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Summertime fun

Novi Teen Center counselor Jamie Schramm, left, tosses a camper last Thursday afternoon in the waters of Walled Lake during the center's last day activities at Lakeshore Park.,

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Detectors save lives

Recent fatal fires in South Lyon and Pontiac that claimed the lives of nine people, including seven children, have spurred fire fighters here to rekindle efforts to make sure every home in Novi is equipped with a smoke detec-

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■ Negotiations continue Aug. 13

By Ramez Khuri

By this time every year, teachers in the Novi Community School District usually don't have to worry about their contracts.

This year, however, is different. Because of the financial pickle that the state is in right now and the threat of educational funding being any the Mani Community. being cut, the Novi Community School District, along with many other school districts in Michigan, does not have teacher contracts in place yet.

According to Bob Schram, the Novi Community School District executive director of human

resources, having no contracts yet in Novi is unusual, but not unex-

Teachers don't have contracts yet

pected.
"It is unusual in Novi that the teachers don't have a contract yet, at least in recent history for the last 15 to 20 years," he said. "We usually have contracts set prior to the start of the school year. There are a number of school districts

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There are a number of school districtsthat are like us, still negotiating. We need to know what our revenue is."

Bob Schram

executive director of human resource

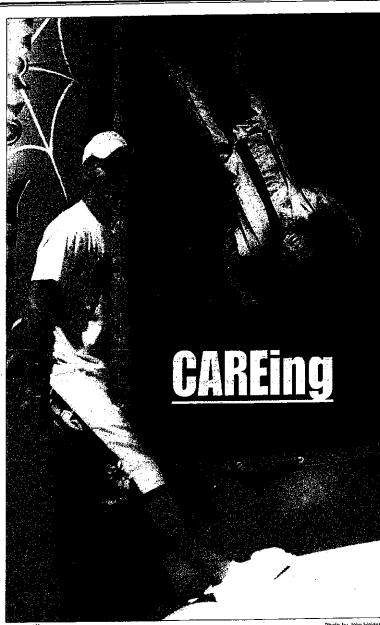


Photo by John Heider

John Murray helps Novi Care Center attendee Kacey Sheldon, 8, to enjoy an up-side down experience during last Wednesday afternoon's carnival at Parkview Elementary School. Sheldon was wearing a hook and loop suit that allowed her to be stuck to the wall behind her.

Circus-themed carnival a hit

By Ramez Khuri

For over 15 years now the Summer CARE Program has been providing a fun and safe place for Novi kids who are too young for the Novi Youth Assistance Teen Center are too young tot me root rount Assistance teen Center to enjoy themselves during those long dog days of sum-mer. This year was no exception. The annual carrival, which had a circus theme this time around, was held last Wednesday, complete with a Moonwalk, a water balloon, game, clowns and the whole nine yards

CARE stands for Children's Activities in a Responsible Environment. It is a program that actually operates all year round, before and after school and from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday during the summer.

"We're basically taking our after-school program and the program of the program of the program."

putting it into an all-day summer camp-type program; Summer CARE Program Coordinator Christy Harris said. We have first graders through eighth graders and each grade has a different leader or teacher in charge of them.

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Mayor fights crime, personally

By Phil Foley

Politicians talk about crime, they campaign on crime, they even set budgets to fight crime, but they rarely confront crime up close and

Novi's outgoing mayor, Richard Clark, did just that July 28 as he tried unsuccessfully to stop a purse-snatcher at Bed Bath and Beyond in

the West Oaks Shopping Center.
Chief Doug Shaefer said information provided by the Mayor and his
wife led to the arrest of Kirk Allen.
Baker Jr., 18, of Ortinville, and Novi resident Rebecca Lynn Babcock, 20

The pair were initially charged with bery. unarmed rob

Mayor's ken out several times on getting personally involved in public safety,"

noted the chief Clark said he and his wife were in a check-out line about 5 p.m. when he heard a woman cry out, "Give me back my wallet, Give me back my wallet."

The mayor said he saw a young man with short brown hair running from the store. Clark said he tried to ackle the man, but the man struck him in the chest with his fist, knock-ing him down. "I'm all right," said Clark. "I guess I'm just not as fast as I thought I was."

According to Novi Police Detective Sgt. David Molloy, the victim, a 27-year-old woman, is "very scared." The woman told investigators she was shopping when the man snatched her Gucci wallet from her left hand and ran from the store.

"As soon as I heard the woman calling for help, all I could think of is what if it was my wife or daugh-ter," said Clark, "At the time I didn't think of getting hurt. I just tried to do the right thing." However, the much younger thief

was in much better shape. "He could do the 100-yard dash in record time," said Clark, noting the man and his apparent accomplice were 20 cars out in the parking lot before

Clark and his wife were able to provide investigators with a composite of the thief and a partial license for an older red Saturn.

Although the Saturn eluded

police on their way to the crime, investigators spotted it days later while on their way to interview a

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Colonial world comes to life this weekend at Kensington Metro Park

By Phil Foley

For a few days this weekend, the shrill tones of the fife and the crack of Brown Bess muskets will echo off the shores of Kensington Metro Park in Milford as the

King's 8th Regiment, marches out of the pages of history for Colonial Kensington Aug. 9-10. "They were the longest serving regiment in North America,"

noted group founder Dan O'Connell. Before coming to North America in 1768, the regiment served as a customs patrol on England's west coast. Here-said the Novi resident, "they were basically the police force" and were stationed in what is now Detroit from 1774-85.

"It must have been a wonderful experience," said O'Connell, who today portrays a typical British officer of the period.

When O'Connell and his group When O'Connell and his group unfurl the Union Jack at Kensington Metro Park, they'll be joined by nearly 500 Colonial reenactors from as far away as New York, Ohio and Wisconsin covering the entire Great Lakes Colonial Period from 1700 to 1796, when the last British troops left to activities and the colonial Period from Malden, in left to establish Fort Malden, in

Amherstburg, Ontario



The King's 8th Regiment will bring the 18th century back to life at Kensington Metro end of Martindale Beach is transformed into Colonial Kensignton.



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Mayor

fights

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pair of suspects at the Chateau Trailer Park. The plate on the Saturn was one character off from the number Mayor Clark had provided officers — the let-

ter "B" instead of the number

Babcock who sent them to a mar

in Kalkaska, who led them to

Baker was taken into custody

Aug. 3 at his home and Babcock

was arrested the same day in

The victim told investigators

her wallet was worth \$300 and contained \$400 and a credit card,

which she canceled before police

arrived at the store.

Store managers had a video

tape of the incident, but it only

showed the back of the suspects

Clark said he thought at first that the woman was with the vic-

tim, but then she followed the

man out of the store and dove into

he red Saturn as it sped away.

Clark downplayed his actions.

saying his wife would have chased after the thieves too, but

she recently had back surgery. "I guess the mayor needs to bulk

up," he laughed.
Faced with the same situation

again, the mayor said there was one thing he'd do differently. "I should have tripped him." he

The car led investigators to

King's 8th Regimen

schedule

August 9/10

Colonial Kensington

Milford

August 31

Cady Meeting

September 20/21

Fort Michilimackinac

Mackinaw City

Sentember 28

Cady Meeting

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POLICE REPORT

Not a happy birthday

The manager at TGIFridays on Cresent Street told Officer Michael Marchetti July 31 that a family of five left the restaurant without pa ing a \$130 bill. The manager told vestigators the mother became upset when she discovered the staurant staff no loover sines "Happy Birthday" or hands out bal-loons for hirthday parties.

Close door before driving

Officer Michael Marchetti charged a 21-year-old woman with operating under the influence of liquor following a traffic stop near Novi Road and Old Novi Road at 1:22 a.m. July 31. He said he stopped the woman's car after he noticed it headed north on Novi Road with its passenger side rear door open. After failing a field subriety test, the woman reportedly regis tered a blood alcohol content of .19 She was later released after posting

Hole in one?

A 58-year-old Novi man told Officer Craig Chismar July 31 that someone stole a golf bag and clubs from his 1997. Ford: F150 truck while it was parked at his Eaton Streethome. The man put his loss at \$1,500.

A 21-year-old Novi man told Officer Scott Bacteris July 30 that he surprised a thief outside his Cidennill Street home just before 1 a.m. The man said he saw the thiel get out of his 1997 Pontiac Grand Prix and he chased him through sev-eral yards before losing him. He said the thief got away with a conputer router worth \$150.

OUIL arrest

Officer Brian Tillman charged a 26-year-old woman with operating under the influence of liquor follow-ing a traffic stop on I-96 near Novi Road at 1:01 a.m. July 30.

Gate busted

A security guard at Pavillion Court Apartments on Haggerty Road reported July 30 that someon drove through the clabbouse gate about 1:35 a.m.

But the plate was good

Officers Timothy Farrell and Thomas Orlowski charged a 23 ear-old man with operating unde lowing a traffic stop on Market Street near Main Street at 2:22 a.m. Officers said the stopped the 2003 Honda because it was driving with no lights. According to reports, after failing a field sobreity test, the man registered a .11 blood alcohol con tent. Officers seized the man's license plate when it came back reg istered to a 2002 Ford Explorer, but later returned it was they discovered the Secretary of State's Office had been behind in updating its files.

Car vandalized

A 22-year-old Novi man told Officer Steven Balog July 28 that someone smashed out the rear window of his Pontiac Grand Am while it was purked at his Willow Street home. The man estimated damage

A 43-year-old Novi woman told officer James Brandon that her 2001 Mercury Villager was burglarized at her Warwick Street home. She said

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thieves made off with a baseball cap, a bottle of Vicadin and the paperwork to her van.

Coke goes better with things

A 40-year-old Novi man told Officer Michael Prough that someone stole a two-foot by two-foot Coca Cola cooler from under the the cooler, valued at \$1,000, after dumping the beer and soda it con-tained on the ground.

Lighting leveled

A 47-year-old Novi woman told Officer Thornas Orlowski July 28 that vandals damaged the landscape influence of liquor and violat lighting at her Wimbleton Street the controlled substance act.

One drink too many

Officer Jason Meier charged a 38year-old woman with operating under the influence of liquor following a traffic stop on Novi Road near Mystic Road, Officer Meier report ed the woman registered a blood alcohol content of 111 after failing a field sobriety test.

Blood work Officer Jason Meier stopped a 2002 Ford Escape on 10 Mile near Meadowbrook after it nearly hit a guardrail at 1:47 a.m. July 29. After the driver, a 28-year-old woman, reportedly failed a field sobriety test test, he obtained a warrant from clothing and perfume from a rented. Hospital, According to reports, the

blood drawn at Provide Hospital Charges are pending.

Officer Kevin Rhea stopped a 993 GMC Rally on I-96 west of

Novi Road July 29 at 3:02 a.m. after he watched it hit the rumble strip three times. The driver, a 26-year-old man, told him he had had a few drinks in a Downriver bar on his way home from work. Officer Rhea said the man registered a blood alco-hol content of .148 after failing a field sobriety test. Officer Rhea also reported finding 39.5 grams of marijuana in the man's truck. He was charged with operating under the influence of liquor and violation of

A 42-year-old Novi man said his bievele was stolen from a rack on the north side of the Novi Library July 29. The man said the bicycle

was not locked at the time.

The manager at the Country In-Office Kevin Gilmore July 29 that a 53-year-old man left the hotel with-out paying a \$440,56 bill. Shoplifter bagged

Providence Oaks Mall and charged a 27-year-pending. old man with retail fraud. The merchandise came from several stores in the mall, including Sephora and Banana Republic. The man in cusand police are looking for a black man and a Hispanic woman who

were seen with the suspect. The car had been rented in Maryland.

The owner of Hanny Sushi told with violation of probation for an Officer Kevin Rhea that young boys from nearby Treetop Apartments threw rocks at the back of his restaurant July 29. The 39-year-old man said it's been an on-going problem for more than a week. The man told investigators the rocks did minor damage to his rear door, but he's concerned they might bit a nearby

Restaurant vandalized

Blood work li

Officer Jeffery Brown stopped a Ford Contour on Grand River Avenue near Meadowbrook Road just past midnight Aug. 1. The driver, a 45-year-old man, admitted to having a few beers while golfing & Suites on Haggerty Road told - earlier in the day and having some beer and nachos at a Wixom Road pool hall about three hours before being stopped. According to Officer Brown, the man refused a breathalyzer test after failing a field sobriety test. Officer Brown obtained a war and refused to take a breathalyzer - ers recovered some \$3.316 worth of - and had blood taken at Providence

worth of DVDs and Playstation 2 Judge Brian MacKenzie and had Chrysler 300M outside Twelve man was convicted of operating under the influence of liquor in gear. There is a suspect Monroe in 1999 and of similar

has been refered to the Oakland County Prosecutors Office.

charges in Ohio in 2002. The

Lawn job

night before.

Missed payments

Officer Kevin Gilmore picked up 18-year-old woman at the Romulus Police Department Aug Novi arrest warrant charging her earlier retail fraud conviction.

A 54-year-old Novi man told , Wrong turn Officer Scott Woodley Aug 1 that someone tore up the yard of his

A spokesman for Michigan CAT Rentals told Officer Kevin Gilmore bought a trailer-mounted stump cu ter, worth \$30,740, from the business a year ago, but never made a payment. According to reports, the man's phone has been disconnected

Video games gone

Picara Street home with a car the

A 36-year-old Novi woman told Officer James Brandon that her Montmorency Street home was bur preparing to go on vacatio said thieves took more that \$1,500

Wheelchair shoplifters

Officer David Martino charged 42-year-old man and a 32-year-old, nan with retail found after loss prevention officers at TJ Maxx on Cresent Drive told him the men took \$591.96 worth of coats and colonge from the store without paying for it According to reports, the pair hid the merchadise in the older man's wheelchair. The younger man, Officer Martino noted, has three prior convictions for retail fraud.

Officer Keith Wuotinen stopped a turned off Novi Road at 1:33 a.m. Aug. 10. The driver, a 24-year-old man, told Officer Wuotinen that he. had consumed four beers at the 5t Avenue a half-hour earlier and was going to Denny's Restaurant According to Officer Wuotinen after failing a field sobriety test, the man registered a blood alcohol content of .112. He was charged with operating under the influence of liquor and violation of the controlled substance act after invesigators found 3.3 grums of marijuana in his car.

But my friend's worse

2002 Saab at 2:21 a.m. Aug. 2 after

POLICE REPORT

Car burglarized

was burglarized at his Woolsey Street Home. He said \$1,150 worth f stereo equipment was taken.

Officer Leonard Lowen stopped a

Amherstburg, Ontario. O'Connell said he first become interested in the he watched it driver over the con-Colonial period as a young boy

taking family trips to sites like Fort Niagara in New York, Fort Michilimackinac and the Detroit Historical Museum.

While the King's 8th Regiment was the Detroit

Garrison in its day, today those

who keep its memory alive call

Millrace Village's Cady House in Northville home. At 11 a.m. the last Sunday of every month,

it becomes the Cuckold Tavern

as members of the 8th gather to

"paint or build something."

O'Connell said the Regiment

attracts a "wonderful group of

upheat people." from through-out Metro Detroit, "We consid-

er ourselves historians," he said, He said Regiment "includes all

types of people from students and doctors to lawyers and

They are all attracted to a

largely forgotten period in Great Lakes history. "Today

kids learn the French were here

and then — poof — the Americans came," said

O'Connell, who remembers

when the Canadian flag includ-

While Kensington Metro

Park doesn't seem like much of

a colonial site at first blush, O Connell noted the Huron River was once part of a fur

trading route. He said he has copies of papers for a British expedition that came as far

ed the Union Jack.

8th

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crete divider between the I-96 onramp and northbound Novi Read and then accelerated to 55 mph in a 40 mph zone. The driver, a 26-yearold woman, told Officer Lowen that she'd had two martinis at The Post Lowen the woman registered a blood alcohol content of 16 after failing a field sobreity test and was charged with operating under the influence of liquor. She was later released on a \$100. Officer Lowen

Missing Saturn

A 20-year-old man told Officer James Brandon Aug. 2 that his mother's 2000 Saturn was stolen State Police later found the car after ir had been involved in a single-car

A 32-year-old Novi man told Officer Steven Balog that his car

tion officers at Lord & Taylor told

store without paying for a wallet worth \$158. The woman was

released after posting a \$100 bond.

Officer Kristie Gruenwald

charged a 24-year-old man with vio

act, possession of a firearm in the

commission of a felony, possession of narcotics with intent to deliver and operating under the influence of

and operating under marcolics following a traffic stop on M5 near 13 Mile Road. Officer Gruenwald said that after stopping a 2002 Pathfinder for going 76 mph in a 60 mph zone, the driver admitted

o smoking marijuana at his mother's mouse an hour earlier. Initially should a bag containing

about a gram of manijuana, but a subsequent search at the impound

vard uncovered a 25 caliber Bryco Arms semi-automatic handgun and ix baggies, each containing a gram

six baggies, each containing a gram of manjuana, found hidden in a

Officer Steve Patterson charged a

65-year-old man with operating

ing a traffic stop near Novi and Sandstone roads at 11:31 p.m. Aug.

