's be honest. In the blue-suit ed, conservative power tie, char-coal gray, politically correct skirtsto-the-knee busin ss world, cre

Whether annual reports and anything pro-duced in a Power Point



presentation, flashy graph-ics, crisp writing and clever dialogue never make it out the front door.

Instead businesses opt to cut and paste cliché's, use cheap stock art and tweak templates rather than invest in the time and brainpower it takes to bake somefresh from the business it's easy on the pocketbook and is status quo, so why not,

Maybe, but if I hear "800-pound gorilla" or some parachute color used as an analogy again I'm going to scream.

It's not that all those instances need creative hooks. Many times the black and white basics of an account balance or memo suffice. But when that kind of thinking trickles into how you market your small business you're in trouble.

small business you're in trouble.
Eye-catching, brain-busting,
wallet-opening, mouth-drooling
ads and copy should always be on
the top of the list when doing an
ad for a newspaper, direct mail
piece or Web site. While staff and
budget considerations factor into the final decision, every effort must be made to jazz up the jalopy

inside your advertising garage.
Clive Cussler, one of the greatest action, adventure novelists ever, told me in a letter (yes, I wrote a far letter to tim and he actually wrote back ... with advice no less) to always entertain your readers. I'll take that sound advice

thank you Mr. Cussler — one
step further and say businesses

everywhere should strive to entertain potential clients.

Here's why:

Stand out. The better the design, the better the chances someone will read it. Sift through your mail and pay attention to what catches your eye. Four-color publications, newsletters and postcards always stand out from the crowd. While that may not be in your budget, two-color publica-tions might. Use whatever color tions might. Use whatever color you can. It'll help the quality, and directly affect how, or if, it's read.

 Reputation. Creative layouts sit better with potential clients. If they see you're making an honest effort to dazzle them, they're more likely to spend money with you.

Take the time and effort to put together quality pieces, slogans and Web sites, and see how your clients react. They may clip out the work and save it on their cubi-

the work and save it on their cubicle or office wall for others to see. How's that for stretching the advertising budget?

• Morale. If you're a really small business the whole staff is involved in some way of creating a marketing piece. Keeping it black and white, or in some boring, overdone card stock is kind of like pumping elevator music through a brand new surround sound systems. brand new surround sound sysbrand new surround sound sys-tem. You re not taking advantage of your office's full potential. Everyone has a creative side. Have some fun with design and let everyone pitch in and see what develops. Not only will you have a nice looking piece, but also you'll install a sense of pride that's sure to ripple through your staff into everyday tasks. ryday tasks.

If given the chance, be creative. There are places and times for dealing in black and white, but if you can avoid it, do so, if you do, I bet those campaigns will sell themselves and you'll have more time to deal with that huge monopoly, or conglomerate we like to call the 800-pound slippery, slimy, ring-nosed, hook-scarred, flopping on the ground while choking down a piece of while bread catfish.

Tim Kissman is the Director of Publications for the Small Business Association of Michigan.

# **Oakland County hosts**

small business seminars

Business owners and entrepreneurs who need assistance invited to attend seminars in July 2002 offered by Oakland County's Business Center. All classes require pre-registration and will be held at the Oakland County Executive Office Building 34 East, 1200 N. Telegraph, in Pontiac Call 248-858-0783 for directions

Call 248-858-0483 for discussions and registration.

How to start a business is a seminar for anyone thinking about going into business. Participants examine their entrepreneurial skills, learn how to implement their ideas and receive a list of pitfalls to avoid when a list of pitfalls to avoid when starting a business. The class runs from 9 a.m. to noon on July 11. The fee is \$30 and includes the "Starting a Business in Oakland County" book published by the Oakland County Planning and Economic Development Services. Space is limited. Representatives of the Michigan Small Business Development. Small Business Development Center (MI-SBDC) conduct this

The Sm Workshop is a seminar on finance options for small business owners. In this workshop, participants will learn what a banker



looks for in a loan application. how a lender analyzes an applica-tion, the "5 C's of Credit," essen-tial financial statements and SBA's Loan Guaranty Programs. The workshop will be held July 18, from 8:45 a.m. to noon. The fee is \$20 per person and includes program materials and refresh-

How to Write a Business Plan is a workshop for small business owners who are developing a plan to serve as their road map to success. The class is held on July 25, from 9 a.m. to noon. The fee is from 9 a.m. to noon. The fee is \$40, which includes all materials. Space is limited. Representatives of the Michigan Small Business Development Center conduct this

Oakland County Planning and Economic Development is www.co.oakland.mi.us



#### **Business in brief**

#### Kanamori promoted to VP at Mitsubishi EA

Northville Township-based Mitsubishi Electric Automotive announced the promotion of Kazunori "Randy" Kanamori to vice president of audio/video and communications products. Mr. Kanamori will oversee all efforts for the audio, video and entertainment business of MEAA in Detroit, an automotive sales and Corporation

#### Arch Associates meets ISO quality standards

Associates, LLC of Arch Northville has initiated discount priced web-based ISO 9001:2000 quality standards, auditing, certifled auditor transition, and FMEA training. This growth provides cost effective client support

customized/onsite productivity and quality system consulting and training activities. Web-based classes provide CEUs upon successful completion.

#### ATC names Gollapudi project manager

Uday K. Gollapudi, P.E. has joined ATC Associates Inc. (ATC) as a Project Manager in its Novi, Michigan office. Gollapudi has more than eight years of experience in environmental, geotech-nical and civil/site engineering. In the environmental field, he has performed environmental site assessments, remedial investiga tions, feasibility studies, remedi-ation system design and regula-tory compliance assistance. His

eotechnical work includes a surface evaluations for multi-story buildings, bridges, towers and airports. In civil/site engi-neering, Gollapudi's experience includes property condition assessmen properties, site engineering plan-ning and design, and construcning and design, and construc-tion cost estimates.

