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The Sports Club of Novi will

begin its new ballet program for young dancers in August, with international talent leading the way. Sergey Rayerskiy teaches ballet class at the Novi Sports Club on a recent Thursday afternoon. — Page 13A

## By Victoria Sadiocha - Page 12/ A former Detroit Lion's defense-

man walked through the city last week on his way to Las Vegas, witnesses said. Alonzo Spellman, 30, was first noticed the moming of July 19 walking on southbound I-275 north

E Spellman

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of the Eight Mile Road exit, pulling his luggage behind him. "He was walking opposite traf-fic," Rioux said Wixom resident

**Ex-Lion found walking to Vegas** Jeff Rioux. "When I first saw him I wondered if his car broke down." After learning Spellman's identi-ty from a news report on a Detroit radio station, Rioux returned to the area, locating Spellman again at the Shell Gas Station at the corner of Haggerty Road and Grand River Avenue in Farmington Hills. "I would have given him a ride,"

Rioux said. As the former Ohio State Buckeye walked back and forth from the Farmington Hills gas sta-tion to the Novi Mobile Gas Station

at the same intersection sweating and pulling his Louis Vuitton lug gage behind him, many spectators believed something was wrong. eved something was wrong.

Spellman told them he was walking to Las Vegas to escape being caught by recording artist Janet Jackson, Witnesses said Spellman Farmington Hills police were at the scene, but did not intervene because they said Spellman wasn't doing anything illegal. Police at the scene told onlook-

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bus licket for the former Detroit Lion, who was not carrying identification.

Representatives from the station said they received about 100 phone calls wanting to know if Spellman was OK.

The incident was the second time this week Spellman attracted the attention of Metropolitan

Detroit area police. Officers from the Dearborn Police Department took Spellman into custody around 8 p.m. July 15. According to a report by WDIV-TV (Channel 4), witnesses at the scene said he kicked in the door of a home and threatened the people

He was arrested and charged with home invasion, operating a vehicle under the influence and

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## Novi's ready to rock

#### By Jane Thomas IF MANAGER

It has been 16 years since a It has been 16 years since a group of committed volunteers decided Novi needed a new com-munity event and the Michigan 50's festival was born. A great deal has changed since then. No longer is it the Michigan 50's Festival; It is now the Music and Motor Fest. As such, it is certainly not the modest community event it was at the

such, it is certainly not the modest community event it was at the beginning. For that matter, Novi is not quite the same either. Think back and you might recall that Novi Town Center was not yet constructed, Main Street wasn't even conceived, the Novi Expo Center did not exist and cable TV had just come to town. Over time, many things change; one thing that has remained the same, however, is has remained the same, however, is the support of the community for this wonderful event. Change has remained constant

change has remained constant and this event is not immune. A change in venue this year - to Main Street - precipitated many chal-lenges. The fostival this year is almost entirely outdoors. The Antique Appraisal fair will be located inside the Main Street correler which the not monieth of

be located inside the Main Street complex with the vast majority of other activities taking place right on Main Street and Market Street. While strolling through Downtown Novi you'll be able to sample food from area restaurants in a new twist on the Tastefest concept, aptly named "Chow on Main". To wash down you sampling of foods you can sit in the Budweiser Beverage Garden and listen to free entertain-ment on the Road Runner Stage. Or if you like, browse the Internet at the RoadRunner Demonstration

the RoadRunner Demonstration Trailer. Kids will enjoy the family activ-ities down Main Street including the totally free events like the Moon Walk, Petting Farm, Ice Cream Social, Pewabie Tile Pressing, Krispy Kreme donut dip-ping and much, much more. Prefer a bird's-eye view of the event? Hop in a helicopter and fly over town; rides will be available from Friday afternoon throughout from Friday afternoon throughout the weekend.

the weekend. There is great enternainment in the Entertainment Tent as well. Thursday's free concert by the Sun Messengers and Sunday's free concert by Mudpuppy surround some other great acts at very rea-sonable prices. Rocky and the Rollers perform for WCSX's Classic Class Reunion on Friday and the with Felix Cavallere's and also with Felix Cavaliere's Rascals on Saturday night. The Rascals will be performing their classic hits like "Grovin'," "Good Lovin', "It's a Beautiful Mornin', "People Got to be Free" and man



Jaguar of Novi General Manager Taso Theodorou, left, and owner Nathan Conyers proudly display their copy of the XK8 Jaguar Convertible "Austin Powers" edition last Friday morning. The Powers' "Shag-uar" will



celebrates grand opening with look of Austin Powers

Jaguar of Novi held its grand opening last Friday night, as the dealership showcased its world-class building design that is the prototype for future Jaguar deal-

at 7 p.m. on July 19, drawing about 400 people. The evening was hosted by Nathan Conyers, owner and operator of Jaguar of Novi. "We have a fabulous evening

"We have a tabutous evening planned to not only celebrate with, but thank the many people who have played important roles in helping this dealership from its inception three years ago through our first few record-traction extension that the month? Compare breaking sales months," Conyers

The grand opening boasted the dealership's spacious showroom, state-of-the-art service depart-ment and knowledgeable staff that future Jaguar dealerships will be compared to.

Also, with the popularity of the "Austin Powers" movie series and the upcoming release this month of the series' newest film, "Austin Powers in Goldmember," the event showed off the film's unforgettable auto-mobile, a repitca "Shaguar" – a Jaguar XK8 convertible. We wanted to do something

"We wanted to do something unique for our guests that invokes the passion people feel about Jaguars," said Taso Theodorou, the general munager of Jaguar of Novi. "To have the opportunity to display a replica

'Shaguar' is a great way to show case one of our most popular vehicles and enhance the image

Photo by John

vehicles and enhance the image of today's Jaguar driver — fun, daring and full of style." Jaguar of Novi is located at the corner of 10 Mile and Haggerty Roads, It is a luxury car dealership that specializes in the sale and servicing of new and select edition on re-owned select edition pre-owned Jaguars.

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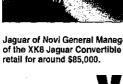


The 22nd Annual Michigan High School All Star Football

**Coming up roses** Anglin Nursery in Novi just might have the best kept secret in town — especially in the garden. Horticulturist and Novi resident Sue Anglin has poured 25 years of sweat nas poured 25 years of sweat and creative energy into the "showcase" of Anglin Nursery: Its vibrant and lush rose gar-den. Anglin Nursery employ-ees Kathleen Schmenk, left, and Abigall Saari take a look at some of the roses. — Page 20A – Page 20A

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# Jaguar of Novi

By Angelo Parlove STAFF WRITER

.. The four-hour event kicked off

Witnesses at the gas station said

ers to leave him alone and sternly explained their hands-off position to those asking the officers to help Spellman was picked up on the

about an hour wandering the inter-Reporters from the sports talk station, later said Josh took Spellman to a bus station where it was believed he boarded a bus to

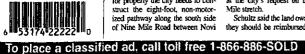
Las Vegas. It was reported that Josh had driven him there and purchased the

south side of Grand River Avenue west of Haggerty Road by a man identified by WDFN-AM (1130) reporters as "Josh" after spending

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## Novi's bike project on the right path

## Nine Mile path one step closer to reality

#### By Victoria Sadiocha STAFF WRITER

Members of the Novi City Council gave their approvals last week, progressing the city's Nine Mile Road bike path project closer to the goal of providing all area residents with a safe and pleasurable

way to trek the city. Most of the approvals gave city officials the OK to pay land owners for property the city needs to conthe eight-foot, non-motorized pathway along the south side of Nine Mile Road between Novi

Road and the Chase Farms subdivi-

Authorizations of the payments for the rights-of-way ranged from \$1 to more than \$14,000, The highest authorization for

payment was awarded to Alas Associates, LLC for \$14,360.

Novi City Attorney Thomas Schultz said the dollar amount is substantially larger than the amounts paid for other easements

amounts paid for ourse teasenteen-in the project area, According to valuation state-ments, the value of the easernent iself is \$2,052. However, the property owners requested a more than \$12,000 reimbursement for a bike path they had already constructed at the city's request on the Nine Mile stretch

Schultz said the land owners feel they should be reimbursed for the

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originally constructed path they built now that all other portions of the bike path will be paid for by the

city. Thielenhaus Microfinish Corporation donated its Nine Mile tion's property was valued at \$3,610, Road property for \$1. The corpora-

Graham Clements Management, LLC will receive \$4,800 and CSX Transportation, Inc. will receive about \$6.646 for the installation of a concrete crossing surface by the railway's contractors. The Michigan Department of

Transportation Enhancement in 1999

City officials estimate the total

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project will cost about \$437,500 with \$128,000

the

Project was originally approved Dec. 15, 2000 after a \$37,700 engineering contract for the path was awarded to JCK & Associates, Inc.

coming from Transportation Equity Act and \$309,500

coming from Clay Pearson Novi's Municipal Street Fund.

'Construction will commence on the bike path as soon as we get the last couple rights-of-way," said Novi Assistant City Manager Clay Pearson.

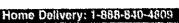
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more. Tickets are \$5 on Friday and \$10 on Saturday with kids 12 and under admitted free both days.

There will be plenty of parking for classic cars every day and espe cially for the Classic Car Show and the granddaddy of all metro Detroit cruises, the Annual Grand River Cruise on Sunday afternoon. A complete rundowa of all the

events and times can be found in the Official Guide to the Music & Motor Fest published by Hometown Newspapers or on the festival Web site at www.musican-dmotorfest.com You can also hone the festival office at (248) phone use 349-1950.

So, we are just about ready and we hope you've marked your cal-endars. Just in case you haven't and you're wondering where all you friends will be from now through July 28, we've got the answer: The whole town will be on Main Street for the Music and Motor Fest. It's the party of the year and you are the guest of honor. Don't miss it! We can't wait to see you there!



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## **Police Report**

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catery, located the reported PT

She told police that a man

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city for insufficient funds. He wa

However, the 41-year-old

Cruiser and waited until the drive Should have clicked it pulled out of the parking lot. After following the car going 30 mph in a 45 mph zone for a short distance, A 29-year-old Novi resident ived quite an expensive lesson, failing to buckle her seat belt. the police pulled the driver over after failing to buckle ner seat ben. On July 17 at about noon, a Novi According to the report, the officer smelled a strong odor of intoxi-cants and asked the Ohio man if he had been drinking. The man said police officer noticed two people inside a Chevrolet pick-up track were not wearing their seat belts. The officer palled the track over inhe had two to three beers while the area of Grand River Avenue golfing and one prior to that. He said that was at 4 p.m. After a poor performance on police adminisand Taft Road to issue the 23-yearold Novi male driver and female passenger tickets. As the officer tered field sobriety tasks, the 21 year-old blew a .136 and was thecked their drivers information, he discovered the passenger had an outstanding bench warrant for a arrested by Novi police. obation violation with bond set \$7,500. According to the report, Walled Lake the Novi woman did not have any Flasher exposed? money with her so she was arrest-ed, booked and jailed in the Novi A 43-year-old Novi woman got Police Department awaiting pick up by the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Department. an eyeful July 15 as she was sun bathing on Walled Lake's Mercer

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Collecting warrants

Trespassers beware

One resident of Novi's Island Lake subdivision has had enough and wants non-residents to know they are not allowed to use the neighborhood's lake. The 39-yearold man living in the 29000 block old man irving in the 29000 block of Leyland in the area of 11 Mile and Wixom roads called police on July 16 at about 8:30 pm. filing a trespassing complaint. The man told police he was concerned about he continued usage of the lake by people who do not have permision. The Island Lake resident values of values reaction of values of values

## Late Night Drive-Thru

processed and then paid a \$100 A 27-year-old Ohio resident bond. gave the concept of Taco Bell's Late Night Drive-Thru new mean-The next day a 39-year-old Farwell man was also transferred to the Walled Lake Police Department by Keego Harbor ing after he passed out while waitin line. The Novi Police Department received a call at Police. He was wanted by the about 1:45 a.m. on July 13 stating Walled Lake Police Department a man in the drive thru was repeatfor domestic assault and batter a man in the drive fird was repeat-celly passing out, then waking up and driving forward in line. Police remained in a jail cell until he was at the Haggerty Road arraigned.

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Illegally-placed signs confiscated in WL

The right of way is determined by the centerline of the road. Political candidates are not the only culprits breaking the city's code. People selling real estate, having garage sales and gradua-tion parties also put signs in the right of way, making it hard for drivers to see around, he said. Many people also put signs on telephone poles, which can be

By Diane Dempsey Deel

If political candidates are look

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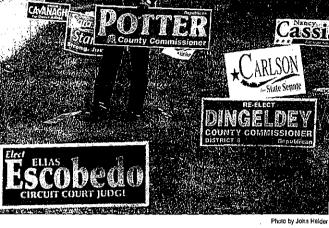
he said.

Rondeau said.

Commerce Township man said he did not intend to expose himself He told police it was an accident and that he was very embarrassed deadly for utility workers, he said, "When the signs are pulled The case has been turned over left on it." Rondeau said Tim Eggleston, the city's build-ing official, said a tiny hole in Walled Lake Police were able to telephone workers gloves could collect several people that were wanted on warrants this week. cause electrocation if they touch a think about where they place their signs. Placing signs on the other side of the sidewalk is permitted nail or screw absently left in the pole. Rondeau said the real danger from the signs is when there is an by the city. tion July 17 who was wanted in the

"They can put them on their over abundance of them at every own private property behind the sidewalk," Rondeau said. "We "A couple of them is not a big deal but when it gets to be two or like to see real estate signs within three hundred of them (through-20 ft, of the house. They're not out the city) it is a real safety haz allowed if they are in an ease-

nuisance," Rondeau said. "It's an eyesore as well."



Walled Lake Code Enforcement officer Jeff Rondeau has been extra busy recently making sure political signs adhere to the city's placement laws. These signs are legal as they're behind the sidewalk at left

Rondcau is urging everyone to only are illegally placed signs a wood. It blocked vision at the held responsible if someone was you wouldn't be able to see into "They are potential liability the intersection until you got ou issues for the city," Eggleston on the road." said. Rondeau pointed out that some

Diane Dempsey Deel is a staff signs are too large to be along any writer for the Lake Area Times. She 20 ft. of the house. They're not illowed if they are in an case-uent." "I just took one down at Maple South Commerce," Rondeau said. "It was 4 ft. by 8 ft. plycan be reached at (248) 349-1700 ext. 110 ddeel@hi.homecomm.net.

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# LAKES AREA TIMES

# **Dirt & Drain Dilemma**

## WL officials document Greenaway cleanup efforts

of the Natural Resources and Environmental Protection Act, as

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lowing their meeting on Sept. 2 1997 concerning Wolverine Lake. They discussed ways that the Vavier had also asked him to By Diane Dempsey Deel Walled Lake officials have communities in the Wolverine

TAFE WRITER

been trying to create a cleaner Greenaway Drain, documentation Lake watershed could work jointiows. Martin Hendges, nonpoint source coordinator with the Surface Water Quality Division of in Wolverine Lake. According to the letter, they dis-cussed what a watershed managehe Department of Environmenta Quality, wrote a letter to Walled ment plan could be implemented. Lake City Manager Phil Vawter They also talked about who would dated Sept. 11 1997 about Vawter's inquiries about the drain. The letter was written folbe involved in working on the plan to clean up the waters. Funding possibilities, including

It is the concentrate on the suspected trainated and leaking performance of the suspected trainated and leaking performance of the suspect of the subscription sources that are sheen into the Greenaway Drain, believed to be creating problems. The MDEQ concluded that there the MDEQ enclosed and the storage tanks at the Bundo site and the sheen in the drain was coming from a different source. They MDEQ also concluded that the site was not a source of any

type of pollution. In another letter dated July 15 Underground Storage Act In October 1995 a Phase II 1998 from the property, which

investigate whether the city-

owned Bundo property was con-

from Joseph Moore, senior proj-eet leader at Tetra Tech, described submitted to the MDEQ to comply how the city removed two leaking with the 1993 amendments to the underground storage tanks in the Leaking Underground Storage Act, been testing groundwate Leaking Underground Storage Act, which identified the extent of the past. The tanks were located between the city's fire station and impacted soil and groundwater. Moore also noted that the city the current Department of Public Works building in submitted a final assessment report to the MDEQ in October 1996, which described the city's the municipal complex. The letter showed, the city had The lefter snowed, on easy in-the tanks removed in 1990 as part

The tested water will be used in the site closure report to show that the ground water is not that the ground water is no affected by the tanks that leaked. corrective action plan or remedi-Diane Dempsey Deel is a staff The MDEO

Since that time, the city has

been testing groundwater in the area of the removed underground

storage tanks on a quarterly basis

tion measures. The M approved the city's plan. The city excavated writer for the Lake Area Times. She can be reached at (248) 349-1700 ext. 110 or removed impacted soils in April

## Lyon Twp. developer may sue

Says he got toxic dirt from Walled Lake

By Diane Dempsey Deel

Walled Lake may be slapped with a lawsuit by a Lyon Township developer who alleges township developer who alleges he received toxic dirt from the city. However, city officials don't think the load was theirs. Jack Healy, owner of Healy Homes, said a buildozer operator noticed a stench of gasoline com-ing from the load of dirt dropped off by Jackie's Transport. "It's all been cleaned up and hauled uway," Healy said and added that he spent \$25,000 to

have the conteminated dirt removed. Walled Lake is saying they're not responsible. It will go o litigation." However, Walled Lake officials

want to do their own investigation before they take responsibility for the contaminated dirt

"We're requesting information from the attorneys for Jackie's Transport, who hauled the material away from this site," said Phil Vawter, Walled Lake city manager, Vawter said officials took action as soon as they discovered the load of contaminated dirt may have been from the new construc-

tion site. "When we found out the supply was contaminated, we took sam ples from the same area it was hauled away from," Vawter said. "And those test results show no contamination."

The soil that was taken from the Walled Lake construction site was sand based and the dirt on Healy's development was clay based, Vawier said, Also construction workers did not smell a petroleum based odor coming from the dirt on the project site.

would not disclose Hcaly whether he received sandy type dirt or clay type dirt.

"I'm not going to get into the specifics but we have 10 to 15 people who would be lying about the dirt," Healy said. "We have a ot of evidence

However, Vawter too wants to see evidence "Now what we're trying to do it



## Branch 5...

Wolverine Lake officials allege WL is responsible for lake's pollution problem

By Diane Dempsey Deel Township residential develop

were to drop them off, he said. "This city has never constit Their accusations were made on

the heels of a WJBK TV-7 new: report that denounced the city for polluting the drain, having a fifthy

Walled Lake officials defended themselves at the July 16 council meeting, while Wolverine Lake village leaders and Wailed Lake residents pointed fingers at the city for ng responsible with contam-

inants. They alleged that the city's Department of Public Works is responsible for contaminating the Greenaway Drain Greenaway Drain, which is an Oakland County drain that flows into Wolverine Lake. They also ccused the department of letting other people in the community contaminate the drain as well

dents that the criminal activity that they were implying was libelous. City officials have alway City officials have always encouraged residents to dispose of hazardous materials properly and informed them where the facilities

been responsible by discarding contaminants properly. He told Wolverine Lake Village Council members and Walled Lake resi-

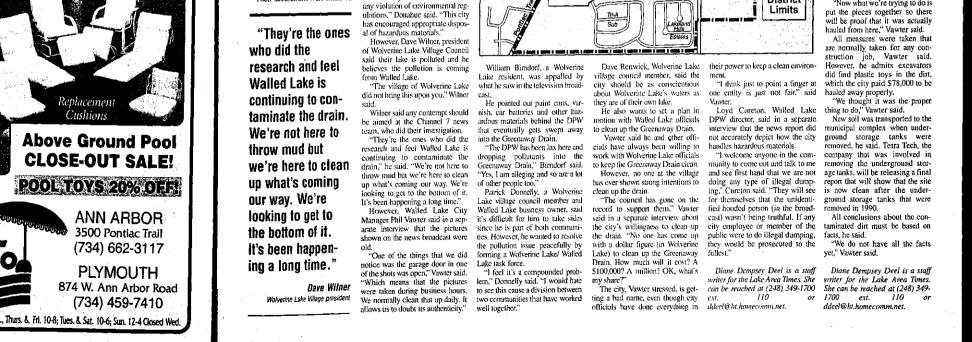


contaminated soil to a Lyor Bob Donahue, Walled Lake's attomey, said the city has always

work environment and sending

Concerns have been raised about materials left behind the Walled Lake Department of Public Works building





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## **Calendar of Events**

Child Health Clinics DATE: Every Monday LOCATION: Oakland County Sounds of Summer DATE: every Thursday Health Division, 1010 E. West Aug. 1 - Randy Volin & The Sonic Blues (blues) Maple, Walled Lake TIME: mornings DETAILS: Free well-care Aug. 8 - The Millionaires (swing) Aug. 15 - Novi Concert service for pre-enrolled chill dren to 3-172 years who do Band (classics, marches and not have well-care insurance or Medicaid, PHONE: (248) 926-3341 show tunes) LOCATION: north lawn of

## Summer Concert Series

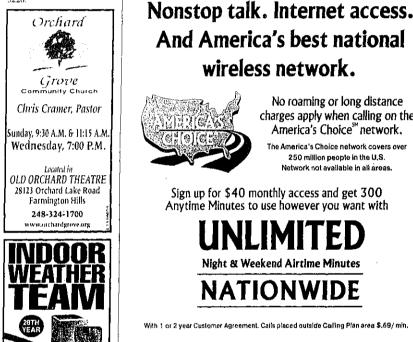
Taft roads DATE: Mondays LOCATION: Walled Lake TIME: 7:30 p.m. DETAILS: free concerts hosted by the City of Novi. Villa is located at the intersection of Ladd Road and Pontia sponsored by Providence Trail. The Gazebo is located at Riley Park on Common Street Hospital and the Novi Historical Commission (Aug. 8 near the intersection of W. show); concerts will be held in Walled Lake Drive and Pontiac the center if inclement weath-Irail. The Boathouse formerly logey's) is located at 142 E. PHONE: (248) 347-0400 Walled Lake Drive

TIME: 7:30-9 p.m. DETAILS: Free concerts in Walled Lake: July 29 - George Millsap, Motown, R&B - Gazebo August 5 - Dixie Ramblers Walled Lake Villa August 25 - Ramos Rock -The Boathouse (Market Days, 3 to 5 p.m.)

