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stated at an earlier budget meet-

The City of Novi's general fund budget for 2004-2005 is about \$25 million.

Member Lynne Paul said last

week that she voted no on the final motion presented May 25 by Member David Landry because

the council had not stated when

Novi, Michigan **City council approves budget; bids sought on legal services**

Council voted 6-0 to approve the budget May 26 during a Special City Council Emergency Crisis Meeting. Budget talks came to an abrupt halt May 25 after several motions failed to 2005. The include

pass with the required five votes. Member Toni Nagy was not present at the final budget meet-ing May 26. She is a court reporter and had a 5 p.m. deposi-tion in Flut. tion in Flint.

The 2004-2005 budget also includes the allocation of \$100,000 to the city's Judgment Trust Fund and the addition of

two police sergeants, one fire cap-tain and one fire lieutenant Jan. 1, adopted budget also

Adding one additional police

Adding one additional poince officer on lan. 1, 2005;
 allocating \$88,374 toward improving the city's parks; and appropriating \$187,500 for six months of legal services. An additional \$187,500 for the evaluation is months way plaged

of how we were going to contain

Floods? Not here

Lynne Paul

that date

Storm water management pays off for city

Letters for

competitive

proposals go

out this week

A request for bids for the City

of Novi's legal services went ou

this week as one of city council's stipulations in adopting a city

By Pam Fleming

STAFF WRITER

By Pam Fleming RTAFF WRITER

In the aftermath of the recent record-setting downpours (8.46" for metro-Detroit in the month of May), which dumped as much as three inches of rain over a four-day period, Novi residents might be asking, "Why didn't Novi flood?" Benny McCusker, director, Department of Public Works, said

DPW has a maintenance crew that does nothing but work on storm

drains. "We visit four or five main drains every year. There may be tree growth or debris. We have a lot of growth or debris. We have a lot of people who dump grass clippings and debris into the drains near their homes. They don't realize that this causes problems," he said. DPW workers also review the

city's catch basins, including look-

flooding all over the young community." and president of JCK &



included the Patnales drain in southeast Novi, Meadowbrook Lake and funding for storm water detention basins," Kriewall said.

connection fee to connect to the regional storm water management

"We had three different financing

also have a darn on Walled Lake, and many regional detention basins were built under the bond issue and

In fact, the plan won an Emuinent Conceptor Award from the Consulting Engineers Council of Michigan in 1984 and a Michigan Society of Planning Officials Award the same year. In 1987, Gov. Jarnes Blanchard gave the study the Governor's Environmental Excellence Award Flemine is a staff writer for innovative technology. The plan was even displayed at the Smithsonian Institute in Washington, D.C., for six months the Novi News. She can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 105, or at pfleming@ht.homecomm.net.

because it was such a model study

city was about six months past

budget for 2004-2005. The council had originally

planned to have requests for competi-tive proposals

for legal serv-

ices go out in October 2004. City council

policy is to request bids every three years, and the

on storm water. The study showed that what the city needed was a regional deten-tion basin system, with improve-ments to the storm drains them-selves. That eventually got about 70 percent built," Kapelczak said.

"It was under Mayor Romaine Roethel's administration that city officials first started talking about handling storm water as a utility in the city," Kapelczak said.

Memories flood back

Ed Kriewall, former city manag-er, agreed that flooding used to be a big problem in Novi. "Nine Mile at Meadowbrook flooded because of Meadowbrook

Lake. Novi Road flooded by the railroad tracks. South Lake Drive would flood because of Walled

Lake, We really did not have any form of storm water management in place," Kriewall said. The city created a Storm Water Management Committee, chaired by former council member Joe Toth, in the late 1970s to deal with the neoklam

"We used to have city when Novi was a

the problem. The challenge had to do not only with engi-neering but also funding. The committee eventually came up

with a proposal to address immedi-ate needs. A bond issue was voted on in August 1982 to take care of some of these

needs. which

A millage was also passed about the same time that provided addi-tional funding. The third compo-nent was to charge developers a

system approaches. As far as we knew, we were the only city in the U.S. that had such a program," Kriewall said. Besides the Meadowbrook Lake dam off of Nine Mile Road, "We

storm millage program," Kapelczak said





Photo by Mark Hick:

War stories

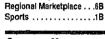
Robert Sage, a veteran of the 129th Infantry 37 Division, and Ray Owens, who drove an LST 839 landing vehicle, share memories of WWII during Novi's annual Memorial Day ceremonies at Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens and Knapp Cemetery.

What an honor for Novi seniors

6-3-0 *

Conference champs! Tim Min and the rest of the Novi boys track team finished of the Kensington on on top of the Valley Conference.

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- Page 1B grounds because of the threat of West Nile virus, 7A McCusker said. 5A Joe Kapelczak is a former city council member D

Associates, Inc., the Novi engi-neering firm that

has worked on

he said.

many projects in the city. "It occurred to me after witness-ing the recent rainfall that produced

no flooding in the city that just maybe members of the city council did something right in the mid-1980s. That's when the city devel-

oped a storm water master plan with consulting engineers at JCK,"

Novi used to have a lot of flood-

ing in the late 1970s and early

1980s, but Novi's storm water man agement plan eliminated flooding problems in the city.

In fact, the plan won an

ing at spots that might be mosquito breeding

OBITUARY



Edward A. Brazen, 82 - Page 9A

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to by Parn Fleming

Joe Kapelczak, president of JCK & Associates, Inc. engineering firm in Novi, shows a display highlighting Novi's award-winning storm water management plan adopted in the mid-1980s.

Pared down program makes for a great night

By Ramez Khurl STAFF WRITER

The Novi Expo Center was jumping with Novi Community School District administrators, Novi High School staff and, most importantly, Novi High School senior last those seniors last Thursday evening for the Senior Honors Convocation.

The purpose of the event was The purpose of the event was to recognize the many students who achieved scholarships, awards, four-year honor rolls, Phi Beta Kappa, Summa Cum Laude, Magna Cum Laude and Cum Laude status

The evening started out with a the students



John Lawrence

prelude, the National Anthem, an Novi High Principal John Lawrence, some words by class officers, student council and board of education representatives before the recognition of