Gollapudi most recently served

as a Civil Engineer for William A. Kibbe & Associates in Saginav He earned a M.S. in Geological Engineering from South Dakota School of Mines and Technology.



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# Sultan of Swat in Oakland County

# Novi's Matt Gorman smacks two-run homer to lead way to Oakland win

When a games is dubbed an "All-Star Game," some folks have to sit back and wonder just how good the players selected are — well, if you were witness to the Third Annual HomeTown Newspapers Baseball All-Star

Newspapers Baseball All-Star Game June 20, you need not wonder any more.

The Oakland County All-Stars got down and dirty against the Livingston County All-Stars in a game that found Oakland pulling out the late-inning 6-4 victory. The win cante as Novi's Matt Gorman stepped to the plate and cranked out a two-run homerum.

Gorman stepped to the plate and cranked out a two-run homerun in the eighth inning to seal the win. The Oakland squad was trailing heading into the eighth, 4-3, after gathering three runs in the sixth inning. Lakeland's Paul Maxwell drew a walk to start the inning off before Gorman stepped to the plate and sent his shot salling over the fence.

stepped to the plate and sent his shot salling over the fence.

"I just love it when pitchers bring it just about knee high and right over the plate," Gorman said. "I would have to say that this was one of the more relaxed games I played this year, and I'm glad I came out to play with these

guys one last time."

The game was a tight contest through all nine innings of play as both squads came out fired up and ready to play. The defense

All-Star Baseball Game

was spectacu lar at points of the contest, showing exactly why these players were named All-Stars. In the third inhing, HomeTown Livingston's

Craig Reynolds smacked a rope to the gap between third and short, but a diving grab in the air by Lakeland third base-man Tony Wiseman stopped the ball before Wiseman rose to his knee and picked Reynolds off at free with a streng throw.

It's with a strong throw.

Livingston had it's fair share of impressive defensive showing as well. Two outs were notched against the Oakland team as a deep hit to right center brought Milford's Jordan Delling from second base and rounding for home. Brighton's Brian Cogley hurled the ball from his position in the outfield and managed to get the ball to home in time for the tag to end the Oakland

Livingston, which is comprised of Pinckney, Howell, Hartland, Brighton and Fowlerville, man-aged to carve a score for themaget to carve a store to tens-selves in the fourth inning, capi-talizing on an error and two stolen bases as well as three hits to snag three runs off of Lakeland pitcher Gary Newbold. Novi's Trevor Scott didn't have

Novi's Trevor Scott didn't have the greatest pitching performance either and had to deal his way through a very hot Livingston batting crew in the fifth inning as a solo homer found its way out of left center for a 4-0 lead.

"It was a very competitive game," Novi's Trey Simpson said of the contest. "You spend four years playing against most of these guys and you really don't know what their personality is like. These guys seem to want to have a lot of fun. They joke around and it's nice to not see them all straight-faced like you them all straight-faced like you

do when you play against them."
The sixth inning turned the game into the Oakland Show as Lakeland's Kris Janssen led off with a single followed by a ground out to first by Wiseman before Paul Maxwell flew out to center field. It wasn't until the boys from Novi stepped up to bat that the rally started. Scott col-lected two strikes before singling to right-center to bring Janssen home from second to get the first Oakland points on the board.

Oakland coach Rick Green took advantage of the game's lax free-substitution rule and brought in Gorman as a pinchrunner. The speedy Novi senior stole second before scoring on a single by Milford's John Cotcher. Cotcher, one of the two final Cottner, one of the two inna Millord Redskins playing baseball, advanced to second on the throw to the plate before getting for third on a passed ball. The third and final score of the inning came on a wild pitch that

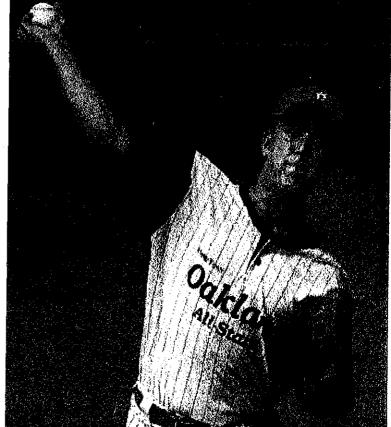
inning came on a wild pitch that found Cotcher scampering home for the run and drawing closer to Livingston, 4-3.

"It was a lot of fun to see these guys play again," Coach Green said after the game. "It looked like it was going to be pretty close for a while there."

The eighth inning found all the relief Oakland would need as

relief Oakland would need as Gorman slapped his two-run homer before Cotcher scored on another wild pitch for a two-run advantage, 6-4.

The game's ninth inning found Livingston attempting to make the final-inning comeback as



Novi's Brandon Davis was the Oakland starting pitcher and held his own. The deciding factor in the game proved to be the KVC's golden boy, Matt Gorman — he hit a two-run dinger to lead the squad to victory.

Novi's Mike Orawford walked the first batter before coaxing Howell catcher Tony Murray into a game-ending double play to end the contest the contest

"That last double play sure was sharp," Green said, "This is a great experience for these kids."

Many of these top-notch ath-letes will go on to play college ball, while others won't be able to take that next step in their athletic careers. Some, like Gorman, will choose to play in other games like football and will just remember the great times they

had as Oakland County baseball players through their high school

careers.