## Nevi Toastmasters DATE: First and third Tuesdays of the month LOCÁTION: Novi Civle

aiter, 45175 W. Ten Mile ad, Ml TIME: 7-8:30 p.m. DETAILS: Toastmasters will help you improve your com-munication skills, voice your

opinion, polish your presenta tions and practice leadership Hon, call Colleen at 248-685-9226.



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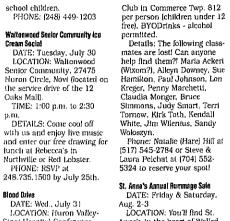




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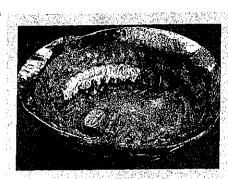
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LOCATION: Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital Conference Anne's in the heart of Walled Lake at 430 E. Nicholet St. TIME: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m DETAILS: Don't miss the big rummage sale. You may find just what you have been looking fort The church also weles donated items for sale PHONE: For more informa tion please call Tracy Moore at

## [248] 624-3817. **Dulck** Date DATE: August 6 LOCATION: 5th Avenue Ballroom, 25750 Novi Road,

TIME: 7 p.m. DETAILS: Meet10-15 new people for five minutes each. it's fast-paced, fun & exciting



**Sth Annual Novi Art Festival** 

Sth Annual Novi An Festival DATE: Saturday & Sunday, August 3 & 4 LOCATION: Novi town Center TIME: 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. - admission is free DETAILS: The nation's largest art tour stops in Novi for one weekend only. The 8th Annual Novi Art Festival will feature the artwork of over 150 artists from across the United States: Painters, potters, sculptors and jewelers are tust some of the artistans from 40. just some of the artisians from 40

different states who will exhibit their fine artwork. Every different states who will exhibit the attwork. Every year, a national art festival promotion company, brings a tour of artists from across the nation. Artists travel the midwest the entire summer exhibiting in beautiful oities such as Chicago, Charlevolx, Louisville, Columbus and more. Many of the artists are nationally recognized, having been published in some of the most prestigious art maga zines and commissioned by the finest art museums. Festival-goers will love the diversity of artwork that will be on display. Sculptures of fiber, metal, wood and steel; stained on display. Scriptures of neuronal acrylic paintings: jewelry, and blown glass; oil, watercolor and acrylic paintings; jewelry, pottery, photography and so much more will please patrons of all tastes and budgets. Included in this two day art affair are live musical per-formances. Enjoy the soothing sounds of planist, Jeffrey Michael, sitarist, Stephen Mikes and steel drummer. Doug Walker.

Walker

PHONE: Call the Novi Town Center at (248) 347-3830 or Howard Alan Events at (954) 472-3755. You can also visit www.ARTFESTIVAL.com for directions and show directory.

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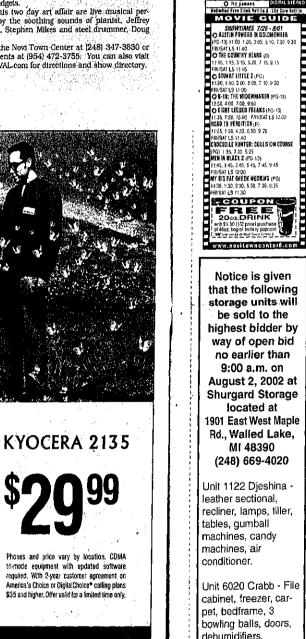
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Calendar	Terri Freyiag at 248/348- 5600 ext. 205.	F 8:30-5 p.m. until Aug. 6. Call 624-2850 for more info.
	Keily Miller Circus DATE: Wednesday, Aug. 7	Child I.D. DATE: Saturday, Aug. 10
Pre-registration required PHONE: Call 517-552-0673 or www.quickdateinfo.com.	LOCATION: Gilbert Willis Park, off Loon Lake Road TIME: 4:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m showlimes	LOCATION: All Art Van locations, including Novi, 27775 Novi Rd., 248-348- 8922
International Association for Exposition Management 8th Annual	DETAILS: sponsored by Wixom Police DARE Program and Parks and Recreation	TIME: 2-4 p.m. DETAILS: Fingerprinting program at all metro Art Van
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TIME: 7 p.m. DETAILS: Meet10-15 new LOCATION: Links of Novi. people for five minutes each. It's fast-paced, fun & exciting! Pre-registration required 50395 Ten Mile Rd., Novi TIME: Check-in: 11:30 a.m., PHONE: Call 517-552-0673 shotgun start (scramble for mat): 1 p.m., awards dinner or www.quickdateinfo.com. with mini live and silent auc Cub Scout Pack 54 25th Anniversary Picnic DATE: Thursday, August 22 LOCATION: Lakeshore Park, TIME: 6-9 p.m. DEFAILS: All current and former Pack 54 families are invited to a polluck plenic celebrating Pack 54's 25th

visit web site www.mbcec.org/pack54, or e-mail cubscouts@mbccc.org -

Madonna University 7th Annual

tion: 7 p.m. DETAILS: Golfers will enjoy a day full of activities and show their support for college students as proceeds go to the Madouna University Scholarship Fund. "Early birdie" registration received before August 1 enters players into a drawing for golf for four at the Tournament Players Anniversary, PHONE: (248) 355-7129, Club

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Annual Charity Golf Outing DATE: Tuesday, July 30 LOCATION: Links of Novi TIME: 6:30 a.m.-5 p.m. DETAILS: Blood donors must be at least 17 years of TIME: 9 a.m. regisgration; shotgun start at 10; lunch at age, weigh more than 110 pounds and be in good gener-al health. The donation process takes a little more

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By Victoria Sadlocha

## Accident victim in stable condition

## Ford Motor Company

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Employee Appreciation Weekend Borders Books & Music of Novi is sponsoring "Ford Motor Company Employee Appreciation Weekend," today through July 28. On his journey, the meets many Employees of Ford dealerships, maidens in distress and helps all contract employees with Ford. Henry Ford Hospitals, Heary Ford Museum/Greenfield Village, Henry Ford Village and Visteon will receive a 20 percent discount on most store ourclases. Borders Books & Music is located at 43075 Crescent Blvd. in the Novi Town Center, For more informa-tion, call (248)347-0780.

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#### haired beauty is in the cast, but in Wyndham Garden Hotel in th this production her name is Gerrude. The real star of the play is a simple squire who is sent somembers may reach their goal of delivering 400 backpacks to children and adolescents affected by cancer by the end of the year. Tickets for the event are \$50 and of them before realizing he knew include brunch, entertainment the fair-skinned beauty all along and speakers. Teens' Aiding the The end-of-the-season event will be performed on the Novi Civic Center stage located at 45175 W. Cancer Community is a non-prof-it organization run by high-school students created to provide posi-Ten Mile Road in the Novi Civic tive diversions and encourage ment through the organization's backpack program. Backpacks, valued at about \$60, full of toys, Center, Performances will be 7:30 p.m. Aug. 2 through 3 and 3 p.m. Aug. 4. Tickets are on sale now for \$8 at the City of Novi Parks, gifts and certificates are delivered to children at area hospitals and and Forestry Department and will be \$10 at the other groups including Angela Hospice and Gilda's Club.

## The Novi Theatres' Summer (248) 347-0400.

Summer tax bills **Teens' Aiding the Cancer** Summer property tax hills were mailed out to all City of Novi Members of Teens' Aiding the Cancer Community are hosting a Cancer Community are hosting a

the time of the accident." The 58-year-old Novi man behind the wheel of the vehicle is retrieving mail from the mailbox in front of his home in the 23000 STAFF WRITER block of Hickory Grove Lane The 5-year-old Novi resident hit when the accident occurred. also a resident in the 23000 block Witnesses at the scene told police it was about 5:45 p.m. when by a car last week is listed in good of Hickory Grove Lane. Neither alcohol nor drugs were suspected as the cause at the time condition, said representatives from the University of Michigan the vehicle traveling northbound, Hospital earlier this week. south of Russet Lane, struck the of the initial report. His status is considered an upgrade after being listed in serismall boy. According to the police report, the vehicle struck the right side of Police said the accident is still under investigation ous condition upon arrival. Sadlocha is a The boy was flown to the Ann - the boy, causing him to roll back Arbor hospital via survival flight from Providence Hospital in Novi after the July 17 incident. It was stated in the report, the writer for the Novi News, She can he reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 105 Novi police said the boy was driver "appeared to be distracted at vsadlocha@hi.homecomm.net

## Spellman: Ex-Lion found walking to Las Vegas

inside his publicist's suburban der - a psychosomatic disorder continued from front Chicago home. Spellman was characterized by mood swings taken by ambulance for psychiatric ranging from mania to depression, riving with a suspended license Felony charges were not pressed. Victoria Sadlocha is a staff

help. It has been reported by many that the former Spellman's ability to attract police atention began in 1998 after police attention began in 1998 after new agencies that the former writer for the Novi News. She can the 6-foot-4-inch and almost 300- Chicago Bear and Dallas Cowboy he reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. pound athlete barricaded himself was diagnosed with bipolar disor-

NNN tale. The favorite raven- fund-raising event Aug. 4 at the on or before Aug. 31. SIDING SUMMER ECOLEDIREGIORY SAVINGS WORLD VINYL Special \$3795 <u>Wolverine</u> A 251 (49) (49) VINYL SIDING Special - Mon 18 Holes work \$20.00 Call Lori at \$39% SIDING Specials: Tues. Thur. Holes walk S 18 walking S2 9 w/cart S20 18 w/cart S25 eniors Spacia 1-888-999-1288 Special - Fri. veryone is special on Friday Holes wicart \$20 ALUMINUM SEAMLESS GUTTERS ALUMINUM ext. 227 for more COIL STOCK ( SIDING information on the Saturday Only 18 Holes w/cart \$28.00 85M-019- WHITE DELUXE QUALITY 75° \$44% w/cart 515 \$69<sup>95</sup> ON SALE RAN TO ANY LENGTH, WHILE YOU WAIT! SIDING WORLD'S WINDOW SHOWROOM ALUMINUM Vinyl Soffit SOFFIT Stall? for overhangs SVP-10 White \$69<sup>95</sup> \$3995 MADE TO SIZE DUANTIVIES LIMITED DETROIT WATERFORD INKSTER 30625 ADISON HEIGH **WYANDOTT** 6450 EIGHT MILE F 460 FLORADAI 3000 MIDDLEBELT W. EIGHT MILE 30391 CLEMENS 151 EUREKA R

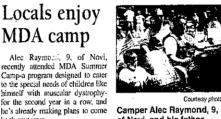


## WL Schools claim custodian was not discriminated against

By Diane Dempsey Deel ney, said the suit never stated that she had office space. Inferior work TAFF WRITER space was stated in the lawsuit. "All custodians have an area Walled Lake Consolidated where they keep their supplies," Bosnic said. "Her space was in the Schools released an internal investieation report that concluded there vas no evidence that Susie Smith, a basement." custodian for the district, was racial-Kienbaum reported that the distriet took Smith's accounts serious-ly and looked into them right away. "After careful review of the facts, v discriminated against. Karen Kienbaum, the private vestigator hired by the school district, explored Smith's allegations the allegations of Ms. Smith, that she has been the subject of racial harassment and that she made comthat she was continually harassed while on duty at Walled Lake Central High School and at Wixom plaints regarding her treatment, cannot be supported by compelling evi-dence." Kienbaum stated. Elementary. Smith, an African American White Lake resident, in a June 21 lawsuit filed a cause of action However, Bosnic feels confident that Smith's allegations will be subagainst the school district and the stantiated in court, people she worked with. The law-"There are 140 allegations in the suit accused her superiors of both negligence and intentional infliction of emotional distress, concert of lawsuit," Bosnic said. "We're com-pletely confident that we will prove everyone of them," Smith was originally hired in action and civil conspiracy. A trial date has not yet been set. She alleges that two different superiors at both schools she September 1997 as a substitute in the food service area. However, she became a full-time custodian a vorked at harassed her and made month later. Her probationary perifun of her ethnic background. Smith od was extended in December but also claimed that other workers also harassed her while administrators she became a permanent employee two months later. Smith first made her complaints looked the other way. She recounted many instances of known to administrators in April, harassment, including a gorilla that was placed in the custodians' break room when she started at Central in However, the district does not have

verbal or written complaints on file in the district concerning what she 1997. Smith also claimed she was alleges in her letter, according to the given inferior work space in a dilap-idated basement, which the union representative Carol Burow made Kienbaum. gorilla incident can not be substantioff limits to everyone except mainated since it no longer exists. "The photo could have been tenance workers However, Kienbaum reported that custodians do not have office space in any of the schools.

Michael Bosnic, Smith's attor-



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There are two sessions of MDA

Summer Camp at Camp Cavell in Lexington, Mich., each year. This year they were from June 16-22, which Raymond attended, and June

23-29. Campers at each session par

ticipate in a wide range of activities including wheelchair softball and hockey, bowling, arts and crafts,

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wouldn't be able to do. Camper Alec Raymond, 9, of Novi, and his father, Bob Raymond, take a ride motorcycle, driven by Bruce Jones of the Motor City Harley-Davidson Hog

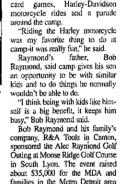
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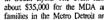
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including the principal. No one else ever saw or heard anything about

According to Bosnic, the picture

of the gorilla in the lawsuit was not

the actual gorilla that was hanging. It was a similar gorilla used to show

what staff at Central had hung in the

break room. Kienbaum interviewed 11 schoo

district employees and reviewed

harassment and personnel policies

as well as Equal Opportunity infor

mation, contracts and union griev-ance letters. She also conducted site

investigations and other activities.

James Geisler, superintendent

was satisfied with the school invest

tion is not tolerated in the schoo

district, where equal opportunity is

always encouraged. Smith did not respond to an inter

view, Kienbaum reported, However,

Bosnic said he was not willing to have his client submit to a 17-page questionnaire before the lawsuit

"It would be pre-suit discovery," Bosnic said, "We thought it would

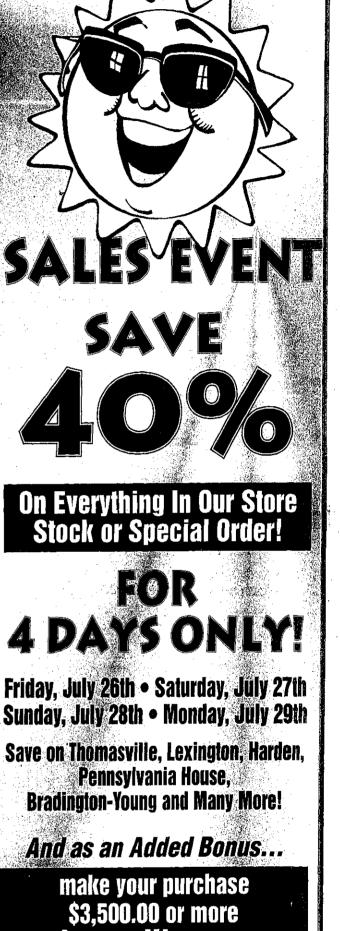
be inappropriate." However, he said the school has not been willing to talk to her after

they put their investigation to rest. "It's their version of reality

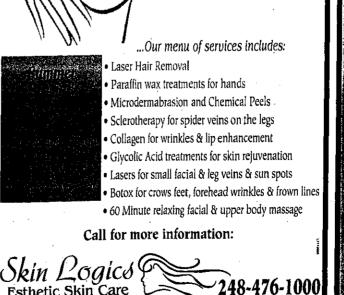
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'K-19: Widowmaker' leaves movie-goers scrambling for the life boats

By Angelo Parlove STAFF WRITER

 
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nuclear meltdowr Harrison Ford plays a Russian Navy captain put in charge of his country's first nuclear subma-greestions on the threshold of most annoying fake accepts in



Photo Courtesy of PARAMOUNT PICTURES Harrison Ford and Liam Neeson combine acting efforts in hopes of bringing audience members a submarine story with the impact of "Hunt for Red October" and "U-571."



Based On: True Events MPAA Rafing: PG-13 Final Rating: 3 (out of 10) Movie is now showing at

added his ego and burned the film negatives after seeing his performance in this one. In between laughing out lond at the guy, I almost felt bad for Han Solo, I wonder how it feels to between by the series of the Novi Town Center Theaters erally. I had to start banging my head on the seat in front of me to have a semi-distinguished acting eareer and then go out and make yourself into an utter fool. 1 Director Kathryn Bigelow's hook for this film was character over action and the novelty of a Russian angle on the Cold War hope he at least got a big pay-check in return for his selfin an American movie. Which, in all fairness, sounds intrigu-ing, but Bigelow, the famed director of the Keanu Reevesrespect. Don't go to the theater expecting any grand special effects or Patrick Swarey atrocity, "Point Break," runs into one snag; you actually rooted for the film's players to drown so you could action sequences. I'll give it all to you here so you don't waste your money: one commanding officer in uniform shouts leak in



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Harrison Ford (right) and Liam Neeson are the headliners in "K-19: Widowmaker," which is based off of historical events.

Personal time is too valuable to orneer in uniform shouts leak in quadrant four, and a dozen other into runts run around turning knobs and pulling pipe around a ship. This exact scenario goes on for about two and a half hours — lit-into "K-19: The Widow maker." The state of the scenario goes on for about two and a half hours — lit-







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## By Brian Renner

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Coming to your favorite the-iters this weekend is "The Country Bears" based on one of hest-loved attractions at Disney theme parks, the Country Bear Jamboree. The members of the legendary group, The Country Bears, were torn apart by their own success, namely ego, jeal-ousy, and a little too much honey. An eager young fan, Beary Barrington, convinces the bitter and-roll legends Don Henley, ex-members of the rock band to John Hiatt, Elton John, Queen put aside their differences and Latifah, Willie Nelson, Bonnie

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perform a benefit concert to save Country Bear Hall, the legendary venue where the band got its start. Country Bear Hall, the legendary venue where the band got its start. way to save Nigel and stop Dr. Evil and Goldmember from their The movie is essentially a fam He's back, baby! It's been three ly comedy, a road picture, and a years since that swinging interna-tional man of mystery Austin Powers, has faced his arch-neme-sis, Dr. Evil, After Dr. Evil and musical" with bears," explains devilish mayhem. Mike Myers, Andrew Gunn, producer of "The Country Bears". "The Country creator, writer, producer and actor was not interested in making a third film just for the sake of mak-Bears" uniquely mixes a live action human cast acting alonghis accomplice Mini-Me escape ing another "Austin Powers" from a maximum-security prison, movie. He states, "The only rea-Instacomplice vinit-vie escape from a mustinum-security prison, Austin is called to action once-more in "Austin Powers in Goldmember". Tearning up with the mysterious Goldmember, side the animatronic bears. Christopher Walken and Charles son we decided to do a third one was to honor the fact that people followed us through one and two. S. Dutton star; and Haley Joel Osment, of "The Sixth Sense" We wrote it from a backwards fame, is the voice of Beary Barrington. Also featured are musical performances and appearances by real-life rock-Dr. Evil hatches a time-traveling scheme to take over the world, one that involves the kidnapping of Nied Denue. Austick below d approach and explained the ori-gins of the worlds of Austin and Dr. Evil. It was strangely easy to of Nigel Powers, Austin's beloved connect all the stories. father and England's most screenwriting meets Mad Libs, NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST NOTICE CITY OF NOVI DEPOSIT INSURANCE DEPUGENT INSURATION CONTRACTS Organizers of CG&M Bank, a proposed de novo bank to be located at 23965 Novi Road, Novi Michigan, Intend to file an application with the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) to request deposit insur-ance. The six organizers of the proposed de novo bank are: Janes M. Lamb of Howell, Michigan, John W. McManus of Howell, Michigan, Darnyi J. Parker of Monroe, Michigan, Donald L. Pratt of Huntington Woods, Michigan, Charles L. Salyer of Farmington Hills, Michigan and Christopher W. Walker of Brighton, Michigan. Any person wishing to comment on this application may life his or her comments in writing with the regional director to the Division of Supervision of the FDIC at its regional office at 500 West Monroe Street, Suite 3500, Chicago, Illinois 6061 not later than August 26, 2002. The on-confidential portions of the application are on file in the regional office and are available for the public inspection during regular business hours. Photocopies of the non-confidential portion of the application file will be made available your request. **TEMPORARY USE PERMIT** NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Troy Metal Concepts is requestin Temporary Use Permit to allow placement of one construction trailer al 1000 Thirteen Mile Road (Fox Run Village) from August 1, 2002 until August 1, 2003. A public hearing can be requested by any property owner of a struc-ture located within 300 fed of the boundary of the property being consid-ered for temporary use permit. This request will be considered at 3:00 p.m. on July 31, 2002 at the Novi Chric Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road. All written comments should be directed to the City of Novi Bulding Department and must be received prior to July 31, 2002. l be made available upon request. (7-25-02 NN 1120078) will be made av SAHAH MAHCHION TEMPORARY USE PERMIT SECRETARY (248) 347-0415 NOTICE CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY NOTICE OF ENACTMENT **USE PERMIT** ZONING MAP AMENDMENT 18.622 TUP 02-031 THE CITY OF NOVI ORDAINS: Part I. That Ordinance No. 97-18, known as the Zoning Ordinance o the City of Novi is hereby amended as indicated on ZONING MAP NO 18 622, attached hereto and made a part of this Ordinance. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN Ihat Mutual Electric is requesting a Temporary Use Permit to allow placement of one office trailer at 41000 Thirteen Mile Road (Fox Run Village) from July 31, 2002 until July 31, 2003

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## NOTICE OF GENERAL PRIMARY **ELECTION TUESDAY, AUGUST 6, 2002**

To the Qualified and Registered Electors of the City of Novi - Oakland unty, Michigan Notice is hereby given that a GENERAL PRIMARY ELECTION will be held on Tuesday, August 6, 2002 from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the following Polling Locations:

PRECINCT LOCATION ADDRESS Meadowbrook Congregational Church 21355 Meadowbrook Road 1 2 Meadowbrook Congregational Church 21355 Meadowbrook Road 3 Village Oaks Elementary School 23333 Willowbrook Road 4 Novi United Methodist Church 41671 Ten Mile Road Orchard Hills Elementary School 41900 Quince 5 Holy Family Catholic Church 24505 Meadowbrook Road 6 Holy Family Catholic Church 24505 Meadowbrook Road 29200 Meadowbrook Road 8 Meadowbrook Elementary School The Grand Court Novi 45182 West Park Dr. 9 10 Hickory Woods Elementary School 30655 Novi Road Novi Christian School 45301 Eleven Mile Road 11 12 Novi Meadows School 25549 Talt Road 13 Faith Community Presbyterian Church 44400 West Ten Mile Road 14 Novi Civic Center 45175 West Ten Mile Road 15 45175 West Ten Mile Road Novi Civic Center 16 Thornion Creek Elementary School 46180 West Nine Mile Road 17 Novi Civic Cente 45175 West Ten Mile Road for the purpose of electing: State Governor United States Senate Congressional esentative in Congress Representative State Senator Legislative State Representative Judge of the Circuit Court - 6th Circuit - New Judgeship, term ending 1/1/2011 & 1/1/2009 - vote for two County Judicial for two Judge of the District Court - 52nd District - 1st Division, New Judgeship, term ending 1/1/2007 vote for one and for the purpose of electing: Delegates to the County Convention of the Republican and ocratic parties

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"Who is Cletis Tout?" (R) Featured among the cast are Michael Caine, Fred Savage, Michael York, Robert Wagner, Verne Troyer, Seth Green, and Beyonce Knowles of musical On video and dvd shelves this week, pop diva Britney Spears makes her acting debut in the music-filled comedy-drama "Crossroads", 11 follows three group. Destiny's Child. "Austin Powers in Goldmember" is a New Line Cinema release and rated PG-13 for sexual innuendo, crude former best friends whose diverging paths reunite when they decide to take a cross-country humor and language. road trip to Los Angeles to audi In theaters next week, "Signs" tion for a record company. Before (PG-)3), "The Master of Disguise" (PG), "Martin Lawrence Live: RunTelDat" (R), you rent or buy this movie, you should really like Britney Spears 0 as this film was not a box office and films in limited release include smash! This movie is rated PG-13 "Punpkin" (R), "Tadpole" (PG-13), "Never Again" (R) and continued op 11

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## CITY OF NOVI NOTICE OF PROVISIONS OF THE NOXIOUS WEED AND **REFUSE ORDINANCE**

TO: All owners, occupants or possessors of subdivided lands o

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in accordance with Section 21-20 of the Novi Code, all noxious weeds or other weeds, grass, bush or del-terious, un-healthy growing, standing or lying upon any property in the City of Novi, shall be cut down, destroyed or removed as the case may be, at least wice in each year, once during the last half of the month of May and again during the fast half of July of each year and more often as may be necessary. In the event the owner or occupant, or any person or persons, agent, it mor occupation having classification that is "residential" shall be it subdivision in which buildings have been rected and where such subdivisions have a zoning classification that is "residential," shall fail, relates; or neglect to comply with the above mentioned Ordinance, the City shall cause said weeds, grass, bush, deltarlous, unheality growths, tubish or debrs to be cut down, destroyed or removed. Provided, further, that any lands which are situated within the flood plains or any natural streams or water courses, or any area between the lower or upper banks of such streams or water courses shall be exempted from the provisions of this Ordinance. The express inclusions by the City in the cuting, destruction or removal of same together with a lat (10%) percent and pion doins of the constraint of the expension admined by MC (1974) when a cutting, destruction or removal of same together with a ten (10%) percent administrative charge will be levied and collected against such property in the manner provided by Jaw. Failure to comply with the requirements settorth in Section 21-20 of the beau Context and Labelian to the providence of the and Labelian and Labelian to the providence of the beau Context of the requirements settorth in Section 21-20 of the beau Context of the same and Labelian to the providence of the beau Context of the same and Labelian to the providence of the beau Context of the same and Labelian to the providence of the beau Context of the same and Labelian to the providence of the beau Context of the same and Labelian to the providence of the beau Context of the same and Labelian to the providence of the beau Context of the same and Labelian to the providence of the beau Context of the same and Labelian to the providence of the same advisor of the same and Labelian to the providence of the same and Labelian to the providen

the Novi Code may also result in the prosecution for same, and liability to the extent of the penalty therein provided.

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### continued from 10 Additionally, just released to video/dvd is the big-budget for sexual content and brief teen adaptation of H.G. Wells' classic **On Campus** sci-fi adventure, "The Time Machine", A Victorian-era inventor builds a transport drinking. A sequel to Disney's popular device hoping to change the past. When his mission fails, he heads into the future, only to find a world far different from animated "Tarzan" is also released straight to video/dvd this week. "Tarzan and Jane" follows up on the tree-swinging couple at their one-year anniversary. While our own. "The Time Machine trying to find the perfect gift, Jane is rated PG-11 for intense recalls all the wild and wacky sequences of action violence. adventures experienced in their first year together. This film mixes For more information, please action, adventure and romance log on to The Movie Insider at www.themovicinsider.com deep within the heart of the African jungle. A duet, "Two Worlds" performed by Phil Collins Please direct any questions, comments, and/or feedback to and Mandy Moore is also featured. brian@themovieinsider.com 'Tarzan and Jane" is rated G RRISON FORD II SU HE HIGH-END NAIL-BITER OF THE SUMMER. 6 A CINEMATIC TRIUMPH THAT HAS ACADEMY AWARDS' WRITTEN ALL OVER IT. 'HIS IS ONE FILM YOU CANNOT AFFORD TO MISS!" 'PDWERFULI HARRISON FORD HAS NEVER BEEN BETTER." POWERFUL AND IMPORTANT FILM. GRIPPING. 'K-19: THE WIDOWMAKER' IS A POWERFUL, COMPELLING DRAMA WITH INTENSE, NTELLIGENT PERFORMERS. HARRISON FORD AND LIAM NEESON

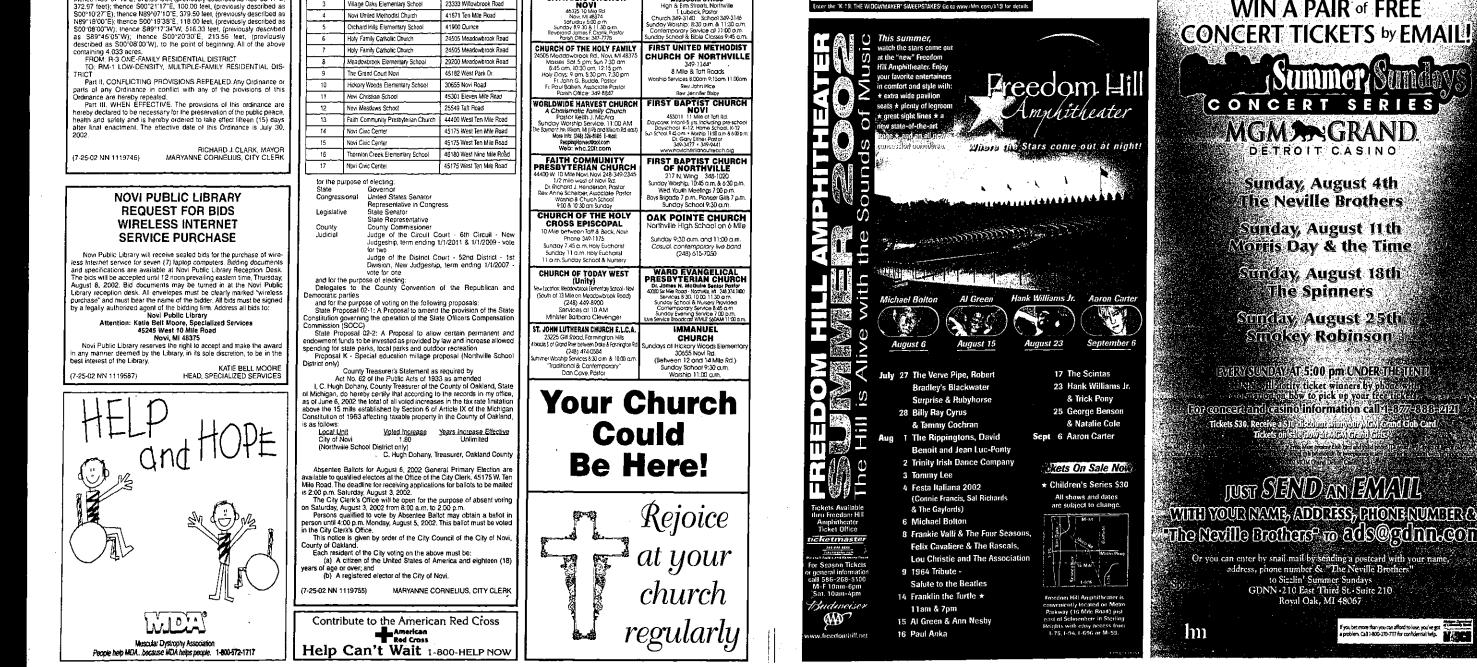
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#### Novi resident Chelsea Bennett also listed on the Dean's List for Valley State University during ates of Grand Valley State Spring, 2002 commencer has been named to the dean's list of **Freed-Hardeman** the Spring semester. She carned her bachelor of arts degree in cle-University during the Spring, 2002 commencement exercises exercises. University, (Henderson, Tenn.) mentary education with minors for the spring 2002 semester. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Bennett. , Novi resident Eric Walle was in health and physical Education. Novi resident Jennifer A. Ross english and early childhood edu-cation. Her parents are Mary and Dale Blessed of Novi. was among the graduates of Grand Valley State University during the Spring, 2002 comnamed to the Dean's List for Vanderbilt University for Vanderbilt University for spring 2002. He attends the Peabody College of education Novi resident Kate M. Blessed mencement exercises. and human development. Walle

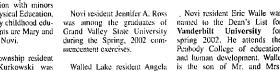
was among the graduates of Hillsdale College during the Spring 2002 semester. She was

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Leonard A. Walle. M. Garcia was among the gradu-





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## **Obituaries**

Donald E. Gallagher Trust, care of Orchard United son; Eugene (Leona) Winner of Funeral services will be held. Longacre House in Farmington O'Brien Chapel, Interment was at-Glen Eden Cemetery in Livonia. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer today, July 25, at 10:00 a.m. at Holy Family Church, 24505 Meadowbrook Rd., Novi. Mrs. Hills and Henry Ford Hospital in West Bloomfield. Arrangements w Survivors include her husband: Cremation Society of Donald Gallagher of Northville Livonia, two daughters; Janna (Leroy) Hoch of Novi and Susan died July 14, 2002 at University of Michigan Hospital, He was 64. Arrangements were made by Cremation Society of Michigan. (James) Mitchell of Livonia, three brothers: Charles, Gilbert and Clark Winner, one sister; Pat Mr. Gallagher was born April 13. Society and Kidney Foundation, Collett will be instate 9:30 a.m. Frank H., two daughters; Anne Please sign the online guest-1938. A 38-year veteran of the Funeral arrangements were made by until funeral service. (Jerry) Kohls, Barbara (Brian) book at www.cremationmichi-Detroit fire department, Mr. Gallagher retired from the force in Family requests contributions to the Alzheimer's Association, 17220 W. 12 Mile Rd., Suite 100, Culham, and one son; Brett (Mary) Stevens, one brother; Donald Ollesheimer of Ft. Meyers, Galloway, nine grandchildren and O'Brien / Suffiyan Funeral Home of gan.com. many great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by one son; Brian Winner. A Funéral Service was held July Novi 1998. Mr. Gallagher was a graduate Fla, and grandchildren; David, Krystin, Eric, Christopher, Jason, She was preceded in death by one granddaughter; Malia Ann. A Memorial Service will be Lester Eugene Winner Lawrence Technological Southfield, Mich. 48076. University and enjoyed golf and refurbishing homes in his spare Vivian L. Collett Arrangements were made by O'Brien-Sullivan Funeral Home, Lester Winner of Livonia, died Vivian Coffett of Novi died July 22, 2002, She was 73. Jule 18, 2002 at his home in 20 at Emmanuel Ev. Lutheran Church, 34567 Seven Mile Rd., Livonia, Mich. with Pastor Walter Dickinson officiating. Interment thfield. He was 88. Mr. Gallagher is sorvived by his Survivors include her husband: wife, Barbara: his children, Shawn William, one daughter; Vyonne Mr. Winner was born Nover held July 27th at 11:00 a.m. at the 16, 1913 in Hagerstown, Ind. and **Catharine Stevens** (Patrick) Converse, Jill (Edward) Willet, two sons; Barrett (Debra) Quillen and Kelly Gatlagier: bis and William (Betty), even grand-grandehildren, Samantha, Marcus children; David, Jason, Michael. Orchard United Methodist Church, 30450 Farmington Rd, Farmington Hills with a luncheon had been a resident of Livonia and will be at Glen Eden Cemetery. Arrangements were made by Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home, 23720 Farmington Rd., formerly of Detroit, He had been employed by American Standard, Catharine Stevens, 75, died July 17.2002. Mrs. Stevens was previously a following nd Megan; and his brother, Jean Michelle, Karl, Devon and Kelley, Detroit as a pipe fitter and enjoyed 23720 Farmington Farmington, Mich., 48336. Portman. Wie rest and the sound of the sound In lieu of flowers family secretary of National Questers, a Director of State Campground Association and volunteered at hunting. Survivors include his wife; quests donations be made to the atharine Stevens Memorial Memorial contributions may be Alice Winner of Southfield, one sent to Salvation Army. Catharine 50th Anniversary MULTIDOOR GH Engagements



Youth ballet program coming

By Angelo Parlove STAFF WRITERS The Sports Club of Novi will begin its new ballet program for young dancers in August, with international talent leading the way. The program will bost classes for all skill levels, from the begin-

ner to the advanced student, which will then be developed into a ballet company in the future, with its dancers performing in annual winter and spring con-certs. All dancers must be at least "years old. "The kids love dance," said Michelle Wilson, director of the dance programs at the Sports Club of Novi. "It is our job to focus this love of dance into training so they can dance,'

And the task of tapping into these young dancers' talents and ambitions falls squarely on the shoulders of the ballet program's Sergey Rayerskiy teaches ballet class at the Novi Sports Club on a recent Thursday new instructors. Olena Kyotk and

billet program. "It's a unique opportunity to "I like a child's smile. I like a child's eyes when they try to do what I do," Kyotk said. "They try really hard and care about it." Note: The second of the sec New instructors, order and Sergey Rivalsheiy. Kyotk is the founder and direetor of the InterBallet Company in the Ukraine. She has studied ballet at the University of Ukraine, as well as performed and taught across the globe, including really hard and care about it." Rivalsheigh has trained and per-Poland, Hungary and Japan. formed with renowned dance and knowledge academies in Russia and the U.S. Rivalsheiy said. So far, Kyotk has been teaching at the Sports Club of Novi for eight months and enjoying her time at a Michigan dance studio. Originally from the city of Moldova in the former Soviet Union, the professional dancer moved to the U.S. with his family when he was 14 years old, and has since performed in ballet "This is a great place. It is a big studio, clean and has a great staff," Kyotk said.

## Wedding

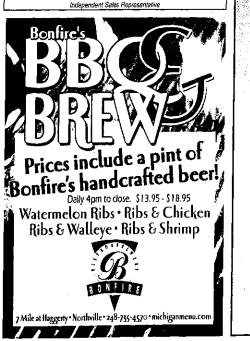
## The McAndrews

Bay, Ontario. He attended Heidi Zimmerman and Jason Waterloo Collegiate Institute and is employed by Gap International. The maid of honor was Katie McAndrew were married in Toronto on Dec. 29, Rev. Kerwin Davies officiated the ceremony. Zimmerman. Bridesmaids were The bride was given in mar-Katie Vizas and Colleen Beagen, The best man was Ryan Mair. Gayle Zimmerman of Detroit. She is a 1995 graduate of Novi High School and a 1999 graduate Groomsmen were James McAndrew, James Price and Joel Melloul. The couple honeymooned in of the University of Michigan. She is employed by Williams-Sonoma. The groom is the son of Dale and Linda Fenton of North Francisco in September.

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## Road construction work moving right on schedule

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City and county officials gram are Huntington Road, reported Novi construction proj-ects are moving ahead as sched-led. roads are a is Galvay Drive; and "The 12 Mile Road (at Novi Road) intersection is progressing nicely under the Road Commission for Oakland County's direction," Pearson said. Haggerty and Meadowbrook rouds are Marks Phillip Drive, Llorac Lane, Orehard Hill Place and the area connecting Ladene Lane and Sunflower Road. The widening project which will turn 12 Mile Road from the Coming soon is the resurfacing of 14 Mile Road cast of Decker to western boundary of the Fountain Haggerty Road. Bryson said he does not have 10 Walk development to Meadowbrook Road into a fourlune bollevard is on schedule, said Craig Bryson, public infor-mation officer for the Road Commission for Oakland an actual start and finish date at this time. "We give the contractors quite a bit of leeway on these types of projects," he said. "They are rela-tively simple jobs and that way they can pass the savings on to County. More than \$18 million of the project was privately funded by Fountain Walk developer PLC Bryson anticipates that the Commercial with additional funding from the Taubman com-Road Commission for Oakland nanies and the Road Commission Oakland County. "Twelve Mile is on schedule to get most the work done by Nov. about two weeks. 5." Bryson said. videning project will be done in 2003.

County project to place one-and-a-half inches of asphalt over the existing pavement will only take "The road will not be closed completion of the road-ing project will be done in will remain open during the entire time with intermittent lanc clo-Another large road construc-tion project in Novi is the \$6 mil-lion widening of Grand River sures. Another future project includes the demolition of the bridge over the CSX railroad on Grand River Avenue from the areas of Beck to Wixom roads. Avenue. "Things are progressing smoothly," Bryson said. "It is still looking to be finished by the end of July." Pearson said the demolition and commencement of the replacement bridge is scheduled to begin in the Winter. In the meantime, motorists "Roads are a prime priority for Novi residents and we are pleased to be in a position to deliver these should continue to expect delays n the area. Pearson said the 2002 improvements," Pearson said. Neighborhood Road Repaying program is another on-schedule endeavor, resulting in dramatic improvements to Novi's subdivi-Victoria Sadlocha is a staff writer for the Novi News. She can be reached at (248) 349-1700. ext. 105 or at usad sions. Streets in the 10 Mile and Taft locha@ht.homecomm.net.



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dance program." Currently, about 300 kids par

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ticipate in dance programs at the

"I get excited to share with kids what I've learned from my teach-ers and give them the experience

and knowledge I've carried.'

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## Troop 54 elevates four to Eagle rank Boy Scout Troop 54 of Noviss nent improvement to his com-

proud to award the rank of Fagle munity or sponsoring organiza-Scout to four young men during tion. 2002. Eagle Scout is the highest Scott Lloyd is 18 years old, tank in Boy Scouting, and must and just completed his freshman

Security must early at least 21 to build a 15-ft, tail permanent ment balages, covering a wide bird watching tower at range of subjects including Cuizenship, Environment, First And, Personal Fitness and Leader. Quartermaster, and Management, and Family Life. Troop foilde, He is pursuing a They must serve in several dif- Liberal Arts degree with hopes

be carried before the Scout's year at Oakland Community College. It's Eagle project was Scouts must earn at least 21 to build a 15 ft. tall permanent

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Irene Foster

tate handicapped access to the 11/2 mile trail. He has attended 2 National Scout Jamborees. He was awarded the George R. Thomas Award for Scout Spirit hy the Detroit Area Council. Ryan plans to attend Central Michigan University in the fall, with long term plans to attend the University of Southern California to pursue a career in at acting. has Andy Sunisloe is 16 years

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Kindermusik educator at Evola

Music of Canton, has been selected as a member of the Kindermusik International

Maestro Program - an exclusive membership that annually recog-nizes licensed educators who have demonstrated superlative

performance based on program

size, outreach to under-served

populations of children, or mas-tery in teaching. Kindermusik is the world's largest music and

movement program for children newborn through 7 years old. According to Michael Dougherty, CEO of Kindermusik

International, the company estab

lished the Maestro Program to reward Kindermusik educators whose achievements and outreach have risen "above and beyond.

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## Names in the News

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Senior associate from ourside in a frene reside from The announcement was made by Michael Grindfors, regent of AlicPatnets president. John E Bedrarski, CPA, for Chapter, merly a principal with Arthur Daughters, of Andersen's Complex Claims the America American's Complex Chains the American practice in Detroit, joins Revolution. AliQartmers' Financial Advisory. Other chaps Services practice group, While at ter officers Authur Andersen he provided include: Vice expert witness testimony, damage Regent analysis and business valuations Dotothy for complex thigation cases. Prior Goodwin

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the University of Michigan and and Mandy Zumbrunnen, children served, master's of business administra- Northville



Leader, Troop Guide, and Instructor. He was awarded the Order of the Arrow. He is a var-High School. He twice served as the U.S. Naval Academy currently have 45 active mem Wrestling Camp. Troop 54 is a member of the Senior Parrol Leader. His Eagle project at Lakeshore Park in Novi took 220 man hours. Three permanent benches were sity wrestler at Novi High School, and works at Busch's Grocery Store on weekends. He will spend his summer attending permanent benches were installed, 20 map posts were built, and the 2-mile biking trail







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Heavy storms brought down this tree at 21889 Heatherbrae South in Novi on Monday around 5:30 p.m.