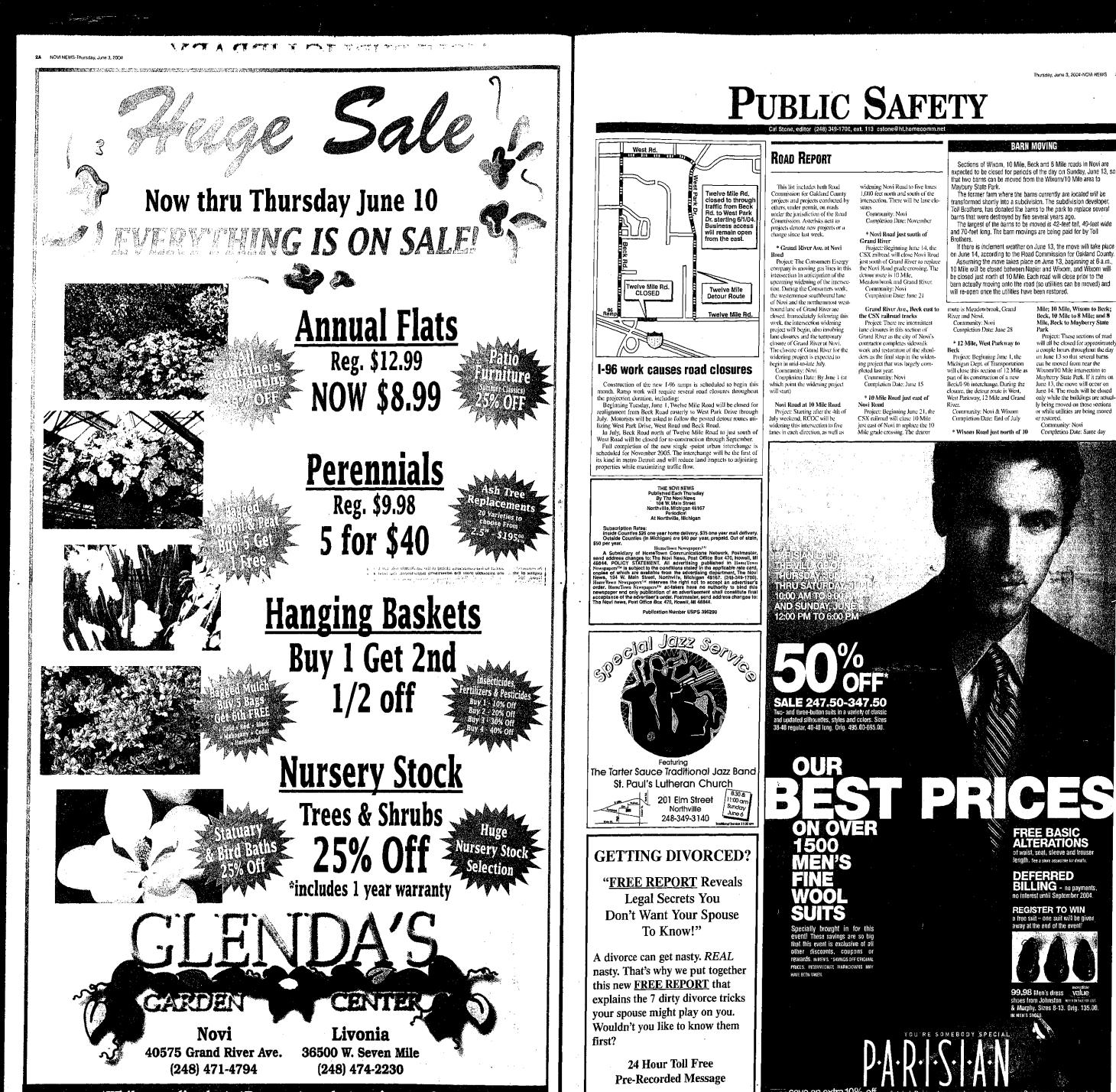
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Proud parents watched with great joy as their children walked on stage to receive which ever honors they camed during their four years spent at Novi High School. Unlike last year, nobody

Last year's program was about a little over three hours," Lawrence explained. "Because it was so long, people would get their awards and then they would leave. Our goal this year was to reduce the amount of time it actually took to get through all of the awards, but yet do a very respectable job of honoring stu-dents who have worked so hard. I think that we accomplished that.' Lawrence said that the pro-gram was streamlined this year. More information was given to attendees in the form of print so

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POLICE REPORT

Jeweiry, coin stolen from An 80-year-old Novi man was a victim of a forced entry bur-Where's my cell phone? glary that took place between the hours of 6:15 p.m. May 27 and 6:30 a.m. May 28 at a residence near Haggerty and Meadowbrook roads. A Novi police officer was dispatched to the scene at 6:49 a.m. May 28 in reference to the breaking and entering. A ladies gold ring with several flip-style cellular phone was small diamonds with a wedding band attached to it was stolen. The ring was recently appraised at \$2,600. A gold 1920s English coin with King George V on one side valued at \$400 was also stolen. the Sears Auto Center. A steel entry door and steel

door jam was also damaged in the break-in The resident said that when he returned home he entered his home from his garage and didn't notice that his front door had

information

Construction site hit

lock to pull the trailer away. No suspects or witnesses are

Bummed about bushes

available at this time.

been forced open and was still ajar. He did, however, notice that a light was on in one of his bedns, which he found ran sacked.

A second bedroom in the house also had items on the floor, but nothing was taken from that room. Other items ach as a digital video camera credit cards and money were all laving in plain view and not taken. A television was ever pulled out of the TV cabinet in one of the bedrooms and thrown on the bed. watt generator and more No suspects or witnesses are available at this time.

Better lock that locker

Lifetime Fitness, a Novi nealth club at 40000 Highpoint on the west side of Haggerty road north of Eight Mile Road. vas the site of a theft under \$50 that occurred between the hours of 12:55 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. May

A 23-year-old Northville man A theft of over \$200 was tofd police that he arrived at the health club just before 1 p.m. on reported at a location near Eight Mile and Beck roads between May 28, placed his belongings in a locker and locked it. When the hours of 6 p.m. May 26 and 7 a.m. May 27 ic returned between 3 p.m. and 330 p.m. he discovered that his A 42-year-old Livonia con-tractor told police that 30 box brown leather tri-fold wallet, \$20 wood landscaping bushes had to \$40 in cash, credit cards and been stolen at the entrance to several pieces of identification had been stolen from his locker. The man later called to police Maybury Park Estates. The bushes are valued at \$60 each. The contractor believes the to tell them that he remembered hushes were taken by another leaving the locker unlocked for a few minutes.

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The locker was not damaged. available, and the case was boxes and remove the bottles and no suspects are available at closed due to lack of additional from the boxes. He then saw her place the bottles in her right front jean pocket. She then put the empty boxes back on the More taken than a truck sales rack and left the area Items recovered included a bottle of Forever Elizabeth pe A 32-year-old Novi woman A 32-year-old Harrison was a victim of a theft between \$50 and \$200 that took place Township man told police that his truck was stolen sometime fume valued at \$16.99 and a botsometime between 11 a.m. and 6 between 1 p.m. May 25 and 4 p.m. May 27 at Araco America tle of Pan Ame De Patou perp.m. May 26 at Sears Roebuck department store at Twelve Oaks Malt. fume valued at \$7.99. Total value of the items stolen was \$24.98. , at 41180 Bridge Road. The man said that he had jus The woman's Verizon wireless returned front a business trip to discover that his vehicle, a 2001 Dinner and drinks Ford F-250 Super Duty pickup, was missing from the parking lot at Araco America, The woman said she had just A 45-year-old Novi man was purchased the cell phone, and her boyfriend had it at work at arrested for Operating While Intoxicated at 8:48 p.m. May 27 The man, who had been to at Ten Mile and Taft roads. An officer was on routine patrol northbound on Taft Road Kentucky on business, said that He placed the cell phone on the manager's desk after lunch. he also had a set of LS six-cylin ler heads for his race car in the when he saw an SUV speeding When he went back to the office pickup, valued at \$1,500 and at the end of the day, he discovabout \$1,000 in nitrous oxide southbound on Taft Road. The ered the phone was missing. No suspects are available at this time, and the case was man, who was driving a green 2003 Lincoln Aviator, was driv racing equipment in the truck The case is closed pending ing 53 in a 35 mph zone. After pulling the man over for closed due to lack of additional recovery of the vehicle. speeding, the officer could immediately smell the odor of Silver Tahoe speeding intoxicants coming from the

