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Condo plans shelved; nod given to 10 Mile home project; and Beck Park spec building earns approval

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By Victoria Sadlocha

During the Nov, 12 city council meeting, members were asked to

STAFF WRITER

district.



Get the blues

Alvin Youngblood Hart will be be making a very special "acoustic" live appearance proacoustic live appearance pro-moting his just released solo acoustic album, "Down In The Alley", Thursday, November 21 at The Boathouse in Walled Lake, 142 E. Walled Lake Drive at 8 p.m. Read about it in our Calendar of Events. Page 8A



Alice in Wonderland

The students of the Novi fiddle School Drama Middle Middle School Drama Department will be turning their school into a land of wonder this weekend as they present "Alice In Wonderland" on Friday and Saturday, Nov. 22-23. --- Page 14A

End of the road

SPORTS

The Novi Wildcats football team's season halted as they took on, and fell to, a very solid Detroit Catholic Central squad. It was what many will say was a game of two halves, but in the end the Shamrocks prevailed to win the Regional championship with a 26-3 final.

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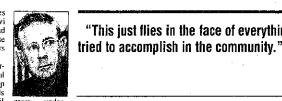
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vote on a recreation facilities agreement between the Novi Community School District and Novi, allowing the schools to use 49.37 acres of the city's Powers Park for recreational facilities. But what seemed to be a for-mality turned into an emotional discussion over the relationship between the city and its schools Use of Powers Park center of groups' problem

between the city and its schools after some members of council poked at the agreement looking at After repeatedly urging members of the city council to behave in the "spirit of cooperation," City of Novi Mayor Richard Clark was unsuccessful in depleting a fester-ing gap growing by the minute between the city and its school district

it from a "business deal" perspective. Superintendent of Novi Schools Dr. Emmett Lippe was upset by comments made regarding charging monthly rent along with other probings into the deal, "To say it surprises me is a



gross under-statement," Lippe said. "This surprises me to no end."

City and school district at odds

During the meeting, Lippe asked the council, why would you treat us this way when we treated you so good for so many years? The school's superintendent said the district has been more than co-operative with the city,

being for custodial services. Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Business James

providing the city with places for its activities with the only charge

"This just flies in the face of everything we have

Koster said the only time the city is charged to use the school, without any "beef," is when a custodi-an needs to be scheduled because

there is not one already on duty. Novi City Councilman Kim Capello concurred that the district-has been very helpful to the city, pointing out this year all residents wanting to play recreational basketbal? were accommodated

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Richard Clark

City of Novi mayor

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Gas spill closes Novi post office parking lot

By Victoria Sadlocha

About five gallons of diesel fuel spilled on to the parking lot of two Novi postal centers Tuesday, bringing together city departments in a suner c. an-up effort. "We mi

clean-up effort. "We mitigated the situation, worked with the DPW and the situ-ation is taken care of," said Jeffery Johnson, City of Novi assistant fire with the situation of the situation chief.

Johnson said the situation was

not of an alamning nature. City fire officials said a mail-delivery vehicle leaked the fuel at the city's post office on Novi Road and its postal annex on Grand River Avenue Nov. 19, spilling about five gallons total at the two locations, "Only a few gallons of diesel were spilled from a semi-tractor

trailer that was making a drop at the post office on Novi Road and it then proceeded to the postal annex on Grand River," Johnson said, "It (the truck) proceeded to spill some diesel there which was another couple of gallons."

Engines and squad cars respo ed to the post office at about 9:20 a.m. and at the annex shortly after 10 a.m.

The scene was cleared by the fire department well before the noon hour.

Johnson said the parking lot of the main post office was closed for a short period of time while the spill was contained from possibly

"There was some on the asphalt and we were concerned it would go into the drain," he said.

Workers on the scene also placed an absorbent material on the ground to absorb the fuel and dikes were made around the storm drain

as a precautionary measure. Employees from Novi's Department of Public Works also responded, spreading sand and using the city's street sweeper to

aid in the clean up, "It was all handled within an hour," Johnson said. "And we were very well satisfied with the way it was handled."

Novi's post master contacted representatives from Taylor Postal Contracting informing them of the incident.

City officials said any other clean up efforts will be the subcontrac-tor's responsibility. Victoria Sadlocha is a staff



Happy birthday, Mickey!

Tammy Smith's kindergarten class at Village Oaks Elementary School celebrated Mickey Mouse's 74th birth-day on Nov. 18. The children all made Mickey Mouse ears and sat around a stuffed animal of the character while singing happy birthday. "My class does this every year," Smith said. "They all made the ears and we also do a puzzle that turns out to be of Mickey Mouse too."

Two Novi officials receive raises

July 1. The salary increase was voted on past the midnight hour, dur-ing Novi's Nov. 12 city council

meeting. City of Novi Mayor Pro-Tem Michelle Bononi and council-woman Laura Lorenzo were the only two dissenters to the raise. opposing the amount of the increase.

Bononi and Lorenzo felt a 3.61-percent raise would be more appropriate because of the economic climate and current said the lesser amount had noth-ing to do with the officials' performance. Other members of the council

felt the 5-percent increase was appropriate. "I think he (Helwig) has gone

M. Cornelius well above and beyond the call of duty," said Louis Csordas, Novi city councilman call

implement other innovative projects within the city's administration as examples of a job well done. The coun-

city. "She very recognized and in n in

opinion does exemplary job,

cil as a point of reference. Csordas said Helwig is pretty much approaching the maxi-

Csordas said.

Some members of council wanted to table the decision for the Nov. 25 meeting because of

were given to members of coun-

Photo by Ramez Khuri

Novi City Mayor Richard J. Clark urged all members to take the time to vote on the increase since both employees had been waiting since August for their raises

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R. Helwig



cilman also praised

her contributions to the well



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An approved 5-percent increase will bring the manag-er's annual salary to \$109,725 and the city clerk's up to \$74 723 a year

increases will be Both retroactive to the start of the city's fiscal year, beginning

Novi City Manager Richard Helwig and city clerk Maryanne Cornelius will receive salary

increases after receiving posi-

tive performance reviews this summer.

City's clerk,

manager earn

performance-

based salary increases

By Victoria Sadlocha

STAFF WRITER

Csordas cited Helwig's work on the Sandstone settlement agreement and his initiative to both the manager and the clerk

A comparison sheet detailing other communities' salaries for

can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 105 or at vsad-locha@ht.homecomm.net.

Council approves revamped design for new Expo Center

By Victoria Sadlocha STAFF WRITER

Comic book heroes, pro golfers and championship chihuabuas will be only some of the attractions coming to a brand new Novi exposition center in years to come.

The recently revamped design, including the addition of a circular drive with covered main entrance, was approved by

members the city coun-cil last week, giving Novi Expo Center President Blair Bowman long-awaited

B. Bowman site-plan approval and wetlands permit he needed to move forward with his plan to B. Bowman

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relocate the existing Novi Road

business. Bowman said the center's current plan has struck the delicate balance of accommodating community concern, economic feasibility and appearance considerations. "It's a much better project for

the longterm," he said. Other changes from the origi-nal plan include more accessi-ble handicapped parking, a

landscaped parking lot, an improved wetland mitigation area and a progressive facade. The split-face block exterior

comprised of concrete masonry units planned for the center has used to construct many been prominent buildings including the headquarters for The Gap, the St. Louis Rams and the upcoming buildings for the Atlanta Falcons and the Baltimore Ravens. Locally, the type of exterior

may be seen on the Budco building in Highland Park. Chris Cedargreen from Forum Studios said the material offers a tremendous capability when forming and shaping the center. The facade material was one of the many project details listed out in a document issued by the Novi

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24 NOVINEWS Thursday November 21, 2002 School district and Proposed Recreational Facilities Agreement Land Officials get raises city of Novi at odds

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The city's administration also is in favor of the agreement. cause of the district's coopera-According to documents preion. pared by city officials, the bene-Clark said what is being fits of the land-share agreement requested by the schools is practi-cal and a benefit to the communi-ty and would like to see ecoopera-use of the land ensures maximum in between all members of public use of the property in the council. most cost-effective manner "This just flies in the face of · The Parks, Recreation and "This just thes in the face of excernption we have tried to accomplish in the community."
 Clark soil "This will start the down the word path."
 The yarks, Recreation and Forestry Department will be able to better serve the community by utilizing the two additional play-tried screated at no cost to the down the word path.
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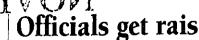
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commence next year. new center and feels comfortable giving his approval. The councilman Victoria Sadlocha is a staff writer for the Novi News. She can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. said the process has been going on for three years and he knows other 105 or

vsadlocha@ht.homecomm.net. cities have made offers.



He also said he feels placing too continued from front many council-mandated restric Planning Commission with its recommendation to deny Bowman's approval request. Other items on the list include: • The west drive proposed angle is 73 degrees versus the required along the approval process. "I want to see that (Expo 90 degree angle; • The front entrance to the Center) there for a very long time," DeRoche said. City of Novi Mayor Pro-Tem building should be enhanced: · Provide for lower lighting Michelle Bononi and councils realizing there is an excess woman Laura Lorenzo voted against approval on Nov. 12 stat of 25 parking spaces; and against approval on Nov. 12 stat- • Explore the alternative of a ing traffic concerns as their pri parking structure to preserve addi-tional woodlands and wetlands on the cast side of the building. Former commissioner Robert raffic flow and traffic safety. Churelta disagnees with the com- Lorenzo said. Bononi agreed traffic is a con-

mission's current negative recom-mendation, saying the exposition center is a very successful busicern stating she does not feel someone needs to be a rocket sciness that will increase the city's entist to see the bottleneck that tax base, bring in auxiliary busi-nesses and offer all the benefits of may be created in front of the cen "This is the opportunity to get it an exposition center without the

city paying the bill. Churella said most exposition right," she said. Bowman said even without any centers are municipally owned. Current planning commissioner David Ruyle also denounced the changes to his current plan, the traffic situation would be better than the current Novi Road site. The about 319,000-square-foot

negative recommendation, appearing before members of the council on Nov. 12, reminding them the planning commission complex will house exposition halls, banquet facilities, adminis-trative offices and warehouse decision was not unanimous. space on the 55-acre site located at Grand River Avenue west of Taft

"I hope we get overturned tonight," Ruyle said. Novi City Councilman Craig DeRoche said he is in favor of the Construction is scheduled to

Artists get 'mad' in fight against cancer

By Phil Fole STAFF WRITER Two years ago Novi's Kim Giroux was a personal trainer teaching people how to have a better day. Now she's a patient fighting to have another day, Giroux, along with her daugh-ters Kathryn and Krystina was among more than a score of cancer patients, families, volunteer cer panetus, tainnies, voluniteers and associates on hand for the opening of the Mad Hatter Tea Party display Nov. 12 in the Nancy A. Fox Art Gallery at Providence Hospital and Medical Centers' Assarian Caucer Center in Novi. in Novi. The display, a collection of teapots and "all things tea" made in the center's ceramics program over the past six months, will be

open to the public 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday through January. The ceramics program is just one of more than a dozen pro-grams offered through the hospi-tal's Center for the Heating Arts. "Western medicine," said Eleana M. Weissman, the center's apervisor, "is about disease, looks at illness as a problem that's really technical. Heating encom-

passes a lot more. It's not just the 'I really freaked out." said David Miller, when doctors cancer that needs treatment told him he had bladder cancer. The Farmington Hills The center opened as part of the Assarian Cancer Center in 1999. resident said coming to the Center for Healing Arts at Providence Hospital and Medical Centers in Novi has The following year, Giroux discovered she had cancer. helped him work through his fears and speeded his It didn't come as a total sur-prise. Both sides of her family heating process. "Judy [Buresh, the center's artist in residence] is very caring," he noted.

have a history of cancer. "You can't beat genetics," she said. Still, the news came hard. "I'm only 43," said Grioux. "When they tell you you have cancer it's

Weissman said that's why there is a need for someplace like the Heating Arts Center. "We need to Italing Arts Center, "We need to address all the needs of a person." That means offered everything from art and pottery classes to prayer and meditation. Photo by Phil Folsy Hootie by Janie VanGert and Seamore Teapot by Elena Weissman are two of "My kids have been seeing a ter's artist in residence and a can-

social worker," said Groux, added, "They tove coming here for the pottery classes." cersurvivor herself, is a "very car-ing person." He said her ceramic classes are "not just about potthe dozens of whimsical teapots that will be on display at the Assarian Cancer Center at Providence Hospital and

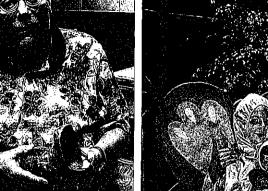


Giroux recently switched her tery," noting that sometimes they primary care from Providence to just talk. Providence Hospital and Medical Center through the end of the year. Making caramics is just one of imany programs offered through the Center for the Healing Arts

you, the people here try to uplift you," she observed. When physicians told David

Miller, who was already suffering

from heart disease, that he had blad der cancer, "I really freaked out." The Farmington Hills man said



"While the doctors try to fix

Photo by Phil Foley

Kim Giroux and her daughters, Kathryn (left) and Krystina have been coming to the Center for the Healing Arts at Providence Hospital and Medical Centers In Novi ever since she was diagnosed with cancer two years ago. "This is such a nice place to have cancer. I know that sounds weird," said Giroux, explaining that the center helps patients deal with all the things their surgeon can't.

And while he waits for his 90- phants and turtles.

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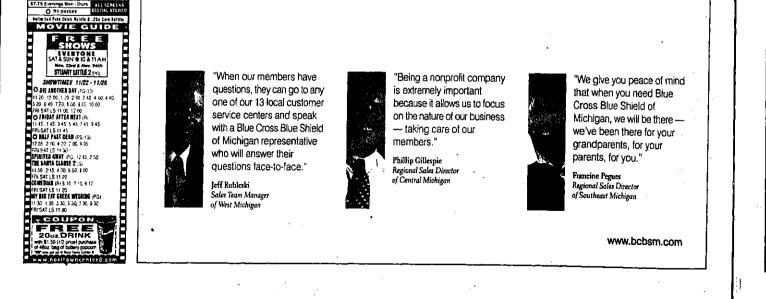
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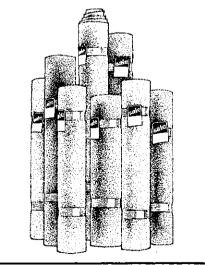
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Planning commission shelves condo plans

By Phil Foley

What do they want, a big ugly ings on the site and retain an old stone house on Nine Mile. apartment building? They need to have a little flexibility here," groused developer Anthony Randazzo following Novi's Nov. 6 Several commission members complained the project is too dense, but they hung their disap-proval on not being sure exactly what Randazzo was asking for. Commission members complanning commission meeting. Randazzo was angry that after four years of trying to develop his property near the comer of Nine Mile and Haggerty Roads, commission members voted unanimously to table his plans for a condominium project indefinitely. Randazzo's 7,38-acte site

wraps around a site for an office - doesn't qualify as a site condu-- and argued for tabling the project,

Steuer & Canvasser Inc. got the green light from Novi's Planning Commission for plans to build a

31,640 square foot spec building in Beck North Corporate Park, but not before commission members

complained about the number of

variances they've had to issue for

Commission members approved a waiver trimming 84-feet from the minimum spacing

required by city code between opposite side driveways, but not before complaining about it. "Either we have an ordinance

that makes sense, or we don't,

declared Commission Membe

Genared Commission Member Gwen Markum, Noting that Beck North Corporate Park isn't the

only industrial park in the city

with this kind of issue, Markun

ubserved, "This whole thing has been buildozed. We should be

able to put the driveways any

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By Phil Foley

industrial parks.

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complex at the corner of Nine and Haggerty and backs up to an apartment complex. Randazzo wants to build 17 two-unit build-trans to After the meeting Randazzo complained that the city's plangeneral condominium, idazzo declared, "I'm arguing for however it works." ning rules don't adequ Commission members made it address odd outlot parcels like clear they didn't believe the proj-ect works. Gwen Markum com-plained that several units near the Haggerty side of the property his. He argued his plan for condo-miniums for the site would ulti-mately be better for the city than the wall of apartment buildings he plained that while the property is were too close to detention ponds could build on the site. Zuned RM-1 (low-density indition of the property, Chairman Antonia ple fauily) the plans were drawn up for RT2 zoning. If this is an RT2 district, it whole thing was "reverbuilt" Phil Foley is a staff writer fo

the Novi News. He can be reached at (248) 349-1700 est, 108 or at pfolev@ht.homecomm.net.

PC gives nod to 10 Mile home project

By Phil Folev nearby properties, his project STAFF WRITER

would require a variance regard-less of where he placed the entrance along the frontage. John Avdoulos said he was con-Mozart Homes' Mike Fellows hopes to have the first of 16 homes on his firm's 7.03-acre site cerned that changes to the plan along 10 Mile Road, near the CSX tracks east of Novi Road, by created a 250-foot long, 18-foot wide drive for several homesites CSX uses this spring. Novi on a punhandle at the back of the Planning property. The rest of the commis Commission voted unanimously Nov. 6 to approve Mozart Homes sioners' however, preferred that to an earlier plan that would have placed a cul du sac near the rear of plans for Brookhaven, a 16-unit the property, allowing headlights of cars in Brookhaven to shine

on the site, Commission Member

However, the Brookhaven planwas not without its problems. The commission agreed to recom-mend that the Zoning Board of beginning the first home Appeals grant a variance to place to be under \$400,000. he said.

industrial property instead of the required 200 feet. the Novi News, He can be reached

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Beck Park spec building earns approval from wants to put up dictated the next year. While conceding that opment facility. "We've worked to the best of as best we can," he said. He noted the outs, "be you or I when we buy a sabest we can," he said. He noted thouse. They'll move a multi-mil-that his firm had voluntarily In recent years the Novi area has attracted the attention of many automotive R&D companies because of its central location to that his firm had voluntarily lion doltar company in 90 days, pulled its project from the com-

the Big Three's design centers and proving grounds in Southeast Michigan. mission Sept. 11 in order to try and work out some compromises ready for that." Beek North Corporate Park is Phil Folcy is a staff writer for

with the planning staff. Zoned for light industrial and Calvasser said his company because of the second staff with the second staff

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detached condominium project. Noting that the density allowed by R-4 (one family residential) zoning would allow for 22 homes into nearby homes. Pat Brunette, a 30-year residen of one of those homes, said he had Gwen Markum said she appreci-ated that the developer's plans "came in wath less than allowed." been "dismayed" when he saw the lirst plan. Fellows said his company plans to build homes in the 2,800square-foot range and to have the nier completed within a year of shooting for something in the high

the project's entrance on 10 Mile only 157 feet away from the entrance drive to a nearby light \$300,000s and we certainly want Phil Folcy is a staff writer for Fellows noted that given the at (248) 349-1700 ext. 108 or at placement of existing drives on pfoley@ht.homecomm.net.

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Community Federal hosts chamber mixer | Sandstone questions

Community Federal Credit Union recently hosted a mixer for Novi Chamber members at its Novi Financial Service Center. Novi Manger David Biliznik unitus with a great new hulth-ing and wonderful food. They will be a great asset to the com-numbus?

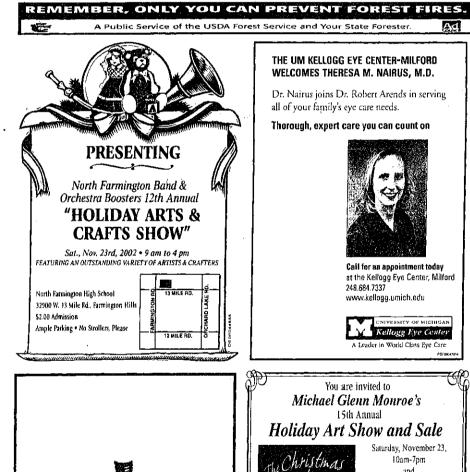
Novi Prinancia within the second in mid-August. The Navi Branch also includes and showcase this facility which is facility which is facility which is norr ATM to serve members who pust opened in mid-August. The Navi branch also includes a drive-up teller service and a 24- branch is located at the area. Novi represents the second instance community that 2000 sq. fi, branch is located at Novi represents the the northeast corner of Arena largest community Drive and Novi Road in Novi. Drive and Novi Road in Novi. Novi Chamber President Nora Ihampion, Board Chairperson With the relationship we have with the relationship we have Novi Chamber President Nora Champion, Board Chairperson Jane Thomas and other board extablished afready within the directors including Novi Police Chief Douglas Shaeffer attended and Champion, Board Champion, State State Champion, Board Chairperson extablished afready within the community and schools in Novi Chief Douglas Shaeffer attended the evening event. In addition to unities and partnerships." Headquartered in Plymouth, networking and enjoying light refreshments, attendees had an membership in Community Federal is open to anyone who lives or works in Plymouth, Canton, Northville, Novi, and the opportunity to view Community Federal's Cyber Café—a unique service that provides Internet access for credit union members,

ceves for credit union members. Thomas said, The Novi hamber of Commerce is very lensed to have Community total assets of \$270 million. Chamber of Commerce is very pleased to have Community Federal Credit Union as a new Community Federal provides member in the Chamber and what a great start with the Chamber Mixer! One of the Chamber's through a variety of automated

goals is to provide networking and online services. opportunities for our members

Chamber looking for people with something to say launched it and we're getting good feedback from the members." Diamond said the chamber's by the end of the first year. She membersher in the second state is the second state in the second state is the seco By Phil Foley The Novi Chamber of speakers bureau is being modeled Commerce's Holly Diamond is looking for some gents in the ough among the city's business community. Diamond, who is the registrar

"It's kind of an exciting time, really," said Diamond, "We just



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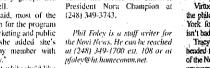
Community Federal's Novi Manager David Bliznik talks with Novi Chamber Board Chairperson Jane Thomas in front of the Credit Union's Cyber Café at a Novembe Chamber mixer.

city is obligated to clean portion of the park located at 12 Mile and Dixon roads testing positive for contamination above the levels required for the developer's intend-ed use of commercial and residentiai development Fisher said although the city's experts made a detern acceptable standard which the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality approved, essentially the city's obligation is to remediate the Sandstone's standard.

speakers by the first for the year, "given the holidays, I'm not sure February may be more realistic." said she sees the speakers bureau Speakers bureau is being modeled sind she sees the speakers bureau is being modeled sind she sees the speakers bureau is buring we have remixed. The sees the speakers bureau is buring sees people interested in adding their name to the speakers bureau is should call Chamber chainman of that group's student businesses as well. President Nora Champion at outreach committee chair. When

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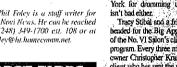
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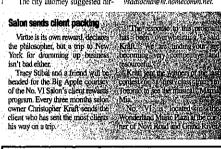
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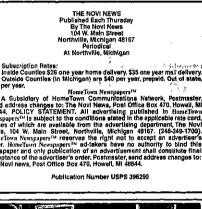
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ing an outside neutral consultant to

analyze the levels of contamination

to clear up any discrepancies in an

expedient matter. "It seems every time we comply,

City of Novi Mayor Richard Clark

tion process is Novi City Councilman Louis Csordas.

Csordas said he feels this "really

can't be what's up" and wonders

Last month, the city issued a

report showing the first two rounds

of the required remediation were

complete and the land clearing

project appeared on track. As of Oct. 1, the city had spent

about \$961, 320 of the \$1.4 million

earmarked as available. Some members of the Novi City

Council are keeping a close eye on

the project, concerned the city may

run out of money. The city has until July 24, 2003,

the date the consent judgment was entered into the Oakland County

Circuit Court, to complete the

Victoria Sadlocha is a staff

writer for the Novi News. She can

be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 105 or at vsadlocha@ht.homecomm.net.

what exactly is going on.

Échoing Clark's concern with e settlement-mandated remedia-

they find some objection,

remediation standards Concern over remaining contamination

in North Novi Park prompts city to retain an impartial environmental consultant

By Victoria Sadlocha

Novi Park.

lion lawsuit battle.

Concerns by those representing Sandstone Associates in settlemen

negotiations has prompted the city

to retain an impartial environmen-

tal consultant to review arsenic lev

els in remediated portions of North

Novi City Attorney Gerald

Fisher announced during the city's Nov. 12 council meeting that Sandstone Associates is requesting

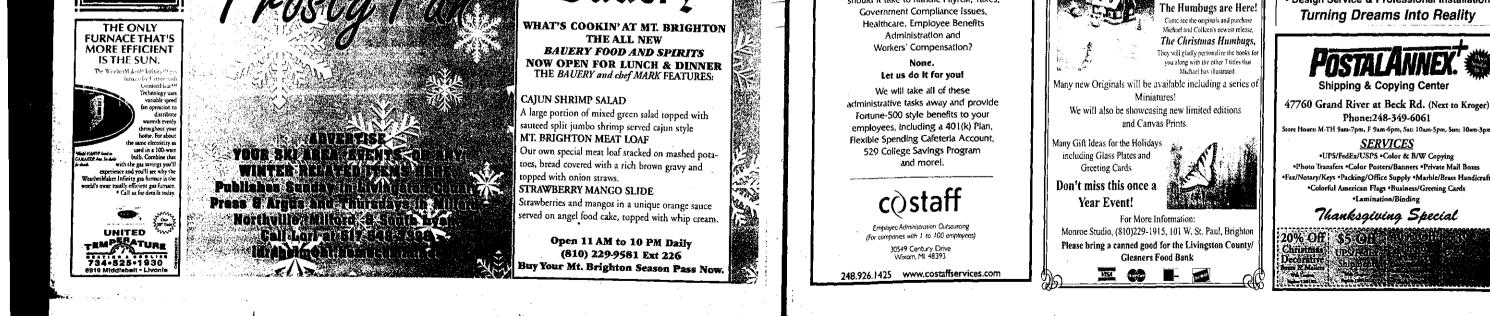
a review of arsenic tests performed

on portions of the park sold as part

of the settlement agreement between the city and the Vistas of Novi developer to end a \$70 mil-

As part of the agreement, the

The city attorney suggested hir-



Jaguar pounces on child safety

By Phil Foley STAFF WRITER

The sleek XK8 convertibles and sophisticated XJ Sport sedans were gone Saturday and in their place on the polished marble floor at Jaguar of Novi hall toss games and popcorn machines vyed for the attention of the nder three-foot set. About 200 families braved the

chilly temperatures to stop by the dealership for its first child safety seat inspection event. "I'm pleased with what we

said Naney Convers, the dealership's customer relations manager. She said that while they were hoping for a few more peo ple, she was happy with the furnout, given the weather. Most Metro Detroit car dealers hold child safety seat inspection wents in the summer or early fall laguar of Novi emptied out its showroom to create an indoor space for activities to keep chilen busy while their parents had heir vehicles checked out,

"We tried to make this a fun ind exciting kids day," said Convers as Clifford the Big Red Dog strolled the showrooru shakg paws with his squeeling fans. Novi resident Fredrick Stran-id he was suprized to find out he had been incorrectly lacing the

The Novi Public Library is open Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Friday-Saurday,

10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Sunday,

1-5 p.m. We are located at 45245 W. 10 Mile Road, just

east of Taft. For more informa-tion, call (248) 349-0720.