## Starnes picks up endorsements

Oakland County Sheriff Michael Bouchard and Oakland County Prosecutor David Goreyca endorsed Sara Pope Starnes to fill the newly created Sheriff Michael Bouchard said cares about the communities she about Sare Pope Stares "She has nade the tough decisions as an The campaign also is announc-County Prosecutor David made the tough decisions as an The campaign also is announce-forcyca, endorsed Sara Pupe Assistant Proxecutor and under-stantes to fill the newly created stands that people don't choose to position on 52-1 District Court, the a victim of crime, but often The new position would server residents of Novi, Novi choises that can effect a lifetime. Sara Pope Starnes is a graduate for the work of Novi, Novi choises that can effect a lifetime. Sara Pope Starnes is a graduate for Michtigan State University, audit to serve the citizens of Oakland Walted Lake. Wolverine Lake and Wixton. In endorsing Pope-Starnes Bouchand and Gorecca Vision, Milford, South Lyon, Walled Lake, Wolverine Lake and Wixom. In endorsing Pope-Starnes, Bouchard and Goreyca said "Sara Pope Starnes has an outstanding 13 year record as an Assistance Oakland County

Judge: she will have the opportu-nity to serve her neighbors as their judge. Prosecutor David Gorcyca said, "Star has the perfect judicial tem-perament. She is not only the best we experience qualified candidate, having been Sara and her family reside in of Oakland born and raised in Oakland Cormerce Township. ict Judges." County, she understands and



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## **Library Lines**

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## Library hours The Novi Pablic Library is open Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Friday-Saturday. Remember: To be eligible to win Troopers. Pre-registration is 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The library is closed on Sunday during the summer. We are located at 45245 W. 10 Mile Road, just cast of one of the great prizes, you must have signed up to participate in the Time Machine Troopers reading program. laft. For more information, call

Craft programs We have two craft programs scheduled for Tuesday, July 30. Tales Through Time Sign-up is still underway for the 2002 Summer Reading Program, "Tales Through Time," The program, for children in grade four and below, ends Crafts for children ages five and six will be at 1 p.m.; crafts for children age seven and up will be at 2 p.m. There is a \$1.00 materi-

Adult book discussion group als fee for each 40-minute program. No registration is neces-sary, but space is limited to 60 children per session. Our August selection is "Bleak House" by Charles Dickens. The group meets Monday, August 5, at 7 p.m. in the library meeting room. All are welcome.

**Time Machine Troopers** Kids going into the 5th grade

Comedian 0.J. Anderson and beyond can still sign up for "Time Machine Troopers" and join us for our Pizza Party Laugh out foud with outra-geous comedy from "one of America's funniest 'physical' comedians" on Wednesday, July 31. There will be a 1 p.m. show for children age four and up, and a 7 p.m. show for children of all Pizza party! Kids going into the 5th grade

and up are invited to celebrate the end of summer reading on Monday, July 29, from 1-2:39 p.m. We'lt have pizza, prizes, and more as we reward you for your participation in Time Machine



Drog-in Story Time

minute program.

Story time for children ages four to seven will be held Thursday, August 1. No registra-tion is necessary for the 30-

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Readers of all ages are invited

to join us for ice cream sundaes

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essary for this free event,

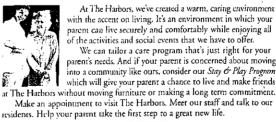
Senior book discussion

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# **OPINION**

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## ENDORSEMENTS

Novi and Lakes Area

voters are faced with

many tough decisions

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will battle for your vote

While all three candidates bring differen

Several candidates could easily assume the

November.

this primary election sea-

## State Senate - District 15

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In the Aug. 6 primary, three candidates are looking to fill the state Senate District 15 seat. The three candidates running come from a aried background with different experiences The best choice for residents is to send Mike Kowall back to Lansing. Kowall has shown himself to be a capable member of the state House of Repres ince he was first elected to state office fou years ago. Kowall's background as president of his

understands the imporhandy business gives him a keen understand-ing on how snall business operates. He has also proven during his time as a state Representative that he will spend the which allows citizens to necessary time working with his constituents select the candidates who on whotever issues face them. He has oriened hinself to the public on countless occasions meeting residents at area businesses on a reg-

ular basi from now until the gener-Kowall brings a common-sense approach to state government that we have found refreshing since he first joined the legislature. al election this

## District Court - 52-1 Division We felt early on that this race would dwin-dle down to the two most prominent names who clearly establish themselves in our eyes as the front-momers; Rob Bondy and Matt

attributes that are compelling, we strongly believe that Stuart Brickner has developed a Quinn has 27 years experience in both diverse and experienced portfolio, second to none. His work on the West Bloomfield plaintiff and defense cases and in both civil Board of Trustees has given him the insight ind criminal areas. His six years as mayor of the City of Novi also give him the unique management perspective that is required of a District Court judge. Top that all off with a into the process of government. He is a keen grasp of the issues and is articulate and knowledgeable in his assessments. Reginald Kakus has a bright future in politics, but we lengthy resume of community involvement,

and you have a truly qualified candidate. Likewise, when regarding Bondy, his vast esperience within the workings of the 52-1 District Court, as well as a clear comprehenbelieve, as Brickner has, start at a lower level of governance. County Commission - District 7 sjon of what a community court should entail, has allowed him to position himself as a serious contender for the position miscu as a set ous contender for the position. His enormous amount of community involvement is refleerole of County Commissioner and do a comretent in ot exceptional job, for the residents of the district. We were very impressed with the grasp of the issues by Melonie

tive of his integrity. case top two vote-getters in the primary will advance to November's general election. We feel that the two best choices for voters this August would be **Rob Bondy** and **Matt Quinn**. Kaczkowski, as well as Chris Long. Both dis-

played knowledge and a plan to be an effec-tive commissioner. However, it is difficult to dismiss the long-time service of Milford's Tom Motley. While others can say what they would do if given the chance. Motley can easily discuss what he has done. We wish we would be more bold in declaring his accom-State Representative - District 39 With Mare Shulman running unopposed on the Republican side, the emphasis is on the plishments and service. We are confident that our selection, Tom Motley, is the correct Democratic party and the candidate that will

GOVERNMENT

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

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Sign language Some election signs, like these on the corner of Taft and Nine Mile, are being targeted for being oversized.

### ETTE R S

ored fairway. I will enjoy the potato chip crunch of dried lescue under ny feet. My carpet will be a state-ment for lawn diversity. Besides, think about the money I will save on my water bill. Hello Jaguar.

Tom Wennerberg

Thursday, July 25, 2002

## Vote, and vote for Kowall

I would like to invite you to join me in supporting Mike Kowall in his bid to become our next State Senator for the 15th District. Those of us residing in the 44th (House) District are familiar with the exem plary job Mike has done representing us and our

Representative he has shown himself to be a innovative, fair-minded, dedicated leader in Lansing

"the right man"

## AARP backs Cassis

On behalf of its 115 million Michigan members, AARP wishes to publicly thank State Rep. Nancy Cassis for introducing and lighting for Public Act 486 of 2002, a new state law that makes it easier for Michiganians to take advantage of cost-saving tax

Ms. Cassis introduced the bill after hearing from a constituent who had difficulty getting information on senior citizen tax credits. Her subcommittee on tax

hearings throughout the state. We are especially pleased that a bill introduced to help older Michiganians has had the pleasant result of helping all taxpayers get easy access to the credits

ing us to keep more of our hard-earned money, which is especially important to people on small, fixed

Mary Aikey

### **OTHER OPINIONS** PREMPRO<sup>™</sup> Page 17/ event hinber rates of serious side effects compared to women taking a placebo. Serious side effects inclus A 26 percent increase in breast cancer • A 41 percent increase in strakes A 29 percent increase in breast cancer • A 41 percent increase in strakes A 29 percent increase in heart ottacks • A 29 percent increase in total cardion Spellman incident worries me A doubling of rates of venaus thromboembolism (blood dots) If you a a loved one has suffered any of the serious side effects listed above while taking estrogen plu progestin (the active ingredients in Prempro<sup>TH</sup>), cell now to find out about your legal rights.

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not have a sidewalk.

Well, that isn't where they went.

city.

Where is former Detroit Lion Alonzo This and other issues surrounding the Friday, July 19 sighting have made me completely depressed.

The day began like every other with e jumping into my car with the stereo ned to WDFN-AM (1130). ordinary. and talk to him



received calls from listeners Victoria Sadlocha saying they saw Alonzo

walking on the interstate pulling his luggage. Right at the time I frantically reached the Novi area, a caller phoned in and said he found the former Lion at the Shell Gas Station located at the north east corner of Haggerty Road and Grand River Avenue.

I immediately went to the scene Right there was Alonzo, with his Louis Vuitton luggage, and Jeff Rioux who was phoning in observations to the AM radio

I jumped out of the car with my notepad, pen and press ID and started to follow Jeff who was following Alonzo. It was just my first reaction. As I crossed in front of Arby's, I start-

ed to hide any and all obvious signs ! was a reporter. It was obvious something was really wrong, and I didn't want to disturb this

6-foot-4-inch and almost 300-pound went. athlete who I had heard was diagnosed with bipolar disorder and was aware of his reported brushes with the law over

the past years. Maybe I'm not cut out to be a journalist, but I couldn't go up to the obviously



My jolt Since my mom's call, I have took a hard look at my life and what takes up my time. I have done some houseclean-

came week ago via a phone ing, so to speak. I quit my band after a gig at Edison's in Birmingham last Thursday. I've been playing in bands since 1986, and it's So, I've got a fresh outlook on life. call ` from my mom, telling me that my father has time to take a long break. Practicing, playing and booking gigs is a time-conan abnorsuming second job. Getting home at 4 a.m. wipes me out, and it takes the rest mality on of the weekend to recover, heart For the past 15 months or so I've been and will

Cal Stone have to putting together the Capital Area Blues will nudge you toward re-evaluating barren bave sur-gery. It's scheduled for today at 1 p.m. August edition will be my last. Reading this, you probably think I'm Cal Stone is the editor of the Now quitting everything. No, I'm just cutting News. He can be reached at (248) 349-In Saginaw. I don't see my parents too often because they live about four hours north in Oscoda. I WILL start seeing life so I have more time for my family.

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first.

old boys" network is, of course, silly - and typical of the verbai poison which occasionally finds itself on these pages of the Now News, Mr. Quinn and his family should rest secure that public opposition to his campaign by certain fringes of our community will probably generate more favorable votes by responsible votstate, yet received little state spending and he became the legislature's leading advocate for revenue sharing reform. On issue after issue, Mike Kowall has been a leader for Qakland County. On issue after issue, Mike Kowall has put us

1 am proud to call Mike Kowall my friend and I am proud to endorse him for the Michigan Senat

problemed and disoriented man and WDFN reported "Josh" bought him a TOLL FREE 1-800-435-5830 start asking him questions. I felt too bus ticket to Las Vegas because he did n't have his wallet on him sorry for him, was a little nervous and didn't want to embarrass him even The last report I heard on the sports though I don't think he would have realtalk radio station was Alonzo boarded ized he was doing anything out of the

the bus at about 3:30 p.m. Members of the media were there at Other people at the scene did go up the time. Callers were congratulating "Josh" fo They told me he said he was on his helping Alonzo. Everyone seemed fine

way to Las Vegas (via foot) and was tryincluding the group of people who observed him at the bus station. ing to get away from Janet Jackson who was chasing him dressed as an Oriental Heliof Am I some total freak because woman living in Southfield. They also all of this sounds disgusting? When did it become OK to let someone quite possibly suffering from a mental said he talked about different Jackson family conspiracies and that he did not disorder get on a bus to a different state

Finally, the Farmington Hills police without any identification on him? arrived. Help was here, or was it? Is our society that messed up that After yelling at me for being there and from about 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. peotelling me there was no story because there is nothing notable or illegal about ple would think watching someone to Las Vegas to get away from Janet

a man taking a walk, the officers Jackson is fine. I don't blame "Josh." I'm sure h They watched as Alonzo walked from the Shell Gas Station to the Mobile Gas thought he was helping, but I do think some sort of city official like a policeman Station, located at the southwest corner of the intersection, for about an hour. or paramedic should have taken him to a hospital.

Now I know you are thinking I He was mumbling to himself, was sweaty and would take breaks by sitting watched too, but I really thought some one trained in life-saving techniques Onlookers asked the police to help. was going to come and help or maybe a

but they said they couldn't do anything because he wasn't breaking the law. ember or doctor But no, instead now who knows where Alonzo then decided to leave the interhe is. I can't stop thinking about it. section and headed west on Grand River He could be completely freaked out or Avenue, having a really hard time scared or violent and from everyone I've

pulling his luggage through the gravel on the portions of the road which did talked to, that is just the breaks. Well, I just want to say if I am eve walking on the expressway pulling my Samsonite luggage behind me and tell you I am on my way to California by foot At that time a truck pulled over, Alonzo got in and he was gone out of our

to escape being attacked by the lead I missed what direction they left in singer of the Flock of Seaguils, any one because by the time I turned around in of the Novl residents reading this col-umn right now have my permission to my car, they were gone. So I drove west first to the Novi Fire help me.

Station and then to Providence Hospital I may seem angry at the time and say figuring for sure that is where they I don't need help, but I would hope that somewhere in my Pollyanna world comeone would bring me to salety.

up north, sit down with a tape recorder

in front of my father and let him tell his

life story. It's incredible, and it deserves

to be put down in print for others (like

Things that used to get to me - like peo-ple who have nothing better to do than

spew negative comments about Novi and constantly berate others - will be

put into a new perspective. If you needed it, hopefully this column

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James J. Harrington, III

ext.

cstone@ht.homecomm.net.

"Josh" who called WDFN while Alonzo Victoria Sadlocha is a staff writer for was in the truck informed all the listen ers he was taking the former football

the Novi News. She can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 105 or at vsad player to an agreed upon location which later was revealed as a bus station. locha@ht.homecomm.net.



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simplification heard corroborating testimony during Becky Staah Nov and deductions they deserve. Ms. Cassis has done us all a great service by allow

have that infinite the size of signs for our confinition to no larger than 16 square feet. Anyone who travels on Haggerty Road knows that the signs once one leaves the Nori border are the old fashioned "billboards" some appear to be as large as 4 foot by 8 foot. Therefore, I was in total shock when a large sign [4] x 4) appeared on Novi Road for a candidate f newly created District Court judge position. I that I would not be the only resident calling the ordi nance enforcement officer demanding that the sign come down. I was thrown into further shock when I watched the City Council meeting of Monday, July 15th and this candidate stood to defend his signs because the Supreme Court says that it is the wording of the ordi-nance that has to be followed and not the intent of the ordinance. He pointed out that our ordinance says for 5 feet in height. He went on to state that his signs

Lam a 20+ year resident of Novi who has the unique

Tam a 204 year resident of sort who has the induce pleasure of driving through four communities in Oakland County as I travel to and from work in Waterford each day. Have watched for the last month

Respect sign size

requirements

were not the 'litter' that the other candidates signs sere. He told the council that he would "probably" take down the 4 x 4 signs if the council asked him to, I was pleased when council did exactly that  $\cdot$  asked him to remove the 4 x 4 signs. Those residents who travel Novi Road will notice

that the sign is gone from that location, but at least three other signs remain (Tafi Road, Grand River and Beek Road). Can we expect these to be removed, or will the candidate come in to speak with council again about why he is special? Since one candidate seems to have gotten around our ordinance with large signs, another candidate (this one for circuit court) has now erceted a large sign in Town Center in front of one of the hotels. How many more candidates will follow the lead of the district court candidate?

I understand that City Council be changing the "or" to "and" in the ordinance and I thank them for that in advance. In all of my years as a resident of Novi, any andidate who has known the citizens of Novi has known that billboards are not wanted. Dedieve these candidates who are erecting the billboard signs do not know the citizens of Novi and should hear our residents loud and clear on August 6th. We want candilates who know Novi and can represent us in the

courts. Michigan Senate Bill Bullard Jr. (R-Highland) Stop watering your lawn!

> It has been a hot, dry summer in Michigan, With only a quarter inch of rain in the last four weeks, my lawn is looking bad. I don't know why I cut the grass. response, the water authorities have recommended water rationing on the ord force protection.



Look no further than Kowall When it comes time to elect the right man for the right job as State Senator for the 15th District we need look no further than Mike Kowall. As our State

I have called Mike a couple of times with concerns in my family and community and his response was thorough and prompt. There is no waiting around for an answer from Mike. And it's the right answer. Mike's

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## Gorman, Pisha, Ducat will represent area for East squad August 2nd at U of M

MEET THE EAST ALL STAR TEAM

By Sam Eggleston

Whenever the best-of-the-best get together in a friendly game of football, you can pretty much ber the bank that it is going to prove memorable. The 22nd Annual Michigan High School All Star Football game i

probably not going to be the excep-tion to that rule as they bring in some of the best talent across the state of Michigan. The game will give the East and West All-Stars a week to train before pitting their skills against one another August 2 at 4 p.m. in the University o Michigan football stadium for an event that showcases some of the most outstanding talent high schoo football has ever seen in this state. The Novi News readership area will be happy to know that they will be represented by three outstanding athletes as Novi's Matt Gorman, Walled Lake Central's J. R. Ducatand Walled Lake Western's Mike

Damell Hood Robert Height WI Kris Gromacki IL Jamie Gasparella DB WR Tim Shaw TB Drew Stanton Harrison OE Matt Gorman Jarrief Burrus D. Novi Belleville Joe DiGiorgio -QB Mike Pisha DB Steve Balone Japar Landrom ШJ Dane Kobus Phil Masser Jason Smith FB Sean Roland DB Ross Ryan Mike Banaszak FB Bill Koenig have six total athletes playing, including Jamie Gasparella of South Lyon (East Team), Zack

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and writed take western's onice Pishatake to the field of play for the East. HomeTown Newspapers will

Douglass of Fowlerville (West) and Paul Aschmetal of Brighton (West).

am Eggleston, Sports Writer 248-349-1700, ext. 104

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Name Edward Johnson I

 at defensive back, which is the same — odd man out, taking up his familia Central Michigan University, while Pisha will be also taking tums at the The East team will be coached by

## A's found mixture for success

The Novi Athletics fought their way through a very tough season in the Novi-Northville Broneo League to earn the championship recently The boys, who are coached by Yusko won the Novi John Northville Bronco League champi-oaship after going 15-1 throughout the entire season and sweeping all of the single elimination playoff games for the title July 8-12. The eague consists of 13 teams, six ( which are from Novi, and is broken into the regular season of 13 games and the championship playoff tour-

A unique aspect of this team are three of the boys, all of which have been teammates each year for the past four seasons since they were nine years old. Together, Ryan Richardson, Robbie Yusko and Bryan Winkle have won the 1999 ang Division Championship. 9 Mustang Division mpionship, the 2000 Mustang Tournament Playoff Championship 2001 Bronco Divisio Tournament Playoff Championship, the 2002 Bronco Division Championship and the 2002 Bronco Divisio Tournament Playoff Championship, As teammates over the last four years, the three boys overall record has grown to an astounding 65-11 with their record

For 2002, Yasko led the way on the mound, giving up only six hitsand six runs in 26 innings itched

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wer the fast three years tallying to Richardson batted a .710 and collected 28 hits, Yusko went 757 at the plate with 28 hits and 22 runs scored while Max Wujezk, Alex White, Matt Schaeffer, Ryan while Craig Howell structs on 65 Potocsky, Jacob Carless and Nathan batters in 28 innings, Richardson Van Nortwick all batted over 300, threw a complete game no-hitter Evan Giampa and Brian Morisette

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The Athletics are (from left to right): Bottom: Alex White, Max Wujczk, Ryan Richardson, Jacob Carless. Matt Schaeffer, Middle: Ryan Potocsky, Robie Yusko, Brian Morisette, Nathan Van Nortwick, Evan Giampa, Top: Craig

Howell, Coach Craig Howell Sr., Manager John Yusko, Coach Steve Richardson. Not Pictured: Bryan Winkle, Brid Herron and Coach John Giampa. and porticipated in two other no-hit games and was also the team closer who came in and recorded nine. The fielding of the squad also led

saves while giving up 12 hits and 12 to many victories as catchers Richardson, Winkle and Howell ntus in 28 innings. On the offensive end of the game. combined for 12 putouts, not to mention the great outfield play by Brad Herron, Morisette, Giampa, Howell bratted an amazing .675 and recorded four home runs while Potoesky and Carless.

Coaching the A's were John Yusko, who has been the manager of this team for the past four seasons, while Steve Richardson, Craig Howell Sr. and John Giampa wer assistants. The team mom for 2002 was Patti Morisette.

Clintondale, Mike Stefanski of Clarkston and Thomas Wilcher of variable var Cass Tech helping put together one heck of a squad. Headliners for the West team include Jared Ford of Byron Center, Joshua Brehm of Jihaca, Mike above mentioned grades from any of the school districts in the urea. The cost of the camp i McFadden of Saginaw Heritage, Dave Lucas of Kingsford, Matt Sammond of Crystal Falls-Forest \$48 and it is requested that all participants bring indoor and outdoor shoes for various workouts and drills. Park and Courtney Evans of Battle The purpose of the camp is Creek Central, The West All Stars will he coached by Gasper Giamis to provide information and helpful drills to increase a play of Byron Center. In total, there will be 88 high ers performance as well as their knowledge of the fundamentals school football players representing slew of schools and class size throughout the state. The last squad is selected from 229 schools while the West is picked from 418.

Jeff Stergalas of Dearborn Fordson

with assistants Kurt Richardson of

Clarkston, Mark Shooshanian of

of the game. of the game. Registration is available at Novi Community Education or at the door of the camp, which will be held at the Novi Wildcat Som Ecoleston is the sports Football Stadium at Novi High writer for the Northville Record and the Novi News. He can be reached School on Taft Road. For more information, please at (248) 349-1700, ext. 104 or at call Novi Community Education at (248) 449-1206. seggleston@ht.homecomm.net

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Football Cump Offered Novi Community Education is offering a football camp for

students from grades 3rd-8th August 29-31 from 9-11:30

The camp, which will be

Championship in Hartland July 7. Pictured (Left to Right): Front: Melanie Moret, Chelsea Osburn, Katie Osburn.

