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More than 70 years after a

spark from a passing train reduced three-quarters of Wixom to ashes, the city is taking steps to

Downtown

rekindle its downtown. Wixom City Council voted Aug. 26 to sign a contract with Oakland County, allowing the city

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By Phil Foley

STAFF WRITER

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### New York in Novi

The Manhattan Club a new nightelub that brings a taste of New York to Novi, just opened Aug. 22 on Grand River between Meadowbrook and Haggerty. From left, owners Karl Early and Linda Dettore with Chef Joey DelVecchio, Dishes, from left Coconut Shrimp, Cathedra Parkway Chicken and Thai Mix Cathedral — Page 5A

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### ENTERTAINMENT

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st 10 years since It's been almost 10 years since "nightmare" fans have, seen Freddy Krueger's ugly face on the silver screen, but that drought ended with his return. - Page 1B

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### By PAM FLEMING STAFF WRITER

Novi artist David Barr has once again helped create a piece of art that will grace the landscape for generations to come. Barr collaborated wi with

Bafford Township artist Sergio De Giusti to create "Transcending," a new monu-ment in downtown Detroit's Hart

Plaza honoring labor. The work, dedicated at a spe-cial day-long ceremony Aug. 20, celebrates almost three years of

vork by labor activists and the two local artists. The \$1.5 million project was funded by the Michigan Labor Legacy Project. Gerald Bantom, director of the United Auto Workers Ford Department, served as president of the nonprofit organization. Barr described members of the project described members of the project as a group of people from a vari-ety of organizations involved in labor history. "These are idealists and dreamers who want to get the message of their lives and labor's dreamers to the public," Berr said, \_\_\_\_\_More than 120 artists submit-red blind proposals for the monu-end live and the proposals for the monu-

- prior to the Labor Day Weekend.

The monument honors both workers and labor activists those engaged in the struggle for worker's rights that has been as much a part of the Detroit land-

scape as the sculpture itself. "Transcending" is the largest work of an honoring labor in North America. The two stainless steel arcs reach 63 feet into the air and were designed by Barr. The arcs sweep up to a point where they almost touch. The gap represents the unfinished work of workers. Many union work of workers. Many union workers helped construct the landmark. For example, the stainless steel pieces ed together by Capital Welding in Southfield.

Development Authority and keep 59.1 million in county taxes over the next 25 years. declared.

The money will be used to help pay for some \$30 million in infrastructure improvements the city plans to make in a 265-acre area centered on Pontiac Trail and Wixom Road.

City Manager Michael Doman looks out from his office on Pontiac Trail and sees a village center where children watch responsible adults interacting daily in a pedestrian-friendly environment that combines commercial and residential uses. "This has never been done any-where nationwide," Dornan

"They're building someplace to come home to," said Oakland County Commissioner Jeff Potter,

Wixom plans to recreate downtown

who championed the program before the county commission. Under the contract Wixom has signed with the county, the city can levy a two-mill tax on proper-

ties within the DDA and keep any increased county tax revenues generated by improvements to properties within the authority for

up to 25 years. Under the terms of the tax increment financing authority, however, the city is limited to keeping no more than \$9.1 mil-lion in county taxes. Once that or

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Tony Nowicki Wixom assistant city manager

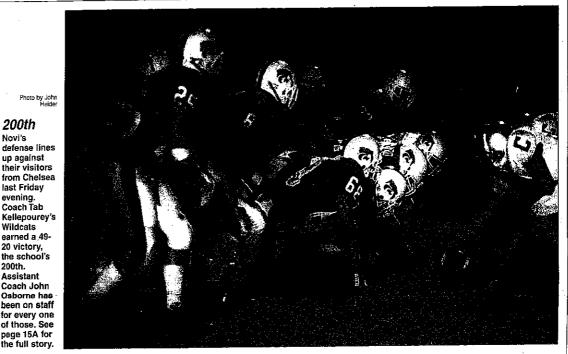
the 25-year marked is reached, the city's taxing authority for the DDA sunsets.

The city could begin collecting the new revenues as early as July 1, according to City Treasurer

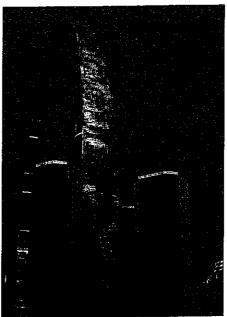
Kevin Brady. Larry Cohen, whose West

Bloomfield company Cohen & Associates has partnered with Bloomfield Hills' Robertson Brothers to develop 41 acres of city-owned property north of Wixom City Hall, said he expects

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# **'Labor' of Love** Artist helps build largest monument in North America honoring workers



## **Novi Police** investigate death of beaten girl

### By Phil Foley STAFF WRITER

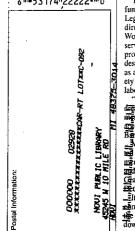
Two-year-old Ann Marie Shawley was supposed to be back with her mother in Emmett today following a Labor Day weekend visit with her father in Novi. Instead, the toddler's mother is

planning a funeral and the girl's 22-year-old stepfather is facing charges related to her death.

"It's one of the worse cases I've seen in 33 year of law enforce-ment - and I've seen a lot," said

Novi Police Chief Doug Shaeffer. He said emergency room offi-cials at Novi's Providence cials at Novi's Providence Hospital called police after the girl's father brought her in about 10 a.m. Monday with multiple including brain damage





blind proposals for the monument. The jury that selected Barr and De Giusti's idea included Graham Beal, director of the Etroit Institute of Arts.

It was fitting that the artists "Transcending" enpleted the name of the new sculpture in downtown Detroit's Hart Plaza

Barr had 14 granite boulders placed around the base of the monument. He cut and polished the boulders in Vermont and had them shipped to Detroit on trucks. The boulders range from three- to seven-feet high and featufe bronze reliefs designed by De Giusti. Each relief tells a story about ordinary workers. Pavers with more than 40 quo-

tations, from people who were important to the labor movement, such as Martin Luther King Jr., Eugene Debs, Frederick Douglass, Eleanor Roosevelt and former Walter Reuther.

The monument also has a time capsule with mementos of labor families, such as labor caps, a

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Photo by Cal Stone

"Transcending," a new monument in Hart Plaza in downtown Detroit honoring labor, was designed by Novi artist David Barr and Redford Township artist Sergio De Giusti. The work features two 63-foot stainless steel pieces that make up an arc that almost touches in the middle, symbolizing the fact that laborers' work is never done

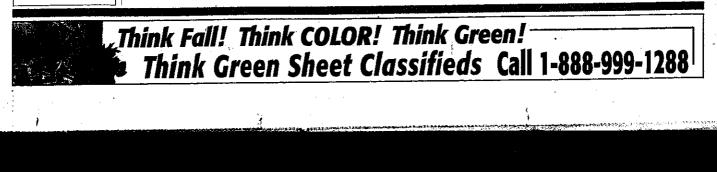
Chief Shaeffer said the child was treated at Providence Park before being transferred to a special treament unit at Royal Oak's William Beaumont Hospital, He said doctors at Beaumont declared the child dead at 7:05 p.m. Tueday and took her off all life support.

Beaumont spokesman Ilene Wolff said that child's family has asked that the hospital release no information on the case.

Oakland County Medical Examiner Dr. Ljubisa J. Dragovic said the child was one of six autop-sies scheduled for Wednesday. As of press time Wednesday, Novi Police and the Oakland Medical

County Prosecutor's Office were still investigating and discussing possible charges against the step mother.

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### POLICE REPORT zone. He charged the driver, a 49woman reportedly had a water bot-stopped. The driver, a 38-year-old year-old Pittsburgh man, with oper-ating under the influence of liquor after the man failed field sobriety Always signal Westland man said he'd had two beers at The Post Bar after getting the filled with what appeared to be before 6:26 p.m. at Bully's Total Fitness on Crescent Drive. She said someone keyed the hood and drivers posting a \$100 bond. Apple Pucker and registered a blood alcohol content of .05. She was later Officers Timothy Farrell and Eric off work. Officer Rhea charged the Lindblade stopped a 1994 Mercury Sable after clocking it at 90 mpl in a 70 mpli zone at 2:19 a.m. Aug. 29. released after posting a \$100 bond. **Cell phone heist** man with operating under the influ-ence of liquor after he failed field side of her 2002 Oldsmobile A 33-year-old Novi man reported Intrigue. Aug. 26 that his truck was burglar-ized sametime before 10-49 a.m. at bis home near Mooringside and later for Officer Jonathan Zabick suid be East Lebost. He said a cell phone sobriety tests and registered a blood alcohol content of .22. The man was Cell phone heist II They first noticed the vehicle as it A Novi man told Officer Paul tarned off Novi Road on to the cast-Bad choice later released after posting a \$100 hound 1-96 entrance without signal-ing. They charged the driver, a 28-year-old Redford man, with operat-Les us ear was burgka-ized at his home near Lynwood and Holyoke sometime before 7:16 a.m. Aug. 25. The man said his cell phone and Palm Pilot were taken. 2002 Mereury Mountaineer on 1-96 near Wixom Road at 1:55 a.m. Aug. 27 after he clocked it at 84 mph in a 70 mph zone. After Staligross that his car was burglar was stopped for a red light on Market Street at Grand River Avenue at 9:56 p.m. Aug. 28 when a and adapter were taken. ing under the influence of liquor after he failed field sobriety tests and Too fast registered a blood alcohol content of .18, The man was later released after 2002 Ford Explorer blew past him. After he stopped the truck on Towncenter Drive near 11 Mile Road, he charged the driver with After clocking a 2002 Ford Taurus at 65 mph in a 45 mph zone posting a \$100 bond. on Eight Mile east of Meadowbrook at 3:04 a.m. Aug. 27. Officer Keyn operating under the influence of at 334 a.m. Aug. 27, Officer Kevin liquor after the 56-year-old Wixom man failed field solviety texts and registered a blood alcohol content of with lights flashing before the car Couldn't wait? Officer Joint Nelson charged a 23-year-old Garden City man with e urination at 2:29 a.m. Aug. 29 following an incident outside The Post Bar on Market Street. Way out of town GOING ON NOW THRU Officer Jason Meier stopped a car SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 in Haggerty Road just south of 10 Mile Road at 2:45 a.m. Aug. 30 after he observed it driving erratically. He charged the driver, a 37-year-old GET SERIOUS ABOUT SHOPPING AND SAVINGS Coral Springs, Fla., man, with oper-GET ALL YOU CAN ating under the influence of liquor atter he failed field sobriety tests and registered a blood alcohol content o .184. OUT OF YOUR WEEKEND! Just two A 75-year-old Orchard Lake an told officer Erick Zinser that she'd had two drinks with dimer in Walled Lake after he stopped her 1999 Volvo convertible on 14 Mile Road west of Novi Road at 10:07 p.m. Aug. 30. He charged her with operating under the influence of liquor after she failed field sobriety tests and registered a blood alcohol content of .111.

### Lane changing

Officer Brian Tillman stopped a Ford Mustang on Novi Road near West Oaks Road at midnight Aug. 31 after he noticed it changed land several times without signaling. The driver, a 25-year-old Detroit man, admitted to having two beers. However, after he failed field sobriety tests and registered a blood alco-hol content of .15, he was charged with operating under the influence of liquor. He was later released after posting a \$100 bond.

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### Game-ender

A 28-year-old Wixom man driv ing a 2002 Dodge Ram pickup told Officer Jason Meier that he'd had a "couple of beers" on his way hom from a Detroit Lions football game at 3:08 a.m. Aug. 31. The man was charged with operating under the influence of liquor after he failed field sobriety tests and registered a blood alcohol content of .09. The man was later released after posting a \$100 bond.

### Fore?

Officer Craig Felix stopped a Jeep Cherokee on Beck Road near Bellagio Drive at 12:21 a.m. Aug. 28 after clocking it at 42 mph in a 35 mph zone. The driver, a 28-year Ann Arbor man, said he'd had four beers at the 5th Avenue Lounge after a day of golf. The man was charged with operating under the influence of liquor after he failed field sobriety tests and registered a blood alcoho ment of 15. He was later released after posting a \$100 bond.

### Car vandalized

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tests and registered a blood alcoho content of 118. The man was later released on a \$100 bond. Watch the signs Officer Thomas Orlowski Officer Thomas Officwski stopped a 1996 Chevrole Lumina at 2.02 a.m. Aug. 26 after it ignored a no left turn sign from 12 Mile to Novi roads. The driver, a 24-year-old Novi man, was charged with, operating under the influence of two of the be fuiled field sobriety. liquor after he failed field sobriety

tests and registered a blood alcohol content of .13. The man was later released after posting a \$100 bond.

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Novi artist David Barr outside his home by his sculpture "Gallleo" inspired by the

famous astronomer's drawings of the moon and solar system.

### Blackout pay

least one bright spot in the wake of the Great Blackout of 2003. Tia Gronlund-Fox, the city's human resources director, announced Aug 22 that city employees who were nt home as a result of the power failure will be paid their regular pay



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been posted. "This will keep builders a little more on their toes," M-Care, come in significantly high-er than expected a self-funded said Building Official Don Saven. health insurance plan is off the table for the foreseeable future. adding, "but it is their money and **Health Insurance** Novi city employees will have at Despite an expected 6.45-percent increase in health insurance cover-age through Blue Cross Blue Shield, THE NOVI NEWS THE NOVI METERS Published Each Thursdey By The Novi News 104 W. Main Street which covers more than half the city's active and retired worker pop-ulation, it doesn't seem likely the Northville, Michigan 4816 Periodical At Northville, Michigan city will shift to a self-funded heald s \$26 one year home delivery. \$35 one year mail deliver les (in Michigan) are \$40 per year, prepaid. Out of state

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Lawrence rence Technological and Wayne State workplace. We need solutions to remind people how this all came about," Barr said. "There's a huge difference in the workplace from 1900 to 2003," he said. "Name one of University. He said the blind proposal is the nost democratic way to select an idea for a major work of art, and that the idea for the Vietnam War Memorial in Washington, D.C., was selected in this manner.

said.

these benefits that was in place in the 1920s." Barr said the perks today's by e-mail pfleming@ht.homecomm.net.

p.m. Sept. 14. Roy Prentice from the MSU Tollgate Education Center will offer horse-drawn wagon rides; we want to get it back to them." He added it will keep the various city departments responsible for inspecwhile The Farm Lady, Margaret ions on their toes and ensure the schmidt, puts her menageric of ani-mals from Maplewoods Farm on display. Lois Bettesworth and her friends will offer old-time fiddle and guitar music while representatives inspections are completed in a time-ly fashion. "This is something we've needed for a long time," said Saven. from the commission. Novi Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department and the Novi Historical

### order to get a inspection for new construction or additions where The Novi Historical Commission

Fuerst Farm Family Day

there are environmental concerns or any other reason where a bond has is promising an afternoon of family fun when it takes its annual look at Novi's farming tradition at the Fuerst Family Farm on the corner of Sectaruben and the root instoncial Society will present games, story-telling, crafts and more. More addi-tional information, call (248) 347-0400. 10 Mile and Taft Roads from 1 to 4

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many sacrifices from labor activists in the past. "The labor

movement was martyrdom. People died for these causes, and

many of them died on the job," he

He believes improved work

of Maya Lin, a 21-year-old art workers enjoy are the result of continued from front page

week, Barr said he went to school with De Guisti at Wayne State University in the '60s. "The Michigan artist community is small enough that we know of each other's work," he said. Barr note that to achieve the school attained by yesterday's laborere and labor activities

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Photo by Parn Fleming

care program. According to Tia Gronhund-Fox, the city's human

resources director, only three of 12

companies contacted presented the city with complete proposals – and

the least expensive of those would

have cost nearly \$20,000 more than the city is paying already. Gronlund-

Fox told city council members that

unless renewal rates for the city's

remaining carriers, Blue Care Network, Health Alliance Plan and

Community College and just retired about a year and a half ago. He was also an art instructor

Surprisingly, a jury used the idea

City building officials are expect-

implementation of a new building

inspection request process, Builders in Novi have to file a one-page form with the permit control officer in

ing better record keeping and quick-er inspections for builders with the

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nancy pay.' But those benefits were actually fought for in the workplace. We need something to

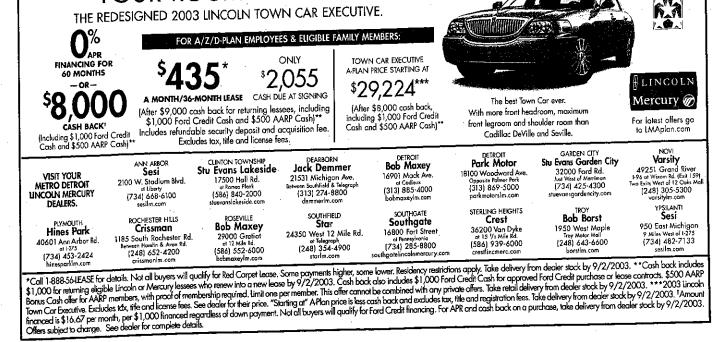
conditions even led to a longer, healthier life for today's workers. "The message from manage-ment today is that, 'We will give you a health plan, a pension plan, work limits, disability pay, preghealthier life for today's workeds. "The average American male in 1900 lived to age 44. We have added almost 40 years to life expectancy because workers have demanded these benefits," Barr

said. "We've made a better America and a better society," he said.

Pam Fleming is a staff writer for the Novi News. She can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 105, or by e-mail at



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# Woman struck by car, dies

### By Phil Foley STAFF WRITER

Novi Police aren't sure which Above Force aren't sale which direction a 71-year-old Walled Lake woman was headed when she was struck by a car on Pontiac Trail Friday night. What is certain is that Sun W. Moy died of her injuries shortly after arriving at Royal Oak's William Beaumont Hospital Officer Mark Kohls said Moy was struck by a 1991 Toyota MR2 friven by a 22-year-old Novi man about 9 p.m. The man told officers

to or from the residence and Novi Square, a small shopping center on the south side of the road in he was headed east on Pontiac Trail from West Park Road at about 30 mph, the posted speed limit. Officer Kohls said damage to the car appeared consistent Officer Kohls said it could take

as long as three weeks to wrap up the investigation. He said anyone who may have seen something with a 30 mph impact. While Moy had already been transported to Beaumont by the time police arrived, Officer Kohls should call him at (248) 348-7100, said it's believed Moy was wear-Phil Foley is a staff writer for

and it's henceed any was wear-ing dark clothes at the time of the accident. The nearest street light was 20 to 30 years away at Walled Lake Manor, a nearby senior citi-zens residence. Officer Kohls said the Novi News. He can be reached at (248) 349-1700 ext. 108 or at pfoley@ht.homecomm.net.



### Head-on

Janice Sparks, 33, of Novi was taken to Providence Park with non-life threatening. but incorparities of injuliers last Thursday after her 1994 Chevrolet was hit head-on by a 1993 Mercury driven by Ryan Carney, 22, of Wixom According to Wixom Police Chief Clarence Goodlein, Carney told his investigators he was headed east on 12 Mile Road, east of Napler Road when he looked down to brush some ash from his pants. Carney, who was cited for the accident, told investigators he looked up and had enough time to think, "Oh, my gosh," before impact.

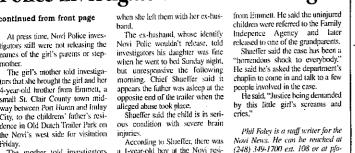
# Police investigate death of beaten girl

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At press time, Novi Police invesigators still were not releasing the ames of the girl's parents or stepnother.