Thursday, November 28, for the Thanksgiving holiday. The

Thanksgiving holiday

group

Library

Hours

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Photo by Phil Foley Novi resident Fredrick Stram (left) learned he had been putting the straps through his grand daughter's car seat wrong when he stopped by the Jaguar of Novi Child Safety Seat Inspection Saturday, Nov. 16. Officer Jim Geary from the West Bloomfield Police Department, one of several that pitched in to help Novi police, showed Stram the correct way to install the straps

he had been incorrectly facing ine shoulder straps on his grand daughter's car seat. According to traffic safety officials, about 80 correct way to install the seat in percent of the child safety seat on bis car. Strant said, "I feel very childwal. County mads are good." correct way to install the seat in - by communities that helped out at - than making sure our children are

percent of the child safety seat on backand County roads are improperly installed. If the typest After Officer Jim Geary, a cer-biled shild safety seat inspector in Tim Raap, a police officer from the dwild safety seat inspector in South Lyon, sind he felt good from the West Bloomfield Police Department, showed Stram the

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1-900-776-9406

You bet they do!

Library Lines Novi Public library will be open for regular Tiny tot time you and answer any comhours throughout the remainder of the holiday weekend

Thitfer ages 12-18 months are invited to join us for a haff hour of stories, songs, and games on Saturday. December 7, at H a.m. Registration is not required, but space is limited, so todalers and caregivers only, nease.

Adult book discussion Our December selection Our December sciencin is The Age of Innocence" by Edith Whaton. The group meets Monday, December 2, at 7 p.m. in the library meeting town. All are welcome. please Internet practice lab for seniors Practice makes perfect! Join os for an opportunity to practice any of the skills you've learned in our Internet classes on Wednesday, November 27, from Story Time notes

Our regularly schedoled Story Times will not be held on Tuesday, December 3, due to a 1-3 p.m. During this two-hour The library will be closed staff in-service day. session, you may choose to work on any Internet skills you wish, with librarians to assist



Committee. State Rep. Nancy Cassis, com-mittee chair, said House Bills 6501-02 extend special brown-field tax credits through 2007. The incentives, a Single Business Tax credit and creation of a tax increment funnitien pro-Edge in Traverse City and Renaissance Global Logistics in sance Global Logistics in Detroit "The brownfield grant will prove to be a tremendous catalyst for positive change through-out Michigan, as it will be for Wixon's economy and quality of of a tax increment financing pro-gram, are scheduled to end this life," Cassis said. Michigan's brownfield pro-gram was created in 1996 to pro-vide funding and tax incentives year. "The exciting developments in Wixom are proof that brownfield

Development

Michigan is the first in the nation to make brownfield rede-velopment successful, according

to a Consumers Renaissance

report. State brownfield projects include Oldsmobile Park base-ball stadium in Lansing, River's

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credits are effective in restoring contaminated and blighted areas," said Cassis, R-Novi. "Tax policy issues like brownto return economic viability back to blighted and contaminated areas," said Cassis, R-Novi, property. SBT credits are "Tax policy issues like brown-field incentives can be a key redevelopment and TIFAs are component in strengthening our local and state economy." Greg McCaffrey, Wixom director of public services, said: "Extending the brownfield program is vital to Michigan com-nunities. In Wixom, develop-

Committee approves brownfield bills Cassis committee approves within Wixom and a viable asset

rownfield bills

Panel extends law that will further help cities like Wixom

Michigan cities like Wixom

and take advantage of brownfield incentives for another five years under legislation approved this

week by the House Tax Policy

ment of our site creates a foothold for development in our city's tration of the programs. downtown area. The new vil-lage center will be a cornerstone sidering HBs 6501-02.

Hockey training sessions starting up

handling, passing and shooting; • Offensive and defensive con By Victoria Sadiocha TAFF WRITER Individual and team posi-The city's new Novi Ice Arena assistant manager is gearing up for fun with the start of next month's adult hockey training tional play; and • Situational scrimmages Program creators said the goal rogram. of the program is to improve players' overall knowledge of the Former professional hockey player and four-year letter win-ner on the Ferris State University hockey team, Todd Steinmetz, game, teach new drills, increase enjoyment of the game, build confidence, conditioning and to develop skating and puck skills in a competitive and fun environwill begin sessions of his new addition to the arena's offerings on Dec. 14, The program held every Saturday will conclude February ment. The ten-week session is \$139 and registration is underway. For more information, call (248) 347-1010. 5. 2003. The weekly skills and condi-oning series for adults of all

bility levels will include: Individual skaing technique to improve balance, agility, quickness, speed and control;
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Catch the blass at The Bosthous

Catch the blues at the Boathques Alvin Youngblood Hant will be making a very special "acoustic" live appearance promoting his just released solo acoustic album, "Down In The Alley", Thursday, November 21, 2002. Alvin will be performing a FREE show at the one-year anniversary of Paradise Valley Acoustic Blues Series, which has been successfully running since last November 14, at The Boathouse in Walled Lake, 142 E. Walled Lake Drive (248) 669-1441 of Som 1441 at 8 p.m.

This acoustic blues series has been bringing artists like Joe Hunter, Ronnie Baker Brocks, Sam Lay, Martha Reeves, Johnnie Bassett, Bettye LaVette, Peter "Madcat" Ruth, B.B. Queen and many, many other blues legends, to the people for free shows which are every single Thursday night for the past year. Weekly hosts Billy Partis and Gary Rasmussen have maintained a very bits truther for the past year. high standard for these weekly performances and you never know who'll show up at this series

Aivin is 6 time winner of the Living Blues Award, Winner of Downbeat Critics Poll for Blues Album of the Year 99', and New York Times Critics Pick, Top 10 Albums of the Year. Please arrive early for the best seats, there will be no reservations taken.

PHONE: (248) 347-0421,

DMC Health Care Center Craft Show

DATE: Thursday, November 21 and Friday, November 22

TIME: 10 a.m.-4 p.m. LOCATION: DMC Health

Care Center, 41935 W. 12 Mile

DETAILS: There will be approximately 35 crafters with

jewelry, quilts to gournet spe-cialtes. No admission fee,

PHONE: For more information

tion, call Denise Taschereau at 248-347-8010.

DATE: Thursday, November TIME: 6 p.m.-9 p.m

LOCATION: Novi Middle School, 11 Mile Rd., between Beek and Wixom Rds., Novi,

DETAILS: Join us for ethnic foods, exhibits and performance celebrating the uniqueness that various cultures bring to Novi. \$Uperson tchildren 4 and under

PHONE: 248-347-0400

Annual Thanksgiving Luncheon and

"turkey bingo" DATE: Friday, November 22

TIME: 12 p.m. LOCATION: Novi Senior

DETAILS: \$5/per person, tick-

ets are on sale at Senior Center, turkey luncheon with all the trim-

mings, bingo prizes, one card

included. Decorations and door

prizes. NOTE: UPCOMING HOLI-DAYS AND INCLEMENT

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DATE: Saturday, Nov. 23 and Sunday, Nov. 24 TIME: 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. each day LOCATION: Novi Town Center, 26085 Town Center Drive, just west of Novi Rd, and north of Grand River Ave. DETAILS: Complimentary novie for families, fall series-dit ferent movies each weekend through Nov. 24. Come and enjoy an afternoon of 'going to e movies". PHONE: 248-465-SHOW

Senior Book Club DATE: November 14, December 12 TIME: 42:30 p.m.-1:30 p.m.

LOCATION: Novi Public DETAILS: Keep your mind active book discussion. PHONE: 248-347-0421.

Walled Lake Western High School Performance of "Les Miserables" DATE: Nov. 15-17 and Nov. 22-23.

TIME: Friday and Saturday shows, 7:30 p.m., Sunday mat

nce-2 p.m. LOCATION: Walled Lake Western High School, 600 Beck Road, Walled Lake DETAILS: Tickets are \$16

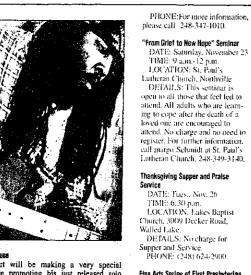
(\$10 for seniors, opening night only) and are on sale now PHONE: (248) 956-4578

DATE: Mondays; November 18. December 16 TIME: 2:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m. LOCATION: Novi Senior Center DETAILS: Join us for tea,

cookies, polite conversation and dignified music. PHONE: 248-347-0414.

Novi Library Bookmobile DATE: Nov. 19 and Dec. 17 TIME: 11:30 a.m.-noon LOCATION: Novi Senior

Hockey Invitational DATE: Friday, Nov. 22 and Saturday Nov. 23 Center, 25075 Meadowbrook LOCATION: Novi lee Arena 42400 Arena Drive, Novi



Celebration DATE: Toesday, Dec. 3 TIME: 7 p.m. LOCATION: Meadowbro TIME: 6:30 p.m. LOCATION: Lakes Baptist Congregational Church, 21355 Meadowbrook Rd., Novi hurch, 3009 Decker Road, Walled Lake. DETAILS: No charge for DETAILS: Tickets/\$12 ea., available at the church and Kitchen Witch, 134 E. Main upper and Service. PHONE: (248) 624-2900. Street, Northville, musical enter-Fine Arts Series of First Presbyteriar tainment, carols by the Chancel Church of Northville Concert "MESSI Choir, desserts, tea and coffee DATE: Sunday, December 1 Novi Theatres Auditions, Man of La TIME: 7 p.m. LOCATION: First Mancha Presbyterian Church, 200 E. Main Street, Northville, DETAILS: Tickets are on sale DATE:Tuesday, Dec. 3 and Thursday, Dec. 5, TIME:7:30 p.m. LOCATION: Novi Civic in the church office during regu-lar business hours. \$12/adult (\$15/door) and \$10 senior/stu-dent (\$13/door). Call 248-349-DETAILS: Performances will be March 14,15,16, 21, 22, and 0911 for further information. 23. Audition packets are available at Novi Parks and Rec Wixom Teen Advisory Committee DATE: Monday, December 2 TIME: 4 p.m. 5 p.m. (pizza Dept. (Ages high school -99 years old). PHONE: 248-347-0400. included) Huron Valley-Sinal Hospital Blood Drive LOCATION: Wixom Comm. Center, 49015 Pontiac Trail, Wixom/same building as

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by planning activities and com-munity service projects for your peers. Sign op today-248-624-

2850. For teens ages 13-18.

Holiday Festive Mixer-Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce DATE: Tuesday, December 3 TIME: 5:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m

LOCATION: Affinity Lounge & Grill, 1403 S. Commerce Rd.

Volverine Lake. DETAILS: \$5 cost. Bring you

staff and join us as we begin to celebrate the holiday season.

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prevent lengthy waits.

"Christmas is Coming" DATE: Friday, Dec. 6

DETAILS: \$7/adult,

Molloy, 248-474-8277.

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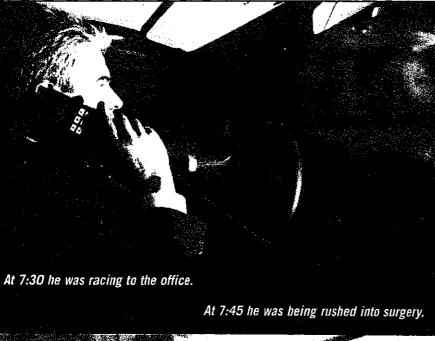
Holiday Arts and Crafts Show

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DATE: Wed., Dec. 4 TIME: 6:30 a.m.-5 p.m DETAILS: City of Wixom LOCATION: Hospital's



Calendar of Events Rd.,(between Pontiac Trail and Conference Center, 1 William Maple Rd.) DETAILS: Admission/\$2, PHONE: Office of Commun Health, 248-937-3314. DETAILS: Community mem Seniors and students/\$1. Arts crafts, food, drinks, free door bers can pledge a donation by prizes calling the Office telephone nur ber. Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments are encouraged to Free Teeth Cleanings DATE: Wednesday, December TIME: call for appointment. LOCATION: Dr. Brigidanne Murphy, D.D.S., 42010 Grand Novi Choralaires Christmas program River Ave., Novi. DETAILS: Celebration of Saturday, Dec. 7 and Sunday, Five-Year Anniversary in the TIME: 16-day and Saturday Community. We will be taking donations of food from patients in lieu of payment, for distribu-tion to a Community Food Bank. mday-4 p.m.)NS: Fridayassust Church, 33112 Grand Please call for an appointment prior to Dec. 11, 248-380-9359. River, Farmington, Saturday-Novi United Methodist Church, 41671 W. Ten Mile Rd., Novi, Plymouth Community Chorus 29th Annual Christmas Concert "Sing Sunday-Church of the Holy Family, 24505 Meadowbrook Gloria!' DATE: Friday, December 13, Saturday, December 14, and Sunday, December 15. \$6/Seniors and 12 and under TIMES: Friday/Saturday-8 Tickets can be purchased at the p.m., Sunday-4 p.m. LOCATION: Nonhville High door or from any Novi Choralaire. Group rates available. PHONE: For more informa-School, 457 Six Mile, North DETAILS: Tickets are \$12 and tion, call Choir President, Larry available at Sideways, 505 Forest Ave., Plymouth, Evola Music Center, 7170 Haggerty Rd., Canton, Edwards' Caterer, DATE: Saturday, December 7 TIME: 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. 116 Dunlop, Northville, or by LOCATION: Meadowbrood calling 734-455-4080. Congregational Church, 21355 Meadowbrook Rd., Novi. DETAILS: Including baked <u>on-going</u> goods, gifts and Christmas items Motorsports Hall of Fame "Art of Walled Lake Western High School's Racing" Exhibit DATE: thru Dec. 31 DATE: Saturday, Dec. 7, and LOCATION: Motorsports Hall Sunday, Dec. 8 TIME: Saturday-10 a.m.-4 of Fame, inside Novi Expo Center at I-96 and Novi Road p.m., Sunday-11 a.m.-4 p.m. TIME: open 10 a.m.-5 p.m., LOCATION: Walled Lake Western High School, 600 Beck continued of

help you improve your communi-cation skills, voice your opinion, polish your presentations and practice leadership. PHONE: For more informacontinued from 8 seven days a week. 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Thursday thru Sundays after Labor Day. DETAILS: \$4/adutts, \$2.00/Seniors, \$2/children Special exhibit of original paint-ings by noted motor racing artist, D.R. Shuck. Limited edition prints of many of the paintings are available for purchase in the Hall of Fame gift shop. PHONE: (248) 349-7223 Oakland County Health Division Expectant Parent Classes DATE: ongoing series LOCATION: Oakland County Bakland Livingston Human Service Agency Thanksgiving Ionations DATE: ongoing until Nov. 26 LOCATION: OLHSA Intake Health Division, 1010 East West Maple, Walled Lake TIME: 7 p.m.-9 p.m. DETAILS: Classes will be taught by Public Health Nurses. and Service Center, located at the lower level of 196 Cesar E. Chavez Avenue, Pontiac, DETAILS: Seeking perishable Topics will include childbirth preparation, labor and delivery, care of the newborn baby, breast feeding, bottle-feeding, information about keeping children safe, and caring for them when they are ill. Cost is \$25.00. PHONE: (248) 858-4003, or food donations for low income senior citizens living in Oakland County, Recipents are seniors that can only afford the bare min-(888) 350-0900 ext, 84003 imum of food needed to star Oakland County Health Division breastfeeding support sessions Thanksgiving dinner. DATE: ongoing series LOCATION: Oakland County Health Division, 1010 East West Maple, Walled Lake. DETAILS: Information cov-248-209-2644. New TOPS chapter in Novi meeting-Dec, 25, 2002 and Jan. 1, 2003) cred includes pumping, solving common problems associated with breastfeeding, taking care of mom, growth and development of the breastfeeding infant includ-ing; growth spurts, starting solids, and weaning. PHONE: 248-858-4003 Or toll Commons Activities Room. 25075 Meadowbrook Rd., Novi. TIME: 1p.m. weigh in, 1:30 pm. meeting DETAILS: \$20/yearly memfree, 1-888-350-0900, ext, 84003. Novi Toastmaster

bership registration, includes handbook, \$1/meeting, New members welcome. DATE: First and third Tuesdays of the month LOCATION: Novi Civic Send calendar items to Cal Center. 45175 W. Ten Mile, Novi TIME: 7-8:30 p.m. Stone, Novi News, 104 W. Main. Northville, MI 48168 or e-mail to DETAILS: Toastmasters will cstone@ht.homecomm.net.

tion, call Colleen at (248) 685-

"Novi Needlers" Quilting Group

Wednesdays of the month

DATE: Second and fourth

LOCATION: Novi Senio

Center, 25075 Meadowbrook

TIME: 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

elcome. PHONE: 248-347-0414

DETAILS: Fabric donations

and non perishable Thanksgiving

healthy and would not otherwise afford the luxury of a

PHONE: For additional infor-

LOCATION: Meadowbrook

on contact Joyce Allen at

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Veterans honored

On Thursday, November 14, Glenda's Florist & Nursery in 2002, Veternis were honored is Novi and Roses West The form of this of Services and provide root and the self-light of the service services and provide root and the following of the service of the service of the service of the following of the service of the servi Meltiding 3 inerstructure whose Society of Shreveport, LA vertices of America, whose Society of Shreveport, LA national, organization is in (Call 1-800-637-6534 to join ond reseive a free 'rose calen-Anatiopal, organization is in (Call 1-800-657-6534 to join Novie '5 Status) Mayor & Richard Clark and receive a free 'rose calen-mayor & Richard Clark dar') will be planting a rose addressed the group. Earlier a the PVA in spring 2003 with World War II claimed Novras an American Memorial, Veterans Hönor, Peace & Love, Pence and My Hero roses. Rose Society of Novis presented long-stein roses dotated by West, contact 248-449-4626.



Babies of the Month publishes the last Thursday of each month at the cost of \$25. — Pictures welcome – The Livingston County Daily Press & Argus, Milford Times, Novi News,

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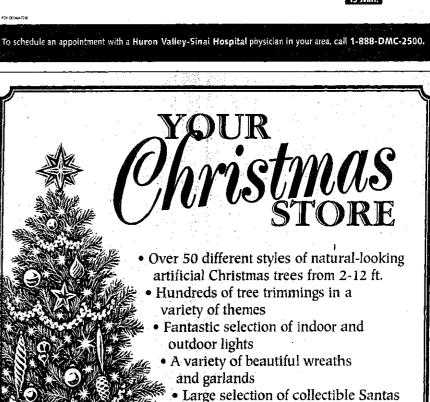


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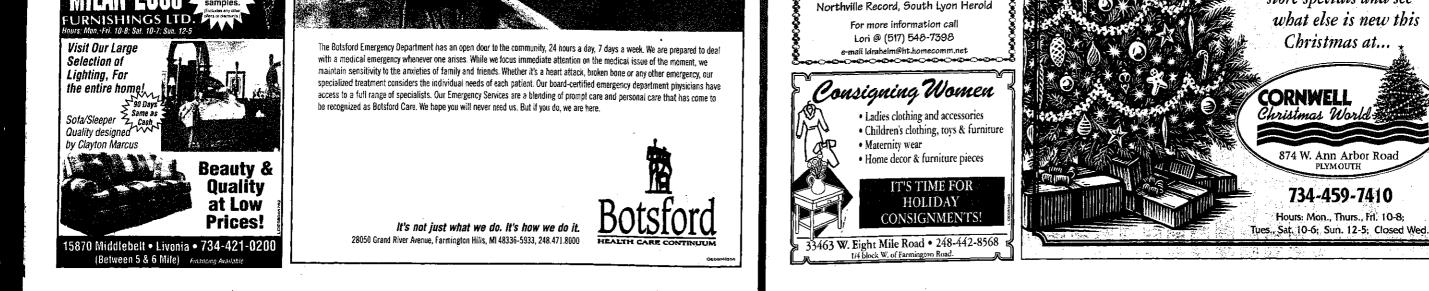
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Let them run free Bark Park provides canines. masters a chance to have fun

for Oakland County Parks, said the Lyon Bark Park was created

By Philip Alimen

a condo in South Lyon, so the regular basis.

regidiar basis, "My dog needs the exercise," But now there's a new oppor-tunity for residents and their loud legged friends to get out and enjoy the great outdoors. It's a place where logs become the naster and their worse are inst master and their owners are just ple of like interests can meet and along for the ride. socialize,"

who just want to ran and play and rm some more. "We like to come when there's other dops here for her to play ends, with," Cook said, "It's great, "The designated Bark Park Everyone is very conscitutions," encompasses 13 acress although There's no bullies. The dops get only half of that is used at any along great." given time. According to Wells Ed Scritchfield and his nineexperience at the Orion park ver-old daughter Einily like to shows that the ground needs come from West Bloomfield to time to regrow. So at Lyon Oaks, Lyon Oaks with their Portugese the park will rotate each year, Water Dog, Sakell, and Forugese the pairs with forace each year, and "We're been coming here quite a bit," he said, "We're waith up to West Bloomfield to open the pairs at Orion Oaks is up to West Bloomfield to open the years at Orion Oaks is a state to pairs at Orion Oaks is a state to restart on the said. "At Lyon Oaks, we're rotating their park." Jane Raitt, another West the field every year, so we'r Boonfield resident, said the's only using half the acres each waiting for the West Bloomfield year." park to open, as well, but truly enjoys coming to county park with her two hearded collies, Mollee and Norman. Philm Ailmen is a reporter for the South Lyon Herald, Reach him at (248) 437-2011 or by c-"It's the only park around, but mail

it's a great one," she said. pallmen@ht.homecomm.net. sue Wells, chief of recreation

BARK PARK

Lyon Oaks Bark Park fea-· Dogs must have current tures a 13-acre fenced enclos - license, upsto-date vaccinations sure including a field training and respond to voice command area and drinking water avail-able this fall. No dogs under four months of age. • Dogs must be accompanied if (nor 18 or older) at by an adult (age 18 or older) at all times, even inside the enclo-FEATURES: • Pet waste bags (provided by Pet Supplies Plus) sore. • Owners are responsible for

bags provided on site.

Please note that dogs are not

allowed on nature trails at Lyon-

system. Dogs visiting the Oakland

County Parks are required to be

on a six-foot-long leash unless

inside a Bark Park enclosure. Keeping your pet on leash and on designated park trails in

natural areas helps prevent ero-

sion and destruction of trailside

vegetation. Wildlife may not survive an encounter with an

unleashed dog; a dog may inno-

 Pumped drinking water pets at all times. Those creating Shade areas problems will be asked to leave. • Dogs in heat may not enter Picnic tables and benches
 Portable toilets Please clean up pet waste

HOURS: 30 minutes before surrise to 30 minutes after surset.

Oaks County Park. Nor are they allowed in any waterways (except where postings allow). COST: Daily pass or annual vehicle permit required. buildings, picule areas or golf courses throughout the park Daily fee Regular Fee \$8/car/day Resident Discount \$5/car/day Senior Citizen \$3/ear/week-

days only Annual vehicle permit Regular Fee \$46 Resident Discount \$25 Senior Citizen \$17

RULES:

 Dogs must be on a six-foot cently destroy the homes of leash until inside enclosure, ground-nesting asymptote and sh until inside enclosure. ground-nesting animals Maximum of two dogs per may maim or kill wildlife. visitor.

Obituaries

Rose A. Sad

In lieu of flowers the family requests contributions be made to Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, P.O. Box 650309, Data: Event 75265 0300 Rose Sad of Novi, died November 15, 2002, She was 91, Mrs. Sad was formerly a resident of Detroit. Dallas, Texas 75265-0309. Survivors include her two sons, Richard and Robert (Angela): six grandchildren and ten great-grandchildren. Raymond T. Reska n great-grandchildren. Raymond Reska died Her husband, Kalil, preceded November 6, 2002 at Botsford her in death. Rospital, Farmington Hills, er in death. To spitar, Fatting A funeral service was held Mich. He was 76, lovember 18 at the Mr. Reska was 3

Vickie Mros, right, teaches a Romanian dance at last Thursday's Intternational Festival at the Novi Expo Center.

Students from around the metro area gathered at the center to learn about other cultures, listen to music from other lands, taste a few international treats and purchase a few crafts from around the world.