Furrie. Back: Coach Dave Wutke, Kayla Parks, Emma LaBeau, Melissa Chomin Coach Bill Eskew, Sarah Elkus, Samantha Cain, Allison Holmes and Coach John

The travel softball team is currently 36-9 on their season and will be attending

## Next Level Athletes

those who have come and gone and the legacy they left behind Avenius runs cross country for the U of M men. The Next Level Athletes portion of the sports section is ded-icated to those men and women Evan Whitbeck, Senior, and who have taken the next step in their athletic careers to play Scott Whitbeck, Sophomore, Kalamazoo College - Evan Whitbeck and his brother, sports in college and beyond. It is here that were are able to Scott, graduates of Northville High School, swam together for a final year for the Kalamazoo College Men's Swim Team,

Brian Ward, Senior, Kristina Utley, Sophomore, Virginia Military Institute — Michigan State University — Brian Ward, a graduate of Novi Kristina Utley, a 2000 graduate of Novi High School i ligh Scho is the starting ber of the MSU Women's Swirn Team and was recently named to the Academic All-Big Ten goalie for the VMI Lacrosse Team. During the 2002 lacrosse season, he recorded 19 saves against Lafayette College, in Pennsylvania, He Conference Team for Winter 2002. Utley completed her sec-ond year of swimming for the Spartans and specializes in has been selected as captain of the VMI team for the 2002-03 season. He earned a 3.6 GPA freestyle distance events. She is this semester and will graduate an elementary education majo and one of 31 Michigan State University Spartan athletes honored for all of the Winter from VMI in May "Academic Distinction." with

# **REGIONAL MARKETPLACE**

## Mayfair Realty's Abe Ayoub is definitely committed to serving

By Linda Neff CONTRIBUTING WRITER MAYFAIR REALTY an active member of the Contact Abe Ayouh, Realton South Lyon Kiwanis he's been known to don an orange vest in 90-degree temperatures and walk the roadside picking up other peo-ple's trash. He's felt the bitter at Mayfair Realty (248) 486-9227 his home (248) 486-8867 wind blow through his hair while standing in December's cold sell-ing Christmas trees to raise funds to serve local seniors a nice holimarket." "When it comes down to it, day dinner. He's seen the smiles on faces of those he's helped while volunteering with Christman in A cril you've got to choose somebody who is not going to go in and tel who is not going to go in ano ten-you what you want to hear. That's just going to huri you," he said. "You can't overprice at all." Ayoub also strongly recom-mends making a virtual tour of while volunteering Christmas in April. On the other hand, he's also a member of the South Lyon Area Chamber of Commerce; he served on the Lyon Township your house to post on the Internet. With today's technology, interest-Park Committee and also worked ed buyers can actually view your home before ever driving out to with the township regarding the Rouge River Watershed Program. This year the South Lyon Parks and Recreation Authority honsce it. "People love that," Ayoub said. Another selling feature Ayoub asks clients to consider is an open ored him for Outstanding Community Service in the South Lyon Area. If there's one thing Realtor Abe house. If it doesn't hurt, it helps, he says. "Half my listings sell from an Ayoub knows and is committed open house. Even though the buy-ers had another agent ... they came in to my clients' home to, it's the South Lyon and Lyon Township community. He believes it is this knowledge and because it was open; they drew up an offer; my client's house is sold," Ayoub said. "They (open houses) work." commitment that make him an expert in the residential real estate market for the South Lyon area. "I feel it goes hand-in-hand," Ayoub said. "How do you sell an On the opposite end of the sale if you're looking to purchase a home and want that purchase to go smoothly, Ayoub strongly sug-gests clients apply for pre-qualifiarea if you don't know it? Ayoub co-owns Mayfair Realty, an independent real estate company. He entered into real estate sales part time some 12 cation with a reputable lender. years ago and discovered his call-ing. He's co-owned Mayfair for "The best thing you can do is to have a good lender," he said. "Talk to your friends who have nearly six years and he's a man who absolutely enjoys his work. had a very good experience with a lender. You can choose the lowest "I love it," he said. "It's really a lot of fun." rate, but there's a good chance you're going to run into a prob-lem if that person wasn't referred Ayoub is available to clients around the clock. And although to you and if they're not going to give you the personal touch." Ayoub said today's home buyhe does have a stationary office, he said most of his work is done from the road. "When it comes right down to ers are more educated about all it, my office is my vehicle," Ayoub said. "In my business, real the problems that can arise at closing so pre-qualification can closing so pre-qualification can help. It doesn't mean you're prete is not where you just go and sit down; you're working approved; the appraisal sits contin-from your home; you're working approved; the appraisal sits contin-from your office, you're working gent on your job status not changfrom your vehicle. You have a cell phone, you have a pager; it's 24/7 . you just work." One of the big draws to resi-tered traing, and based on what dential real estate for Ayoub is the they've seen so far, everything interaction with clients. looks good - it helps "I love talking to people," he aid. "You meet people all the Ayoub works hard to help peo-ple reach their dream of home time and when they get the home ownership, but enjoys every minute of it. He wants others to they find and the sale goes smoothly it's so nice because they're so excited. I love that part experience what he and his fami-ly have come to cherish about the South Lyon and Lyon Township When preparing to sell your area -- that the people are the "nicest people in the world. They are the salt of the Earth," he said. He and wife Maureen, children, current home Ayoub said it is very important to choose the right Realtor, especially in today's slower economy. But, although Brian, 5, and Lauren, 7, chose when I was a kid and I wanted my children to experience the same." Lyon Township for their home because of its small-town feel and Lyon Township for their home because of its small-town feel and open spaces. "Wobody can really do communi-made a point to get involvement "Nobody can really do communi-"Nobody can really do communi-the help of the community. His involvement

Abe Ayoub manages Mayfair Realty out of this Livonia office on Middlebelt Road.

were open fields, you grabbed your mitt and weat out and played," he said. "That's what it's like out here, it's almost like "You can't do it unless your" "You can't do it unless your" "You can't do it unless your" "It just goes back to the com-""."

Photo by John Heide

and the South Lyon community one step further by running for Lyon Township trustee. The Republican candidate is on the munity involvement aspect," he said. "It's just fun; I love talking to people. It gets you going." ballot for the Aug. 6 primary. He

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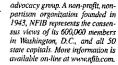
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them heard in a town that needs to in simplifying the tax code and make it worthy of the principles of our nation." 1943, NF1B represents the consen-The small-business leaders were in Washington D.C., and all 50



your coonomic freedom, our coon-ony today is far ahead of where what hey do best-build and expand their companies and create more cials brought good news to small-business owners frequently skepti-cal of government promises. Labor Secretary Elaine Chao announced "a new culture of responsibility".at the Labor Denartment. "We know U.S. Speaker of the House Dennis Haster told delegates to <u>Lyon</u> the National Small Business you do best." "We do not take your economic O'Neill offered his own dose of common sense: He wants to sim-olify the tax code. "Taxpayers lcations 2 Com they recognize that too often the burdens of government regulation impede economic growth, Commerce Secretary Donald Summit that the American people the Labor Department. "We know the vast majority of employers take the responsibility [to protect workshould insist on common sense from the Senate and demand per-South Lyor common sense: He wants to sim-plify the tax code. "Taxpayers spend as much as \$125 billion each granted." 509 S. Lafayett manent repeal of the death tax. ers] very seriously," she said. White House Senior Adviser Karl "Yet the Department of Labor Next to Reynold Evans said small-business owners Sweet Bype Rove said the Senate rejection of has never made its own responsiare the stewards of the American year, or about I percent of GDP, 248-437-5300 the repeal was another battle in the the repeal was another battle in the war and "we've gained some ground." Vice President Dick Chency is de the the most responsible are uniting the voices of millions of the transmitter of the tax should have. It has rarely included aged the delegates, saying. "You would "millions of the tax should have. It has rarely included parties. The heat has always been your fellow entrepreneurs, making Jack Faris is president of NFIB (the National Federation of Independent Business), the How business gets gone. nation's largest small-busines Lyon Communications Don't Mess REALTOP With The Rest MLS **Deal With The Best** mayfair REALTY "CALL ABE" ABE AYOBE D.G.S. Associate Broker Pager: (248) 314-1411 Virtual Tour - 12 Lyon Township Resident REALTOR Home: (248) 486-8867 **Provided With** MILLION \$ \$ \$ Sales Club **Every Listing** Member South Lyon Area Chamber of Commerce Business: (248) 486-9227

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The Finesse Fast Pitch 12s won the National Softball Association State

Middle: Marley Powers, Andrea Dieterle, Amanda Poma, Madison Dresser, Missy

the World Series in Sterling, Virginia

the economy has slowed, the housing market is not a bad mar-ket, Ayoub said, "You just can't overprice, it's not that kind of Smith, begins talking abou

## **Faris on business**

## Some people in Washington were talking common sense last week!

praised Summit sponsor NFIB.

owners from across the country were there to tell administration officials and members of Congress what's on their minds. But the business owners great. U.S. Speaker of the House Dennis Hener of the House in Washington to deliver the mes-sage that they will continue to do what they do best-build and expand

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out 10) and Bronco (old G League, at ages 11-12). Teams will be e-formed in the third week of wixonwaol.com, or check out the website www.eteamz.com/totalbase-August. There will be a single practice during the week of August 26 followed by a six game Friday night Schedule ball for more info. Lacrosse Clinic Northville Parks and through October 18, skipping September 13, which is the night of the Victorian Festival Parade, Registration is \$55 at Recreation and surrounding areas will be hosting a summ high school lacrosse clinic August 6-8 from 6-9:15 p.m. The clinic will be held at the Northville Parks and Rec Northville Community Park, located on Beck just south of Department, located at 700 W. Baseline at Hillside Middle School. Due to limited past Six Mile Road. The clinic will be geared towards seasoned and participation, there will be no girls' softball this Fall, Girls ew lacrosse players from 9th-12th grade and will be teaching participation is the baseball league is available and welplayers techniques to enhance positional play and develop skills.The clinic will be coached come. For more information or questions, please contact Mark Greenman at (home) (248) 348-0318 or (office) (313) 873-6200. by high school lacrosse coach es and college players and will be highlighted by nightly

## Hole in One

Novi resident **Pat Borte** collected a first-ever hole-in-one at the Kensington Metro Park Golf Course July 9 on the eighth hole. The club, a nine iron, helped the ball find its mark from 116 yards away on the par three hole.



Novi graduate and MSU track star Mickey Rzepka goes

one of many Next Level Athletes.

above and beyond in this pole vault attempt. She is just

Dustin Gress, Sophomore, University of Michigan — Gress, a graduate from Next Level A.

Next Level Athletes includes former athletes from the read-crship area of the Northville Record, Novi News and the Gress, a graduate from Farmington High School but a Novi resident, is a member of the University of Michigan's Men's track and field team. Lake Area Times. The Next Level Athletes are individuals Men's track Gress specializes in sprints for who have taken the next step the Wolverines. beyond high school athletics to

the next level - including col-Mark Avenius. Freshman, Mark Avenius, russian — University of Michigan — former Alllege, semi-professional, minor league and professional athlet-American at Novi High School, ics. Anyone who would like to submit information about an s one of those runners that few athlete can do so via e-mail at seggleston@ht.homecomm.net name, though forget. His name, though echoed in the sports pages of

those newspapers that cover or mail information to The Wolverine athletics, is still. Northville Record, 104 W. Main mentioned in the Novi News Street, Northville, MI, 48167. when his former coach. Bob

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## Anglin showcases garden ideas

## By Angelo Parlove STAFF WRITER

Anglin Norsery in Novi just might have the best kept secret in town — especially true if you like to spend time in the garden. Horticulturist and Novi resident

Sue Anglin has poured 25 years of sweat and creative energy into the "showcase" of Anglin Nursery: its

vibrant and lush rose garden. Have you ever wondered what a plant looked like fully grown? Ever stuck for a creative idea on a landscape design? Are you unsure how to build a stone wall for your gar-den? Well, the Anglin rose garden

aims to show Novi residents the answer to these perpetual questions, not merely tell them.

nor merely tell them. "The garden is a showcase for all the different roses and landscape designs in the garden center," said Anglin, who opened Anglin Nursery 12 years ago. "You can see how things grow in their environment instead of a little pot. We show what the plant will and won't do," she added. Anglin Nursery, is located on

Anglin Narsery is located on Grand River in Novi across the street from the former Vic's Market.

In a sea of red, pink and green that stretches across the yard of Anglin's home, which is adjacent to the nursery, the garden features an array of roxes, hostas, fents and stone walls for the customer to wanstone walls for the customer to wan-der through and persue. In tum, gaining insight and tips for their own yard. "We are always trying the new, unique and hard to find," Anglin said. "We keep up on the trends,

what people are asking for and what's featured on the garden chan-

The plants and flowers are separated into a variety of rose gardens, hosta gardens and shade gardens, contained by stone and boulder walls. Its displays over 10 different kinds of roses, 50 hostas, nearly 30 different stones and variety of mulches, including cocoa shells.

nels,

Anglin said her business tries not only to give the customer the service they want, but the gardening

knowledge they need. The horticulturist started the vibrant garden outside her home 25 years ago, and has since nurtured it years ago, that has since in as the intervent into the masterpiece it is today. Each year, Anglin and her staff plant about 200 flats of annutals in the spring and spend time each day

watering, pulling weeds, fertilizing and tending to the life's work.

"It is a big job keeping everything watered and weeded," Anglin said. Furthermore, the Anglin Nursery will add a gazebo to the garden this summer in order to better host gar-

den clubs, seminars, guest speakers and talks on plants. The first semi-nar on roses and hostas will be held in the new gazebo area on Aug. 17.

Also, a rose garden featuring British roses will be added this month.

"British roses are extremely fragrant and large," Anglin said.

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## Novi City Council Briefs

Anglin's garden at their Grand River location.

**City Proclamations** City of Novi Mayor Richard J. Clark presented two proclamations during the Monday, July 15 city council meeting. The first certificate was presented to organizers of the Music & Motor Fest 2002 declaring July 25 through 28 as the official Music & Motor Fest weekend in the City of Novi. Clark referred to the event as "a time bonored tradition" event as "a time boored tradition" and urged all residents to attend the festivities. The second certificate was presented to members of the American Rose Society declaring 2002 as the "Year of the Rose."

#### Lakeshore Park play structure

A new play structure is making its way to Novi's Lakeshore Park after members of the city council after members of the city council unanimously approved a proposal authorizing the replacement of the currently standing apparatus. The July 15 approval awarded Michigan Playgrounds a \$54,902 contract for the purchase, delivery and installa-tion of the new equipment. The project is funded through an appro-priation from the Community Development Block Grant Program The methods unit consists Development Block Grant Program. The modular unit consists of 30 active play components, accommodating about 122 users at one time and will replace the older wooden structure presently at the park location.

### **Aircraft Show**

Riberacker's Model Airplane Club received an outdoor gathering permit during the Novi City Council's July 15 meetings to hold a model radio controlled aircraft show 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. July 28. The annu-durate util the here on the surgery al event will take place on the vacant property west of Wixom Road and north of 10 Mile Road. In the past, the show attracted about 300 attendees each day.

### New police cruiser laptops

The Novi Police Department

## three six-year renewals.

## Winter maintenance agreement

Members of the Novi City Council gave their approvals during the July 15 meeting for the Road Commission for Oakland County's 2002-2003 Winter maintenance agreement. The \$62,064 agreement is necessary so the city may assume snow and ice removal operations for three major Novi roadways under the county's jurisdiction. Every year, the execution of a formal agreement is required so the City of Novi will be neimbursed for these services by the commission at a Members of the Novi City services by the commission at a mutually beneficial, fair and equi-table dollar amount. In previous years, Novi has profited from this arrangement. Last season, due to the mild Winter, the city spent \$24,105, but received the full agreement amount of \$60,257. The three roadways the city performs its own snow and ice removal on are Novi and 10 Mile roads and Grand River Avenue.

## **Right-of-way acquisitions**

Members of the Novi City Council gave their approval to city officials during the July 15 meeting, authorizing the payment for right-of-way acquisitions and grading easements for road and utility improvements on Grand River easements for road and utility improvements on Grand River Avenue from Beck Road to the Avenue from beek Road to the CSX railroad bridge. A total of \$5,725 will be paid to Consumers Energy, Harry T. Varterseian, and DeMaria Investments for grading permits. A total of \$1,450 will be paid to Dennis & Robin Cregar and DeMaria Investments for easements.

### Minor home repair program

Members of the Novi City Council awarded a bid on July 15 to manage and administer the 2002-2003 Community Development Block Grant Minor Home Repair Program to the Oakland Livingston ce Ag agency came in with the lowest bid in the amount of \$8,231. City representatives anticipate receiving \$54,875 in Minor Home Repair S54.875 in Minor Home Repair grant funds through the Community Development Block Grant for the 2002 program year which the agency will help manage. Agency officials will also help the city meet the strict federal regulations accom-panying the program designed to offer home-repair assistance to weaklifted their proiferm. qualified Novi residents.

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ing the July 15 city council meeting to purchase 20 replacement laptop computers for the department's patrol vehicles. Members of the city council gave their authorization to award the purchasing contract to Capstone Consulting, the lowest bidder, in the amount of \$128,197. An installation contract was awarded to Reighard Enterprises for \$6,299. Representatives from the department said the force's current hardware is about five years old, used 24 hours a day and lacks the technical requirements to operate the latest software.

#### Italian grill receives liquor license

Representatives from Carrabba's Italian Grill received the necessary approval from members of the Novi City Council during the July 15 meeting to obtain a Class C liquor license with Sunday sales permit. The grill is slated to fill the site of the former Pizza Hut in front of the West Oaks Shopping Center on Novi Road. Restaurant planners plan on spending about \$1.85 mil-lion in construction costs and have entered into a 12-year lease with

### American with Disabilities plans

Access Recreation Group was awarded a \$9,235 contract to con-duct an accessibility assessment of the City of Novi Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department's facili-ties, services and policies. Access Recreation will also develop a transition plan for compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. The contract was awarded by mem-bers of the Novi City Council dur-ing the July 15 meeting. The 1992 Americans with Disabilities Act was created for the purpose of improving access for people of all abilities to facilities and services.

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## **PRIMARY ELECTION COVERAGE**

15th District Candidates Q&A B4 52-1 District Court Q&A B2-B3 Thursday, July 25, 2002

# **Contenders spar for 15th Senate seat**

In one of the most high-profile state legislature races of the season, three candidates with distinct stances seek the Republican nod for the state Senate District 15 seat.

Senate District 15 seat. Two candidates — Mike Kowall of White Lake and Nancy Cassis of Novi — want to move from their legislative posts in the House of Representatives. David N. Wolkinson of West Bloomfield is looking to add a fresh face to Michigan's legislature. The winner of the Alueus trimary winner of the August primary will face Democrat Sean Carlson in the November general election,

While Cassis is prohibited by term limits from continuing in the House of Representatives, both Wolkinson and Kowall targeted now as the time to seek the Senate seat, because there's

no incumbent. "It's an open sent," Kowall said. "You don't get the opporsaid. tunity of an open seat very often. The climate is right for me to do it."

The state Senate District 15 seat is open, because Sen. Bill Bullard (R-Highland) is term-limited from seeking reelection.

### A diverse district

Senate District 15 includes ne communities in western

Region's hottest race contrasts political issues By Philip Allmen By Contrast States By Philip Allmen

Highland, White Lake, West Bloomfield, Rose and Holly. Comparing communities like Novi and West Bloomfield to Rose and Holly is next to impossible. As the district pro-gresses north and west, the pop-ulation boom decreases, but the development is coming to the ulation boom decreases, but the development is coming to the outer rings around Lyon, Milford and White Lake. It's a "diverse mosaic of communi-ties," described Cassis, "The population is so diverse," Kowall said. "It's the most celectic district. Development once followed the street cars and the railroads.

street cars and the railroads. Now it follows where they think water and sewer will be." "It's a fascinating district," Wolkinson agreed. "You have all walks of life — farmers, union mambers' unprice

union members, yuppies. There's small town and urban/suburban areas. Our district is very unique and has a good cross-section.

### Balancing the budget

A contentious issue for the state legislature was balancing the deficit budget due to a slow

It's Wolkinson's background in economics that he highlights as why he should be in the Senate. With 148 legislators, none are economists. Wolkinson has bachelor's and master's degrees in economics from the University of



Nancy Cassis

Michigan "We have 80 lawyers there," he said. "We need someone who has an economics background. Instead of spending more, save money (when the economy is booming). You have good times, so cut taxes and save it some."

Among recent measures passed by the Legislature, the majority approved a 50-cents-per-pack tax increase on ciga-rettes. Cassis voted for the tax increase. Kowall voted against the increase. Wolkinson said he would have supported the meas-ure, although he wavered some-what, because of basic concerns connected to the issue.

Cassis said she supported the measure, because it was the best option available. There were no other viable solutions brought forward," she said. "It was very tough, because I'm a tax cutter. We had

to ensure the foundation grants and local revenue sharing was there."

Kowall, on the other hand,



Mike Kowali

voted against the tax hike, because if was only a temporary fix. "It's a tax of diminishing returns," he said. "You have to

figure out why you got in that situation and fix it. It's just postponing the inevitable." While Kowall did not have specific alternatives to the ciga-

rette tax increase, efficiency was one area he said could help eliminate the deficit spending. For example, \$50 million was cut from the corrections budget, but he said the department can still function well. That, according to Kowall, shows the budget was over-inflated for

"There has to be adjust-ments," he said, "Government is

not run efficiently." Wolkinson suid he approved the measure in theory, although he was unsure whether or not he would have voted in favor of the measure. People choose to smoke, and there are several external costs related to smok-



David N. Wolkinson

ing, including health care costs and problems with second-hand smoke. But he also realizes that it's a short-term fix, because some people will quit altogether.

"It's not a Republican belief to say there's nothing else we could do," he added.

All three candidates agree that if the tax increases help residents quit smoking, it's ben-eficial, overall, despite the lost tax revenue.