A 44-year-old Commerce

A theft of over \$200 took Townshin man was arrested for Operating While Intoxicated at 2:34 a.m. May 27. place at a construction site near Thirteen Mile and Meadowbrook An officer was northbound on roads between the hours of 5 p.m. May 26 and 8 a.m. May 27. Novi Road north of Twelve Mile The theft occurred at a new ordominium construction site Road when he noticed a 2002 silver Chevrolet Tahoe in front in this neighborhood, where a of him cross the yellow center construction trailer was stolen. line. The driver was also speed ing, since the officer was driving 60 mph in a 35 mph zone and Total value of items take was

at \$8,700 and included electrical wire, electrical boxes, a 5,500could not keep up with the vehi-The property belonged to R K Arenstrong Electric in Grand After pulling the driver over. the officer noticed a strong smell of intoxicants coming from the The person reporting the vehicle. The man's speech was crime, a 35-year-old Holly resialso slorred, and his eyes were dent, said that the thief or thieves had to saw off the wheel red and glassy. A breath test revealed a blood

Something's smelly

alcohol level of .13 percent.

the vehicle was traveling 25 to 30 mph in a 40 mph zone. The officer also saw the vehi-A 19-year-old Farmington woman was arrested for retail ele cross the center line and then fraud at 7:05 p.m. May 27 at TJ brake and nearly stop for a green Maxx department store at Novi tfie light. The driver then made a U-turn fown Center. Loss prevention agents at the at an intersection and crossed the store told police that on their fog line of northbound Novi closed circuit televisions, they saw the woman select perfumes from a sales rack, open two THINKING ABOUT

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After pulling the driver over, the officer noticed a strong odo of intoxicants while speaking with him He told the officer that he had a few beers at the Cherry Blossom and was heading for his A blond alcohol test revealed a blood alcohol content of .15 percent.

on Novi Road.

hotel.

Road.

the floor of the truck

white and brown Marlboro

marijuana in his possession.

Lights eigarette package. The

driver had about 2.8 grams of

Compiled by Pam Fleming

man. His eyes were also red and

When the officer asked the man if he had been drinking, he

replied, "I just got done having

showed a blood atcohol level of

A 54-year-old Jackson man

dinner, and I had one beet."

Results of a breath test

U turned the wrong way

was arrested for Operating

While Intoxicated at 11:09 n.m

May 27 at Novi Road and 1-96. An officer was on patrol in the

area of southbound Novi Road

near West Oaks Drive when he

nside through late. The officer

had to brake due to the fact that

saw a blue SUV traveling on southbound Novi Road in the

.13 percent.

traci. No jacket required A 17-year-old West Bloomfield man was arre

He then exited the store, carry

ing the jacket. Once outside the

retail fraud at 3:03 p.m. May 26 at Lord & Taylor department store at Twelve Oaks Mall. A loss prevention agent told police that he saw a man enter the men's department and seleca jacket from the display and begin to walk through the store

tore, he placed it in his bag. The Black Blud Marlin Jacket,

valued at \$89, was recovered. speech to the council follo More than just Marlboros An 18-year-old Westland man was arrested for violation of the Controlled Substance Act at 12:51 a.m. May 24 at the M5 Connector and Thirteen Mile An officer stopped the driver of a black 1996 Chevrolet S-10 pickup for a defective equipment "We've had a lot of people talk

about how negative we've been, and I really think we have been. But, I want to talk about the posiviolation when he noticed an tive things that are in this group," she said. "Last night was dis-graceful. It was awful. I didn't odor of humt marijuana coming from the vehicle. While searching the driver, the officer asked him if he had any marijuana. He said that he had even want to be sitting up here. hope that we can get past this hope that we can get pist this point and never, ever go down where we were last night." "I'm proud of you — you all know that — and 1 appreciate your time," said Mayor Lou Csordas after the budget finally nessed some prior to driving. He said any found would be in the form of "roaches" and that they were in a cigarette package lying on The officer found 10 different passed. burnt marijuana cigarettes in a

> for the Novi News. She reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 105, or by *c-mail* pfleming@ht.hom comm.net.

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our legal costs, because for the last two years the city has exceed-ed \$1 million over the allocated

ed S1 million over the allocated expenditures for legal services," Paul said. Paul noted that currently Secrest, Wardle, Lynch, Hampton, Truex and Morley, P.C., the Farmington-Hills law firm serving the city, has an open-ended con-

Members of the city's Consultant Review Committee will look at bids presented for legal services and bring their recommendation to city council in

"Council's policy is to go out to bid every three years. That's what started this whole thing the breakdown in budget talks] We've had open-ended contracts with other services, and this has caused problems," Paul said.

Beyond the budget

In an emotionally-charged the approval of the 2004-2005 budget May 26, Paul went around the table and stated something positive that each person has con tributed to the council despite the breakdown in negotiations May

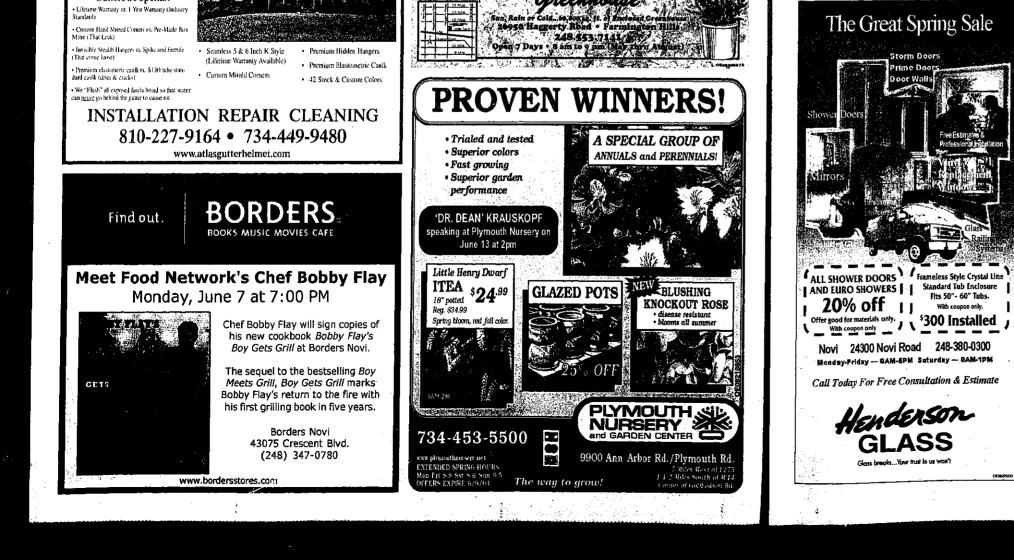
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Local restaurant offering free fuel

Moe's on Ten once a week for a month. So, Countries (OPEC) recently schednotorists still have time to enter a few more drawings. Leon is known for his charina-ble actions throughout the com-But drivers haven't seen any owner wants to ease drivers' to the public to provide a free Thanksgiving dinner the day before the holiday each year. The restaurateur said he decidpain at the pump By Pam Fleming

ed to offer the giveaway after lis-tening to his customers complain about the high cost of driving STAFF WRITER Area motorists have been shocked and amazed by the huge increase in gasoline prices in recent weeks, with local stations "] know a lot of people are talk-Ten Seafood Grill in Novi, wants "This giveaway will help people to ease the pain of high gas prices by offering a gas giveaway that started Tuesday. to have some money for gas so they'll still have money for entertainment purposes." "I paid \$2.33 cents about an hour Patrons who drop their business card in a fish bowl at the restau-rant, located on the southwest cor-ner of Ten Mile and Haggerty

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ago, because I use premium gas, If I'd known that gas prices were going to go this high, I wouldn't have bought a car that used premi-Pam Fleming is a staff write for the Novi News. She can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 105, or by e-mail pfleming@ht.homecomm.net um," he said with a laugh.