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Novi MEAP scores released to public

By Ramez Khuri

Teachers use them to help improve instruction, said Besse, but the district tries not to com-pare the results from year to year because they are different stu-dents. How's this for an impressive statistic: 93.1 percent of Novi High School's Class of 2002 gradnates were college bound this full? dents. "But we look at what skills all? That's just one of many facts vector be focused on more in dif-ferent subjects, Traynor added, vector betweed on more in dif-ferent subjects, Traynor added, for 2002

revealed in the Novi Community School District's 2001-02 Public Information Report issued on Oct, 17. It contains vital information Ramez, Khuri is a staff writer for the Novi News, He can be reached at (248) 349-1700, est. 110 or by e-mail at rkhurt@h.homecomm.net. about each school in the district. about each school in the district, including a profile for each school, school improvement, goals, staff development core cur-riculum, parent involvement, SAT and ACT results for the high school and MSAD results.

school and MEAP results. The class of 2002 highlights also include: · one White House Presidential

Scholar Semifinalist seven National Merit Scholarship Finalists and eight Letters of Commendation 175 Michigan Competitive Scholarship qualifiers
 52 valedictorians and 16 salu-

tatorians 68 students graduating summa 68 students graduating summa cum laude, 58 magna cum laude and 63 cum laude
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expected to do a report of what's been happening in their schools," Dr. Rita Traynor, assistant super-intendent for Instructional intendent for Instructional Services said. "We had to do one for the district which includes a report from each of the individual schools." According to the report, the

dropout rate of students in Novi who left school during the past three years, adjusting for those who have moved in or out of the district, has averaged .06 percent. The breakdown for the last three years is, 1999 = .01 percent, 2000 = .003 percent and 2001 = .004 It also states that the average

attendance at parent-teacher con-ferences in the elementary (K-6) is 96.7 percent. The middle school averages about 70 percent for the two yearly conferences and the high school averages about 54 percent parent attendance at two yearly conferences. "We certainly want to follow

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standards benchmark," Traynor said, "Parent involvement in Novi is very high at conferences and also in volunteers. It's probably one of the highest in volunteers and in parent involvement in the county. You can see that if you look at parent involvement in the district – the average attendance and parent/teacher conference in elementary K-6 was 96.7 percent. which is fabulous." Although the MEAP test will change come this January, Coordinator of Curriculum and Assessment Jane Hesse is happy with the 2002 scores. She

explained the difference between the MEAP test and the SAT and ACT tests. "The ACT and SAT tests are national tests and the MEAP test is just in Michigan," Hesse said. "Even though we went up very minute degrees in the scores, we have improved, and that's impor-tant to us. If you were to look at the SAT and the ACT, they took pretty much the same as they did many years ago, except a few changes perhaps. The MEAP on the other hand, has had a lot of changes. We know that you can't

compare one year's scores to the other because you're comparing different children." Hesse said that instead of measuring the reading and writing sec-tions of the test separately, as it was done in the past, in January it will measure reading and writing

improve," said Traynor.

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together. "There won't be a year-to-year measurement," Hesse said. "There is no MEAP test in kindergarten, White Mountain, Naturalizer and more first, second or third grades. They Reg. 89.00-169.00, geared it to where there might be sale 35.60-67.60. growth and comprehension, so i IN WOMEN'S SHOES. - Paral isually starts closer to the fourth grade and the end of third grade." Next year these MEAP results 50% OFF Entire stock of 50% OFF Entire stock of Preswick will be slightly different, but it's LivingQuarters Trim-A-Home, Reg. 10.00-& Moore woven shirts. Reg. 34.00, important for parents to know that the MEAP is changing, said 115.00. sale 5.00-57.50. IN TRIMA HOME sale 17.00, IN MENS. EXCLUDES DEPT. 56. VAILLANCOURT, WATERFORD, CHRISTOPHER BADKO, FLURRYVILLE, FITZ & FLDYD Hesse. "We are in the MEAP window AND DEMDACO right now," said Hesse. "It will all be new, so each year in the high school, you have two administra-tions and the elementary schools YOU'RE SOMEBODY SPECIAL have a January registration Traditionally, 11th graders take all five of the MEAP tests per year, but there can be 10th graders who want to do it early and for 12th graders who did not pass a portion of it, they can take it over as well." The district, said Traynor, intends to use these results to ana-PAY YOUR PARISIAN BILL ON-LINE Log on to www.parisian.com. lyze what skills need to be taught and how students can improve their learning. "That's the reason we put them

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Students learn life in the trenches

By Ramez Khuri

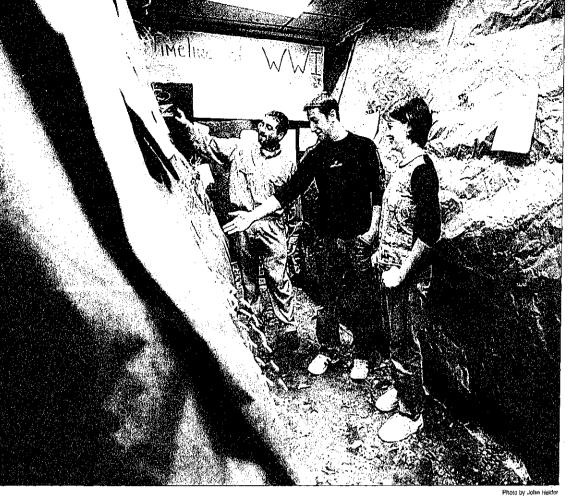
Lee Bonner's second block stu-dents at Novi High School built a trench in its classroom in order to replicate those built and used in World War I by hoth sides. According to Borner, the purpose was to give the students a better understanding of what life was like for a soldier during the first "World War and to give the students in opportanity to be their dents in opportanity to be their own museum curator. "We spent one week research-ling, designing and building this grench." Bonner said. "We used

trench. Homer said. "We used checken where a great deal of brown paper, masking tape and a "great deal of ingenuity." The information gathered for the project included Casualties of WWI; artiflery and weapons used: "WWI; artiflery and weapons used: "pictures and paintings of no man"s faide examples of uniforms; hartle strategies: airitance: submarines. strategies; airplanes; submarines, leaders of WWE causes of the war; timelines and speaches. "After it was built, we opened it

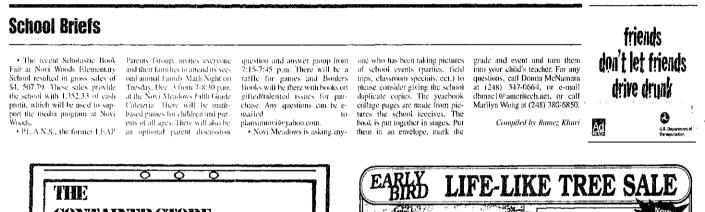
ip for anyone who wanted to take i tour," Bonner said, "As a result, we had about 15 classes, which is about 350 students, from the high school take the 10s to 15-minute, self-guided tour that included tape recorded letters of home and wa ands playing in the background

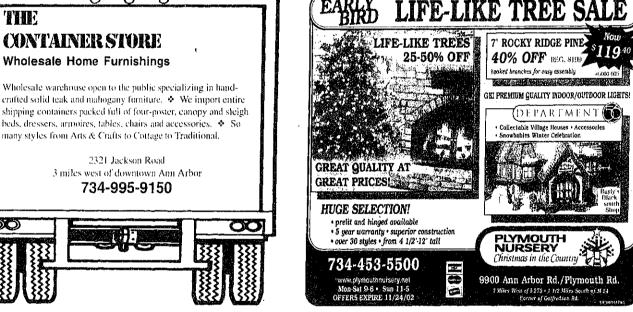
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Novi High School World History teacher Lee Bonner, left, takes a look at the replica of a World War I trench that was made by some of his students, including Steve Daly and Kimberly Koch, 9





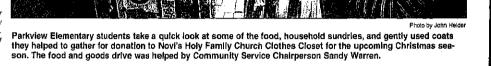
Parkview Elementary donates clothes, food to Clothes Closet

Students help less fortunate for the holidays
 By Ramez Khuri staff walten
 Parkview Elementary School is doing its part to serve the

Parkview Elementary School is doing its part to serve the community for the holidays by donating clothes and food sup-plies to the Clothes Closet in Novi, located on the grounds of the Holy Family Church. The project is list one of many combefore he was elected president She wanted to visit the school to read to the kids. We said fine, and at the same time we hap-pened to have this donation program going on. We had the dis-play up on that day she was here. It was kind of nice because she thought it was a The second secon project is just one of many com-

ness so they can carry this on to adulthood."

the Novi community. We do it every year." The first grade theme was, "It's breakfast time." Students brought breakfast foods and cereal. The second grade theme was, "What's for dinner," the third grade them was, "Let's clean up" and the fourth grade them was, "Keep warm." Each Ramez Khuri is a staff write for the Novi News. He can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 110 or by e-mail at 110 or by e-mail rkhuri@ht.homecomm.net.



Novi High School students shadow nurses at Providence Hospital in Southfield

Students get ified youth interested in carcers in nursing. "We have a situation in our country where our population is aging, so we have a growth of demand for nurses and we have a decining supply? said Don Potter, president of Southeast Michigan Health and Hospital Council (SMHEC). "As we looked into working with students and show-ing them what this career is like, ing them what this career is like, interested and they are. iolhands-on nursing experience through "Nurse Now" program 8y Ramez Khuri STAFF WRITER Forty-vie anatomy and physiol-ogy students from Novi High School are participating in the Providence Hospital of Southfield "Nurse Now" program this month. The program is a live-year

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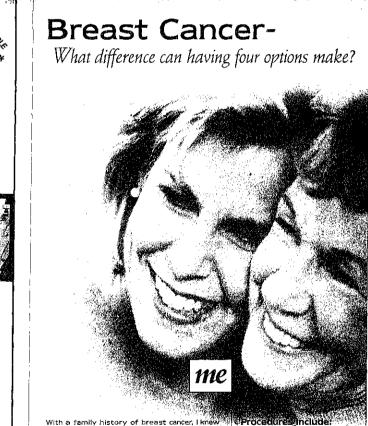
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Faysal went with the first group make it better for the future."

vacancies and are seeking quali-fied students who are prepared for the challenge of a nursing cduca-

do." Faysal originally signed up to go into surgery, but too many peo-ple signed up for that, so he went with the medical unit, which deals like diabetes. "I had a good time doing it and it was a lot of fun," said Faysal. "I learned a lot by seeing how a hos-

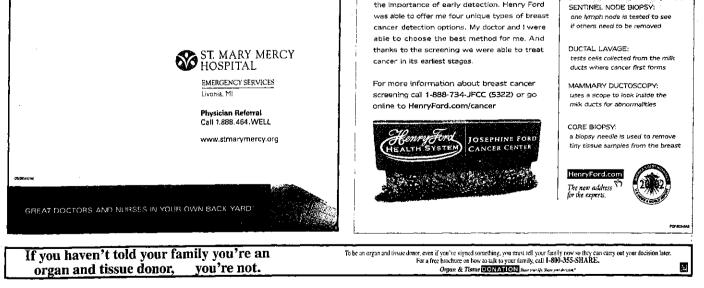


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Hospital, "We are trying to pro-Hospital. "We are trying to pro-mote a nursing career because there is a shortage of nurses in Michigan. The students are assigned to various nurses who work in every area of the hospital from 9 n.m. to 1 p.m. 1 think it's a very nice program, and so far it's preity successful because a lot of rundius are participating."



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Middle schoolers present "Alice in Wonderland" this weekend

Performances set for Friday

and Saturday By Ramez Khuri

The students of the Novi Middle School Drama Department will be turning their school into a land of wonder this weekend as they present "Alice In Wonderland" on "Alice In Wonderland" on Friday and Saturday, Nov. 22-

Alice in Wonderland is obv Shee in wondersame Fork-onsly a classic story." Middle School Fall Play Drama Director Jennifer Grabowski said. "Disney has done a ver-sion of it and there have been a lot of other versions done and we are doing our own version o the play." The story is about a little girl who follows a white rabbit

down his rabbit hote and ends up in Wonderland, where she encounters many strange char-acters. All she wants to do is get back home because she doesn' vant to miss out on her birth

day. "It's about her journey through Wonderland trying to find her way back hone," Grabowski said. "She comes to realize that a lot of things in the end and that's how she gets home again. It's kind of a long. home again. It's kind of a jour-ney of discovery for a child growing up."

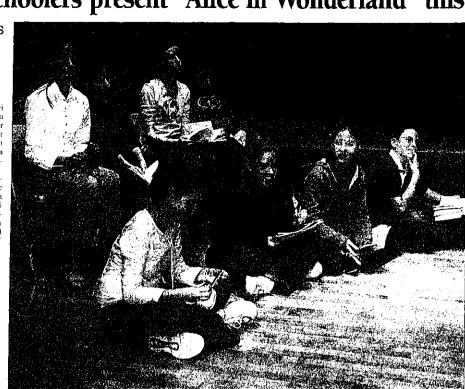
There are 32 east members in the play and also 15 to 20 kids on the crew who help out back-stage. The main character is Alice, who is played by Sarah

Barton, a seventh grader. "The kids in the play have been totally awesome." Grabowski said. "This is Sarah's first year here and she has been acting since he was

bas done some acting before, but there are also some kids who have never done acting before as well and those are the old. They are available for pur-chase at the main office of Novi Middle School up through the mes who are the most fun to ork with because it's all new them. The kids who have done it before still have enthusifinal night of the show, It starts istra, but a lot of the kids who at 7 n m each night but seating and, on a tot of the ktos who had 7 p.m. each night, but canning are doing this for the first time will start at 6.30 p.m. For more have that fresh new entbusiasm information, call Novi Middle that you don't get any way School at (248) 449-1600.

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Above, sitting in chairs, left to right, Liting chen, Emma Niendorf, Dana Santure, Nick Farrant; on floor, Sarah Porter, Victoria Kelsey, Marcee Schoenbach and Patrick O'Connell. Below is Clara Yoon.



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B.E.A.R. Club helps students improve reading skills

By Ramez Khuri Since the start of this school year, first through fourth grade students at Parkview Elementary have been participating in a monthly "banking day" which has begun as part of the school's business partnership pro-gram with Bank One. The program, which is called the B.E.A.R. Club, stands for "Be Excited About Reading." It runs for a total of six months in two sections: Sept. 1 through Nov. 30 and Jan. 1 through March 31, "The fundamental idea of the pro-gram is, if our children have a great

foundation for reading, they're going to be more successful in the future in anything they do, whether a's banking or iounualism or whatit's banking or journalism or what-ever," Carol Gardell said, who is a teacher by the date specified on the teacher by the date specified on the calendar. On the monthly "banking day," it's done. Were trying to keep a little heensed banker for Bank One at the West Eight Mile and Haggerty Road the students in grades first through fourth took their calendars to the According to Gardell, Bank One is very community oriented. Something that the bank does with Parkview Elementary, which is B.E.A.R. Club Bank, where the minutes read were recorded in their "reading passbook." Monthly incenextremely supported, is the B.E.A.R. Club program. "The chiltives were given to each student who B.E.A.R. Club program. The chill fread 240 uninutes that month and dren read a certain amount of books during a period of time and then they come here in the morning on a book of their cloice. will be given to given day and they record what they have done with their passbook teller

in their passbooks," she said. Gardell said that the children then dars. go over to the prize table, where Bank One supplies them with some prizes. "It's a good way to positive-"The student tellers are the children who get the highest amount of minutes from the previous month in the fourth grade." Gardell said. "They are the ones who get to be the tellers, so they can this position as they move along. It's a unique ly support them in the reading program," she said. For the program, each student was given a monthly calendar at the beginning of the month to record the recognition among their own peer number of minutes he or she has read cach day. They were asked to read or be read to at least 240 min-utes a month, which is equivalent to B.B.A.R. Club Chaiperson, stid 15 minutes per day for 16 days per This year's program is only differ-ent because I'm the chairperson. For nine years it was done by Jill Bednarek, but she no longer has month. Parents were asked to record the total number of minutes read each month and sign the bottom of the calendar. Students then returned children here at Parkview, I was the we get the passbooks and we write

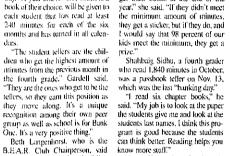


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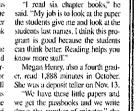
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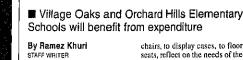
Megan Henry, also a fourth grad er, read 1,888 minutes in October. She was a deposit teller on Nov. 13. "We have these little papers and





get the total. Every month they get a new total. I had to read a lot to do this, so I was just really excited when I knew that I got it. I think this gives the light a bight a bight and being a to consistency because it's a big job. Langenhorst said that the chil-dren's minutes are recorded and in gives the kids a chance to learn how April there is an assembly where to do express reading. Reading is Principal Joseph Imrick distributes such a great thing." as their final prize for participating in the whole six months. 'They each Ramez Khuri is a staff writer for the Novi News, He can be reached

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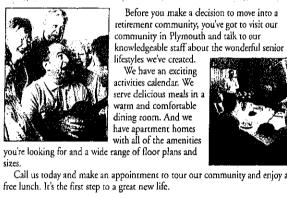
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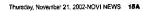




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In today's split-second world, have frozen turkeys, Redi-Whip Thanksgiving is more a hinaerosol whipped cream or a drauce than a help to Madison - Lions game to entertain them-Avenue business tycoons, Watch selves. They were forced to lean enough television commercials on each other and work for this week, and you'll notice that every shred of comfort they had, the focus isn't on Nov. 28, but For them, being able to go intorather on Nov. 29, when doors the winter months without fear open at 5 a.m. for earlybird spe- of starvation was a reward in and cials, and take an extra 50 ner- of itself cent off everything in the store!

Compare that to today's Thanksgiving is a blip on the America, where a hot meal is corporate radar screen, uncomjust a short walk down the street fortably wedged between ghosts. away, and it's not a matter of and Santa Claus how many family members will Regardless of what the busibe sleeping on the dirt floors, but rather, "What style of wallpaper

acss moguls of America would tike you to believe, should we get for the living transfer (what style of wallpaper should we get for the living transfer (what style of wallpaper) room? from being pre-Christmas. It's a holiday celebrated not for any particular religious persuasion life and opportunity - has been or to bolster a sense of national-good to so many of us ism. Instead, it's a day when Thanksgiving is a fime when each of us is asked to remember we're obligated to reflect on that the bounties and blessings in our goodness, and then act on it by

life, and offer to share those gifts extending the hand of friendship with those around us. and fellowship to our neighbors Historians will go back and This Thanksgiving, do your forth again as to what the settlers part. Yes -- celebrate with in the Massachusetts Bay friends and family and enjoy Colony did or didn't do for that First Thanksgiving in 1621, but But volunteer for a few hours at what's clear is that those who participated in the event fell in a soup kitchen, spend some time indebted, and wanted to express or buy a gift for a needy child. their gratitude, whether to each

other, the Indians of the area, or -There's a reason why settlers to the God they'd traveled to risked their lives crossing the America to worship as they saw - Atlantic to come to this country. Thanksgiving is a reminder of One thing is for certain about - what that reason is. Now it's our

what happened in Plymouth 381 - turn to put their dedication in years ago: the Pilgrims didn't motion.

Government

rer reatter 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. Per reader request, we have compiled a list so you can det in

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Chemistry in the Community

Novi High School students Ashiey Lazarus, left, and Kelly Hallett, right, take a look at some of the dioramas their class, Chemistry in the Community, put together for their study on the petroleum and crude oil refining industry. They are joined by their teacher Brian Langley.

LETTERS

growing nationwide trend to adopt full-day

programs. It works. Studies overwhelmingly

point to not only increased academic success

in later grades, but increased social success as well. For example, a study by Cryan, Weichel, and Bandy-Hedden published in the peer-reviewed Early Childhood Research

Quarterly found that when full-day kinder-

gartery joint that when inheady knoth

engaged in the classroom, productive, and reflective. Additionally, they were less with-drawn, angry, shy, and also more likely to approach the teacher with questions. At Deerfield, we have the good fortune to speak

with those who see the benefits directly--ou:

teachers. With two full years of evidence, they enthusiastically point to the more com-fortable learners they have found in the first

and second grades. Since its launch in 2000, full-day kinder-

garten in Novi has been tuition. Free We urge you to keep this important educational oppor-tunity accessible to ALL Novi residents.

Parents with means have many options for

upgrading their children's education. Parents who struggle financially care just as deeply about their children's academic success...please keep this opportunity avail-

we hope to see this kindergarten model expand to all Novi elementary schools. As it

grows throughout the district, we urge you to keep it intact at Deerfield, the only school

getting in. Thank you for listening to our opinions.

Concerned Deerlield Parents

Beth Dempsey

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Cathy Schramm

Sheri Giampa

Karen wood

Cheryl Shepherd

Ellen Hulverson

Cindy Kane-Huacuja

Barb Ray

Support appreciated Thanks from Bondy

I would like to thank all of my supporters Recently our son, Brent, was diagnosed with bone cancer. He had been complaining of a pain in his leg which we attributed to regarding my recent election as District Court Judge in the 52-1 District Court. My success working hard during football practice. Nothing could prepare us for the news that the painfol "bump" was a malignant tumor. Waves of emotion washed over us those first in this election is attributable to the many individuals who gave tirelessly of their resources, both financial and personal. I am gratified and humbled by the efforts of these few days, then the shock began to wear off individuals. It is with great honor that I will be allowed to serve the residents of the comand reality set in. During the first week of tests and consultamunities that fall under the jurisdiction of the 52-1 District Court and I thank the voters for tions we talked about how our fives would never be the same again. Our days were now

granting me the privilege to serve filled with numerous doctor appointments, surgeries and chemotherapy treatments. All the worries we had when our children were Robert Bondy 52-1 District Court Judge Elect infants seemed to pale in comparison with

what we were now facing. We knew the power of a positive attitude, but sometimes heing positive was asking a little too much. And yet, through the anguish, we have Way to go, Sam!

rediscovered the goodness in people. Not a day goes by that we are not blessed by some act of kindness or support. Friends have ral-fied around us and total strangers have gone I want to thank Sam Eggleston for his coverage of the Novi Varsity Football Team this year. He was always positive and knew this team was made up of winners! out of their way to ease our burden and pain. Also, thank you Novi Varsity Football players and coachesfor making this a memo-rable year. You worked through a lot of nega-We often feel overwhelmed by this support and would like to thank all those who have been there for us, Brent knows his life's path has ahered and tive things beyond your control and turned there is no turning back. But his friends have them into positives for the team. Seniors, good luck in whatever your future helped to remind him that he is still the same

holds. You have made your parents and com-munity proud. Juniors and sophomores, good luck next year - GO GET IT ALL!!!!!! young man he was before. We would like to thanks the coaches and players of the Novi Varsity Football Team who have buoyed Brent's spirits endlessly and have consistentmade him feel like a valuable member of

the squad. Additional thanks goes to the freshman and the torus and the Novi boys' socjunior varsity teams and the Novi boys' soc-cer family, many of whom have been Brent's teammates, as woll. We would like to thank all of the Novi stu-Expand full-day

dents who take time out of their busy sched-ules to spend some time with Brent. Nothing is more important to his recovery than being able to "hang out" with friends and to feel kindergarten

We are writing to you as members of the Nevi Community School District who strongly support the continuation (and evenlike a normal 16-year-old. Thanks also to the Novi Schools' staff, We are grateful for the support of this communi-ty of compassionate people. You have light-ened our load in many ways. Thanks to everytual expansion) of Deerfield's successful fullday kindergarien program. Our children attend Deerfield, where binderoarten is a deeply integrated portion of

OTHER OPINIONS Page 17A Our spending priorities are out of whack Regardless of the upcoming University of Michigan-Ohio State football game or even the deer season now under way. Since state government

education, only 23 percent of Michigan adults have a

college degree, below the

national average of 25 per

cent and way below com pelitive states like California or Washington. The MEDC also says that

lack of college graduates in the labor force is our

biggest obstacle to a grow-

ing economy. The Commission urged

the state and the universi-

the favorite sport in Lansing for the rest tuition goes up, of the year will be ox-goring. • A Michigan Economic Development

of the year will be ox-goring. The state is facing a \$500 million budget deficit for the current fiscal year and is staring at a \$1 billion-plus deficit in the state is investment in high-er education: the \$1.5 billion appropri-ted in 1990 produced an economic for the coming fiscal year. Since state ated in 1999 produced an economic government is prohibited from running a deficit, so Despite the big pay-back in money for higher

budget cuts are almost certain. The big question is which budgets will get cut and whose oxen will get gored. One traditional target is the \$1.8 billion the state spends on higher education at our 15 public uni-

versities. For legislators looking for a quick fix, university budgets make tempting targets. After all, universities can't match Phil Power the lobbying muscle flexed

by the labor unions or big corporations tics to forge a new compact. Over the long run, the state should increase support for public universities to competitive levels. or the trial lawyers. And what's a couple hundred million out of a \$1.8 billion budget anyway? while the universities should be held Quite a lot, it turns out. The accountable for increases in their expens-University Investment Commission, a es. The Commission urged an annual 31-member group of heavy hitters rep-"education summit" at which state government and university leaders would hash out a long-term strategy to improve resenting businesses, unions, hospitals media and so forth - including, let the record show, yours truly - last week our ability to invest in the intellectual capital and human skills of our people. This won't be easy. There are around issued a thorough and well reasoned report, it didn't make much of a stir in the news media, but it made a bunch of 270,000 Michigan residents studying at important noints: our universities. Increasing state sup-port by \$1,000 would cost \$270 million. • Michigan spends an average of port by \$1,000 would cost \$270 million, \$5,795 per student at our public universities. This is hardly generous; it's near future. about \$1,000 less than neighboring and But the Commission's report ham-

other competitive states spend on their college students. • Over the past 30 years, state appropriations to universities have plummeted from around 75 percent of their gen-eral fund expenses to just over half.

mers home two vital connections that both outgoing Gov. John Engler and incoming Gov. Jennifer Granholm and their legislative colleagues would do well to bear in mind. First, there's a direct link between

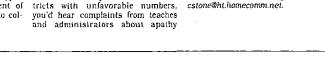
Novi's numbers shine throughout

Sometimes when I'm editing my I have no idea what the state of national average is, but I'll go out on a huxury of time to actually the state of the buxury of time to actually spend reading the story. Sure, I'm checking the content, but I'm more concerned with typos or misspelled names if I'm on deadline. When it's crunch time, and I've got to get through 45 files - every-thing from obituaries to 5 major stories - and then

start laying out the pages to make my 11 a.m. Wednesday deadline, I sometimes miss the best Cal Stone part of the stories.

But when I was reading Ramez this level of education without high Khuri's MEAP story (page 11), the parental involvement.

I'll bet that if you checked in disfacts at the beginning really popped out at me. Ninely-three percent of Novi's 2002 graduates headed to coltricts with unfavorable numbers.