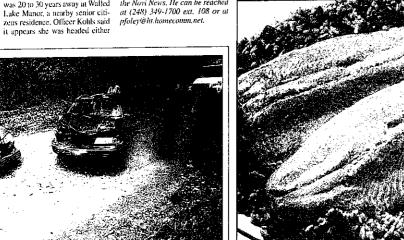
tors that she brought the girl and her 4-year-old brother from Emmett, a small St. Clair County town mid-way between Port Huron and Imlay City, to the childrens' father's resi-

he Novi's west side for visitation



The mother told investigators both children were in good health deate in addition to the two children **WE'VE GONE NUTS!** 

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BUSINESS No deal: 12 Oaks Mall owner rejects another offer in hostile takeover bid - see story on page 13. A touch of New York

Novi's newest addition, Manhattan Club, caters to the mature crowd By PAM FLEMING

Hours at the Manhattan Club are 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Karl Early and Linda Dettore for lunch and 4 p.m. to 10 owners of the new Manhattar Club restaurant and nightclub, feb o.m. for dinner Monday through Thursday: 11 a.m Novi needed a place for the 35o 3 p.m. for lunch and 4 and-older crowd. Dettore, who has owned Linda's Hair and More on Ten p.m. to 11 p.m. for dinner Friday and Saturday; 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. for dinner Sunday. Mile Road just east of Haggerty for nine years, said she has lis For more information tened to her customers in this age range complain for years that there wasn't a nightclub for the about special parties or catering, call (248) 478-9404. older set in Novi "They'd complain that local nightclubs had three problems -the crowd was too young, the music was too loud, and it was the

LATE-BREAKING

ness to open the Manhattan Club. Early also created the club's name. "He wanted something high-end and high-class, and he thought the Manhattan Club said it all," wrong kind of music," she said. Now, the business partners have brought a bit of New York to resi-Detorre said. The club offers 18 different dents of Novi with their new club types of martinis, and the owners 40280' Grand River that just opened Aug. 22. The club is located on the north are thinking about creating a spe cial signature Manhattan with a special twist on the cocktail's basic ingredients of whisky and side of Grand River between Meadowbrook and Haggerty in the building that formerly housed the building that formerly housed the restaurants the Red Timbers, sweet vermouth. The Manhattan Club features a top-shelf liquor selection and a large selection of wine. then the Timbers and, most recently, Billy's on the River. The site had been vacant for a couple of years after a fire destroyed the About 30 people are currently employed at the establishment, and Dettore said the club is still accepting applications. Patrons can listen to live music building. "I used to come here when it was Billy's on the River, and I thought it would be a good place six nights a week. Types of music will include an eclectic mix of jazz, blues, soft rock, Motown and for a club," Dettore said. The Manhatlan Club owners dance music, according to Christie plan to open a comedy club, clev-erly named Lower Manhattan, on the lower level of the building this Keith, Early's assistant

The most striking aspect of the har is the dramatic New York sky-line etched on the mirror behind . Dettore, who's lived in Novi for 25 years, and Early, a former resi-dent of Northville who now lives the har, "Karl found a poster on the Internet and modeled the etch-ing from that," Dettore said. Rather than a traditional straight in Novi, shared the same vision for the club. "Karl's a friend. I've known bar, the design features three horseshoe bends, "It's a more perhim about a year. He was looking for a partner and investor, and I just jumped in," Dettore said. Although Detorre is now to the nightclub business, Early previsonal setting — made for conver sation," Dettore explained. The club also has seven televi

usly owned the Finish Line, a

aurant on Plymouth Road

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sions and a sound system with 42 speakers. "No matter where you sit, you hear the same level of music," Dettore said, "It's designed to



allow conversation, but you're still able to hear the music. And, the music is louder on the dance floor." Dettore and Early also plan to install a top-of-the-line smoke-correction be old: eater in the club. cater in the club. The decor features red, blue and purple with lighting by Lightology of Chicago, a company owned by Detorre's brother, Greg Kay. The club's chef, Joey DelVecchio, graduated from the Pennsylvania Institute of Culinary Arts and formerly worked for Cafe

Cortina in Farmington Hills. "I got a map of Manhattan, looked at street names and incor-porated them into the names of my dishes," he said, Times Square Veal Riccardo – sauteed medallions of veal with artichokes, two wines, lemon and

whole butter - also incorporate his late father's name. "I got my interest and talent in cooking from my dad. He was president of a ski club when I was growing up in Troy and did all the cooking for the club's outings." DelVecchio said "I used the theme of a melting pot in my menu. No matter who you arc, you'll be able to find something you like," he said. Other entrees include Cathedral

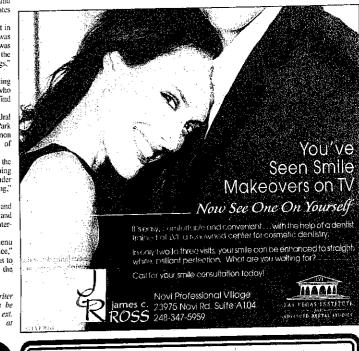
Parkway Cherry Chicken, Park Avenue Filet, North Shore Salmon and Lenox Avenue Breast of

Chicken. "I decided not to include the landmark East River when naming my entrees. East River Flounder just doesn't sound too appetizing," Del Vecchio said. Appetizers, soups, salads and sandwiches are also available, and the club offers carryout and cater-

ing. "I will take special menu requests with a 24-hour notice," DelVecchio said. He also plans to serve desserts tableside in the

Pam Fleming is a staff writer for the Novi News, She can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 105, or by e-mail at 105, or by e-mail pfleming@ht.homeconum.net.

Photo by Pam Fle The Manhattan Club, a new nightclub that brings a taste of New York to Novi, just opened Aug. 22 on Grand River between Meadowbrook and Haggerty. From left, own-ers Karl Early and Linda Dettore with Chef Joey DelVecchio. Dishes, from left: Coconut Shrimp, Cathedral Parkway Chicken and Thai Mix.







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# Wixom plans to recreate downtown for city

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work to begin sometime in the first or second quarter of next year, "My motto is, "Under prom-ise, over deliver,"" he laughed. Cohen said he and his partners own or have under contract mighly 120 acres of the area cov Project details ered by the DDA. According to Assistant City Manager Tony Nowicki, that is the "cornerstone"

of the project. The par partnership, CRS Robertson Acquisitions, is planning a mixed use development that will eventually bring 600 to 700 new families to water city officials are calling the village center.

Overall, said Nowicki, the DDA will add some 87,000 square feet of commercial space to Wixom's village center and up to 1,000 new residences. "We know we have a great plan we can deliver," he said.

That, said Dennis Toffolo, Oakland County's Community and Economic Developer Director, is what finally sold the county on the project. "There's a Developer return on investment for shareholders," he said.



Although the DDA could hold compete with the mall onto county revenues for up to 25 years. Cohen said he expects don't want to," he said. Instead of a Kroger, Cohen sees a 20,000-square-foot specialty market with build-out for his project within a high-end deli. five years, and city officials are He also sees other opportunities

predicting the entire DDA plan will be complete in 10 years. within the DDA. For instance Larry Coc's Walled Lake Dinner Train currently stops at the end of an abandoned section of Grand It's perhaps the biggest thing to happen in Wixom since the arrival Trunk Western Railroad track in Wixom and then backs up to Walled Lake on its nightly runs. Cohen said he would like to see a of Ford Motor Company in town in the late 1950s. The city's plans call for: estaurant and some sort of inn at

the Wixom end of the line: According to Doman, what · the hurying of all overhead wires in the DDA: · the construction of a municiputs Wixom ahead of other nearpal parking structure; • building two new major roads and realigning Wixom Road; and v examples of new urbanism that have been less than successful is that Wixom already has a down-town, "We've got a city hall, the · the construction of several pocket parks and other amenities. We want to take everything up

eivie center and post office all right here," he said. He added Wixom Road and Pontiac Trail a notch," said Nowicki, Cohen called the Wixom vilare already heavily traveled arteri-That, noted Cohen, is a critical

lage center project "the single most exciting thing" he's seen in 30 years in the development busi-ness. He noted the first subdivielement for success. He noted that Novi's Main Street Development sion he started in Wixom a decade tried to divert traffic off Grand River Avenue rather than work

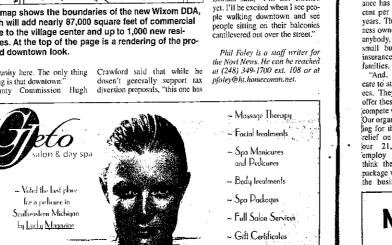
ago began selling in the \$170s, climbed to about \$250,000 a unit with it. With most of its commercia According to Dornan, while the DDA's 265 acres generates \$40,000 in county revenue now it will pump \$500,000 annually into county coffers when it's complet and homes there are now reselling

Toffolo noted the recent changes in the DDA program have created less risk for the county. "We used to grant DDAs п without specific requirements," he said. Now the program insists on a business plan with paybacks. "It's got to be more than just bas-kets with flowers on lightpoles, he said. Cohen said that once the DDA is complete, "It's going to be clos-er to downtown Milford than a ontlac Tráil However, unlike triomall. Milford, there will be a place to FPR hold festivals and other outdoor events without closing off the



This map shows the boundaries of the new Wixom DDA, which will add nearly 87,000 square feet of commercial space to the village center and up to 1,000 new residences. At the top of the page is a rendering of the proposed downtown look

missing is that downtown." dosen't generally support tax County Commission Hugh



main street.

# Senator Cassis offers plan for jobs, health care and economic growth

urge the legislature to adopt this package," Deeb said. "Small businesses are the Legislative package calls backbone of our economy. Anything that can be done to alleviate their financial burden for phase-out of tax penalty on and help them create more jobs and/or provide more health ben-efits is a plus for everyone," Long said. health benefits "Whether we are in good or bad economic times, we should always be looking for ways to help our business owners to By PAM FLEMING State Sen. Nancy Cassis (Rexpand and become more com-Novi) introduced a bill package recently to phase out the tax on employer-funded health benefits petitive, thus continuing to grow our state's economy," she added. Eliminating the punitive tax on health benefits will provide under the Small Business Tax. The goal of the package is to create jobs and stop layoffs, pro-vide and expand health benefits, the economic incentive for employers to offer increased benefit packages, hire more workers and expand their busiand sharpen Michigan's competitive edge. "Michigan is one of only two (Employees) want top pay and top benefits, but they co states that impose a tax penalty at a cost to business owners of on employers who supply health

benefits to their workers," Cassis said. The state of Washington is the other state less money for advertising, updating equipment, or adding new employees," said Isaly Szetela, president of that has the tax, Michigan's Vettestorations in Southfield. small business tax went into "Senator Cassis' proposed bills will be very beneficial." effect in 1975. "We ought to be encouraging Cassis said she will soon businesses to fund health care packages for workers, not disannounce hearings on the legiscouraging them with a capri-cious and arbitrary tax." Cassis

Tom Davis, a representative from Cassis' office in Lansing, Charlene Long, managing director of the Walled Lake Downtown Development said Tuesday that hearings should begin the first week in October. Opponents of the bill package Authority, supports the legislasay that with recent cutbacks in Ed Deeb, president of the lichigan Business and state shared revenues that Michigan Business and Professional Association and the Michigan needs as much tax income as possible going into

Michigan Food and Beverage Association, in Warren said, "The cost of health care insurthe general fund. "Our response to that argument would be that we can't afford not to eliminate this tax penalty," Davis said. ance has gone up about 23 percent per year for the last three years. This impacts small business owners probably more than Davis said it is estimated that nesses will save about \$15 million dollars in the first year if anybody, because employees of mall husinesses rely on this the tax is eliminated on employrance to take care of their er-funded health insurance.

"Some people might view that as a reduction in state revenue of \$15 million. But, if you allow "And, employers use health care to attract and keep employ-ees. They need to be able to offer these benefits to be able to employers and businesses to kcep that much of their own money, they're going to invest it in their business, have less lay-offs, and be able to purchase compete with larger corporation Our organization has been fight-Our organization has been light-ing for three years to, get some relief on health care costs for our 21,000 members who employ 160,000 persons. We think the passage of this bill package would be a godsend for the business community and more health insurance," Davis said. The tax applies to all busi-

nesses in the state with \$250,000 in gross receipts, according to Davis. "My



PROFILE OF NOVI					
2002-2003 Novi Community Profile - Industry Employment					
Industry Type	Number Employed				
Ag., forestry, fishing, hunting and mining Arts, entertainment, rec., hotels and food Construction Ed., health and social services Finance, insurance and real estate Information Manufacturing Other services (except public admin.) Prof., scientific, mgmt., admin and waste mgm Public administration Retail trade Transportation, warehousing, utilities Wholesale trade	27 1,740 1,114 4,022 1,942 627 6,493 755 755 11. 3,868 464 3,010 675 1,219				

Source; U.S. Census Bureau, 2000

The Cassis Care and Competitiveness Package has tion of this tax would impact our bottom line. We figure we could save almost \$100,000 a year in three principle objectives: to create jobs in Michigan and reduce the need for layoffs; to provide and expand health beneour business if we didn't have to pay this tax," he said. Johnson employs about 25 people. "That's huge. These savings fits for Michigan workers; and to sharpen Michigan's competi-tive edge and improve the state's would allow us to take that money and help our business grow. You could use those dol-lars to invest in people and Cassis believes it's wrong for employers to be penalized by having to pay higher taxes for providing health benefits to equipment," he said. Last week, the Michigan Manufacturers' Association released a survey that showed nployees She says the punitive tax on health benefits restricts the abil-ity of some smaller businesses that rising health care is over whelming employers as they cut

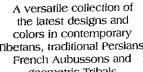
ity of some smaller businesses to provide health benefits to costs, and jobs, to remain prof-The report said that 41 percent their employees. Her theory is that the increased tax takes money away of the survey's respondents indi

cated that their companies were laying off workers or reducing hiring to cope with annual from job growth, employee etention and canital investment The five-bill package, if it passes, would climinate the Healthcare Addback from the increases in health insurance. Pam Fleming is a staff write for the Novi News, She can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. Small Business Tax base over a

five-year period. The tax penalty employers pay for health benefits would decrease by one fifth (20 per-105, or by e-mail at pflem-ing@ht.homecomm.net.

cent) each year for five years after which it would be eliminate ed. "We'll see a tangible benefit in Novi if this bill passes," said Lou Martin, chairman of the Novi Chamber of Commerce

board of directors. Art Johnson of Johnson's Printing Services in Novi, said, "My wife and I were talking





Mortgage rates are still the lowest

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### **BUSINESS BRIEFS**

### Translating firm adds to staf Firm offers phone service

<ul> <li>Wireless Enterprises, a Novi retailer of wireless products and services, recently introduced a new phone service to its customers.</li> <li>Wireless and Z-Tel Technologies have teamed to offer Wireless customers Z-LineHOME phone service.</li> <li>The new services provide local and long distance services with optional calling features all on one bill.</li> <li>Wireless currics wireless products for satellite television and radio to global positioning system locators. The new phone service will be available in most of Wireless' 60-plus franchise retail stores nationwide.</li> <li>The Novi @Wireless Entreprises is located in the West Oaks shopping center on the west side of NoV Rod off 196. For more information, call (248) 596-1900.</li> </ul>	Hironii Fujii has joined Suzuki, Myers & Associates, Lul, in Novi as the English/Japanese interpret- ing and translating finn's second full-time simultaneous interpreter. Fujii received a master's degree in interpretation and translation from the Monterey Institute of International Studies in Monterey, Calif. She feels fortunate to work with the firm's president, Izami Suzuki. "I am being supervised by one of the best and best-known inter- preters in the world," Fujii said. Suzuki Myers, which is located in a famihouse at 46320 W. Ten Mile Road, in Novi, will celebrate its 20th anniversary next year. Suzuki has completed terms of service as a member of the Board and a division administrator of the American Translators Association. With almost 9,000 members, the association is the largest of its kind in the world, Suzuki is also the organization's language chair and
Daiming Character bases logal	is president of the Michigan

### Daim Translators/Interpreters Networ plants

Cooper Tire & Rubber Company's operating group, Cooper-Standard Automotive, headquartered in Novi, announced **Childtime Learning Centers** revenue up Childtime Learning Centers Inc., headquartered in Novi last week that the company received several DaimlerChrysler Gold Awards for quality and delivannounced operating results Tuesday for the 16 weeks ending July 18. The results show a sub-stantial increase from revenues for ery. The Gold Award honors the perfornance of nine Cooper-Standard Automotive manufacturing plants for achievements during 2002. the same period last year, stem the same period last year, stem-ming largely from the firm's acqui-sition of Tutor Time Learning Systems, Inc., in July 2002. The company's revenues increased by 41.6 percent for the first quarter of fiscal 2004 — from \$44.4 million to \$62.9 million. Company gross profit for the first quarter of fiscal 2004 increased by 75.9 percent to \$8.1 DaimlerChrysler presents the Gold Award to supplier manufacturing facilities in recognition of out-standing performance and the attainment of a high ranking among other suppliers. Cooper-Standard Automotive has enjoyed a long relationship with DaimlerChrysler in North increased by 75.9 percent to \$8.1 million, compared to \$4.6 million for the same period last year.

America and also produces com-ponents for Mercedes from plants Childtime Learning Centers Inc., is one of the nation's larges publicly-traded child car Germany and the Czech Republic. Cooper Tire & Rubber providers with operations in 30 states, the District of Columbia and Company is headquartered in Findlay, Ohio, and specializes in overseas. The centers employ mon than 7,500 people and are licensed the manufacture and marketing of products for the global automotive market.

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### LIBRARY LINES

### Tot time

Children ages 12-24 months are invited to join us for a half hour of stories, songs, and games on Saturday, Sentember 6, at 11 a.m. Registration is not required, but space is limited, so toddlers and caregivers only, please.

### Renald McDonald visit

We're celebrating Library Card Sign-Up Month with a visit from Ronald McDonald on Wednesday, September 17, from 7-7:40 p.m. No registration is necessary for the event, which is sponsored by the McDonald's at 10 Mile and Grand River, Kids of all ages are welcome

### Board meeting

The Novi Library Board of Directors meets Monday, September 8, at 7 p.m. in the east side of th library meeting room. Community nembers are welcome to attend.

### Senior book discussion group

Senior booklovers are reading Girl in Ryacinth Blue" by Susan Vreeland for their September meet ing. The group meets in the library meeting room on Thursday September 11, at noon.

### Introduction to the Internet for seniors

Learn the basics of the Internet a relaxed, supportive environment on Wednesday, September 10, from 1-3 p.m. You will discover how the internet works, practice using a wel browser, and learn about using search engines to find information. The class includes interactive dis-cussion and hands-on practice. Please register in advance for al Internet classes in person or by call ing the library.