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Abil station. The giveaway will take place of the Petroleum Exporting

relief at the pump yet.

gas prices," he said. "And, because our prices are fixed, we

can't pass those price increases of

to the customer



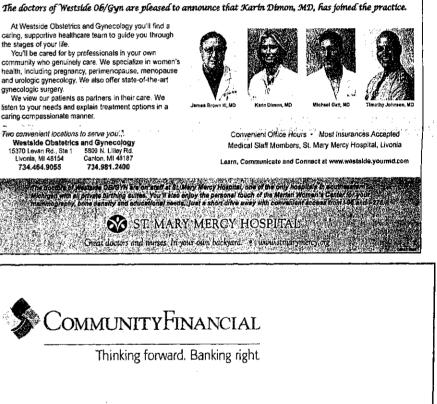
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Spring is in the air Barbara Greenberg (on right), chair of the Novi Beautification Commission, welcoming one of the many gardeners participating in the 9th Annual Spring Perennial Exchange held at the Historic Novi Township Hall on Saturday. Greenberg estimates that well over 100 gardeners attended exhanging plants, bulbs, flowers and herbs and sharing gardening tips. The next exchange will be September 18 as a part of the City's Fall for Novi event at the Novi Civic Center.

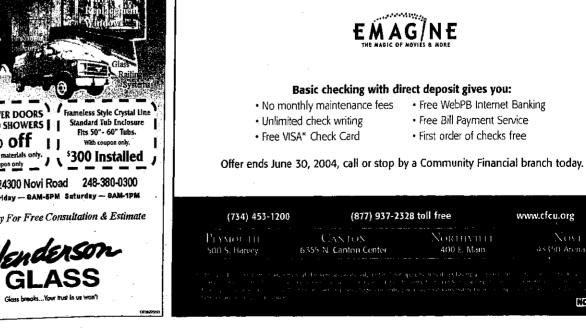






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Singled out Nadwa Yono, owner of Salone Nadwa and Day Spa, located in Novi Town Center at Grand River

and Novi Road, decided to plan this

special gathering just for singles to give those age 28 and up an alterna-tive place to meet and mingle. Metro Detroit singles are invit-

Salone plans event for those unattached

By Pam Fleming

ed to Salone Nadwa and Day Spa for a complimentary evening of entertainment. In addition to live Singles Nights seem to be all the rage these days, with events orth at restaurants, dance halls music provided by pop/rock singer Jody Raffoul, Detroit's and even supermarkets. modern-day answer to Nev

Now, a Novi salon is testing its location as a saitable place for local young people to meet with Jersey's Bruce Springsteen, cock-tails and food will be served, and all spa rooms will be open for a free sampling of spa services, including massages, body treat-ments, facials, manicures, pedi-cures and more. Drawings for he first ever free Salone Nadwaind Day Spa Singles Night from 7 o 11 p.m. June 9. The singles set is a huge market

stolen truck

Channel 7 picked up the story

by reading a recent article in the Novi News about the plight of the couple, Todd and Beth Barksdale.

or today's world. In Michigan prizes are also planned. done, there are nearly three miltion single people.

Channel 7

By Pam Fleming

picks up story

from *Novi News*

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nade a local couple's day recent

After a story about the local

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Satone Nadwa and Day Spa receptionist Rani Zafar, left, and owner. Nadwa Yono, discuss plans for the first free singles event June 9 at the Novi Town Center business.

this year, and is Michigan's Pain Fleming is a staff writer longest running, combined full-service salon and day spa. ongest running, combined full-revice salon and day space For more into, contact Salone 105, or by e-mail of Salone Nadwa and Day Spa - Nadwa and Day Spa 4323618 celebrates its tenth year in Novi - Mile Road, at (348) 348-7316. Nadwa and Day Spa. 43236 Eleven - pfleming@ht.homecomm.net.

a regular basis. But when you our faces, too," she said.

the minivan because they have

three children and need trans-

this for them because it definitely

put a smile on their face and made their day. And, it put a smile on

The couple said that the first

"We were very excited to do

church.

Run for fun and help Novi youth

while the four-mile run will go Fun Run off at 9:15 a.m. Below is a sho list of tasks where we need help Pre-Race Set-up: You would brought back after 10 years arrive carly to help set up tables and chairs for registration. Assist in the registration and hand out T-shirts if the runners are entered in the four-mile By Michael Everett

race. Help set up of the start/fin-We are planning on bringing hack the Faith Community Fun Run. The June date will be here ish banner for beginning of • Course Marshals: Be at des

before you know it. For some of event that started back in June of 1982. It had happened for 12 years straight and was a fun the one, two- and three-nile event for both runners/joggers and one-mile fun runners. It was always held the first Saturday in ignated locations or street 'cor and one-mue ion runners, it was conestinue markets out of race always held the first Saturday in course that morning. Take June and had the support of tables, cups, supplies and hand The and the applied of the applied o

out four-mile awards and raffic club. The money that was made in the event was given to help out the Novi Emergency Food Program that is housed in our prizes. Help put away tables, banner and clean up church. Proceeds from this year's event will go to support Novi Youth Assistance, a community program dedicated to the pre-vention of problems faced by

How you can be involved: We will need volunteers to



Golf shop weathers economic storm

Novi family business offers equipment, repairs, instruction

By Pam Fleming Creek Country Club, Meadowhrool

Country Club and other clubs and shops with club repair," he said. Golf Tech used to assist all of The golf business has definitely struggled over the past few years the Pro Golf shops in the area with with the number of golfers and gol club repair, but the owners recent shops dwindling. But Golf Tech, a family-owned ly brought in their own repair peo golf shop in Novi, has definitely "The economy has been tough or the golf business," Jim Kitchen said, "Las Vegas Golf has come and veathered the storm The business, located at 24041 Meadowbrook Road in the gone in the area, and other golf shops have gone out of business. I think the reason we've stayed in business is because we offer a life-Peachtree Plaza on the southwest corner of Meadowbrook and Ter Mile roads, has been in Novi for 12

years. Prior to opening the Novi store, time guarantee on all of our clubs and we provide custom-fit clubs with high-end equipment at compet-itive prices," he said. "Other stores closing has brought owners Dennis and Jim Kitchen had their first shop in Livonia for 16 years, but closed that store in September. They also used to have us more business," Kitchen noted another shop in Livonia and at a Kitchen noted that the shaft is the location in Pontiae, Jim Kitchen said when his dad, most important part of the golf club, and that Golf Tech has more to offer in this department. "In most golf shops, you get two