The strange thing for two of the players will be their final claim to fame — they were the last Milford Redskins to take to the field of play. Milford will be officially changing their school mascot from the Redskins to the Mavericks beginning next sea-son, but that didn't change the way Delling and Cotcher felt about playing in the All-Star game as the Last of the Redskins.

for baseball, Delling, who plans to play baseball at Central Michigan University, told the Milford Times. "It was nice finally getting to know some of these guys we've been classified." getting to know some of these guys we've been playing against all year.

"They're not as bad as I thought they were," he joked.

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# Oakland girls fall in tough softball match



When the dust settled on HomeTown Newspaper's Third Annual

again victorious, winning all three games in the series history. This year, the Oakland County team prevalled 6-4.

baseball All-Star game, the Oakland County team was once

Photo by TODD VANSICKLE Jenni Fuhs of Lakeland puts the tag on Fowlerville's Kim Mills during the All Star game at

#### Livingston takes 2-1 overall series lead in All-Star contest

By Sam Eggleston

It probably wasn't the showing at Walled Lake Western head coach Ron Repicky expected when he agreed to take on the duties as the coach for the Oakland County Allcoach for the Oakland County All-Star softball team as they took on the Livingston All-Stars in the Third-Annual HomeTown Newspapers All-

least he had a good time The Oakland squad took a punishing loss to the over-powering Livingston girls, who were coached by Fowlerville's Amy Jarvis, as they fell 9-4 in the contest.

"It was a tough game with a lot of really good players in it," Repicky said after the contest. "I wasn't sure what the outcome was going to be, but I knew that it was going to be tough for either team to win.

And tough it was. It really came down to a battle of the pitchers as Oakland relied heavily on the throw-ing ability of Lakeland's Kira Maloney and Livingston turned to hurler of Fowlerville with the victory, settling down after a shaking first two innings in the con-test as she walked four and allowed a single that resulted in two Oakland County runs, and gave up only three more hits and one walk while posting the complete-game while striking out

six batters.
"I was a little nervous before the game but it was cool," Downing told David Troppens of the Livingston County Daily Press and Argus.

Downing had to pitch the entire game because the Livingston County team had just one hurler. "It took me

team had just one funer. It does not a little bit to get the hang of things, but it was fun.
"Once I started getting ahead in the count I felt better. I was behind in the count early but then I started getting ahead and I had more confi-dence. And the runs helped too."

Maloney noted that even though was still a good time to be had by all-"We came out here to have fun and

that's what we did," she said. "I didn't have the greatest pitching per-formance of my career, but I had a good time. I think we all did."

The Oakland All-Stars led the game 2-0 after the second inning before Livingston cut the advantage to 2-1 in the bottom of the inning before taking the lead for good and not looking back after a six-run third

"They just kept scoring in that inning," Novi's Victoria Kaiser sald. "We wanted to win that game too, but I think they came out to play and just wanted to win more than we did."

When all was said and done, it didn't really matter what the score was at least not to Repicky.

"Everybody played and that's all that matters," Repicky said. "I don't know any of the girls and they don't know me. We just moved people around and tried to give everyone as much playing time as we con whatever happens, happens.

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# All-Star contest positives

Besides a nasty sunburn 1 got on my arms and neck, I would have to say the Third-Annual HomeTown naner Softhall All-Star games were quite the

With the guidance of some of the best coaches in our area, the Oakland County All-Stars ended up splitting their Stars ended up splitting their games against Livingston County. The softball team fell 9-4 and the baseball teath earned a close 6-4 victory as they scored three runs in the top of the sixth inning and three more in the eighth.

For the softball team, the girls definitely played admirably against a very admirably against a very tough Livingston squad. Our tougn Livingston squad. Our area was represented well by the likes of Liz Stevens, Victoria Kalser and Megan Colligan of Novi as well as Samantha Cooke and Ashley Knicely of Northville. Walled Lake Western sent its fatr share of players to the game as well. Nicole Tucker and Laura Bell made appearances along with coach Ron along Repicky.

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# Stay cool when working out

removal and loss of water from a body. It can show its ugly head at prefty much any time during the summer months, especially when the heat index starts to make its way into - to heat, go directly to the emergency -

Once the heat index starts to get to start watching their outdoor work-

during those workouts should be replaced before they begin working workout regularly out of door and in out again, he said. When it starts to get hot, they should really check. According to Dewey, a balanced diet themselves and monitor their weight. is important and a steady supply of

They should seek immediate treatment if they start to have cramping."

For those who are looking to get in the said. "Get cooled down, drink stats outo your career record from a drive you to the emergency room or cautions last season, there is one things you should keep an eye out for — deby dration. — When the dration is so and siarts cooking your internal root down, "Dowey said. "As the heart In reality, deliveration is the organs, it is extremely dangerous and rate increases, so does your chances

into the 90s and such, athletes need - geney room or call and ambulance, doors tills summer, should weigh out quick than too late and with the themselves before and after every symptoms further along that antici-

Avoiding delighration is a multi-

ties now and then," Devey added. "Athletes need to have a good intake dehydration include muscle cranips and getting woozy and light headed. Forther stages of dehydration include light-colored clothing while working lots and lots of sweating and changer out will help avoid additional heat indoors or into the shade and getting hands before the sweating stops due - being drawn to your body, as well as - plenty of liquids such as water. I

not just athletes looking to workout a good workout this summer in some water. If they cant lower their hopes of making the varsity squad at body temperature immediately and it leart conditions can easily suffer from dehydration if they are not your high school or to add those extra doesn't delay it at all, have someone careful and follow the necessary pre

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physician can screen you and hope-fully eatch anything before it haproom or call 913.

"When in doubt go to the emergens," Dewcy also said that supplements."