2. According to Officer Patterson the

tent of .10 after failing a field sobri

cty test. The man was later released

Officer Michael Prough stopped a

2000 GMC Sonoma at 1:05 a.m. Aug. 3 on westbound 10 Mile Road near Brooadmoorpark Road. After

the driver, a 40-year-old Illinois

man, failed a field sobriety test and refused to take a breathalyzer test Officer Prough obtained a warrant

from Judge Brian MacKenzie and had blood drawn at Providence

after posting a \$100 bond.

Blood work III

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ler the influence of liquor follow

seatback.

Drinking bust

Dope and speed

Wallet walks Officer Kristie Gruenwald charged a 19-year-old woman with retail fraud Aug. 2 after loss preven-

Teachers don't have contracts yet

keep working on it," Schram said

od as well as American, French,

British and Native encamp-ments for the Revolutionary

Along with the encampments, there will be a Punch and Judy show, a recruitment demonstra-

tion and a fur trader's exhibit

On the take, crews will put a

30-foot voyageur canoe and a 25-foot English ship's boat

equipped with twin swivel

All that's needed to step back into Michigan's Colonial past this weekend is a Metro Parks

admission. From 10:30 a.m. to

4 p.m. the 18th century will

come alive in a wooded picnic grove at the Martindale Beach off to the north of the beach

area.
For more information about

the Regiment at its activities, visit its. Web site at

reached at (248) 349-1700 ext.

www.kings8th.com.

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guns, through their paces.

War period.

that are like us, still negotiating. We need to know what our revenue is."

Schram explained that the state foundation allowance has two sources of revenue. One of the sources is through the number of students enrolled. "If your student count goes up

you get more money. If it goes down, you get less money. And if it stays the same, the foundation down, you get tess money. The foundation is stays the same, the foundation school year, negotiations will still allowance doesn't change," he said, "We are trying to determine "Our teachers are all fully what our enrollment is going to aware of the circumstances this

be this year, which will help us determine our revenue. I have every expectation that by the start year, so in the unlikely circum-stance that we don't have an agreement by the start of the school year, we will certainly of the school year we will have contracts in place."

A bargaining session is scheduled for Wednesday, Aug. 13 "That's not uncommon. Well, it's

between Schram and four or five teachers and others who represen and go over all the aspects of con tracts. If, however, an agreement

is not reached by the start of the

uncommon in Novi, but it's not uncommon in the state.

Colonial world comes to life this weekend at Kensington

Colonial Kensington

for Lake Michigan.

"Two years ago we tried a moe trek down the river,"

canoe trek down the river," recalled O'Connell. "We did 20

miles in one day and we were absolutely finished. We were

exhausted. I don't know how

they did it."
O'Connell said his group

eame to Kensington four years

ago because events in places like Greenfield Village and Monroe had dried up for a vari-

ety of reasons. "I've got a back-

ground in sales, so I brought a

presentation. And when [Park Superintendent] Richard Shaefer pushed away the plans

within the first three minutes, I

thought 'Oh, boy here it comes.'
But he got up and said, 'Let's
get in the car and see where

Like Brigadoon, Colonial

Kensington has been appearing every August on the shores of

Kensington Lake ever since

This year, said O'Connell, there

univer as what is today's Hudson Mills Metro Park before portaging into the Grand the French and Indian War peri-

we're gonna do this thing.'

Walled Lake update The Walled Lake Consolidated School District Board of Education and Administrators Association ratified a two-year

premiums in the second year of the contract

Superintendent Dr. James Geisler said the administrator's raise, which will probably be approximately 3 percent, is dependent on the average of administrative raises in 10 comparable area districts.

"We believe the Walled Lake I assist the district financially." administrators have stepped up to the plate. They understand the eco-nomic climate, the funding challenges in Lansing and the need to share the increased cost of bene-fits," Geisler said, adding that the

for all non-union employees.

Andy Dale, Walled Lake said, "We believe this is a fair settlement reached during diffi-cult financial times for the district. As administrators, we feel it is the appropriate time to accept insurance changes in order to

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

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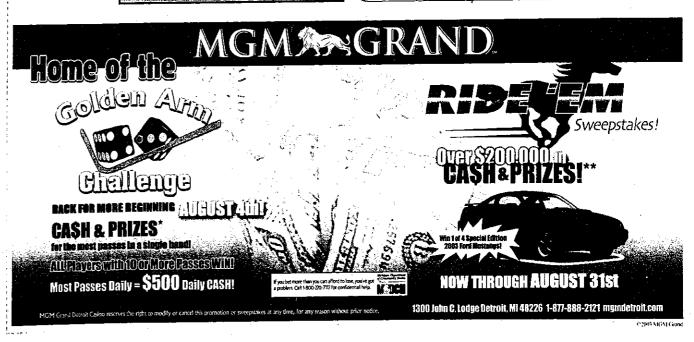
Vehicle vandalized

A 19-year-old Papa Romano' deliveryman said his vehicle was vandalized while he was makeing a pizza delivery at Pavillion Court Apartments on Haggerty Road.

Hospital. Charges are pending.

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CLASS NOTES

Picnic marks program's last day

Novi Youth Assistance Teen Center spends day at Lakeshore Park

By Ramez Khuri

The Novi Youth Assistance Teen Center, which is a program that offered a fun place for kids in the sixth grade and up to hang out and have fun during the summer, held its annual Lakeshore Park picnic last Thursday. Each year the picnic marks the last day of the program and gives kids an opportunity to play games, have fun and eat lots of junk food.

According to Teen Center Coordinator Amy Hartland, a former Novi student who now attends the University of South Carolina, the day is meant to reward the kids for spending the summer in the pro-

"We swim and we have a picnic and basically, we give them an opportunity to play some game which always end up being an egg toss or a water balloon light and prefly much, the counselors are the largets in the end," she said. "It's an outdoor picnic, we cook hamburgers and hot-dogs and we have tons of food for them, At this age they really just like to hang ut. It's kind of like there last bur rah for the summer. We do it every year on the last day."

Hartland said that this was the

Teen Center's most successful year to date with over 230 Novikids who signed up for the pro-

"It was awesome," she said. "Even on the fifth week of Teen Center, we still had kids signing up. When you have that many kids and last year was only roughly 90 to 95, it definitely says that you are doing something right. Hopefully, next year I will be able recruit beyond my recordbreaking number this year. It's

going to be a challenge."

Each year Teen Center

Counselors try to come up with something new for the kids to look forward to. This year the kids were all taken to Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi for a day of supervised shopping without their parents, "A lot of kids went to the mall," Hartland said, "We had over 50 kids go and they seemed

a certain way and who like a certain kind of music," she said. ". innual event during pretty much went in and it was a Muscular Dystrophy Association

and dislikes were

some. Nobody slept and every kid-

was able to get a prize that we received through donations from various people in the community.

We had kids who even came from

schools in the spring time to try to

recruit kids for the Teen Center, she saw a lot of groups and it was a challenge to try to reach every kid in the school. She was trying

to get a feel of what their likes

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"You have kids who are dressed

When Hartland visited the



Novi Teen Center counselor Jamie Schramm, left, tosses a camper last Thursday afternoon in the waters of Walled Lake during the center's last day activities at

the Teen Center is the all night
Lock-In, which took place at Novi
Middle School two weeks ago. It
pressures to be dressed a certain chance on his spring break, he was also a very large success.

way and to be a certain way and - comes in and thinks up some new according to Hardand.

"Out of the four Lock-los 1 whatever reason, all that small of the the most united this year," she in a really matter anymore. The

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Albion College scholarships awarded

The hard work of some local high school students is already paying off - by earning them awards and scholarships that will pay part of their Albion College

Chase D. Chandler has been recognized for superior academic achievement with an Albion College Presidental Scholarship worth \$10,000. This award rec ognizes the fact that Chandler graduated from high school with a grade point average above 3.7 and an ACT score above 27 or an SAT score above 1220. In addi tion Chandler was recognized as a "legacy" student with an Albion Alumni Grant. This \$1,500 grant Attinut Grant. This \$1,500 grant is awarded each year for four years to students with at least one family member who is an Albion College alumnus. This fall, Chandler will be a first-year student at Albion College. He is the son of Carl Chandler and Sally Chandler of Novi and a graduate

of Novi High School.

Lindsay K. Ochab has been recognized for superior academic achievement with an Albion College Presidental Scholarship worth \$10,000 and as a "legacy" student with an Albion Alumni Grant worth \$1,500. This fall, Ochab will be a first-year student at Albion College. She is the daughter of Anthony Ochab and Beverly Ochab of Novi and a ersiduate of Novi High School.

Douglas D. Ray has been rec-ognized for superior academic achievement with an Albion College Webster Scholarship worth \$9,000. In addition Ray was recognized as a "legacy" stu-dent with an Albion Alumni Grant worth \$1,500. This fall, Ray will be a first-year student at Albion College. He is the son of David Ray and Barbara Ray of Novi and a graduate of Novi High School

Charles L. Snearly has been recognized for superior academic achievement with an Albion be the most mitted this year," she said, "What have aby that is they were all friends despine all the cliques and groups in school, they were all friends and groups in school, they were all one and that was o awesome to see. I know how rough it could be with having groups of riends against one another and stiff like that, so this was awesome. Who the better hand said. "When the solution of the redundancy."

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Amanda Munger of Novi received a Bachelor of Music in Music Education from Berklee College of Music during Spring, 2003, commencement exercises. She graduated Sum Cum Laude and is attending NYU for her Masters in Musical Theater and English. Munger is shown with Steven Tyler, lead singer for the rock band Aerosmith, Tyler was one of the guest speakers at grad-

Karen Gulewich Christopher Perkins of Novi, Douglas Fowler of Commerce Township, and Kelli Kaska and Kami Scott of Walled Lake were Spring 2003 commencement exer-



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Werner named new Hickory Woods Elementary principal

Patricia Werner, a 28-year pro-fessional educator, has been named principal of Hickory Woods Elementary School, one of Ha elementary schools in the Walled Lake Consolidated School District. She replaces Audrey 1994 in Walled Lake as a teacher

Long who retired in June.
"Pat's knowledge of building cooperative learning communities, keen understanding of today's best teaching practices and her leadership expertise will benefit the stu-dents, staff and parents of the Hickory Woods Elementary perintendent James Geisler said.

and master's degrees from Michigan State University with consecutive s

University,
Werner began her teaching career in 1975 and was hired in

at Keith Efementary where she was appointed head teacher in 2000. She has participated in the Galileo Leadership program and the Oakland Leadership Academy for Aspiring Principals, both out-standing administrative professional development opportunities. As well, she has been the supervi-sor of the Sunshine Academy, Walled Lake's elementary summer school program, for three



Hole-in-one = \$10,000

Chris Becker, Senior Project Manager for Skanska Construction center, receives a check worth \$10,000 for hitting a hole-in-one during the Novi Education Foundation Golf Outing on June 26. Presenting the check were NEF Treasurer John Shelar and NEF Chairperson Dennis

Circus-like carnival a hit with kids

continued from front

We also have tons of staff mem-

Like the Teen Center, kids who attend CARE during the summer can play areade games that they don't have to pay for, gym games, arts and crafts and music and drama. Individual rooms also do a lot of their own themes, like pajama days or pizza days. The third grade even had a Harry Potter marathon.

"We put on a carnival for the kids here every year," Harris said. "We get moon walks, snow cones and cotton candy and all that stuff. Each room or grade also puts on their own kind of carnival games and gives out prizes or some sort of ewards in order to encourage the kids to have a good time. This year our theme for the whole summer program was books, but our theme for the carnival was the circus, so a lot of our games were circus-orient-ed and that's why we had the

This year's camival lasted a little longer than last year's because some of the kids didn't get an opportunity to participate in every-thing last year. "We wanted to make sure everybody had a chance this year to do everything," Harris said. "They had water balloon tosses and a donut eating contest and we had a karacke machine out there and they did a little golf ball drop game, too."

According to Harris, the carnival

usually takes place towards the end of the summer program. It's some-thing that is done every year that the kids enjoy. "We hear so many good things from the parents when the kids go home and say how much fun they had," Harris said, "It went from a once in a while activi-ty to an annual event in Summer CARE."

The Summer CARE program, which is eight weeks long, started on June 18 and the last day is Aug. 15 this year. It would go all the wa up to the beginning of the school year, but teachers need to get back into their classrooms ahead of time. The program is held at a different elementary school each year as well. This year it was at Parkview. "That way the custodians aren't.

all velling at us for being in the all yelling at us for being in the same buildings every year. Harris said. "It's nice for all the kids who have siblings in the program. They get to be together, and for the staff it's a chance for them to all work with different people than they nor-mally would during the regular school year. school year.

Harris was happy with the program's turnout this year. "It was very successful for us," she said. "We had over 300 kids registered, and we usually go on at least one major field trip a week. Usually it's one that's a little further away and there is one that's local. We proba-bly average around 200 kids on each of the field trips that we go

Science Museum in Toledo, the Detroit Zoo and they took three separate trips to the Waterford Oaks Water Park, which is the big hit for the year. They have gone to the Novi Ice Arena as well.

So far the kids have

Novi fee Arena as well.
"We try to do something every
week that the kids can look forward
to besides the activities here at the
school," Harris said. "This has been
a very successful year and everybody seems to be having a great
time."

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Fatal fires spark interest in smoke detectors



Allister and other Novi Fire Department personnel will be installing fire detectors in select homes in the coming months to give their residents added safety

from home fires. The detectors were acquired through a

ment at (248) 349-2162.
"We encourage people to be careful," said Lenaghan. He said that along with at least one smoke detector on every floor of their home, every Novi fami-Recent fatal fires in South Lyon and Pontiac that claimed the lives of nine people, including seven children, have spurred fire fighters here to rekindle ly should have an escape plan. "We recommend that everyone in the family meet by the mail-box, everybody's got one, to efforts to make sure every home in Novi is equipped with a box, everybody's got one, to make sure everyone has gotten

we re early passing smoke detectors as a life-saving tool,"

be said, stressing every home out of the house." he said.

Novi, said Lenaghan, was one of the first communities in Southeast Michigan to require home builders to install head. smoke detector. According to Novi Fire Chief

Art Lenaghan, the common ele-ment in the blaze that claimed the life of 26-year-old Guillermina Carrasco and her five children in Pontiac July 30 and the one that took the life of a South Lyon resident Saul wired smoke detectors in all new residences. He said the ordinance was already in place when he joined the department.
Still, Lenaghan said fire
fighters are concerned there
might be the odd home here and
detostress there is no reason
detostress there is no reason Jaime-Perez, 36, and two of his children July 9 is that neither home was equipped with a smoke detector. Novi, said Chief Lenaghan, fighters are concerned there might be the odd home here and there in the city that isn't equipped with smoke detectors.

Two years ago the city we'll away a smoke detector.

We'll away a smoke detector.

hasn't had a fatal house fire in nearly a quarter century, and even then it involved an abandoned home. He said the last fatal fire of any kind in the city involved "a tanker driver 12 to 14 years go." He noted that since he joined

the fire department 25 years ago, the city's population has more than doubled, but the incident rate for fires has been cut

He attributed that to the department's aggressive work on fire prevention. Every business is evaluated by a city fire tions. Chief Lenaghan said Novi residents who would like a

as Tom Cruise's 1990 racing movie, Schaefer said that Lottery officials

researched that and "it's not a prob-

The promotion comes as wel

comed news to workers at the

Wixom assembley plant, Plagued by flagging sales, like all but a few retro-

the two-seat sports car would end in 2005 or 2006. Peters said Lottery officials looked

to the Thunderbird for "something

Depot to provide up to 200 smoke detectors to homeowners who can't afford them. Last **Fire Facts**

year some 20 Novi residents asked for the free smoke detec-tors, but only one person has so far this year, said Chief

"We're really pushing smoke

in their home and can't afford

one, the Novi Fire Department has free ones available." Chief Lenaghan said his department

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Nearly half of the residential fires and three-fifths of residential fatalities occur in homes with no smoke alarms.

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Shaefer said Lottery officials

believe the month-long promotion will merease lottery sales by 5 to 6

on-line marketing manager.

Friday on the Thunderbird line at Ford's sprawling Wixoni Assembly Plant as state Lottery Commission Gary Peters and Ford's Thunderbird Marketing (Manager Paul Russell percent, Irove a shiny red T-bad off the line to kick off the Lottery's latest promo-

reters told Ford workers that last even alone the Lottery generated News in late April that production of Sol.3 million for Michigan's public the two-seat sports car would end in schools and since its incompany to schools and since its inception in 1973 it's raised \$11 billion for educaone Thunderbird conventible a week between now and the end of the month. The first drawing will be held Aug. 13 and the last Sept. 10. To be month. The first drawing will be held to education, said Lottery officials, Aug. 13 and the last Sept. 10. To be elegible for a drawing, lotto players must purchase a Win Fall game ticker et worth \$3 or more between Aug. 4 was also will be a word to a weak to make the said and the last Sept. 10 and the last

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to give away a Thunderbird a week during the month of August. Lotto promotion rolls off line

ers.