### Introduction to the Internet

for all ages Adults of all ages are invited to join us for a basic introduction to the Internet on Thursday, September 18, from 7-9 p.m. Discover what the worldwide web is: learn about various search tools and search engines. and how to use a web browser. The program will include interactive dission, as well as hands-on prac-

### Adult book discussion group

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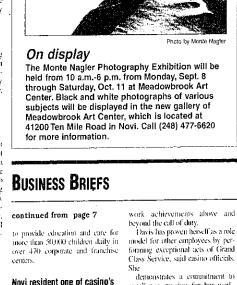
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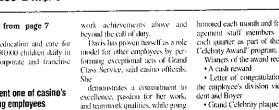
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### **O**BITUARIES Team, One Ford PJ, Ste 5A, Detroit, from Michigan Bell Telephone Margaret Bowman Mich. 48202-3067. Company. Survivors include his wife, Arrangements were made by Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, 33603 Margaret Bowman of Northville died August 31, 2003. She was 73. Constance; three children, Penelope, Lauren and Robert, Jr. Grand River Ave, Farmington, Mrs. Bowman was born August 15, Mich. 48335. 1930 in Detroit to the late Victor G. Runstadiler and Johanna Fedy (Joyce); and three sisters, Joyce Gale, Janet Treat, and Judy (Ray) Benson. Memorials may be made to Mid Michigan Visiting Nurse Association Hospice, 3007 N. Stanley Spencer Rader Runstadtler. She was a bookkeeper who had Stanley Rader of Charlottesville, worked for the Teamsters, Dairyman's and Twin Pines Credit Union. Her fast employment was with King's Mill as a secretary and Va., formerly of Novi, died August 23, 2003. He was 68. Mr. Rader was Rd., Midland, Mich. born in Ashland, Ohio, to the late Harold Glen Melvin Rader and member of the Social Club at King's Mill. Beatrice Ekev Rader He received his bachelor's degree in education from Whittenberg University, Springlield, Ohio. His Laura May Rockafellow Rockafellow of Survivors include her husband, Laura Farmington, formerly of Northville, died August 29, 2003. She was 91. Mrs. Rockafellow was born John Bowman of Northville; two anal career included teachchildren, John (Lorraine) Bowman, more stonal curve include reacti-ing physical education in Ferndale, Mich. Ohio and the Philippines. Survivors include his wife, Jr. of Brownstown Township, and Sandra (James) Bowman-Claus of December 24, 1911 in White Plains, Standa (Janues) How names and so Highland, three grandchildren, James and Jonathan Claus and Ian Bowman: and two siblings, Victor (Kathy) Runstadiler of Bighton and Betty (George) Gates of Milford. Carolyn LaFon Rader, two daugh-ters, Beth Rader and Jennifer (Joby) She was a homemaker and a longtime member of The United Methodist Church of Northville and Giacalone; two grandchildren, all of had lived in Flint and Lansing. Survivors include one son, Craig Charlottesville; and a sister, Penny (Dennis) Swe Strongsville, Ohio. service was held A funeral September 3 at Northrop-Sassaman Funeral Home, Northville with Pastor John Negele from Faith (Rae) Rockafellow of Farmington; A memorial service was held August 30 at Trinity Lutheran one daughter, Jill (Bob) Steeper of Melrose, Mass.; two brothers, Todd Stewart of Davison and Robert Stewart of White Cloud, Fla: and Church, Ashland, Ohio, Lotheran Church in Flat Rock offi-Memorials may be made to Hospice of the Picdmont, 1490 Pantops Mountain Place, Charlottesville, Va 22911 or the ciating. Interment will be at Rural Hill Cemetery. Arrangements were made by four grandchildren, Stuart (Carolyn), Briton, Lisa Rockatellow and Rachael Steeper. Preceding her in death was her Nonhrop-Sassaman Funeral Home. Preceding her in death was her husband, Stuart C. Rockatellow; and one brother, Alfred Stewart. Robert Treat A private memorial service will Rd., Livonia, Mich, 48152. Robert Treat of West Branch, for-Arrangements were made by Hill nd Wood Funeral Home, nerly of Northville, died August 16, be held. Memorials may be made to 2003. He was 73. Hospices of Henry Ford-Plymouth Charlottesville, Va. He was a retired district manager

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Winners of the Grand Celebrity Award are the shifting stars of MGM Grand Detroit Casino," said Hollywood Brown Derby, MGM

Workniace violence seminar

Verizon Wireless will host a free "Domestic Violence in the Workplace" breakfast from 7:30 Partners and boyfriends commit 13,000 acts of violence against women in the workplace each year, according to the U.S. Department of a.m. to 10 a.m. Sept. 9 to educate participants on why domestic vio-lence is a workplace issue and how Labor From increased medical costs to absentecism, domestic violence affects employers as well as businesses can take steps to address businesses can take steps to address the problem. The event, which is cu-sponsored by The Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, sister publications of the Novi News, will take place at the Skyline Club at 2000 Towne Center to Partheted employees. In Michigan, it is esti-mated that businesses lose more than \$309 million annually in absenteeism alone due to domestic violence, according to Beverly Younger Urban, a nationally recog-nized expert on domestic violence in Southfield. The event will feature a local The event will reduce a local intervention of the event will reduce a local intervention of the event who is a survivor of domestic violence and a consulta the family Violence Prevent by HAVEN, an Oakland County HAVEN, an Oakland County baced domestic violence organization of the event survivor of the event in the workplace and a consultant to the Family Violence Prevention

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NOTICE IS TREMET GIVEN that flow meadowords, L.F., is requesting a Temporary Use Permit to allow placement of a storage con-tainer for property located at 5022-11-226-136 (Meadowbrook Townhomes) from the date of the meeting until September 10, 2004. A public hearing can be requested by any property owner of a struc-ture located within 300 feet of the boundary of the property being con-cidence for temporary use nervit

idered for temporary use permit. This request will be considered at 3:00 p.m. on Wednesday September 10, 2003 at the Novi Civic Center, 45:175 W. Ten Mile Road Mi written, comments should be directed to the City of Novi Buildint

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Prutow and Rothschild both

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during a board meeting on

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board has 30 days to fill the

NEXT MEETING

Oakland Schools Board of

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For more information, call

was justified. "Brian, as a lobbyist, is tremen-

dous," he said, "He has been able to persuade those powers that be, that

govern us, to our benefit many

imes. That's the way it should be

That takes skill, that takes persua

sion and it takes dinner, golf and

tram rides. That's exactly what it

takes. That's the nature of the beast."

Whiston lobbys on behalf of 28 local school districts and Oakland

Schools to make sure funding

comes back to the schools. He is

partly responsible for changing the policy to come up with a funding for

schools from counting 50 percent o

the kids from the previous school

year and 50 percent from the current school year to counting 20 percent for the previous year and 80 percent

for the current year. According to Whiston, this change brings back about \$6 million a year in additional revenue to schools in Oakland County. He also

said that when Gov. Jennifer

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Education meets at 7 p.m.

Lake Road, Waterford).

(248) 209-2000 or visit

Tuesday, Sept. 9 at the admin-

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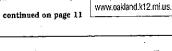
Trustee Janet Thomas,

board in 1992.

President Carol Borich

# **Oakland Schools** battles allegations

By Ramez Khuri & Cal Stone STAFF WRITER & EDITOR district money for personal flying lessons and for offering unauthorized staff buyouts. He has since Two members of the Oakland filed a \$2 million breach of contract suit. This spring, the office of Attorney General Mike Cox began mediate School District Board of Education have resigned amid accusations of extravagant spending investigating Redmond's misman agement of funds, including the funding of the district's new \$30 million building in Waterford, Dan on travel and gifts, but it appears the three remaining members will not three remaining members wi follow suit even though follow suit even though Gov, Jennifer Grahnolm and Mike Austin, the district's interim super-Flanagan, executive director of the Michigan Association of intermedi-ate School Administrators, have intendent, has asked Cox to broaden the investigation to include the entire district. Novi Community School District called for their resignations. The Detroit Free Press reported Superintendent Emmett Lippe Aug. 22 that board officials had run up excessive expenses. Four days later, Tony Rothschild, secretary, believes that the media atter being given to Oakland Schools lately is because of the incidents and Helen Prutow, a trustee, both which happened last spring relative turned in their resignations at a board meeting. At Tuesday's board meeting, DiAnne Cagle to the management of funds and money. "Now the focus is on, more Leitermann, vice president, and specifically, the board of education Janet Thomas, treasurer, defended their jobs while the board president, members," he said, "There are 28 school districts and Oakland Schools provides a lot of services to Carol Borich, was out of town for personal reasons. them all. I think one disadvantage Former Oakland Intermediate we have in Novi is the location of Novi Schools in relation to the School District Superintendent

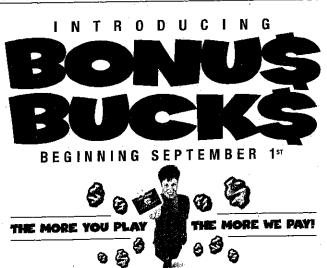


# Whiston defends his spending

Lobbvist says a trustee, and Tony Rothschild, sec- spending, Koster said that he felt it retary, announced their resignations during a board meeting Aug. 26. its part of the job Both of them, along with President Carol Borich, Vice President DiAnne Cagle Leitermann and Treasurer Janet Thomas, are accused of spending exuberant By Ramez Khuri STAFF WAITER The American Heritage College Dictionary defines a lobbyist as a person engaged in trying to influ-ence legislators or other public offiamounts of taxpayers' money on luxury hotels, European vacations and expensive restaurants. According to Jim Koster, the cials in favor or against a specific cause. That is why Brian Whiston, Novi Community School District assistant superintendent of business and finance, all taxpayers in Oakland County, including those in director of governmental services and lobbyist for the Oakland Novi, pay taxes to the Intermediate School District. He hopes that citi-zens realize that allegations of lavish spending are not directed at anyone in the Novi School District. ermediate School District, feels that the recent reports of expenses he made to cover a golf outing for two while attending a legislative conference in Palm Springs, Calif. "The average guy on the street sees a headline that reads 'School Bosses in Oakland Live It Up' and thinks all schools are that way," he and a tram ride for a group of legis-lators and lobbyists were legitimate expenditures – even if Oakland County taxpayers did finance them. Whiston already reimbursed the district \$166.50 for the golf outing and \$83 for the trarn ride after said. "That's a crazy headline. The only sad thing about this is that we're all thrown in the same basket on this issue and it's just not true." When asked about Whiston's Oakland Schools Board of Education members Helen Prutow,

James Redmond was fired in

January for allegedly using school



### The Oakland ISD rec opened this new \$30 6 3 Intermediate school districts منابعہ ۔ اسریق اسمہ د lion administration but ing in Waterford. Vice President DiAnne Cagle ISDs also offer expertise in There are 57 intermediate The property tax rate that Novi citizens pay to support the Dakland Intermediate School District is a total of 3.3991 mills. That number is broken down into three groups (These same numbers apply to all Oakland County taxpayers.): The general fund property tax levy is 0.2021 mills. . The special education fund is 2.5682 mills. The vocational education fund is 0.6288 mills.

The Oakland Intermediate School District serves 28 local districts and operates a \$207 million annual budg et financed by county taxpayers through an annual millage

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ISD FACTS

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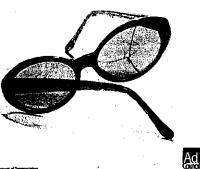
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The following are support staff, teachers and administrators who are new to the Novi School District, and administrators who have new responsibilities beginning this year.

many wonderful things about the district and as I met teachers and

administrators I was impressed

with all of the positive energy

Novi: American Community

What are you looking for in

your new position: Opportunitie

is your profession; Teaching

allows me to be challenged on

many different levels each day, whether I am trying to find new

dents or working to help my stu-

make my classroom as successful

Who I admire: My father, who

is the most generous and kind

Novi: This is my lst teaching

Where did you teach prior to

What are you looking for in

influence children to be enthusi

them and helping them learn new

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Name: Heather Lambert

about the district from staff and

Who I admire: My mothe

because she raised 7 children and

if it wasn't for her, I wouldn't be

where 1 am. Where did you teach prior to

What are you looking for in our new position? I am looking

for growth and expansion in my

Novi? Macomb ISD

your new po

arm new teaching methods,

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ways to connect with my stu-

area. I have to push myself to

dents understand our cont

**NOVI MIDDLE SCHOOL** 

Name: Andrea Kohls

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aching at: lovi Middle

Subject or

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High chool:

schools

person I know.

gade teach

work with students as commu-

Why did you choose teaching

Schools of Athens, Greece

outhfield Public School

nire: My mo

Where did you teach prior to

### NOVI HIGH SCHOOL



you reside: Birmingham Why I came to Novi: Topnotch reputation of the district Who I admire: Oprah Winfrey School: Trenton College: EMU Where do you reside: Farmington Hills for her commitment to encouraging people to read Where did you teach prior to Novi: Stoney Creek HS,

College: MSU (BA), U

of Detroit (MBA),

Wayne State

(leacher certi

fication) Where do

Name: Sheila Ehel

School

teaching at: Novi HS

Subject or grade teach-ing: Health

High School College:

Saginaw Valley State

and sub in the district for 2

Who Ladmire: My mother

She is an amazing woman and

members of society.

Why did you choose teaching

oved working with students

nd as an athletic trainer I want

enjoy helping students reach their

ed to work more with students.

Name: John Lawrence

College: WMU B.S., Wayne

Why I came to Novi: Student

Who I admire: Martin Luther

King for his tenacity, my parents

your new position? To provide

reatest potential

School

Teaching at: Novi High School

Subject or

rade teach-

ing: Principa High

Union High

Naterford

State MA, Oakland U

Administrative Certificate

Where do you reside:

School:

Redford

High School:

Why I came to Novi: Because it is one of the best districts in the area. Who I admire: My high & Livonia Career Technical

school Spanish teacher who came from Puerto Rico on a scholarship to the US. Where did you teach prior to Novi? Clarenceville, Livonia What are you looking for in

your new position? Being able to use my innovative teaching techniques in a growing district. Why did you choose teaching ofession? Being able as your profession? Being a to work with students and d something different every day.

Name: Mega Bunth

Schoo teaching at: Novi HS Subject or grade teaching: Ninth grade . High school: Edsel

Ford High College: EMU Where do you reside:

Farmington Hills Why I came to Novi: The inspirational energy and the dedi-cation to student achievement.

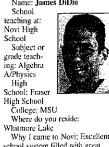
always encouraged me with wery task I took on, Who I admire: My mom and dad Where did you teach prior to

Novi: Howell Highlander Way Middle School Oak and student teaching before What are you looking for in your new position? I would like

What are you looking for in your new position: New ideas, to become a positive role model reat memories, professional and heln students become excep-Why did you choose teaching

as your profession: I had great teachers who cared about kids, it rubbed off on m

### Name: James DiDie



school system filled with great teachers and students. Who I admire: My wife,

Where did you teach prior to Novi: First full-time teaching position What are you looking for in your new position: A challenging and rewarding experience. Why did you choose teaching as your profession: I chose

teaching because I enjoy learn-ing, helping others learn, and working with young adults.



leadership and support for the initiatives already undertaken and to maintain Novi High School as a leader in providing exemplary academic, co-curricular and athletic programming for it's stugrade teach ing: Dean of students / A VA Attendance and 7 Operations High School: Novi College: CMU Where do you reside: Plymouth Why I came to Novi: I saw it as a great opportunity for my career as an educator, coach and future challenges. Who I admire: Former high school softball coach, Jeff Gale School nd college softball coach Marge Jonker. ing: Humanities Where did you teach prior to Novi? I taught in Novi for 8 years before Dean's position and science fiction What are you looking for in School: Northville your new position? New chalges and opportunities to work College: U of M Where do you reside: Ann with the staff and students at the high school Why did you choose teaching Why I came to Novi: The staff as your profession? I enjoy interacting with young people. - everyone is incredibly knowl-edgeable, caring, and enthusiastic bout educating. Who I admire: Prof. Fred

nd Livonia Stevensor What are you looking for in ur new position? This year I be an exciting adventure, Why did you choose teaching as your profession? I wanted to become an example within a ommunity of a life long learner hopes of inspiring my student o become the same wherever their endeavors lead them.

nie Schrine School teaching at: Novi High Rochester, Birmingham Seaholm Subject or grade teaching: ASSIS-TANT PRIN-What are you looking for in your new position: Working with great students, excellent staff and High

supportive administration Why did you choose teaching Richland High School, Colfax, as your profession: My teachers College: North Dakota State had a big impact on my life and University (undergrad), EMU

taught me to love learning. I hope to pass the love of learning on to my students. (MA) Where do you reside: Belleville Why I came to Novi: There is

reputation for excellence in this strict that I aspire to achieve. Who I admire: A woman named Jane Thompson who showed class in all situations and vith all people. Where did you teach prior to

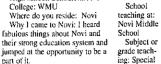
Novi? Assistant principal at North Middle School, Belleville. What are you looking for in your new position? New experi ences in administration by mov Where do you reside: Novi Why I came to Novi: I have

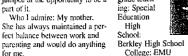
Why did you choose teaching as your profession? I chose to be an administrator to have a greater impact for students. I am able to influence the climate of a whole

Where did you teach prior to Novi? Summer school in Royal School

astic learners Why did you choose teaching as your profession: I was a vol-unteer working with children for Subject or many years and discovered how much I enjoyed interacting with

utrition and as your profession? I have always balancing family and life High school: Schooleraft HS College: WMU





Where did you teach prior to lovi: Student teaching was at Where do you reside: Roya Oa Why I came to Novi: It is a Portage Northern HS What are you looking for in progressive district, and I have only heard positive comments

your new position: Support from the students, staff and communi-Why did you choose teaching as your profession: I love work-ing with kids and believe the courses that I am teaching are extremely important for my stu-

for me

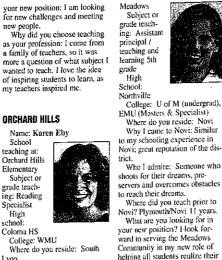
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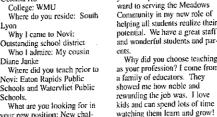
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School

acher assignment 30 years ago Novi Middle School. dents success in family, work and life for their believing in me, and my wife for her support. What are you looking for in Name: John Singler School

tion through the positive teaching at: Novi High nosphere and teamwork that Why did you choose teaching as your profession? I chose Subject or grade teach-ing: Industria ning because I wanted to have the opportunity to give back to future generations what was given to me. I want to educate, Technology





Name: Mary Wyatt

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School

teaching at:

your new position: New chal-lenges and opportunities. Why did you choose teaching Lakeland HS., Milford College: Michigan State Wayne State, University of MI, as your profession: My love of Where do you reside: Novi working with young children. Why I came to Novi: I have 4 children, we moved here for the

school

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Schools,

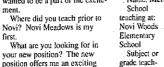
Novì Meadows Subject of NOVI MEADOWS grade teaching: Sixth High Name: Kathy Boyd School teaching at: chool Novi Bishop Aeadows Subject or



where did you teach prior to Novi: Student taught in W. School in Farmington Hills College: U of M (BS), MSU (MA), Wayne State (Educational Bloomfield, grade 5 What are you looking for in pecialist) Where do you reside: Wixo Why I came to Novi: 1 first your new position: A chance to learn and grow some more with

came to Novi as an Eisenhower great leadership. Why did you choose teaching Technology Scholar in 1996. It was part of the Innovative as your profession: Tried it and loved working with kids. Grades Teacher Preparation program ising instructional technology. 5 and 6 are just the age I love to The instructor was Jim Fry. 1 be with most remember being awed by all o the technology available. Nov had a fabulous reputation for

NOVI WOODS being on the cutting edge and I wanted to be a part of the excite-Name: Meredith Rice



hallenge. Education is changing ing: Ist grade High School: West and the demands are increa I see my role as an advocate for our students, as well as, our Bloomfield teachers. The pressures on edu-cators to produce adequate yearly College: MSU Where do you reside: West progress and to help develop children socially and emotionally are great to say the least. I hope to facilitate the collaboration between schools and community

Why I came to Novi: I am looking for new experiences in a great school district Who I admire: My 98 year old for the betterment of education. grandma Where did you teach prior to Why did you choose teaching as a profession? I entered edu Waterford What are you looking for in your new position: To learn new tion as a career after the birth of my four sons. I enjoy working with children as they learn and grow, helping them through diffi-culties and celebrating in their

things, meet new people, to make a difference in the lives of chil-Why die

# Welcome!

Lake

Why I came to Novi

Novi? Served as a middle school

What are you looking for in

your new position? My roots as

an educator are in working at

middle schools as a teacher, guidance advisor, athletic dire

tor and administrator. These

experiences, combined with my

ist 14 years as an administ

Novi High School gives me

great insights as I begin my new

focusing on the 7-12 programs that serve approximately 3,000

nity to impact the future of

Name: Nancy Davis School

sion? The opportu

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High school: Greenville

College: CMU and MSU Where do you reside:

Why I came to Novi:

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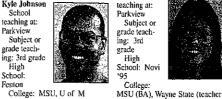
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(Flint) and U of M (Ann Arbor) certificate), currently enrolled in Master of Arts in teaching pro-Where do you reside: gram. Where do you reside: Grosse Why I came to Novi: To work

Name: Je

School

Pointe Farms in a great community Who I admire: Lucy Calkins Why I came to Novi; I gradu-Where did you teach prior to Novi? Guest teaching in Ann ated from the Novi scho wanted to be a part of the grow Arbor and Avondale. Student ing community. This is a great teaching in Avondale. Who I admire: My parents. What are you looking for in

They've always taught me to appreciate life and to strive for your new position? A great team Why did you choose teaching as your profession? To make a the best in all I do. Where did you teach prior to Novi? Guest teacher in Novi for difference and give back to th past 2 1/2 years. Student taught in Grosse Pointe 4th grade. Name: Jenifer Michos

What are you looking for in your new position? I'm excited to watch the children in my class 10 make discoveries, grow both academically and personally, and continue the children love for maily, and to

learning. Why did you choose teaching is your profession: I love to each children. It's very rewarding to be in the classroom each

day. I wanted to be able to be a part of children's learning and Where do you reside: Dexter Why I came to Novi: To work development. in a learning community which is known for its excellence Who I admire: My 90 year old EDUC. SERVICES BLDG.