## Providing leadership

Cassis points to her ability to Cassis points to her ability to create consensus, as well as her many leadership posts during the last six years in state gov-erament as to why she would best provide that additional leadership. Her work to eliminate the Single Business Tax (SBT) and speed up its effective date is a origne example the said Cassis

prime example, she said. Cassis chairs the Tax Policy commit-tee, one of the more powerful

committees in the state House. She was the first female to chair that committee and is the first woman to represent District 38 in the House. Part of leadership, she contin-

Part of leadership, she contin-ued, is making the tough deci-sions and holding others accountable. When problems first arose with Continental Aluminum, an industry in Lyon with a history of eavironmental problems, Cassis said she went to bat for the area residents to ensure the state Department of ensure the state Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) would enforce its own standards and requirements there, as well and requirements there, as well as obtaining the correct DEQ personnel to address any concerns

She was instrumental in creating a subcommittee to simpli-fy tax information. Five pieces of legislation came out of that subcommittee, most recently, a bill to help individuals find information in one area for deductions, credits and exemp-tions, canobiane, the assure

deductions, credits and exemp-tions, something that never existed previously, she added. "In the past six years, my record has proved 1 have accomplished what 1 set out to do," suid Cassis. "I have brought feadership to the table. This area has made its mark in This area has made its mark in Lansing. You send a legislator to make the tough vote. You don't miss the important votes. That's not leadership. I have been a trailblazer on behalf of the 38th District (state House of Representatives)." Kowall said he has shown as

much leadership as anyone. "Leading is not always going

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Attorneys debate stance for 52-1 District Court

## Four lawyers seek district bench Aug. 6

In one of the most hotly-contested races of this year's primary election, four candidates - Robert Bondy, Jerome Cavanagh, Sara Pope Starnes and Matthew Quinn - are vying for the newly-created judgeship at the 52-1 District

With over 60.000 cases per year, this court was one of the top five busiest in the state of Michigan. The current judges -Michael Batchik, Brian MacKenzie and Dennis Powers needed a fourth judge to help balance the load. With Oakland County unwill-

ing to expand the facility at 48150 Grand River Avenue in Novi, the decision was made to transfer part of the jurisdiction -White Lake and Rose Township - to the 52-2 District Court in Clarkston along with Judge

Batchik. The 52-1 District Court represents cilizens in Novi, Novi Township, Lyon, City of South Lyon, Milford, Village of Milford, Walled Lake, Wixom, Township,



Robert Bondy

extensive trial experience. And when taking a break from his legal career, Bondy spends his time as a licensed spends institute as a network residential builder responsible for many structures including the "dream home" of the late *Detroit Free Press* feature page columnist Bob Talbert, who wrote a column about what a mend-off the Dereta who

wonderful job Bondy did. The candidate feels his expe-rience as both an attorney and a businessman makes him a posi-

businessman makes him a posi-tive choice for the judgeship. The Michigan State University and Detroit College of Law honor graduate decided to run for the newly created seat in the fall after seriously consid-ering what becoming a judge would mean for himself and the community.



Jerome C. Cavanagh

sition "I am very fair and open minded," he said. "I am a person who exercises common sense,

experience and community commitment." Another asset Bondy feels separates him from the rest of the candidates is his varied experience and accomplished

experience and accomplished background. His list of professional accomplishments includes clerking for Oakland County Circuit Court Judge Gene Schnelz, serving 12 years as a hearing panelist for the State Bar of Michigan District 1 Character and Fitness Compliance arganizing and Character and Fitness Committee, organizing and coordinating small claims medi-ation in the 52-1 and 34th



Matthew C. Quinn

Experience in his career and personal life is what candidate Jerome Cavanagh believes makes him the most qualified man for the job.

"One of my main attributes is my extensive practice," Cavanagh said, "I have had a lot of models to follow,"

of models to follow." Cavanagh, 39, said he has met a lot of judges and has identified good and poor attributes.

matters," Cavanagh said. practiced in District Courts all over the state."

assistant attorney general in 1997 by Attorney General Frank Kelley, Cavanagh was assigned to the transportation depart-



Sara Pope Starnes

criminal cases as well as child custody cases out of Wayne County. "Anything that comes before me, 1 can handle," Cavanagh

said. A humble personal upbring-ing with strong links to the com-munity is another major reason that Cavanagh feels adds to his qualifications. "One of the reasons I want to run for District Court judge is more community involvement." Cavanagh said. "I think I have a connection that a lut of others connection that a lot of others may not have because of my experience going back to child-heod.

, put myself through law of and worked very hard to \*\*1 hoo

"They are going to be the future of our community." Along with his commitment to the district's children, Cavanagh said he is committed

to protecting families. "I would make a great judge," he said. "Everyone that comes before me will receive fair and equitable treatment."

### Sara Pope Starnes

Don't expect to see Sara Pope Starnes before 5 p.m. But expect to see her at your door sometime between now and the Aug. 6 pri-

Starnes is an assistant prose-cuting attorney for Oakland County, Due to her position with the county, Starnes is unable to campaign during what is considered normal business hours, an obstacle she hopes to overcome with an extensive door-to-door campaign.

It is her dedication to serving her community, she says, that will lead her to a doorstep near you.

"When I decided I wanted to be a lawyer, it was because I wanted to serve people, not make a lot of money," said Starmes. "I was born and raised in Oakland County and I have been an assistant been an assistant prosecutor for 13 years. I have seen the effect

said

"I've handled a wide range of atters," Cavanagh said, "I've

After being appointed an

he handled juvenile and adult

Village, iver of Wolverine Lake Highland and a sliver

Northville. This change will result in about a 6,000 reduction in the 52-1's caseload. The new judge beginning January 1, 2003. Brief profiles and

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### **Robert Bondy**

Former Novi attorney Robert rormer Novi attorney Robert Bondy is ready to return to the city, this time serving the area as a judge for the 52-1 District Court. After leaving Novi in 1987, he didn't go far before settling in Milford in 1996. Bondy. 42, has sene time in

Bondy, 42, has spent time in Commerce Township and the Walled Lake area.

"I've always practiced within the community that the 52-1 District serves," Bondy said.

While practicing in the dis-trict for 17 years, the attorney and counselor has handled liti-gation in the areas of real estate, landlord tepant, criminal work and general civil work with

community.

"It is not an overnight deci-sion," Bondy said. "I asked myself can I be a positive person in this seat?'

The answer was yes, Bondy knew despite the fact it would mean leaving his practice and building career, he was at a time in his life when he was ready to do something for the communi-

ty. "You get out of your community what you put in," he said. "It is an honor to carn the privilege to serve your community Bondy has demonstrated

commitment to the community commitment to the community by volunteering time to many activities including serving as a member of the Vilage and Charter Township of Milford Planning Commission, 15-year Milford Rotary Club member, volunteer bell ringer for the Salvation Army and member of the Huron Valley, Lakes Area and Novi Chamber of Commerce. Commerce. Bondy also feels he would

make a successful judge because of his skills and dispo-

District Courts, participating as

a contributing attorney in the 52-1 District Court Community Court Town Hall Meeting program and contributing 14 years to the 52-1 District Court Day of Court in School program at local high schools.

"Education is very important to young people," he said. "Education and knowledge is the key to understanding and datapults children into being reenonsible adult." responsible adults.

As a direct result of the court seeing more young people, Bondy feels education is the key to keeping them out of the system.

"I will try to identify what is missing in their lives and help establish a support structure they need to mature," he said. Bondy additionally feels it is important that courts are important that courts are responsive to victims of crime. Robert Bondy lives in Milford with his wife, Denise, and 11year-old twin sons.

#### Jerome Cavanach

ment.

In his current position, Cavanagh practices constitu-tional law, property law, crimi-nal law and landlord-tenant cases and handles matters ranging from property and construc-tion disputes to enforcing rail-road regulations and the Junk Yard Control Act to responding

Yard Control Act to response to citizen inquiry letters. He explained that busically whatever state highway complications the Michigan Department of Transportation can't resolve are then referred to the Michigan Attorney General's office.

Cavanagh said it has been a tremendous experience working under Frank Kelley and the current attorney general, Jennifer Granholm.

And although the candidate explained how important the diversity of his current profession lends to his attractiveness, he said his wide range of experi-

cnce began early in his career. The Wayne State University alumnus said that after graduating from Detroit College of Law

get where I am, I know what it is to work hard, and I am committed to working hard." Cavanagh also comes from

family rich in history of public service.

lerome's father was the mayor of Detroit from 1962 to 1970.

"He really left a legacy for his kids," Cavanagh said. Additionally, one of his seven siblings is on the Michigan siblings is on the Michigan Court of Appeals, two are Wayne County Commissioners and he has an uncle who is a Michigan Supreme Court juslice.

Cavanagh lived in Detroit until moving in 1972 to Milford where he still resides. "Milford was a wonderful community to group up in" he

community to grow up in," he said.

If elected, the candidate omises to take an active role in the community, protect all citizens and dedicate much of his efforts to the district's youth. "I think it is very important to intervene early and often in a child's life," Cavanagh said.

crime on the community. I of know I can serve the community (as

s a judge)." Starnes currently works in the warrants division of the prosecutor's office and has received the early endorsement of Dave Gorcyca, the Oakland County prosecutor.

"Sara has the perfect judicial temperament," said Goreyca, who was first elected to the office of prosecutor in 1996, replacing Dick Thompson, who received the brunt received the brunt of Republican voter's contempt in the primary for not successfully prosecuting Jack Kervorkian.

Who is better suited to be a District Court judge than some-one who has been involved in criminal cases for more than 10 years? Over 70 percent of the docket is going to be criminal law," Gorcyca said. "And Sara has the experience necessary for that position.'

Docket management is an area that Stames feels is her

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## The Questions:

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I. As you are seeking to become a trial judge, how many bench and jury trials have you personally conducted?

2. Most candidates for district judge talk about their criminal law experience. Approximately 30 percent of the case load of the 52-1 District Court is civil cases. What part of your practice is civil?

3. The 52-1 District Court has been given numerous state and national awards for its many community oriented programs. a) How familiar are you with these programs; b) Do you support these programs; c) Do you think the court should continue to expand its community-oriented progra

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ert Bondy ent ession main State sty - B A. Criminal with honors - Derroit College of J.D., with honors - Derroit College of J.D., with	American Bar Association, State Bar of Michigan, Oakland County Bar Association, Southeastern Michigan, Builders Association, Kinghas, Milford Rotay Club, Board Mencher Huron Valley YMCA (1992-1994, Huron Valley YMCA Capital Improvement Committee, Member Nov Laycees 1986- 1987, Huron Valley Chamber of Commerce, Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce, Novi Chamber of Commerce, Novi Chamber of Commerce, Novi Chamber of Commerce, South Lyon Chamber of Commerce, Bell Ringer Volunteer Salvation Arms, Milford Police Athletic League Supporter, 52-1 District Court Solviety Court Board Member, Village of Milford Planning Commission 1988- 1992, Milford Township Planning Commission 1992- 1998, Village of Milford Brownfield Redevelopment Authority	Practicing attorney for 17 years with extensive trial experience in civil and criminal law. Licensed in Michigan, Federal Court and the United States Supreme Court. Licenset restdential builder. AV rated attorney by Martindale- Hubbell, highest rating avuilable. Hubbell, highest rating avuilable. Hubbell, highest rating avuilable. Hubbell, highest rating avuilable. State and coordinated small claims mediation in the 34th and S2-1 District Courts. Moderator, Institute of Continuing Legal Education, participant in the 52-1 District Court Day of Court in School program. Contributing ator- ney 52-1 District Court Community Court Townhall Meeting program. Interests Jogging, boating, traveling, ski- ing, classic antomobiles	1 jury trials - 25; bench trials - 100 + 2 My practice was primarily a criminal practice when I began practicing law, however, over time that has shifted to where it is now predominately civil. The civil portion of my practice runs 60-70 percent depending on the year. 3 a. 1 am very familiar with the programs of the 52-10 percent depending on the year. 3 bit riet Coart. In the 1980s I was instrumental in assisting the coart in establishing a small claims mediation program. In the 1990s, I was involved with the court as a participant and contributing member in the towshall program is instituted out that local high chools every year since it was instituted with Judge MacKenzie (13 years). I am currently an advisory board member to the District Court Sobriety Court program. N. I strongly support these programs. They have all been involved to their oductional value, reducing crime and reducing costs for the taxpayers. c. I strongly believe that the court should contract with at some time in their Bife. It is imperative that the court share some integrams to better serve the counnumity and develop programs to better serve the counnumity and develop programs to better serve the counnumity.	<ul> <li>b.1 thick the Sobriety Court has been an effective, innoise the program utilizing some new concepts and ideas in the sentencing process which has been instrumental in give via their lives in an alcohol free manner which reduces to the first lives in an alcohol free manner which reduces to the first lives in an alcohol free manner which reduces to the grow and improve as we learn more through its process which has been instrumental in give via the grow and improve as we learn more through its process which has been manner which reduces to the grow and improve as we learn more through its process which has always been the hallmark of this court has the first been work logether. Not only do the three current highs have worked together. Not only do the three current highs have working, open minded and fair bench that is focused on the solution better serve the community.</li> <li>a. A have nothing but the lightst graw for the current highst base individuals with their ability, dignity and better serve the community have and better serve us as judges.</li> <li>b. A not support any proposition or law that proposes high gala substance or drug. I do not believe to serve in the leagest content and the proposes high a best interest of society. The legalization of the solution of the solutio</li></ul>
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3	Northy tile Community Chamber of Commerce, Northy tile Community Foundation, Kivanis Club of Plymouth Personal Data 8 Interests Tather (deceased) - attorney and former mayor of Detroit (1962-1970); mother - terined from Coneral Motors Proving Ground and resident of Novi, five brothers; and two sisters	Currently serving as an assistant state attorney general (appointed in 1997): experienced private practice atorney with extensive criminal and eivil legal background; served in the Waya County Prosecutor's Office; served as court officer in the Michigan Court of Appeals. <b>Interests</b> Family, friends, the law and com- munity service	<ul> <li>As an autorney 1 have had three (3) bench trials and no jupy trials. As an assistant autorney general, 1 do appear in court frequently for hearings and to argue motions on behalf of the State of Michigan. the Autorney General, and daministrative hearings (trials in front of administrative hearings) trials. In front of administrative judgest as an assistant attorney general. They are the Transportation Division is about 999 percent civil. Before 1 became an assistant attorney general. I was in private ransportation Division is about 999 percent civil. Before 1 became an assistant attorney general, if was in private ransportation Division is about 999 percent civil. Before 1 became an assistant attorney general, I was in private matters in the courtroom.</li> <li>A. Lan familiar with most of the programs.</li> <li>b. Lupport programs that utilize in the most efficient manner the resources of the court, programs that service the eithers in an effective and satisfactory manner and that serve to benefit the community as a whole.</li> <li>c. I believe that programs should be further implement-of that serve to benefit the community and that those programs.</li> <li>A. an familiar with the sobriety court program.</li> <li>F. As an attorney and advocate for the State and Pederal Constitutions, and the rights of all our critizens. I believe in generous process under the law. I believe the sobriety court program provides that to the offender who abues and is effect.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>of the community. It also serves as a reminder to offenders and potential offenders of the serious problems to the community that alcohol abuse causes, that the court is aware of it, is serious about stopping it, and is willing to take the accessary action to stem the problem.</li> <li>e. I would if it serves as an effective determent to those who are prome to continue abusing and jeopardizing the safety, security, and welfare of the community.</li> <li><b>3.</b> A limit it is very important for judges to work together in a cooperative manner.</li> <li>b. Such cooperation reflects on the court as a whole. Udges in the courts must work cooperatively just as other professionals do. It results in more functional administration to better serve the citizeny.</li> <li>e. I think it is surposal to change the way non-violent dying offenders are to be treated by the court for nonviolent dying offenders are to be treated by the court for nonviolent problems in this country. Addiction is a disease of the brain continue offense.</li> <li>b. I believe that drug and alcohol addiction are serious her brain the mind, and way anon-violent problem is the way the series of the brain counting with a weakness in the mind, and many ecopie can be effectively treated for their problem. I believe how were that hows that continually abuse the system as well as those who community violent offenses.</li> </ul>

tive in its design to protect the community by deterring offenders from further abusing and jeopardizing the welfare

Attorneys debate stance for 52-1 District Court

ished accordingly

## **District** Court 52-1 Elected to a 6-Year Term **One Position**

4. The 52-1 has just started a new program known as sobriety court. a) Are you familiar with the progran; b) What do you think of the sobriety court program; c) If you are elected as a judge in the 52-1 District Court, would you actively participate in the sobriety court program?

5. While they have different personalities, judges Batchik, MacKenzie and Powers are known to work cooperatively. a) Do you think it is important for judges to work together; b) Why; c) What do you think of the current judges of the 52-1 District Court?

6. There is a ballot proposition circulating in Michigan that is similar to the one known as Proposition 36 in California. a) Are you familiar with it; b) Do you support

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Candidate

Sara

Current

Profession

Education

School, 1981; James Madison College of

BA social science, 1985

Thomas Cooley Law

School, JD, 1988

Candidate

**Pope Starnes** 

Assistant prosecuting

attorney, Oakland County

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**Relevant Experience** 

I have been a trial attorney for 27

years, handling plaintiff and defens cases in both civil and criminal

areas. These have included general negligence, products liability, con-tracts, corporate disputes, real estatu disputes and municipal trigation

natters. As a municipal attorney, I

Relevant Experience

As an assistant prosecutor for nore than 13 years, I have worked

entor's Office, sinc & Interests Husband, Jim Stames; chil dren Andrew, 9, and Abbie, 7; stepsons Brett, 20; and Adam, 17 Waterford Mott High Michigan State Universi

Personal Data

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Novi Jaycees member, 1985

Memberships Providence Park Medical Center Community Advisory Board, 1992-current; Michigan 50s Festival Board of Director. 1994-1999: American Heart Association of Southwestern Oakland County Chapter, 1994 1998; Motor Sports Museum and Hall of Pame of America

> Palmer Drug Abuse Center Board of Directors, 1988-1997; Michigan Realth Incorporated Board of Directors, 1994-1997 Providence Hospital Advisory Board Member, 1991-1995; 52 I District Court Citizen's

Board of Directors, 1994-1998

through community involvement. My other interests are golf, all other sports, reading, church and relaxation

## have prosecuted misdemeanor case neluding drunk driving, domestic infence, assault and battery, etc. I have appeared in many circuit courts within the State of Michigar the United States Federal District County district court, I have prac-ticed in the 52-1 District Court for 27 years. Also, my six years as the mayor of Novi provides me with the unique perspective of the finances from the court. Interests My main interest is my family.

My second main interest is my low of the law which I have thoroughly enjoyed practicing for 27 years. My third main interest is my devotion to the betterment of the community

## Responses to Above Questions

I have conducted approximately 35 bench trials and 35 jury trials. District court judges also preside over felony preliminary examinations. I have personally conduct ed approximately 237 preliminary examinations and 452 ination waivers. I have reviewed and charged more that ,500 criminal cases. 2 Unbeknownst to many people, the prosecutor's Office

Lis statutorily responsible for many different civil ictions. Since 1992, my responsibilities with the prosecuactions, since provide the review, linking and trails of evil tor's Office have included the review, linking and trails of evil cases, including drug, onnibus, and gambling forfeitures, as well as incompatibility of office actions and consumer proections actions.

he TAPP (tobacco Alcohol Prevention Project), Sobriety Court and Teen Court. I support programs such as these which will protect our community while working to reha-bilitate the offender.

3 As a prosecutor, I an very familiar with these pro-grams, which include (in part) the Alternative Service Program (which includes the Community Service Garden),

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## time in juil if they violate the terms and conditions of the

robation. This program has been very successful, and 1 niend to work to strengthen and expand the program. 5 It is important for judges to work together to provide proper administration of the court. Although each udge sits as an individual in their courtroom, together they are responsible to responsible for the supervision of the court staff, the court budget and case management. I believe that the judges of the 52-1 District Court work diligently to serve

for drug dealers would be abolished and the Legislature would be specifically prohibited from changing the law to require incarceration for drug dealing. Defendants charged with possession of drugs will choose whether to enter trea ment or be prosecuted, Experience in the criminal justice

Aesponses to Above Questions 1 With 27 years of trial experience it is difficult to com-struct how many trials (have been involved in. My best estimate would be that I have been involved in more than 200 jury cases and more than 500 bench trials, the exact number is impossible to ascertain. I diff attorney, approximately 80

drunk driving offenses. The tears of joy of those who have completed the program and their stories certainly verifies rea. The remaining 20 percent of my practice involved riminal defense cases and prosecution matters for the its effectiveness municipalities that I represent. With the recent increase in the jurisdiction of the court to \$25,000, there will be even c. Yes. After seeing first-hand how this program has

runicipalities that 1 represent. With the recent increase in the jurisdiction of the court to \$25,000, there will be even more cases filed. **a**. Yes, I an very familiar with the programs of the court up to the that that as a proscenting at the to the fast the as a proscenting at the to the fast that as a proscenting at the first two fast labels. **b**. Increase the programs can provide to individuals. **b**. Increase the programs can provide to individuals. effective place interview of the spectra of the sectrate of th they all believe and in which they all worked towards. heir joint efforts allow their case disposition numbers to e increased every year and for the community programs to Alternatives for Michigan, the Impact Weekend for those convicted of drank driving, the Tobacco/Alcohol Preventior Project for youthful offenders, the Teen Court Juvenile Diversion Program, and the CATCH Capitals Program be expanded. c. Judge Batchik, Judge MacKenzie and Judge Powers are all outstanding jurists. I have had the pleasure of appearing in front of all of these judges since the first day they took the bench, and I can verify first-hand that they

(that) tracks those convicted of drunk driving during holi-Yes. A district court is a community court. It is the

before them first court that any of us have involvement with Many peo ple still fear coming to court even for jury duty. It is up to the judges to reach out to the community to expand the familiarity of the community with the court so that this fear the two states that have approved it (Arizona and California) before we can seriously consider this radical

a Yes. In fact, I am a member of the Sobriety Court Advisory Board and a the change in our state dvisory Board, and at this time I am working with

# ontenders spar for 15th Senate seat

pieces of legislation that are rom 1B currently signed into law. Cassis' first legislation that the pack," he said a quiet leader and passed into law focused on n come with you, agging them along support if needed

Internet filters at public libraries. The law allows Internet filters to keep pornographic web sites away from ves as the Assistant minors. The law also ensures some Internet access computers have no filters so adults can ip in the House, as vice-chair of the tice committee. He access any sites. Cassis said she was able to f the House Energy craft legislation that stands up to constitutional challenges, because some of the computers kinson has not had aperience to showadership qualities still allow complete access on and Cassis, he did the Internet. form a student group at U of M called Students Against Terror and worked on Spence Abraham's unsuccessful U.S. Cassis also authored the hill dents. eliminate the Single Business Tax, as well as to speed up the process to do so. In all, Cassis race two years ago. He said he views his limited ntroduced 13 bills that became

experience as an opportunity to not be tainted. He also points to Gov. John Engler, who was first elected to a state position when because 01 server desting the state of the Major issues or goals "It's not about taking money from public schools," he said. "You can't get a good education in some schools. Give the kids a for special education if we chance to excel. They're trapped in these schools like in Detroit or Flint." Wolkinson — as well as reach them early enough," he said. Kowall said his big push in the state Senate would focus on Kowall — addressed paying for future road projects to handle the population growth in the area. Both focused on the state plants in operation in Michigan do not meet current standards

for supply, so as problems occur, it gets more and more difficult to correct. and local agencies funding the infrastructure costs to handle the needs of new residents. Those costs, both said, need to "If we don't have that, we'll be beating our clothes on rocks at the Huron River," he said. be born on the developers build ing homes to attract new resi-"We have an aging infrastruc-ture for electricity. We need to look at alternative ways to pro-

dents. "We've been subsidizing urban sprawl," said Wolkinson. "You have to have roads to fit vide electricity." One of the important things, the population. We keep moving further and further apart." One way to increase funding he said, was the diversification

of energy source, whether fuelfor roads, Wolkinson added, is cell technology or green power. to increase taxes on trucks. The He said he has completed research on the issue. Now, it's

reading programs. The earlier cussions going on," she said, the issue is handled, the better, "We can save needed money lighted was drawing toget understands what business peo-Another example she high-lighted was drawing together officials to address pedestrian ple go through. By "signing both sides of the check," he can better help small business own issues in Wixom, getting the ers, he said. city and state to agree to solit And Kowall said one of his sts for pedestrian paths along the road improvements

6<sup>a. Yes.</sup>

greatest abilities is "using a lit-tle horse-sense." Legislation, she said, should "We need common sense legdefine the person, not the headislation," he said. "Don't knee jerk reaction. Take a common-sense approach, weigh all the variables and take quick lines created by the media. Cassis pointed to the hot topic of Canadian trash being dumped in Michigan landfills. Instead of action. introducing legislation to ban the practice — which Kowall did — she sponsored a resolu-Wolkinson is a political

sincerely care about each individual and case that comes

b. No. [ believe that more analysis must be completed in

junkie, keeping up on anything related to government and poli-tics from the 15th District to the tion urging the U.S. government county to the state to every other state to the federal govto allow states to handle the issue. The importation has been determined as interstate comernment. "This is all I read about," he

merce, so state law cannot limit said. "I have been interested in politics all my life. I've always "You have to take appropriate action to get the job done," said Cassis. "I knew that would bump up against the U.S. Constitution. You need to get difference in the other two.

wanted to get involved in poli-tics. The point of elections is to have choices. I don't see much When the state legislature defresses needs, he added.