He said he's hoping the Days of
Thunder promotion will increase

Well. for one thing, state
Lottery officials have already paid
25 percent federal withholding

driving a Thunderbird. What could be better than putting them Detroit area dealer Hoot together?" said Russell. McInemey.

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Root canal no longer dreaded procedure it once was

Novi endodontist offers some of field's latest technology

By Pam Fleming STAFF WRITER

Just hearing the words "root canal" conjures images of pain and disconfort to most people. But according to Bob Rybicki, D.D.S., of Novi Endodontics, this common dental procedure is not

like it used to be.
With fairly recent advances it dental technology, having a root canal is no longer something to be

"People who are most fearful about root canals are the ones who have not had one before," Rybicki said. "With recent improvements in the root canal process, there's no reason it should be a painful process. Actually, it alleviates a lot of

pain."
Rybicki, who opened his prac-tice on Novi Road office between Eight Mile and Nine Mile roads

dental degrees from the University of Michigan. He worked as a general dentist for five years in Livonia before receiving special training in endodontics for two years at

er," he said.

Storing dental x-rays on a computer has its advantages because the patient. It's also more environ-Northwestern University in er," he said.

Chicago. Storing dental x-rays on a com-

the images can be enlarged for a better view. And, since no film is used,

mentally friendly since no chemi cals are needed."

Similar to a digital camera, the technique is called digital radiog-

there's no need for that neary read apron on the patient prior to taking the x-rays.

"Sensors are used to take the images on a larger scale, dentists can now easily see what needs to be done." Rybicki said.

is prepared. "We now use super flexible nickel titanium instruit's done with specialized equip-ment," he said.

not widely used," he noted. Rybicki also plans to purchase an oroscope, which is basically a camera attached to a microscope, in the near future to use in his

work. Using this technology, he can work off of a monitor and

device by the end of the year.
"Then I'll be able to take on cases I wasn't able to do before," he said, "They've perfected this tech-

can see the roof of the total finder better this way."

Rybicki said the biggest

improvement in the root canal

cement instead of silver to replace a diseased root in a tooth. "Silver doesn't fit the spaces inside the tooth and has a tendency to cor-

Although the technology is about 10 to 15 years old, Rybicki said that the imaging techniques have recently been perfected. "The technology is available but before being placed into the root

Root canals have to be redon they used to be. "The rubber/cement mixture is more easily removed than the silver too," he noted.

blatin an up-close look at the area. He will be one of the first endodentists in the area to feature surprised walking out the door." this in his office and noted that only a few companies make the device. His goal is to have the new Rybicki said, "They can go back to work the same day, It's not like having your wisdom teetl removed."

Rybicki said he likes practicing

nology in the last year also. You the main reason I'm glad to be here is that the general dentists team effort between myself and process is how the root of a tooth other dentists. They have to do a ments to clean out the root. This on an existing crown. Both proce used to be done by hand, but now dures have to be done properly fo

Another huge improvement in Another huge improvement in latest in root canal technology, the root canal process is the use of call Novi Endodontics at (248) 735-8700.

Pam Fleming is a staff writer for the Novi News. She can be rode, Rybicki said.

Actually, the coment is mixed with gutta percha, a material pfleming@ht.homecomm.net reached at (248) 349-1700, ext.

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phy that's available at his Novi office. The x-ray photos of patients' teeth use no film

Chicago.
"My father had a good friend who's an endodontist in Dearborn. He kind of planted the idea of becoming a specialist in

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He runs his office as "paper-less" as possible, with patients' charts and x-rays stored on computer. "I can put everything but

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children's hospital charity through Sunday.

About 30 families made donations to the Children's Miracle Network at the event. More than 100 children enjoyed a free intro-duction to artistic and rhythmic

The club also participated in a Cartridges for Kids Program in which seven cellular phones and 33 printer cartridges were collected and donated to the Children's Miraele Network, which receives money for recycling the items, tions for it.

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donation to the Children's Miracle Network through the Sports Club of Novi, call (248) 735-8850.

Restaurant sports new team

The locally-owned restaurant

chain bd's mongolian barbeque, which has a location on Market Street in the Main Street Novi projreorganization of the executive management team. Carl Howard was appointed chief 8 at Beacon Hill Golf Club 6011

chief marketing officer, And Todd Township.
Pahl is chief financial officer. The put

"It's time that we, as a company, show the world the power of the Mongolians," said Billy Downs, holes of golf with cart, a continental founder and president.

Howard brings 21 years of restau-rant experience to the company. Branigan has 18 years of experience in brand development, strategic marketing management and media relations. Pahl spent II years overwill also have a chance to win the
seeing the financial operations and
providing franchising growth guidof Dick Morris Chevrolet. ance to bd's.

ance to do s.

Headquartered in Ferndale, bd's Zick or Jo Alley at the Chamber mongolian barbecue is a privately-owned restaurant chain with 23 locations in nine states. The chain has won numerous awards from newspapers, magazines and associa-tions for its create-your-own stir-fry

Most recently, bd's was recog-Companies to Work For from the Michigan Business & Professional

Chamber golf outing set

The Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce in Walled Lake will present its 12th Annual Fall Four-Person Scramble Golf Outing Sept.

The public is invited to attend.

A shotgun start is planned for 9 m. The \$85 entry fee includes 18 breakfast, lunch at the turn and din-

Awards will include first place for men's, women's and mixed teams, longest drive for men and women and closest to the pin, Participants For more information, call Jim

The Detroit Regional Chamber will present the Small Business Conference, the region's only conference devoted exclusively to helping small businesses seems and the seems of t ing small businesses save money, make money and grow their busi-ness Nov. 13 at the Ford Conference and Event Center in Dearborn.

The Chamber is expecting more than 500 owners, managers and operators to take part in sessions on how to save money when starting or advancing your business, the secrets of success from peers and experts and also be able to leverage relationships at the closing membership

reception.
Attendees at the day-long confer-

ence will hear an inspirational pres-entation by author and "First Lady of Boxing" Jackie Kallen and a panel discussion hosted by StartUp Nation founders Jeff and Richard

The event is from 8:30 to 5 p.m.,

from the event.

Cost is \$35 through Aug. 30,

Mary Davis, former owner of Class Act Travel in Southfield and Farmington Hills, has joined Passageways Carlson Wagonlit Travel as the new branch manager of the Novi regional office.

experience in the industry. She suc-

opportunity to see the Paul W. Show on WJR Radio broadcasting live

which includes the breakfast, lunch and the membership reception. Registration information is available at www.detroitchamber.com/sbc or call 1 (866) MBR-LINE.

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Joining Davis in the move from Class Act Travel is Julie "C. J." Passageways Carlson Wagonlit Hanson, who will serve as a travel Travel's Novi office is located at counselor in the Novi office special-

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Novi Teen Center counselor Amy Hartland, center, lovingly tamps down some sand that's covering her brother Timmy who's been buried up to his neck by fellow Teen Center campers during their summer ending day at Novi's Lakeshore Park.

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

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OPINION

One way or another, meet your mayoral and council candidates

About six years ago, when I was the editor of the Grand Ledge Independent (a weekly newspaper just west of Lansing), we sponsored a debate between the candi-

It was held at the local high school with a former mayor serving as the moderator. I briefly introduced the candidates, gave them each a few minutes for opening comnents, and then the question-and-answer

session began.

Each candidate was given, if I recall correctly, two minutes to respond to each question, and we rotated the order in which

The newspaper had prepared some questions heforchand. Our publisher at the time, Jeanne Towar, and myself also handed out forms to the audience members to submit their ques-tions. She and I gathered them and then picked out ones we felt were appropriate and passed them on to the moderator to ask. At the end, each candidate was given a few minutes to summarize their

Cal Stone

panel - whatever you want to call it - was videotaped and then replayed on the local

The newspaper also ran a Q&A that was mailed to each candidate.

It was good coverage of a local race – something a community newspaper is depended upon to do. As you should know, the City of Novi has an extremely important election com-ing this November as three candidates will be vying for the seat of mayor and five

candidates are looking for one of three city council seats up for grabs.

The mayor's term is for two years; council terms are four years.

For the past two months, I've been trying to set up a "debate" between the mayor candidates, but with little luck. One candidate agreed immediately. The second candidate was impossible to get ahold of, and just this morning said "maybe," The third candidate agreed – but only if the newspaper did not endorse a

After discussing this for several minutes on the telephone, I'm still not sure I understand the third candidate's reasoning. The candidate also said that the questions must not come from the newspaper, but rather from residents who must be identified.

I have been soliciting questions from readers and people I talk to daily in the teacers and people I have to daily in the community, but I don't see what difference the origin of the question makes. If we do not have a debate, I will ask

each candidate to meet one on one with me, and the questions I ask them will more

same questions they would have to answer in a debate So, the question of a mayoral debate is still up in

the air. However, that said, there appears to be another "panel" in the works. This one is being organized by the Oakland Area League of Women Voters, and it is scheduled for 7-9 p.m. on Thursday, Sept. 25 at the Senior Center on

Meadowbrook Road more of a meet-the-candidate arrangement, according to Gretchen Pugsley. She's working on this election for the local chap-ter, and she was past president of the Novi-Northville-Plymouth-Canton League of Women Voters. Because two-thirds of that

organization was in Wayne County, the Novi contingency became part of the new organization that merged all the Oakland County chapters. The "forum" in September will include all seven candidates, it will be open to the public, and it will follow the League's standard format: an outside (non-partisan) moderator; one- or two-minute opening statement from each candidate; questions minute to answer; ending remarks from

each candidate. As I had wanted to do. Gretchen hope to videotape and air the event on the local cable channel

Similarly, the League will gather ques-

The League has held similar events in the past, usually in the city council cham-bers. This is their first attempt at the senior

center, and it makes sense.
"Seniors always vote," Gretchen said, "but they don't go out at night."

She said the candidates have not been officially invited to the panel yet, but that will happen in a few weeks. Gretchen said

the city clerk's office will probably be ling out absentee ballots around Sept. 22, just prior to the panel.
"A lot of our residents don't know the candidates," said Kathy Crawford, who is

the special recreation coordinator at the city's senior center (Meadowbrook

Bringing the League of Women Voters in as one of the sponsoring entities properly distances the city from the forum as well. I have offered to Gretchen to join the League as a sponsoring partner. My hope is to transcribe and publish it for readers who

questionnaire to each candidate. And, in the event that we do not host a debate, we'll be interviewing the candidates to present their positions on various issues and to formulate endorsements.

Also, if you have a question(s) that you would like the candidates to answer, I encourage you to send it to me. Here's the folks who will be answering them:

City Council

Four-year term

 Bob Gatt Toni Nagy
 Siddharth (May) Sanghyi

Mayor

Michelle Bononi

Cal Stone is the editor of the Novi News.

take a little. There were times when co-work-

glaring at the computer screen with a con-fused stare. Everything was okay, I was just

proofreading for the ninth time or trying to

come up with a perfect lead. Obviously my stress was more visible than I thought.

Throughout these five weeks, I've learned to

take time to relax and just chat with someone

or write down my train of thought and come

back to organize it later. On the other hand, there were times when I would work on sto-

ries at nights and on the weekends no matter

how busy or tired I was, just to ensure I was pulling my fair share of weight. 5. Speak slowly. A huge issue for me, I finally learned to slow down and take my

time, no matter how nervous and/or excited I

would ask if I was okay after noticing my

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that's what these air shows are all

It's my opinion that we are very fortunate to be living in Michigan,

rich in history, culture and diversi-

Highland Games

missions flown.

I went to Selfridge Air National Guard Base in Mt. Clemens on July 25 and it couldn't have been weather was warm and the sky was blue but for a few puffy white clouds here and there The aerial demo

already underway with performances from an eclectic collection of barnstorming biplanes, Second World War Vintage Classics and current day, modern fighting machines that would streak by the spectators seconds before the ound reached their ears.

Some of the notable aircraft on

display for viewing ranged from maneuvers at close to the speed of the F-14, F-15, F-16, and F-18, all currently on active duty in Afghanistan, Iraq, Korea and other parts of the world. There were several types of helicopters. support cargo aircraft, an AWACS and even an A-10 Thunderbolt known as the our rights and freedom and proud 'Warthog'. All representing the to be an American and I guess. just to name a few.

From the WWII cra, there was

the B-17, Yankee Lady and the C-47, Yankee Doodle Dandy from their home base of Willow Run Airport. Always an impressive sight (and sound) as they occasionally fly overhead to the

Also represented were some of the original Tuskegee Airmen' along with an authentic P-51, razorback Mustang which became attend that is not only fun for the famously recognized by it's red This past Saturday was another air cover for our B-17's and B-

Numerous Scottish Clans were

ty. Not a weekend goes by that there isn't a celebration, anniversary, fair or other annual event to family but in most cases, educa-tional as well.

This past Saturday was another

This past Saturday was another

This past Saturday was another over a hill. Most impressive!

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Phillip MacFarlane, of MacFarlanes' Company, prepares to take on the

of-state were in attendance. All, ready and eager to share their per-sonal heritage and customs with sonal heritage and customs with visitors as well as entertain with the distinctive sound of the bagpipes and rhythmic beat of the is. The melodic sound would first reach your car from a dis tance, then steadily growing loud-

one of those spectacular cevents...The 154th Annual Highland Games, held at included the Caber Toss, Putting



Historical Greenmend Museum





and Village located at 8 Mile Rd. and Newburgh in Livonia.

represented along with Pipes and Drums Bands from all over Michigan and several from out-

Saint of Scotland as ST.
PATRICK is to Ireland.
• The ANCIENT KILT was made of nine yards of wool...hence the term, 'The Whole Nine Yards'. · HAGGIS, found on a Scottish menu, consists oflungs, liver and heart of sheep, minced with oatmeal, suet and onions with pepper and salt placed in a sheep's

the lighter side, there was the

Highland Dance Competition

Needing a break from the hot

summer sun, one could head to the entertainment tents featuring Scottish Folk Singers to Celtic Rock Bands that would get you

singing and toe tapping while you sipped on a cool drink to quench

your thirst.
There were merchandise tents

with authentic Kilts, Tams, Fur

Sporrans and Tartan Sashes

Every imaginable weapon of the 7th and 18th century was avail-

The 42nd Royal Highland

Regiment, better known as the 'Black Watch', was impressive in

their handsome uniforms

MacFarlanes' Company, a 'Living History Troupe', meandered through the throngs of visitors

ending an air of authenticity t

ries, occasionally stopping for a photograph with a visitor. Early afternoon, spectators

were caught off guard by a sur-

prise attack from a French

Regiment and their Indian Allies

as they engaged a Scottisl

Regiment who quickly got the

upper hand and sent the French and Indians scurrying for cover.

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the day with their dress and sto

able for purchase as well.

 TARTAN refers to the natter several Tartan patterns to choose from within each Clan o

sored by the St. Andrew's Society of Detroit which was first formed in November of 1849, then referred to as the 'Scottish Picnic'. The Highland Games have been held in various loca Bob-ld stand, the Edsel and Eleanor Ford House and the past 5 years at Greenmead.

Story and photos by Jim Farkas, a freelance writer/pho-tographer who lives in Northville.

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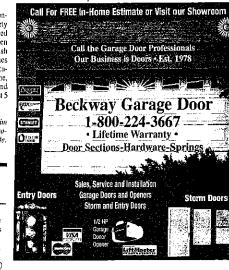
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LOCATION: Novi Civic Center inless otherwise stated)
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DATE: Wednesday, August 13 LOCATION: Links of Novi, 50395 Ten Mile Rd., Novi DETAILS: Sun! Fun! Golf!

PHONE: Chamber (248) 349 Magic at the Fountain
DATE: Wednesday, Aug. 13
TIME: 6:30-8:30 p.m.

hopping Center, I-96 and Novi DETAILS: Magical night of princesses and magicians. Free hotdogs, chips and pop to the first 1,000 visitors. Children can make heir own crown or tiara

LOCATION: Fountain Walk

PHONE: (248) 348-8762 DATE: August 14-15

LOCATION: Borders Books & Music, Novi Town Center
DETAILS: Borders wants to
thank all of the healthcare profes sionals who dedicate thems the care of others. Those involved in the healthcare field who visit their neighborhood Borders stores een August 15-17, will receive ment* discount simly by showing their professional

PHONE: (248) 347-0780 DATE: Thursday, Aug. 21

identification.