Name: Jennifer Putnam Where did you teach prior to Novi? I began my teaching carcer in Novi. Cheal School

What are you looking for in teaching at: your new position? To find ways Educational to encourage all students to achieve and to have a love of Services Building High Why did you choose teaching School:

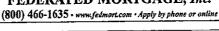
as your profession? I enjoy being Spencerport, nd people and enco Vew York others and myself to be the best College: MSU Where do you reside: Union

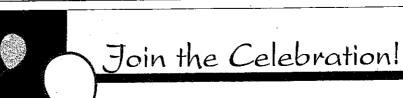
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the ISD level or the

Education level.

ions on whether it should be done at

Department of Education Board of

Rose said the vacancies are being

posted in the newspaper as a public notice for any citizen who would

like to be a member of the board to

part of the professional development of the school board member," he

said. "I happen to have an education

background as a school board men

ber, but there are a lot of school

hoard members who don't have an

educational background. School

board members have to have a way

of learning about those issues so that

when superintendents do come for

ward and talk to them, they under-stand them."

That means, according to

Whiston, that they may have to

attend classes put on by the Michigan Association of School

Boards or they may go to the nation

al school board conference, "I think

those are important tools to help school board members learn about

what they're doing," he said. "In

terms of the Oakland Schools board

Michiga

survey

# District battling allegations fessional development activities as far as staff is concerned as well as Schools. 'People had different opin-

us to pick and choose those which

continued from page 9 Intermediate School District. numerous other programs. It's up to

However, to help compensate for that we do have two centers in this part of the county that we use." One of those is the Southwes Excellent reputation of the school Technical Center, which a number of students from Novi High School Who I admire: My father who attend, and there is a stall training put himself through college and became an engineer for Kodak after serving in WW 1. center that has been created at one of the Farmington schools community Where did you teach prior to

dings. That helps a little bit, but it's difficult sometimes for us toward the middle of the day and toward traffic time to get up and down to and from Waterford. But they have made an attempt to help alleviate that," Lippe said, "It's all relative ... because they have a lot of services, they provide a lot of special education

lot in career education, a lot of pro-

we think are beneficial to our staff and to our kids." State Rep. Ruth Johnson (R-Holly) is calling for reimbursement of misspent funds. A member of the Legislature's Education Committee, Johnson also said she will propos

submit a letter of interest. The appointments have to be taken by September 26. If the ISD board does legislation allowing voters to elect district board members. Meanwhile, filling the vacancies left by Rothschild and Prutow is the not do that, it reverts to the Michigan Board of Education.

Oakland Schools recently task at hand. released the results of a "The board met last night, lis tened to comments from school board members in the public, which costs \$30,000, which county residents rated the district Respondents gave the district a C in regarding appointment of people to money management. Forty-four replace the two board members who stepped down last week," said Shelley Rose, director of communipercent gave the district a negative job rating in managing its money

Whiston defends his spending position as Executive Director for Instructional Initiatives, I will be businesses and there are people who to conferences is a very important

the opportunity to share with them

our side of the issue. My job entails

building relationships so that legis-lators know who you are and so they

can trust that you are going to be

honest with them about how things

continued from page 9 lobby for the environment," he said. "Legislators cannot be experts in 100 different subjects, so they depend on their staff, other legisla-tive members and lobbyists to Grapholm issued a proration

Why did you choose teaching Whiston helped by working with legislators and other lobbyists to increase the foundation allowance understand the issues. That doesn't on various years, which brought mean we always agree. I may take a back tens of millions of dollars to schools in Oakland County. Those services, along with many others, are why Whiston believes his legislator out to dinner and then they certainly don't always agree with me, and that's the way the system should work. We just want to have

expenses were legitimate. "I under tand people questioning these res, and I think that's fair But I think with the question of the expenditures, they ought to under stand how the system works and they ought to understand the good things we do," he said. "I suppose if I just read in the paper that this guy kept going out to lunch and spend-ing \$30, \$50 or \$100 on lunch, 1 might think, 'Boy, there is son

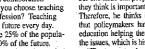


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Excellent district with an excelrelationships, then I think it does shed a different light." Whiston explained that the number one issue that people always say



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that policymakers have experts education helping them understand the issues, which is his role. "There are people who lobby for

different groups - some in support of public education and some opposed. He thinks it's important members going to conferences, I congratulate them for doing that. I think we ought to be talking abou that they get to know him and build the school board members who relationship with him so that there is a trust that when information is shared, that it's in the best interest of that legislator As for all the money spent on expensive vacations by all the board members, Whiston believes they were justified as long as they were going to conferences, "I think going

don't go to conferences and aren't taking the time to learn and to be Ramez Khuri is a staff writer for

the Novi News. He can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 110 or by email ut rkhuri@ht.homecon

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Name: Maryann Dreske School teaching at: Novi High Subject or grade teaching: High school: Center Line HS

Why did you choose teaching as your profession? I was inspired by my eighth grade shop teacher. I knew since the eighth grade that I wanted to be a teacher and have stayed the course since then. Name: Angela Linker School eaching at: Novi High Subject or grade teach-

Duluth greatness or their maximum Central HS, Duluth, MN potential College: U of North Dakota, Grand Forks Name: Amy Miller

Where do you reside Schoo teaching al: Novi Middle Farmington Why I came to Novi: School cares about it's students Who I admire: My parent School Subject of Where did you teach prior to grade teach Novi: Grand Forks Central HS ing: 7th grade What are you looking for in your new position: A career and Why did you choose teaching Spai

as your profession: I enjoy work ing with adolescents and I feel I do a good job. Name: Hattie Tackebury

teaching at: Novi HS Subject or grade teaching: Debate / High hool:

Goodman from the U of M Mac Program. His passion for teach-College: MSU Where do you reside: Livonia re did you teach prior to Why I came to Novi: I heard Novi? Long term sub for Novi

French and 8th grade High school: Dearborn'HS College: WMU (undergraduatc), CMU (graduate) Where do you reside: Dearborn Why I came to Novi: Novi re new. Who I admire: I admire my



Where did you teach prior to Novi: 1 year in Dearborn High School, 6 years in Novi High School.

Subject o grade teach-ing: Sixth High school: Brother Rice College: MSU

School

Meadows

eaching at:

Where do you reside: Royal Oak Why I came to Novi: My pre-

Schools are fantastic! The kids are wonderful, the staff is friend and realize its greatness. Who I admire: My father are wonderful, the start is atoma-ly and hard-working, the parents re supportive, and the buildings Novi: Holy Name School

former high school French

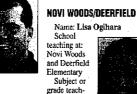
as your profes Name: Lisa Fenchel

What are you looking for in

about gaining knowledge it is about the children. as your profession: I love work ing with all sorts of people and I wanted to be a positive role Name: Matthew Burry model for children.

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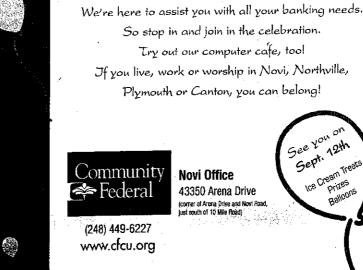


grade teachng: Special High vious experience here as an intern allowed me to see Novi school: Brighton College: MSU Where do you reside:

Brighton Why I came to Novi: Great Where did you teach prior to school district with diversity What are you looking for in your new position: A challenge Who I admire: my moth ere did you teach prior to and enjoyment. Why did you choose teaching Novi: First posi

What are you looking for in your new position: Collaborative learning and work sion: It is a job that as your profession: I enjoy working with children. School teaching at: Novi

why did you choose teaching



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We invite you to come into FANCY THIS need to be accountable Grace Perry - Publisher gperry@ht.homecomm.net (248) 349-1700, ext. 120 As direct per-hour wages are roughly the same between trans-plant and domestic plants, a big part of the cost gap has to do with health care costs. The labor force of the transplant plants is, I don't want to be apocalyptic about it, but the contracts the UAW will be negotiating with the Big Three this fall could go a long way to determine the fate of the domestic auto industry, the union and the entire econo-my of Michigan. For e of the transplant plants is, by and large, younger and there-fore somewhat healthier than they point to badly deteriorated relationships with companies in my of Michigan, How come? To put it bluntly, that at the domestic plants. Moreover, the UAW labor conthe supply chain. Regardless of which side is the foreign-owned "transplant" right in the argument — and I'm inclined to believe there is merit on both sides — neither union manufacturing plants, mostly located in the South and entirely tracts offer very generous (and very expensive) "first dollar" Cal Stone - Editor non-union, are cating the dialth coverage. In a dunal on both sides — neither union nor companies looks as though the dunal health care the believed, neither the companies to be believed, neither the companies to be believed. Neither the companies to be believed to the dunal the dunal about health care the believed to the dunal the dunal about health care the believed to the dunal th cstone@ht.homecomm.net (248) 349-1700, ext. 113 Single? the companies nor the UAW Gentlefinger: transplants. Best guess by expe-"We are not renced observers is that this going to pick up year's talks will wind up with the premiums. We're UAW allowing the automakers to **Need Friends?** nor the UAW seem much inclined to get serious about addressing their basic mutual problems this 5 up co-pays. We're not going to pick up deductibles." Gose some plants but doing little dramatic to close the \$10 per hour cost gap, thereby leaving the really tough issues to the next generation of auto executive Discover a life changing experience with people time around. deducibles." generation of auto executives Another part of the labor cost gap has to do with pension costs. Pensions week, the Detroit Free Press First, consider lennifer Walker - Acct. Exec what has hap-pened in the auto who are Personally Caring iwalker@ht.homecomm.net (248) 349-1700, ext. 102 and Christ Honoring market in recent years. 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# Wildcats stay undefeated

## Novi tops Howell, Canton to keep win streak alive

### By Sam Egglestor

NOVI NEWS

There's readiy no better way to start off a season than with victory after victory after victo-ry --- just ask the Novi Wildeats y - just ask ore record or over or over or over or over team. The soccer squad, under the

watchful eye of coach Brian O'Leary, earned two more vic-tories with a 4-1 conference win over the Howell Highlanders as well as a tough played, 2-1 win over the Canton Chiefs.

"Howell had good team speed and uses it well, but our defense did a great job," O'Leary said. That defensive corps is led by Neil Kocan. Trey Love and Chris Fox, and the protection from between the posts came from Jason Ballantyne, who made six saves in route to earning his first varsity win. The Wildcats started things

off in the right direction thanks the sure-footed presence of Mare Checeobelli, who notened the first goal of the game just one minutes, 30 seconds inte the contest. Checcobelli took a pass from

Kocan in the box, beat a defender and then fired the shot into the hack of the net for the 1-0 lead. The second goal game about 15 minutes later as A.W. Stanek made a great individual effor and beat four Howell defenders and the goalie as he put the ball into the empty net to put the 'Cats up 2-0 to end the first half. The Howell Highlanders came out with a vengeance in the second half and notched a goal of their own 20 minutes nto it to cut the Novi lead in haff, 2-1

Novi wasa't about to let the goal go manswered though, and responded by adding their third goal of the night off of Matt Simpson's head to go up 3-1. Simpson wasn't done though, and quickly added another score he took a breakaway pass

from Matt Nickels and put it in back of the net to ice the



scoring at 4-1. "To Howell's credit, they never gave up," O'Leary said. "if anything, they played even harder in the second half. The Wildcats (3-0) will be back in action when they play host to the Lakeland Bagles at 4 p.m. today before visiting Brighton at 7 p.m. September 9. Both games are Kensington Valley Conference match-ups. Novi 2, Canton 1 The Wildcats were well aware 

going into their game against the Chiefs that they weren't always going to be fortunate enough to score first in every intest. That was proven Augus 26 when Plymouth Canton notched the first score of the game and held onto their lead until the last 30 minutes of the The Wildcats came back with time quickly becoming a valu-able commodity as Matt Nickels

took a deep pass from the crafty Jason Sierra and outworked a defender before converting on the breakaway to tie the game at With five minutes remaining Nickels was pulled down in the box and Novi was awarded a

penalty kick for the action. Senior Brad Simpson was selected for the job, and put the ball into the back of the net to secure the victory at 2-1. The Wildcats looked to A.J. Glubzinski between the posts who played an outstanding game in goal with a number of saves to earn the victory. "He made many saves and came out of the goal numerous

times to stop their opportuni-ties," O'Leary noted of Glubzinski's play. Sam Evgleston is the sports writer for the Northville Record and the Novi News, He can be

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\* SWEEPING IN THE PARTY

Photo by John Heide Novi's Brad Simpson, right, tries to get around Canton defender Joes Hess in the two team's matchup last Tuesday night

first number in steady fashion, and I'll do so by selecting my next game with the toss of a dart (it's not the reliable method, but it's gotta work, right?). Novi basketball hosting Walled Lake Central September 9 at 7 p.m. in a non-conference show down. Well, I guess I couldn't have picked a better game if I had searched through the

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Well, so far I'm 2-2 on the games of the week prediction That's not bad for starting off

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### Time runs out before hoops squad can pull ahead of Chiefs

### By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER

points and crucial 11 rebounds against the Wildcats. Novi led just 4-3 after the first quarter as both teams fought to find their sparks. But, it was the It wasn't a game of scoring, that's for sur-The Novi Wildcats girls' basket-Chiefs' basketball squad that man-The NON WHOCHS girls basket-ball team took to the hardwood against a very tough Plymouth Canton Chiefs squad in hopes of earning their first victory under first-year head coach Bill Kelp. aged to light the fire first as they took off on a 13-6 run in the sec-ond quarter to take a 16-10 lead by the end of the first half. The Wildeats made another run Unfortunately, first victories aren 1 always that easy to come by. Wildcats found themselves

at it though, holding the Chiefs to only eight points while scoring 17 of their own in the third quarter. on the wrong end of a 33-31 But, solid defense by Canton and the two free throws that broke the sive struggle where the

I am going to guess that the Wildcats are going to be more than pumped to take on Central and get the win. the fans, the ability of the planned strategy by Kelp and the desire of the girls to earn a win are enough to push these

### 'Cats to victory Novi 48, WLC 40

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# 200 VIGTORIES!

# Novi earns 200th gridiron win, still hungry for more

By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER with 199 wins in the school's his tory and one waiting to be added to it, the Novi Wildcats football team came out with a vengeance against the Chelsea Bulldogs August 29. The 'Cats, who are led by fourth-

year coach Tab Kellepoures weren't quick to forget their toug season-opening loss to Chelsea in 2002 and proved they weren't keen on that sort of thing as they marched to a 49-20 dismantling of thei opponents and the 200th victory for Novi High School football and Coach John Osborne (see related story, this page). "I thought we played real well out there tonight," Kellepourey said after the game. Chelsea is a wellcoached team with some talented players. We were fortunate to get some points on the board early and we were able to maintain that lead. The Wildcats were indeed quick

With just 2:38 off the clock in the first quarter, the Wildcats made their first trip into the endzone as senior quarterback Mike Hart took the ball on the option and darted around the right end of the line before weaving

his way for the score and the 7 lead after senior kicker Mar Angelocci nailed the point-after kick. It was the first of seven pointafters in what would prove a perfect "I shocked the world by running remaining in the first quarter.

Woods recovered his second fum-ble of the night after brother Jarell sacked Choisea quarterback George down. He then gave credit to Chad Thorman, Ryan Pritchard and Mark Boyce to end the first quarter. Kaminski as well as the rest of the offensive line, "When I saw that open field, I just kept going. I have Though senior linebacker Josh Buck, a three-year starter, commented in the days prior to the season to credit everyone on the offensive line for that touchdown, because they kept the defense off my back." onener that he'd like to see the defense keep all scores at zero, the Chelsea Buildogs had other things Just 1:12 later, the Wildcats found in mind. themselves eating up another touch-down as senior defensive back Kerry Kreutzberg took a quick cut The Novi squad started their march once again as they made their way down the field. Kreutzberg had the niost impressive catch of the day as he cut to the middle of the field. to the outside on a hitch pattern and ate up a Chelsea pass before jaunting 27 yards with a bit of a spring in his step for the score and the 14-0 lead. reached up with two hands to snag a high Hart pass, and pulled it in even though two massive hits by Chelsea defenders found the senior's helmet "That was a designed play," Kreutzberg said. "We've been prac coming off and his ribs being left ticing it so that I cut on the hitch and the corner covers behind me. When wide open. "I just knew I had to catch it," Kreutzberg said. "Mike Hart gets so I broke, I was praying it was a hitch, (mad) when you drop his passes in The Wildcats were quick to capipractice and especially in games. If I

didn't catch that ball, he probably wouldn't have thrown to me for the fumbled the ball and Josh Woods rest of the game." After a blitzing defensive back recovered it at the 36 yard line. Six plays later, Hart was once again convinced Hart to toss the ball up in a hurry, the Bulldogs snagged the crossing the line over junior center Pritchard on the quarterback keeper to put Novi up 21-0 with 5:26 interception on the 21 yard line and then marched down the field for the



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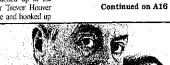
Photo by John Helder A trio of Wildcat tacklers jar loose the helmet of a Chelsea ballcarrier during Friday night's tilt at Novi

> with the senior wide receiver for score in just 53 seconds as Boyce hooked up with Kineschuk for the 79-yard catch and run touchdown pass with 9:20 remaining in the first 27-yard scoring strike to put Novi up 28-14. From there on out through the fourth quarter, everything else just flowed like gravy. Jarell Woods was "That wasn't preity." Kellepourey noted. "They scored in a hurry on the drive, and we knew we were the next Wildcat to dance his way into the endrone as he took the hall around the right side of the line, fol-lowed a devastating block by going to have to make some adjust Unfortunately, those adjustments Hoover, and scampered across the weren't to be made before the half ended — a half that found Chelsea line for the touchdown and a 35-14 line for the touchdown and a line for the game. Chelsea put together another scoring, drive, but it was evident notching another score with just 15 seconds remaining as Boyce carried the ball through the middle for a one-yard keeper to cut the Novi lead to 21-14. their time was; quite literally; run

ning out. Boyce put together a 31-second, 67-yard drive before finding his favorite receiver in Mark "It was a close game and the Borders for a 3-yard passing touch-down with 9:03 left in the game to coaches made some adjustments at the half," senior defensive lineman Trenton Sisson said, "We came out cut the 'Cat lead to 35-20. "They didn't give up," Hart said. with a lot more energy and it paid "Their quarterback was a real ath off for us." The Wildcats went back on the lete, and it seemed he could squeeze out of almost any tackle. We're

board with 4:39 left in the third quarter as Hart backed up in the pocket, looked for Trevor Hoover

down the right side and hooked u



Coach John Osborne has seen all 200 wins By Sam Eggleston City. Last year, under the guidance of Tab Kellepourey, the Cats won two playoff games but fell to the even-tual state champions from Catholic It was the lights that first drew

him to the frenzy of Friday night Central. football. Coach John Osborne has been Though there are many fans of Novi football in the community, not all of them are aware that there wearing the green and white of the Novi Wildcuts and pacing the sideines there since 1966, and since have been only two head coaches that time he has seen 200 victories as a head coach through 1999 and in the history of the program. Kellepourey is the most recent to wear that particular hat, and before him was none other than Osborne, as an assistant since.