flexes to choose from -- regular and stiff. Here at Golf Tech, we have After Jim graduated with a business degree, concentrating on indus-trial marketing and economics at eight to choose from," he added. Golf Tech is a charter dealers for the Western Michigan University, he was ready to help his father in the high-end shaft Fujikura, which offers the latest technology and purest graphite. With the Ryder Cup coming to The owners also look at another Oakland Hills this summer, the Kitchens are going to try to market their services for some off-site club important part of the golf club — the lie angle. "This is one of the most impor-

tant parts of the club as far as con-"We help the senior golfers who trol." Kitchen said. "The component industry has exploded, with high-quality prod-ucts that beat the OEMs {original equipment manufacturers }." compete at the TPC [Tournament Players Course] in Dearborn with club repair every year," Jim Kitchen noted. "We have also assisted Golfsmith, 2nd Swing, Walnut

equipment Kitchen noted. The shop has all types of golf qualified for the 2004 Michigan

"I think the reason we've stayed in business is because we offer a lifetime guarantee on all of our clubs and we provide custom-fit clubs with high-end equipment at competitive prices.'



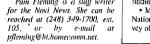
Novi's Golf Tech owner Jim Kitchen works on bending a club in the custom lle/loft adjusting machine on a recent Friday afternoon. Golf Tech, located in the Peachtree Plaza off Meadowbrook Road, has been in the golf supply business for nearly 18 years.

equipment and recently beefed up its selection for junior golfers. Golf Tech employees refinish woods and State Amateur Tournament to be held next month at the Grosse Ile Country Club. repaint metal woods. "Dad's not PGA certified, but he Dennis Kitchen provides golf instruction, with a hitting area set up has played for 30 years. He instruct-ed his stepson, Tommy Lucko, who

is about 14 and has a 2 handicap," in the shop. He has even helped Novi High School Golf Team stand-Kitchen said. who recently Golf Tech is open 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Saturday. For more

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"Recent studies show that ranked fourth and South Michigan ranks twelfth among states that golfers visit and play golf. Twelfth? Michigan is get-ting beaten badly by states like Ohio, Wisconsin and Virginia. Carolina (51.8 percent) ranked first. • Michigan ranked 12th in visited and played a round of golf (13 percent) and was the 13th most popular state men-Worse than that, Michigan ranks thirteenth among states that golfers would consider for future tioned by those surveyed for visits. That's ochind states like places they would consider for Alabama, Tennessee and Colorado. So, it's getting worse." Is Michigan really less attraca golf vacation. • The supply side of the equation makes the participator tive than other destinations for numbers more troubling summer golf travel? That's one of the important questions raised at the Michigan Tourism During the decade which ended in 2003 golf participation in the U.S. grew (14.5 percent rounds Investment Forum that took played) and population o Americans grew by 12 percent. In the same period the supply of golf courses rose by 33.7 per-cent. Michigan more than 120 place last week, May 26-27, at the Hyatt Regency in Dearborn. And the answer, according to infante, is no. Michigan is one of the great destinations in the golf courses in this period. country for playing golf. The problem, according to John Richardson, CEO, Eidos Michigan ranks #3 in the nation in the number of available golf holes. Group, lies in Michigan's fail-Infante moderated a specia panel, "Michigan's Golf Economy: Challenges & Opportunities," at the recent are to effectively brand itself as golf destination. 'it's really unbelievable when you consider that Michigan Tourism Investment Michigan ranks so high in terns of value, climate, physi-cal beauty and the other amenic Forum, The Travel, Tourism and Recreation Resource Center, Michigan State University and The School of ties related to playing golf." Hospitality Business, Michigan State University, hosted the forum. Eidos Group, Inc. is a full- service advertising and Richardson said.

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agency in Farmington Hills.

Compiled by Pam Fleming

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Michigan lagging

behind other states

in golf travel market

Michigan has failed to win a ited for a golf specific visit. fair share of the \$20 billion golf Oregon, West Virginia travel market, with other states Tennessee and Alabama all

ranked higher.

Michigan ranked 16th in a

survey of the same population of golf travelers with 10.1 per-

cent stating they plan a golf trip to Michigan, Oregon (13.5 per-cent) ranked 12th, Alabama (20.7 percent) ranked ninth, North Carolina (44.2 percent)

enjoying more activity, accord-

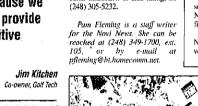
ng to some Farmington Hills-

map for golf travel and tourism," said Tony Infante, director of advertising for Resorts, Travel and Tourism for

Eidos Group, Inc

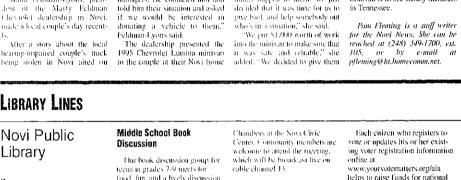
sed advertising executives. "Michigan is not even on the

Is Michigan on the radar screen for out-of-state golfers? Not according to these recent findings: Michigan ranked 17th in a National Golf Foundation sur-vey of states that have been vis-





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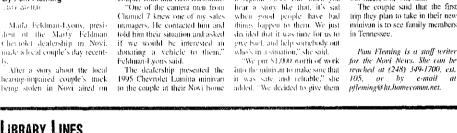
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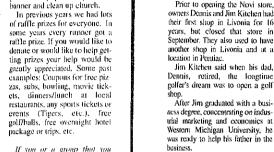
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'Bazaar' is wine lover's paradise

By Duane Ramsey CIAL WRITER

People come from all over met ropolitan Detroit and the state of Michigan for the wines at Novi Fine Wine located on Ten Mile just west of Novi Road. Formerly the Food & Wine

Bazaar and known simply as the "Bazaar" to local residents, it was solution in the store in Novi in the 2004 People's Choice Awards voting conducted by HomeTown Newspapers. Customers have come from as far away as Grand Rapids and the

orthern part of the state for a particular wine, according to Lee Hershey, a local wine consultant who orders the wines and helps cus-tomers, lind just the right vintage.