The famous C-47, sometimes referred to as the Goonie Bird, was the workhorse of

TIME: 6 p.m.-9 p.m LOCATION: Double Tree Hotel, 27000 Sheraton Dr., Novi DETAILS: Free workshop. Learn about the opportunities of home education, view our CD-

Pins for Pets

DETAILS: WXYT (AM1270) is sponso

While the main focus the bowling (a \$25 taxleductible donation to the Michigan Humane Society buys two hours of bowling and an event T-shirt), there will be a diverse range of activities throughout the day. (Anima

PHONE: Sue Schweim, direcof Annual Giving, (248) 799-

DETAILS: Paul Ramos, rock PHONE: (248) 624-4847

12:30 p.m. shotgun start LOCATION: Links of Novi, DETAILS: Golf packages available. Charity benefits Beaumont Pediatric Unit and

ovi, cancer survivor PHONE: (248) 252-8212

TIME: 9 a.m.-2 p.m. LOCATION: Novi Civic Center,

about other AOP resources PHONE: (800) 682-7391 or e call Recycling Coordinator, Kathy Cencer, (248) 208-2270

DATE: August 21-22 TIME: 1 p.m. Thursday-7 p.m. Friday LOCATION: Novi Bowl

Cancer Charity Golf Classic DATE: Thursday, September 18. TIME:11:30 a.m. registration,

Catholic Church (on

Research. Doug Schaeffer, Honorary Chair, Police Chief of

Resource Recovery and Recycling Authority of Southwest Oakland Cour Recycling Collection-Novi DATE: Saturday, Sept. 20

ROM curriculum, and inquire

ing and coordinating this benefit for the Michigan Humane Society. Gregg Henson and Art Regner from WXYT will be broadcasting live from the Bowling Center during the entire

agility groups, adoptable ani-mals, celebrity guests, karaoke and Detroit's Worst Singer

Watled Lake Summer Concert DATE: Sunday, Aug. 24 TIME: 7:30-9 p.m. LOCATION: The Boathouse

Cancer Center and Prostate opportunity to share play and con-

ON-GOING

DATE: ongoing until August 31, TIME: Monday thru Friday, 8 a.m.-5:30 p.m. LOCATION: Assarian Cancer Center, 47601 Grand River

DETAILS: "Echo of a Ripple", a show of original paintings and PHONE: Lori Taylor (248) 465-

Women's Prayer Support DATE: every Saturday TIME: 9-10:30 a.m. LOCATION: Harvest Fellowship Church, 49329 Pontiac Trail, Wixom (Parking is behind

the church)
DETAILS: You are welcome to come for encouragement, help, hope and prayer as you face life's problems, issues and frustrations. Drop in for five minutes or longe PHONE: Nancy & Susan (248) 926-8332 or by e-mail at harvest fellowship@concast.net

DATE: first and third Fridays of

LOCATION: Holy Family

Meadowbrook Rd, between 10

DETAILS: We are a not for profit, non-denominational group that brings adoptive families together. Our twice a month meet, ings provide families with the

versation. During the summer, we meet at specially designated times contact Michelle Pergeau (248) 887-4955 or Sandra Noonan (248)

960-3257

American Business Women's Association

DATE: third Mondays
TIME: 6:30 p.m.
LOCATION: Wyndham Garden

PHONE: For more information Hotel in Novi **DETAILS: American Business**

brings together working women of diverse occupations and provide ortunities for them to help fessionally and personally through networking support, education, eadership, & national recognition. Meetings are \$16, which includes full dinner. Future dates for the

include May 19, June 16 and July PHONE: Chris Struwe by phone (248) 269-2035 or e-mail

Novi Oaks Charter Chapter

Business referrals DATE: every Wed. ongoing LOCATION; Novi Civic Center, 45175 10 Mile Rd. TIME: 7 - 8:30 a.m DETAILS: Meeting of local pro fessionals and business looking to

increase word-of-mouth referral business. Various classifications open and eager to bring you quali fied business leads. PHONE: (734) 462-6460

LOCATION: Novi Civic Center, tivities room TIME: 7-8:45 p.m. DETAILS: Toastmasters will

of the month

help you improve your communi-cation skills, voice your opinion, polish your presentations and prac PHONE: For more information call Colleen at (248) 685-9226.

Send calendar items to Cal Stone, Novi News, 104 W. Main, Northville, MI 48168 or e-mail to cstone@ht.homecomm.net.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

DATE: Thursday, August 7 TIME: gates open at 8:30 p.m.;

able. Fee is \$1 per person. PHONE: (248) 624-2850 DATE: Thursday, August 14 TIME: 6 p.m.-9:45 p.m.

was. (Plus, I eventually got tired of people returning calls for "Emily" and not So to Chris, the staff of both papers and the so to Clink, at said to be out papers and he readers, thank you for bearing with my imperfections and recognizing my talent as it has developed over the past month. In my first column I wrote that I hoped "to further my knowledge and acquire new (and more) experience in my original hometown." And that's just what I've done... in addition to hav-

ing a little fun along the way Anneliese Woolford was a summer intern for the Northville Record and Novi News.

nments for her can be r (248) 349-1700, ext. 114.

LETTE

helped with Wednesday Special Events programs, scooped ice cream at the Ice Cream Social, and assisted with lots of other jobs. and caregivers who brought their children to

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brochures in their schools. Finally, we would like to express appreciation to the Novi News for your splendid erage of our Summer Reading Program.

Margi Karp-Opperer, Kelly Kolchuk Mary Storch, Phyllis Weeks

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Lessons learned while interning our causes justice in my writing. 4) Know when to give a little and when to

Chris took in this quiet intern the first day

they met me. Yet regardless of what they thought, everyone had a hand in helping n feel comfortable and welcome working in

this new environment. After only a few days

I was able to open myself up more thanks to the advice, chats, feedback or just simple "Hi's" I received. So, a heartfelt 'thank you'

to everyone at the Novi News and Northville

Record. I am fortunate to have had the opport

unity to work with you all.

3) Not only do interviews

give perspective into the arti-

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new every day," but was on a recent — for lack of better terms — dry spell of new knowledge before starting

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ed to know. No matter how large or small the

story, I thoroughly enjoyed every moment

spent talking with people and, many times,

gained insight into things I had not known much about prior.

you for bearing with this blonde girl who

To those who I met and spoke with, thank

xperience, bu

Time really does fly when you're having fun, and that's exactly what I've had. I hope my editor, Chris, doesn't cringe when he reads that I describe this internship as "fun." Maybe he'd prefer "educational" or

"inspirational," but don't worry, Chris — it's

In what was supposed to be four weeks that turned into five, I've learned much more than anticipated. Some things are more pertinent than others, but they will all stick with me as I (hopefully) venture forth to a career in journalism and look back on my time at the Northville Record: If you've found your niche, there will be little signs

been those things as well.

along the way to let you know it. For me, it was waking up.
Anyone who knows me knows
I am not an early bird by any means (heck, an "afternoon bird" is even a stretch). When first realized that I would have a.m. and 9:30 a.m. two of my three days a week, it was a little Anneliese Woolford

nerve racking. Surprisingly, I would wake up each morning with one push of the snooze button instead of five. Despite my perhaps groggy appearance for an hour or so each morning, there has never been a day when I didn't want to be here. Thank God for

2) The people you work with on a daily

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our total registrants to over 1,350 children. These children logged over 11,000

hours of reading during the six-week program. Our team of 100 teen volunteers signed

experience and a bad one. I'm sure those on 20 with more than you think. I hope I did

up kids for the Summer Reading Program assisted at the Arts and Crafts programs, Dairy Io-Ann's Etc. Meijer Mullion

Thanks also to the moms, dads, grandparents, the Novi Public Library and encouraged read-Special thanks go to the Friends of the Novi Public Library for their ongoing support and dedication to our programs.

We also owe a large debt of gratitude to the

many local organizations that supported and encouraged our efforts. They are: 7 - Eleven, Baskin-Robbins, Borders Books and Music. Novi Public Library Youth Department

OBITUARIES

Diane G. Leeds

Diane Leeds of Novi died August 1, 2003 She was 53. She was born in Detroit on July 31, 1950 to Dean and Doris Witt Mrs. Leeds graduated from Redford Union High School in 1968 and attended Madonna College and Schoolgraft Community College. She had been employed as an executive graduate of the University of La assistant to the president of the Engravers Journal. Besides being and was a retired engineer from a wife and mother she had time to General Motors. Mr. Krieger was be active in her church, Trinity Presbyterian of Plymouth, and its Ladies Bible Study group, Shevas also involved with the Plymouth Historical Museum, the Novi Newcomers, Neighbors and Friends group, the Northville Mother's Club and PTA with the

Northville schools. Survivors include her husband, Jack, of Novi; her son, Andrew; ner parents, Dean and Doris Witt, of Northville; and her brother,

David, of Northville.

Funeral services will be held Phursday, August 7, at the Krieger. Northrop-Sassaman Funeral His father preceded him in Thursday, August 7, at the Northrop-Sassaman Funeral Home at IT am, with Dr. William C. Moore of Trinity Evangelical Preshyterian Church of Plymouth officiating. Internet will be at 150 Dates Store Duels of the

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George F. Krieger

George Krieger of Novi died July 29, 2003. He was 68, Mr. Krieger was born May 6, 1935 in Buerus Aries, Argentina to Frank — Casterline Funeral Home, Inc. P. Krieger and Ella Edith Ann Ladley. He

He moved to the Novi/Northyrlfe area in 1981, prea past member of the Society of Amountive Engineers. He loved to garden and roses were his favorite. He was a member of the

two children, Linda Krieger of Novi and Eric (Angela) Krieger of Canton: two sisters, Elsie Gambarini of Rhode Island and Patricia Settiducati of Mass; one brother, Richard Krieger of Mass.; and one grandson, Arthur

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ing room. Community members

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(Christopher) Mayo, Courtney and Pauly Young, and Connor and Chase Mayo, She is also survived by many friends, classmates, coshe has touched. She will be deeply missed and always remem-Her father, Arthur "Butch"

Liss, preceded her in death.

A Funeral Service will be held Thursday, August 7 at 11 a.m. at

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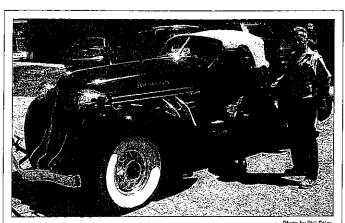
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Nearly 20 years of work paid off for Novi's Joe Cappola (right) at the 25th annua Meadowbrook Concours d'Elegance as he and two of his grandsons rolled past the judge's tent Aug. 2 to accept the People's Choice Award for his 1936 Auburn Roattail Speedster, it marked the fourth time the retired body shop owner has

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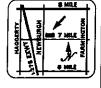




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Enterpreneurs strike a NERVE with new business

■ Novi Rotary Club member starts audiovisual production firm

By Pam Fleming STAFF WRITER

Let's face it. It takes a certain

Let's face it, I takes a certain amount of nerve to start your own business.

Recently, new Novi Rotary Club member Craig Tucker and other entrepreneurs combined their nerve, talent and know to create NERVE – a full-service advertising, production wed benders communication.

and broadcast company.

Tucker, a native of Fremont
who lives in Lansing, founded
the company, is the production
wizard and serves as CEO.

His partners include Mark Dragovich of Attica, president; and Ron Bozymowski of Shelby Township, vice president and creative services director.

The group is using an old church in Plymouth that has been converted into a record-

Novi Rotary Club member.

"We hope to start expanding in the Detroit area by the end of the summer," Tucker said.

"We want to be able to handle large productions and will con-struct a 6,000-square-foot room that we can use to produce spe-cial effects, games, movies and music videos."

Tucker said this additional location, to be called the NERVE Center, at 4719 Mt. Elliott in Detroit, will double as a live venue where DIs and bands can perform, "We won't have a liquor license, so young people will be welcome." NERVE also has custom gui-

tars available for bands to rent as well as a control room, stage and security system. There's even a dressing room with a makeup mirror in the former

Tucker said bands or individual artists can use the company's audio services for \$70 to \$100

audio services for \$70 to \$100 an hour. Video shoots are priced on a per-project basis.

A former instructor of advanced video production at the Spees Howard School of Broadcast Arts in Southfield. Tucker has worked fulltime in the industry for eight years.

Tucker has worked fulltime in the industry for eight years, including jobs with PBS and UPN-Channel 50.

He also assisted in the production of the recent Novi Rotary Club charity jazz concert featuring Wynton Marsalis.

Bozymowski, a native of Detroit, was a camera operator for the Detroit Tigers at

for the Detroit Tigers at Comerica Park and also worked for the Red Wings. He's also done work for ABC, ESPN, HBO, Paramount, New Line

Cinema, and Interscope.

"Ron and I went to college together at [Michigan] State," Tucker said.

"He showed up as a student at Specs, but I didn't recognize him because he'd cut his hair."

Although he was living in olorado at the time, Colorado at the time, Bozymowski came back to Detroit to work as a production assistant on rap star Eminem's recent movie, "8 Mile," and kept in contact with Tucker



Ron Bozymowski, left, trains a video camera on Steven Jacobs, right, on some drums, at Bozymowski and Mark Dragovish's (not pictured) Plymouth recording studion NERVE. Both are members of Novi Rotary.

Bozymowski returned to live in the Detroit area when his father had a heart attack and was doing freelance work for video houses in Detroit when he decided to join Tucker's new

business.

"Ron has the best eye of anyone I've ever met," Tucker said.

Dragovich, who grew up in Mt. Clemens, was working as a real estate agent but always wanted to get into the entertain-

ment industry.
"I called Specs Howard and said I wanted to audition for Saturday Night Live's Weekend Update, and the receptionist put me through to Craig,"
Dragovich recalled.
"We met, wrote some material

and put a tape together. I drove from Florida, where I was living at the time, to New York to try to meet with Tina Faye, the head producer of Saturday Night Live, but didn't get to see her."

he said,
"And I couldn't even leave my tape because I wasn't a member of the Screen Actors Guild."

Oragovich noted.

After the trip, "I started talking with Craig. I've got a pretty good business sense and I'm good with people," Dragovich

NERVE went from concept to reality about a year ago, according to Tucker. The company is now divided into several units.

Nerve Endings handles the production end of the business,

such as audio and video.

Nerve Cells consists of advertising and marketing serv-

Nerve Racking represents the firm's distribution services. "We're always looking for new bands. If they bring in their tape, we'll distribute their music

and sell their CDs on the Internet on a consignment basis," Tucker said.

"We can also promote their music for them," he added. The group has done a lot of video work and recorded a record release party for D12, a band comprised of Eminem's best friends and featuring the star. They also produced a Fat Joe concert recently.

"We want to produce music videos, concerts and commercial videos," Tucker said. "And, we can do cutting edge commer-cials at a lower cost than other production houses," he noted. They also do commission-free

local and regional advertisement placement and provide all types of production services for both businesses and musicians. "We'll cater to your budget,"

Bozymowski said

NERVE will have a Web site in the near future that will offer free music. Customers will only have to pay for shipping and handling of CDs. There will be a charge for DVD products, howNERVE will produce the Urban Arts Festival Oct. 10-12 in Jackson that will feature numerous bands, including the Jacktown Hustlers, a hip hop

Steve Jacobs of Kosmic Tribe Studios, who owns a new club called The Rocket opening soon in Jackson, is co-producer of the

event.

NERVE also established a charity, Lots of Nerve, to which the group contributes a portion of their profits.

The group has pattered with

The group has partnered with the Motor City Blight Busters and is using leftover materials from stage teardowns to enhance areas in downtown Detroit. For more information about

NERVE's services or the upcoming Urban Arts Festival, call Tucker at (248) 252-8879 or (517) 393-0489.

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There's a new face on the bench

Experienced coach Bill Kelp takes reign of girls' hoops program

Bill Kelp is well aware that you have to build a program before you can win with one won't mind if the w's

start rolling in.

The first-year Novi varsity head coach for the girls' basketball team is stepping into the role as helmsman of the squad to replace Dennis Cichonski, Kelp, who has coached the junior varsity boys' team for the past six years as well as the seventh-grade girls last year, isn't a stranger to the game of baskethall and what it takes to win.

He is, however, going to have to implement his own program that will find the girls eventually playing a similar style of basket-ball as the boys play at Novi

High.
"When I came to Novi six years ago, I was hired by Pat

Schluter and John Fundukian to coach the JV bnys," Kelp said. "I stuck with that and ended up having pretty good success there. When the girls coaching job opened up, I figured that it was a natural progression. It's definitely something I wanted, to be a rsity coach

Kelp's coaching career actually dates back 11 years. The six most recent have been at Novi, while he spent time coaching and teaching at Plymouth Salem before that and even some time in Illinois in his initial years as a

teacher.

The 36-year-old Kelp graduated from Michigan State
University and played plenty of
intramural ball while he was
there. In high school, Kelp sported the silver and black uniform
of the Troy High School Colts
and found himself playing ball
thereate the active cumpilin.

through the entire campaign. Now, Kelp resides in the same community where he teaches and coaches — Novi.
"I love it here," Kelp said. "I

coaching and teaching over there. And, to tell you the truth, this job kind of fell in my lap. But, looking back, I have no regrets about

Bill Kelp

coming here.
Novi is a great place and has some great teachers and kids."
The major difference Kelp

The major difference Kelp brings to the program this year, besides his desire to turn the girls into a press and push squad, is the fact that he is indeed a teacher at the school. Teaching health at Novi allows him to be in contact with the team on a daily basis — something the

squad was without in past years.
"I think having a coach in the
building is a huge plus," Kefp
said, "I really think that was part of my success at the JV level

with the boys, I saw most of them every day and over half of them were in my class." And that has already helped

And that has already helped the first-year varsity coach in his newest endeavor.