But, in the beginning, it was the lights of a Friday night football game that first made him want to In 200 victories, the image of everything that is Novi football has been on the sideline for each and ee football in this commuevery one of them. "It's been quite an experience to:

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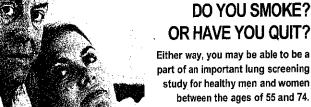
cially retired from teaching and coaching — yet, he's still pacing the sidelines and still teaching the kids the values and fundamentals the early 50s," said Osborne, a graduate and two sport athlete of Cooley High in Detroit. "My cousin played out in Royal Oak, and my aunt used to take us to all of the game. "When Coach Kellepourey took the job at Hartland, he kept the old coach on," Osborne noted. "I of his Friday night football games. thought maybe he'd do me a good I was just fascinated with the lights and the feeling of it all. It was good stuff, and I knew I wanted to be 'turn too, and he did,' For Kellepourey, the decision was an easy one. "It just wouldn't be Novi footinvolved in it." And so he made it happen. The Aima College baseball and football player came out to Novi as a ball without John Osborne," he suid after the 200th victory. 'He means a lot to this program and he means a lot to me. He's a great teacher and soon after started a football program with the help of me eager parents. The first years were a little rough coach and a great friend." Osborne said that he couldn't

have been involved in all that has gone on over all those years," Osborne said, "I thrilled about it

because its the kind of stuff I am

really in to. It's kind of my hobby." When Kellepourey took the helm four years ago, Osborne offi-

Usborne said inat he could i really see himself doing anything else on a Friday night in the fail. "When it's this time of year, you've got to be involved in foot-ball or it just won't seem right," he said... in the the seem user where the for the squad that sported only sophomores its first year, but they eventually went 6-2 as seniors before the team went a couple of seasons winning only two games. Then, they hit a hot streak? with 200 victories in school his "And I'm lucky they did," Osborne said, "They would have tory, Novi coach Jeff Burnside said probably canned by (bult) if we hadn't started winning." Since those first days, the Novi he hopes he's around for another 200 --- but what about Osborne? "We'll, I'd like to see it be 215 Wildcats have gone on to make it to the semi-finals twice — though once was in 1976 when only four by the end of the year," he said indicating it would be nice to win a state title and to go undefeated. No doubt, the community and the football team hopes Osborne is teams made the playoffs. In 1988 the team won two games and lost in the semi-finals to the eventual pacing those sidelines when numstate champions from Traverse ber 300 comes pouring in.



Either way, you may be able to be a part of an important lung screening study for healthy men and women between the ages of 55 and 74.

The University of Michigan Health System is looking for volunteers for the National Lung Screening Trial (NLST). Smoking puts men and women at risk for lung cancer. NLST is comparing spiral CT scans to chest X-rays to find out if one is more effective than the other at lowering lung cancer deaths.

For more information, please call UMHS Cancer Center Answerline at 1-800-865-1125 M-F, 9-4:30, messages accepted after hours or the Cancer Information Service at 1-800-4-CANCER (1-800-422-6237).



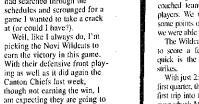
everything turning in the right direction. I'm almost positive this game could be a victory for Walled Lake Central isn't a bunch of girlie-girls though. They know they have the abili-ty to be one of the top teams in the Western Lakes Activities Association this year and aren't afraid to point that out by get-ting a few wins of their own.

With tough coaching, deep and it was benches and good talent, the Vikings will be tooking to talize on another Chelsea mistake as Bulldog fullback Brian Kineschuk come to Novi and snatch one

away from the \*Cats. The key word there is "come" to Novi. That means the Wildcats have home cour advantage, which means I am picking them to get the victory

in this one. I know if I were a visiting coach, I wouldn't wan to see the green and white wav-ing when I entered the gym. With their fans backing them and the cheers echoing for the first home game of the season,

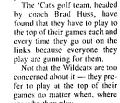
So, I am going to try to get myself in a bit better of a position by calling out the Wildcats as the winners of this contest. am hoping that the energy of



am expecting they are going to come out looking to add a win o their own column too! Bill Kelp knows what it takes to have a successful program, and

once everything is in place with his team, the wins should start pouring in like water. Though there is definitely a long way to go in the program that Kelp would like to see established with his Wildcat squad, I'm thinking that they aren't going to want to drop two games in a row and will be looking to stop that from hap-pening in this game. With some good passing structure and a decent shooting game, the Wildcats have what they need

night for him. that far for the score," Hart said will a laugh when asked about his touch-



It's never easy to be the

defending state champions just ask the Novi Wildcats.

Photo by John Heider

Novi Wildcat golfer Brandon Cigna tees off at Tanglewood in a late August tilt against visiting Northville.

ire who they play. Take the Grosse Isle son, recorded a 74 to help Novi - Howell at Faulkwood Shores at Invitational that was held to their second-place finish 3:30 p.m. while the always consistent The Highlanders are a tough while the always consistent Eric Aytes carded a 75. Mark Eberline, who has also been Wildcats to measure them-August 22. The Wildcats went in there against six other teams and walked away with a sec-ond-place finish behind Grosse playing some good golf, shot selves to as their opening con-an 80 on the day. Isle. The 'Cats finished the day "The kids are really playing well," Huss said. "Brett Jaussi "1 believe we are ready," Huss noted. The Wildcats are then slated with 300 strokes, while Grosse Isle had a 292, Ann Arbor Pioneer shot a 305, Trenton strong and, of course, Brandon to host the Lakeland Eagles at the solid." and Eric are really coming on recorded a 307 and Gabriel Richard notched a 308 on the ay. In fact, he's kicked the sea-Overall, the Wildcats played son off with some impressive me top-shelf golf on one of numbers thus far this year. Contest. some top-shelf golf on one of the tougher courses in Southeast Michigan as 2002 "He is averaging plus one in tournaments and is having a Sam Eggleston is the sports writer for the Northville Record

All-State selection and team stellar season," Huss noted. leader Brandon Cigna led his The Wildcats will return to and the Novi News. He can be squad with a 71. Brett Jaussi, who has been playing some impressive golf since the beginning of the seareached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 104 or at seggleston@ht.homecomm.net.



Conton Chiefs nulled out the vic-

Though Novi shooter Allison

tory in the final 30 seconds of the for Novi.

when they participate in the Novi Invitational today with games at 5:30 and 7 p.m. with the second

knotted up contest

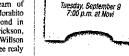
The 'Cats will return to action



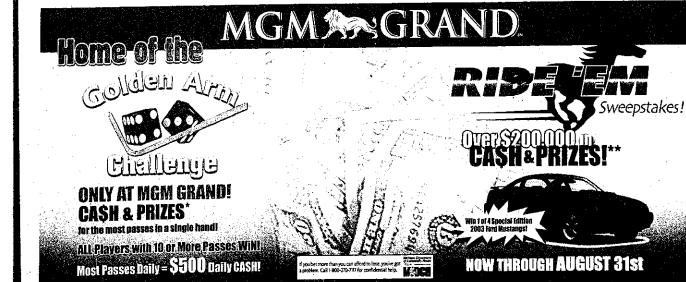
year will be away meets. In the relays, the Wildcats The Novi Wildcats girls' swimfound their 200 medley team of Schramm, Hartland, Brittany Brodfuehrer and Andrea Morabito taking first in 2:01.95, ming and diving team made short work of their opponents in the Walled Lake Central Vikings 114-72 in a non-conference contest 72 in a non-conference contest. The Wildcats, who are coached by Larry Tehan, found first place finishes coming from Emily Erickson in the 200 freestyle while the 200 free team of McNamara, Hartland, Morabito and Erickson took second in 1:53.60, Schramm, Erickson, (2:14.01). Jill McNamara in the Brodfuehrer and Lauren Willson 200 individual medley (2:34.1), Julie Schramm in the 100 free the 400 free realy took second in

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# No contest 'Cats dominate Northville

By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER

It's not easy being unchallenged. The Novi Wildcats girls' termisi team found themselves in that exact situation as they dominated the Northville Mustangs 8-0 in nonconference play. The Wildcats went right to work

August 28, sweeping the entire dual meet as first singles found Ashley Glover topping Erica Dobson 7-6 (6), 6-2 while Lauren Carosio blasted Shannon Farris 6-3, 6-2 in two singles.

singles. The third singles flight found Anna Switzer earning a 6-0, 6-1 vic-tory over Chelsea Johnston, white sophomore Diana Ticu managed to slide into singles competition and carm a win over Laura Krstovish, 6-1, 6-1.

In doubles, Colene Brockman and Emily Holt struggled against a very tough team of Amanda Darish and Jen Harkness, but managed to

pull out a three set, 4-6, 6-2, 6-2 vic-

tory. The most convincing doubles win came in the form of Laura Vaughn and her new pariner Ayano Nakamura, who was moved down from the singles flights for Ticu's place. The duo took a convincing 6-1, 6-4 victory over Jackie Taylor and Jonnie Powers.

In fourth doubles, Lauren homas and Becky Thomson Thomas and Becky Thomson earned a tough 6-1, 7-6 (6) victory over Catalina Oaida and Laura Randall, while the third doubles flight of Amanda Cassidy and Kaylan Pustover beat Amy Knoth and Kate Thomas 6-4, 6-4.

In exhibition play, Megan Hsu and Tiffany Lin fell to Northville's Maria Roce and I Deneszczuk, 2-6, 1-6, Pratyusha Devarakonda Lauren 6. while Pratyusha Devarakonda and Stephanic Park fell in three sets to Christine Curran and Alicia Raisinghani, 5-7, 6-4, 4-6. The Wildcats will return to action

when they participate in the Holly/Powers Invitational Saturday before hosting Howell in a KVC contest September 10 at 4 p.m.

# 200th WIN: Wildcats crush Chelsea

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fortunate we scored when we did and that our defense was able to hold them on some of their key drives.

And, not to mention, that the offense started to score at will. The Wildcats took the following kickoff and drove down the field before adding another score for a 42-20 lead as Buck rumbled 12 yards for the touchdown with 3:34 left in the game.

One minute later and with Bsquads on the field, Novi junior Chris Dalton picked off a pass from Bryan Dunn and raced 73 yards for

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49-20. "It was a good win for us, Kellepourey said, "It was just a great way to start off the season." Hart went 10-of-14 passing in the contest, gathering 138 yards with

the touchdown to ice the scoring at

one touchdown and an interception. His speedy maneuvering brought him 44 yards on five carries and two touchdowns. J.W. Woods collected 72 yards

WILDCAT CALENDAR

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on 14 carries, while brother Jarrell carried the ball 13 times for 104 yards and a score.

On the receiving end of the ball, Hoover hauled in five passes for 70 yards, while Kreutzberg had two for

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5:30 and 7:00

22 Buck led the defensive corps, gathering nine solo tackles and three assists, while Jarrell Woods had six solos and four assists. Senior Adam Brandau collected five tackles and one assist in the contest. The Wildcats (1-0) are slated to

return to action tomorrow when they visit KVC rival Howell (1-0) tomorrow at 7 p.m.

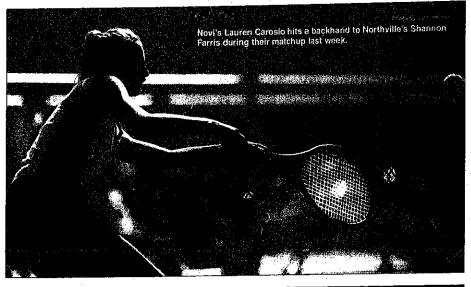
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### SPORTS SHORTS

### Novi Football Golf Outing

The Novi Football team will have a fund-raising golf outing Sunday, Sept. 14 at the Links of Novi in order to help cover the costs of maintaining the football

program. The cost for the event is \$100 and includes golf, a cart, lunch, a dinner buffet and prizes. Participants will have plenty of chances for winning, including an exciting hole-in-one contest.

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

### Novi Heat tryouts

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The Novi Heat travel baseball club is a division of Novi Youth baseball and are slated to organ-ize teams from the age groups of 9U, 10U, 11U, 12U, 13U, 14U, 15U, 16U and 18U. The cost for the players is \$500-600 per player for the season. Fund raising and sponsors may subsi-

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is located at Eight Mile Road and Napier Road. Additional try-out sessions are to be decid-ed.

### Ice Arena holds open

house Is there a budding Tara Lipinski toddling around your house?

Find out Saturday when the Novi Ice Arena's Learn to Skate Program holds its free Learn to Skate Open House from 9:30 to

11:45 a.m. The arena's Learn to Skate Program runs Sept. 9 through Oct. 25 with a wide variety of classes being offered at different times Tuesdays through Saurday, Classes include, Beginning Tots, Snowplow Sam, Freestyle, Adult, Hockey Skills and Home School. Arena spokesman Jennifer Sutherland said admission and

skate rental at the open house is free to all skaters, and will give prospective students a chance to skate with Learn to Skate

instructors so they can be placed in the proper class. She added Learn to Skate students get free admission to open skating at

Novi lce Arena throughout the seven-week session with their

registration receipt. Open registration for Learn to Skate is underway. For more information, call the Novi Ice Arena at (248) 347-1010.

### Motor City Madness Tryouts

The 2004 Motor City Madness girls' travel fast pitch softball team will be holding tryouts September 7 and 14 at Powers Park 1 and 2, which is located between Novi Road and Taft on 10 Mile Road. The times for the tryouts are

• 10 and under: 9-11 a.m. as follows: 12 and under: 11 a.m.-1

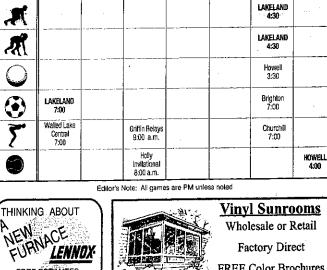
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 14 and under: 1-3 p.m.
 16 and under: 3-5 p.m.
 18 and under: 5 p.m.
 Tryouts are open to anyone interested in playing high-level travel softball. Pitchers and catchers may be asked to stay beyond mentioned limes to chowcase their abilities. showcase their abilities.

For more information, please contact\_Coach Phyllis Wagner at (248) 982-2955.

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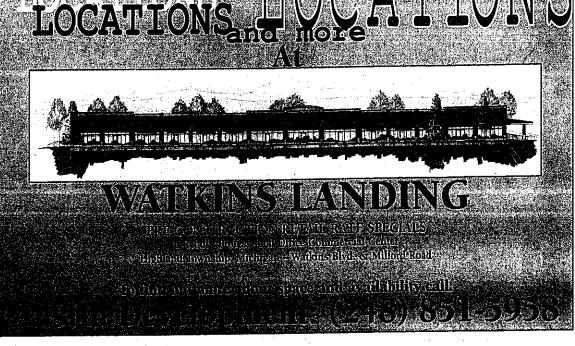
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# Making a killing at the box office



Freddy and Jason finally square off in the much anticipated New Line Cinema release 'Freddy versus Jason." In the battle of the baddies, who's going to win?

# Epic battle a must-see for fans

### By Ramez Khuri STAFF WAITER

It's been almost 10 years since "nightmare" fans have seen Freddy Krueger's ugly face on the silver screen, but last weekend that drought ended with his return. He also brought a close friend along for the fun ride. Well, maybe not a close friend, Jason Voorhees is more like a mindless killing machine who Knieger tries to use, then dispose of just as easily as he brought him back. He soon learns that he got more than he bargained for, howev-

Freddy vs. Jason pits the two monsters from the "A Nightmarc on Elm Street" and "Friday the 13th" franchises against each other for the first time in movie history. It's a union that fans have been waiting to won't be disappointed. In the movie, the adults of Elm

Street have found a way to keep those who have had encounters with

Krueger in the past locked up in an institution and have drugged them with something that does not allow them to dream and erases any mem-ory they may have of him. This, in turn, has left Knueger powerless. He is no longer able to invade people's dreams until he comes up with a plot for a return.

"I searched the depths of Hell until I found someone who can help me," Krueger says in the very begin-ning of the flick. That someone turns out to be Voorhees, who Knieger tricks into obcying him by impersonating his mother. Knieger uses Voorhees to get the citizens of Springwood afraid again. He knows that he can use that fear to return and once again claim his dominance as the number one feared killer in the area.

As he gains strength, Krueger finds that his return is becoming more and more possible. There is just one problem though, Voorhees has taken it upon hintself to do what he does best - kill everyone in sight,

including potential victims that Krueger was planning on offing himself. When Krueger is finally completely back, he figures that Voorhees' job is done and decides to send him back to Hell for good. He understimate his strength baueto. underestimates his strength, however, and therein lies the fun.

The climax of the movie, of course, is the epic battle between the two mad men. Each one displays his own power to try to defeat the other. There are times when the audience is thinking that Voorhees is winning and times when Krueger seems to be the victor and it all leads up to the final dramatic scene when the win-ner is finally revealed. Or his he? Fans of the two movie franchises

will walk away from this film feel-ing satisfied, but wanting more. It is a modern classic which should not be missed

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# Ken Kirzinger makes scary leap from stuntman to actor

### By Sam Eggleston ENTERTAINMENT WRITER

For stuntman turned actor Ken Kirzinger, the number 13 has proven to be a bit lucky. Not only was he the stunt coor-dinator on the eighth installment

of the "Friday the 13th" movies as well as "The 13th Warrior," but he found himself applying for the coordinator job for "Freddy versus Jason" and failing to get it

versus Jason" and latling to get it --be get something else instead. "I actually applied to be the stunt coordinator and inter-viewed for that," Kirzinger said during a phone interview, "I was very lucky, because the produc-ers noticed my build and wibin two weeks, they had me back in whiteaing for the part of fragon auditioning for the part of Jason. It just blew me away, but 1 jumped at the chance."

From blowing things up to hacking folks up, Kirzinger found himself taking a step from one side of the film-making process to the other. No longer was he planning sturts and set-ting himself on fire, instead he was too busy putting on the hock-

was too basy putting of the nock-ey mask that has become known as the face of fear itself. "I'm very fortunate to be able to play such an incredible role," Kirzinger said, "Jason is a highly recognizable character. In fact, so recognizable that you could casi-ly call him the Frankenstein of this generation.

Prepping for such a role wasn't too hard for Kirzinger. "I'm such a fan of the series," he said. "In that alone I had done

he said. "In this alone 1 had done a lot of preparation. Growing up, I watched all of the movies and 1 even worked on number eight. With all of that background, plus (director) Ronnie Yu's input, we were able to bring this version of Jason to life."

And bringing him to life was the easy part — as many folks know, the trouble with Jason is killing him. "I think that's what makes him

such a scary character," Kirzinger said. "He's not going to run after you and he's not afraid of any-thing you can throw at him. Iustead, he just walks along, waiting to get his chance because he knows either sooner or later he's going to get you." Fans of the character will have noticed that Jason does some

noticed that Jason does something in this new film that he nor-mally hasn't done in the past --react to a situation.

"He's not really the kind of character that reacts to anything," Kirzinger said. "The biggest reaction I had to do was in the dream world when the water starts coming down on Jason. Other than that, you can say that



Courtesy photo Ken Kirzinger, who played Jason Voorhees in his first major acting role, was more than happy to put on the famous hockey mask and do a little hack and slash for the fans.