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outs, said fied Dewy, a trainer from the specially into our that can recognize the symptoms of dehydration is the avoided as well, as shown with the Information little. Between noted that arbitetes, especially those looking to workout out the special point of the said. It is better to find the special player Corey Stringer of the Minneson's Certainly, no one is going to workout out the said. It is better to find the specially those looking to workout out. University of Florida running back of Eraste Autin.

> watched for off-season use of supplements," Dewey said. "They increase dehydration, which is one of the reasons we discourage their use. The use of supplements makes dehydration more pronounced and it has a greater effect and it happens quicker. We like to discourage the use of those, especially when athletes hav a lot of conditioning to do and such." attempt to cool down via stepping



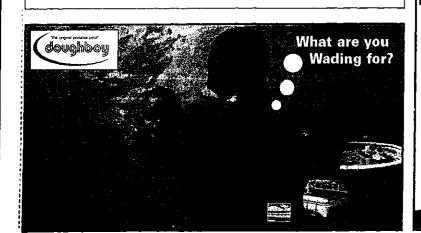
#### Northville Broncos headed for World Series

The Northville Broncos 15 year old team won six straight games in the Kalamazoo invitation the Westside Warriors elite team in the final game with a score of 7-4. Front row (left to right): Greg Jones, Andrew Gonyea, Bobby Henderson, Rick Birdsall, Robbie Riehl, Andrew Smith; Back Row:Coach Max Riehl, Doug Thomsen, Josh Szatkowski, Jonathan Marshall, leghier, David Van Horn, Rob Moffat, Chris Carey, Coach Aaron Knieper



#### Jaguars earn nuge victory

Congratulations to the Novi Jaguars U-10 girls' soccer team for their championship victory at the Warrior Classic Tournament in Dayton, Ohio May 25-27. Team members are: Back row — Coach Mamie Giller, Courtney Lauz, Heather Schramm, Taylor Pyden, Morgan Haffey, Caroline Castelli, Ellen Brinza and Coach Erin Norton, Bottom Row-Laurer Evasic, Nicki Woodruff, Carley McQuiston, Mary Reid, Leah Topper, Alli Howard and



#### Hurricanes sweep through Novi

The Novi Hurricanes won the 14 and under Gold Division Roller Hockey League

Championship at SoccerZone May 19. The team was formed in March by 10 eighth-grade students from Novi Middle School, all with roller and ice hockey experience. They essentially chose their positions and coached themselves to the championship. This season was the first that the team played togethe and they won six of eight regular season games.

In the playoffs, the Hurricanes defeated both the first- and second-place teams. Their semi-final game against the second-place team was quite exciting as it ended in a tie game with a scoreless overtime and a shoot-out to finally determine the winner. May 19 found the Hurricanes playing their final game — this one for the championship —

and coming away with the victory 6-4. The team (pictured above) consists of (from left to right): Top Row: Ryan Fox, Steve Rousseau, Nick Kroll, Ben Genise; Bottom Row: Brent Neville, Matt Renner, Greg Morissette, Chad Tindall, Kenny Michalzuk and Tim Senter.



# All-Area Boys Track and Field team is platinum

younger brother Max (left), age 14, and be heading to the Hubert H. 2002 was the last year of the Milford Redskins. It was also the year of the Milford Redskins. The Minnesota in hopes of capturing a Olympics Tae Kwon Do tournament. Both Phillips brothers, of Novi, capboys' team returned to its rightful tured gold here in Michigan to earn hance to fight against the bestf-the-best in the nation's premier Tae Kwon Do Junior Olympic showdown. Benjamin will be competing in his age roun with a brown belt in the martial with a blue belt. The competition, reflected in the fast relay times which will be held June 30-July 4, will play host to nearly 8,000 participants But our all-area team, though n across the United States The elder Phillips found himself with mother gold medal as he took first in the Michigan Governor's Cup tourney

Tae Kwon Do is the way to go

Benjamin Phillips (right), age 14, and

recently while his younger sibling brought home the bronze. Both Tae

Kwon Do students' home dolang is in

3.200-meter relay

Milford 7:54.41 in what is traditionally one of minute mark during the regular season. They were on pace to do it in the MITCA state championship but a dropped baton foiled that plan. They went into the MHSAA state finals with a makeshift lineup of Kyle Harris,

110-meter hurdles

Scott Kortlandt Novi 14.83
He always seems to come so close to making the state cut, but always falls just short. That is the story of Scott Kortlandt's track career as he tried and tried to make the cut but just couldn't do it. As a consolidation prize, he has a Novi High School record in his name as well as being one of the most respected hurdlers in

Milford coach Chris Ceresa called it the Year of Jim Presley. He wondhad 00 meters in all-but one dual meet and was the KVC and regional champion. He ran it in Novi athlete was one of four in 10.8 seconds on his home track to set a school record at the regional. As is often the case with

high-caliber sprinters, Presley is bad bunch to be associated with, also a highly-regarded football eh? As a senior, BuWalda hoped

Milford 1:31.4

place alop the KVC standings, won its regional, won the Michigan Interscholastic Track

Misord's program is best known for its field events and distance running but that all changed this Coaches Association team state season thanks to a white hot finals and sent its largest-ever class of junior sprinters. Kyle contingent of athletes to the Plummer, Dan Wheatley, Nick MHSAA state meet. What put Milford over the top was their 1:31.4 at the regional, breaking strong roster of sprinters, as the school record in the process. 1,600 meter run Tim Moore Novi 4:14.0

Milford-centric, doesn't complete-ly belong to the 'Redskins, How can it when, for instance, they're in the same conference as Novi the more wasn't much less expect-ed from a runner like Novi's Moore when he stepped onto the in the same conference as Novi throck at the states to burn out all-American distance runner this impressive time. A two-time state champion this year in track Area track and field team. Think it could win a dual meet or two?