Ease tensions — bring back duels!

the high noon rhetoric. On the other hand, if

they're still itching to ery

havoc and slin loose the

hounds of war, even at

then

Ducking. Yes sir, I do believe the time has come to bring back dueling. In the much simpler times of the 18th century when two of our Founding Fathers were milfed (apparently our bring back dueling). Dut the goessing Saddam just might wind up being a lit-tle cager to flail around with those cheesy looking Pier One swords he

legel

Founding Mothers were much too smart for this sort of thing) with each other, they would retire to some shady glen or windswept hill to 'settle things like gentlemen." That meant choosing between really big knives

or large caliber, not terri

amount to warehouse the 50,000 or so elons now doing time in prisons. Nobody is urging we durnp a bunch of violent criminals back into our communifies, but to spend more than \$30,000 per year per inmate versus \$5,795 per college student is a compelling sign that our spending priorities are seriously out of whack

is prohibited from running

a deficit, so budget cuts

are almost certain. The

budgets will get cut and

state support and college tuition. Cut

state support and tuillons go up; increase state support and tuilion increases go down. Families complain-

ing about tuition increases may not like

it, but this is an economic fact of life. It's

like the "pay me now or pay me later" ad on TV; the costs of higher education

have to be met, either by the families of

college students or by the state. (And

please note, the economic payoff is far,

far better than any other investment l

Second, the sad fact that while taxpay-

ers are spending \$1.8 billion on honing our best and brightest kids in college, we

are also spending just about the same

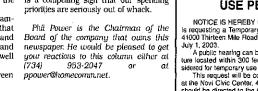
big question is which

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can think of.)

your reactions to this column either (734) 953-2047 or



I have no idea what the state or among parents. And the involvement usually starts at the elementary level. Novi is no exception with a 96 percent attenthat high. dance rate for parent-teacher confer Then look at all of the ences. I know administrators are forced to high school's scholarship and those graduat-ing with honors. Novi is definitely a district to be use lests like the ACT, SAT and MEAR as benchmarks of progress and improvement, but as a parent and forreckoned with. That's mer student. I don't. Folks tend to use probably why the dropout rate here is them to compare students when real ly their purpose is to figure out where incredibly low.

instruction might be lacking. Sure, these are all just numbers. But Novi's are great. And I'm positive Much of the credit, I'm sure, goes to the parents these students. the students themselves are just as Common sense will tell you that. You can't have

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however once it's explained to them

that they will get to bid on the made-for-TeeVee mini-series rights and

ers in the bidding war will get a bone, since their Sunday morning talking

heads will have something to grump

For one thing, they could hand wring

always seems to have they'll get to air the highlights clip over around and George W and over again ad nauseum they'll all might just lighten up on pretty much calm down. Even the los-

about for weeks.

the risk of getting holes over whether just to let bellicose world

and stains all over their leaders duel or if everyone should get in



NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Novi City Council will be nterviewing applicants for appointment to the Beautification Commission, Board of Review, Election Commission, Historical Jonninssion, Housing & Community Development Advisory Committee, Parks, Recreation & Forestry Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals on Monday, December 9, 2002 beginning at 7:3

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NOTICE is hereby given that on 12/05/02 at 2:30 pm the following will e sold by competitive bidding at American Sell Storage, 24985 Hagger oad, Novi, MI:

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Space Number: P-1065 Craig Bern 2 household furnishings, 5 misc. household goods, 69 misc oxes/bags, 5 toys, 3 power tools, 19 other misc. items. 11-14.21-02 NN HT00024348)

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CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY USE PERMIT TUP 02-049

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SARAH MAHUHION TEMPORARY USE PERMIT SECRETAR' (248) 347-041 (11-21-02 NN HT00025762)

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Local office: 280 East Saginaw East Lansing, MI 48823 (517)-203-1760	Lansing, Mi (888)-38-NANCY ncassis@house.state.mi.us	Our gratitude goes to anyone who has pre-	the program. A change there affects all the grades. The full-day program is not a balf day, with an extension of "enrichment," it's a full day of learning set at an age appropriate	Katie Raeon Jennifer Patton Lynda Favorite	bly accurate, muzzle-load- ing pistols followed by try- ing to commit great bodily harm on your opponent. While this may seem	Advertise your restaurant, nightclub, bar, comedy club, art & theatre event or other event in our Full Page New Year's Dining & Entertainment Guld This guide is sure to be helpful to those
United States Congress	County Commission Hugh Crawford (R-Novi) 1200 North Telegraph	vided a meal, performed a chore, taken Brent to the clinic, or pitched in where needed. We are also grateful for all the cards and letters full of cancer success stories. Hearing this	the rest of Deerfield's program, on two years of research on educational Best Practices. Deerfield's program has led other top	Rajshree thakore Tina Makim Pameta Ferrini	utterly barbaric to some. I Phil Foley think there is something to be said for this method control of the streets and world Wrestling to stadiums where it belongs.	Your ad will appear in HomeTown Newspapers publications:
Joe Knollenberg (R- Bloomfield) 2349 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington D.C.	Pontiac, MJ. 48341 (248)-349-5079 hughcrawford@msn.com Nancy Dingeldey (R- Wixom)	Finally, a very special thanks to Catby Brandau for kind deeds too numerous to mention. Without your help and encourage- ment, we would truly be lost. And, although	school districts-Birrningham, Grosse Pointe, Northville- in offering a real full-day kinder- garten program and has put the entire school district abead in meeting the goals of the Presiden's "No Child Left Behind" imitative. Novi enjoys a competitive edge because of its	Theresa Farley Fairyal Halim	After all, what is the real difference between a bunch of 18- and 19-year- elds running around out in the desert blazing away at each other? Other than the final body count, that is. The man may be no account trailer trash, but there is no denying the man blazing away at each other? Other than the final body count, that is. The man may be no account trailer trash, but there is no denying the man the final body count, that is. The man may be no account trailer trash, but there is an apay-per-view event the same. The man may be no account trailer trash, but there is a pay-per-view event the same. the same. the same. the same.	Novi News, Northville Record, South Lyon Herald, and Millord Times area. Starts December 5th-29th \$30.00/week minimum 4 week run
(202) 225-5602 Local office: 30833 Northwestern Hwy. #100 Farmington Hills, Ml	2220 Euna Road Wixom, MI, 48393 (248)-669-5921 dingeldeyn@co.oakland.ml.	Disk and Manay Doutston	innovation and commitment to education- and Deerfield is its most tangible evidence of that commitment. Novi's full-day kindergarten is part of a	There's more letters on the back page	I say we stop scaring the snot out of everyone; take George W. and Saddam; stick'em in a room; give'em each a sharp stick; and let'em have at it. Last	
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Photos by John Heide

op. Parens, teachers and students of Novi's Montessori School dress in Indian garb to celebrate Diwali. Above, dancing was part of the festivities, which also included festival history and Indian food.



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Diwali celebrated at Montessori School an evil king, who was defeated by good. Diwali was celebrated in the kingdom when he was defeated. Rao explained that it's Students

learn about a time for family gatherings, friends and lighting of the Indian culture from festival lamps. There are also fireworks at night. "We have decorated the school with a fot of artwork that

ly Ramez Khuri TAFE WRITER

the mothers have done," Rao said. "We sing and dance and the artwork is of flowers and we use a lot of colored sand. That is Students at Montessori lovi/Northville Center Inc. in Novi received a esson in Indian culture Nov. 15 India." bivali, an Indian Festival of During the festival, Bindi's, "Essentially, at this time of of material drapped around the the year, we celebrate the light-ing of lamps all over our houses and we make a lot of desserts ing of lamps all over our houses includes paints and a long top dren. Children are encouraged and we nake a lot of desserts with a veil. The 'mothers' to wear othnic out to the from Range Khuri is compresented and sweets," said Geetha Rao, involved in the celebration wore their countries and to cat their for the Novi News the can be directress/administrator and a lot of jewelry, anclets, native foods as well. "
We teach the children where our friends and relatives to Some of the highlights of the come and meet each other. It's festival included two children like Christmas for us. It's a big singing a song in front of the celebration. In the morning we rest of the class, two mothers

start the day with an oil bath singing a song together, called and everybody wears new "We shall overcome," a dance clothes. Food is the main thing with sticks that all the children and everbody has a big party." were invoved in and a dance The story of Diwali involves that just the mothers did togeth were invoved in and a dance

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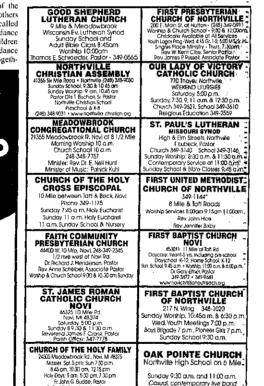
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"The world is so small now and children need to know that there are different kinds of people all over the world."

> Geetha Rao inistrator, school owner

globe and about the culture er. When it was over, the chilall done inside the house in dren went back to their classthere," Rao said. "It's just to rooms to make their own Indian introduce them to different atifacts from clay, paints and colored sand. Diwali is just one festival that Lights, There were many visu-als and interactive songs that the preschool and kindergarten students and parents all ke par-ticipated in throughout the day. are invited to come and show a child can go as far as he or she body and Salwarkamez, which their ethnic cultures to the chilcan."

reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. by e-mail



REGIONAL MARKETPLACE

Welcome to Milford Jewelers, your friendly jewelry store

Tamar Aguilar, right, helps customers of Milford Jewelers select the appropriate item

she called "museum-style" retail jewelry stores where showcases are guarded by sentry-like

employees. "When I would visit other

intention all alone. We don't case, she said, especially at what

always done during the past 30 years — be honest, be friendly

The sibling tandem who have three older brothers who are

jewelers as well - two who

own additional retail stores themselves and a third who runs the family's unique 4,000 square

foot manufacturing center --- is

part of an industry-trasted fami-ly operation whose nameplate has been forged during three decades by quality craftsman-

ship. Village resident Mary Buzolits is just happy she does-n't have to carry Windex with

anything like that." That has not always been the

and be affordable "

Sandy Sproule walked into Milford Jewelers for the first MILFORD JEWELERS time this past spring, during Sidewalk Sales, one of several Milford Jewelers is open people-friendly events held annually within quaint Victorian-style Milford Village. 0 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday hrough Saturday. The store is also open noon to 4 p.m. And she hasn't left yet, unday. "I walked in just to check it out," Sproule said of the Main Street, Milford store whose For more information or order something unique for the holiday season, call (248) 676-0721. Or visit the doors first opened this past May and whose cherrywood show-cases, dedicated craftsmanship and friendly approach all hearkstore, located at 441 N. Main Street in downtown Milford.

en back to another era. "I ended up leaving my diamond ring from the store's ceiling Sproule said that engagement "That's what I enjoy about this store, that's what makes it unique. I can just come here to talk or just visit," fing —"which never leaves my hand, not even at home" - has since had its diamond re-set and since had its diamond re-set and was also re-cast into a platinum setting. When she returned to retrieve her ring the following Monday, for the diamond the liked located just below Milford her ring the following Monday, Sproule also decided she liked lewelers. the store so much that she would On Main Street, Milford also have platinum added to her Jewelers is flanked by wedding ring. Michigan's premier Native wedding ring. Then she added a few dia-American gift store, Legends of monds. Later, she had the store's Time, and the ever-fashionable co-owners cut off her husband, Dave's, wedding ring. And start Sproulc said Milford Jewelers

again. "I trusted them with my diastands out. "It's their friendliness. They mond. And now I live here," said aren't pushy. They aren't arro Sproule, a Milford Township resident who even spent this past Monday evening helping "my new friend, Tamar," one of Tamar Agullar, who co-owns the store's sister-brother co-owners, decorate the store for the upcoming holiday season. Milford Jewelers with her broth-er Jacques Chopjian, said such customer dedication is much That after hours endeavor was appreciated. ctually prompted by Sproule "It makes us feel proud that

actually prompted by Sprone herself, who not only volum leered her assistance, but also purchased an assortment of stars coming here for 100 years," she and ornaments which now hang said. "That's been our only



Tamar Aquilar and her brother, Jacques Choplian, have owned Milford Jewelers for nine months. The business is in downtown Milford, just south of Commerce Road on Main Street

Business in brief

Stuck inducted into ACR Northville physician Karen J. Stuck has been inducted as a fellow in the American College of Radiology during the ACR's annual meeting in Miami. Stuck is affiliated with Henry Ford ital in Der

Finkbeiner joins CEI-Alpha Graves receives scholarship

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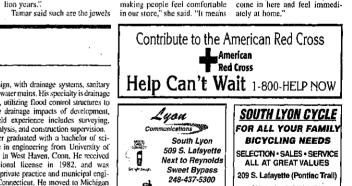
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Students sound off on war

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There is overwhelming evi-dence that suggests the United States should attack Iraq immediately. America has attempted erous diplomatic channels to d attacking Iraq. avoid Unfortunately, diplomacy isn't working. America has been patient for too long: the time to

attack is now. Saddam Hussein agreed to stop trying to produce or acquire chemical, biological, and nuclear weapons. However, UN weapons inspectors found and destroyed many existing weapons and pro-duction plants until Saddam refused to permit further inspec-tions in 1998. In an effort to delay the war, Saddarn agreed to allow weapon inspectors to return Although administration officials say they believe Iraq will do what it has done in the past: allow inspectors, but then throw up countless obstacles to keep them from doing their jobs. Furthermore, economic sanctions against Iraq have failed to draw Saddam to choose peace rather than war.

Saddam cannot be trusted. He is widely believed to have stock-piled chemical and biological weapons, and is trying to acquire nuclear weapons capable of inflicting massive civilian casual-ties. High-level Iraqi defectors indicate that Saddam still seeks to possess weapons of mass destruc-tion. Saddam employed chemical weapons against Iran, and against his own civilian people, In 1988, a toxic gas attack killed 5,000 Kurds, an ethnic group locate in north fraq that has sided with fran. Saddam could turn over weapons of mass destruction to terrorists bend on striking the U.S. leading to casualties and devastation that would dwarf the September 11 terrorist attacks. The Detroit Free Press, November 4, 2002, stated, "Page after page of secret Iraqi documents revealed plans for ter-rorist operations.". The prospect of Saddam Hussein arming terrorists with weapons of mass destruction puts him in another league entirely. He must be

stopped. Saddam has proven time and time again that he cannot be trusted, and in order for diplomacy to work trust is key. America has exhausted extensive diplomatic channels to avoid attacking Iraq. Saddam himself has said thanks but no thanks to diplomacy. Therefore, now is the time for America to attack!

Cathleen Garbacik Novi

Every American has to be wondering how to handle the Iraq si-uation. Should we go to war with Iraq or should we use diplomacy to the fullest. The cost of a fullscale war could be up to \$200 bitlion. We need to consider the lives that would be lost in a war. If we go to war with Iraq, it could be possible that millions of innocent civilians die. It is believed that Iraq possesses many biological and chemical weapons of mass destruction. These weapons could be capable of destroying a whole city. If deployed on New York or Washington, D.C., hundreds of thousands of people could be killed,

The Cuhan Missile Crisis was a scary event. On the positive side, we can use that event in history to help us with the Iraq situation. Our 35th president, John F. Kennedy, handled the Cuhan Missile Crisis in an expert way. He was able to hold off Cuba and Russia and keep America from a nuclear war. Kennedy was able to make America appear strong to all other nations so we wouldn't be pushed around. He used non-vio-ient ways and stuck to his ideas no matter what anyone else had to say. Bush should look back on those 13 days, assess them, and learn from them

The U.S. would have to go into war with Iraq unilaterally. None of the UN countries from the Middle East, not even Kuwait, attack would isolate the U.S. from the rest of the world. This could leave the U.S. unprotected from any attacks because even our allies do not support us. Future attacks on the U.S. would leave us alone to fight our foes. Another issue is we need to look at what we would do if Saddam was removed, Iraq may require U.S. military occupation for many decades. They would for many decaues. they need to establish a new, more representative government and restore its war-damaged economy. The U.S. involvement would be tremendous and keep our national interests at a high with Iraq. Thousands of troops would have to be stationed in Iraq post-war. Also, millions, or even billions of dollars, would be spent above our normal spending to aid Iraq. The situation with Iraq is ever

not have to worry about a nuclear war with Iraq and should be able to live their normal lives without being seared. Communicating with Iraq is the safe alternative to keeping America sale.

Neil Kocan Navi

A major part of America's decision on a possible pre-emptive strike on fraq is motivated by oil. Oil plays a major role in our economy, and haq has a lot of control in the Middle East, which could lead to control over oil. Oil is cru-cial to our government because of the large profits that can be made from it, and its need in American society. We use oil daily, from cars, to boats, to most industries. If Iraq were to gain too much con-trol over oil producing nations, then they would have too much

then they would have too much control over the United States. Since our government niakes decisions in the interest of the United States, then in order to protect the national security, we must deal with threatening prob-lems from other countries. Iraq must open their sites for inspecmust open their sites for inspection, agreeing with the terms from the treaty. If Iraq refuses to let inspectors into the sites, then it will become crucial for the United States to go ahead for a unilateral attack, rather than waiting for an approval from the United Nations Security Council for multilateral support. If Iraq were to gain too much control over the United States, due to the possibility of them controlling oil producing nations in the Middle East, then the United States will have a large problem that will need to be dealt with. Iraq could gain so much power over the United States, that they could harbor terrorists in our own country. If they were to gain that much power, then the whole meaning of our country will be changed. The United States is against terrorists, and we are attacking countries that are sup-porting them. It would be very contradicting if we were to harbor terrorists in this country right after stating that we are acting

against them. Many problems can be evoked if Iraq were to gain too much control over oil in the Middle East. They would gain too much

international control, especially control over the United States Oil is a major motivation for the United States to attack Iraq.

> Ashleigh Rainko Novi

The White House is planning to launch a war against Iraq, yet there has been no convincing explanation of why a war is needed. Most of our allies and the rest of the world are opposed to a pre-emptive attack. A full-scale war against Iraq would isolate the U.S. from the rest of the world, U.S. from the rest of the world, undermine the effort against ter-rorism, and senselessly kill tens of thousands of civilians. The Bush administration is deter-mined to start an illegal and wrong invasion. We the people must be just as determined to stop a war that threatens to tear the world areat. world apart.

There is no justification for going to war. What was Iraq's act of aggression against us that justifies war? There has been no attack on the U.S., no Iraqi threat of war, no Iraqi connection to September 11. War should be a last recourse of self-defense, a step to be taken only when all other alternatives have diminished. What the Bush Administration is planning is an act of aggression, not an act of self-defense. The U.S. has a poliey against attacking preemptively, attacking aggressively would vio-late the policy. Iraq does not and has not posed

a clear and present danger. The White House says we should invade Iraq to prevent Saddam Hussein from using weapons of mass destruction, But during the 1990s United Nations weapons inspectors destroyed all of Iraq's major chemical, biological and nuclear weapons facilities and destroyed nearly all of Iraq's In terms of threats of weapons in control of ancias of weapons, iraq's military is now at one-third of its pre-Gulf War strength. Given Hussein's natural desire for self-preservation, it is highly unlikely he would faunch any anack that would result in his destruction. Since deterrence is working, why should the U.S. start a bloody war that would undoubtedly lead to massive human suffering? When it comes to invading Iraq, the U.S. has few allies. All the countries of the Middle East, besides Britain, are opposed to a war with Iraq. An invasion of Iraq would isolate the U.S. form the rest of the world and destroy the principles of international cooperation and mutual defense that are key to U.S. and global security. Attacking Iraq without obvious reason will ignite anti-American sentiment around the world, disrupting efforts to diminish terror-

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ist networks.

ist networks. Invading Iraq would be diffi-cult, costly and without a clear victory. Although Hussein's army has been weakened, Iraq's forces remain large enough to put up with a defense. It is ikkely that Iraqi forces will be far more determined to defend Baghdad than they were to defend Kawait City, dragging U.S. forces into a bloody fight in heavily populated areas. It is estimated that any full-scale invasion will cost as much scale invasion will cost as much as \$200 billion. Throwing out a government is easier than putting a new one together. An invasion without allies would leave the U.S. to enforce a peace in a chaotie country split by ethnic conflicts.

Americans know deep down hat war makes no sense, seconding to recent polls, onethat According to recent posts, one-third of Americans are against a war with Iraq, and a strong major-ity thinks no attack should occur unless first approved by Congress. If the citizens say loud

and clear that we don't want a war against Iraq, it will be more diffi-cult for the president to go through with this. We have to educate our fellow citizens about why war with Iraq is wrong, and then hold our executives accountable to the will of the people.

Kristi Timar

Throughout the year President Bush along with all Americans have had a stressful and somewhat opinionated year. We had to think about the possibility of another cruel war. Many think that we should go into war, since we were attacked by terrorists, and have had our live's shaken up. Yes, this is a reason to take action, but is it a good reason by itself? To that, everyone should say no. We have to look at everything underneath the attacks, and to all the things we could very possibly loose, not gain from our actions.

Some of these would include the trust and alliance with the UN, the many allies we have, and the money, and life's that would be lost. That is why the action we should take is to use every ounce

of our diplomacy we have, Attacking now could result in the toss of trust with the UN. America was one of the founders of the UN, which makes us one of the top guys there. If we were to go to war or even invade a coun-try without the United Nations permission that would send a big threat to many countries, and we would now be looked upon by the UN as a "too good for you nation." If we went into unilatera action, this could make the US a very vulnerable nation for many other attacks since many nations in the UN could be very threatened by this and attack, or stop imports or exports to us, and make us fall.

If we went to invade Iraq, we could lose many of our allies that we have now from fear of inva-

sion on them, or not even know what we will do next, since we've never done anything like that. Also there is a great amount of money involved and the many innocent people we would kill. If we were to invest all of the money into a war that could put many at risk, since many are still recuper-ating from last year's attack. That would mean an increase in taxes, and right now many Americans can't handle that. And when we do attack the majority of people that we would be killing were innocent people. That aren't ter-rorists and don't have anything to do with this war, hnocent like many Americans who were killed on 9/11.

Our country should think about invading Iraq more thoroughly because I thought that America was about keeping the peace, and stopping terrorism, not encouraging it.

> Jacquie Peruski Nov



growing. We need to use diplomacy in this case. Americans should

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One heck of a run

Wildcats Regional championship bid comes to a close against CC

By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER

Like all good things, it had to come to an end. The Novi Wildcats football

team's season halted as they took on, and fell to, a very solid Detroit Catholic Central squad. It was what many will say was a game of two halves, but in the end the Shamrocks prevailed to win the Regional championship with a 26-3 final,

"They found seams in our "They found scams in our defense and capitalized on them," Novi's senior utility back Chase Chandler said. "A good team has the ability to exploit their opponent's weaknesses and they were able to do it to us." The Shamrocks found them-selves trotting into the endzone four times all but one coming

four times, all but one coming off their rushing game against a very strong and disciplined offensive line. The 'Rocks were dominating in the fourth quarter as they managed to put the hall over the goal line from three yards out as Darnell Tyson scampered in with three minscampered in with three min-utes, 38 seconds remaining in the game. Catholic Central also scored one and a half minutes prior as quarterback David Thomas hooked up with Sean Shahrestani for a 28-yard strike to seal the victory. Jason Gingell, who had his first two point-after attempts blocked

Gingell, who had his first two point-after attempts blocked, added the extra point on both scores for the 26-3 final. "They are a good team." Novi coach Tab Kellepourcy said. "I'm proud of the way our guys went out there and played though. They had some solid bits and were right in it until the went out there and played though They had some solid hits and were right in it until the end.

The first three quarters of the contest were a completely dif-ferent story than the final peri-od. The Wildcats managed to bold the Shamrocks to only six points in the first half — six points that came with no time left on the clock at the end of the first as Thomas scrambled in from a yard out for the score with the PAT getting blocked by sophomore Rob Carter. The 'Cats wouldn't be denied

points though, and they knew keeping the game close could have the possibility of rattling the Shamrocks. After a stellar the Shamrocks. After a stellar 59-yard kick return by Darren Guffey, the Wildcats put togeth-er a nine-play drive that found junior Mark Angelocci nailing a 26-yard field goal to pull the game within three points, 6-3. "I think we really gave them all that they could handle in the first half." Chandler said. "We bad a came plan and it was

had a game plan and it was working nicely. We had some nice running by Josh Buck as well as some good blocking up front. I don't think anyone was expecting the game to be that close at halftime."

The half came to a close after the 'Cats forced a three-and-out on the Shamrocks before punt-



Trent Sisson (46), Drew Hoffman (31) and Brian Jaussi slam Into Catholic Central's Derek Brooks in last week's Regional championship game.

ing the hall away and stopping a redzone threat by the Catholic Central squad as Chandler pulled down a Thomas pass for m interaction

"We had the game in a com-fortable spot heading into the half," Novi assistant coach John hall," Novi assistant coach John Osborne said, "This is a great group of kids and the coaching staff knew that they had a lot of potential. We knew it from the beginning of the year and they showed us that we were right." The third quarter found the Wildcats falling behind quickly as the Shampock who deferred

as the Shamrocks, who deferred until the second half, took the kickoff and drove it from their own 43-yard line and punched it into the endzone as Randell Means hauled the pigskin 10 yards through the middle of the line for a 12-3 lead. The extra-point attempt was blocked by Chandler.

The Wildcats threatened again after their defense forced a fum-ble, which Brian Jauzzi came up with, and drove 24 yards before Angelocci's 29-yard field goal attempt sailed wide left. "I think that miss dropped our morale a bit," Kellepourey said.

"If we would have hit that it might have been a different ball

gr The Wildcats, who finished 8on the season, were led by Chandler on the ground as he hauled the ball 18 times for 58 yards. Mike Hart threw 5-of-18 yards. Mike Hart threw 5-of-18 for 50 yards, including four completions to Chandler for 32. Josh Buck hauled the ball five times for 12 yards in the losing effort.