Jason's reactions are subtle ones

For Kirzinger, it wasn't so much landing the role that made him realize how big it was but

him realize how big it was but rather a completely different situ-ation altogether. Having worked on the movie "X-Men 2" with director Brian Singer, Kirzinger said that he was surprised when his trailer received a call while they were on location outside of Vancouver. "I was tald the director from

"I was told the director from X-Men 2 wanted to come and say hi," he said. "It was the middle of the night, and he wanted to come meet Jason and Freddy. We posed for pictures and he and the eight other people he brought with him all acted like little kids. That was when the realization of how big this character really is hit me.\*

Putting on the mask wasn't all that hard for Kirzinger, and he noted that he was just glad he didn't have to play the role of

and i have to play the role of Freddy. "Robert Englund, as you know, has always been Freddy." Kirzinger said. "It literally took hours each day for him to get ready for the shoot. I don't know if I could have done it, but he's hear doing it for so long that it been doing it for so long that it didn't even bother him." With one horror flick under his

belt and the world of possibilities opening before him, would Kirzinger be willing to put the mask on if asked to do sp once again?

Without a doubt," Kirzinger said. "It was a great experience and I'd love to do it again. Who knows, maybe I'll even end up with an agent out of all of this. It that happens, then great. But, I'll always be ready if they need me to be Jason ever again."

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appointment. PHONE: Larry Molloy at (248)

**Democrats of West Bakland County** 

meeting DATE: Wednesday, Sept. 17

TIME: social hour 6 p.m.:

meeting 7 p.m. LOCATION: Big Boy Restaurant, 800 N. Pontiac Trail.

TON: St. John's 23255 Gill Rd.,

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Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce Goif Outlag DATE: Monday, Sept. 8 TIME: 9 a.m., shoigun start LOCATION: Beacon Hill Golf Club and Banquet Center, 6011 Majestic Oaks, Commerce DETAILS: \$85/Golfer, awards advanced prepaid reservation required.

Commerce office, (248) 624-2892. Walled Lake DFTAILS: Democrats of West Oakland County will host a meet-ing featuring Ronald Borgesser, Women: Be Fit and Fabulous DATE: Special 3-week sampler begins September 9, \$40; 6-week CEO of Oakland-Livingston County Service Agency. He will speak on the status of Head Start series begins October 7, attend once a week for \$40 or twice a n this area. week for \$75; 4-week series PHONE; Jack Schneider at begins November 25, attend once (248) 685-1882 week for \$25 or twice a week Cancer Charity Golf Classic: Doug for \$50 TIME: All sessions begin at Schaeffer, Honorary Chair, Police Chief of Novi, Cancer Survivor 9:30 a.n., LOCATION: Botsford Center DATE: Thursday, Sept. 18. TIME:11:30 a.m. registrati for Health Improvement, 39750 Grand River Avenue, located between Haggerty and Meadowbrook in Novi 2:30 p.m. shotgun start LOCATION: Links of Novi, 195 Ten Mile Rd., Novi DETAILS: golf packages avail-DETAILS: This program compasses a variety of sessions able. Charity benefits Beaumont including aerobics for cardiovas Pediatric Unit and Breast Cancer Research and Michael and Rose Assarian Cancer Center and cular health, strength training fo usele tone and easy yoga for Dexibility and relaxation. PHONE: Registration: call 248-477-6100, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Prostate Research. PHONE: (248) 252-8212 Novi Concert Band Performan DATE: Friday, Sept. 19 weekdays TIME: 7:30 p.m LOCATION

Novi Camera Club Meeting DATE: Tuesday, September 9 TIME: 7:30 p.m. Novi Civic LOCATION: Center, 45175 W. 10 Mile Rd.

DETAILS: "Action Photography" will be the theme. All elements and all types of action will be discussed. Everyone welcome. PHONE: 248-380-6980

DATE: Saturday, Sept. 20 Lakes Baptist Church 15th TIME: 9 a.m.-2 p.m. universary Celebration DATE: Sunday, September 14 LOCATION: Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Rd., TIME: 9:30 a.m.- 2 p.m. LOCATION: 309 Decker Rd., Novi PHONE: For more information, call Recycling Coordinator, Kathy Cencer, (248) 208-2270. Valled Lake. DETAILS: Video, anniversary

celebration, potluck, free concert Fall fashion show / dinner PHONE: 248-624-2900 DATE: Monday, Sept. 22 TIME: 6 p.m. The art of meditation LOCATION: Wyndam Garden

DATE: Monday, Sept. 15 Hotel, 42100 Crescent Boulevard, TIME: 11 a.m. or 7 p.m. LOCATION: Botsford Center Novi DETAILS: This is the Novi for Health Improvement, 39750 Newcomers' Dinner and Fashion Show benefiting Teens Aiding the Grand River Avenue, located etween Haggerty leadowbrook in Novi and Cancer Community. Come out

and join us for a fun evening ben-Learn how to DETAILS: reduce stress, reenergize, reduce efiting a great cause. PHONE: For information and stress, lower cholesterol and pro-

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### FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Regardless of what time of year the lowest fat cottage cheese you it is, we're all interested in cutting can find or no fat yogurt. Steam some spinach or asparagus and you have a nutritional, very low fats and calories from our diets Here are some hints that may help . "You are what you. The quote fat meal. Salads, for me at least, are the you eat" is so true. Working in a kitchen, it is very easy to put on hardest to keep free of calories. five or ten pounds without even trying. At Diamond Jim Brady's Heaven is a mixture of greens loaded with chopped eggs, bacon, Roquefort, topped with a mixtur Bistro, we that stress of French and Bleu Cheese dress ing. After eating this type of salad, I think to myself, "Good bye biki-ni, hello, one piece!" After experwhoever makes a recipe, tastes it before it imenting, I've found that some bink grapefruit sections, crushed Szechwan pink peppercorns, a dash of homemade vinegar and touch of flavored oil do a lot to reache plate your This hold true at dress up an otherwise boring pile Chef Brady also. of lettuce. And then comes dessert. th directions, and then take a bite to insure that the seasonings are as Believe it or not, there are loads of they should be. If you're making a recipes that cater to the person searching for a reduction of fatty ingredients. My favorite lately is a serving of no-fat frozen chocolate of the mix and then try it. Better to fix it now than to serve a bland meal. Just take a taste. Dinner yogurt. For less than one hundred calories, it kills the sweet tooth. A comes later. If the food is satisfysimple fruit cup with fresh ground nutmeg and a fling of cinnamon ing to begin with, your hunger will appeased pleasantly. gives the added advantage of fiber. Diet food need not taste had. Just be sensible. For instance, try cutting your fat intake in half. Remember, it is very important to eat when your body tells you You'll be amazed at how easy it is to drop two or three pounds very quickly. At our restaurant,

to. Too many people wait until they are starved, thinking that by not cating on a regular basis, the weight melts off. How wrong they Diamond Jim's, we marinate fish and lean meat in citrus juices with fresh herbs and garlic. For added really are! A bite in the morning will do or, grate some ginger root and a lot to stave off the hunger pangs that are sure to hit later in the day. Oatmeal, cream of add it along with a little low sodium soy. Drain, nat dry and bake or broil. Serve a baked potato gar-nished with chopped chives and wheat or dry cereals without fat

become discouraged Focus on the new lean you!

### it's also entertaining and worth the time spent in front of the tel-By Sam Eggleston ENTERTAINMENT WRITER evision The plot has plenty of twists to Role-playing game fans across

keep gamers guessing throughout the majority of the game, with the globe have known the special qualities of their genre for quite ometime, and it ems that with the player taking to the world via two points of view. One is of Kharg, each passing year there are more is of Kharg, the prince of and more legions of fans drooling a small kingdom that is learning the tricks of the trade as a warfor the next RPG title to come out Well, the wait is over for PS2 owners, as Sony has produced a rior. The other view is that of Kharg's brother, Darc, who is gem in the form of "Arc the Lad: balf-human and Twilight of the Spirits? This is the newest installment half-deimos. of a long-running series that dates Dare doesn't have the luxuries of his kin though, and toils his y back to it's first Playstation One release in Japan in 1995. But, the

through life as a slave. Their only connection is that of an identical title and it's two spawos didn't hit the beaches of the United States birthmark they share — which, brings us to the questions of who their parents are and why they were separated at birth. All of until 2001 in the form of "Arc the Lad Collection. Even though that particular collection drew the attention of plen-ty of RPG fans, I can tell you that those questions, and plenty more, iled as the story unfolds. he newest addition to the series are unv The idea of having the gamer blows them out of the water, It is a beautifully done RPG that does switch viewpoints throughout the game between that of Darc and Kharg as well as their buddies and n't try to test our patience with new styles of gaming incorporatenvironments is a welcome fea-ture to "Arc the Lad." Truthfully.

it keeps the game moving smoothand gamers will find ly along themselves not getting bored with a state story or the same old char-



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motel during a raging storm who

soon realize there is a murderer

mong them ... as their number

as each tries to figure out who is the killer. The film stars John

Cusack, Jake Busey, Rebecca

DeMomay, Clea DuVall and Ray Liotta. "Identity" is a Sony Pictures release and rated R for

strong violence and language.

Crime-thriller "A Man Apa

stars Vin Diesel as tough DEA agent Sean Vetter, who sets out to

avenge the brutal murder of h

wife. As the drug wars rage along

the US/Mexican border, a majo

player from the Baja Cartel is

imprisoned and a mysterious fig

ure known as Diablo wrests con

trol over the entire operation

Vetter and his partner (Larenz Tate) must join forces with the jailed Cartel boss to hunt down

this dangerous individual. "A Man Apart" is a New Line Cinema release and rated R for

strong graphic violence, la

Premiering just on DVD

"Alias: The Complete First Season" (4-DVD Set) (NR), "Angel: Season Two" (6-DVD

Set) (NR), "Boyz N the Hood

(Anniversary Edition) (R) "Brave Little Toaster" (G)

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Mars" (G), "Brave Little Toaste

to the Rescue" (G), "Cheech & Chong's Next Movie" (R), "CSI:

The Complete Second Season" (6-DVD Set) (NR), "Futurama

shelves this week

ing content and sexuality

out: they turn on each other

## By Brian Renne

SCREEN BEAT

BAKED MARINATED COD cup orange juice Coming to theaters this weekend is the spiritual horror movie, "The Order" which follows a tablespoons low sodium soy conflicted, rebellious priest (Heath Ledger) who travels to tablespoons sherry, rice or tarragon vinegar Rome to investigate the strange death of his mentor. The young tablespoon Dijon style muspriest, a troubled artist, and his closest friend and colleague discover the mysterious death may 2 tablespoons chooped fresh be the work of the Sin Eater, an tarragon, rosemary or thyme ancient figure who plays God on earth by absolving the unforgiv-able of their sins outside the (or half that amount dried) 2 tablesopons freshly grated Church, allowing great evil to go unpunished. Starring Shannyn Sossamon, Mark Addy, Benno Furmann, and Peter Weller, Dash of freshly ground pepper and a half pounds cod fillets "The Order" is a Twentieth Century Fox release and rated R for violent images, sexuality, and Whisk all incredients togeth

, Add the fish to the marinad language. "Dickie Roberts: nd turn to coat completely. Child Star" stars David Spade as low to sit at least one hou a former TV child star of the '70s, who is now 35 years old and parking cars for a living. ind up to twenty-four hours. Bake in a 450-degree oven, incovered, until fish flakes in Craving to regain the spotlight, he auditions for a role of a "northe thickest part and flesh is mal" guy, but the director quick-ly sees he is anything but noropaque in color. Recipe provided by chef Mary Brady of Diamond Jim Brady's Bistro: nal. Desperate to win the part Dickie hires a family to help him

'replay" Mary Roady is a certified execassume the identity of an aver utive chef and co-owner of Diamond Jim Brady's Bistro is age, everyday kid. "Dickie Roberts: Former Child Star" is a Paramount Pictures release and the Novi Town Center. If you have rated PG-13 for crude and sex for chef Mary Brady, you can co related humor, language, and drug references tact her via e-mai

### In theaters next week

this week

Vol. 2" (NR), "Home Alone 4" (NR), "Kim Possible" (NR), "Monty Python's Meaning of Thriller "Cold Creek Manor Life" (Special Edition) (R), "Th "Matchstic) (R), crime comedy "Matchstic! Men" (PG-13), final installment Outer Limits: Season Two" (3 DVD Set) (NR), "Stargate SG-1 of the Mariachi/Desperado trilo The Complete Fourth Season" (5-DVD Set) (NR), and "Xena gy "Once Upon a rame Mexico" (R), and independently renduced comedy "Dummy" "Once Upon a Time in Princess Warrior: Season Two produced comedy (R).

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### ed into it, but rather lets us enjoy the things we love about RPGs. This "Arc the Lad" title takes place in the same world as the other three, but in a much later time frame. The events of the first games are referred to, but only as folk lore and not as history. Though the story is one that many gamers have come to recognize as a traditional plot line in this genre,

'Arc the Lad' is classic RPG PlayStation 2 MI DQ. 

or sugar are great energy starters. A plop of no fat plain yogurt can be an alternative to milk. Keep a piece of crunchy

fruit at reach to avoid the temp

you" snacks. Biting

apple is work, it satisfies.

on of the "not-so-good-to

Lunch can also pose problem

Purchased sliced meats are loaded

with sodium and fat. Read the

labels, Better yet, purchase wh

turkey breasts and roast then

refrigerate the rest for up to thre or four days. Freeze leftovers it

large pieces to avoid dehydration

Whole grain breads are better than Wonder bread, and mustard

preferable to mayo. Load up sand

as a filler

wiches with lettuce and tomatoe

removed, to use for salads. Keep

the liquid for later use. A can o

tuna, low-fat cottage cheese wit

fruit or an omelets made with egg whites are other standbys. Keep

A few final thoughts ... Fat has

roughly 9 calories per gram. Protein and carbs only have four.

The rule of thumb: you can ea

the same amount of calories Reducing your fat is a must to

Also, get out and move. Exercise serves dual purposes. You'll burn calories: increase

metabolism and firm up the flal

by areas, Last, but not least, do

wice as much of the latter two for

lunch light and have a snack la

as you need the energy.

loose weight

Poach whole chickens, skin

Slice just enough for the day and

sauce

tard

ginger

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perfect RPG.

name happens to fit my fancy. Oh well, a slight fall in an otherwise

For any RPG fan out there, this

game is a great title to add to your collection. Not only does it keep

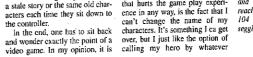
you playing well into the wee-hours of the night, but it keeps

7 there to entertain and keep a gamer busy when they've n

else to do -- well, "Arc the Lad Twilight of the Spirits" defini does that and more. 1 for does that and more. I found myself not only playing this title as I would any other game, bu nlanted to the chair and refusing part of. to put down the controller until I cleared the next challenge in front of my characters. Then, it was the next one and next one and so on series.

about this particular title, and this is purely cosmetic and nothing that hurts the game play experireached at (248) 349-1700, ex 104 seggleston@ht.homecomm.net.

Sony definitely has the a winner in this game, and I'm already looking forward to the next installment in this popu and so forth. The only complaint 1 have Som Eogleston is the sport writer for the Northville Record and the Novi News, He can be



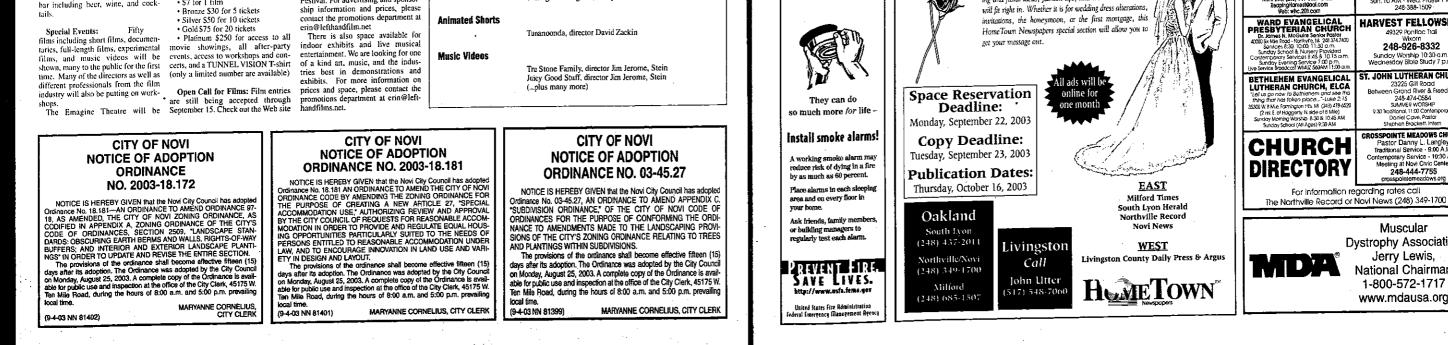
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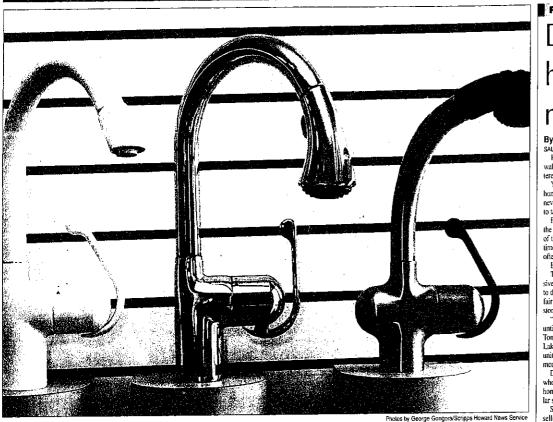
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# HOME & GARDEN





### By Cassandra Hinojosa

SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE At one time, lavatory and kitchen faucets served a functional purpose - to the bine time, articular takes in takes a secone works of art that draw then water on and off. But now, they have become works of art that draw attention at first glance.

"The facets we sell now are not just for washing your hands and shaving, but they're really pieces of architecture," said Bill Antonetz, general manager of Moore Supply in Corpus Christi. Texas.

Sleek, contemporary handles and spouts have become eye-pleasing features that add hixury to a room, Antonetz said.

"We've sold faucets (with arched spouts) that look like swans, and faucets that look like anything but faucets," Antonetz said. Custom finishes — in both single-control or widespread (common three-piece style) - bring antique charm to any bath-

In high demand for lavatory faucets are: oilin the deniant for largely a decising of the second second

Corpus Christi. "They've come a long way from chrome and polished brass," Duke said. "Everyone is trying to get a more rustic. old-American look." Brushed chrome, brushed nickel and Venetian bronze with copper highlights also are popular picks.

Dull gold (French gold) has replaced yellowtone polished brass. And clear acrylic handles, which eventually turn cloudy because of moisture and debris, are starting to fade out, Duke

European influenced designs characterized by dramatic curves, streamlined shapes, spouts that allow water to flow in sheets, and mortar-and-pestle influ ences. Before dashing off to purchase a new faucet, there are some things to keep

in mind. Think about the room's floors, cabinets, walls, countertops and lighting to determine whether a traditional or modern fixture would be best. Duke said Look at doorknobs, cabinet pulls, hinges and accessories to keep the same

An antique brushed copper faucet will clash with a shiny silver towel rack. 

coordinates with tendy stainless steel appliances. Versatile shiny chrome com-plements just about any surface or color of sink. And choose biscuit-colored faucets to match cream- or almond-colored appliances.

Photo by Michael R

# REALTOR ADVICE Dress up house for new buyers

Z By Lesley Mitchell SALT LAKE TRIBUNE Haul Fido and Fluffy off to a kennel, take down the wall of family portraits and send that beloved but bat-

tered old recliner to charly. You never know what may turn off a potential home buyer who may snicker on the way out the door never to return. Realtors say it is wise for sellers not

to take any chances. For many selfers, it's wise to pay heed to many of the time-honored tactics proffered by Realtors. Most of these ideas are not expensive but can take a lot of time and effort, which explains why many sellers often are not crazy about doing them. But Realtors say they work. The top suggestion may be one of the least expen-sive but one of the most difficult to convince sellers

to do. De-clutter each room in your house, sending a fair amount of your home decor and belongings to a storage unit or to a favorite charity.