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Wolkinson said the first areas fuel tax is greater for automo-
than need to be addressed are the
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Kowall said one of the m
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"Tax hikes (like the eigarette

tax) in bad times stunts growth,"

he said. "It's a disincentive for

people to come here. You can't

in bad times."

Cassis said the projects has

been important, as well. Cassis

said she worked with state,

county and local officials to

bring additional road funds to

Owkland County, including
                                                                                                                                                                                                                        dents into the courtroom
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toward a particular department
                                                                                                              be getting to your doorstep
before the Aug. 6 primary.
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  position being moved to people," Starnes said. "You need
                                                                                                                                                                                                                            "That is a definite must," he
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         are several pieces of legislation
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All three said they want to and individual in state govern- he said,
most or other agency to setting "One
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       being spent, like in education,
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         they can point toward as exam-
                                                                                                            "I am hoping I have enough
time. I work for the county so I
                                                                                                                                                                                                                          In the past, the candidate has
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              s of their success
  Clarkston to ease to load.
                                                                                                                                                                  defense cases in both civil and
                                                     to be the spokesperson for the
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               chairperson of the planning
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 ment or other agency to setting
up meetings to address con-
cerns. One example he high-
lighted focused on a woman liv-
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            Kowall's first piece of legisla-
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          keep taxes low.
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            "Once people get to know me.
                                                                                                                                                                 criminal areas. Appearing in
numerous district and circuit
and circuit dent of the American Heart
  Starnes feels that with the victim and you need to be strong
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               committee of Providenc
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      they'll see I'm friendly, I'm
honest," said Wolkinson. "I
                                                                                                             don't campaign during normal
business hours," she said.
If Starnes wants to be the next
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                Hospital in Southfield has give
growth in the area, the amount for them. As a judge, I will be
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         tion signed to law focused on
                                                                                                                                                                                                                       dent of the American Heart
Association Southwestern
                                                                                                                                                                    courts, the 27-year attorney has
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          Guiding philosophies
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         equity in the prison system. The
   of work will only rise to its cur-
                                                      able to utilize the same strength,
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 him immense management
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Used and the appropri-
ate funding, the money can't Road/Beck Road intersection in
simply be allocated without Wixom, as well as money for
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       have deep concern for state gov
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                made it a five-year felony
rent level in a few very short.
                                                     but also you cannot rule with
                                                                                                                                                                  overseen numerous
                                                                                                                                                                                                            cases
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               experience.
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                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                ing in a manufactured home who needed her $600 refund
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                                                                                                                                                                                                                        Oakland County Chapter, Novi
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   Ouinn has also served as city
                                                                                                             judge for the 52-1 District including general negligence,
                                                      any prejudices. Each case must start with a clean state."
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               or township attorney for Lyon
Township, City of Lathrup
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         raband materials - most often
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          themselves as ombudsmen, peo-
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       to serve.
     "My strength is my organiza-
                                                                                                                                                                 product liability, corporate dis-
putes, real estate disputes and
medical malpractice cases.
Since 1993, Quinn has
                                                                                                             Court, she will need to become,
                                                                                                                                                                                                                        City Hall Town Hall meeting
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ple who bing others together to
listen and to address issues, check didn't come, then finally
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   Wixom, as well as money for
Grand River Avenue in Novi.
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               Township, City of Lathrup
Village, City of Southfield
                                                    Starnes greatest showing of strength may have been when her first husband, Tim, suffered
                                                                                                            as Ted Nugent said in the '70s, a weekend warrior.
                                                                                                                                                                                                                        coordinator, board member of
the Palmer Drug Abuse Center
in Milford, charter member of
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        drugs ---- into the jail.
Previously it was a five-year
                       Stames said. "We
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             determining the source first.
need a judge who makes sure to
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        Primary vote
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        misdemeanor. In prisons (jails
are county operated and prisons
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 School funding is another
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      Leadership in the state legis-
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          hopefully to find a consensus to was told her tax information
 start court on time, to move the
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               Downtown
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           Developmen
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          handle a problem.
Cassis said she has proven her
ability to find a consensus in
obtaining money while working
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             area where more attention is
needed. Districts repeatedly
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  lature, she added, needs to move
toward Oakland County.
Despite Oakland County's sta-
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         The three candidates will
while giving everyone their fair
opportunity to be heard. But, I eventually dying from his
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               Authority and City of Ferndale
                                                                                                                                                                   focused on municipal litigation
                                                                                                                                                                                                                        the governing board of directors
of Michigan Health Inc. in
                                                                                                            Matthew Quinn
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      meet in the Aug. 6 primary elec-
tion throughout the communi-
ties of state Senate District 15,
                                                                                                                                                                   matters as a partner of the law
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               "I've always had a goal to be
judge." Quinn said. "I consider
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         are run by the state), it was
                                                                                                            For more reason than one,
former Novi Mayor (1987-
1993) Matthew Quinn feels he
                                                                                                                                                                  firm Cooper, Shifman, Gabe,
Quinn and Seymour, P.C.
                                                                                                                                                                                                                        Novi, member of the 52-1
District Court Citizen Support
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         dways a felony.
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             complain that there is not
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           Kowall also penned DNA leg-
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             enough funds to adequately tus as the wealthiest in the state,
  intend on being someone who
                                                     injuries.
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 it a continuation of community
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        islation, requiring the testing of prisoners of felonics prior to
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               He has established regular
meeting times within his House
district to meet informally with
anyone interested in stopping
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              teach students. The state, he
                                                          "I was a single mother and a
                                                                                                                                                                      In Quinn's opinion though,
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   much of the state's leadership
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          in the minority party to get
funds for the Wixom/Beck
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        The winner of the Aug. 6 pri-
  makes sure the parties involved
                                                                                                                                                                                                                        Committee and cochairman of
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               service. To me it is the next
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  comes from the west side
around Grand Rapids. Cassis
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       mary will square off against
Democrat Sean Carlson of
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             said, needs to pay closer atten-
                                                     full-time prosecutor. That
changed my reality and my per-
spective," Starnes said. "1
                                                                                                           possesses all the right qualities
to put him behind the 52-1
District Court bench.
                                                                                                                                                                                                                      the Novi High School Senior
All-Night Party fund-raising
  where to the schedule.
                                                                                                                                                                  heavy court-room experience
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               step."
Quinn said he has waited
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          intersection project. When the
Novi Road issue first came
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            tion to how the money is spent,
particularly in the costs paid for
administrators. around Grand Rapids. Cassis
said she is the best candidate to
do just that.
                                                                                                                                                                  isn't enough to prepare someone
to serve as judge.
"I think judges owe it as their
    Starnes is quick to point out
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        their release.
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            "it's foolproof identification."
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       Commerce Township, who is
                                                                                                                                                                                                                         what Quinn said most people
that congestion in the courtroom
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               patiently since 1992 for the seat
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       The DNA information for
felons is stored and can be used
schools. While he said most of
she said."
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over toss of business, while
Providence hospital raised con-
cerns over access for emergency
while Cassis said she organ
                                                                                                              After announcing his decision
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          about, businesses complained by a local shop.
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 is rarely the fault of a specific
                                                     learned not to sweat the small
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                in the first district to be created
                                                                                                            to run for judge. Quinn said his duty to get involved in the com- don't realize is District Court
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               before he would run
            but is more of an indict-
                                                    stuff and appreciate what I
                                                                                                            experience on all sides of the
court room, commitment to the
                                                                                                                                                                 munity, Quinn said. "District
Court is really a community
                                                                                                                                                                                                                        judges are also managers of the
court. With help of others,
District Court judges oversee
employees and other adminis-
  nent of the legal system on the
                                                    have."
Starnes was instrumental in
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           Philip Allmen is a reporter
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               my friends," he said. "I think I
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    As a former long-time educa-
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        in future crime investigations. If
someone is found innocent,
   While Stames would gladly
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             the school districts in District
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       for the South Lyon Herald.
                                                     building a playscape at the
                                                                                                            community and managerial
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               fit the bill for being a qualified
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            Ta are successful, districts with tor. Cassis said she focuses on
failing schools need more alter-
natives for the students to have
a chance to be successful.
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         ized meetings between county,
local and business officials to
meet last month.
"I'm pleased to see the dis-
cabinet/millwork business, he
                                                                                                                                                                    In addition to promising to .
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               get such a good response. It
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       Reach him at (248) 437-2011 or
                                                                                                           skills make him qualified to
state that while organizational 
skills and a tireless campaigning
                                                     Community Sports Park in Novi
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             district judge."
"You have to be firm and fair
                                                                                                          wear the robe.

"Since I've handled a majori-

ty of cases on both sides, no one

can really pull the wool over my
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             e-mail
                                                                                                                                                                                                                        trative duties such as budgets,
                                                      in 1997 as a tribute to Tim. She
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       their DNA records are not
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           of his family
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      pallmen@ht.homecomm.net.
                                                    had the architects speak to chil-
dren in the Novi Schools for
                                                                                                                                                                                                                        he said.
"I've worked on budgets for
six years," Quinn said. "I've
effort are two attributes
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                at the same time," Quinn said.
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will get her into the chair, and
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               "Courtrooms run the gamut of
          her to dictate the flow ideas and drawings of what they
                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               emotions
                                                                                                                                                                                                                         also managed my own practice
                                                                                                            eyes," Quinn said. "There are youth.
upon arrival, her greatest char-
                                                   wanted in their playscape.
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## Michigan State Senate 15th District

Representing the townships of Commerce, Milford, Highland, Holly, Lyon, Northville, Novi, Rose, West Bloomfield and White Lake; the cities of Novi, Northville, Orchard Lake, South Lyon, Walled Lake and Wixom; and the villages of Milford, Holly and Wolverine Elected to a 4-Year Term

## The Questions:

Memberships

Board of

Member.

Educational

Collaborative.

Farmington Area YMCA, 1990; Novi Partners in

Education; Novi Youth Forum

First Chair, Novi Lanc

Novi Educational Foundation

(Political) Novi City Councilwoman, 1985-93 and

(Political) Novi

Club; Past Rep. Director/Precincts, Novi;

Memberships

Co-chair of the Oakland

Federation

Michigan Bowhunters; White

Lake Business Association

White Lake Historical Society

Memberships

Former president Students Against Terror

Director

1983-84:

Michigan

1995-96

City

Leadership 1995-96;

1. Should Proposal A be repealed or modified? If so, how? How can school districts be assured funding will not be cut after their budgets have already been made?

2. Would you support legislation allowing additional millages for school operations if approved at the local level? Why or why not? If so, how would you ensure school taxes would not skyrocket out of control, leading to the problems found before Proposal A originally passed?

3. Is preserving open space in west Oakland County realistic? Would you support measures to preserve open space?

4. Should Michigan continue its current practice of a full-time Legislature or should legislators work part-time? Why?

- 5. Now that term limits have caused turnover in the Legislature, do you still support term limits? Why or why not?
- 6. What are your top three issues or priorities, and how do you propose to address them?

State Representative, 38th

District, November, 1996-present:

Committee Assignments:

7. Why, specifically, should voters select you over your opponents.

#### Relevant Experience **Responses to Above Questions**

Tax



Candidate

Nancy Cassis

Current Profession

State Representative

Education BA. Ohi

1995-96; Secretary, 11th Congressional District Rep. University- Summa Cum Laude, Phi Beta Committee Executive Committee, Rep Committee of Oakland Kappa MS, University Michigan Ed.S Committee of Oakland County, 1994-present: Rep.

Precinct Delegate; Farmington Area Rep. Club; West Oakland Rep. Club; Rep. Women of West Oakland; Northville Rep. **Personal Data** 

Born Jan. 26, 1944; married, two children

five step-children. Member, St. Mary's Orthodox Church in Livonia.



County Legislative Dele-gation; Aviation Caucus; Mackinaw Center for Public Policy; Midwestern Legis-lative Conference of the Council of State Govern-Mike Kowall ments: National Conference of State Legislators; American Legislative Exchange Council; Current National Profession Independent Business and the National Association of Sportsmen Legislators; Huron State Rep. 44th and Business owner Valley Alliance for Education; Education Huron Valley Council for the Arts: Huron Valley Lions Club; chambers of conuncree (for Lakes Area, Michigan and Attended Oakland Community College. 1970 graduate of Henry Ford High

South Lyon); Michigan Association of Homehuilders; School, Detroit Michigan Sea Cadets and U.S. Naval Sea Cadets: Michigan Personal Data United Conservation Clubs Born Sept. 10, Multi-Lakes Conservation 1951. Married since Association: National Rifle 1974, two daughter Association; Navy League c the United States; Nort President of family-owned business, Oakland County Board of Realtors; Perfection Mosaic Accurate Lodge No. 530; Safari Club Woodworking, Inc. in Waterford since nternational;

Member

Holy Spirit Church in

Policy Chair, Energy and Technology, Redistricting and Elections, Senior Health, Security property tax increases helping people, especially citizens, afford to stay in their homes. Elections, Senior Health, Security and Retirement, Legislative Retirement System; Dean of House Rep. Caucus; Created and Conservancy, 1983-84; Member, Novi Schools' Long Range Planning Team, 1995; K-12 funding has been, continues to be a top budget nri ority. As tax chair, I've held schools harmless from sales 2Breaking the promise of Proposition A, that capped 2property tax assessments, would result in higher hosted the Cassis Business Roundtable 2002 - Moving Member, Community That Cares; Michigan 50's Festival; Michigan's Economy Forward taxes and a Constitutional amendment. Before Proposition A some schools operated on less than \$3,500 per child 2002; Former Assistant Whip, 2002: Fornier Assistant Whip, Rep, Caucus; Vice-Chair, National Council of State Legislatures Federal Budget and Taxation Committee: Michigan State Coordinator of the National Rep. Member of Novi, Huron Valley, Lakes Area, South Lyon Chamber of Commerce; Next year, the foundation grant will be \$6,700 - a remark-able, responsible, accountable educational commitment. People move here because of excellent schools; I don't support returning to the old millage system and I haven't received requests/school board resolutions, etc. to do so. 2 Expensive costs accompany outward expansion; new Legislators Association: Member of Republican Alliance to Identify 3 Expensive costs accompany oursease of the services. Schools, water/sewer extensions, fire/police services. Districts watrick we consistent interporte services, Therefore, fee supported; stopping taxpayer subsidiza-tion of sprawl, coordinated planning act, local master planning preserving open spaces. Remaissance Zones/Brownfield Redevelopment protecting rural green-spaces, addressing failing urban schools, crime, business Solutions in Education (RAISE) House Personal Property Tax Subcommittee, House Rep. Senior Task Force, Michigan Information Network Advisory Board, appointed by Governor Engler, National reinvestment, creation of jobs making an urban lifestyle Council of State Legislatures Commerce Committee: 9 Psychologist, 1980-96, Schoo 4 to charities. insistently voted against pay increases; returned it Ultimately, voters will decide about a part-time legisla-Schools; Teacher 1966-68, Cleveland, Ohio Public

constituents with: meetings, tributes, committee/subcom-mittee hearings, drafting legislation, communicating with local officials and the media. I support Proposition A's tremendous success: Leveled playing field between rich and poor schools produced a reliable, stable, increasing school funding

Solution of the initial because they are; creating a Solution of the solution the majority of my constituents continue to support

term limits-adverse consequences have not happened 6 Strengthen Michigan's economy; reduce taxes; braintain my accelerated elimination of the SBT; lead discussion on fair share of business taxes; use tax incentives attracting high-tech, alternative energy indus tries/jobs

Obtain needed road dollars: Jobby our congressional legislators: build Oakland County coalitions; increase diesel fuel tax; stop diverting transportation dollars to other departments.

Improve educational success; address accountability

recognitions/awards; Proven record of accomplishment; reconstruction Wixom/Beck of computers used by minors protecting them from pornog-

School funding under Proposal A is working well. I with the shift in emphasis from property tax to sales tax funding, education funding will remain on a steady level. Proposal A should not be changed or "tweaked." Schools, like the rest of Michigan, have to be careful not to overspend. They should set their budgets at such a level that our children's education would not be adversely affected during economic slowdowns. When I first too office, funding per child was at \$3,500 per child. Now i is at \$6,500 - soon to be \$6,700. This was accomplished without raising taxes. I will work hard to protect education funding as the new senator of the 15th District. Additional millages are at the will of the local per vention delegate. Member of Oakland County Republican Part

Inter However, millages should truly reflect the will of the majority of people in a district, and not just a select few. Millage issues should be put up for a vote of the peo-ple during regularly scheduled elections.
Maintaining the guality of life in Oakland County

This been a passion of mine for many cents. We all moved to Oakland County to enjoy what it has to offer. Preserving open space is a goal that can be achieved, while still protecting property rights. Tax abatements and other incentives can be offered to help keep our open areas. For example, removing wetlands from the propert tax rolls would serve as one incentive to preserve oper 41 have never agreed with the pay raise that the legis-dature received, or the method by which it is done. 1

lature actually end up costing the state more money.

## Six battling for new District 7 Oakland County commission seat men squaring

By Erin Johnson been discussed before. Some of the issues he feels are important to the area are taxes, issues involving Camp Dearborn in Milford, senior citizens, scwer The chance to be the Republican candidate for District

Wolverine Lake

Dennis Bagely

Dennis Bagley of Commerce, Mario Facione of Milford, Melonie Kaczkowski of

Wolverine Lake, Chris Long of

Commerce, Gary Miller of Commerce and Tom Motley of

Milford are all asking voters to

cast their vote for them during the

primary election. The winner will

face Democrat Jim Gualdoni of

Wolverine Lake in the general election in November. Gualdoni

has no challengers in the primary

Bagely, an attorney, said he is

running for county commissione because he wants to be the voice

representing the area at the coun

ty level. He believes the distribu-

tion of the budget will be an

important issue as will road improvements, parks and recre-

ation areas and water and sewe

He said he wants people to work together more and feels his mediation skills will help him

build a consensus on the commis-

challenges if elected to the com

mission will be making sure the area's priorities and issues are taken seriously by the commis-

Oakland County get recognition,"

work for the needs of his con-

stituents, those concerns will have

to be woven into what is best for all of Oakland County. He said he would keep the lines

said

"We have to see more of West

Bagley said that while he will

Bagley said one of his biggest

concerns and road improvements. Pacione said the taxes being 7 county commissioner is up for grabs among six area residents on mposed on residents are too District 7 is a new seat created high. "We're not getting the services after redistricting and encompass-es Milford. Commerce and that we should be getting," he said.

other political candidates because

Facione said he also wants

more of the community to get

involved in government issues and said, if elected, he would set

up a time and place once a month

where residents could talk with

"I want to be able to communi-

Lake and else where, run-

ty

"It follows for everything I've

step.

cate with people," Facione said.

him about their concerns.

Melonie Kaczkowski

Kaczkowski

com

sion and learning the rules and regulations. She also said she will pay He also doesn't feel that taxpayer money should be going to fund Camp Dearborn. Facione attention to what the area needs said the camp itself isn't being managed properly and he feels it should be closed down. but also do what's best for the county. "I know the area and I know the Facione also wants to see the needs of the area," Kaczkowski

of time to give to the job. "I plan on devoting myself full-time to this job," she said.