Milford's best events, the The longer the run, the more like- wins always came at the end of Redskins didn't break the eight-Milford 43.27 Kyle Plummer, Dan Wheatley, Nick Mayersky and Jim Presley became the first Milford 4x100 Dan Pitcock, Casey Barnes and team to qualify for the state finals sons. Dan DeRusha and hopes of run-ning 7:56. Instead they ran 7:54.41 to place fifth in the state. in Ceresa's 20-year tenure as coach. This group had the speed, but didn't always get the hand-offs down cleanly. That wasn't a

> the Redskins clicked and ran a a new school record 43.27 seconds. They finished sixth in Division I.

400-meter dash sprinter. He just happens to be in the same class at the same school as Jim Presley. No complaints, though - look at how many relays

problem at the state meet where

prospect with scholarship offers from Michigan and Michigan impact year, and that's exactly state.

State.

reached at Novi High.

days, when he set the state record in the 800. That's fine and good, but it's a long way removed from the Division I state finals in Rockford, Especially in the 800 meters, a man's race in which DeRusha was just a sophomore, Apparently his legs didn't know the difference as he placed fifth. Air Force Academy over the next

200-meter dash Jim Presley Milford 22.6 Presley won the 200 meters in Here's HomeTown East's All-here's HomeTown East's All-and field, Moore pondered run-ning the event in the Adidas first in the event at both the could win a dual meet or two? but changed his mind, stating it in 22.6 seconds to win the that he is pretty much out of his clement in races that don't have more than 3000 meters in them. How impressive is that those ly Moore is going to excel in it — meets after Presley had already or should that be accelerate? — meets after Presley had already turned in workhorse performance. turned in workhorse performances in the relays. This was a byproduct of the physical and mental maturity Presley found this season, which his coach said only tasted defeat once in a regu-is a common occurrence once lar season meet — and he was

3,200 meter run
Tim Moore Novi 8:58.22
There's little more that can be said about a sub-nine-minute mark in the 3,200 meter run other than "wow." That word pretty much describes Novi's Moore as well — and All-American runner in this event Dan Wheatley Milford 51.9 after taking third in the run regional, where he finished second and qualified to the state KVC, Wheatley would be the top Addas Track and Field National received where he made 20-10 1/2 Championships this month. Notre Dame is going to be sitting pretty with the likes of this runner in their ranks.

Championships this month. to place 11th in Division I). He was also the KVC champion. Sam Eggleston is the sports

Shot put Korey Padilla 51-3

Though generally considered to be better in the discus, Padilla uncharacteristically disappoint ing performance in the other 800-meter run
Dan DeRusha Milford 1:54.8
Track geeks have known of
DeRusha since his middle school
Tecture-inches.

Dan St. Clair Novi 157-4.5 "Air" St. Clair, as he was so kindly dubbed this year, will be serving his country as an officer handful of years. The Novi High School record holder for the discus, St. Clair managed to notch this throw on a bad hamstring that pretty much had him side-

Brad Skaglin Lakeland 13-0 Skaglin cleared 13 feet at the regional, winning the title and becoming the only Eagle to quali-

High jump Alan Shanoski Northville 6-4 As a freshman for the Northville Mustangs, Shanoski but bright for an athlete who did n't dip below the six-foot mark this season and went on to take sixth place in the state meet in

Long jump Rantz Teeple South Lyon 21-4 Teeple made this jump of 21-feet-four-inches at the Milford



There was no doubt that Tim Moore was going to be one of the headliners on this year's HomeTown East's All-Area boys' track



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Kira Maloney lets one rip against the Livingston County girls.

# Softball: Oakland falls

these games are always fun. The ds are loose as far as who wins or ioses. They show the competitive riess when they are at but but when they are in the dugout everyone days loose and that's what it's all

son starring catcher to work with either. Oakland turned to Kalser to take the duty behind the plate thanks to her brief experience in the gear this season, while Livingston sked Abby Smith to take the role for them. Neither catcher was afraid to make the pick-off though as all threw at runners stealing throughout the contest. Smith even maded to mail a numer in the

action uning of the game as she ied to take second on a steal.

Tjust saw her go and I had to get

the HomeTown Newspaper coverage area - when the smoke cleared it was only Novi's Megan Colligan who was standing. Colligan won the hit-ting competition, breaking a tie in the final round with five hits, includ ing a home ron over the fence in

"It was awesome getting to pla one final time with Ashley (Knicely of Northvillel before summer league began," Northville's Samantha Cooke said, "We've had a lot of fun playing together these past three years and we've gotten closer as the years progressed. Getting to play on the same team one final time was

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Sam Eggleston is the sports writer for the Northville Record and the Novi News. He can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 104 or at segociere the contest, the Oakland Troppens of the Livingston County
All Stars and the Livingston AllStars faced off in a litting contest to
this story. All-Area girls track and field crew is full of top-shelf talent

By Sam Eggleston

How tough is the competition or this year's All-Area Girls' Track and Field team? It's more than tough. South Lyon sophomore Kiersten Isgrigg is largely to "blame" for keeping many fine athletes off the list she took four of the all-area slots herself following a season in which isgrigg establish herself as one of the state's elite sprinters and hurdlers, Northville managed to notch a couspots, but Novi couldn't get the eded numbers.

3,200-meter relay filford 9:37.2

onship with this time and the team of Shannon DeRusha, Lisa Canty, Fiffany Kaid and Connie Malllinson.