"When I took over the girls, I probably knew 10 or 11 out of the 18," Kelp said. "I had a lot of them as freshmen in my health class and I've maintained that relationship with them."

With the beauty of summer backetshall blessing the metro

basketball blessing the metro Detroit area, Kelp won't be going into his inaugural season blind. He's seen what girls have the desire and the talent to be a part of a successful basketball team, and he knows that each and every one of them knows what it takes to win.

"We had 26 days of basketball this summer and 18 girls showed up at everything," Kelp said, "We had a lot of success and a lot of games this summer. I think, hopefully, there's a new attitude amongst them

Of course, Kelp said that he's well aware that there is a big dif-ference between summer ball and the actual fall season, "Things could be a lot differ-

ent when things got going," Kelp noted. "But, I think the girls are excited about this season. They have a new coach and the success this summer seems to have energized as lot of girls. They're coming together, and that's all I can ask for right now."

can ask for right now."

Eventually, Kelp would like to introduce a much faster-paced game into the girls' basketball program — but he also undertydd the called the stands that's going to take some

time.
"They are adjusting to me as a

coach and the program I want to run," Kelp said. "You can com-pare me to a freshman basketball coach because everything the girls will be doing this year will

"But, the one thing I can't complain about is their commit-ment so far. Like I said, we had 18 girls at everything during the

summer."
Kelp said there will be plenty
of new faces on the squad this
year and he hopes to see that
everyone will be up to the challenges that lay ahead.
"We have a lot of work to do,"
he said. "I'm confident we can
do it though. The girds seen
reguet to eit hings slatted."

cager to get things started."

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How far are we willing to go just to be PC?

Recently, I was informed that the Michigan Board of Education officially called for the elimination of Indian mus-cots, nicknames, logos, fight

cots, nexhances, logos, resongs, insignias, antics and team descriptors from all Michigan schools.

I have to say — and I'm sure I'm putting my neck out there for all the letter-writing and politically-correct readers out there to take a swing at — that such a movie, in my opinion, is

absolutely ridiculous.

What's next? Is the PC movement going to call for the elimination of all mascots? Perhaps a wideat is too offensive because it is an animal that sive because it is an animal mai was regularly trapped and skinned during the trading days of this area? Or, perhaps, Mustangs are animals that have been rounded up and tamed for centuries — maybe they shouldn't be used as a mascot either.

In my time covering sports, I have seen teams called the "Braves," the "Redskins," the "Redmen," the "Warriors," the "Indians" and the "Eskymos." Now, which of those is most offensive? In Alaska, where I covered sports, there was even a high school in Aniak with the mascot known as the "Half-Breeds," And folks, I'm not kidding when I say that mascot

is referring to people and not an animal of some sort. Yet, no one there complains. People in the lower 48 do, but themselves. Alaskans

Strange, if you ask me.

I figure the next move on this radical path we are undertaking as a society is to no doubt climinate ourselves from mascots



Sam Eggleston

such as the "Fighting Irish" or the "Vikings." To tell you the truth, maybe we should go ahead and quit honoring long-gone civilizations like the Spartans and the Trojans too. How about for future use, the New Widelas are changed to Novi Wildcats are changed to the Novi Politicians and the

the Novi Politicians and the Northville Mustangs are now the Northville Carpenters. Or, just maybe, that's too cutting edge as well.

Let's just call it the way it is then. Every school in this area should just take the mascot the "Suburbanites" and then the more outlying schools can be the "Farmers" and the "Rural

Basically, in case you haven't caught my drift yet, this whole situation makes me want to pull my hair out because it makes absolutely no sense. We've seen it in the past, and we'll see it again now — these names will be abolished and then the Native American groups will step forward and say that they really didn't have any problem with the schools

using Indians as their mascot.
To tell you the truth, I really
don't mind the "Fighting Irish"
or the "Celtics," and both represent those of my ethnic her-itage — though I'm the first to tage — though I in the risk to call myself an American instead of spouting off my mix-matched bloodlines. I played sports under the mascot of a Wolverine and we

mascot of a Wolverine and we played teams from everything like the North Dickinson Nordics to the Crystal Falls-Forest Park Trojans to the Gladstone Braves — and not once did I ever hear any demonstrations. When I covered events as a reporter, I covered teams like the Marquette Redmen. the Escanaba Redmen, the Escanaba Eskymos and the Braves and now I've even covered the Canton Chiefs, the Walled Lake Western Warriors and the Tecumseh Indians — and still not a single demonstration or letter to the editor complaining about the use of such an "offending" mascot in our

sports pages. I say, give it a rest. If those of you out there need and want to complain about something so badly, there are plenty of worldly issues that can use your attention. The rest of us your attention. The less of us have already taken the time to sit back and realize these teams are trying to honor such heritage as that given to this country by the Native Americans—mathe you should too. maybe you should too.

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State Champs!

The Finesse fast pitch 12s won the USSA state championship in Canton on July 13. The team consists of (front row) Whitney Hastings, Novi resident Andrea dleterle, Courtney Murray, Emma LaBeau, Amanda Chidester; (middle row) Beth Heldmeyer, Abby Weber, Sarah Rounsifer, Ashley White, Chelsea Osburn; (back row) coach Jon LaBeau, Samantha Cain, Northville resident Allison Holmes, Erin van Wasshnova and coach David Wutke. The team finished the season 54-6.

Williams plays with the best of the best

■ Northville junior tries out for national baseball team

By Sam Eggleston

Everyone in the area knew junior Matt Williams was a darn good baseball player — but now more than just those in Michigan are aware of it too.

Williams, who is one of the pre-mier catchers for the Northville Mustangs as well as the Michigan Expos travel baseball team, found himself competing with and against some of the best players in the coun-

try recently.
"It was a big surprise," Williams said of being selected to try out for the National Youth team that coms overseas. "During the game the coaches (of the national team) were watching me some of the players came up and told me that I had been picked. I was hless, it took me about a week

And when it did, Williams only had to look at one statistic to know special it was. Out of the kids that participated in the ment where he was selected. only 18 were picked to try out for

or so to set in

Then, after he had time to absorb what it was he had been selected to do, Williams was on his way to compete with some of the best players in the country. At first, the Northville junior was quite nervous, but after the first day he found himself setting right in.

re all in the same boat," of himself and the other three catchers that were trying out for the team. "We all tried to block it out and impress the coaches. We played out best, and had some fun while we were out there." Though Williams wasn't selected

to play against the other national squads, he said that it was worth the

trip and the time spent doing it.

"I was very pleased with my performance and had a great time out there," he said. "I gave 100-percent and was right there with all the best. It wasn't like I didn't deserve to be there, which was good to know

Even though he was mightily impressed with the ability of the players who did find themselves selected to play for the national squad, Williams noted that an injury he received while participating in the tryouts may have hampered him

slightly.
"I hart my shoulder while I was out there and couldn't throw for a full day," he said. "I'm sure that hurt my chances a little bit, but I was still ressed with the talent of players they did pick. They are the best ball players in the nation."

Besides the possibility of being selected to the national team, Williams found out there were some added benefits to the tryouts as well. The coaches made

to us that any kids that were pi to try out for the team were auto-matically put on nearly every Division I college scout's list," he Division I college scon said. "That means a lot to because this is definitely something want to do at that level

If he would have made the team, found himself missing out on the varsity football season — a season where he will likely see some time

with the linebacker corps.
"I really enjoy football, but I love baseball," Williams said. "If I would have made the USA team in base-ball, I do think that would have been a good reason to not play football."
Williams noted that playing

with such a high caliber group of kids only helped make him a bet-

"It helped me see that I still ome work to do" he said. "I'd like to keep playing against that kind of competition on a regular basis in the summer. If I keep improving over the next two years, who knows what will hap-

He also noted that because he was able to see where improve-ments could be made in his game, he should be a better player baseball spring orthville Mustangs and coach Mickey Newman.

"I am pretty excited to get back into playing high school ball again," he said. "I've improved again, he said. "I've improved since last year and it should be a lot of fun. I hope I can build on what I've learned and be that much of a better player because of

For some reason, that doesn't seem like it will be problem for Williams.

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HOW OFFENSIVE!

offensive about the inability for schools to be pol ottensive about the matinity for schools to be pos-cally correct in this day and age. Well, I've taken the time to compile some of the possibly offensive mas-cots the different Michigan high schools happen to

sport:
■Vikings: They rape, pillage and bum — what's offensive about that? Basically, Vikings did what they wanted where they wanted and were some of the most brutal and feared people on the planet for quite sometime. Number of schools with mascot: 25.

Trojans: Hey, they only took a Spartan woman named Helen and caused a massive war before so mante frels and together a big horse that they couldn't resist. A dead people, long gone but not forgotten as they manage to take to the field and play sports each year. Number of schools with mascot: 21.

Proneers: Pushed through the frontier and made a point of being very seared of Indians and took their lands from them. Number of schools with mascot:

Fighting Irish: When I see the symbol of the fighting frishman, I always think he looks a little intoxicated. Maybe that's why he's so eager to fight? Number of schools with mascot: 4.

■ Spartans: Does taking to a field to play sports the sacrifice this people made to protect their country from Xerxes and the Persian army? Doubtful. These were a fierce and loyal people th found their ways pushed aside by the changing rulers of their country. Number of schools with

Just how many schools have offensive nick-names? In my personal opinion, the answer is a flat out none. But, there's always those people out there who feel differently, and have to find something for the property of the pr

hypocritical? Number of schools with mascols: 5.

Martians: Really, if we can't use the proud heritage of a people in our own country and their ected image, then should we be using one n another planet? Number of schools with

Crusaders: Let's see — they went into another part of the world and started killing people because they didn't like where those people were living. Sounds like the kind of thing we should be promot-ing! Number of schools with mascot: 11. ■ Irish, Flying Dutchmen, Highlanders, Saxo

Dutch, Pharaohs, Fighting Scots, and Quakers. Each of these mascots directly portrays a specific people or something directly related to a specific people or culture. How is that any different that what is being abolished today? Number of schools with mas And that is far from all of the possibly offensive

And that is far from all of the possing mascots. I know my dad, who cuts trees for a living, the mascots of the wouldn't appreciate the mascots of the "Lumberjacks" and the "Loggers." The new term, coined by all of those PC folks out there, is piece In the end, what is considered offensive is a per

sonal opinion that each and every one of us have and if each offensive thing was to be eliminated, we'd be left with nothing. In reality, and I risk sounding like Forest Gump here, offensive is what offensive does These kids who play under the Native American offensive, in my opinion logos aren't being offensive, in my they're being honorable and respective

Twenty-two and holding

Kerri Pomarolli comes home for August 30 show

By Sam Eggleston

Though you wouldn't know it hy looking at her, former But, no matter how much the Northville resident Kerri draw of the houses and the family Pomarolli has managed to break life may be in Northville. the laws of physics.

she stopped aging at 22 years old.
"The joke out here is how Pomarolli calls home, she is realeveryone seems a lot younger - izing her dream.

than they really are, but that's the way it works in TV land," Pomarolli said Angeles area. Basically,

40, your age is just vague. hits Ann Arbor for one night People will say only. to me that I must be about 22, and I say 'Yes, I am.'' Pomarolli, who graduated from Northville

ligh School and cessful stand-up comedian and whole differen

Northville to get fast food unless it was

"We were good kids," Pomarolli said, "When we graduated from high school we had never been out drinking or any-thing. I didn't see any kind of drug. We weren't dorks or any-thing, we were just good kids."

Pomarolli said that when she
Hopefully, people will harass the
Jay Leno" in a three-year span

comes back to Northville now, it seems so much different. No they'll want me back.' longer are the kids sheltered or challenges that come with it. Pomarolli said coming back to

compared to Los Angeles. People have yards and actual grass. They can ride their bikes around here.

How, you ask? It's simple --

comedian when she comes front of her friends, family and, Be one of those strangers in

Comedy Showcase, located at 314 East Liberty Street in Ann Arbor. Contact number:

■ Times: Two shows, the first at 8 p.m. and the second starting at 10:30 p.m.

And coming especially from back is exactly what she's about the trip to Michigan to showcase her comic talents at the Ann Arbor Comedy Showcase August 30 with two shows. The first is at 8 of hers who stated that she had

even if the crowd doesn't get into her act, she may still find the support she needs to be asked back urse because they were always for future dates.



"I'm living near the beach and I am defi-nitely living my dream," she said.

"I basically moved out here to be a beach chick, and that's what I am, I even on one leg and But, it's nice o visit

Northville

the surrounding

"Los Angeles

■ Where: Ann Arbor

is really crazy." Pomarolli noted. Tr's a fast-paced lifestyle every now and why it's nice to

come back." when she was still living here.

'I just ear't believe Northville
has a Starbucks,' she said with a
hard here's even allowed
her comic talents at the Ann Arbor
subjects too >= including a co

> p.m. and the second is slated for 10:30 p.m.
> "This is basically a trial run," "I can't believe she said that to she said, "I would love to travel - me," Pomarolli said, "I told her more and want to eventually be a comedian that goes out on the road. When it comes time to Pomarolli is also an actress

> Hopefully, people will harass the owners of the club enough that they'll want me back."
>
> Jay Leno" in a three-year span owners of the club enough that playing such roles as Jenna Bush. She also had a recurring role in cutting my lines," Pomarolli said



Northville graduate Kerry Pomarolli is a stand-up comedian and actress in Los Angeles. She will be returning home in a one-night performance August 30 at the Ann Arbor Comedy Showcase.

"I talk about my mother a lot and her obsession with me getting married," Pomarolli said, "I talk about growing up in the Midwest and 1 even talk about Corey And there's a variety of other subjects too -- including a conversation she had with a girlfriend

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caught at a game show. "I was

always dragging my boyfriends on the shows or dragging my friends on TV."

She even found herself starting to be recognized now and again. in fact, she even received a phone call from an ex-boyfriend one night who saw her on television. "I was a blue alien in the movie Deadlock," Pomarolli said, "My whole body was painted blue because I wouldn't do a nude scene. One night, an ex-boyfriend

calls me up and says that he was watching me on Showtime. That was an interesting experience."
Pomarolli said that being single has been an interesting life for norm in Los Angeles.

"Everyone is single out here." she said, "When I come back to Northville to visit, it seems that all my friends are married, driving Pomarolli jokingly said that the day-time soap opera "Port a Beemer, living in a nice house and own a dog. My mom is always talking about how I should get married and when she comes out to visit she's always suggest-

Pomarolli sad coming back to Tolture dates.

Northville is not only a trip down memory lane and a good time, it gives her something to be impressed with too.

"The houses are so big," she
"The houses are so big," she

self, so come support the cause,"

Pomarolli's act consists of things that happened in her life or added it wasn't rare for her to be

"I won on The Price is Right to choose from, but they were all than go up there for two seconds. He off limits.

"I was doing sand-up at a gay made me feel like I was the best."

bar," she said, "All of the men were just beautiful, Abercrombiemodel-looking men with bulging muscles and not a single one of them was interested in anything but the comedy. There was absolutely nothing I could do standing there saying 'I love you."
Pemarolli credits God for being

a major reason she's had the suc cess she has in her career of wanted to walk away and just leave it all behind," she said, "But,

God opened doors for me. Stand-up was one of those doors, I realanother opportunity." Being a comic was never some-thing Pomarolli thought she'd be doing — especially in her time at Northville High School. If it weren't

for her drama teacher, Mr. Kurt Kinde, she would never have even known it a possibility.

"You had to do some stand-up in

And it helped that her friends at the time were willing to pitch in with making her a little stronger. "Northville was a really cliquey

high school and the girls in high school aren't the nicest in the world," she said, "They would make fun of people and just läugh at you.

I guess my girlfriends laughing at me made me tougher." Pomarolli's time at Northville

High was spent as a member of the be in the right place at the right time "It was a miserable experience like so many things in high school," she said. "I always thought I had to sit at the right lunch table."

"I'm at the right table now, and it ust took me a while to realize the right table is where you want it to be," Pomarolli said. "God is a big part of that and so much of where I

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ENTERTAINMENT

Is it wrong that it feels so good?

'American provides sidesplitting laughs

By Ramez Khuri

The highly anticipated "American Wedding," the third installment of the "American Pie" series, has just hit movie theaters and with it comes a new set of laughs, unbelievably gross gags and of course, the wild antics of one of the movie's main stars, 'Steve Stifler, played by Seann William

few members of the original cast from the first two movies, like mon Elizabeth who played Nadia Chris Klein who pla the remaining crew more than made for the loss, "American Biggs (who plays Jim Levinstein) Alyson Hannigan (Michelle Flaherty): Thomas Ian Nicholas Coolidge (Stifler), Jennifer (Stifler's mom) and, of course,

we been dating for quite a while. decide not to tell Stifler, knowing and Kevin.

Needless to say, Stifler, who is a crude, foul mouth "friend" from high school, finds out, invites himself to the wedding and eventually worms his way into becoming one of the best men along with Finch and Kevin.