"Selection is very important, and we have more than 1.500 varieties of wine in the store," said Hershey, who has worked for eight years as a wine consultant for the current and ground. nevious owners of the business Nov) Fine Wine carries more an 1,200 labels on its shelves and

another 300 varieties on the floorand in the coolers. Many of the betand the context many of the orthonic store in the instance and spectrum termines and the store and spectrum termines such as a 40-year-old temperature-controlled cooler that Tawny Port from Portugal. A good simulates a wine cellar. Hershey-

The selection includes wines. Mouton Rothschild 1997 or \$362 from the leading vintues in for a half-botte of Michigan including Bel Lago. Trackenbeerenauslese, a sweet Black Star Farms, Chateau Chantel, wine from Germany, Hershey said elebrity uniners owned by actors, athletes and entertamers such as actor Fess Parker, golfer Greg said Nofar. He runs the party store Garcia and singer Olivia Newton-

law international selection while operating the family's busiincludes wines from Canada, ness, France, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Hershey also serves as Italy, Portugal, Spain, Russia, educator, teaching wine co Hershey also serves as a wine





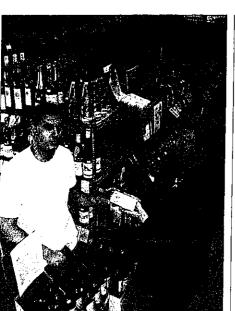


Photo by Duane Ra Lee Hershey (right), wine consultant, hands a bottle of fine wine to Andy Nofar, owner of Novi Fine Wine, with

more than 1,500 varieties of wine displayed in the back-

Novi Fine Wine has rate and spebottle of wine may cost from as low 43340 West Ten Mile as \$10 to as much as \$200 for a hschild 1997 ... half-bottle of Novi MF 48375 (248) 349-9690
 Black Star Farms, Chateau Channer, whe more scrourds arrows in addition to all those whes.
 Continuing Education Services at Vinesard and Larry Mawdy, It also Novi The Wine also carries one of carries domestic wines from the largest selections of domestic scrourds and longers in addition to all those whes.
 Continuing Education Services at Schoolcraft College for the pay 20 years. The two- to live-week class-carries wines are available from Oakland County, according to offered each senseter with a different school Note.
 Norman, the late unitarist Jerry business for his tather who owns it. from people who don't know wines Only 19, Nofar is also studying

recognizes the top 10 percent of district sales managers in Avon's North region with the largest sales increase over the previous year. a 10-percent increase over last year's totals. She manages 378 representatives in Sterling Heights and Warren. Film event slated Alliance (MPA) has organized an event to promote the education of entry-level media professionals by offering a one-day seminar from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday. The seminar, hosted by Specs Howard School of Broadcasting in Southfield, will be a 90-minute

lecture followed by a panel dis-Georgia and Ukraine in Europe, as well as Austrafia. Japan. New Zealand and South Africa. Novi Fine Wine & Linuors cussion featuring local profession-Novi Fine Wine & Liquors than just an overview of what is expected of production assistants formerly Food & Wine Bazaar on both film and video sets. It will include a production equipment overview including set and client etiquette. There will be a discussion about local production companies, organizations and unions and the different resources they have to offer. Schoolcraft College for the past 20 years. The two- to live-week class-es that attract 60-70 people are it MPA. Cost is \$10 for students and \$15 for general admission. Membership to support MPA is \$25 for a year. For details on the location phone Mark Adler (248) 349ent wine-related subject for each

"Everybody attends the classes, to some who have wine cellars in their homes," Hershey said. Hershey also serves as a wine at Wayne State University consultant for the Beverage

Michigan retail sales up Warehouse in Beyerly Hills and Bar Harbor Yacht Club in Petoskey. Continued positive retail sale

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Two issues tied as being of Burchart earns Avon honoi in April helped Michigan's retail prime concern to those network administrators surveyed: 32 per-cent responded that they worry industry post its best three-month For increasing her million-dol-lar sales, Tammy Burchart is get-ting some wind in her sails. Out period since early 2000 while nudging up retailers' optimism for a good summer, despite rising most about "the next virus/worm gasoline prices. The Michigan Retail Index of more than 450 Avon District Managers in a 15-state region, only 40 were awarded with Avon's prestigious Circle of Excellence award and Novi resifound that 52 percent of retailers increased sales in April over the work." The big surprise was that same month last year, while 13 34 nement of survey respondent said they had "no worries and dent Burchart was in this elite percent reported as-good sales sleep like a baby." group. As a Circle of Excellence winand 35 percent recorded declines. The results create a seasonally

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adjusted performance index of 56.7, down from 59.9 in March Taubman signs 40 retailers Temberan Cepters for: but the best April since 1999

announced the first 40 retailers for Nonhlake Mall, an enclosed, two-Taubman donates \$4 million level regional shopping center debuting Sept. 15, 2005, in subur-han Charlotte, N.C. A. Alfred Taubman, a former Now under construction, the Technological University, will donate S4 million to help the 5,000-student private university 1.1-million-square-foot shopping center will feature up to 150 stores and restaurants, plus five anchors; Dillard's (186,000 square build an innovative new Student Groundbreaking for the build-

Hecht's (165,000 square feet), Dick's Sporting Goods (76,000 square feet) and a 14-screen AMC Theativs megaplex (60,000 square feet).

Lawrence Tech in the evenings while starting his real estate busi Autos more affordable He is one of Michigan's most

Autos were at the most affordable level in 25 years during the first quarter of 2004, according to Demoit-based Comerica Bank The purchase of an average priced new vehicle during the fire quarter of 2004 took 20.5 weeks of median family income, before developers and operator of region Affordability Index compiled by Affordability Index compiled by Detroit-based Comerica Bank. This is 0.7 weeks more affordable than fourth quarter's 21,2 weeks. Total cost, including financing charges, came to \$26,676 in the first quarter, 1.7 percent down from fourth quarter 2003, and 0.7 percent above year earlier levels. Median family income rose 1.4 percent from the fourth quarter, and is up 3.2 per-









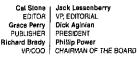
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Focus on Novi schools next week

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ing down? Two and a half months

Think of all the things you used to

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catching a ton of walleye

and pike. I also plan on bringing

back enough great stories from my pop to write a book on his life.

summer. If you've got children, a

I hope you're planning on a great

of glorious summer awaited you

First off -- Thank you to Novi City Council for reaching an agree ment on the city's budget! Time low to move forward. Speaking of ... voters will have the opportunity to voice their opin-ions at the polls June 14 on two

noillage renewals and a new millage for Novi schools, which are facing a \$4.3 million deficit. Numerous cuts have already been implemented, and more drastic measures will be neces-

sary if these millages do Street. Also, five candidates, Cal Stone including two incumbents, are running for

school board. In next week's edition, we'll profile each candidate and offer our endorsements as well as take a look at the various impacts the budget cuts will have on the district. On the brighter side, high school graduation ceremonies are this aunday, and we'll offer our annu

at tribute to seniors in a special sec-tion. It's a fitting tribute to top off 3 years of schooling. Remember when you were an

great way to kick it off is the Kids Fair June 12. Have fun and enjoy

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four years.

GOVERNMENT

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

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> Tracie Ringle, Memorial Day Committee Novi Parks, Recreation and Forestry

summer, and their answers are pretty fun to read. Some even drew pictures, and we'll pres Vote June 14 ent those in next week's

Novi News, too. Personally, I'm head-As a Novi citizen, a former Novi adminis

the success of this event.

trator and now a member of the Novi School Board, I appeal to our community to please exercise your civic responsibility on June 14. These millage proposals are crucial to the future education of our students. Also, this is a very important School Board election as well. Because of the current financial challenges, the selection of a new school superin tendent and the consideration of new employee contracts that will be facing the board this year, it is essential that we have the most creative, capable, independent thinking individuals making those decisions. Therefore, I encourage you to choose Bruce Bagdady and Dennis O'Connor when you cast your vote on June 14. They will both provide excellent leadership for the next

Choose board based on facts

Dave Brown

I submit this letter because I am concerned about a misleading message that has been sent through a recent Letter to the Editor According to that letter I have served on the School Board for at least 12 years, and am seeking another term to "build up [my] Michigan Retirement Benefits". Perhaps this is the type of rhetoric that someone new to our community feels will convince votore to our community feels will convince voters to ignore the facts. The facts are that I have served on the Those of you who know me know that complex policy and legal issues facing Michigan school districts, but have demon strated the managerial skills necessary to

fins did it twice?