The Shamrocks followed the lead of Derek Brooks, who gath-ered 213 yards on 23 carries, while Thomas threw 4-for-8 for 69 yards, including a touchdown and an interception on the night. Eric Vojtkofsky took four carries

33 yards while Means had six for 39 and a score. Tyson jaunt-ed 11 yards on three carries and scored one touchdown in the

victory. For Novi, it means saying good-byc to a tough group of senior football players that came

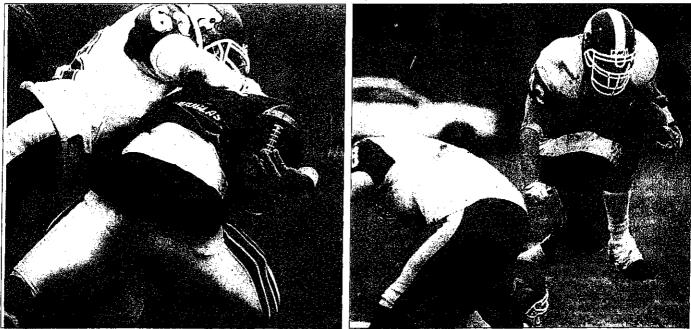
semior rootball players that cathe to every play ready to give it their all. For Coach Kellepourey and his staff, it means looking to next year and starting over again at 0.0 with a siew of new startors

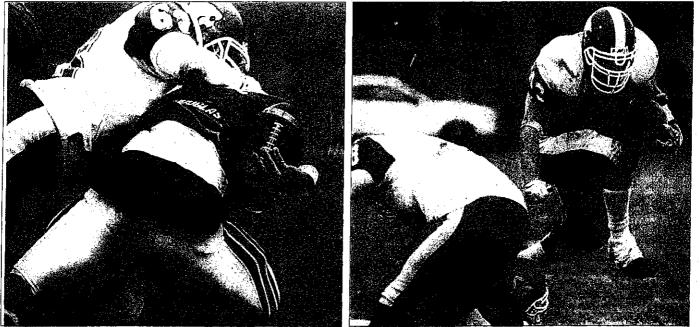
starters For Novi High School, the season-ending loss meant noth-ing more than its sons have come home after a hard-fought string of victories on unfamiliar ground with the weight of the Kensington Valley Conference resting on their shoulders. And with it all over, and the pads being turned it this week, the Novi Wildcats have to presenter one thing.

Photo by JOHN HEIDEP

remember one thing - it was one heck of a run.

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Novi Wildcat Brian Jaussi (left picture) nails Shamrock QB David Thomas as he jumps for a loose ball, while Josh Buckgoes to the air to avoid a Catholic Central tackle (right picture) with junior Chad Thurman laying down the block.

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By Sam Eggleston

This year is one of the best for the HomeTown East's All-Area Dream Team Basketball juid. We expect that if given the chance to put these girls on Whitney Fuelling the same team and given the opportunity to take a run in the MHSAA, that the title would as good as ours. This is the best of the best inour area, and we're proud to have each and every one of these girls as a member of our Dream Team for 2002.

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-PLAYER OF THE YEAR-

Shannon Waddell

South Lyon

the best female athlete at-

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Guards

Nicole Cauzillo Northville Swish! This senior outside shooter broke her school three-point field goal record with six in a single game as she has. threat. Standing 5-100-9, she reminds you of a small forward instead of one of the best post taken steps to ensure the Mustangs will not be forgotten this year. No doubt looking to make some noise in the District Tournament, Cauzillo has been important part of this Northville cage squad's progress all year and has been in important role player every volleyball and track experience ngle time she has ever supped onto the court. Collecting over F1 points pe contest, Canzillo surpassed the 200 point mark this season as she nailed 76 percent of her free throws and hit 37 three pointers this year. ever gives up. We are prefty certain that this is the attitude she brings into everything she does in life, and pone of us A great outside shot and very nselfish with the ball. auzillo has helped the dustangs and their seasor strong as they look to continuto play the best basketball all car in the post season. Expect hat if and when the Mustangs are victorious, Cauzillo has a hand in it.

Fellen Sanborn Sophomore Lakeland

If you haven't heard of pointer. With a player like Sanburn, then you haven't heard. Schmitt aboard, we are quite of Kensington Valley confident that the victories Conference biskerball. This would come flowing in. Her ophomore has been teating up quick hands and her leaping as hardwood this year as she ability also make her a defend he hardwood this year as the ability also make her a defend has helped the Lakefand Eagles – er worth worrying over. Don't with some extremely strong my to shoot over her, because play this seasor The kind of player every on her? The code hopes for when they grab stat book, the clipboard, Sanborn has a unique ability to create plays when there seems to be no giv-ing from the defense. Her court awareness and ability to change the tempo of the game have made her one of the most ais to keep an eye on in the KVC this year.

Samontha Hicks Senior Milford

A four-year varsity player for two things and put them the Mavericks, Hicks has played together and we are pretty sure an anatoring role this year. A that it's a recipe for success, transplanted small-forward, she hat is willing to step up and point guard like a duck to water - lead her team without question - she thrives with it. The Milford coaching staff has asked Hicks to do two of the Bisde are unmatched in the most difficult things in basketarea and her shooting ability ball in running the point posi-tion and to make the adjustment in just one year. Not only has theks done that, she's done it ranges from inside all the way to the parameter. With such a remarkable improvement over last year (4.5 points per game) we are certain that Waddell

Expect the Mavericks to miss is versatile player come next in her high school basketbalt future. No doubt, one of the top this versatile player come next season as they look to the underclassmen to fill some veryreturning seniors in the KVC big shoes. Her ability to score and beyond. and pass are non-teched in Waddell's ability to turn Millord, and don't event think game around in a matter of about boxing her out. That possessions makes her our Waddell's ability to turn a

eart-pounding action from start to finish



small-forward mentality still choice for HomeTown East's comes out as she battles for the Player of the Year. There is no comes out as she battles for the boards and does it well. doubt in our minds that she is not only the best of the best. hut only has room for improve Forwards

Center This girl is the perfect forward Quick, good shooting and a great mind, Fuelling is the kind of player that has the Laura Longo Schior

Novi ability to score on you, block In the beginning of the seayou, steal from you and rebound over you. Her steady presence in the paint makes her son, we weren't sure what to expect out of Longo. Now, whenever she's in the game we a difficult player to take ononly expect the best - because without double teaming her that's what she has to offer. A complete player, Longo can hart you from the free-throw line. and the second you do that the rest of our All-Area team will the easy jumper, the lay in and a te to what she sees is such a nearly all the way back to the benefit for the Lakeland Engles arch. Her rebounding ability is one to be admired and she is the utilized to her fullest potential Mavericks in scoring this sea-son, Fuelling proved that you don't have to be the tallest kid

kind of player that never gives each and every time she hits the up the ball without a fight. court. Though not the headliner each and every game. Longo isn't afraid to take charge and A player that has never shown fear that we've seen, lnnis will drive if she needs to or dish it lead her squad to victory by takoff for the assist. She is the kind of player that you can put the ball into her hands and ask her to perform without worrying ing the shots when she needs to. Simply put, when she is on fire-you might as well give her the hall because she is going to about her collapsing under pressure.

Senior

in any sort of situation. Her ability to rally a squad even when they are down is one of

member of our All-Area squad. One of the nice things about

Mannariano is that she has the

ability to steal the ball from

make it. Longo has the height that most centers would like in this conference, but move her Dawn Maanariano outside and ask her to shoot from 10 feet out and it won't be problem. She's versatile jough to be a power forward,

Schmitt finds herself named to the All-Area squad is her desire but plays her best when her feet to win. Quite simply, she never, are in the paint. Vasi Cassini Senior Milford

would want to take her on in-It seems like Cassini's name any sori of context for fear of her burning commitment to vic goes hand-in-hand will Kensington Valley Conference basketball these days. Her tory getting the best of us, A strong player that has a shooting ability and rebounds the reasons we picked her as a spicker first step and bener moves than most forwards. Schmitt has the ability to play make her one of the toughest centers in the conference and beyond - even though she only inside to out is nailing you on tops out at 5-foot-9. Really, we and only to play the paint as bury it on the transition. And, if we expect that there of the KVC food chain out only to play the paint as bury it on the transition. And, if we expect that there tough as they come, but also go you happen to foul her on the room for improvement. the soft jumper or the threemay start on a my arcs. The thing that impresses most about Cassini is her knack

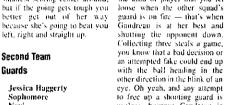
to score inside. Pit her against Andrea Gaudreau the tallest girl in the area and she's still going to back the ball in and find the bottom of the net. Honestly, she may be the Senior South Lyon Gaudreau is what we like to call a defensive specialist. She's smallest scoring center around, the kind of player that you let

us year.

left, right and straight up. Gathering 14.4 points per game, Waddell led the Kensington Valley Conference Second Team Guards in scoring for all positions. Notching 8.3 rebounds a game Jessica Haggerty also let her lead the conference n boards as well. Take those

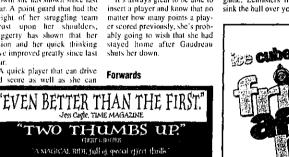
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weight of her struggling team matter how many points a play thrust upon her shoulders, er scored previously, she's prob-Haggerty has shown that her ably going to wish that she had vision and her quick thinking stayed home after Gaudreau have improved greatly since last vear



going to be locked on to her like hands or if it's in yours. radar on a plane. It's always great to be able to insert a player and know that no like about Haggerty is the growth she has shown since last year. A point guard that had the

A quick player that can drive Forwards descore as well as she can





South Lyon was lucky enough to have a point guard that learned their offense so well as freshmen thet they see the a freshman that they never had she gets in the groove. to worry about replacing her. A four-year starter at one of the toughest positions on any squad, it's a given that Mannariano can handle pressure

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can pick your pocket too as she **Rachele** Folino Freshman led her squad in steals this season. Expect the Mustangs to uti-The only freshman to make lize her in the nost season as the All-Area squad this year, Folino proved early in the seawell as miss her come next year son she was a player to contend Center Lauren Temple

with. Though young and fairly inexperienced. Folino quickly took to leading the Wildcats in Senior Northville scoring nearly every contest as she pounded her way to the top With Temple inside in the paint, we definitely wouldn't want to be a player attempting We expect that there is only room for improvement with to box her out. Pulling down 6.8 to belp scal down a guard that to belp scal down a guard that may start on a hot streak. way to the hoop, she doesn't mind — Mannariano is 70-per-will prove even better than this cent at the free-throw line this one. A player that can hurt you became a player that had post one. A player that can hurt you outside or in the paint, we chose Folino as a forward due to her players and guards alike hoping they could just shoot from out good size and nice first step that side her prowling grounds all can catch many larger forwards off guard.

Inis Mustangs made it diffi-cult not only for post players trying to get rebounds, but also for guards hoping to get the easy bucket as they drive inside. Expect her to be a factor in the Laura Lemasters This Mustang senior has been Expect her to be a factor in the a staple on this program for post season for Northville, as more than just this year - but well as a key member of our

now instead of just being a All-Area Dream Team. bright spot with the program, she's a shining example of what Sam Eggleston is th Sam Eggleston is the sports with the ball heading in the other direction in the blink of an eye. Oh yeah, and any attempt to free up a shorting guard is foor, Lemasters can hurt you uscless, because Gaudreau is whether she has the ball in her writer for the Northville Record and the Novi News. He can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 104 or at segaleston@ht.homecomm.net.



Pinkney tops 'Cats in final season contest

Time for the District tourney

By Jeff Plum forwards were fronting. They were playing up front instead of trying to gain position low. That ETOWN NEWSPAPERS Pinckney senior goard Shelly was a big mistake. "Our guards, when they were getting the ball, were waiting Barron had never hit a game-winning shot in her varsity career. Until Tuesday night. way too long to dish it inside. We had no ball reversal at all, and when we did, it was so slow

Barron forced a turnover and sprinted to the basket. She put a nice spin move on the Novi defender and put up the shot. It that it wasa't effective," Reason said. "But all-in-all, I thought the hit off the backboard and girls ... h dropped through, giving Reason-said. held it together,"

dropped through, giving Pinckney its first lead - 48-46 "I think we had a tremendous effort," Novi coach Dennis Cichonski said, "We came out. - since late in the first quarter. "It was pretty much instinct," said Barron, who had three hard. We were determined that points. "I saw the ball there, and I was kind of besitant to go after we were going to get this one. Was kind of hesitant to go after it. When J finally decided to go for it. J saw the girl riding me." T was very proud of our it. Saw the girl riding me." T was very proud of our the Pirates (14-5, 11-3 Kensingston Valley Conference Remains and the Pirates. Center Laura Longo netted 11 rallied in the fourth quarter and posted a bard-fought 49-47 points, but foul troubled hindeted throughout much of the KVC win over Novi in the con-ference finale Tuesday. If remembered what my coach always said in practice, "(Her presence in the paint coach always said in nractice.

If she's on your side, do the was missed) quite a hit, spin move, "Barron said, "So 1 Cichonski said of the loss of did it. J got it in the middle, and Longo. "We seemed like we I didn't have a good angle. But 1 were going to her (quite often). put it up anyway because I knew that we needed it. "Then, I just fell, and every-thing kind of clicked after that." would have been a factor had Barron said of her game-win- she not fouled out."

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"I thought that we did not xecute our game plan," Reason "She's one of their best playexecute our game plan," Reason said. "We really wanted to rip ers, and she's obviously a force through on the wings and really penetrate and kick it inside. "One of the things we wanted to Longo. in the final eight minutes. "At the beginning of the do was really attack at her high 14 points, five rebounds, game, they were really playing fortight, and that did work." three blocked shots, and three high on our forwards," Reason With Longo out of the paint, steals. McNally added 13 said of the Novi defense. "Our Becky Leirstein and Adrianne points, seven rebounds, and



held on Saturdays from 8-11 p.m The cost for that division is \$170 per the Milee "Chatt" and the second seco person or \$1920 per team (six teams max). For more information or to regisbastics" — Stopes has been train-ing with Mike "Chat" become a Creative Open Forms Chaturantabut of Hollywood, World Champion, and Olympic ter, contact Total Baseball at (248) 668-0166 or online at Gymnast and/or a martiThursday, November 21, 2002-NOVI NEWS 3B



Photo by JOHN HEIDER Novi center Laura Longo takes the ball away South Lyon plaver during the contest between these two teams earlier this year. There is a chance that Noví will meet up with the Lions again as they are both in the same District Tournament this year.

McNally had their way, pene-trating the lane and combining "We werer for 7-of-11 free throws. As a team, Pinckney made 23-of-34 White, who a "We weren't communicating on defense," said Courtney free throws, including 11-of-17

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old, 9 .m.-12 p.m.; 14-18 years old,

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Winter Baseball Leagues

White, who added seven points and five rebounds. She tied the ball there in the middle of the take the lead until she left the game at 45 with a free throw. "I knew we had to talk, so I started to talk, and I think

of White's effort off the bench to spark the team. "I thought she really started pushing the said inter in the induct of the take in the term due to the term are term and term are term a

animal out there," Reason said Pinckney "I knew she was out, and that was a big plus for us," Reason said. "If you notice, we didn't

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everyone clipped. Our defense rebounds, while Erica Roach in this league, and I think the was our main key," White said. added five boards. Krystle good teams can not play up to "Defensively, she's a little Braun had four steals for par and still win," Reason said.

All-Star Catchers Camp **Rec Basketball League** Forming Total Baseball will be holding its The Northville Parks & annual baseball catchers camp, Dec. 7 at Total Baseball in Wixom. This Recreation Department will begin Acceleration Department with begin accepting player registrations for it's Youth Winter Basketball leagues Nov, 4-29, or until the leagues are specialized camp will teach baseball catchers the proper mechanics of blocking baseballs, throwing out full (after Nov. 29, a \$10 late fee will runners, framing pitches an more. This camp is great for all levels an will be led in instruction by state championship catching coach Dale be charged). The age groups for girls are 6th-8th grades and 9th-12th grades. The Rumberger. Spaces will be limited. boys' groups consist of 8th-9th Times for camps are: 7-13 years

softball/baseball players, the Toledo august and a service and a ser Mudhens manager, former profes-sional players and college/high school coaches. Pitching, hitting and fielding are the lessons available and are by appointment only. The fees for the each week, beginning January 6. The coaches meeting for all teams will be held Dec. 18. lessons start at \$35 per half hour or five private lessons for \$160. For more information, call (248) Adult coaches are needed for our 668-0166 or e-mail totalbballwixom@aol.com, or check out the Web site at www.eteamz.com/total-

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'Cats have great times

When the going gets really tough, these Novi Wildcats get going — to states!



South Lyon's Erika Schwarzropf had a good showing in the 200 freestyle event at the Kensington Valley Conference meet. The Novi Wildcats also came out ready to swim, and had some of the best times of the year

"They were right in the middle of

meter backstroke with a time of 1:08.09. The divers also did a great job at

Even with all of the great per-

swims in the meet. You can't ask for

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NOVI HIGH SCHOOL

By Ryan Edwards

The Novi Wildcats' swimming and diving team finished the season third overall in the KVC. The team behind the second place finishers in had finished in third place in the KVC in doal meets and then fin-ished third at the KVC championshins on November 8th and 9th.

This year's KVC championships were the closest they had ever been with only 142 noints separating first place from last place. Brighton won - top-six finishers in the meet. Elrod the meet with 320 points, Pinckney came in second with 260 points and Novi was third, finishing with 250 points. Howell followed them, fin- finished fifth in the 100 meter but ishing 4th with 201 points and South Lyon finished last with 178 The closeness seemed to make Hartland finished sixth with a time

the meet very interesting. "It was exciting and enjoyable to watch" said Novi's Coach Larry Tehan. "We were very pleased with got the only other top-six finish for Novi, taking sixth place in the 100

the way things turned out" The way things turned out, was Novi getting great swints from most of their swinners, while also

collecting three first place finishes. Amanda Smith was a double-event winner in individual events, winning the 50 meter freestyle with a time of 25.41 seconds and the 100 neter freestyle, finishing in 55.52 seconds, Smith, also anchored the peets. Novi might not have finished third had they not had some outseconds, Smith, also anenored are 400 meter freestyle relay team which finished first with a time of standing performances from some 3:48.67. The relay teams' other of their other swimmers. Lauren embers were Kristine Elrod, Jill Wilson, Andrea Morabito, Janice and Brittany

Waranowicz, Laura Lynch, Lindsey Zeigin-Netter and Colleen Patton Brodfuehrer "I was most pleased with our all collected a reasonable amount of relays" said Tehan points towards Novi's final score. Being pleased with the first place finish of the 400 meter relay team and they all had at least one top-twelve finish. According to Tchan, and also the 200 meter freestyle. many of the swimmer's set personal relay and 200 meter medley relay records(PR's) with many of the

those races" Tchan said, referring to he two races of those two relays. Novi finished third in both of those events, less than a second each of them. The freestyle unit consisted of Elrod, Brodfuehrer, Smith and Amanda Toffoli. The medley team was made-up of Rachel Moblo, Erica Hartland, McNautara and Toffoli, Novi also had a number of other finished third in both the 200 meter freestyle(2:03.72) and the 100 meter freestyle(56.95). Brodfuehrer terfly with a time of 1:05.03. Tiffany Kelly took fifth place in the 500 meter freestyle(5:45.28), while of 5:54.89. Hartland also took a fifth-place finish in the 100 meter breaststroke(1:13.99). McNamara

> Senior Co-Captians of the 2002 Novi High School Women's Swim and Dive Team, Lindsay Ochab and Amanda Smith, will lead qualifying members of their Amanda Smith, will lead qualifying members of i team this week at the State meet held at Eastern Michigan.

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much more than that in the biggest and Amanda Toffoli for the stat meet. Also, on Tuesday night(after and last team meet of the season. There are however some even the Novi News went to print) bigger individual meets left this season. The annual State meet is coming up November 22nd and 23rd. Novi had already qualified participants in three different Christina Thompson will have com-peted in the diving regionals with a chance to qualify for state's if she finished in the top-twelve. The State event will be held at Eastern Michigan University on Friday and Saturday, starting at noon each day. So get out there and cheer for your Wilcats. Good luck at States vents. Amanda Smith in the 50 and 100 meter freestyles and the 400 meter freestyle relay team of Smith, Jill McNamara, Brittany Brodfuehrer, and Kristine Elrod. and go Novi! Last Saturday, at the RiverRat Challenge, the Wildcats' also quali-Ryan Edwards is an intern fo

fied their 200 meter freestyle relay Northville Record and the team of Brodfuehrer, Elrod, Smith Novi News.

WLW grapplers looking for some support and fans

each participant being required to stay awake and participate in all of the activities, is a fund-raiser for the Walled By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER For those looking to see some fine wrestling and would like to see it tomorrow, head over to Walled Lake Western Lake Western wrestling pro-gram. They are hoping to col-lect donations to go toward getting them a new set of uni-forms (singlets) and also a new High School to see their firstver Wrestle-A-Thon. The event, which boasts 12 set of warm-ups. Any money left over will be split between hours of hard work, team work, team mates, games, sweat, tears, food and wrestling, will begin tomorrow at 10 p.m. and end at 10 a.m. the booster club (which feeds and them for meets, pays for sum mer camps, and buys the staff shirts) and the price of wrestling shoes, headgear, and Saturday morning. When all is said and done, workout equipment for each the 12-hour event will find the participants live wrestling for individual. The goal of each wrestler is \$100.00, but each of them is hoping for much at least 15 minutes for every hour. Not to fear though, the will also have other things going on associated with high more than that The Warriors are turning to the community not only for donations but also to raise awareness and interest in their school practices and workouts running, lifting, learning moves, drilling move as well as conditioning and alisthen-ies. To add to the atmosphere. sport and their team. As wrestlers, they participate in one of the most grueling six minutes in sports. For the event will also host teambuilding activities such as who have never attended a swimming, playing team hand-hall, volleyhall and mat ball, as well as a free-throw competimeet, each match is exciting and full of action. For every person who donates over \$10, the Warriors tion, a three-point competition, relays and will watch inspira-tional and informational will in turn give them a free pass to one of their home dual meets as a guest to see when And when the belly starts their donation is going and what the hard work of the rumbling, there will be team meals to fill that void. Warriors is capable of doing The event, which will find

MHSAA plan accepted

A federal judge has accepted plan," Johnson said. "We an amended compliance plan hoped that he would have submitted by the Michigan accepted the original plan, but High School Athletic it was always our hope that Association regarding the scheduling of its sports sea-sons. U.S. District Judge Richard A. Ensten entered his whatever plan the court approved is one that will never be implemented." The realignment of seasons stems from a Richard A. Ensien entered his order Friday. In an Aug. I ruling, he ordered the MHSAA to flip-flop the seasons of girls bas-ketball and volleyball, which now are played during the fall and winter, respectively. He also directed the state's moverning hedy for ere sports gender-equity lawsuit filed in June 1998 by Communities for Equity, a group of schoolgiri athletes' parents. The group claimed that the scheduling of some sports seasons discrim nates against female athlete who play basketball and volgoverning body for prep sports to reorganize the remaining sports seasons for boys and leyball Michigan is one of the few states where high schools play girls basketbail in the fall and

girls teams to make them more volleyball in the winter. Enslen auitable The MHSAA proposed to: ruled in favor of the parents In the Lower Peninsula, move boys golf and girls tennis from fall to spring, and girls group last December. H ordered the MHSAA to subm a compliance plan that would golf and boys tennis from remedy the discrimination fac spring to fall. • In the Upper Peninsula, ing some female athletes. In August, he rejected the MHSAA's original plan to flipmove boys soccer from fall to spring and girls soccer from flop the girls golf, tennis and swimming and diving seasons with their boys counterparts spring to fall. "This con "This configuration com-plies with this court's August 1 and ordered girls basketba injunctive order," Enslen wrote and volleyball switched as par in his decision entered Friday. of an amended plan. MHSAA communication The MSHAA has appealed director John Johnson said the case to the 6th U.S. Circuit Enslen's ruling is good news if Court of Appeals in Cincinnati. Because of the for no other reason than it appeal, it will be at least the 2004-05 school year before the moves the case one step closer "We had always hoped that court-ordered plan can be the judge would accept this implemented

ALL-KENSINGTON VALLEY CONFERENCE FOOTBALL SELECTIONS

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ENTERTAINMENT

Nope, this one is just plain dead

Half Past Dead just shows that Seagal's acting relates to the title

and have to settle with the Jiffy Pop or the microwave stuff instead. Plays Sasha Scagal plays Sasha where he hid \$200 million in the microwave stuff By Sam Egglestor SPORTS WRITER Let's just spare anyone who beit's just spare anyone who seegat plays Sasha where he hid \$200 million it thinks this novie may even be Petrosevitch, a hard case that stolen gold hullion gets execut decent a few minutes of reading manages to squirm his way into ed. Unfortunately for the mas takes to drive to the theater. I hanges to squirm his way into takes to drive to the theater. I by earning the trust of Nick mean it. Even if you live just Frazier (Ja Rule), a pistol-pack-feet from the theater door – ing thief with an itchy trigger don't waste your time finger, Unfortunately, Nick decides don't waste your time. During the opening sequence devents of Half Past Deal, we to draw his guns when the FBJ get to know Steven Sengal's raids the crime ring's chop shop, character as a Russian mobster. Even more unfortunately, Sasha As if a gift from the movie gods, takes a few caps during the fight and nearly visits the perily gates and St. Peter – hence the title, an accent. and St. Peter – hence the title, From that point on, it just although after the movie you're becomes a by-the-numbers B-flick that pretty much lets you wander off mentally and pretend bes nearly take his fife, but he flick that pretty much lets you wander off mentally and pretend you are in a much nicer, happier recovers nicely to finish his place. I honestly think the best undercover work. way to view this movie is to wait What? Sasha's an undercover for it to come out on video (which it should have been agent? You got it. He was assigned to use Nick as a step to straight to) and shut off the vol-ume. Then, you can just have your own connuentary – which is to be a theorem to be assignment, be asks to a distant nation with the isoperation. He's so intent on fin-ishing the assignment, be asks to be a theorem to be assignment and the set of the isoperation. He's so intent on fin-tishing the assignment, be asks to be a theorem to be assignment and the set of the isoperation. He's so intent on fin-bits weight, as Seagal looks as your own commentary – which has to be a thousand times better get sentenced to the same instihan the drivel the drools forth tution as his old buddy ---- the out of Scagal's mouth as he numbles his way through his lines. And, then, in the privacy of your own living room, you can make rude comments Siege and Die Hard and all of towards the screen instead of the other movies in tipicked off having your boos and insults for it's action, Sasha ends up having your boos and insults being drown out by those of the being the right man in the wrong place at the right time when the mud hits the fan. As it ends up, he arrives at people around you. The only place at the right time when the downside to that scenario is that mud hits the fan.