"One of the biggest mistake selfers make is to wait until their house is sold to start moving stuff out," said Tom Swallow, broker with RealtyPro Metro in Sait John Shu Dhealtymin them have been stuff out," said Lake City, "Don't wait. Move a lot of it into a storage

unit now. The house will feel roomier, brighter and more cheerful." De-cluttering is especially important for owners who collect things or those who have decorated their

homes in a particu-lar style. Swallow also said s "People prefer sellers too often neglect their walls when trying to de-clutter. Some of the biggest offenders to potential buyers brand-new homes. That is why you have ntial buyers potential buyers could be large paint to make your registration of the second sec home so beautiful and clean that people feel to envision living to envision living there, he said, and also can make rooms and halways appear smaller and darker than they actually are. Don't forget to repair any damage to walls caused by what good about one that is not new." Patti Wardley Associale broker for Coldwell BankerResidential Brokerage in Herber City, Utah

ince hung there. "The goal should be to make the house as neutral

as possible," he said. Sellers willing to spend more money neutralizing their homes should consider light-colored carpet and paint and fixtures, Realtors say. Dark colors can make some small homes appear even smaller. Need some inspiration? Patti Wardley, an associate broker for Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage in

home in a new subdivision. "People prefer brand-new homes," she said. "That is why you have to make your home so beautiful and clean that people feel good about one that is not new." "If you have the time before you have to show your home, light some candles, put on soft music and (if it is daytime) open your blinds," she said. "You want an ambiance" just like those created by new

home builders. That also means no pets inside the home, Wardley said. Indoor pets often are one of the biggest turn-offs for potential buyers who have no pets indoors due to personal preference or allergies. Depending on how he animals act or if there is evidence they have dam aged the house in some way, they also could turn off people who are used to having their pets indoors. Above all, Wardley and other real estate agents

agree that sellers should think clean. "Cleanliness to me means no dishes in the sink and that the countercops are clean." she said, "... If you walk into a house with unmade beds, clothes on the lower and kitches and both in a mean it denotes the floor and kitchen and bath in a mess, it doesn't show nearly as well as a home that's ready to show.

Another recommendation: Leave the house while it's being shown. Wardley and other real estate agents say too many sellers have to be coaxed out of their home. "Buyers feel more confortable if the sellers are not there," she said.

# Culinary bachelor

Single and good-cooking men at home in the kitchen By Kathy Stephenson SALT LAKE TRIBUNE

For women still looking for Mr. Right — that sensi-tive, yet liberated guy who will help cook and clean — cookbook author Dana Holyfield says do not despair. There still are plenty of single men around who will cook a romantic meal for a date. Holyfield features 56 of these "real men who cook" in

"Bachelors With Recipes" (CEDesigns, 514.95). "Most women I ve cooked for are pretty impressed." says Bachelor No. 35, Steve Andruzzi of Salt Lake City. The 40-year-old New York native says his culinary specialty is a breaded chicken cutlet, which he learned to

cialty is a breaded chicken cutlet, which he learned to make from his father. Big Lou. "My dad was the cook in the family," says Andruzzi. "It's something he has made for years." Cooking comes naturally in Andruzzi's big, albeit slightly eccentric, Italian-American family, that includes characters such as Aunt Sweetie, Uncle Porky and Cousin new, "These people are party formy but they know how

Impy, "These people are pretty funny, but they know how to cook," he says. to cook," he says. Holidays, especially, are "non-stop food" feasts in his family, with pasta, pasta, pasta, "Actually, we call it mac-aroni. We never say pasta," says Andruzzi, who is divorced and spends most of his free time with his 10-

year-old son. Bachelor No. 13 is Rand Fisher of Stansbury Park, Utah. The 49-year-old makes a mean chicken stir-fry with black bean sauce.

The bachelors and their cooking ways are still the exception. The majority of shopping and cooking in this country is still done by women, according to a 2000 study by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Busing the male stereotype was not what Holyfield had in mind when she published "Bachelors With Recipes." The book includes black-and-white photographs of each bachelor, their vital statistics and personal history as well as their most romantic recipes. While serious cooks will probably find a few great dinner recipes, Holyfield says the publication is geared more toward women who

want to look at hunky guys. The cookbook is the follow-up to Holyfield's popular "Cajun Sexy Cooking", which included country recipes and pictures of volupihous women trekking through the Louisiana swamps in low-cut shirts and short shorts. "Women began asking when J was going to create a cookbook that featured good looking men," she said dur-ing a phone interview from her home in Slidell, La. About a year ago she followed through, e-mailing her cookbook idea to dozens of men at several online dating services

"A lot of guys thought it was a good pick-up line," says Holyfield, who is single and wouldn't mind dating a few men in her book. "Of course, they live in California."

a sandwich.

### **Bachelor Recipes**

BIG LOU'S CHICKEN CUTLET PARMESAN 2 Iresh, boneless chicken breasts 2 eggs, beaten 1 cup or more Italian or seasoned bread crumbs Extra-virgin olive oil

A cloves garlic Fresh mozzarella Homemade or good quality marinara sauce Baci rolls or other Italian bread, if desired.

Heat oven to 350 degrees. Wash chicken and trim fat. With a good filet knife, slice chicken breasts lengthwise into 1/4-inch-thick filets. (Or place chicken pieces on a sheet of wax paper and cover with another sheet. Pound filets with a heavy frying pan until they are about 1/4-inch thick.) Place beaten eggs in a bowl. Place flour and 4 tablespoons black bean sauce Steamed rice

bread crumbs in separate dishes. Dip chicken filets in egg, cover completely with a coat of flour, then bread crumbs, coating completely and pat-ting down crumbs with your hand. Let stand for

Place a quarter-inch of olive oil in a non-stick frying pan. Heat to medium, Add whole garlic cloves. Place chicken in oil and sauté (not deep mixing well. Serve hot over steamed rice. - SOURCE: RAND FISHER OF STANSBURY PARK, UTAH, fry) for 8 to 10 minutes or until each side is golden brown. h your hand, Let stand for 10 minutes



FOOD



# For the bookshe Lunch with food explorer Calvin Trillin

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### By Marty Meitus

SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE Calvin Trillin shows me his new business-cardsize card, which he carries in his wallet. It's writ-ten entirely in Chinese, except for the translation on the bottom, which says, "Please order what I see at the next-table."

Trillin is promoting his book, "Feeding a Yen" (Random House, \$22.95), a collection of updated food essays that originally appeared in The New Yorker

He's relaxed, pleasant and friendly --- not the food snob I'm expecting. After all, this is the man 

who went to Galicia in search of pimientos de Padron, who keeps a list that he calls the Register of CALVEN TRILLIN Frustration and Deprivation, foods that he can get only by traveling to their countries of origin. 

Trillin, a cross between a humorist, an essayist and a reporter, will probably be remembered as the man who popularized modern food commentary. A native of Kansas City, Mo., he began writing for The New Yorker in 1963. In 1967, he began a series that didn't end until 1963. In 1967, the began a series inactural conduction until 1982. He traveled the country in search of interesting stories that became an ode to food. "I realized that writing about eating was a way to write about my subject: the country. ... I wa going to a strange city every three weeks, and if I didn't want to eat in (the hotel restaurant), I had to find a place to eat." he says.

find a place to eat," he says. In 1967, he guesses, you could have talked to 100 educated people and they would have been hard-pressed to name a chef, "It was harder to find a decent place to eat," he says. Have we gene too far in the other direction with

all the celebrity chefs? "I don't know that eating in the country has changed that much," he says. "I think the majority of people are doing what they always do," What has changed, he says, is their estaurant

chaining of America: "The chaining of America is bad," he says. "I remember doing a story on a restaurant in a femote county in my home state The story was about a hog factory going in, and it

was opposed by the locals. "There was a wonderful farm restaurant there. inter was a volument faith restantiat title, a choice of five vegetables with your meal — imagine. It was there for the people who came to town to get supplies, and I realized the place was only there because the town wasn't big enough for McDonald's. I think it's a sharme."

Trillin sees his job as finding and writing abou the interesting stories behind the foods of a city. Cincinnati is a case in point. People have intense arguments over who has the best chili, he says, yet people always want to take him to Cincinnati's five-diamond restaurant. He's not interested in the fancy restaurant, and he's not interested in resolv-ing who has the best chili. He's interested in the fact that people feel passionate on the subject



### How to become a beer

connoisseur

Enjoyed for centuries, beer is more popular than ever before, with breweries from Chile to China offering ales, lagers and stouts to an ever-

thirsty global community. If you've always stuck to one brand of beer, dipping a toe in the wider world, with its hun-dreds of distinctive flavors and colorful brand names, might seem intimidating. With a little help from a beer expert, however, you can learn all you need to know to become a sophisticated





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## Special kit lets artists create lamp shades of their own design

By Judy Stark ST. PETERSBURG TIMES We asked four artists — three kids and an adult — to create lamp shades for us. You're looking at their cre-

The lamp kits came from Alluminare Lighting of Decatur, Ga. Friday Shamblen, who heads the company created the Kid Print Lamp Kit to preserve the art that her nicces, 3 and 5 years old, gave her as gifts in a more permanent way than posting it on the refrigerator.

"I had the strange belief, from physics, that when you pass light through something, it throws the energy of whatever it's passing through into the room," Shamblen said. "I love my nieces, and I love everything they bring me. I wanted to keep something of theirs living and pre-

The kit consists of six jars of paint, brushes, paper paint dishes and a sheet of paper made from the leaves of the lotka bush, which grows in Nepal. It's a renewable e, and "it accepts paint very well, but it's translucent," S

The artists paint the designs of their choice on the paper, which is sent back to Alluminare to be turned into a lamp shade. There's a choice of brushed metal or brass

legs for the lamp and of black, navy, red of nat-ural ribbon trim for the shade. The lamp and shade are shipped in about a week. The cost: \$59, plus \$8 for shipping and han-

dling. These lamps seem to have "grandparent gifts" painted all over them. But there's no reason why kids should have all the fun. Adults can create unique lamps to match a room's decor. Shamblen has, she acknowledges, "about 10" of her nieces' lamps in her home. They were "very definitely" part of product development,

she says "I have a long, narrow hallway, and I have one of the lamps on a timer. When the hall is lit, with their handprints and stuff, it's a nice way to welcome yourself home."

### To learn more

Alluminare Lighting: www.kidprint.org. Ten percent of the proceeds from the sale of Kid Samples of lamp shades created by using the Kid Print lamps goes to the Safe Kids Campaign to Print Lamp Kit. support programs for child safety.



Ladybugs are the most popular bug to introduce to a garden. They are voracious eaters of aphids, which can be a prominent garden problem.

Fall is a great time to give container-grown perennials a permanent spot in the garden. Remove them from their pots and score their roots with a sharp knife before planting in the ground.

There are many steps you can take to dress up a deck, including screening off the area beneath the deck with latticework, then softening the area with gardening magic flowers and shrubs. With some garde and a little lattice know-how, you can transform simple backyard into one that's beautiful and invit ing.

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Plants cannot be left alone and ignored when the family's away on vacation. It's not enough to sim-ply over-water them or turn down the temperature of the head before the plant of the set of the se in the house before leaving. Make a self-watering system by putting a few unglazed bricks in a large container and adding a few inches of water. Plant placed on top of the bricks will absorb moisture.



Right: Steve Andruzzi makes preparations to cook the cutlets

SAUCE

Left: Andruzzi holds a finished plate of Big Lou's Chicken Cutlet Parmesan

"Most women

I've cooked for

are pretty

impressed. My

American lagers. For many beer drinkers, the standard American lagers -- those mas duced brands that keep sporting events on the air with their huge advertising budgets - are all there is to beer. But Pacult sees these mild beers as just the starting place. They're good beers, but not great beers, and the goal is to get your taste buds headed in a new direction.

 Microbrews. The next step, according to Pacult, is trying out some lovingly crafted micro-brews like Sam Adams and some gutsier small-or some gutsier smallbatch lagers. Beers like this offer more character and a more concentrated flavor for a bolder taste, ■ British ales. Once you've begun to appreci-ate microbrews, it's time to move on to British ales, which Pacult considers the best in the world These include brands like Sam Smith's, Young's and Fullers. A bitter from Britain is a good com-promise between the meaty, heavy beers of Europe and the lighter American beers. It's an enjoyable midpoint, and the place where Pacult suggests most beer drinkers go.

### To learn more

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dad was the cook in the family." Steve Andruzzi Bachelor No. 35

# MONEY

### SOCIAL SECURITY

HomeTown Newspapers

Will boomers see less of their retirement in coming years? By Mike Meyers MINNEAPOLIS-ST. PAUL STAR TRIBUNG

In the decades ahead, the U.S. economy may grow more slowly than in the past and workers are likely to keep less of the fruits of their labor. At least, that's if aging baby boomers claim the same Social Security benefits that they now think they have coming to

them. "When the non-elderly see a rising portion of their incomes being taken to feed into Social Security there's going to be some sense of rebellion and resentment towards that," said economist Steve Nyce. have

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"In most of the developed economies, the							
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i the number of workers supporting them declines, the economies of the United States and other industrial countries seem likely to be hit by slower rates of productivity growth --- making the size of the pie grow more slowly even as more reliters seek their slice, Schieber argued. One solution may be a politically unpopu-lar decision to keep people in the workforce

longer, raising Social Security retirement ages for the second time in the past 70 years. Delaying retirement even for another year or two means more economic output and a smaller Social Security burden on workers,

"I'm not advocating that we chain people to the mill until they to 80 years old," he said We're trying to raise questions about the evolution of the economy of our society. mists challenge the



# When borrowing from a 401(k) account, balance is the key

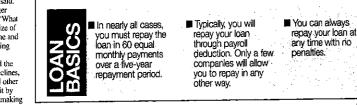
Story By David Benda I Illustration by Brad Garrison I Scripps Howard News Service

aycheck after paycheck, you've diligently contributed to your 401(k) retirement account and have a handsome sum of money built up. Now you're considering borrowing against your 401(k). Most plans allow the account-holder to do this. But kit is avail idea to inche many few that rest. But is it a good idea to siphon money from that nest egg, which for many people will be the major source of income when they retire? "For some people it's a good option," says finan

cial adviser Leroy Simpson of Redding, Calif. Simpson says people who borrow from their 401(k) must remember that any money withdrawn isn't going to be invested in the market, so the chance for gains on that money disappears with the loan. Barbara Briggs, a financial adviser in Burney, Calif., doesn't like the idea of borrowing from one's 401(k). "It's nice if you know you will be able to pay it back in a real short period of time, but I have seen some disasters," she says. A 401(k) plan is a retirement account that allows workers in private companies to make contribu tions of pre-tax dol lars. You can start withdrawing from your 401(k) after the

age of 59 without being penalized. The 401(k) contribution limit rose to \$11,000 annually in 2002, and will continue to rise - reaching \$15,000 by 2006. Typically, a 401(k) plan will allow you to borrow 50 percent of the amount in your plan, not to exceed \$50,000. Interest rates on a 401(k) loan vary by each plan, but the rate most often used is the prime rate plus 1 percent, according to the Profit Sharing Council of America, a non-

The four share count is a set of the count of the people who participate in a 401(k) plan nationwide have an outstanding loan balance on their account. The average balance of those loans was \$7,000, the survey found,



FISCAL PLANNING Making financial decisions can be a crucial step for new couples important to you as a couple? As individuals? Can each of you accommodate one another's By Loretta Kalb SACRAMENTO BEE personal savings goals?

# **HEALTH & FITNESS**





Perfect check-ups growing rare thanks to super-sized drinks, sweet treats and busy schedules

nance a lower priority, there is a set of the set of th By Susan Glairon SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE loshua Brown sits completely still, made comfortable by nitrous oxide and and what's good for you, you know w Novocain, while Richard Abrams carefully removes one of his haby tech. As the pediatric dentist gently pulls it out, the tooth splits, a tell-tale he is going to choose l caries, also known as tooth decay, is the most com-mon chronic childhood sign of severe decay. Just before that, the 6-year-old Boulder, Colo., disease, according to the U.S. Surgeon General. In the 1970s and '80s, studies showed that tooth decay had decreased due boy also had two cavilies Here are some dental tips for parents to pass "I don't give as many 'Great job, good check-up' pats on the back as I along to their children to an increase in preven tion methods, Although n recent studies have tracked the rate of tooth decay in Use only a fluoridated used to," says Abrams, who practices dentistry in Longmont, Colo. toothpaste, approved by the American Dental children, anecdotal accounts from dentists Association. Joshua is among a rising Limit access to sugary nationwide suggest that tooth decay is on the number of young children and teens suffering from dental decay, some denbeverages and foods. Offer sodas with meals to reduce frequency increase, says denial decay, some deri-tists say. They report fill-ing more cavities, installing more crowns and pulling more baby teeth than in previous Messina, a dentist with a practice in Cleveland and a exposure to sugar. Don't let kids sip sugspokesman for ary drinks for long peri-ods of time. Brush after eating. Take your child to a American Association. Over the years, dentists have developed preventive treatments to combat tooth decades At the root of the probdentist starting at age 1. Usit the dentist every lem, they say, are sugary foods and super-sized drinks that have become six months. more accessible to chil-dren through school vend-- SOURCE: AMERICAN DENTAL ASSOCIATION ing machines, juice boxes, ck stops and fast-food



down; bushing to reduce plaque; flossing to reduce tooth decay between teeth; and the application of restaurants. Also to blame are sugary drinks and foods marketed as "healthy," such as sports drinks, clear drinks, fruit punches and trail mixes and increasingly busy schedules that have made dental mainte-



Zucker / Scripps HOward News Servic Nancy Winegard watches as Dr. Richard Abrams fills her daughter's cavity.

But those won't stop tooth decay if The cost of children's tooth decay car kids sip sodas all day and fail to brush, be substantial for parents. A procedu like Joshua's, which included two fil Acid-containing foods, such as soft ings, a tooth extraction and nitrous oxide,

Acto-containing toods, such as soft s drinks and sour candies, are the most e damaging, they say. And sipping sodas to or other sugary drinks throughout the day instead of drinking with a meal is more harmful because it bathes teelh in ungar for long moriode of time. sarily have lots of cavities as adults, Abrams says. They just need to change their habits. decay, including fluonde rinses and toothpaste, which harden enamel, sugar for long periods of time making it more difficult for acid to wear teeth tour bushing to reduce the transformation of the problem." Messina says, in addition, teenagers aren't taking the in addition, teenagers aren't taking the in the transformation of the problem. The same formula that has been pro-moted for docades still holds: cat fewer sugary foods, brush and floss on a regu-tous to bush or floss their teeth, Abrans the transformation of the same formula that has been pro-moted for docades still holds: cat fewer the bush or floss their teeth, Abrans the same formula that has been pro-moted for docades still holds: cat fewer the bush or floss their teeth, Abrans the bush or floss the same formula that has been pro-moted for docades still holds: cat fewer the bush or floss their teeth, Abrans the bush or floss the same formula that has been pro-moted for docades still holds: cat fewer the bush or floss the same formula that has been pro-moted for docades still holds: cat fewer the bush or floss the same formula that has been pro-moted for docades still holds: cat fewer the bush or floss the same formula that has been pro-moted for docades still holds: cat fewer the bush or floss the same formula that has been pro-moted for docades still holds: cat fewer the bush or floss the same formula that has been pro-tom bush or floss the same formula that has been pro-tom bush or floss the same formula that has been pro-tom bush or floss the same formula that has been pro-tom bush or floss the same formula that has been pro-tom bush or floss the same formula that has been pro-tom bush or floss the same formula that has been pro-tom bush or floss the same formula that has been pro-tom bush or floss the same formula that has been pro-tom bush or floss the same formula that has been pro-tom bush or floss the same formula that has been pro-tom bush or floss the same formula that has been pro-tom bush or floss the same formula th

## Spray and glow and go By Babita Persaud

The sun is shining brightly in the Sunshine State and world-class beaches are within a short driving distance, but still 17-year-old Claire Vasterling stands in a room the size of a walk-in closet to get

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In a black bikini, as if she were going to the beach, she stretches out her arms like an airplane. Tanning specialist Julie Tate waves a small canis-ter airbrush over the teen's wrists, her arms and then, her shoulders.