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Photo by Mark Hicks / Westside Photograph

Moment of Silence Jeroc Schell, of the Novi High School Marching Band, waits to perform "Taps" during the city's Memorial Day ceremonies. Special events took place at Oakland Hills Memorial Garden and then Knapp Cemetery prior to the annual parade on Ten Mile Road.

The Angles of Asyl Maward

How to profit from full-day kindergarten

I read with great interest the article on May 27 regarding full-day kindergarten and the view that we were profiting on the program. It amazes me first to think that we such poor mathematics to predict that we

Elementary School yet we still have fewer kindergartners attending Novi school than would seem to be false. In fact, one could argue that our overall enrollment has dropped as a result of all-day kindergarten. Many children in the kindergarten age do go to alternative kindergartens, but to say that was due to the desire or all-day service would not be totally true. Many select alter-native learning for kindergarten and some do select combined daycare kindergarten. If you what they effectively get. Visit an all-day

OTHER OPINIONS Cal Stone, editor (248) 349-1700, ext. 113 cston Have the tables finally turned for our Tigers?

Detroit Red Wings while presid-ing over a decade of disaster with the Tigers, opened his wal-Something is happening that hasn't happened for years. Slowly, cautiously, people are let to sign star catcher Ivan "Pudge" Rodriguez, for \$10 milhesitatingly beginning to not only think about but even talk them again, even in put ion a year, plus star left fielder Rondell White and a few other We are talking, of course. respectable, if less glamorous free agents. about the Detroit Tigers, the

city's once-mighty baseball Fans remained skeptical. They'd team. Someplace been tooled before. But an deep down in the Motown psyche amazing thing happened. The Detroit is a base ball town; always figers won not has been, maybe only on One always will be. Yes, the football team, the Lions, Day, when they hut out Toronte They went on to moved back to vin their first the city from the four games. uburbs a few Vhen you con years ago. Yes, sider that they started 0-11 and 0-6 their last two the Detroit Red Jack Lessenberry Wings are always

ntion for years, that was an the Stanley Cup. awesome performance. Yes, the Pistons are still in the Peuple started trickling back to the ball park. Attendance offi-cially has increased from 319,000 to 409,000, but in realiplayoffs. But forget all that. The Detroit Tigers seem — gasp-on the verge of becoming respectable again. y has ballooned by more than that. The American League counts tickets sold, including Last year, they were not just the worst in the league. They were the worst ihat has ever season packages, not people in heen in the American League, the stands. Last year, there was ust one notch short of tying the little reason to come. all-time record for losses. They As the season blossomed slug-ger Dimitri Young got hurt, and the pitching was still dicey, but vere nearly as bad the year Not only were they horrible. last week they were hovering around .500. When you consider that last year they were 9-34, the they weren't even interesting. There were no characters like Mark "The Bird" Fidrych, no mprovement seems miraculous. fading sluggers like Willie "People are talking about Horton who at least could deliv-er a mammoth home run from time to time. Nothing, Attendance dwindled. They them again," said Ernie Harwell, who thinks he has detected a resurgence of interest. In part, he thinks this is because of affec-

fell off the front pages of even the local sports section. Hall-oftion for Alan Trammell, the ongtime Tigers star who is in Fame Broadcaster Ernie s second year as manager, and Harwell's retirement at the end a staff of coaches that includes of 2002 ended many people's last reason to keep listening. It was as if there was a hole in two other veterans of the Tigers 1984 World Series team, Lance Parrish and Kirk Gibson.

of Opening Day ceremonies since at least the 1960s. Novi native Jennifer Sullivan 29, has a framed jersey signed by Traumell, who she wa shiped as a 9-year-old. She has n't been to a game in years, "bu I definitely want to go this year I'm starting to pay attention again," she said. Nobody is looking for a pen nant this year. Nobody is even dreaming of the playoffs, which makes it a bit easier to woo back the fans. "Their aim doesn't have to be too high," Harwell

Sonny Eliot, Detroit's legendary

weatherman who has been a par-

notes. Ernie thinks the team will win perhaps 70-75 games out of 162 this season. That would be a dreary showing for most teams. But after last year's 43-119 season, even coming close to breaking even may be enough to win back the hearts and minds of lisappointed Detroiters. They have reason to feel hum The Tigers haven't had a win ing season in a decade. That is their longest dry spell in history. During that time, fans have endured a nasty strike, contro-versy over a new stadium, and an ever-shifting roster of nobod-ies. Things like that put a strain on a marriage. But the Tigers and Detroit have been together through two world wars and two riots, from streetcars to motor cars, from Ty Cobb to AI Kaline, and since before anyone heard of Henry Ford. Bonds like that aren't easi ly broken.

So far this year, they are beinrepaired. That's not hard when expectations are so low. Next year, the public may be more demanding. But it seems safe to say that's one problem the team, and their town, would very much like to have.

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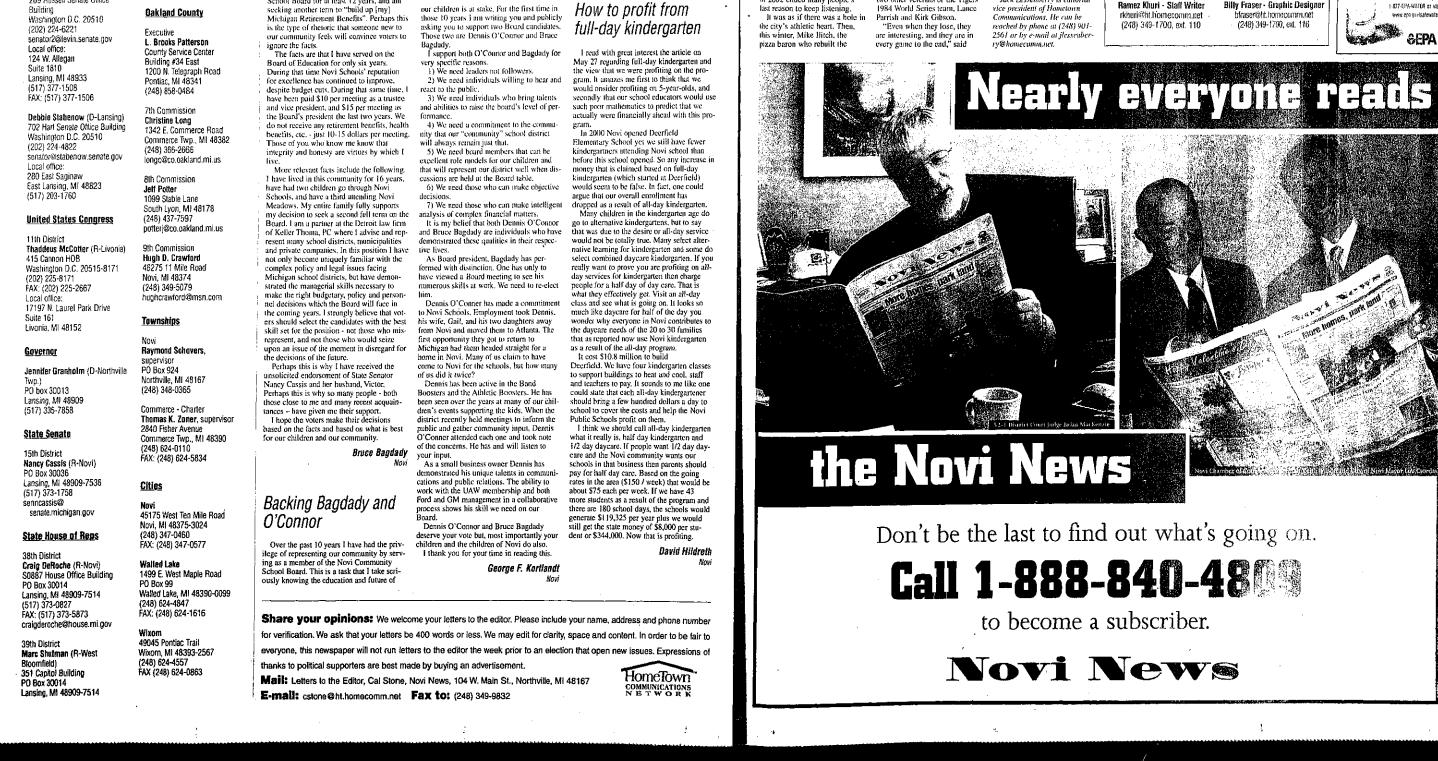
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Improve yourself through healthy curiosity By Ernie Harwell