She said she would keep in

touch with residents through con-tinued community activism and other activities she is involved with, Kaczkowski said her

biggest challenge would be getting to know everyone or

"I'm one that is very devoted to area provide more activities for said the community," he said. senior citizens. He said he is different from Chris Long Tom Motley

Kaczkowski said she has plenty to the area, making sure education

the

tion stays strong especially in special education, drains and sew-

ers and keeping taxes down. Miller said keeping taxes low

may mean cutting some program

police departments.

to what people's concerns are

he isn't doing any fundraising and Long, who owns and operates Motley, a businessman since wants to work to help everyone. "I'm going to be obligated to everybody in my district," he said. Long Family Orchard, Farm and 1952, said he decided to run for Cider Mill with her husband, said county commissioner because he wanted to see someone with a hisshe has been interested in politic for years and feels she would do tory of grassroots politics in the well as the area's commissioner. ampaign. He said some of the issues he

"I think I would be able to rep-resent the area very well," she would address on the commission would be homeland security and She said some issues that she water quality issues. He said feels are important to the area include roads, the county budget, drainage and water quality. Long

said one of the most important parts of the budget is public safe-

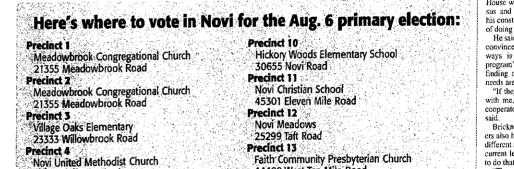
"I feel it's very important for Kaczkowski, who worked a Oakland County's Children's residents to feel safe where they Village for 14 live, work and play," Long said. She also said she would be very years, said that after being involved in frugal with taxpayer's money because she understands how Motley hard residents work for it. political issues in Wolverine

a member of the Milford Village Zoning Board of Appeals for 15 years and has also served the area through the Burgan Valley Long said she would make herself available to constituents by making visits to township and vilthrough the Huron Valley Chamber of Commerce and Milford Business Association. He ning for counlage halls. "I would try to keep them more commisinformed," she said. She also feels her biggest chalsaid he plans to stay accessible to constituents by continuing to stay was a sioner was a natural next

lenge would be getting comfortable in the role of county com missioner. Long said she is confi

area have a voice on the commis ion. He said some of the areas he would focus on if elected would ing to keep experienced ones. be bringing more youth programs

Jim Gualdoni of Wolverine Lake is the only Democrat running for the District 7 Gualdoni has served on the Wolverine and is also a professor of business ethics at Lake planning commission and is currently a member of the Wolverine Lake Village the Air Force Institute of Technology. He and he wife Gail have th children. ssion seat and therefore will also be the candidate in general election in Council, He is a Defense Department spe-



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# West Bloomfield off in 39th race

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By Erin Johnson STAFF WRITER

but he said he would do what i best for the community. "These arc going to be some tough decisions," Miller said. He said he also wants to make On Aug. 6 three men from West Bloomfield will be hoping to keep their political hopes alive and challenge incumbent Marc sure the area is properly protected with good security from fire and Shulman for the seat he holds in the state Representatives. House Miller said he has lived in the Stuart Brickner, Robert area a long time and would always have his ear open to listen Goulet and Reginald Kakos will

the primary

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critical times.

Stuart Brickner

isn't going to make it work," he face off in the primary election to be the Democratic candidate for the 39th District House seat. Goulet said he is in favor of taxing items people want, such The district includes Commerce as eigarettes and alcohol, instead Township and West Bloomfield of what people need. The winner will face Republican Shulman in the gen-He also said the governmen eral election in November

planner in

Bloomfield, said he decided t

has been too lenient on people who break environmental laws and more enforcement and high-Shulman faces no challengers in er fines need to be put into place For education, he believes in ing the money to follow the

years, said he is running because

he wants to bring common sense

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Goulet said government taxes

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child, such as with the vouche Brinkner, an attorney and program. Goulet said there are West many good districts in the area that students from poorer disrun because the state is facing tricts should have the opportuni ty to attend.

"There are huge problems to deal with," he said." Goulet said he plans to meet with township officials at least The largest problem Brickner once or twice a month in order to sees is with the state budget deficit. He said the state needs to update them on what is happening in Lansing and to find out find ways to bring in more rev-enue because all the programs being funded now cannot be what their concerns are. "I would have to bring back to

Lansing what they want me to convey," he said, He said he feels his biggest ned due to the recession "It will cause more problem

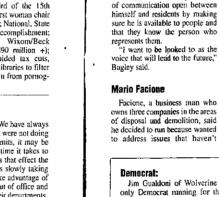
down the road," he said. Brickner said the state needs challenge will be to overcome voter apathy and get more peo-ple involved in the workings of to budget for only what it can afford, something that he admits will be difficult to do given al the government the critical services the govern-ment provides. He said the key

## Reginald Kakos

will be to treat the expansion of Kakos, a Certified Public government funded services autiously. "You can't have governmen Accountant is a firm specializing in large, family owned corpora-tions, said he decided to run for state representative because he feels those in government should be more accountable for their efforts. "I want to lead a trend in poliincluding competition with pri-vate schools, urban sprawl, clean water, health care and prescriptics of younger leaders to take charge of their government and build a government that is avail tion costs for seniors. able and accountable to the peo-Brickner said he's qualified nle." Kakos said. for the position because of his experience as a lawyer and his experience serving as a West Some of the issues he wants to deal with if elected include th state budget and improving the way the state collects taxes. Kakos said raising taxes isn't the Bloomfield trustee, along with other political positions. He said as a lawyer he under answer to the state's problems stands how to plug loopholes in laws and how laws effect the He said the solution is getting corporations and others to pay community. As a West their proper share. Kakos also said he wants to Bloomfield trustee he said he has learned how to build a cor bring more technology into polisensus and work with people to tics by using it to provide state services at a lower cost. get things done. "You can't always create the "To balance the budget and programs you want because you have to work with other people," get us out of this problem we must be open to new ideas and focus on the goal of helping the Brickner said. He said his biggest challenge people," Kakos said. should he be elected to the

He said he would also use House will be gaining a consen-sus and getting legislators and technology to keep in touch with his constituents. He said he his constituents to try a new way would like to have a Web site of doing things. He said part of the way he will where people could have an open forum and get information convince citizens to try new about issues they are interested ways is by communicating a in through e-mail. Kakos said he program's merits with them and finding out what some of their would also use other means of needs are. "If they're going to cooperate communication such as attend ing meetings. He also said he is enthusiastic with me, I'm going to need to cooperate with them," Brickner about the chance to make a dif-ference but that he is wise

Brickner said the state's leadenough to know his limitations and when to ask for guidance. and when to ask for guidance. Kakos said he feels that everyers also have to be willing to try different approaches and he feels thing is possible and that current legislators aren't willing plans on working hard to empower the people and bring There needs to be something done to change," he said.



(Maybe we should term limit bureaucrats!) 6 Infrastructure, a sound and diversified economy and deducation are my three top priorities. My past record of accomplishments has shown that I will work hard for the people of the State. I will continue to bring home funding, keep taxes low and attract new businesses, as well help existing businesses in Oakland County and the State. I also believe that by strengthening our educational system in Michigan we will enhance our work force and

7 Since being elected, I have proven my ability to get the job done. In three and a half years I have spon-ored and passed over 16 pieces of legislation - common sense laws that have helped make this state a better place to live, work and raise a family. I have also brought home more than 113 million in road funding and 56 million in school funding. I have built a reputation for being responsive to my constituents. I am an innovative, out-of-the-box thinker, as well as a strong consensus builder

and eager for the challenge?

Improve educational success; address accountaouty; provide for early intervention/structured reading programs for "at risk" children. 7 Fifteen years legislative experience bringing people together: Novi City Council; Dean, House Republican Caucus (I represent one-third of the 15th now); Leadership for Oakland County; First woman chair of powerful House Tax Policy Committee; National, State revenuitm/wangle; Proven precord of accomplicament:

For six years, my staff and I daily have responded to

Benefits of a full-time legislature; direct contact with your legislator to solve problems 12 months a year, less Schools reliance governor/administrative branch Relevant Experience

of White Lake Township Site Plan Review Committee, Zoning Board of Appeals, Road and Bike Path Committee, Oakland County Liasion. Past precinct delegate, delegate director and state con

was one of the few people that helped get this issue put on the ballot, so that this cannot happen again. If we are thinking of a part-time legislature, term limits

may have to be re-examined. Also, we have to look at the education funding to help keep Oakland County a great cost to the State. Some states that have a part-time legis- place to live. I am up for the job mentally and physically

Elected to the Michigan House of Representatives in 1998 and reelected in 2000. Served on the White Lake Township Planning Commission for nine years-two years as chairman. Past chairman

source, eliminated constant millage requests, capped

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## **Responses to Above Questions**

51 have never supported term limits. We have always had the ability to vote people out that were not doing their jobs. But, now that we have term limits, it may be time to make them a little longer, due to time it takes to get people up to speed on all of the issues that effect the state. We are now seeking the bureaucrats slowly taking over the jobs of elected officials. They take advantage of the fact that, in a short time, we will be out of office and they will still be at their desks, running their departments

attract new people to Oakland County and Michigan.

When elected to the State Senate, I promise the people of Oakland County that I will bring home more road and

done in the past," she said. Kaczkowski said some of the issues she would address if electdent that she can represent the district because she has lived in ed include drainage and ground-water contamination and departthe area all her life and the communities face similar issues. "I have a strong commitment to the community," Long said. ing county workers. She said several communities have decaying drainage systems and the cour ion will have to decide **Gary Miller** how to fix them and who will pay Miller, a pharmacist in the area for 30 years, said he has been interested in politics for 10 years "As the area gets more co pacted, it gets worse," she said

She also said many of the county's workers will be eligible to retire in the near future. Kaczkowski said the county and decided to run to help the he may not have all the answers but is willing to learn. needs to find a way to attract quality employees while also try-

cialist in logistics and business management November

#### He said he has been working to find out what the issues and cor services growing faster than the cerns of the residents are and is rate of the economy," Brickner inding they are the same "I'm sure it's just magnified He said other issues he feels the state will need to address include short falls in education, when you sit at the county level, Motley said. He feels his biggest challenge

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important because of the

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Motley said. Motley wa

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would be learning the prope channels to get things done while also making sure the area gets its needs addressed. "Sometimes we get kind of left y the wayside," Motley said. Motley also said he has a lot of energy to give to the job and said



David Wolkinson

## Current Profession

Economist

## Education

B.A. and M.A. in economics from University Michigan, Ann Arbor

## Personal Data

Single, no children

**Relevant Experience** Founder of Students Against Terror; Republican precinct dele-gate 2000-2002; Volunteer for Spencer Abraham for Senate summer of 2000.

Executive Committee, 11th

Congressional District Committee

Polish Coalition

and

Republicans

**Responses to Above Questions** 

Sterm limits give me pause for two reasons; they restrict the right of citizens to vote for whoever they want and they mandate inexperience. However, term lim-its help bring fresh ideas, which helps to reduce the power in Lansing. Term limits should remain for now, but we We have to stop schools from setting budgets two years in advance, because we do not know what the fiscal situation will be like in two years. Proposal A is the greatest legacy of the Engler Administration. It did two great things, it stopped municipalities from taxing people especially seniors out of their homes, and it reduced the equality between wealthier and poorer school districts

must be open to change if necessitated by the results. Struggling economy, roads and the budget crisis. The Until we can find a way to still do both of these things I would oppose any changes or tweaking to Proposal A. budget problems are related to the struggling economy Proposal A accomplished great things by raising the The way to fix our budget problems is to get growing again. We need to balance the budget without a wide spread tax increase (a general tax increase would Lamount of money that lower-end school districts received from \$3,000 to \$6,700 per year and assuing homeowners they would not be taxed out of their homes. Allowing additional millage's would defeat one of the two have the opposite affect of a cut - it would stifle economic growth). To deal with roads, the taxes on gasoline must main tenets of Proposal A by allowing homeowners to be

penalized to a greater extent for owning property. 3 The state needs to develop tougher development 4 statutes so the state is not forced to pay for the entire infrastructure in new residential developments. The result of the new mass developments is that the state ends up subsidizing sprawl. We need to reevaluate our policies t we do not continue to subsidize urba an spraw

4 There is no convincing or compelling evidence that 4 we need a full-time legislature. Currently there are nine states with par-time legislatures; all nine are doing fine. Texas, which is twice the size of Michigan, has a part-time legislature, and there is no push for a full-time legislature in Texas. Given the success of part-time legislatures, I support a part-time legislature for Michigan

be made equitable across the board, so that all drivers pay the same tax. Doing so would provide funds for roads. 7 There are 148 state legislators in Lansing, and none is an economist. The most important thing that the state legislature does every year is pass the budget, there-by establishing fiscal policy. Additionally, I am a fiscal conservative, yet I have socially moderate views. They both smear shorting both oppose abortion, even in cases of rape or incest. also oppose abortion on a personal level, however, I believe every woman must make personal reproductive decisions, and that is not the state's place to intervene. I favor extending hate legislation to crimes committee against homosexuals because of their sexual orientation. Lastly, I truly an not beholden to special interests. I am young ... but I am honest and hardworking,

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to get others in the legislature to **Robert Goulet** agree on holding themselves accountable to a measured goal," Goulet, who has been a business man in the area for many he said.

## Republican:

State Rep. Marc Shulman is the only Republican candidate tunning in the primary election, which means he will also be on the ballot for the general election in November. Shulman has held the 39th District seat since 1998 and was previously a West Bloomfield trustee for six years. Shulman vas also a middle school teacher and counselor at Ingham County juvenile home and served as Special Assistant Attor General. He has also had a private law practice since 1981 rney He and his wife, Lois, live in West Bloomfield with their four daughters.

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## SL mayor challenges incumbent commissioner in District 8 race

## By Phillp Alimen

Redistricting has created the possibility of a tight race in the Oakland County Board of Commissioners District 8 race. Nancy Dingeldey (R-

Commissioners District 8 race. Nancy Dingeldey (R-Wixom), a long-time county commissioner squares off against South Lyon Mayor Jeff Potter. District 8 includes South Lyon, Walled Lake, Wixom, Lyon Township and a portion of Novi. The winner of the primary will be unchal-lenged in the November elec-tion.

Both candidates view Oakland County government in the same way — a mechanism to help local governments accomplish what they want to do. The county government's primary charge is to set the county budget. It also helps set policies on county issues.

### **Regional arts tax**

The county is currently working on a regional arts tax, something both Dingeldey and Potter oppose. But despite Dingeldey's opposition to the idea, she said she is working to help create the best plan to place before the voters. That

place before the voters. That way, if it is passed, then the program will be as strong as possible. "This district has not sup-ported the arts tax," she said. "If it was to go to ballot, then I have to make sure it is more in keeping with the fiscal respon-sibility of the county." Potter said he supports the

Potter said he supports the arts, but funding for them should continue the way they have in the past — through private contributions.

"I support the cultural insti-tutions, but not the arts tax." he said. "We have so many other needs. This identical proposal failed two years ago. If people want it, they will pay for it."

### **County funds**

The county government — like state government — is experiencing a budget crunch steinming much from the downturn in the economy which for local and county governments has decreased the revenue sharing. Potter said the current board

of commissioners must accept part of the blame for not prop-erly planning for such a down-turn. Expenditures made dur-ing times of economic prosperity should not have been in the way of saving for the future. "They should have more of a rainy day fund," he said. "The

budget crisis was created by an over-enthusiastic commission, Since we're wealthy, it covers over the other issues," As an example, he points to

the two helicopters purchased for the Oakland County Sheriff's Department. Only one, he said, is needed. Funding for the aerial program was made available by priva-tizing food services at the county jail. If the county could save money by privatization, then that should have been done, regardless. Dingeldey said the commis-sion showed initiative in plan-

ning for budget shortfalls, but the loss in revenues was even greater than what the commissioners expected.

We set aside another \$3.5 million in undesignated fund balance this year," Dingeldey said. "We had foresight with very prudent planning. We were aware of the changes in the economic climate, recog-

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### **Environmental issues**

Dingeldey was the original author of the Environmental Infrastructure fund, which designated \$25 million over five ars to distribute to local

years to distribute to local communities for projects. "I created it; I shepherded it through the board," she said. "It was specifically instituted for communities to get ready for Phase I of the stormwa-ter/groundwater Clean Water Act." Act

There are several environmental programs local commu-nities will be mandated to fol-low through the Clean Water

low through the Clean Water Act. The county is in a position to help local communities achieve those mandates. The Chapter 20 drain initia-tive by Oakland County Drain Commissioner John McCulloch is an example, she said, even though the plan has-n't ganished much local sup-ort. If the initiative mowed port. If the initiative moved forward, the county could bet-ter determine who should pay for correcting problems.

"I can understand the con-cept," she said. "It has many valuable points. It's a total change of the procedures that have been followed since the drains have been dug in the dirt. All of this is a proactive response to what we know is coming from the federal gov-

coming from the federal gov-ernment on what they will place on communities." The county's septic system monitoring program is to address the groundwater con-cerns, she said. Many commu-nities in the county are small and have tight staffing levels. That's when the county can

That's when the county can step in to help out. Potter said one area the county has not focused is pre-serving open spaces, another environmental concern. The environmental concern. The City of South Lyon has created a fund dedicated to purchasing and preserving open space in the city. The county, he said, should partner with local com-munities to provide a similar plan countywide. That way, urban sprawl can be somewhat controlled, and local residents will have neutry of opportuni-

controlled, and local residents will have plenty of opportuni-ties to enjoy open space. "The county can help com-munities that can't afford it on their own," he said. "It would be a partnership." The county must provide options to assist residents when new programs are man-dated. Zero-percent interest

dated. Zero-percent interest loans or similar mechanism can be used to help funding areas like septic inspections.

Potter said he helped start curbside pickup in South Lyon, one of the first communities to do so. He also got the city to join a regional recycling coalition, and issues like trash serv-ice and recycling have contin-ued to improve for the community.

## Other issues

Potter said South Lyon was the first community to work on the regional bike path, con-vincing neighboring communi-

ties of the benefits of such a regional trailway. "We brought in the county,

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then got the local and state funds," said Potter, "This has

been a successful project with our Oakland County neighbors. The Mayor said work along Grand River Avenue in western Oakland County has great potential. The county needs to look at this corridor in a similar vein as what is currently touted in central Oakland County - Automation Alley.

"We can let this stuff just happen, or we can recruit the international businesses," he said. "We can have a Michigan Avenue model or a Troy/Auburn Hills model. County officials are here to steer this."

Dingeldey said one of the important issues facing the county is homeland security. The county and local govern-ment are working together to address any issues that may come up. The county is divided into five consortia to respond to issues in their quadrant of the county. "Police and fire in those

areas are in a consortia effort to respond through the Department of Homeland Security at the county," she said. "All of the units in that said. All of the thirds in that geographic area have agreed to respond together and have been trained for a variety of

issues that might occur." When a regional hike/pedes-trian trail was being planned and implemented, Dingeldey South Lyon to help get Lyon Oaks County Park to allow the path to cross their property. "I nudged parks and recre-

ation to put that path in front of Lyon Oaks, which wouldn't have been done," she said. "I didn't represent the communi-ty, but I did it anyway."

### Working together

Dingeldey said there isn't commissioners can do about road conditions, because they don't fall under the com-mission's eye. What she was able to do, however, was get a and to do however, was get a \$1 million increase to the county's Tri-Party road fund, which provides a one-third match in road projects with the Road Commission for Oakland County and local unit of gov-ernment. With the budget prob-lems the county is facing, that, increase could be delayed or eliminated, however.

"I boosted the Tri-Party road fund to \$2.5 million, receiving full support of the board," she said. "It serves the entire counsaid. "It serves the entire coun-ty. When you work at the coun-ty, things aren't an island. Any activities at county on the board come as a result of a team effort," Dingeldey said, "You have to build those relationships with your colleagues in order to achieve things that need to act doer."

need to get done. Potter said wo Potter said working together one of his strongest quali-

ties. Most things he has accomplished as mayor of South Lyon focuses on working with other governmental entities to save costs. South Lyon and its school district is credited as the municipal/school district uild a joint administrative only

facility. South Lyon recently completed a district library funded by the city and neighboring

Salem Township, "We have a library that's twice the size for one-half the cost to our residents," Potter said, "I'm a cheerteider for churde continent. "We looking shared services. I'm looking for a regional approach to address issues." Several road projects have

several road projects have saved Lyon and South Lyon residents money, as well. The two communities have utilized Tri-Party funds to improve roads crossing municipal boundaries, because the roads affect everyone in the area, not just those in the host community. And sharing services, he added, makes it easier to find grants or federal money to help pay for the projects, further decreasing the costs to local residents.

When officials tout issues like regional mass transit, Potter said proponents need to break convention and examine ways to approach the issue logically, yet fiscally prudent. "There's ways we can find

partnerships," said Potter. "We don't need to throw a European system at this affluent, spread-

out area." And that's how Potter with issues.

with issues. "That's what excites me, new ways to solve problems," he explained. "It takes leader-ship to start change. Government can muddle along, but it were't word ward ward. but it won't work great. You have to lead the people, not follow them. It makes sense to people (to share services), but it's not normally done...

"We have 63 communities rolling in different directions," Potter continued, "This commission can help communities look at things in new ways."

## Experience

Potter has served as mayor of South Lyon for 12 years, while Dingeldey has been a County Commissioner for 10 years.

Potter said commissioners need to take a more active role in their local districts by meeting with residents and attend-

ing with residents and attend-ing local municipal meetings. "I'm not going to go up there and evaporate into the county government," he said. "I'm here to represent the local gov-ernments. Everything starts with a sense of possibility. I'm about breaking these houndabout breaking these bound-aries. We need to break con-vention and look at all the pos-sibilities. This is what excites me, finding new ways to solve

problems," Dingeldey said her county experience is important, because she has learned how to experience work in the system, identifying

work in the system, identifying resources along the way. "Resources are important. You've got to know who to call," she said. "I'm not ai grandstander. The things I do at the county are not to gather stars. I'm not going to tell (the residenst) how to do it, but I residents) how to do it, but I can help find the resources to help. That's what the county is for. I enjoy doing what I do. I take pleasure in it. This isn't a game. It's downright serious."

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