Screen Beat

vent a war of catastrophic conse-

quence. On his way he crosses

paths with Jinx (Halle Berry) and Miranda Frost (Rosamend Pike), two women who will play vital

Another Day" is rated MGM/UA release and rated PG-13 for action

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Sy Brian Renne THE MOVIE INSIDER

For all of your latest movie needs, Coming to theaters this week-end is the twentieth James Bond adventure "Die Another Day," check out www.themovieinsider.com to see what Brian Renner and his fellow with Pierce Brosnan returning a movie buffs have to say about the indusagent 007, James Bond, This tin ound, he's on the trail of a North orean General Zao (Rick Yune). try and what's to come in weeks ahead. who is using new face-morphing technology to take over the world. Bond travels to Iceland, where he must anmask the traitor and pre-

Twinkies. Though totally pr

thought-out camera angles and

generous use of shadows, the

too-old Seagal appears to be just

as quick and dangerous as ever.

Unfortunately, he hasn't both-

been a great teacher. "The Emperor's Club" is a Universal create a gossip mill for the entire community but also change their Pictures release and rated PG-13 entire lives forever. Starring for some sexual content. The third installment in the Julianne Moore, Dennis Quaid, Dennis Haysbert, and James Rebhorn, "Far from Heaven" is a "Friday" comedy series, "Friday After Next" takes place during FOCUS Features release and the Christmas season back in th rated PG-13 for mature thematic old neighborhood where it all began. Cousins Craig (lee Cube) elements, sexual content, brief violence and language. and Day-Day (Mike Epps) share a rundown apartment filled with the Next week "Adam Sandler's Eight Crazy Nights" (PG-13), "Solaris" (PG-13), "Treasure

interpersonal drama "The Emperor's Club" follows Kevin spirit of the holiday season. Everything is fine until Santa Claus breaks in and steals their Kline as Arthur Hundert, a dedi-cated and inspiring professor who has devoted his life to teaching at Christmas presents and the rent an elite boys' prep school. When a money, "Friday After Next" is a an elite boys' prep school. When a headstrong new student, Sedgewick Bell, joins his class, Mr. Hundert's life is forever money. "Friday After Next" is a New Line Cinema release and rated R for language, sexual con-"Extreme Ops" (PG-13) tent and drug use Video and DVD Exclusively at the Birmingham

altered. It is a clash of wills and sonalities as these two battle the hearts and souls of the 8, the 1950s drama "Far from Heaven" is set in the suburbs, and ther students at the school the story revolves around a privi-Twenty years later, the story resumes when Bell, now a power-ful businessman, brings the retired leged family whose lives are filled with daily family etiquette, social events at the club, and an overall desire to keep up with the Joneses. professor back into his life; and Hundert must face his fear that he may have failed the most impormay have failed the most impor-ant challenge of his life: to have faced with choices that not only

Food For Thought

termind, he's prepared to meet his maker but doesn't get the chance as a commando team led by Donny (Morris Chestnut), a fed-up State Prison Bureau employee who wants a crack at convincing the convict to tell the location of the stolen goods, And (Bam!) another nlo twist. A Supreme Court justice (Linda Thorson) is tossed into the mix as she just happens to be around to watch the now delayed execution, and just hap pens to be a perfect hostage. One of the few good things in the movie is the fight scenes which are choreographed by Honk Kong master Xin Xin Xiong, You can actually stand to watch them as Sasha manages to age and, not surprisingly, half his weight, as Seagal looks as though he's had one too many

Steven Seagal and Ja Rule try to keep Half Past Dead afloat — it goes beliv up dictable, the fighting is at least slightly exciting. With the help of some despite their efforts, which were sub-par at best.

Lundgren. Thankfully, he's will- -audiences (i.e.: DMX in Exit - can be made without actually ing to step into the shadows (ahem) and let his more animated and younger co-stars take who is fairly eye-catching in a over. Ja Rule is the latest rapper- also has a bit role as Donny's

Sam Eggleston is the sports ballet-proof vest. Nina Peeples

turned-semi-decent-actor employed to enhance Seagal's In the end, Half Past Dead is appeal to younger, more diverse about as weak of a movie that

writer for the Northville Record and the Novi News. He can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 104 or at seg-

trying to make a bad movie

B-5

Tony Hawk 4 is more than offered in the past

By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER

For a rather large, big-boned, uncoordinated fella like me, this levels. game is a blast. And, I guess, it would be a blast for those skinny, would be a blast for those skinny, agile little skater kids too. Knowing full well that the goals at their pleasure. Each goal world of skateboarding was not world of skateboarding was not is hed to a non-played character for those v something I would ever excel in, on the level and when you talk to a non-played character for those v Alcatraz fi up and dow buildings. And for boarding is right at the fingerings in the newest release in the Tony Hawk series, Tony Hawk's Pro This is easily the best game in much whatever you want it to, the series, and it is a huge leap over the previous games in the series. Tony Hawk 4 features a pretty much wanted you to finish

complete revision of the series' goal and progression system, which is a massive boost for those Plonet" (PG), "Arafat" (R) and looking for replay value of a sin-gle-player video game. And for those looking for a few friends to The intense drama "The King Is Alive" (R), sci-fi/fantasy adventure "Reign of Fire" (PG-

play with? The online play is there for you too. One of the nicest things about levels in the game has 16 goals and the difficulty goes far beyond what was offered in previous this particular skating game is that Hawk games. After one or two is pretty much throws timed levels right out the window. Thank you! It has taken pretty much taken fortrips through the career to learn the different levels, a decent playdrama "13 Conversations About One Thing" (R), drama "Sunshine State" (PG-13) and thas taken pretty much taken for-ever for any game developer to realize that although timed levels can be fun in some events, a play-er likes to explore and free-skate

as well. The new career mode for Tony Hawk 4 lets the player do just that as well as get their hands on some brow-sweating timed inter the same as well, it will suffice to asy that beating this game in sin-gle-player mode will take much longer than the previous titles. This game is also pretty easy to get side-railed on. The levels are The career mode is a free-skate much bigger in size - length width and height - than before is tied to a non-played character For those who like to get vertical, Alcatraz finds skote

Alcatraz finds skaters able to go up and down hills and the sides of And for fans of the older titles. this game has no changes to the basic controls on the level of the manual or revert, but there are a pace of the career mode is pretty - couple of new maneuvers that give interesting twists to certain situations. And if you want to get around a level a bit faster than

normal, just skitch. All-in-all, Tony Hawk's Pro as much as possible within the Skater 4 is worth the time and the effort for those who like the series and for those who like two-minutes provided for each goal. There is also a much wider challenge games. If you've never played a skateboarding game and are interested in trying one, this is the kind that will put most others

to shame Sam Eggleston is the sports writer for the Northville Record and the Novi News. He can be reached at (248) 349-1700, 104 ext.

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Let the good times roll

The Novi Wildcats had a good run this fall. The Tennis team finished eighth in the state, the boys cross country squad was third and the football team was District Champions and went to the regional for only the second time in school history. Oh yeah, and who can forget that state championship by the golf team under the coaching of Brad Huss? Dennis Cichonski and his girls basketball team still have the post season to put yet another accomplishment up on the school's marquee sign

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CAESAR SALAD Wrap the greens in a clean There is a salad served at every and ranch dressing gets old fast. Try Certain fruits, vegetables, seeds and soil. It is fun to compare the differliner in our home, the most popu-tiance in our home, the most popu-tar one being composed of greens. boston or escarole. Mix and match be an orange or grape/ruit sections, litaly and Spain. The nut oils are store in the refrigerator. Use with-2 Cloves garlic, peeled boston or excarole. Mix and match be an orange of grapetrun sections, real and interesting contrast in apples, pean, dried cherries, arti-favor and texture. The addition of chock hearts, mushrooms, red springly. Flavor oil by adding a torm, not cut, into bite-sized pieces onion, cucumber, poppy or toasted information of the section sections and totally dry so that the dressing information of the section sections and totally dry so that the dressing information of the sections and totally dry so that the dressing information of the sections and totally dry so that the dressing information of the sections and the section of the sections and totally dry so that the dressing information of the sections and the sections and the sections and totally dry so that the dressing information of the sections and the sectio 1 Small tin anchovies It is an appropriate accompaniment to most entrees, stimulates the 1 Equivoke or coddled salad 1 Tsp. dry mustard appetite and provides essential vita-Cup olive oil mins, minerals Juice of one lemon tinetive taste to a variety of dishes. Classically it has been used with tomatoes, but it also enhances scafood, eggs, pasta and vegetables, Capers add a "bite" to fish and poultry salads. It's also a good gar-rish if used in small amounts. Dill is an excellent accompani-tion to selfood and is superb as an augmentation to a simple oil and parent winewar dressine. A most booukar on cold plates to keep them crisp. Salads are extremely flexible creations. The combinations are and fiber. It is tinctive taste to a variety of dishes. walnuts, hazelnuts, almonds, powder and allow to steep. a great asset and reason-able filler to Dash of wine vinegar a great asset and reason-able filler to any meal. Traditionally, a green salad is composed of greens and Dash of Tabasco Dash of Worcestershire Salt and pepper to taste Parmesan and croutons Mash garlic in wooden bowl Add the anchovies and mash. dressing, L y other Chef Mary augmentation for a method of the proper herbs. There are numerous salid spinners with a difference of the proper herbs. There are numerous salid spinners herb, parsley is useful for flavoring greens and vinegars. The top available and is trongly suggest the greens and vinegars. The top available and is trongly suggest the greens and vinegars. The top available and is trongly suggest the greens and vinegars. The top available and is trongly suggest the greens and vinegars. The top available and is trongly suggest the greens and vinegars. The top available and is trongly suggest the greens and vinegars. The top available and is trongly suggest the greens and vinegars. The top available and is trongly suggest the greens and vinegars. The top available and is trongly suggest the greens and vinegars. The top available and is trongly suggest the greens and vinegars. The top available and is trongly suggest the greens and vinegars. The top available and is trongly suggest the greens and vinegars. The top available and is trongly suggest the greens and with the markets. Green the other without the applicas solution the other without the applicas solution the other without the applicas solution to the solution allow the water to the other without the applicas solution to the solution the other without the applicas solution to the other without the applicas solution to the solution to the other without the applicas solution to the other without the applicas solution to the solution to the other without the applicas solution to the solution to the solution to the other without the applicas solution to the solution Add egg and mustard incorpo Апу rating well. Slowly add the oil Brady to form an emulsion. Add should be kept nun - they should lemon juice. Tabasco. year around in the markets. Garlie to a mini to a minimum - trey should be used paringly, the today are greatly varied, Take every night of iceberg, tomatoes Worcestershire, vinegar, salt and pepper. Toss romaine with dressing. Garnish with croutons and cheese.

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Sometimes it's just one thing that reminds us

If you would have asked me three weeks ago how much a touchdown was worth. I would have told you six points. Now, I'm not so

sure. Thanks to the actions of 21 foot ball players and two high school head coach-es, my view of what a touchdown



adds up to has become a bit askew. Sam Eggleston

Many of you may know what I am talking about, and many of you may not. This is a story of a Northwestern High School football senior from a town called McDermott in Southern Ohio - his name is Jake Porter.

In a day and age where the discussion over private versus public schools, recruitment, sharpic pens, dropped passes and losing records dominates sports, who would have ever thought that a disabled football player could remind us that sports needs one thing to thrive sportsmanship. Porter has a disorder called

"Chromosomal Fragile-X," which is the most common cause of inherited mental retar dation. That never stopped him through as the was always at football practice right on time and always suited up for the games. In his years of playing high school football though, he had never taken an official

snap. Porter's coach, Dave Frantz, and the coach of their opponent that week, a tough squad known as the Waverly Tigers coached by Derek DeWitt, sat down the week leading up to their contest and had a chat --was time for Porter to get a snap.

It was explained to Waverly that Porter couldn't take a hit but Frantz just asked that if the game wasn't on the line on the last play that Waverly allow the senior to take a knee. In the beginning, that was just fine with De Witt and the Tigers, but leading 42-0 with five seconds remaining in the game and a shutout seemingly a given, the Tigers decided it wasn't OK anymore. Instead, they wanted Porter to score.

During a timeout on the field, both coaches met and DeWitt offered to let the Northwest senior take the ball all the way. At first, Frantz wasn't sure that it was a good idea, but once the referees heard the idea, they were all for it as well.

The play that followed is what dreams are made of and hope is based on. At Waverly's 49-yard line,

Porter entered the game as a runningback and had his play, dubbed "84-iso" called in the huddle — a play that when done in practice found Porter taking a knee. Not this time. When the ball was snapped, 21 players parted like the Red Sea. In the video of the play, it's apparent that Porter is so



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what surprised by the action. He slowly walked through the gaping hole in the lines and then turned around to the original line of scrimmage. That's when everyone in the game – including the defensive players from Waverly – began pointing and guiding the senior back in the right direction and towards

The dypard and towards the endzone. The 49-yard jaunt, which took upproximately 11 seconds in all, was celebrated by play-ers from both sidelines cheer-ing and ronning in stride with Perter as be secred a truth. Porter as he scored a touch-

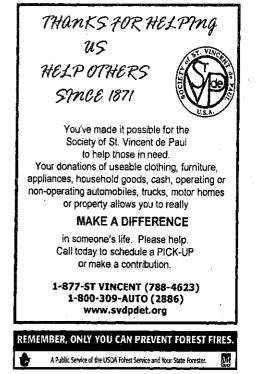
down heard around the world. In 10 or 20 years, no one will remember that Waverly won the game 42-6, but it will be comsame 42-0, but it with be com-mon knowledge that for players like Porter, dreams do come true. He wasn't looking for a college scholarship or a playoff berth, instead, he just wanted to touch the ball in a game – and he aid and he did.

In one play, the life of a young man was changed forev-er and the idea of sportsman-ship was returned to a nation that seened to be beginning to forget what it was. In the end Waverly won the game and did-a't get their shutout, but the players and coaches from both teams that night renewed the idea that high school football - all sports for that matter are meant to be played with class, decency and respect. And, don't forget, plenty of

sportsmanship. I've been lucky as a writer for the Northville Record and the Novi News, Sportsmanship is stressed throughout with all of the programs in Northville, Novi and the Walled Lake

Schools, But, in an age where terrorism, snipers and war dominate the front-pages of many newspapers, it sometimes takes a high school football player from McDermott, Ohio to remind us that the world isn't that bad of a place. Thank you, Jake Porter.

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The members of the team are: Deanna Albanelli; Meredith Anan; Brittney Bixman; Keli Black; Shawn Calvin; Carrie Capanyola; Sarah Celeski; Brittany Cirka; Danielle DeBlasi; Hollee DeRocco; Ashlee Doster; Kiley Elfring; Cindy Herman; Laura Hirshfleid; Megan Kemski; Kristen Kern; Jessica Kim; Liz Kossik; Amanda Kowlaski: Gretchen Kroll: Christina Morianti; Audrey Oh; Julie Perreca; Ashley Powell; Lauren Powell; Emily Reid; Katie Slovan; and Christy Stewart.

Tournament champions

They palyed the 2002 International Sports Extravaganza Tourmenement the weekend of November 2nd and 3rd. 2nd and 3rd. They played two games on Saturday in Plymouth and Canton against teams from the Cleveland area and won Cleveland area and wor big, 12-0 and 8-1. Sunday morning found them playing In Oak Park against a team from Strongsville, Ohio and won 6-0. This got them in the finals areaset Exemination On against Farmington. On Sunday afternoon in Sunday afternoon in Plymouth, the game was very competitive with the Cougars win-ning 3-1. An outstanding per-formance was turned in by all the players espe-cially the most valuable

cially the most valuable player, Michael VanAntwerp, and the goalie, Cameron Schuize.

Novi Underclassmen Scores

NOVI FRESHMAN GIRLS BASKETBALL

Overall: 11-8; KVC: 7-7

The Novi freshmen girls' basket-ball team closed out its season with a 40-23 loss at Pinckney last week. The Wildcats led 10-5 after one arter and held on to a slim twopoint lead against the Kensington

Valley Conference (KVC) champi-ons at halftime. But the Pirates slapped on an effective press in the third quarter, and Novi never recovered. Katelyn Tuck led the Wildcats with six points and eight rebounds. The Wildcats finish the season with an 11-8 overall record.

NOVE JV GIRLS HOOPS Overall: 10-10

The Novi Junior Varsity girls' basketball team completed its sea-son with two losses. The Wildcats finish the season with a 10-10 overall record. Novi JV lost to Pinckney, 66-48. Nikki Stephen scored 12 points for the Wildeats.

Abby Greulich added 11. The Wildcats also lost a tight, defensive battle to Milford, 43-31. Jessica Westfall played a great defensive game against Milford's top player. Nikki Stephen scored 10 points, and Hope Morris added eight.



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Back-to-back title victories

At the Mid American Pompon 2002 Dance Team Championships, held at Eastern Michigan University's Convocation Center on November 10, 2002, the Novi Varsity Pompon team placed first in the Large Varsity Kick Division ("Large" is more than 21 team members). Their score of 376, edged out the Northville and Crestwood teams. The team has now earned back-to-back championship titles in this competition. The Novi coach is Jeni Hubenschmidt.

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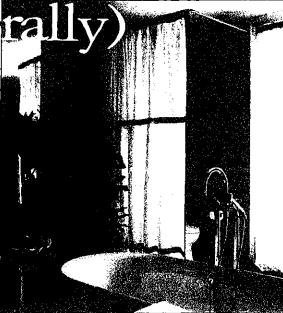
We are thinking of Q: aurning our married son's boyhood bedroom into a master bathroom. It's next door to our bedroom, so only part of a wall would have to come down, plus the wall to the old small bath. That way, we might save enough on renovation costs to afford a whirlpool tub and a few spa features. Any other money-saving suggestions would be wel-

A: Not that you can tell from looking, but the gracious, very spacious bath in the photo we show here also started life as a normal-sized bedroom. That was before designer Jamie Gibbs worked his magic on it, redefining the nagic of it, recenting the room into a deluxe spa. Known for his legerdemain with space and color (for such clients as New York's Mayor Michael

Mayor Michael Bioomberg). Drake pulled off a number of profession-al designer tricks you might consider stealing for your bedroom conversion. First, he lined the room with cabinets that look builty in but are actually.

built-in, but are actually free-standing and, there-fore, removable should the space ever need to return to its bedroom role. Ditto for the high, wide and handsome tub clevated on a vio-let-lacquered platform to make it the undisputed center of attention in the room. On the other hand, the

designer managed to hide a less attractive necessity in plain sight. The toilet is lucked discreetly behind a decorative curtain held



A shower curtain goes to great lengths to hide the toilet from the more sociable spa area of a bedroom-turned-bathroom.

floor-to-ceiling by an extended shower rod. Anchored by a mini-forest of plants (they thrive in the moisture of any bath), de curtain is as effective as an actual, architectural wall --and much, much less expensive.

Is all furniture creat-ed course?

ed equal?
Even Thomas
Jefferson would have to demur had he been at the High Point Furniture Market this fall to witness the unveiling of a collec-tion of remarkable pieces inspired-by his own fur-nishings at Monticello. Madison Square

Furniture, based in Hanover, Pa., has recreat-ed some 30 pieces of Jefferson's furniture, including originals craft-ed by John Hemings and other Monticello slaves in

the "joinery," or wood-working shop on the place, as they say in the South. With all the furnishings based on other historic sites and personalities (there's even a collection (mere's even a conjection inspired by Elvis' Graceland), you may wonder why nobody ever thought of Jefferson before. Madison Square owner Michael Peterson has thought of little else

since he took over the 37-year-old company two

years ago. "The joy of working inside this man's mind cannot be overestimated!" Peterson told a reporter covering the Monticello debut.

debut. His two-year "labor of love" has resulted in spe-cialty, occasional, casual and formal dining pieces, largely based on architec-ural admonstr found in tural elements found in Jefferson's neoclassical mansion and on original "joinery" pieces. But more important, according to Peterson,

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Sycamore uses space wisely

By Scott McAlexander COPLEY NEWS SERVICE

Space is of the essence in the modern res-idential subdivision, which has created the need for narrow, compact homes able to fit

need for narrow, compact nonices are to in onto add-shaped lots. The Sycamore D6715 meets that need perfectly. It is 41 feet 8 inches wide and 42 feet 4 inches deep. The garage has a front entry, but could be converted to a side entry

if the lot were on a corner. The Sycamore is in the traditional ranch The main floor one large room. The front door

opens directly into a spacious living room, bathed in sunlight from several surrounding windows. A large fireplace is on the outside wall.

Behind the front door is a seat to be used

Behind the front door is a seat to be used for taking off muddy shoes and wet coats. A coat closet is nearby. The kitchen and dining room are in the rear of the home. The corner kitchen is open with an island eating bar that faces the din-ing room. Over the sink is a garden window. Large windows admit ample light into the dining room.

Large windows diving room. A door to the back yard is beside the partry and closet. In the far corner is a half bath as well a door to the garage.

Contemporary condo. room, freshy painted,

Upstairs is a large master suite as well as two more bedroorns and a full bathroom. The master suite has a coffer-valled ceil-ing. The corner walk-in closet has a seat designed for convenience in changing shoes. The master bathroom has a tub and dual sinks as well as a large linen closet. In the hall area outside the master suite is the washer/dryer, hidden behind folding

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doors.

Bedrooms Nos, 2 and 3 each have wall closets and long windows to catch the after-noon sun. The full bathroom has a tub and single sink.

Off the hall to the right is an unfinished storage area that could also serve as a play

overall, the Sycamore's living area is 1,499 square feet. There is the unfinished storage area of 250 square feet and the unfinished basement of 747 square feet that could be used in the future to accommodate bedrooms or a family room.

bedrooms or a family room. . The Sycamore has great potential. For a study plan of the design mentioned in this article, send \$24.95 to Landmark Designs, 33127 Saginaw Road E., Cottage Grove, OR 97424. (Specify name and num-ber for study plan.) A catalog featuring hun-dreds of home plans is available for \$12.95, or save by ordering both for \$29.95. For faster processing. call (800) \$62-1151 or visit www.landmarkdesigns.com.

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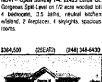


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since "Dr. No," the first James Bond movie? was widespread fear of nuclear Evidently it is, as an oversized. weapons and in the United lossy new book called "James ond: The Legacy, Forty Years of States, there was a Soviet spy hunt and the Hollywood blackhas just come out, filled not list. But for Fleming, the immedionly with more than 550 illustrations, but also with such startling ate impetus may well have been the breaking of the story reveal-ing two Cambridge Universityistics as that an estimated within one-quarter of the dance's population has seen at educated diplomats, Guy Burgess east one of the 19 Bond movies. That number can only increase when the new one -- "Die Another Day" --- is released this year. This recent book by John Cork and Bruce Scivally (Harry N. Abrains), weighing in at more than 6 pounds, is a definitive. everything-you-always-wantedto-know book and more. From it e learn that the incamation of id-century sophistication (shaken, not stirred and all that) Bond --- Agent 007 of the British secret service first appeared in the fan Flenung spy thrifter he Ian Flening spy thriff 'Casino Royale'' in 1953.

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and Donald Maclean, as Soviet spies. As for his hero's name, Fleming appropriated it from the author of an academic book on the birds of the West Indies. Beginning with the first novel, the hero exhibited his taste for sybaritic pleasures: fine food and drink, expensive fast cars, gadgetry and, of course, beautiful women. These were in full view i the initial film, "Dr. No," as well. The authors, after offering a generous history of the spy thriller genre in both literature and film (both of which Fleming would transform), discuss in detail the

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authors consider Connery to be a combination of John F. Kennedy and Hugh Hefner. Connery continued to play the hero in "From Russia With Love," "Goldtinger." "Thunderball" (the most succes) ful Bond film.) "You Only Live Twice," and, after George Lazenby carried the ball in "On Her Majesty's Secret Service," Connery was back with "Diamonds are Forever" in 1971 and "Never Say Never Again" (1983).