The minute that Stifler appears on the screen, the film takes a turn finding himself alone in a closet

installment of the "American Pie" trilogy. The ones who did make the movie very worthwhile

with Jim's grandmother. It wasn't all Stiffer though, What "American Pie" movie would be complete without several uncomfortable conversations between Jim rassing moment by Jim and a short, but memorable appearance by

evil organization. "Agent Cody Banks" is a Metro-Goldwyn-

ection violence, mild language,

Banks" is a Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer release and rated PG for

The gang's all here — well, almost. Only a few cast members didn't make it back for the marriage that was meant to be in the newest and final

probably remember what I'm talk-ing about. First there was Jim's pie incident, then that whole thing with delting.

"Halloween"

Anniversary Edition) (R), "The

Haunting" (1963) (G),
"Irreversible" (R), "Jimmy
Neutron: Sea of Trouble" (G),

"Johnny Be Good" (R),

seen the first two movies would the movie. You can leave that to "American Wedding" takes its audience on a hilarious ride from

mercani, men mar whose tung with the glue and this new one gives a how meaning to the phrase. "Gross, there is a hair in my wedding cake!"

That was pretty disgusting, but it wasn't the most dismatter and of the control of the cont

Screen Beat

Coming to theaters this week-end is a remake of the 1977 Disney classic "Freaky Friday" which follows a tomboy teenage girl, Annabel (Lindsay Lohan), and her widowed mother, Ellen (Jamie Lee Curtis). The two who are always arguing with each other, simultaneously wishing they could be someone else, somehow magically exchange bodies, and they both learn what it's like to be in the other person's the mother is due to get married soon, and doesn't want to miss the big event. "Freaky Friday" is a Walt Disney Pictures release and rated PG for mild thematic

nents, and some language Based on the 1970's ABC cries, "S.W.A.T." starring series, "S.W.A.T." starring Samuel L. Jackson as a grizzled veteran S.W.A.T. officer who is given a second chance to assem-ble a new Special Weapons and

Rodriguez, and LL Cool J. "S.W.A.T." is a Sony Pictures release and rated PG-13 for violence, language, and sexual ref

Horror-thriller "Jason vs. Freddy" (R), modern day comedy "Le Divorce" (PG-13), west-ern-adventure "Open Range" (PG-13), sports spoof "Shaolin Soccer" (PG-13), teen adventure "Grind" (PG-13), comedy "Uptown Girls" (PG-13), and offbeat comedy "Camp" (PG-

"What a Girl Wants" is a Warner

Kids/family comedy "What a Girl Wants" starring Amanda Bynes as 19-year-old Daphne Reynolds, who has been raised in New York City by her mother (Kelly Preston) and decides that she wants to find her long-lost British father (Colin Firth) in London, who is part of England's

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pers and ketchup cooked in a skillet and served loose on a bun became popular in the early 160s. Although not named for anyone specific, it is sloppy and caten by the average "Joc."

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Similarian is pizza adular folded over ingredients, usually mozzarella, pepperoni and tomato sauce. It is also known as a "calzone", and is a specialty in pizza shops and Italian neightransis and the back, (there were at least inte of us, not counting friends). That was back when "luncheon

York State, the former Coney and they, along with my parents Island, the later Buffalo. And and the "in-town" group, took a

and lettuce. It got its name because of its manually size required a "hero" to decour it. "Grinders" (takes a lot of chew-

ground beef, onion, green pep-pers and ketchup cooked in a skiller and served loose on a bun

pizza shops and Italian neigh-borhoods. Let's not forget the

and by the time we moved the restaurant to Novi in 1991, it was time to diversify and offer more fish, pasta and chicken variety of ments, cheeses, spices

The Pequod's, from Mt. Clemens to Lexington. The

The first thing I thought when I looked over the box and instruc-tion manual for "Downhill Domination" was that this game mountains that was going to stink.

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can you have playing a game—where no moun-where you ride a mountain bike—tain—bike—was down some of the craziest slopes a mountain can provide? Well, now I know the answer to that course, there's question a lot of fun. "Downhill Domination" not

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CD, rider straight through a Russian One of the first things I noticed military training area, with old downed planes littering the landist the incredible speed which experand tanks and troops crowdisting flies by. We aren't talking about city streets and the would like to travel. The truth is, and to get passed, just give them front of it. No sooner had it seemed I flipped the power on my bikes.

PS2 and then my wife is madging the controls the chance to customize would like to travel. The truth is, should probably hit the sack.

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Ever wander how sandwich got its name? The term originated in England and is named after has shifted away from a primari-

ill-famed gambler, John ly red ment menti we still are

in 1792, ordered bread and meat dishes prepared so that he could continue with his garabling.

The sandwich became popular better! I could go without another tests.

in England but was not well or steak for the rest of my life

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cheese, relishes and condiments the combinations could num-

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the idea of sticking to the "trail" is just wishful in the road here. PlayStation 2 Nope, this straight down the cliffs of a slew of different Downhill ends up bring

this ultra processed bread. Some

of the most popular are ham and

choese, bacon-lettuce-tomato, corned beel, pastrami, tuna and

The hamburger accounts for 59 percent of all sandwiches eaten today. The original

Diamond Jim's on Seven Mile in

Detroit became famous for its

burgers. Hundreds were hand-made on a daily basis and cooked to order on a 24" grill.

along with the buttered buns. A sign over the grill claimed, "Up this flue goes the finest smoke in

town." The era ranged from the late 1950s to the early 1970s,

and by the time we moved the restaurant to Novi in 1991, it was time to diversify and offer

Montagu, the Fourth Earl of Sandwich (1718-92), who dar-ing a 24-hour betting marathon in 1792, ordered bread and meat pre-patted from Ken, owner of Orleans, are all spin-offs of the

neamnt butter-and-jelly.

poper do you sense as well. You have the ability to pedal, coast, bunny-hop and, of course, brake as well as complete control over your landings and tricks. And are there tricks! You can do everything from the classing "superman" to a signature trick that your rider is capable of the building up the courage to do securely in my collection. I'm about the graph of the building up the courage to do with after building up the courage to do

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And the flies when you're you know they're about 10 do it. having fun too.

And one of the things I always have about miding a bike is when people pass you without letting when you know they're about to do it. Well, in "Downhill Domination." And one of the things I always that this is one of the best racing the about riding a bike is when games to hit the market in a long the proper pass you without letting the nor know they're about to do it.

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meat" was the real thing.

Last week my two sisters from out of town were visiting

cruising picnic. We munched on lovely cheeses, marinated salads

ories created and a new recipe to

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to the "trail" is just wishful thinking. No master, but they make perfect proper do you will consider the proper do you will be sponsors from companies like eBay and try to prove you're the best of the best in the downhill

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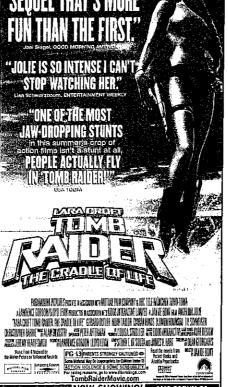
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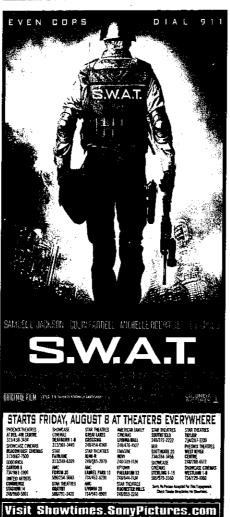
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Intent: This addendum has been issued to modify and/or interpret the specifications for the 2003 Neighborhood Roadway Rehabilitation – Asphalt project. Unless otherwise instructed, the Information contained within this Addengum shall take precedence over anything contrary in the original specifications and shall hereinafter be considered as part of the 2003 Neighborhood Roadway Rehabilitation project.

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Change of Due Date: The bid due date for the 2003 Neighborhood Roadway Renabilitation – Asphalt project has been changed to 3:30 P.M., prevailing Eastern Time, Friday, August 15, 2003.

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Varsity pom starts things off right

The Novi varsity pom pon squad was named "Grand Champs" at the Mid American Pom Pon Summer Camp July 13. The five-day camp took place at Norhwood University in Midland. The girls spent the first four days preparing their routines, learning new "moves," and meeting the other squads from all around the state.

Don't miss the fall preview section, hitting

NOTICE CITY OF NOVI 2003 NEIGHBORHOOD ROADWAY REHABILITATION - CONCRETE

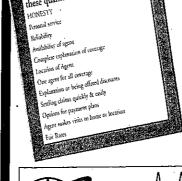
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Novi Cross Country Tryouts

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mentation to: Novi High School,*

The Recreation Center at

Anyone with this information should contact the high school The Novi Wildcats boys' cross country team, under the guidance of via mail by sending the docucoach Robert Smith, will be holding 24062 Taft Road, Nov High School weight room prior to the beginning of tryouts.

out the physical-examination requirments, please contact Coach Smith at rsmith@novi.k12.mi.us Open and Lap Swimming Hillside Pool announces open and and feel free to visit the team weblap swimming during the spring on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 7:30-8:30 p.m. and Friday 6-7:30 p.m. and Saturday from 3-4:30

Novi Football Golf Outing

p.m. The cost is \$3.00 per person, regardless of age. Please pay the lifeguard and bring correct change. The Novi Football team will have a fund-raising golf outing Sunday. September 14 at the Links of Nov. Dates and times are subject to in order to help cover the costs of maintaining the football program. The cost for the event is \$100 and change, Cancellations will be posted on the Recreation Center door includes golf, a cart, lunch, a dinner buffet and prizes. Participants wil

For more information or to register for the event, please contact Jan Buck at (248) 344-4921.

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Each bid shall be accompanied by a Qualification & Experienc Statement, certified check, cashier's check, or a satisfactory bidder.

Statement, certified check, cashier's check, or a satisfactory bidder's bond in the amount of at least 5% of the total bid, drawn payable to the City of Novi as security that if the Proposal is accepted, the Bidder will execute the Contract and deliver acceptable proof of insurance. Performance and Labor and Materials Bonds within 14 calendar days after the award of the Contract.

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

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HEALTH & FITNESS

Shift controls Click shifters control front and Blueprint for a Handlebars rear gears. Numbers are easy to Shifters and brakes are set comfortable ride high. Riders sit in a more upright position for more A model known as the 'comfort bike' Seat comfort and better visibility has become popular among new riders. A wider and more cushioned saddle prevents soreness. Front suspension Shock absorber in the Rear suspension front softens the impacts Shock absorber in from curbs or potholes the seat post improves comfor Brakes Tires New long-arm "V" brakes are knobby tires more powerfu provide comfort and traction. Belts inside

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Aluminum alloy frame is

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riders can stand when

Frame

You can dust off an old bike or buy a new one, but experts say comfort is the key to keeping you on two wheels

By Skip Card

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Longtime cyclists have heard the excuses They know people believe bicycles are too expensive, too dangerous, too uncomfortable and require too much effort. They know non-riders hate steep hills, fast cars and those funny-looking helmets. They know your last bike ride left your legs, pack and butt sore for days.

But cyclists also know your secret desires.

They know you want to be healthy, fit and strong.
They sense you envy those laughing bicycle riders who pedal through scenic countrysides and then sit down to a four-course lunch. They know that the green eco-grenlia lurking deep inside you makes you yearn to burn calories instead of gasoline.

The solution: Live your dreams. Forget about

finding the right mute, the perfect moment or bicy-cle shorts that don't make your butt look big. Just dust off that old Schwinn and start pedaling toward

And don't worry that the bike you're riding might draw sneers from triathletes in training.
"Whatever you have, take it to the bike shop and

have it set up for what you want to use it for," sug-gested Jason Wennstrom, manager of Rainier Cycle

Spons in Jacoma, Wash.

"It's not about the bike. It's about cycling — having the bike become part of your lifestyle,"

Wennstrom said. "If you have a bike in the basement, pull it out - we'll put some air in the tires -For would-be riders without a bike in the base-

new riders often are drawn to what manufacturers call the comfort bicycle, a beginner-friendly style about \$100 on accessories. Locks are recommend are available in different shapes or with different labels of conditions. Wennstrom calls "the sports utility bike" of the modern market.

Comfort bikes feature a padded saddle, high handlebars and easy-to-use shifters that click with each
gear change. A shock absorber in the seat post, two
shocks on the front forks and big, wide tires cushshocks on the front forks and big, wide tires cushshocks on the front forks and big.

The No. I killer in this area is not riding a bike,"

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The frames' top bar sits low, making it easy for riders to stand or dismount.
"It offers more comfort than you need, and it's what everybody Most models sold in bike shops start

around \$300. In exchange for extra comfort, riders

get a bike that's heavier and slower than the sleek, lightweight models designed for long tours.

Close cousins to comfort bikes are cross bikes or hybrids. These have the

and frames with higher top bars.
Ralph Wessels, president of the Tacoma Wheelmen's Bicycle Club, said new members often arrive pedaling cross bikes and hybrids but switch after a year

that weigh less and go faster. The lighter, faster bikes often start und \$500, and high-end models can

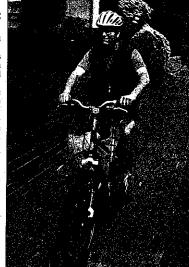
feich \$4,000 or more.

Prices rise as the manufacturers add

expensive, lightweight frames, vibration-absorbing carbon-fiber forks or finely crafted gears and derailleurs for cleaner

Gloves, water bottles and padded bicycle shorts

seat that came with the bigycle. A variety of models



Model shown: Navigator 300 by Trek

Graphic: FRED MATAMOROS/THE NEWS TRIBUNE

Suggested retail price: \$450

For would-be riders without a pixe in the passement, a return to cycling usually starts with a rip to a bicycle dealer. There, newcomers often face a bead-spinning assortment of high-end bicycles that can cost more than some used cars.

Riders who have selected a bike model in use size.

Sports, rides a "comfort bike" which is rimmes that are too long or too short can lead to pain in the shoulders, back and smoother tires for street riding.

Wennstrom said he hears many people say they

Expenses can add up quickly for detox treatment

Depending on the level of care and the addict's financial status, the beput on a waiting list to receive treatexpense of treating a substance abuse ment. roblem can cost an addict from noth-

profit Serenity House in Abilene, patient needs, which ranges from acute Texas, said a 30-day treatment with detox costs approximately \$11,000 for a client who does not qualify for state takes 28 days to complete.

At a non-profit center such as Serenity House, indigent clients who qualify for state assistance are treated at no cost to them. However, depending upon the time of year, such clients may a payment plan, she said.

"Two seen very few people who didn't go to treatment because they didn't have the money," Busby said. "They add something" to come the money, a patient who has the means, they can still receive care at the money. By Thaddeus DeJesus care.

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problem can cost an addict from nothing up to \$33,000. A high price tag, though, should not deter alcoholics and drug abusers from becoming sober, experts said.

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a crient wino does not quarity for same assistance. A "high-dollar" treatment Mary Busby, executive director of center that offers amentities such as golf courses and swimming pools charges up to \$33,000 for the same level of substance abuse and treatment, said "Title patient, usually a state-funded facility. "If they really need to get into detox, we'll find a way to get them in, whether from the U.S. Department of Health said.

ting a drug treatment facil- ty contacts the patient's insurance company and submits paperwork detailing treatment and cost.

The insurance company can approve

If the claim is denied, the assessor refers the patient to another facility that can treat the patient, usually a state-

such as Serenity House of Abilene.

Spalding said the rehab facility uses a waiting list to prioritize care and give "everyone a fair shot" at treatment. The

"It makes people feel comfortable in a setting that is traditionally fearful," said the center's cosmetic consultant, Jeff Bailey. While he admits it's mostly an Reling bait, the people who are reeled in gain the most, Bailey "We have a patient who hadn't been to the dentist for 10 years," Bailey said. "He's a construction worker, a big, gnarly concrete guy. Now he's motivated to come in and take care of his teeth."

The pampering surprised that patient, Jeff Burchett of Berthoud, Colo.

Dr. Charles S. Barotz checks out patient

CRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE

Brian Doubleday has a different picture of a dentist's

office than most patients do. They see cold blue chairs and

blinding lights. He sees heated buckwheat pillows and dark glasses. They smell pungent sterilization chemicals. He smells fresh-baked cookies and scented candles.

Doubleday's dentist uses pampering techniques designed to appeal to all the senses — and to deflect pair. This addition to dentistry is catching on so much in some major cities that dentists are dubbing their practices

"dental spas," where patients are offered everything from facials to wine spritzers with their cleanings and root canals.
"It's a good trend, I'll tell you," says Doubleday, of

Boulder, Colo. "For me, going to the dentist — while never viewed as a wonderful experience — has lost a lot

of that fear factor. I've never been so relaxed in a dentist's

For Doubleday, the grating sound of a drill has given

way to a CD player with his favorite music. Long, tense

appointments — his last one was roun more paraffin hand waxes and neck rubs.

The final rinse and spit in a porcelain bowl? A thing of his last one was four hours — include

the past. Doubleday's appointments now end with heated scented towels and bottles of spring water. Doubleday's dwindling fear is the main point of the

trend. Not all dentists agree with the spa approach, but

most understand the need to allay anxiety -- an issue deemed important enough to be part of most dental

"There are more nerve endings in the mouth than there are anywhere else in the body," said Dr. Charles Barotz,

Doubleday's dentist, "And we're coming at people wielding sharp objects."