"Close your eyes," Tate says. A thin mist covers Claire's face, which slowly

glows sienna. "I like having that sun look," Claire says. The newest trend in tanning doesn't involve th

sun or a tanning bed, and it is as fake as a beauty contestant's smile. It is spray-on tanning.

contestant's smile, it is spray-on tanning. Introduced a few years ago, spray-on tans swep through Hollywood. Now the fake tan has hit Florida

At D.I. Body & Boutique on Davis Islands in the Tampa-St. Petersburg area, most clients are from the toe-ring set.

Many avoid faming beds because of potentiall harmful ultraviolet rays. These clients also shun the sun, fearing skin cancer and wrinkles. No one wants to look "leathery," said Denise Barnett, a

spray-tan customer. These clients are also too busy to baste hours in the hot sun. A spray-on tan takes minutes and lasts about-a week. It's the microwave version of tan-

ning. The mist contains the same product found in many over-the-counter, self-tanning products: dihydroxyacetone, or DHA. Approved by the federal Food and Drug Administration about 30 years ago, DHA reacts with amino acids on the skin's surface to produce a honored numerance. a bronzed appearance.

But self-tanning products came with com

But self-tanning products came with com-plaints: streaking, pumpkin-colored patches, skin that looked like Tang. Tanning devotees screamed for something better. Enter technology. There are two methods: By hand. A spa technician uses a chrome air-brush hooked up to a compressor to shoot a fine mist of DHA, alse vera and bronzer over the skin. must of DFLA, alce were and brouzer over all estimates in a more state of the second s

ager of Malibu Rayz in Tampa, explained that first you put lotion on the palms of your hands, finger-nails and toe nails. "A barrier." Then, you slip on a shower cap to prevent hair from getting damp. You

shower cap to prevent hair from getting damp. You disrobe, completely if you want to because the rooms are private. Next, you step into the shower-like stall and press the bright green button. Three pivoting nozzles spray a fine mist over the entire body for 15 seconds. You turn around and the back is sprayed for another 15 seconds. The client can towel off immediately, Callaway said. With both methods the client emerges brown. With both methods, the client emerges brown

But the instant brownness is caused by the bronzer in the mist. It takes hours for the DHA to react with the skin to cause the more lasting, deeper darkness. Clients are asked not to shower for four

to six hours afterward. Costs differ from salon to salon, but generally a spray-on technique — by hand or machine — costs about \$25 to \$35. Some salons offer legs-

costs about \$25 to \$35. Some salons offer legs-only or face-only spraying for \$10 to \$20. At the Davis Islands salon, client Jane Toombs emerges from her session. She walks out of the room. Her checks glow. Light bounces off her shoulders. She's visiting friends in Seattle soon. "I want to look like I come from Florida," she said.

### One-stop back care By Jane Erikson ONA DAILY STAF

At any given time, 60 percent of adults in this country suffer from serious back pain. Now those living in Southern Arizona can be treated at a cen-ter dedicated solely to their needs. Tucson Orthopaedic Institute's new Spine uffer from serious back pain. Now those

Center brings together the largest group of fellow-ship-trained spine specialists in Arizona, said Dr. Stephen Curtin, who heads the center's team of three surgeons, two physicians and one physician's

"Back pain is the No. 2 reason people go to the

Though some economists challenge the conclusions of Nyce and Schieber, they m the case that the numbers don't add up to rity for workers or retirees in the years ahead if nothing is done to change Social

The burden of naving retirement benefit to tens of millions of baby boomers "implies that workers' living standards will not only grow more slowly than their produ will also grow more slowly than the living standards of retirees," Nyce and Schieber wrote for the Milken Institute

But another economist contends the past 30 years have been rougher on U.S. workers a the outlook for the next 30 years promises to be.

From 1973 to 1995, government statistics suggested millions of American fam little or no increase in their standard of living, said Dean Baker, co-director of the Center for Economic Policy Research. Looking ahead, workers indeed may pay a

e of their incomes for the re nent benefits of their elders, but productivity gains of 2 percent a year — close to the aver age of recent years — would pay for Social ity taxes and rewards for workers rising, albeit at a muted pace, Baker said.

"We will need more taxes to pay for retirees because we're living longer time spans," Baker said. "It's exactly what's haped over the last 60 years."

w're a newlywed or in a new relationship, it's likely one of you has more income or owns more property than the other. To deal with those money differences, each of you

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right or wrong way to formulate a plan income, expenses

or property. But there are basic questions that can help you decide how joint finances will be handled.

You can start, for example, hy discussing your respective goals for sav-ings. Do you share a vision for what's most

Couples who reach shared decisions should enjoy the greatest satisfaction with the plan as it unfolds, month by m Staying on track also means

What are your combined monthly

and expenses? Will you prorate your living expenses based on income? Will there be sep-

arate bank accounts for each? A shared account for bills? Will retirement or pension

contributions be part of the plan-

ning process? Who will manage

that you'll agree on each

issue. But those discussions

building a solid joint financial

should set the foundation for

money? It's unrealistic to expect

doing the calculations. One useful Web site is hosted by Visa at www.practical-moneyskills.com. Choose "consumers" to download the interactive budgeting tool for both calculating and tracking monthly income and spend

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or, invest in one of the popular software programs for money management by

line of software. Intuit's product is Quicken for both the Macintosh and for PC users.

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rans can learn from, and it's well-written and funny

When you move away from ■ If you need to go longer than five or six weeks between haircuts home, it's easy to think you have to live the way your family always did. But a fresh-out-of-school because of money consalary often can't support that kind cerns, tell your nairdress of lifestyle — and that can frustrate er for a cut with a long the girl who doesn't know how to life span.

Tips for living well

on a tight budget

in mind the true price tag on the loan. "The true costs are the for-gone earnings," says Ferrigno, vice president of Washington, D.C., affairs for the organization.

If by borrowing you lose an opportunity

earn 15 percent on the money you with

drew, that would be the true cost of the loan, he says. "It's (the loan) not free,"

Ferrigno says. When you borrow from a

401(k), you're "withdraw-ing money from your account balance and

replacing it with an IOU," according to the Profit Sharing

Council. "That IOU con

tinues to generate interest from

ments, but gen-

erates no spe-cial investment return," the council's Web

site says. Ferrigno says g o v e r n m e n

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attaching a loan option to a 401(k) plan has enticed more workers over

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Consumer

Calif., says he considers bo

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Plan loans usually

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Solid Advice

- SOURCE: PROFIT SHARING COUNCIL OF AMERICA

amount requirement,

tuition to be a smart use of the loan. "I think the key is whether the money is for a need or a want," Rodola says. "Vacations, the big-screen TV — those have a fairly low need factor," Rodola says. Rodola added that borrowing from a 401(k) to retire credit card debt also might be a prudent choice, "If you are really going to retire credit card debt, not just pay it off but kill it (the credit card account) for good."

Many 401(k) pro-

grams will permit you

to have more than

one plan loan at a

SAVING MONEY

By Vanessa Winans

Counseling in Redding

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Sometimes you see gar In the past, budget-impaired ments that you can't stop young working women had to rely on friends, family and experience to show them how to take on the world. But now twentysomethings thinking about. Those are the items to buy, rathe an clothes that don't inspire much passion can save themselves the angst-fil Buy a team of wardrobe phone calls - Nina Willdorf's workhorses. If you find a pair of classic black "City Chic: An Urban Girl's Guide to Livin' Large on Less" (Sourcebooks, \$12.95) " contains pumps that fit like a every trick your pals and relatives m, buy more than one pair. You don't have to be a city chica to appreciate it. While most of the E Set a monthly clothing advice within is very New York, much applies equally well to almost

Set a monthly clothing allowance and stick to it. Wildor recommends 20 percent of your salary, but some folks lump clothes money into the rest of their after-rent budget. That way a big enfectament month anywhere. Living cheaply and well, after all, transcends location. The book covers the main aspects of living: housing, food, clothing and health. The beauty and fashion advice is generally on tarentertainment month means no new togs, but a big-ticket item like a coat means a month of video stole rentals get, containing information even

Experts say today's marijuana is more potent than ever

Matt

Dental

seized today has more THC in it than in what was seized in the late '60s and early By Anne Blythe RALEIGH NEWS & OBSERVER

High school students, law enforcement Even though baby-boomer parents officials and counselors say alcohol and drug use have become the norm these might have smoked pot in their younger years, experts say the kids today should days at many teenage gatherings. "It's an old notion that alcohol and steer clear of marijuana. The straight dope? It's not your pardrugs are passageways to adulthood," said Kenneth C. Mills, a private behavioral counselor in Chapel Hill, N.C., and memone. What's on the streets ents' weed anymore. What s on use succes now is much more potent than several decades ago. ber of a local panel that wants to draw Studies and reports show that street pol

attention to the issue. "The social norm that's creeping in is seized during drug arrests in the late 1990s was twice as potent as that confis-cated in the late 1980s and four times the that pot is harmless. The second n strength of that picked up in the 1970s. Articles in scientific journals show that is creeping in, with the potency that we're sceing today, with the strength we're see Articles in scientific journals show that average levels of tetrahydrocannabinol, or THC, an active ingredient in marijuana that produces the high, have risen from roughly 2 percent in the 1970s to an aver-ora of 5 memory two Wars 200 ing, addiction problems are creeping in. Parents, counselors and others wo about the trend have banded together Chapel Hill to get people talking about alcohol and drug use among teens. There are different theories on the age of 5 percent two years ago. "The U.S. Drug Enforcement

effects of the more potent pot. Some say (Administration) actually monitors the THC content of their seizures," said Terri Bravender, a professor of pediatrics and director of adolescent medicine at Duke University. "It's true that the

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be two to three days after one-time use -learning new things can be difficult. But it's not just the potency of today's marijuana that troubles counselors and parents. They say drug and alcohol use has become so accepted among teens that many forget it is illegal.

As has been the case for several decades, many parents often seem sur-prised to find that their children are among those drinking or using drugs. "Most parents don't even know the kids are using," said Linda Hammock, a substance abuse prevention and interven-tion counselor at Chapel Hill High School who works consistently with 100 students

in the 1,700-student body. Many of the teens she talks with, she said, consider themselves modera if they smoke pot or drink three or four Photo courtesy ArtToday times a r

high school

The Spine Center treats patients who have suffered serious back injuries and those with long-standing problems like curvature of the spine. The doctors also treat the more "garden variety" case those unfortunate individuals who one day bend over to pick something up off the floor, then

start to straighten up only to find they cannot The center is part of the large Orthopaedic Institute, which is part of the Tucson

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Medical Center campus. TMC paid for construction of the two-story, \$8.2 million glass and concrete structure and when the 12 million effects of the two-story and the two-story of the story of the two-story of the two-story of the story of the two-story of the two-story of the story of th another \$1.2 million to buy out practices and bring together 16 surgeons specializing in the treatment shoulder, back, hip, knee and other skeletal plems.

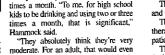
The hospital funded the project that teams TMC and the surgeons so that they share the costs and the prestige of a high-profile operation. The Spine Center houses two operating rooms

and will eventually have two more. The Orthopaedic Institute includes a physical therapy department, a convenience for back patients and others treated at the facility. The center offers patients comprehensive care for back pain in a single location, said Curtin, who is president of the Tucson Orthopaedic Society.

Hammock said.

effects of the more poten pot. Some say stronger does not necessarily mean more dangerous, especially if it takes leaden to a superior smoke inhalation to get the same high. But physicians and counselors chal-

"They absolutely think they're very moderate. For an adult, that would even be perceived as moderate, but they're in



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### **NFIB** UPDATE

### Labor Day Flexibility

Let's face it: Labor Day is a big deal in America.

For many youngsters, it's the last day before they go back to school. For politicians, Labor Day is the start of the campaign season-an opportunity to stand on a bunting-wrapped platform to seek the favor of the voters.

But on September 5, 1882 the first Labor Day-it was a "workingman's holiday," the brainchild of the Central Labor Union in New York City. There was a demonstration followed by a picnic. Later, parades and speeches became part of the day. By 1894, more than 30 states had adopted the idea and Congress decided to make the first Monday in September a national holiday.

The U.S. Department of Labor (DOL) Web site points out that "Labor Day is a creation of the labor movement and is dedicated to the social and economic achievements of American workers." Fair enough—if you include some of America's hardest workers: small-business owners

In business, there are employers and employees, but workers are the men and women who toil side-by-side whether owner, manager or stock clerk.

Labor Day has evolved over time - fewer parades, for example, and more speeches.

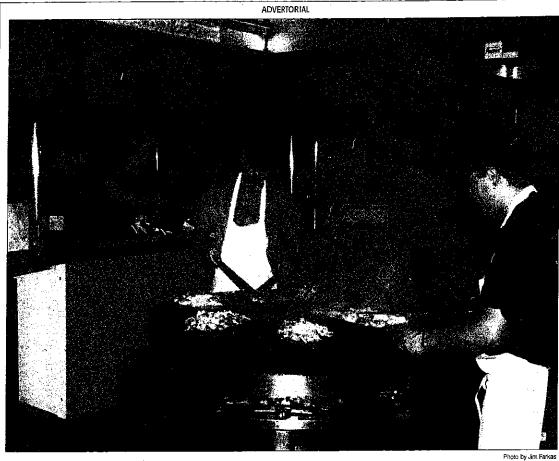
It is unfortunate that the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) has n't kept pace with the times. The FLSA became law in 1938. It provides minimum standards for wages and overtime. It established two classes of employees: blue collar and white collar-and requires those who are lower paid (blue collar) to receive overtime for work beyond 40 hours a week. White-collar employees

are not eligible for overtime. Few changes have been made to the FLSA in its 65 years. The regulations were last updated in 1949. Some of the job classifications listed then don't even exist today: keypunch operator, straw boss, gang leader and leg man.

More importantly, lifestyles have changed. Census data shows that in 1999 almost three quarters of households of married couples with children had both parents working. Women make up nearly half the work force. Commuting has added hours to the workday. Employees want more flexibility on the job, more time with their families.

Small-business owners want to accommodate those desires, but the FLSA won't allow it. U.S. Rep. Judy Biggert (13th Dist. -Ill.) and U.S. Sen. Judd Gregg (N.H.) have introduced legislation to help. They want to give employers the option of paid time off or wages for overtime worked-an arrangement federal government employees have enjoyed since 1978.

The AFL-CIO has organized a campaign to derail the legislation, claiming that this is really an effort to end overtime for vees. They worry th



Whether it's lunch with a friend while afternoon shopping in town, a group of your office pals looking for something quick and different, or a place to take the family for a tasty, evening dinner, you're in for a treat when you dine at Sizzling Sticks Café.

# Make the effort to seek out Sizzling Sticks Cafe

### By James C. Farkas CIAL WRITER

Ever wonder

Ever wonder when Mongolians cat? The very same things you and I cat except, according to Orlando Viato, owner of Northville's Sizzling Sticks Café, "In some areas of Mongolia, they have a different wav of nerenaring their food." way of preparing their food." Traditionally, their meats are

cooked on chicken wire that sits above a flat grill. Vegetables are

placed directly below the meats so the natural juices drip on to the vegetables, spreading the delicious flavor throughout the what entire entree. entire entree. Well, at Sizzling Sticks Café they aren't quite that traditional. However, upon entering, besides being greeted by a smiling face

who will seat you, there is a diswho will sear you, there is a dis-tinct, pleasant aroma of fresh foods being prepared on an open, steaming grill. After selecting your choice of a large variety of meats, seafood, poul-



Photo by Jim Farkas Orlando Vito, ownerof Sizzling Sticks Cafe, with his wife, Viola, and their tow daughters, Cecylia (standing)

try and vegetables from a buffet, you can watch while chefs prepare several orders at the sa time, adding seasonings, spices and sauces to tantalize your taste and saddes to tantanize your taste buds. Be sure to include fried rice with your meal. You may also choose to order a stir-fry at your table if you don't care to stand in line while your food is being prepared. If you weren't hungry when you came in, it's guaranteed your mouth will be watering by the time you are ready to be served.

ready to be served, Orlando is an Italian, native New Yorker. (And what Italian isn't a good cook?) He grew up surrounded by a family of cooks in their own restaurant, learning the skills of the trade while attending school. He decided early on that he wanted to follow in his dad's footsteps which led him to the Culinary Institute of America in New York. Following graduation, he applied his art by working as chef at several well-known restaurants and worked as a consultant to the restaurant business. Other accomplishments to his credit include assistant teacher in the Culinary Arts Program at Washtenaw Program at Washtenaw Community College and he is currently conducting informal classes on 'Foods of Different Cultures' at 'The Kitchen Witch' in Northville

It was 17 years ago Mr. Viato moved to Ann Arbor where he began his own proprietorship began his own proprietorship paced, relaxed atmosphere-with a pizze shop and a Mexican restaurant. Seven years ago be consulted with his friend and previous owner of Sizzling sticks, providing his knowledge and expertise on how to run a successful restaurant. Two years ago Orlando and with the theter or the Friday evening, the theater or the Friday because of the Grado at the Gazebo his friend decided Orlando.

would buy him out and take over the restaurant since the location was ideal and would allow him more time to spend with his family. In the past two years, Orlando has increased the public Awareness and established a large base of regular customers due to the quality of food and excellent, friendly service. Evenings and weekends, and in between taking their two daugh-ters to school, you will find Orlando's wife, Viola, meeting

and greeting guests as well. From the beginning, it was the popular place to go for a quick, reasonably-priced luncheon. It has become the gathering place for Northville and surrounding area businesses and offices that come in large groups from two to 12 at a time. And why not to 12 at a time. And why hol when you can select your fresh meats and veggies in a one-trip, buffet-style lunch for only \$7.95 per person? For those who like to fast hearth? to 'eat hearty', there is the all-you-can-eat luncheon for \$9.95. you-can-cat luncheon for 59:55. Ask for the low carb specials and the low fat dressings if you're watching your diet. You'll notice the staff in T-shirts proclaiming 'The Healthiest Spot in Town'. You may even choose to cat outside Europeanchoose to eat outside Europeanstyle, at the unbrella-covered café tablés. Previously, Sizzling Sticks Café has been the recipi-ent of The Taste of Northville Award.

Dinners are a little slower-paced, relaxed atmosphere. Orlando likes to point out that,

DETAILS

Sizzling Sticks Café, Mongolian Style.

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Mon-Thurs: 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. & 5-9 p.m. Friday: 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday: noon-10 p.m. Sunday: noon-8 p.m.

One-trip dinner is \$11.95 per person and if you're really hun-gry, there's the all-you-can-eat dinner for \$13.95. On Mondays, kids cat for free. Save room for the scrumptious Oreo cheese-cake or delicious apple pie If it's your birthday, dessert is on the house. There's also a scrior citizen discount and how about a Sizzling Sticks Café gift certifi-

cate? You'll find the wait staff and chefs to be pleasant and courte-ous. Most of Orlando's staff has been with him for a number of years. Those who attend college continue to work on weekends and during holidays. Service is quick for those who may be on a tight schedule. Sizzling Sticks Cafe offers

catering sucks Cate others catering services as well. "We do lots of wedding showers and special occasion dinners," said Orlando, "even box lunches to take to the park or sporting events".

Located in Northville, one block south of Main Street, behind the gazebo (next to the free parking structure). It may be a little difficult to find, but it's

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employees would face unpredictable work schedules. But those issues have been addressed with safeguards to protect employee and employer.

So far the votes aren't there to pass the bill in the House and the Senate has not even held hearings. on the proposal. It would be very ironic if lawmakers thumbed their noses at a plan for family flexibility, something their own employees have enjoyed for 25 vears.

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