In hetween came Roger Moore elaborate and expensive. in "Live and Let Die," "The Man

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lefferson. His home and his life Dalton, the snave and elegant Pierce Brosnan stepped in. The book explores, explain: represent the melting pot of ideas and styles we've come to expect and exhibits the increasingly co n this country." The gently eccentric collection plex weaponry, gadgetry and tunts used in the films, the includes several bookcases --- no surprise, considering that Jefferson's own private library was the beginbehind-the-scenes details of pro-duction and distribution, the luscious babes and evil villains, all

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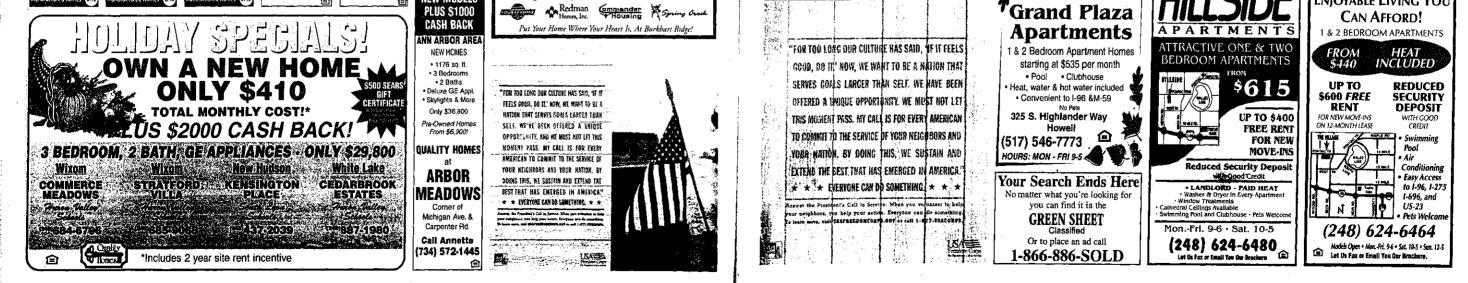


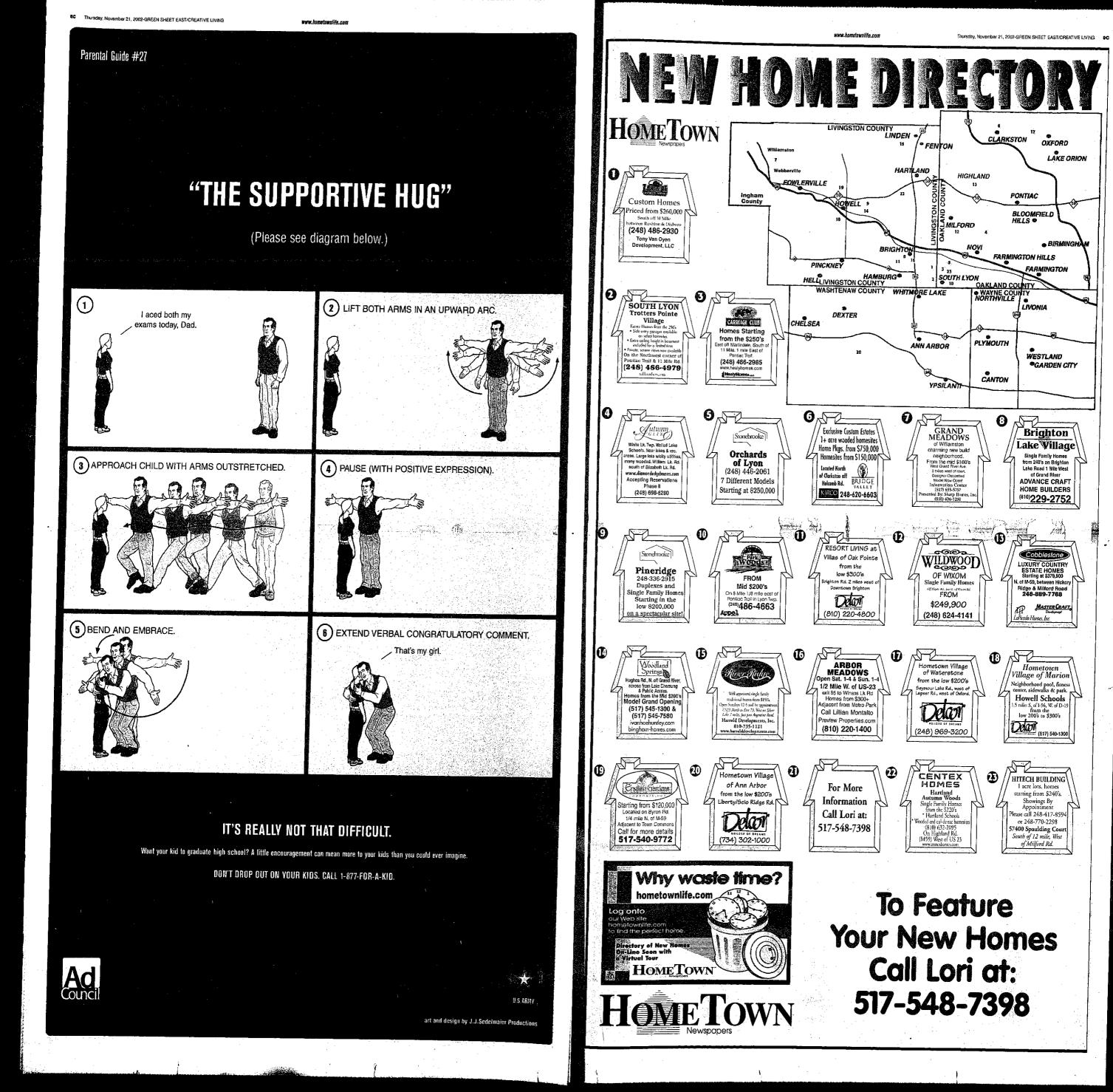




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Wughing **Matters**

By Damon Arthur SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE

Gordon Baugh is an example of what happens when people don't have enough fun. For years he went to his job each day as an information systems analyst with the California Department of Transportation.

He worked hard, piling on the stress. It made him frustrated and

sick. He wasn't having fun, Eventually Baugh suffered two heart attacks and underwent three heart bypass surgeries. He retired four years ago on disability, but the 63-year-old Redding, Calif., man is the happiest he has been in decades.

"I'm probably functioning better as a human being now than since boot camp," Baugh said. While he labored for years under layers of stress, Baugh is no longer

a victim of pressure, worry and anx-

icty. He's active with the Masons, tak-ing sick children to Shriner's hospitals. He drives those funny little cars in parades as part of the Fez Patrol He is a lay reader at his church. He fixes old computers and gives them to needy children, and he is an "unpaid assistant" at his wife's footwear business. "I spend a lot of time having fun,"

Baugh said.

"The better we understand our preferences, the better we will understand what will lead us to fun."

> Charlie Price Recreation therapist

The key to making his life fun, he "I just thank God I'm alive," Baugh said,

Baugh is an example of why neo ple need to have fun in their lives and what happens to them when they do, said Charlie Price, a recreation therapist and academic dean at Cascade School in Whitmore, Calif. Cascade School in Whitmore, Calif. Price teaches a course through the Community Education program at Shasta College called "The Psychology of Fun. "The class attempts to show people how to etigoy life, have more fun and reduce stress — "how can we enrich the meaning of our lives before we reach a terminal point," Price said. Price, 57, worked 22 years as a recreation therapist at mental hospi-tals, at rehabilitation hospitals, schools and in drug and alcohol

schools and in drug and alcohol

rehabilitation programs. In his classes he doesn't teach people to water ski, how to be witty at parties or show them different games to play. Instead, he tries to get people to figure out what is fun and enjoyable to them.

"I'm teaching people how to grow their own fun," Price said, While play comes easily to chil-dren, many adults have forgotten how to have fun, or they don't take the time for exemption be said

the time for recreation, he said. Through a series of exercises, Price helps his students determine what they like to do for fun. He also talks about various levels of fun. from individuals having fun alone to

team sports. He also discusses how everyone has his own idea of what fun is; One person might like throwing Frisbees, while someone else likes



Emotions are mixed when children leave home



By Laura Christman PS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE

eyed in a domi room letting go of a young woman who's starting college. When grown children leave home for

college, a jobn marriage or a place of their own, it can be tough on parents. The expe-rience is lamped under a tidy label: empty nest syndrome. But it's not as if feelings unfold methodically or are the same for everyone. It's a jumble of emotions. Many parents

describe it as happy-sad. They may be apprehensive or lonely one moment; feel proud or breathe a sigh of relief the next. Cynthia Mattera of Redding, Calif., ratched her 21-year-old daughter back out Watthed her 21-year-old baugine sources of the driveway last spring and head to Long Beach State University. Her son moved out to a place of his own several years ago. Cynthia and her husband, John, are now official empty-nesters. She describes the experience as "tearful, diffi-cult and avciting at the same time." cult and exciting at the same time." While she misses her children, she real-

izes that a parents job is to raise responsi-ble young people willing to go out and try something new. She feels a sense of

accomplishment in having done that. "It's neat. You're not here every day, but they work things out. Their car needs an oil change and they actually go and get it done," she said. "It's like, "Waw. They really do know how life works."

Children take a bit of their parents with them when they leave home, said Bernadette Butz, a family therapist in Redding. "They carry that parent with them.

It's important for parents who are feel-ing a loss of control over a child's day-today decisions to remember that. Parents need to realize, too, that the daily job of

parenting is over. "In some ways it is a relief," said Carolyn Furnish, a family therapist with the Children's Counseling Center in Redding. "You don't have to remind them to brush teeth; or sit up and worry about when they are coming home or if their homework is done. It is a freeing of

some parents — women in particular, since they're often the primary care-givers — can suffer an identity loss when there are no longer children at home to parent. After being wrapped up in being a mora, they may wonder: Who art I now? Answer: Still a mora.

Children leave your home, but never your heart, You'll always be their mother. But use the opportunity to pursue other things, Butz suggested. She said mothers typically focus on others. When their chil-dren leave home, they can do something

for themselves. Pursue a dream, whether it's going back to school, changing careers, sky diving, belly dancing or taking up quilting, she said. View children leaving as a beginning, not an ending, she said.

Parenting requires being able to medi-ate, negotiate, prioritize, empathize and organize. The skills and creative energy that were poured into being a parent can be foundable into them provides the state of the s funneled into other pursuits

Children leaving can be hard on rela-tionships too. Spouses sometimes use chil-dren as a buffer to problems within the maniage.

"Sometimes they have not given the relationship attention. They can feel at a loss that they don't have anything in com-mon anymore," Furnish said. Butz and Furnish said it's normal to feel

sadness after children leave, but if the feel-ings are severe or prolonged, seek help. "If you are not finding that you are mak-

ing the beginnings of an adjustment two or three months after the child has left home ... if you have no interest or energy, then you really do need to go in and talk to someone and get some pragmatic and practical tips on what you might do differ-

ently." But said. Cynthia Mattera said it's been helpful for her to compare her children moving away to when they first learned to walk --they was were leaving their habyhood, but it fun to share their excitement over

those first steps. "You can't help but be proud," she said.

In the patient's shoes

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By Wallace Chuma PITTSBURGH POST-GAZETTE

Reversing roles is not always something readily accepted, espe-cially if you enjoy a privilege of sorts. You want to be in control, to have things go your way. You can-not let go without a fight. Save, perhaps, for the interven-tion of fate.

That was the case of Dr. Geoffrey Kurland, 56, a pediatric pulmonologist at Children's Hospital in Pittsburgh.

After treating patients for 14 years he woke up one night in 1987 with a fever, it led to diagno-sis of a rare form of leukemin that it the time had each a 40 at the time had only a 40 percent survival rate.

survival rate. In his book, "My Own Medicine: A Doctor's Life as a Patient" (Times Books, \$25), Kurland narrates a grueding account of how his diagnosis with hairy cell leukenia 15 years ago presented a new experience in his understanding of, disease, medi-cine and patient care.

Kurland developed a fever while practicing in Sacramento, Calif. He was admitted to the hospital,

He was admitted to the hospital, where an X-ray showed a fist-sized mass on the upper part of his chest. "Then, quite suddenly, I realize who I am, hito whom I have trans-formed ...," he writes. "I am no longer the doctor, I am the person with the disease." He was treated at the Mayo Clinic

Clinic

A bone marrow biopsy revealed hairy cell leukemia. The chronic lymphocytic leukemia gets its name from the abnormal shape of the white blood cells with hair-like rojections. It can strike males and males, mostly between the ages of 40 and 70. Hairy cell leukemia causes

Harry 'cell' ielikenna ennes enlargement of the spileen, so Kurland's spieen was removed. This stubilized his blood count. The number of disease-fighting platelets had dropped to 60,000, down from a normal 150,000 to 200,000

300,000. Six weeks later, surgeons removed the mass in his chest. Just two months after joining Children's Hospital in 1988, he started a 14-month regimen of chemotherapy, which cured his disease

The illness "had a profound effect on me, I became a different somebody," Kurland said.

The experience was chilling, and he described his fears and con-cerns as surgery after surgery was performent

performed. The book depicts a man who, faced with the painful reality of his own mortality, acknowledges his condition and gears himself to face the challenge. "Sometimes you have to lose control in order to gain it to head the second second second second second have to lose control in order to gain it." he said.

The greatest lesson from his suf-fering was that he should trust some people. "Even the best of physicians have to be willing to let other physicians care for them. It's important to trust other people. It's usually hard because most physi cians want to be in control." he said

The experience also affected his interaction with patients. Although he acknowledged that he was "a good physician" even his diagno-sis, he learned something about

sis, he learned something about being a patient. "Only when you are confronted with a similar experience can you understand what it means to be a patient," he said. "I learned and understood the things that my patients used to tell me."

ne day you're sleep-deprived and bleary-eyed, holding an infant who looks to you for every-thing — food, shelter, protection, love. And then you find yourself teary-everd in a down proon letting

fishing.

The better we understand our preferences, the better we will understand what will lead us to fun," Price said, While Price asks people to con

sider for themselves what types of recreation make them happy, there are plenty of external messages ling people how to have fun, he said.

"For one thing, we're being marketed to a great deal: 'To have fun, go to Vegas for a weckend,' ' Price

said, citing an example. There's a downside to that, though, he said. People sometimes feel they aren't having as much fur as they are supposed to

There's a pressure created by this kind of marketing," Price said. People sometimes come to his class cople sometimes co wondering "why aren't I having fun?

Fans of 'healing pucks' say they gain calm, strength and vision

By Chandra Harris

SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE

Transforming lives, one puck at a time

That's what Mary Miller, one of the co-founders of the 20-year-old Gentie Wind Project in Maine aims to do.

She touts the benefits of holding a hockey puck-shaped instrument that contains a blend of salts, berbs, gemstones and minerals, which Miller says are proving to

be healing. As bizarre as it may sound, the science of puck handling for five

minutes "is real, and in those minutes the aura of the human body is being repaired." Miller said. "The instrument is based on the science of paraphysics.

Paraphysics, she says, is "the study of the ability of something to exert a non-physical energy outside of its physical boundaries; human beings give off energy beyond their physical boundaries."

If you had transparent vision you could see the fragmented and burnt-out layers of everyone, even great spiritual leaders," Miller said. energy field of a person is Th

where "life's huns and wounds are

stored, and that is where the heal-"Whether it be losing a loved

one, suffering from an illness, divorce or getting fired, those emostored somewhere, tions are Miller explained.

"Each time someone is injured emotionally, mentally or physical-ly, a part of the field is damaged." Miller contends the healing puck enhances one's calmness, strength and the ability to solve problems more efficiently. "It fills those empty boles," she said. Gaping holes in the lives of

Gaping grief-stricken parents is what

Miller saw day in and day out as a clinical social worker in Boston The storage worker in Boston in than two decades ago. I could give them tools to cope,

but they would never recover from their loss." Miller said.

After selling her house, car, packing up her then 3-year-son and cashing in her retirement, along with five others "we were nobodies trying to create some-thing to alleviate human suffer-

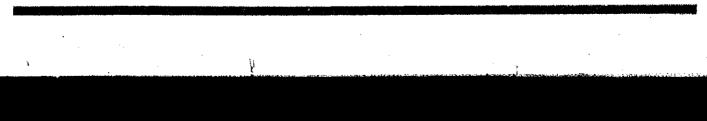
ing." "A quantitative leap in life then

happened," Miller said. "People who couldn't sleep, started sleeping through the night,"

she said. "Children's rooms that hadn't been touched for five or 10 years after their deaths became dismantled."

The nonprofit healing organization has touched more then 6 million lives in 150 countries since 1990 by initially giving away free heating prototypes. Miller said. Now, volunteer instrument keepers share their healing tools at no charge with others. A healing puck charge with others. A healing can be purchased from the profit group by means of a donation.

"It is not an end-all, be-all cure." Miller said, "but it works."



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Americans showing new interest toward saving income By Homer Brickey TOLEDO BLADE

For the last several years, it looked as though the personal savings rate in the United States would drop to zero - or even become a negative number as it did during the depths of the Great Depression in the early 1930s.

But after the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks - as the economy stalled and stocks slid deeper into the worst bear market in decades - a turnaround occurred.

The nation's savings rate started rising. By mid-2002, Americans were socking away 3.7 percent of their take-home pay That's a far ery from the 24-plus percent rate during World War II, and it's even well below the 9.4 percent vaved on average in the 73 years since the Depression began. In recent decades, U.S. consumers have saved less of their income than citizens of other leveloped nations. Many Americans are rethinking their pri

orities, and many are more concerned about paying for the futures they want.

Among them is Mary Lauback, 48, of Perrysburg, Ohio, a local government employee, "People don't save enough," she said, adding that she and her husband are setting aside as much as they possibly can. That includes college savings for their sons. At the opposite end of the spectrum is Paul Cerveny, 21, a cook at a restaurant in foledo. "I have too many hills (to save)." h

said. But his goal is to save at least a quarter of his income. In the middle are consumers like Tim-O'Connor, 35, of Maumee, Ohio, "We're robably spending more right now because re bought a new home and furniture," he

O'Connor and his wife are putting only a small percentage of their income into sav-ings now, he said, but "I see a lot of people living naycheck to paycheck. What (will) they do if they need to go into a mirsing

U.S. households saved \$170 billion last year, according to the latest figures from the Commerce Department's Bureau o Economic Analysis. At first, that may sound like a respectable amount, but it's only 2.3 percent of disposable income. The average savings rate since 1980 is three times as high - 7.1 percent annually. And last year' savings amount to just over \$600 per person in the United States. Economists have mixed feelings about

the personal savings rate. Nearly all believe Americans aren't saving enough, but many say the traditional government measure-ment of savings is flawed. It overlooks sev-eral things that consumers consider "savings," they said, such as capital gains on homes and stocks and their contributions to the Social Security system from which they eventually will receive monthly checks. And they say the seemingly low savings rate can be both good and bad for the coun-

"The lower the savings rate, the better fo the economy short-term," said Richard DeKaser, chief economist for National City Corp. in Cleveland, "When people are no saving, they're spending (at a time when we desperately want to promote growth. When wealth rises - during stock-marke booms, for example – people save tess, he said. But when wealth declines, as it has during the current bear market, people are forced to build wealth by cutting spending. Jagadeesh Gokhale, a senior econo adviser for the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland, said Americans absolutely are not saving enough. He fears a continued low savings rate could result in a nation more dependent on foreign investors for capital for economic growth. How much saving is enough? That

depends on a person's age and standard of living, according to one study published by Gokhale just before the market slide. It found that a person in his or her early 50s, making under \$15,000 a year, could save just I percent and maintain the same standard of living. But one with income of \$15,000 to \$45,000 would need to save 17 percent, one making \$45,000 to \$100,000 should save 20 percent, and one making

"In this day and age, if youth cannot type somewhat or use the computer and Internet, they are not learning as well as others that have this advantage."



Andres Barajas, 17, helps Daniel Diaz, 7, use a computer at the El Centrito de la Colonia tech-nology center in Oxnard, Calif. Hispanics are the fastest growing minority in the United States and are also using computers and the Internet in larger nu

LATINOS LOGGING ONLINE

The fastest-growing ethnic group in the United States is jumping onto the Internet and finding that there's more to it than instant messenger

young people and both Asian Americans and Hispanics are

In a survey completed last summer, the Pew Internet Project

analyst

Nielson//NetRatings, expects the growth rate for Latinos will con-tinue and said the results show

New York was the top market area for Hispanic online users, followed by Los Angeles, Miami, the San Francisco Bay

area and Chicago, comScore reported. The use of e-mail has become

especially important for Latinos, Rainic said.

"As more Latinos go online.

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comfortable accessing sites."

media

By Frank Moraga

SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE The Latino population come of Internet age. Nearly 7.6 million people in the United States who described themselves as Hispanics used the Web at home in June, up 13 per-themselves and specterent of African-Americans, he said. Carolyn Clark, a New York Internet users in the nation, according Nielsen//NetRatings in a recent report. Hispanic Internet usage has there is a need for more content more than doubled the 6 percent growth rate by Asian or Pacific Islanders, the 4 percent rate by area for Hispanic Caucasians and the 3 percent rise by African-Americans.

During the same period, the overall Web population grew by 3 percent to 105 million. Yet some researchers say Latinos still have a long ways to go to reach the levels of users in e general population, becomes more valuable." he A rising and young population said, "The value of the network the general population, especially at work - and the desire for their children to suc-communicate with the people ceed are some of the reasons they love. It's an efficient, conbehind the growth of Latinos on

the Internet, said Lee Rainie, stay connected to the people who director at the research group Pew Internet and American Life Network and American Life Project in Washington, D.C. The to make their children more munities have the most to gain MONEY

Good handling of disputes may aid productivity

By Sherri C. Goodman SALT LAKE TRIBUNE

A fair-minded yet indecisive CEO could A fair-influed yet indecisive erab contained in the fair out why his executive team mem-bers were constantly at each others' throats. A generally conflict-free office had one worker who was frequently abusive and aggressive with other employees, and man-agement could not - or would not - control his behavior.

Human resources consultant Lynn Eisaguire says these two workplace scenar-ios are common and illustrate the impor-tance of managing conflict so that it pro-motes, rather than stifles, creativity and pro-

"Conflict is just change trying to happen," Eisaguirre said. "We have to normalize con-flict and make people not afraid of it. "Conflict is really ubiquitous in good

vorkplaces and bad. The question is how do you handle it?" she said. In the case of an indecisive boss, he is

part of the problem. She advises non-com mittal executives to be more decisive and deal with conflict instead of unwittingly fueling disputes among employees. As for offices with one hothead who seeks out disagreements, she said part of the problem is a lack of accountability for such

behavior. "Good conflict management skills are important" in such situations, she said, Eisaguirre, who gives about four seminars on conflict resolution a month, said she has

seen an increase in demand for the service over the past year, "People are so stressed. When you have more stress, you have more conflict," she

Eisaguirre said most neople spend up to one-half of their workday negotiating with others. Meantime, roughly 20 percent of an

executive's time is spent dealing with unproductive conflicts. In Eisaguirre's book, "The Power of a Good Fight" (\$24,95, Alpha Books), she outlines five conflict styles she says most employees and employers can recognize in themselves and their colleagues. Some peo-ple use more than one style, but most people fail into one category when they are under

stress, she said. They are:
The pit bull, who typically attacks conThe pit bull, who typically attacks con-

flict and likes to argue, debate, threaten and intimidate. Managers and bosses often fall in this category, she said. "You have to have a certain amount of power to behave that

 The golden retriever, who usually tries
 The golden retriever, who usually tries to accommodate and be a people-please. They are loyal, but "you're not really going to get the best ideas from them," she said. • The roadrunner, who avoids conflict and tends to think things over before speaking out on a matter. "Frequently they are thinkers. They actually think before talk-

 ing," she said.
 The cobra, who tends to talk to others about a conflict rather than the person or people directly involved. It's a classic tactic used by labor unions and civil rights groups. she said. "People use this because they feel • The eagle, who approaches conflict with skill and balance and often mediates disputes. "They're the person who does every-thing right," she said.

Her advice for working with a pit bull? "Just let them talk. Withstand the tirade. Pit bulls are big balloons. They're full of hot air." she said

Bosses who have a golden retriever work-ing for them should frequently ask how they're feeling. Eventually they'll talk about their ideas or problems

If you work with a roadrunner, realize he or she processes conflict differently and needs time to think about an issue. Eisaguirre advises co-workers to bring up the conflict with the roadrunner, then set up a later time to talk about it.

If a cobra co-worker is talking to others about a dispute, then you should name the game. "Own some of the responsibility" for possibly being unapproachable and try to

score could win a prize during the wedding. Identifying your colleagues' or employ-But unlike the traditional dot-com business more than \$100,000 should save 23 percent model, where content was created to bring on ees' conflict style can help make conflict produ out how they handle conflict, "then you can Web site package starts at \$49 and includes a Since 1980, the percentage of annual incom learn how to best respond to them. digital camera to make it easier to post photos. The site went up in January and has been growing since June. Wedlinks now has 20 cus-Americans save has steadily decreased. 10.9% Latinos finding more culturally relevant content online savings in 1982 TECHNOLOGY CENTER Younger generation Those same experts say about three years ago and Latinos are now finding more relevant information online compared with other media. especially drawn By Jon Chavez ogy research at the Tomas Rivera Policy Institute in Claremont, Calif. He developed the web site out of his own growing awareness of Latino issues. "I consider myself a born-again Latino," he said. "When I did to the informatical but differentiate but differentiate but ind to find informatical but differentiate but differentiate but informatical informatical but differentiate but differentiate but differentiate but informatical but differentiate but differ TOLEDO BLADE into tech world One example of online con- of Latino issues. tent targeted to Latinos is www.LatinoLA.com. "Latinos are tech-friendly again Latino," he said, "When I tired to find information that interested me, I had to go to dif-By Frank Moraga interested in Latino issues." in Spain and Latin America and was not relevant to Hispanics in jumping onto the digital bandwag-on, computer instructors and sales people say. Photo by ALAN DETRICH/ Photo by ALAN DETRICH/ Franklin works In a a waiting list," said Carl Alexander Franklin works In a people. We don't shy away from More Latinos, especially the younger generation, are turning to the Internet to get the latest www.LatinoLA.com, "When everything I was looking for." whose of in subscribers and was not relevant to Hispanics in subscribers and the hispanics in the hispanics in terms of the hispanics in the hispanics in the hispanics in terms of the hispanics in the hispanics in the hispanics in www.LatinoLA.com, "When the VCR and the hand-held www.LatinoLA.com, "When everything I was looking for" sional people, artists, entertain-the VCR and the hand-held Except for occasional part-earncorders and the MP3s came time help and interns, about 95 content. rmation on news, feat entertainment, career and edu-85 90 95 content that is culturally relecational advice, industry out, we were right there." De la Pena started his site percent of the site's content comes from subscribers. Spanish-language Web sites vant and linguistically rele-SOURCE: Bureau of Eco Franklin recently have made immense vant.' computer class.

HomeTown New classroom

aide helps students study at own pace By Carol Wersich RIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE

Not every international student in Gerard Buente's intensive English lab at the University of Evansville studies the same les-Son at the same time. A relatively new high-tech classroom sys-tem, known as a Robotel, allows a student to electronically select the lesson of his choice and study it at his own pace. The system fully integrates all the students' personal computers in the lab with Buente's computer setups. Included are taped lessons,

which supplement printed textbooks. Buente makes assignments, via the comput-er, before class. The students then dial up the tape, which offers related lessons from which they can make selections. Then they proceed at their own pace in the

popular study arrangement, Buente said. The system also allows the instructor to run a tape that requires all the students to work on the same lesson at the same time. In either scenario, Buente can visually monitor each student's progress in the totally interactive system.