At the Boulder Center for Aesthetic Dentistry, fruit

smoothies and complimentary hand and foot massages

Open wide,

say 'ahhh'

Spa approach to dental visits

boosts patient comfort, costs

By Debra Melani

"I was just doing the normal teeth-cleaning thing. It had been a few years," said Burchett, 41. Then someone asked if he wanted a massage.

ne wanted a massage, "The next thing I know, I'm getting this great foot massage. From then on, I couldn't wait for my dentist

Barotz isn't sure whether patients would welcome manicures and microdermabrasion treatments, which some of his colleagues in Dallas, Chicago and Los Angeles offer:
According to Howard Landesman, dean of the University of Colorado's dental school, it doesn't matter

whether patients welcome them. He says it's wrong, "I think it's ridiculous." Landesman said, adding that

reatments, such as manicures, with oral health care, such as root canals, creates a dangerous combination of prac-tices requiring two levels of infection control, he said. What if the trend were to become widespread? "It would denigrate the profession," Landesman said, "It's a marketing tool, which doesn't in any way, shape or form

have anything to do with health-care needs. We can make people comfortable in a dental office without those mar-Dentists who offer spa-like practices say their fees can be kept down because of the extra business the perks bring

in. "What we pay a massage therapist is nothing compared to the word-of-mouth we get back," Bailey said. But their prices are higher than average, and the cost factor is the main reason most dentists aren't latching onto the spa trend, said Michelle Cunningham, spokes

The cost, coupled with the fact that many people have no dental insurance, discourages dentists from joining the spa trend, because they don't want to push dental care fur-

trend is not a passing fad, and that's something Doubleday is glad to hear. The comfort has made such a big differ-

HOME & GARDEN

DORM LIFE 101

To squeeze in every necessity, check the rules

By Cindy Wolff

VARD NEWS SERVICE n University of Memphis officials say you can bring a co-gallon fish tank to your form, they mean you can put ish in it, but not any other living creature.

It's a fine point, but one that needs to

be clear as teens try to decide what ing and residents life.
they'll need to live on a college cam"We've had students bring in a

the first experience of living in a world where toilet paper doesn't magically appear on a roller and dirty elothes just turn up clean and folded on the bed. It might be the first time for some stu- more shelving or storage equipment

dents to share space.
"Most kids have their own bedrooms "Most kids have their own besteen at home and aren't used to living with a time.

"Many of them keep it year-round," roommate," said Danny Armitage, associate dean of students at University of Memphis.

"There's a lot of value in the dorm

be the most diverse community in the city of Memphis. People from every walk of life, race, nationality, religiou affiliation and economic status live closer than a lot of families." And that means knowing what to bring into these close-knit living quar-

"The least amount possible," is the advice of Becky Lloyd, a Memphian who has moved and re-moved four daughters from dorms in the last seven

years.
"You go there with a Suburban full of stuff and you come home with three Suburbans (ull,) she said. + Common She hasn't purchased a mini-refrigerator or a microwave because typically the roommates bring them anyway.

Nor did Lloyd buy her girls personal computers to take to the dorms, because most campuses have plenty of computers in their libraries or labs. But in this electronic age of the Internet, computer games, DVDs, tele-visions and VCRs, there will be plenty freshmen who feel they must pack

their dorm with entertainment possibil-"When I was in college in the 1980s, we put everything into my car and everything into 'my parents' car and moved in with no problem," said Dr. Ann Bailey, director of housing and residents life for Mississippi State University in Starkville. "Now they fill up both parents' sport utility vehicles and some hook up some sort of trailer. They bring furniture and anything else they think will make their life more

Some even bring housekeepers for one clean sweep before the move-in (even though the university staff has cleaned). Some bring interior decora-

The universities typically provide one wants to buy drapes to go over the

The schools usually give roommates contact information weeks prior to move-in day so the roommates can decide if they want to buy matching

room with a "micro-fridge," a combi-nation microwave oven and mini-

refrigerator.

At Auburn University, the beds can be bunked so students can bring in a little more living room-type furniture or a futon to accommodate out-of-town vis itors, said Kim Trupp, director of hous-

they'll need to live on a college campus.

Candles? Not allowed. Computer?

It's up to you. Alarm clock? Only if you want to get to your class on time.

(Remember, Mom's not there to come into you room five times to rouse you.)

For many freshmen, the dorm will be the first experience of living in a world.

"We've had students bring in a leather wingback chair, ottoman, cherry side table and a 50-inch television," you do details chair complete with an overhead light and a sink on the into your presentence of living in a world.

most local retailers near universities

said Armitage.
"I've never seen a student who couldn't find extra-long twin sheets in this city. The retailers know what to experience, because this could easily

Solid Advice

Whether your child will need a shower curtain and bath mat depends on whether the dorm

list of rules for each dorm room and measurements of wall space

bring and to consider:

A (colbox to help build shelving (if allowed) or tack up things.

Cement blocks (if allowed) or

some other device to raise the bed

■ Sticky hooks that can be removed from a wall or door when your student moves out. (Many dorms don't allow nail holes.)

Dry memo board with an eraser, to place on the dorm door for messages. ■ Bicycle — easy transportation

Many dorms have bike racks where your bike can be secured with a lock

your blke can be secured with a lock (that you supply)

Renter's insurance. Parents should check to see if a rider can be added to their homeowner's insurance policy or invest in a small policy for your child. Even if the only piece of chectronic equipment in your child's dorn' is a computer, renter's insurance could be worth the investment.

Most universities provide a punch list of suggested items for students to bring, such as flashlight, sewing kit, first-aid kit, utensils,

Author applies thrifty design tips to her Utah home

dollar at a second-hand shop.
"That's what I'm all about: a place that is fun and comfortable," Grover said.
"She studied interior design at Utah State University and is in demand as a designer with Karen Butera Inc., the California-

Jill Williams Grover appears to live a double life: There's the one as a decorator in tony Corona Del Mar, Calif., and the one as a fun-loving, whimsical morn in Brigham City, Utah, who has authored she'll just live in one. Every corner holds Grover Brigham City, Utah, who has authored several books, including "Dime Store several boo Decorating."

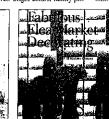
She prefers the latter. And her home, tucked up against the mountains and a golf course in northern Utah, is her laborato-

ry. With a whole lot more flair and a whole lot less trouble decorating guides,

Decorating" (Sterling Publications, \$27.95) and its paperback \$17.95), take enthusiasts through home above the dining room table and floor-to-

projects with heart.

Those funky, fancy mirrors in Grover's



during from? They to also account who was and doors reborn. The chair covers? They were wedding dresses in their former life.

That's not to say that all of her work is

Grover said, think about the following on the walls when you're sleep-deprived is

home-decorating acces-

"Anyone can spend a lot of money on accessories, but doing it this way takes some imagination," she said.

Her No. 1 decorating rule? A home should look like something other than a Chances are, you won't like it the day

ceiling family photos in the stairwell.

And somehow it comes together in a cohesive, celectic, happy symphony that a few rules," she repeats, like a mantra.

She studied interior design at Utah State

Decorate around something you love

One day, she swears, she li write a book based design firm she has worked with for run wild. "It's so forgivable. If you do a decade. something and you don't like it, you're not out much," she said. "I might be scared on

say who — but insists she'd rather be rummaging through bins at a closeout and second-hand store hunting for perfect home-decreating and second shops regularly. If you find something that appeals to you, buy it.

room to room. If something doesn't look good in the family room, try it in the living

When people see her days and eventually you will decide what book and her home, they don't believe where the Grover also offers warnings:

shopping was done.

"If you shop with your friends, don't between the fifty on shop with your friends, don't between the fifty on shop with your friends, don't between the fifty on shop with your friends, don't between the fifty on shop with your friends, don't between the fifty on the fifty on the fifty on with your friends, don't between the fifty on the sure. Buying for a party tome

> ■ Don't decorate when you're tired. a sure recipe for disaster.



The dining room in Jill Grover's home in Utah features slip-covers on dining room tables made of old wedding dresses

FOOD

GRILLED CHICKEN WITH VEGETABLE SALSA

2 nounds boneless, skinless chicken breast 1 or 2 cloves garlic, minced Salt and pepper to laste

Season chicken breasts with salt and pepper and minced garlic.

Clean the grill off with a grill brush and a towel, and lightly brush with olive oil to keep chicken from sticking. Heat grill on a medium-high setting for 5 minutes. (You should be able to hold your hand over the grates for only 3 seconds.) Place chicken on grill and cook about 8 to 10 minutes, or until chicken is fork tender and juices

run clear, turning once.

Remove immediately, and serve with scoop of vegetable salsa

(recipe below).

For the salsa: 2 tomatoes, coarsely diced 1 red bell pepper, coarsely diced 1 small red onion, coarsely diced 1/2 cup cilantro or flat-leaf parslev. chooped

1 clove garlic, minced Good-quality, extra virgin office oil 1 red chill, chopped (optional) Salt and nepper to taste

Combine vegetables and season-ings in a small mixing bowl. If you like a little heat, add a chopped red chili. Add enough olive oil to coat, and toss. Allow to sit at room temwith grilled chicken breast. Source: Sam DiBattista, Vivo

MARINATED CHICKEN WITH CURRIED NECTARINE RELISH

estaurant, Bellevue, Pa.

(Serves 4) Marinade: 1/4 cup canola oil 1/4 cup cider vinegar z oay leaves A few drops of Tabasco sauce 1/2 teaspoon salt 2 bay leaves

1 pound boneless chicken breasts Combine marinade ingredients in a non-corrosive bowl, and add the chicken. Allow to marinate for 1 to 2 hours. Remove the chicken from the marinade, and grill or broil for 6 to 8 minutes on each

Remove from the grill and arrange on a large serving platter or individual plates and top with a lit-tle of the relish (see recipe below). To serve the marinade: Place the remaining marinade in a small pan and heat to boiling point. Serve

3 nectarines, tinely diced (you could substitute peaches) 1/2 cup finely diced onions 1/4 cup finely diced red pepper

1/4 cup raisins 1/4 cup chopped walnuts 1 lablespoon dried red pepper

1/4 cup cider vinegar 1/4 cap sugar
1 to 2 teaspoons curry powder
Place all ingredients in a glass or
plastic bowl and blend together

en.
Refrigerate overnight if possible Grilling chicken can be a challenge, but these tips will ease your pain to enhance the flavor.

— Source: Gaynor Grant.

cheffowner, Sewickley Cooking Studio, Sewickley, Pa.

EASY BARBECUED CHICKEN

(Serves 6) 2 pounds chicken pieces 1 or 2 cloves garlic, minced

Wash chicken and dab dry with a paper towel, then season with salt, pepper, pepper flakes and mineced gartic. Clean the grill off with a grill brush with olive oil to keep chicken from sticking. Heat grill on a mediam-low setting for 5 minutes.

Grill chicken, skin side up and with grill to the development of the state of the st

f you love to grill hamburgers and hot dogs, you might think throwing some chicken on the heat is no big deal. Just stather it with barbecue sauce, turn it states and sauce it sauce it is done; otherwise, valuable juices while otherwise the sauce it is supply plenty of drinks, especially if it's hot outside. Beer chicken on the heat is no big deal. Just sauce it's done; otherwise, valuable juices while otherwise with the sauce it is supply plenty of drinks, especially if it's hot outside. Beer chicken on the heat is no big deal. Just stather it with barbecue sauce, turn it such sauce is supply plenty of drinks, especially if it's hot outside. Beer chicken on the heat is no big deal. Just stather it with barbecue sauce, turn it such sauce is supply plenty of drinks, especially if it's hot outside. Beer chicken on the heat is no big deal. Just stather it with barbecue sauce, turn it such sauce is supply plenty of drinks, especially if it's hot outside. Beer chicken on the heat is no big deal. Just sauce is supply plenty of drinks, especially if it's hot outside. Beer chicken on the heat is no big deal. Just sauce is supply plenty of drinks, especially if it's hot outside. Beer chicken on the heat is no big deal. Just sauce is supply plenty of drinks, especially if it's hot outside. Beer chicken on the heat is no big deal. Just sauce is supply plenty of drinks, especially if it's hot outside. Beer chicken on the heat is no big deal. Just sauce is

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over every once in a while, and voila! will be lost in the process. lemon juice a

Everyone will swear you were born in

Another common mistake is not to rub or one-drinkers. spray a little bit of oil on the grill rack before you start cooking, to keep the chick-

Sall and pepper

As anyone who has ever dried out or

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Gee, Web

The familiar, round Weber Grill is more than half a century old, but it remains a favorite at backyard barbecues worldwide

By Bob Masullo

SACRAMENTO BEE
Those lovable, iconic Weber kettles have passed the half-century mark. But they might never have come into existence if it weren't for a metalworker who loved to grill burgers and occasional steaks for his family.

George Stephen, 30 years old at the time, sold his first kettle in 1952 while employed in a Chicago suburb as a "spinner" for the Weber Brothers Metal Works, a firm founded by his grandfather and managed by his father. (A spinner shapes decorative metal objects on a wheel similar to the way a poster shapes clay objects.)

Stephen, father to six girls and six boys, was unhappy
with the barbecue grills used in the early '50s. Their flat,
open surfaces made flames uneven and impossible to

tionally begins on Memorial Day, but for

chefs the grilling season

According to the 14th annual "GrillWatch" sur-vey recently conducted by Greenfield Online for

the Weber-Stephen Products Co., 50 percent of American grillers now

grill throughout the year

The survey has come up with other interesting statistics about grillers:

■The Fourth of July is the

most popular grilling day (84 percent), followed by

up and cook. 25

■ Eighty-five percent grill

E Forty-one percent turn

more than twice as likely

to use a timer than right handed grillers (14 per-

cent vs. 6 percent).

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control. In his first attempt to improve things, he built a large brick grill with heavy metal grates -only to find it didn't work much better than On the grill

other grills.

A short while later, however, the grilling muse came to Stephen while he was on the job at his family's factory.

"He was working on domes to be made into buoys for the Chicago Yacht Club," explains Kempster, Weber-Stephen Products ing and a longtime friend of Stephen, who died in 1993. "He took one of the domes, drilled some holes in the bottom and on a lid that he fash-ioned, welded in sup-ports to hold two grates,

Lanor Day (75 percent), a birihday (68 percent) and worked great, and the rest is history."

In Weber-Stephen's lirst 50 years, an estimate ed 50 million Weber kettles have been sold worldwide, 30 million in

the United States. the main course on a reg-ular basis; 28 percent also grill their side dishes; 12 At Emigh Hardware, one of the leading grill Sacramento, Calif., eabout 40 percent of all grills sold last year were Whote kettles, store manager Brian Lawrence reports. Why do they remain so popular?

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percent), steak (51 per-cent), chicken (41 per-cent), hot dogs (34 per-cent), ribs (9 percent). extremely durable," says Kempster. "They last for 20 years or more, More importantly, they do a great job. Also, they have a pleasing shape that seems so familiar (that) it

makes people feel good."
The silhouette of a lidded dome on a tripod, in fact, is now synonymous with the Weber name. The shape has been trademarked, just like the ■ Twenty-five nercent shape of a Coke bottle. The company did this

out with similar models Kempster says Weber kettles experienced declining sales in the 1985-1995 decade as more and more people switched to gas grills (which Weber has also made since 1971), "But since 1995, we've seen a gradual increase in kettle sales each year. A lot of people, apparently, are remembering their parents using them when they were

growing up and want to recapture that experience. At Stephen's urging, Weber Brothers Metal Works greed to manufacture grills and let him head its new barbecue division." Sales were slow at first, but by the end of the '50s they picked up sufficiently for him to buy out the firm. He changed its name to Weber-Stephen

in the business. His son Jim is the company's president and CEO.



Tips, tricks from Food Network

Measuring molasses

When measuring gooey molasses, lightly oil or but-ter the spoon or cup before pouring in the syrup,

Instant-read thermometers

An instant-read thermometer is a godsend if you have been stymied by vague baking instructions such as "the bread is done when golden brown and are done when a thermometer inserted in the center of the bread registers 195 degrees.

Can't cook an egg?

If you think perfectly fresh eggs taste "notten" --that is, sulphury — you might try cooking them less. The strong taste and aroma is a distinct sign

MONEY

One man's trash

By Will Evans

There's a dumpster with delicious sweet rolls

Rich, chewy and a bit hard to find amid all the bakery trash, it's a good dessert to cap off a successful night of dumpster-diving for Tim

lones.

Jones actually takes two, gobbling them as he pedals away on his bike, which is lugging a trailer loaded with processes he's grabbed from

Jones, 21, of Sacramento, Calif., is a "free-gan." It's a takeoff on the word "vegan," which neans someone who on principle will not eat any animal products -- including dairy -- so as

not to harm animals.

But what about the sweet roll, which is probably made with eggs, milk and butter?
Freegans like Jones will cat non-vegan food if it's free — that is, if they scavenge it, so they're not supporting the non-vegan industry or creating demand for a product.