Kiersten Isgrigg S. Lyon 14.3 strigg was airstate in the 100 righ uirdles, third in Rockford with an lectronic-timed 14.49 seconds. Her

fastest race was at the Tecumseli Relays — 14.3 seconds, a school

Kiersten Isgrigg S. Lyon 12.5 Though best-known for her exploits as a hurdler. Isgrigg can just plain go, as well, as she proved by nunning a 12.5 100 meters in a dual

Jill Staniszeski, Jen Tulpa, Connie Mallinson and Whitney Fuelling ran this time at the Milford regional.

Heather Moehle Northville 5:37 This girl is like energy trapped in a bottle — she just keeps bounding off of one surface to another. It is

quite the feat to run one long dis pance event and be the best in it before turning around and doing again in a race that is double the length. This junior Mustang will rove to be quite the leader next season as she helps forge the way into the state finals for herself and other Northville track and field

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and at the Clarkston Invitational. with the team of Colleen Johnson len Tulpa. Connie Mallinson and

400-meter dash Connie Mallinson Milford 58.43 Mallinson won the KVC title in the 400 all four of her years in a Milford uniform and won two-straight regionals, as well. Her 58.43 at the Division I state meet was good for eighth-place and set a new school record. In June, at the Midwest

Meet of Champions, Mallinson ran

**Kiersten Isgrigg S. Lyon 44.5** Isgrigg placed in the state as a freshman. A year later she was so Her best time came in the Oakland

800-meter run
Devon Rupley Northville 2:16.6
When one looks to the numbers

that Rupley produced this season they would be hard pressed to believe that she was only a sopho-more. This Mustangs runner made quite the impact at the state level as she took second behind Division I's lefending champion in the 800 — who just happens to be a senior. Look for this talented athlete to be quite the point-gathering runner next season as she blows away the competition in the WLAA as well as

Counie Mallinson Milford 2:16.6 in a terrific race with Rockford's Nikki Bohnsack at the MITCA state meet. Mallinson may have finished second but she did it with one of he fastest times in Michigan this

Kiersten Isgrigg S. Lyon 26.0 She ran the 200 in 26 seconds flat to win the regional. At the Division I meet Isgrigg finished the prelims in 26.84 seconds, one of the fastest electronic times in the state all sea-

Heather Mochle Northville lun, run. run — that's all you ever do, Moehle. This amazing distance

on the board for the Northvill

runner helped notched some points

though she was even running to her fullest potential due to possible frac tures in her legs. A strong runner with the will to succeed, Moehle is going to be a huge factor in the tern Lakes Activities Associatio as well as the regional and state meets next season.

Milford 4:03.43 This season-best time earned the edskins fifth-place at the Division I

Shot put Kristin Donovan Lakeland 36-8 Guaranteed points for the Eagles all season, Donovan was the regional runner-up in both the shot put and discus and threw 36-8 to win the

Kristin Donovan Lakeland 115-3 Though just a sophniore, Donovan has been breaking school records it the throws since she was a freshman. This latest record was estab fished at the Division I state mee

Colleen Johnson Milford 10-0 Throughout the season Johnson mate Jena Amell took finally stood at 10-0, which Johnson cleared to win the regional

High jump
Whitney Fuelling Milford 5-4 Though only a sophomore, Fuelling did It all for Milford's KVC championship team. She was a mainstay in the relays and set a school record in the 200 meters. In the high jump she cleared 5-4 a couple times, in a dual meet in April and at the state finals, where she finished eighth.

Northville senior Maggie Ossola wanted to end her season with a bang, and although she didn't mak abilities, she notched a spot on the All-Area track team. This long-legged multi-sport athlete was a factor in every thing she did this season, but Nancy Smith's first seasor as head coach wouldn't have been as productive as it was without this work horse of the team.



4x800 meter in a home track

Kate Maxwell Lakeland 17-1 The all-state hurdler also had time to make her second state final with a fump of 16-9 after placing

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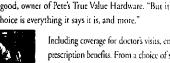
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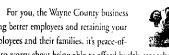


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# Baseball team takes second in Indiana

women's swim and dive squad. This season she swam times of 25.46 and

2:03.67 in the 50-meter freestyle and

Invitational, Wrobel turned in a time of 55.26 in the 100 free. Her personal

best time was in a first-place finish

against Cincinnati in the 50 free with a

time of 24.52. Her coach, Coach Hovland, said "Sheryl Is one of our

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Midwest had to offer. Novi Carpet, coached by Mike Hart, Gary Zorza and Chuck Nickels, brought 11 players to the tournament and beat five teams in a row to advance to the championship game. Novi Carpets roster was all Novi residents while the tournament teams were basically Sorensen chipped in with three All-Star Recruited teams.

Game 1 saw a complete game pitching performance by Mark Sorensen versus Warsaw. Indiana. The hitting attack was return from a game one knee paced by Steve Gawronski (sin-

complete game in a 6-2 win ver Illinois Express. Matt

Next Level Athletes

The Next Level Athletes portion of the sports section is dedicated to the men and women who have taken their talents and their dedication to the sports they love to the part level of connection.

next level of competition. It is here

we are able to applaud them for

their efforts and their successes at

Sheryl Wrobel, Junior, Oakland Iniversity - Sheryl Wrobel, a 5-foot-

had two singles and Kerry Kreutzberg had four RBIs includ-ing a bases-loaded double. Game 4 was a slugfest with Novi coming out on top, 15-13, over the Lake Michigan Breakers. Matt Nickels homered while Mark hits. Mike Hart picked up a key innings to finish the game. Game 5, which was a semi-final game, saw Adam Zorza

injury which kept him idle for hits. The game was put out of Game two saw Mike Hart pitch reach with a late inning grand Adam Zorza, Steve Gawronski, siam by Adam Brandau who fin- Matt Nickels, Kerry Kreutzberg, ished the game with five RBIs.