"I can see how they're doing and what assistance they night need from a single computer at my workstation," he said. The workstation also is equipped with a second computer, which is a PC like the students

have. Buente loads the different teaching sof ware programs into it. A student's correct pronunciation of words

in the English language is key to the learning. Audio hookups, which also are integrated into the system, let Buente work one-on-one at will with each student without leaving his workstation or interrupting the whole class, The trick is the use of headsets with which each student and the instructor are equipped. The audio feature reminds Buente of a simlar system that Purdue University already had in place in the 1960s when he took German classes there. Ahead of its time, Purdue pro-vided each student with earphones for communicating with the instructor from his desk, he said.

"The instructor could easily tell us what we were doing right or wrong," said Buente. The system didn't have the additional hightech capabilities that the current system offen nowever, he said.

Buente's current classes are part of the uni-versity's Intensive English Center, which stu-dents from Japan, Korea, Brazil, Chile and elsewhere study for from eight weeks to 16

The students from different walks of life hope to gain a strong grasp of the English lan-gunge so they can advance to become freshmen at the university or college of their choice A student must score 500 or higher at the end of an eight-week period to advance,

Buente said. Connie Vernon, director of the Intensive English Center, said she likes the high technol-ogy for its individualized instruction capabili-"As far as our students are concerned, mos

of them are here to study English to get into a university and then go back and use the English in their jobs," she said. "The system lets them achieve as much as they want to without feeling pressured, and it helps build their confidence level."

Taking weddings to the Web S-ST. PAUL STA

Wedding cake, Check, Photographer, Check, Invitations, Check, Web site, Web site? Scott Schendel says someday soon wedding Web sites will be part of the wedding planning process. Schendel, a die-hard dot-commer, and his three partners started Wedlinks.com, a "life event" site. The wedding couple use templates to build their own site, which includes wedding planning tools such as a budget tracker and an RSVP list. The couple also can post photos and

send out c-announcements. "The idea behind the site is to make for a more memorable wedding experience," he

says. Schendel is intent on finding ways to get people to return to the site. "We want to pump up the addiction factor," he says. For example, the wedding couple could post

"If you look at the broad ect." project examines the social competitive in school, said and the most to lose" regarding Rainie at the Pew Internet proj-"If you look at the broad ect. "There is still a bit of a gap younger than most populations between whites families and African-"The Internet technology is American families and African-"The Internet technology is access to the Internet," he said attractive and is embraced by access to the Internet," he said access to the Internet, and the most loose" regarding access to the Internet, and the most loose" regarding access to the Internet, and the most loose" regarding access to the Internet, and the most loose access to the Internet technology is access to the Internet," he said equalizer." encourage the gossipy co-worker to talk directly to you, she said. If you work with an eagle, count your blessings and model their behavior, she said. a trivia game to find out who knows the most about them. Then the person with the highest

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A growing presence

Hispanics are the fastest growing ethnic group online, with nearly 7.6 million online in June of 2002.

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ASIAN / PACIFIC ISLANDERS ONLINE:

SOURCE: NIELSEN NET RATINGS SHNS GRAPHIC

kids to succeed in the future. If

my kids don't have a basic understanding of the Internet, they will be way behind."" "Non-English speaking com-

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Links 2003 Platform: PC / Windo Publisher: Microsoft ESRB Rating: Everyone ***

Computer goiling has finally reached unthinkable levels of realism by making a game that is at least as frustrating as real golf. However, this is the mark of a quality game that will have you yelling at the ball as you sail over bunkers, water hazards and more than a few greens

Links 2003 eliminates the golfing swing meter as a method of hitting the ball. Instead, with its "Real-Time Swing" all you have to do is pull your mouse back for a backsuing and puet forward to drive backswing and push forward to drive through the ball. Sound easy? It's not. If you aren't perfectly straight in your motion, you're going to see the golf ball do some bad things (see aforementioned yelling). When you're hitting off the tees you get a litthe leavay, but the closer you get to the hole, the more touch you'll need if you have any hope for a decent score.

There are a huge variety of games you can play here, ranging irom the standard tournaments and skins games to scramble-style bast ball round's for playing with friends. The online capabilities make these even

more (un. There are some little things missing that Stop this game from being excellent. Despite great-toxing courses and picture-perfect swings, you'll never see the galleny clapping of sand flying out of a bunker when you punch out. The sounds are prefty mundane and repetitive, although Sergio Garcla does have some funny comments. All in all, a solid play that will cost you less than a real afternoon on the golf course.

Bruce Lee: Quest of the **Dragon**

Platform: Microsoft Xbox Publisher: Universal Interactive Genre: Act ESR8 Rating: Everyons

in the world of Karate, there has never been anybody cooler than Bruce Lee. Not only did he whip on everyone in sight, he always did it with style. So you can imagine the disappointment of seeing him stumple

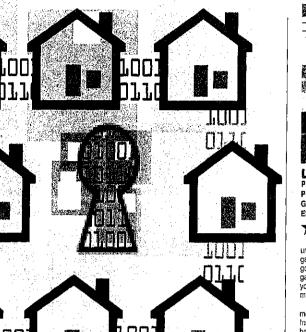
The game starts out with a lame storyline that sends Bruce out into the world trying to beat up some badguys. I'm sure there's actually more to the story than this, but it was so pointless I had a tough time

paying attention. Basically, you run in a straight line and fight everybody who comes at you. In the million enemies at once, reducing the fighting to a frenzy of single attacks on whoever is standing closest to you. Plus, you have to buy any new or special attacks, so Bruce starts out with little more

tot worthy of the Master. The camera work is poorly executed let you switch between opponents at the touch of a button, but it rarely worked nstead, it leaves you attacking guys lying on the ground while others are stapping vol in the back of the head.

The only redeeming quality was a few of the yells coming from Bruce's mouth, but that's pretty small consolation for such a timp excuse of a modern-day fighting g

TECHNOLOGY



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By Kelly Zito SAN FRANCISCO C Mas, the quasi-governmental and notary go to the litle vice president of the Center firm that buys and packages company, sit down at a com-home loans for resale, this puter, swipe cards containing. Given that there are about 5 year moved its Fannie Mae

At a real estate technology onference in San Francisco Network online. The system creates electronic case files for mortgages and lets lenders order appraisals, last summer, a spokesman from a tiny unit of General Nod insurance and surveys. "The e-closing has been Nevertheless, much of the the most difficult part" to back end of the typical real estate deal remains a paper. "Part of what's held up the Electric touted the next big thing to hit the industry: A lockbox that lets agents use ox that lets agents use their personal digital assistants rather than a key to gain intensive endeavor. By one chiry to a house. "Agents are complaining about that tool belt they're

intensive endeavor. By one industry estimate, about 300 pieces of paper change hands during an everyday deal. "Merging together the mortgage and escrow and title and insurance processes onto a sincle blafform that's carrying around," said Greg Burge, president of Supra, in Salem, Ore. Called the ibox, the new onto a single platform that's system also will upload daily seamless - that's something that a few years ago people were saying had to happen and had to happen now," said updates about when for-sale houses can be seen to their Palms or similar handheld computers. "This way, agents Alex Perriello, chief execudon't have to drive around as

don't have to drive around as tive and president of much as they used to," he Coldwell Banker. "What people are realizing is how Several years after the complicated the transaction industry heralded the coming of the paperless real estate transaction, nuts and bolts tors have hindered the real technology like GE's ibox estate industry's move into

nouse – remains elusive.

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takes center stage. the virtual world: However, the industry's Holy Grail – an online the break the treently approved a set of that theoretically could save standards that will provide a time and money by letting template for the reams of appraisers, title companies documents passed around by and lenders trade documents online and let consumers

the variety of players involved in a home loan, n Despite the signing of review and sign off on disclothere yet." sures with the click of a the Electronic Signatures Act two years ago, closing on mortgages online has not To be sure, almost anyone with a computer and Web caught on. That's not surpris-

to pay a fee to use that data?" asked Lesswing. The National Association of industry is a Realtors wants "to make sure the rights to that data don't get signed away." But with all the talk of digcomputerital signatures and data own friendly, ership, one of the biggest roadblocks to online real estate transactions is closer to home. Of the country's easy 3,000-plus county recorders, only a handful have the equipment and training to receive and record digital filfacility."

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system could shave days as well as hundreds of dolfars of each transaction. For instance, borrowers browser can easily shop for a ing given the spate of recent typically shell out about \$500 Gomez Advisors, a high-tech security breaches online.

million homes sold in the tion and click - or sign using a digital pad - through vari-ous disclosure and other doc-save consumers \$2.5 billion United States each year ★ Of course, that brings up another hurdle to any whole-sale transition to the Internet - the vast array of firms that benefit from transferring all that paper around. Moreover, many preover, many slices of

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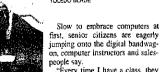
game oplions you can go through training to learn some signature Bruce Lee moves, but in reality you never get to use them because you're fighting what seems like a

than a basic punch and kick, an arsena making it hard to see more than a few feet in front of you at any time. Things get really confusing when you're fighting multiple enemies because the system is designed to

functions experts call the technology officer of mort-font ensure that all the proper the puzzle is going to be to front end. What's more, large gage lender Countrywide, forms have been collected, largest thing to overcome." the puzzle is going to be the

 By Kelly Martin PPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE

More senior citizens crossing over the digital divide



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The blue color of the home of Daria Rowert on Medella Circle in Rancho Murieta has caused some controversy. Though the paint color was approved and is within the development's Covenants, Codes and Restrictions, some neighbors none are upset because all the other homes are either beige or gray.

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Sometimes there are some bumps along the road to neighborhood orderliness

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Whatever you do,

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By Will Evans SACRAMENTO BEE

ovenants, conditions and restrictions — oh, my! Drag in the garbage cans and yank those weeds quick, because Ray Brown's coming around the correr with more than 100 pages of CC&Rs. Driving through Rancho Murieu, an upscale housing development in Sacramento, Calif., Brown has bis eye out the visually hire lawyers to draft the original CC&Rs, which can stick long past the builders' departure. They can be amended, but often only with a two-thirds vote. Where there are rules, there are resisters. But the disputes also unveil an institution that is widely supported.

for violations of the community's appear ance standards. No clotheslines, no messy lawns, no chip-

ping paint, no visible trash containers, no excessive noise, no cars in the driveway without a permit — you name it, there's a covenant, condition or restriction that regulates it.

Brown points out a house with old paint and knee-high weeds, surrounded by stately residences. "We fined 'em a couple dimes," he says.

That is, a couple of hundred dollars. CC&Rs are not peculiar to Rancho Murieta. Enforceable in court, they're the basis for every homeowners association that oversees a housing development and are sometimes included in standard tract housing as well

In recent years, many cities have encouraged the creation of private community asso-ciations that pay for themselves dirough says Sharon Johnson, who heads the vertices instead of using fax rev-ommunity Associations Institute's explaining her color choice. "We have blue enues making CC&Rs more important to Northern California chapter, "(They) want to everyday life than ever before.

structural change to a home - from a coat - restrict housing for non-whites. Some archaof pulnt to an addition — be approved by the association. Developers usually hire lawyers to draft the original CC&Rs, which can stick long past the builders' departure. They can be amended, hut often only with a two-thirds lawsociations fine violators; some just send lawsociations; some ju

letters. Sometimes aesthetic rules have unintend-ed consequences. They can hinder the use of solar power because after special require-

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sour power because after special require-ments to submit a design plan, solar panel installation costs 5 percent to 10 percent more in CC&R-dominated Sacramento com-plexes, says Edmond Murray, treasurer of the California Solar Energy Industries Association Association, Brown, making his way around Rancho Murieta South, is not a die-hard code

enforcer, but rather a long-retired firefighter looking to keep active. "Now I'll show you the blue house." he says. "That's the biggest

thing going on." The community's architectural review committee had approved a blue coat, but when the painting was partly completed on June 10, Daria Rowert got a call that work would have to stop. With neighbors irate at the non-conformity, the committee paid for a toned-down shade.

But to some in the community, that wasn't enough. They see a blue house and they want "Ninety-nine percent of your people who live in homeowners associations live in them

come home to a clean neighborhood, not clothes."

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But CC&Rs aren't new. Sam Perroti of the California Department of Real Estate State agents and complicated, they were separated into a clean neighbor, worry about people next door putting and complicated, they were separated into a clean neighbor, shouldn't have to worry about people next door putting and complicated, they were separated into a clean neighbor, shouldn't have to bear it or see it. Depending on the development, CC&Rs out, the set of the set of set of set. The general rule is: Whatever you do, the neighbors shouldn't have to bear it or see it. Depending on the development, CC&Rs out, they set of set. Even many CC&R-fighters agree with they set of set. Even many CC&R-fighters agree with the califorms agree problems or offensive activities." Offen they require that every

HOME & GARDEN

Parental Guide #27

A new look at old myths about mobile homes

By Jim Buchta MINNEAPOLIS-ST. PAUL STAR TRIBUNE

Mobile homes now account for nearly 30 per-cent of all home sales nutionwide and a growing number of buyers are middle-income people looking for a more affordable housing alterna-

tive. Yet the negative stereotypes of trailer parks and the people who live in them persist. Justifiable or not? University of Minnesota geography Professor John Fraser Hart, and co-authors Michelle Rhodes and John Morgan delved into mobile home life to find an answer. home life to find an answer.

"The Unknown World of the Mobile Home," recently published by Johns Hopkins Press, hopes to dispel some myths and shed some light nobes to dispersion in this and site softworking in on America's most stigmatized type of housing. The book chronicles the short history of the mobile home starting in the Depression era, when mobile homes were cramped (iny camper trailers — temporary housing of last resort. Since then, the ramshackle, pull-behind rail-ers have evolved dramatically, giving way to flat-roof singlewide trailers, and later to delaxe doublewide models with extras such as sunken living rooms and pitched roofs. Most aren't real-ly mobile. More than 90 percent arc never moved once they're anchored. Trailer park life has changed, too,

Aging buby boomers seek affordable second homes and mobile communities are popping up in Sun Belt states and rural areas — places where it's easy to see how trailer parks have

changed. Nowadays, many are upscale communities just off the golf course, with swimming pools, clubhouses and social directors. Some of the

ritziest are in well-to-do retirement areas in the South. Many of these changes were driven by chang-

ing demographics and stricter building codes enacted by the Department of Housing and Urban Development in the 1970s. Hart — who has never lived in a mobile home — and associates found that despite the prolifer-

ation of mobile homes, perceptions about mobile home life are inaccurate

Q&A with John Frasler Hart. author of "The Unknown World of the Mobile Home."

Q: Is the negative reputation about classism or ignorance? A: Probably a little bit of both, but we must

also blume the news media, which delight in portraying mobile home parks as hotbeds of vio-lence and sex. If it happens in a mobile home, then it's identified as such, but if it happens in a conventional house, nobody says anything about

where it happened. Ninety percent of Americans have never set foot inside a mobile home, and unfortunately they accept the isolated examples publicized in

the media as representative. It's a bit far-fetched, but I detect a similarity

It is a bit far-techned, but i detect a similarity between mobile home parks, gambling casinos and houses of ill repute, "Nice" people do not go into such places, but they are pruriently curious about what goes on inside them. Q: In your book, you say that mobile home manufacturers used to joke that their cus-tomers were either "newlywed or nearly dead." Are more middle-class people buying manufactured houses? manufactured houses?

A: The escalating cost of conventional stick-built houses is forcing more people to accept mobile homes as the only affordable alternative. Mobile homes are also attractive and affordable record homes in an investment even which four Bub second homes in retirement areas in the Sun Belt

and elsewhere. People of all ages are buying mobile homes, which have become a socially acceptable form of affordable housing, especially in rural areas in the West and South, perhaps a bit less so in the Midware

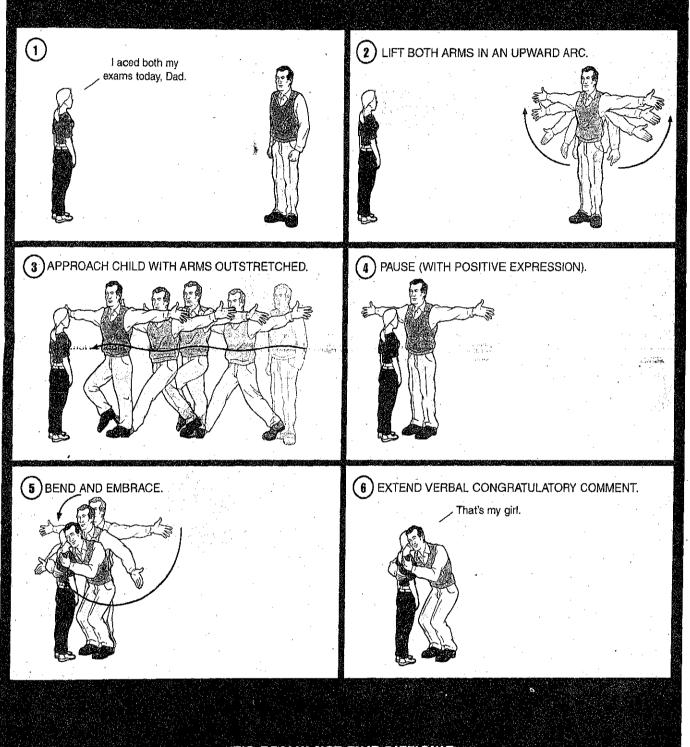
Q: Is the term ("mobile home") appropri-

A: In fact, about 93 percent are only moved once_to their original site. Many do remain as houses and are immobilized; often you find brick foundations and brick carports. Calling them trailers is not appropriate either because they're not towed by automobiles.

Many components of a modern, site-built house are built in a factory, too. Mobile is incorrect, but manufactured is too confusing,

"THE SUPPORTIVE HUG"

(Please see diagram below.)



IT'S REALLY NOT THAT DIFFICULT.

Want your kid to graduate high school? A little encouragement can mean more to your kids than you could ever imagine.

Dick Schmidt/ The Sacramento B

Bold homeowners showing their colors

By David Barton SACRAMENTO BEE Rachel Edelson's voice grows vaguely con-spiraterial as she confides to a stranger. "I think a lot of people secretly want to do it," she says. "But they don't dare. I wanted to for years, but my daughter said 'You're never "But de was wrme" "But de was wrme"

"I think a lot of people secretly want to do it," she says. "But they don't dare. I wanted to for years, but my daughter said 'You're never going to do it." "But she was wrong." And once Edelson idi it, she found great satisfaction."It's incredibly exciting to express yourrself all the way," she says. "To come out the color closet." Edelson took her bold move _ painting her weighborhood in Sacramento, Calif., an intense super-saturated purplisb blue she calls



Two homes, each exhibiting strong non-traditional house colors, stand as neighbors in a Sacramento, Calif., neighbor









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FOOD

Trailer Park Cookin' Recipes

Dr Pepper Salad

2 cans Dr Pepper 1 large package chorry Jell-D

- 1/2 cup maraschino cherries
- 1 small package cream choese

Heat one can of Dr Pepper in a skillet or a nerowave (in a microwave-proof cup of bowl) — or heat with a hair dryer if you an't go nothing else. Heat it up nice and hol. Add the Jell-O and stir until it's dissolved.

Put the cream cheese in another bowl and nicrowave it for one minute or until it's soft. Add the cherries and stir together, or use a

blender to make it fluffier. Pour this mixture over the Dr Pepper mixture and blend some more until the cream cheese has completely dissolved. It ain't good if you

can still see the cream cheese. Then you add the other can of cold Dr Pepper and mix it all up real good. It looks like mess because it's real watery. Pour it into a beautiful mold or into several individual dishes, or just leave it in the bowl and eat it out of there after you refrigerate it. Refrigerate for four hours, then top with whipped cream if you want, or leave it as is

Either way, it's wonderful. It makes three layers and is real pretty. Why is a mystery we been debating on in the trailer park for years,

Taco-Roni Salad 2 cups incooked macaroal 1 pound hamburger meat 1 package laco seasonin' mix 1/2 cup French dressin' 1/2 head leituce, shredded 1 plnt cherry tomatoes, halved

1 cup government chaese, shredded

1/2 cup green onions, chopped

Cook the macaroni accordin' to the package. When done, drain and rinse with cold water, After a second drainin', put it in the fridge so it can chill for an hour.

can cliul for an hour. Durin' this time, go ahead and cook dhe hum-burger meat. Cramble the meat' in the skillet and liten drain off the drippins. Add the acco seasonin' and French dressin'. Mix well. After the hour his passed, take the macaroni out of the fridge and add it to the meat mixture. Put the meat and macaroni mixture in a large bout 4 add the completin' isonitant.

bowl. Add the remainin' ingrédients. Toss well. Serve saind immediately. Serves 5.

Oille's Award-Winning Corn Bread *

2 cups buttermilk

2 cups cornmeal egg.

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Mix well and put in a skillet or 9-inch pan that has been heated with oil in it. Bake at 375 to 400 degrees for about 20 min-ules or until nicely brown Makes 1 skillet 191

Peanut Butter Muffins 1/2 cup brown sugar, packed

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1-1/4 cups milk Blend sugar and morgarine. Add peanut butter and mix until creamy. Add eggs and beat until smooth.

Sift flours, bakin, powder and salt together, and add alternately with the milk. Begin and end with the flour. Mix well.

Bake in greased muffin tins at 400 degrees for 12 to 15 minutes Makes 18 large muffins:

Source: "Down Home Trailer Park Cookbook" by Huby Ann Bozcar



Ruby Ann Boxcar, author of cookbook Ruby Ann's Down Home Trailer Park cookbook, shows off Taco-Roni Salad.

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Serving up the secrets of trailer-park cuisine

Story By Rebecca Jones # Photos By Ellen Jaskol # Scripps Howard News Service

I's a long road from the High Chaparral Trailer Park in Pangburn, Ark., to Denver to New York City and her network television debut. But those who've traveled it with Ruby Ann Boxear -- beautieran, with But -- baba -- beautieran, with But -- baba -- beautieran, with But -- baba -- beautieran, beautieran, beautieran, with -- baba -- beautieran, with -- baba -- beautieran, with -- baba -- beautieran, beautieran, beautieran, with -- baba -- beautieran, beautiera

eatin every step of the way. When Ruby Ann self-published her "Down Home Trailer Park Cookbook" in 2000, the doubters were legion. Nobody was much inter-ested in a cookbook and trailer-park fell-all with contrast mode an "Billy Bare Course Model Borther

encount a closs show and have pairs terms who recipes such as "Billy Ray Cyrus Masheel Potato Cake" and "Span in the Hole Rolls" that call for both Span and "government cheese." But, oh, how the worm has turned. Suddenly, the chichi Martia Stewarts of the world are

watching their fancy lifestyles evaporate along with their stock portfolios. Ruby Ann, on the other hand, saw her cook-book picked up by Kensington Books, where it's in its second printing. Her holiday cookbook came out last year, and she has a contract for two more hooks in 2003. And last summer the beehived, blue eye-shad-

owed Ruby Ann appeared on "Fox & Friends," a nationally syndicated talk slow on the Fox Network, and she's traveled around the country promoting her book as well as the trailer-park lifestyle.

"Why, I'm not makin' fun of people who live in trailer parks, because I live in a trailer park," Ruby Ann says. "I'm just sharin' our secrets, finally, Why would somebody do that? This is why: Because of the food and the love we share for each other." The recipes, collected through long years of

church suppers, school carnivals and trailer-

clutter suppers, sended canivas and rainas and raine park source, epitomize confirent food, "Count calories? Absolutely not?" Ruby Ann says, "We ity to do as little mathematics as possible, If you're lookin' for a low-fat, low-ealorie dict, you're got the wrong cookbook. This stuff tastes good." Denver comedian Robert Brown, 40, Ruby

Ann's "musical director" and longtime associate — who, curiously, has never been seen in Ruby Ann's presence — has quite a bit in common with the boisterous cookbook maven. Both are ample people with equally abundant self-deprecating wit.

Ruby Ann's success has left Brown stunned. "I knew that, with her character, and with her charm and personality, she'd be successful," he says, "but I didn't realize it would be like this..."

says, "but I didn't realize it would be that of the Ruby Ann expresses no surprise at how folks have taken to her cookbook and her tales of life

"I knew once they saw how good the food was, what a charge it was from tother cook-books, they'd be jumpin' on it like gold! People nowadays ain't got time to be fixin' extravagant meals. These — they're simple, They're got simple ingredients, Everybody knows what Dr Danper and Scom is " Pepper and Spam is."



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'Dude' food: A man's guide to things culinary

By Jeremy Cox SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE

Dude, check it out.

Ladies' Coq au Vin." It sounds French, which is a total plus, and it's something that even, well, a guy can make

"Impressin the Ladies" Coy Au Vin 3 labiespons butter 1 carrol, pieced and oligad

Absolutely not



You know how when you got a lady coming over, and she's all like, "Ooh, what are you gonna cook for me?" and, you know, you're playing it cool, so you're like, "It's a surprise, baby," but on the inside, you're going, "Dude, weak."

it's all good, I got you covered, man. First, let me say that I know my way around the kitchen the way I know my way around Myanmar. Kind of tropical. I think there's some monkeys. Anyway, point is, dude: Even a little culmary knowledge can so a lot

knowledge can go a long way. "Isn't a 'culinary' something Katie Couric had a doctor do to her on national television that one time?' you ask. Hang in with me here, dude.

OK, you got the lady coming over. Easy. I've got the recipe that will make you look like Jimmy Fallon in her eyes, even if you more closely resemble Horatio Sanz. Don't get the reference? Jecz, dude, you're killing me here. Try a dish I call "Impressin' the

Photo Illustration by Cameron Gillie / Scripps Hor

An you're carrots, onions and spices into a skillet and cooking it for a few min-utes. Then, you pour in some red wine, tomato paste and a bouillon cube (read: meat of the future). Fry up some flour-slathered chicken and put that in with the set of the stuff and you're done.

All you're doing is throwing some

rest of the stuff and you're done. While this is a great meal for special occasions, you've still got to worry about what to cook when it's just you. And, lately, I've become an expert in this cate-gory (dude, I don't get it, either). You're going to need the staples — stuff like onions, chicken, polatoes, and,

ves, macaroni and cheese. Sure, it's a cliche But, mar, slir up some while cheddar-flavored mac n' cheese with some cooked spinach, and you've got yourself some real gourmet going on

The key to any successful meal is min-imizing the number of dishes that get dirty and maximizing the time you could be spending watching SportsCenter.

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