They get much of their food from dumpsters. But it's not just a fringe diet, Freeganism is rooted in a political philosophy that condemn nption and waste in American soci

Freegans come from a larger community of young, do-it-yourself punks. Many are anar-chists, opposing all forms of government and embracing ideals such as individual freedom and cooperation. Some, though, don't identify being labeled. But all of them despise the

tive.

The freegan diet stems from vegetarianism, which means to not eat meat - despite what those fish-nibbling, chicken-chewing "vegetari-Veganism is one step stricter. Freegans, if

they buy anything, buy vegan.
Still, to them, it's kosher to eat non-vegan food (a few will even eat meat) if it's dump-

stered, left on somebody's plate or given away Simply put: Freegans reduce trash by eating it (though they aren't the only dumpster-divers out there). And while vegans believe animal products cause animal misery and environmen-

tal ruin — especially with modern mass-pro-duction techniques — freegans even worry about the harm of buying vegan. "Should I use what otherwise would go to waste?" Jones says. "Or should I go into a store and pay six bucks for this organic vegan prod-uct that's in all the plastic packaging, and then

someone's going to use that six bucks to go buy McDonald's or something?"

His thinking shows how freegans view the extreme inter-connectedness of things — like that of a hunk of tofu, for example, to the gas

that's used and the pollution that's created by ansporting it to a store.

People in the scene often travel the country,

hitchhiking and hopping freight trains. Freegan-ness is key-on the road, where good vegan food can be scarce.

And it's handy at home, where dumpster-div-

one is a namey at notine, where compister-only-ing is just like grocery shopping. Only it's free. On one recent outing, Jones jumped in a gro-cery store's dumpster, picking through the muck while directing a small flashlight with his mouth. It doesn't look too tasty at first: a random

n doesn't look tob day at hist, a random piece of fried chicken, a stack of moldy tor-tillas, unidentifiable bags and a porn magazine. The dumpster has a sweet, musty smell, though each has a unique bouquet. Eventually, Jones

some some not.

The next store's dumpster is better—if stickier. It's a gooey mess, on account of the over-ripe fruits and veggies squished together, the leaking claim dip and something that could be sour cream.

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But Jones and his dumpstering buddy still namage to make a hart: apples, oranges, kiwis, strawberries, bananas, tomatoes, avocados,

strawberries, bananas, tomatoes, avocaoos, or in the case of the area worth, Johnson Surge, the goods have dents and blemishes — ing only what they need. That world is not like-

But Jones and the others say they've never gotten sick from dumpstered food. And washed

Dumpster by dumpster.

tomeless people for whom they cook regularly
Even on his way back to the house he share: with several friends, Jones stops his bike for the homeless, turning his trailer into a free mobile market.

No trouble this night, but dumpstering is not

without risks: Police consider it illegal trespass ing, and sometimes people from the stores chase down the diverse sensell and the stores But freegans already have chosen, in a way, to be outlaws from mainstream society. They

reject capitalism and try to live outside it, some avoiding money altogether.

Jones tries to reduce his impact in a personal way. His clothes are mostly used --- and some-

In the ideal world, Jones says, people would sure, the goods have dents and demission the store plop the kind of produce people inside the store plop aside. And some of the food has passed its "sell" when you look at the big picture, you get kind by "date.

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A restaurant manager, for example, might learn how to say such things as "Slice the tomatees" or "bus that table." Or, for a group of hotel supervisors, the phrases understanding, (but also produced an) unexpected byproduct—increased monale, motivation and improved customer service."

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in helping employees bridge the language gap.

About 70 percent of his business involves having Spanish to supervisors with significant numbers of Hispanic employees. But the 12 teaching contractors Rosheim regularly employs also offer programs in Humong, Somali and a dozen other language. As the lass has contractors working for clients in Denver, Chicago and St. Louis.

The on-site training bears little reseming the language gap.

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The supplement the business, Rosheim is producing "Quick View" language guides, pocket-sized English-to-Spanish manuals that are industry-specific and contain hum-dreds of terms and phrases.

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Freegans are the underground resistance to over-consumption.

Many who professionally study the larger social and environmental issues have never heard of the word "freegan" these they show a regime in the world, we would nead the plants the setting terms.

larger social and environmental issues have never heard of the word "freegan," though they share similar ideas.

"What people like (freegans) are witnessing is a culture of waste and affluence, which is occurring in a larger context of poverty on a global scale graying property now donestic.

cally, (and) growing ecological devas-tation caused by our consumption habits," says Juliet Schor, a Boston

Iffestyle."

The symbolism of freeganism is striking, says Mathis Wackernagel, eat and nourish their bodies without impacting the environment around Redefining Progress, an Oakland, them, I think they've probably been around the properties of the Calif., think tank. "It's saying, 'This is smoking something

"Clean the mirrors."

Perhaps as important for those managers, In just a month, 35,000 copies were some to companies whose executives serve on the

scale, growing poverty now domesti- ers, freegans even beat that, he says.

Of course, not everyone buys it, In fact, the Center for Consume College sociology professor and group disagrees with pretty much all author of "The Overspent American: of it — from the belief that eating Why We Want What We Don't Need" animal products is uncibical to the "These folks are engaged in a pretty profound critique of the dominant commental crisis or America is to

blame. "he says.

But freeganism also has practicality, he says. Wackemagel designed a morally superior."

"Pretending to drop out of the natural order of things does not make you morally superior."

Office language gap provides business opportunities for some By Dick Youngblood
Minneapolis-St. Paul Star Tribune
The melting pot is aboil, and that has meant significant workplace communications problems for employers, supervisors and workers

blance to the language classes in high school or college, however. The focus is on workplace conversation, not classroom conjugations, with each course tailored to projugations, with each course tailored to projugations.

Engine: 195-hp turbo-diesel V8 Weight: 7,154 lbs. Fuel tanks: 25 gallons, 17 gallons



(*Estimate, not tested by E.P.A.) (Photos courtesy Hummer)

Hummers roll with the cheers

and jeers

By Cristina Rouvalis

Up the winding gravel driveway, behind a white fence, next to skateboarding ramps and a stately white-column house in Murshall, Pa., sit

R.J. and Cindy Roach's two shiny Hummers The two tanks look battle-worthy, weighing a combined 13,214 pounds, or more than five Kia Rios. The two Hummers can tow 14,367 pounds together and take up almost 14 feet of garage width _ and that's not counting the

The pair of Hummers would break many a civilian budget. In October, the Roaches spent \$55,000 for Cindy's black H2 Hummer, the newer model with heated sents and nine Bose speakers. They liked it so much that they went back to the dealership in April to buy R.J. a \$112,000 green HI, the more authentic,

macho, noisier version.

On the street and in dealerships, the war in Iraq has spiked interest in the Hummer, once an oddity but now the most popular large, luxury

Even though the Sierra Club is trying to stop the gas-gulping tank in its massive tracks, the Roaches only get rave reviews when they roll down the streets in their Hummers. "It's a very patriotic vehicle," says Duane

Guthrie, product manager at Wright Hummer in Wexford, Pa. "Some of my customers are talking about being patriotic." "This vehicle doesn't have 0 percent finan-

ing or incentives, and I can't keep them in tock," says Guthrie, who estimates that only them for off-road use.
"It is like driving an American flag," says

Rick Schmidt, coordinator of the International Humaner Owner Group in Michigan.
Patriotic? Hardly, says the Sierra Club.

"The Hummer may have a place on the bat-tlefield," says Daniel Becker, director of Sierra Club's global warming and energy program "Why it has a place trying to park downtown is

a mystery to me."

But isn't it your right to vroom around your

neighborhood in as big a tank as you want, as H2 owner Joe Eori contends?

"This is America ... and you should be able." to get what you want," says Eori, who own el's World of Cycles in Rostraver, Pa.

Becker counters: "People can drive whatev-er they want. But it is irresponsible for General Motors to flack and push Americans to buy an 11-mile-per-gallon gas guzzler at a time when our soldiers are fighting in a war that has some-thing to do with oil."

Pete Ternes, director of communications for Hummer, said while sales of the vehicle are growing, it is still a minuscule part of the car market. GM, which negotiated the marketing rights to the Hummer name from AM General

in Wisconsin, says only about 760 HI Hummers were sold last year. Sales of the less pricey H2 have held steady

launched in July 2002. The H2 has nudged up the sales of the HI this year.

"It has no impact on fuel prices," Ternes says, noting that Hummers get between II and

13 mpg.

GM doesn't want everyone driving a

Hummer: "Our goal is to keep it very attractive, and somewhat exclusive," Ternes said.

The median Hummer buyer is 41 years old. with a household income of \$215,000. Seventy-five percent are white, 9 percent-Hispanic and 7 percent African American. That exclusivity is exactly why the Roaches

love their Hummers "There is nothing else on the road like it," says R.J.



2003 Hummer H1 Base Price: \$113,824



2003 Hummer H2 Engine: 316-hp Vortec V8 Gas mileage: 11 city/13 highway*

REGIONAL MARKETPLACE

MONEY MATTERS

Registry helps end pesky calls

Consumers go to unusual lengths to avoid dealing with telemarketers.

Take my husband for example. He hung up on my sister who phoned us last month from England because he thought she was a tele-

He didn't mean to hang up on her. He was simply employing an anti-telemarketing strategy we adopted months earlier to avoid the blasted

When she called back a minute later, exasperated, I explained to her that if we don't hear a voice on the other end of the line within a few seconds of picking up the phone (dead air), we simply hang up. And if we happened to hang up on any-one we knew, naturally they'd call

Our strategy worked until the volume of hang-ups on the machine got so large we had to change and unlist our number. Now we receive about one call a week.

Earlier this month I registered our phone number with the national Do Not Call registry, a program directed by the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) and the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). As of July 28, consumers had registered a total of 28.7 million telephone numbers in the registry. The FTC expects to register more than 60 million numbers by the end

How the registry works Beginning in September telemarketers will be required by law to search their call lists every quarter for numbers listed in the registry. If consumers still receive calls after they've registered, and their number they've registered, and their number has been in the negistry for three months, they can file a complaint with the FTC at www.donotcall.gov or by calling 1 (888) 382-1222. A telemarketer who disregards the Do Not Call registry could be fined up to \$11.000 ere cell to \$11,000 per call.

Telemarketers will also be subject to fines if they don't transmit their phone numbers, and in many cases their names, to your Calter ID serv-ice: Enhanced FTC regulations also say there must be someone on the line when you pick up the phone or at least a recorded message saying who is calling.

How to register
Visit the FTC online at www.donoteall.gov. You'll be prompted to enter your telephone number and e-mail address. After you verify and submit your information you'll receive an email asking you click on a link to complete the registration process.

You can also register over the telephone by calling I (888) 382-1222 from the number you wish to register. Registration is free and our name will remain in the reg-

istry for five years.

Not all businesses are required to abide by the Do Not Call list. Charities, political solicitors, survey firms and organizations with which consumers have an established relationship can still ring you. However, if you ask a company not to call you. they must honor your request.

Scam alert

According to the Eastern Michigan Better Business Bureau (BBB) fraudulent telemarketers are charging consumers \$9.95 to \$39.95 to register for the list. They're also asking for personal information dur-ing these calls including the con-sumer's Social Security number, bank account numbers and mother's maiden name. Consider warning your elderly loved ones who are too polite to simply hang up the phone

If you're plagued with an inordiamount of convincicial adver-Marketing Association's Web site at

www.the-dma.org, under "Consumer." However, only Direct Marketing Association members are required to purge their lists of do not mail list subscribers. Receiving too many credit card offers? Phone 1 (888) 5-OPT OUT. It's a service run by the three major credit card bureaus. You'll be required to supply your Social Security number. Or again, credit card marketers are required by law to honor this list.

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Dan Howell and Stewart Oldford, partners of Oldford & Howell LLC. Development, show the plans for their subdivision while standing on

New Parshallville Pond sub provides quaint, historic setting

Oldford-Howell Development, LLC creates a quiet paradise that's not far away

By Ramez Khuri

What do you get when you bring two highly experienced developers together for one

project? In this case you get the Parshallville

Parshaltville Fond Subdivision.

Dan Howell and Stuart Oldford have been in the development business for many years and have extensive experience in building residen-tial developments. tial developments.

Together, they formed Oldford-Howell Development, LLC and came up with the idea for a subdivision set in a formed

quiet, seeluded area that's close to the freeway. Nestled away in the quaint, historic hamlet of Parshallville, has become the perfect setting for their new development. Just 15 minutes north of the US-23 and 1-96 Brighton interchange, 20 nostalgic home sites overlook the sparkling water of Parshallville Pond, providing a peaceful, scenic site

"This location is really clos-Howell said. terms of time," Howell said. "Most people think in terms of distance and not time. In actuality, it's only 15 minutes north of Brighton on US-23 and that's one of the reasons we picked that location. It's a quaint little setting and reasonably close commuting for many people."

The hamlet of Parshallville

was founded in 1835 and is nestled in Parshallville Valley along North Ore Creek in Hartland Township. The Grist Mill, built in 1835, remains operative today and is desig-nated as a "Historical Site" by the State of Michigan

the State of Michigan.
According to Howell, the area has many similarities with Franklin Village. "It's the little town of Parshallville," he said. "It has a pond there, a water fall, a cider mill, the whole thing. It has that up north feeling except you're still very close to metro Detroit."
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Parshallville Combines a historie, serene setting

bines a historic, serene setting within the growing township of Hartland. With tis acclaimed progressive school system, new shopping plaza and recreational parks, Hartland is fast becoming the

place to live.

The story behind the unity of the two developers started when Oldford, who lives right down the street from Parshallville, was told about the land going up for sale. He contacted Howell and the two visualized the site as ideal for a

small residential development. There are only 20 lots in the subdivision which are for sale to individuals as well as builders. An individual purown builder, which is also unique to the development.
"Most subdivisions don't allow that opportunity," Howell said.
"A builder usually contracts
the entire site and you have to
contract with that builder, so this gives you the opportunity to select your own builder.

We have certain covenants and restrictions designed to ann restrictions usually and protect the homeowner's investment," Howell added. "They also influence to the house design and establish a tone compatible with the reminiscent style of the village companity."

A Township Park and open space lead into the dense scenic stand of mature white pines and hardwoods. The rolling terrain offers potential for many daylight and/or walkout home designs. Neo-classic home styles are empha-sized to blend with the his-

sized to blend with the historic, nostalgic setting,
"This is not just a typical subdivision," Howell said.
"Our development enjoys the advantage of being tucked away in a small village setting—a short walk and you're at the front steps of the old cider mill together with enjoying the peaceful, subashing of water

mill together with enjoying the peaceful splashing of water spilling over the fulls." Another perk to purchasing land in the new Parshallville Pond Subdivision is that by law, people who put a deposit on property have nine days to make a decision after they put the deposit down. Under the structure that the two develop-ers have on this subdivision, the buyer has nine days to finalize their thoughts – a

cooling off" period.
"So, if they made an emodecision they have an opportunity to look at their finances and look at everything else before they make the final

decision," Howell said, "The deposit is fully refundable within that nine day period, no questions asked." Howell tries to match people

Howell tries to match people up with the area in terms of what their needs and wants are. "We try and match the person up with what they are looking for and if they have 10 reasons why they want to buy a lot out in Hartland and my interview hits six, seven or eight of them, then they are a true candidate," he said. "It's sort of like a marriage, every-body has to be happy. It is a big investment. I always tell big investment, I always tell people to be sure that this is what you want before you buy. There are a lot of emotional buyers out there."

Howell also stressed that the location of the area is very important. "If you want to live in an area that's secluded and in an area that's secluded and has an up north, small town type of atmosphere, then this is for you," he said. "Some people perceive Hartland is further out than they want to go, but in terms of time, it's not all that far. To get to Novi from Brighton is about 15 minutes and from Brighton to minutes and from Brighton to their doorstep in Parshallville is about 15 minutes. It's not a bad commute at all.

Southfield, Ann Arbor, Howell, Novi - they're all with-in easy commuter reach, rang-ing from 30 to 45 minutes." "To appreciate all this," Howell said, "it's worth the

short drive to view what we have here. It's hard to believe this atmosphere is only a mile off the US-23 freeway." (see map below)
Contact Dan Howell at (586)

484-4247 or Stuart Oldford at (248) 255-5169 or visit their

ADVANTAGES

Advantages of purchasing a house in Parshallville Subdivision

Quaint, historic setting Convenient commute to

- Novi, Ann Arbor and Metro Detroit (within 15 minutes of Brighton, US-23, I-96 interchange)
- Renowned progressive Hartland School System
- One-half to one-acre plus Minimum size homes: One
- story = 1,800 square feet; Two story = 2,300 square Paved streets and concrete
- Underground
- including electric gas, tele-phone and cable television Private community; all common areas controlled
- by homeowner's associa-Reasonable buildina restrictions protect your
- investment while assuring architectural continuity Terms are available
- Select your own builder Prices range from the mid
- \$70s to mid \$90s

Web site, www.parshallvillepond.com, for more informa-

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