Game 3 was yet another com-plete game pitching gem by Steve Gawronski in a 7-5 win over Indiana Mayericks, Doug Benton finally caught up with them. Nov. jumped out to a 7-0 lead after Novi was sparked by 13-year-old pitcher Steve Hart who was

Throughout the tournament, timely hits were delivered by Dan The Novi Carpet roster for the tournament included Benton, Josh Buck, Adam Brandau, Mark Sorensen, Mike Hart, Steve Hart, Dan Morrison,

Next Level Athletes includes for

mer athletes from the readership area of the Northville Record, Novi

News and the Lake Area Times.

The Next Level Athletes are individ

Vikings, coached by Chuck Apap, will be holding various football camps this summer. camp geared toward sopho-

Basketball Camp The Northville High School Girls and Boys Basketball Staffs

are hosting a basketball camp July 8-12. The fifth-through-seventh grades camp is from 9-11:30 a.m. and eighth-andninthg grades from noon-2:30 p.m. each day. All athletes should have workout clothes Cost for the camp is \$85 and price is discounted to \$100.

checks should be payable to Northville High School Basketball. Call the Athletic Office at (248) 344-8414 with questions or directions on how to obtain a flyer for more information.

Coaching positions avail-

and gym shoes.

**Sports Shorts** 

Walled Lake Consolodated School recently announced they have openings for the fol-lowing positions for Walled Lake Northern: head volleyball coach, assistant volleyball coach and head wrestling for Walled Lake Central: head volleyball coach: volleyball coach and assistant olleyball coach.

If interested in any of the above positions, please con-tact Dave Yarbrough at [248] Yarbrod@walledlake.k12.mi.us

Next Level Athletes department is looking for subnissions for the Next Level

legiate, semi-pro, professional and minor league players (please e-mail first if other levels).

Please e-mail submissions to seggleston@ht.homecomm.net or mail them to The Northville Record, 104 W. Main Street Northville, MI. 48167, Please include name, year and college as well as the sport and posi-

attending. The camp will be held July 8-10 and the cost is

July 15-17 will be the dates for a high school Wing-T camp geared toward sophomores juniors and seniors as well as both camps listed above, the

A camp for sixth grade through ninth grade will be conducted July 22-25. The first two days of the camp will focus on the Wing-T offense while the last two days will focus on defense. All four days of the camp are \$60.

If interested in signing up for the camp or for more information, contact Coach Chuck Apap at Walled Lake Central High School. (248) 956-4778.

More football camps Walled Lake Western High School's Warrior football program, coached by Mike Zdebski, will be hosting a defensive and an offensive camp this summer. Both camps are offered for players, from any school, grades sevby the WLW coaching staff and will include the fundamentals

drills and reads of the 4-4 and 4-6 defense. The offensive camp is July ballwixom@acl.com 19-21 and will include funda-

Camps are \$70 each or \$100 for both. For more information, contact Coach Mike

zdebskm@walledlake.k12.mi.u Northville football camps
The Northville Schools
Football Parents Association will be holding football clinics

this summer. The Middle School Clinic will be June 22 at 9 a.m.-The Walled Lake Central 4 p.m. hour of the Middle School Clinic will 5 shool Clinic will 5 shool Clinic will 5 shool 6 for the Middle School 6 for the Middle School 6 for the Middle School 7 for the Middle School 8 for the Middle on the game field and the cost is \$30. It is suggested that each player bring a lunch and a drink

as well as cleats and workout

be June 23 from 1-4 p.m.

The Youth clinics will be at Hillside Middle School on the plateau. No pre-registration is needed and the cost of the clin-ics will be \$15. All proceeds will go to the Northville Football-Parents Association.

football program and the goa will be to teach each participant offensive and a defensive segment. There will also be a spe cial teams segment. The goal is specifi drills for their position that they can do over the sum-

and no helmets are needed Please bring football cleats and dress in workout clothes.

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# Maxim's life used to be all about soccer

For recent Northville graduate, Ben Maxim, soccer has been a way of life since before he could walk.

"My dad used to hold me up and I would kick the ball," Maxim said of his

would kick the ball." Maxim said of his early start in the game.

Maxim will be moving off from Northville High School and will be attending Michigan State University in the fall. He plans to major in computer colorios.

"It's something that I can see myself doing for a while," he said of his pro-

posed major.

While in high school, Maxim was a three-sport athlete. He began soccer in his earlier days, and took up track in middle school, but he didn't start swimming until later in his life.
"I just did it to keep in shape," Maxim

said.

Maxim also said that he enjoys scuba

diving, which his dad introduced him to. He has gone in Ohio and Florida and said that he really enjoys it.

According to Maxim, his parents, Bruce and Norma, are very supportive of him in his athletics. His dad used to be a soccer coach in Ann Arbor also, so he has been around the game for a long time. Maxim also has a younger sister. Katherine, who is 13.
In high school, his favorite subject was

German and he plans to continue to study that as he goes on to Michigan State. He also wants to continue playing soccer in an intramural league and pos-sibly run track at the varsity level. Sports are the main thing which Maxim said he will miss most about high school.

"I think I'm going to miss the sports." he said. "The teams are so close. I'm going to miss everything."

This senior is all about sports — even those he doesn't play. Maxim said that his favorite sport to watch is college fool-

Maxim said that his closest friends in high school have been Emily Ott and Alan Law.

We have similar personalities and we all play sports together," Maxim said.

Maxim said their friendships grew
mainly because of their time together on the Northville track team.

Earlier this year, Maxim went to Myrtle Beachwith his family and friends for spring break on a trip which he said was a lot of fun. Around Northville, Maxim uses his

Around Northvile, Maxim uses his 1991 Grand Marquis, which he said he likes pretty well, to get around in. Although Maxim enjoys pretty much all types of music, he said that his favorite band is Five for Fighting.

For entertainment, Maxim said that

Ferris Beuler's Day Off was his favorite movie and that Katie Holmes is his favorite actress.

for a good meal, he enjoys going to Chili's or eating his favorite food, which is pizza.

Now as Maxim is looking to head off to Michigan State University, he is very excited about it and looking forward to the college experience. the college experience.

Maxim said, "I'm looking for-

ward to getting away and just being able to experience every-

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# Kaiser enjoyed playing the sports she loves

By Brian Doyle ECIAL WAITER

While in high school, softball for Victoria Kalser was always a big part of her life. Kalser gained a lot of friends and experience from softball and hopes to contin-ue her softball career in the

Kaiser has played varsity softball since she was a freshman and just loves playing the sport.

The always enjoyed playing,"
Katser said. "I've been playing since I was in kindergarten.
Katser got her start on softball at a young age after watching her sister. Katle, who is seven years older than ber player.

"My sister played softball so I aiways looked up to her." Kalser said. "I always enjoyed her games when I was little."

Kaiser also said that her entire family has been very supportive of her in athletics. Besides her older sister, she also has an older

brother, donathon, who is 19. "We're really close," Kaiser said

f the siblings.

Her parents, Tina and Stephen Kaiser, have always helped her out in athletics..

They've come to almost every

single game of mine," Kaiser said.

Kaiser hopes to continue her athletic career next year at Oakland Community College. "I'm trying to get a hold of the OCC coach to talk about soft-ball," she said.

ball," she said.

While in high school, Kaiser also played soccer and volleyball, though not at the varsity level. Kaiser had to choose between soccer and softball because the seasons conflicted and ended up playing softball

playing softball. As one of two freshman on the varsity team her first year of high school, she said that she became really close to the other freshon the squad, Megan

Coingan.
"Megan and I both made varsity our freshman year and we got closer because we were the only freshman at the varsity level," she said.

Kaiser has also formed friendships with Liz Stevens and Emily Major through softball. She also said that she has yery close friendships with Jessica Hokett, Lindsay Sorrentino and Mellissa

While at Novi High School, Kaiser said that her favorite sub-jects were those in science. She also said that she really liked the teachers, Mr. Dunbar and Mr.

Langley.
"They're just nice and you can talk to them and they give you good advice."

When she's just hanging out, Kaiser enjoys listening to R&B and rap music. She doesn't have a favorite artist but said that she really likes Britney Spears. She attended Spears concert on Monday night. in other forms of entertain-

ment, Kaiser likes watching movies with Freddie Prinze Jr., Brad Pitt or Julia Roberts in them. She said that her favorite movie is Pretty Woman and that she also has a connection with Julia Roberts.

Julia Roberts.
"Some people say that I kind of look like her," Kaiser said.
Kaiser also enjoys going out to any Mexican restaurant and said that her favorite food is ice

Earlier this year, Kaiser went to Panama City for spring break and said that she really enjoyed "It was the best time of my

life, ' she said. Now, as Kaiser leaves Novi High School behind her, she said



Victoria Kaiser

that she enjoyed her years their and will miss her friends and is very grateful to her softball com-

"I enjoyed high school," Kaiser said. "I'm going to miss all my friends especially all the softball girls and I wanted to thank them."

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# All-Star: Very positive

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The baseball team was only represented by Novi from this area, as Western's and Northville's players were all wrapped up with previous engagements. Matt Gorman, Mike Crawford, Trey Simpson. Brandon Davis, Trevor Scott and Ty Mohr all showed their proud Wildedt stripes as they took to the field to help represent our communities. In fact, Gorman showed why we are so Gorman showed why we are so eager to get such top-shelf ath-letes into this game as he cranked out a two-run homer in the eighth inning to help the Oakland All-Stars take the lead and the eventual victory.

Novi's own Rick Green took the helm for the Ali-Star team, coaching them to victory against the likes of very tough Livingston County seniors

Novi definitely should be roud of their All-Stars — and Gorman wasn't the only one to make some noise. In the hitting contest before the softball game, Colligan found herself trailing other Oakland players in the point totals, but managed to make it to the final round where she gathered 15 points to blow the competition out of the water. She stepped up to the plate, took a deep breath, and put Casey at the Bat to shame. Mudville was wishing Colligan wore their pinstripes as she blasted three consecutive shots

into left center field before wal loping one over the right-center fence and smashing another into right field to gather the trophy-winning points. Way to go. Colligan!

I look forward to next season when we go about doing this again. Rumor has it, though I can't verify as of yet, that we will be shooting to get the games played in either Northville or Novi — that way all of our hometown fans can comand watch these HomeTown All-

Just as a side note, I would like to thank Steve Bell, Karl Kling and Tran Longmoore of our Milford and South Lyon papers for being there to help with the game and to represent Oakland County's HomeTown Newspapers, as well as Tim Robinson and David Troppens Robinson and David Troppens for representing Livingston County's HomeTown branch. Looks like those gals out west have the series lead, 2-1, while the Oakland boys are dominating the run, 3-0. Can next year find Oakland tying up the softball season or Livingston finally notching a baseball win? Only time will tell—see you at the game next year game next year!

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