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I've always believed that one of the best things a persui can do, from a me perspective, is to develop a arious mind about life. One of my favorite ho bies is asking people about their families, where they grew up, their jobs, whate er. Lioke that I'm the



Ernie Harwelt about people what experiences have baned there are shaped them, what makes them task, it's great fun and a wonderful way to learn and build relationships with

people. There are other things we can do, too, to exercise our minds. Next time you come across a word you don't. know, instead of skinamin by it, find a dictionary and learn about it. What does it mean? How did it ore: nate? How is a used? Ituight just stack in your head for the next time you're searching for that perfect word or phrase.

Traveline is another great tabasand see how other people live. Our country is so beautiful and diverse, and full of learning oppor tunities. I also highly recpannend traveling abroac if you re able, because it. can really give you a new

perspective on the world and life. When we cultivate our minds, we improve our-selves and become more well-rounded. And that's a healthy way to be

And temember, take care of your health before it's lonugggg gone?

Emic Harwell, "the voice of the Detroit Tigers" for more than jour decades, retired after 55 years behind a major leaved microphone, Today, at age 80, Ernie's days are filled with serving us a health and fitness inteorate for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, public appear cnees, writing, traveling and taking long walks with "Miss Ludo," his wife of more than 60 years. His lat-est book, a collection of his baseball columns entitled "Life After Baseball" is

HEALTH

Walk at the Run Harwells lead fitness walk at Fox Run retirement community By Duane Ramsey Other students from Franklin

Road Christian, Meadowhrook Elementary, and Walled Lake Middle Schools joined the walklos Run's most well-known ers along the way. residents. Ernie and Lulo Harvett, led a group of about 200 fellow residents, friends, staff members and students on a one-"It's nice to get the youngsters and older folks together and close the generation gap," said Ernie. The Harwells wanted people to mile fitness walk at noon last see how their new community in Fuesday from the retirement com-

munity in Novi. We're pleased to have so ruany folks join us for this walk. We're going to have a great time," Junie said. "There's nothing like walking. I tell people to quit squawking or talking and start their former bome in acarby Farmington Hills where they lived Residents, staff, and students for more than 20 years. Harwell i donned torquoise T-shirts with the theme "Tin-Fit At Fox Run" in white letters. The walk began at-

Los Run on 13 Mile Road, coninned to Meadowbrook, which was temporarily closed for the event, down to 12 Mile and back to hox Run. Mrs. Gerl Yost and het 26 tourth grade students from nearby Infanatin Road Christian School up to two and a half miles a day and jumps rope regularly. He's been a serious daily wafker since 1984, when he joined Detroit oned the residents for the walk. The class has participated in the "Me pr a Grandparent" program vith residents at hox Run during the current school year. "We have a phenomenal rela-

troushop with the residents and Anderson for morning walks start at Fox Run," said Mrs. Yost, when traveling with the team.

see now unit new continuity in Novi encourages their healthy lifestyle and meet other active, health-minded community mem-bers, according to Fred Moschetta of Fox Run. Ernie and his wife Lulu moved to Fox Run last October from the former radio broadcaster for the Detroit Tigers and a member of the Basebalt Hall of Fame Today, Harwell serves as a health and fitness advocate for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, His column about He also keeps busy with his health and fitness advocacy, writing, traveling and signing copies of his latest book, "Life After health and fitness appears regular-ly in the Novi News and other newspapers across the state. Even at age 86, Harwell walks Baschall." Most of all, he enjoys Baschall." Most of all, he enjoys kling long walks with "Miss Lulu", flis wite of 62 years, "We just love it here." Emig

said about Fox Run. "We've made some great friends here. It's a great facility and close to our chil-Tigers pitching coach Roger Craig and manager Sparky dren and grandchildren who live in the Detroit area. the Fox Run retirement communi-



Ernie and Lulu Harwell (center) lead a large group of residents, friends and staff members from the Fox Bun retirement community for the fitness walk on May 25.

Women on medications or

season swimming pool, state-of-the-art fitness center, creative arts studio and community lounge for ty where about 80 percent of the 220 apartments are occupied. The apartment homes include a variety of one-bedroom, one-bedroom

residents Fox Run is owned and operated by Erickson Retirement Communities based in Maryland. In addition to Fox Run in Novi, in June. Construction will begin en another building in September giving them a total of 400 units on the 100- acre site when complet-man and the site when completed the sector of the sector of the Massachusetts. Maryland, New ed, according to Moscheita. Jersey, Pennsylvania, Texas and Currently, 260 residents live at Fox Run includes a 52,000 Virginia

so always read the label carefull

EDUCATION

Final fashion

Senior builds strong foundation

By Rebecca Miller NOVI HIGH SCHOOL STUDEN

fashion mogul, but is inspiring Jeannette is amazing with all

runway in two pieces from Jeannette Tiso's spring line. Tiso completed her final balancing act at Novi High on May 24 at the spring recognition assembly. There, she paraded the Tiso also relied on the models cancer patients. Next year, she to make the show happen. For plans to pass most of the program Ashley Haynes, this was a over to others involved, but runway with models dressed in her 1950's style meets 1980's chance to work with someone hopes to have time at The Fashion Institute of Technology she admires and to live out every funk spring line. Inspiration for the show came from a large girl's dream. "Every girl wants to be a to send a few hats home. As for the future of her fash donation of polka dot fabric, which Tiso scamed together to create a mesh of high waistline, short skirts and brightly colored model, and Jeannette is one of ion. Tiso isn't exactly sure what the most talented people I've ever met. Being able to display something she worked so hard it holds, but she is positive it will be in her life. "My goal is to pursue what off the shoulder and neck boat on was amazing," Haynes said. love to do and work hard at it, shirts. It made for a mixed dis-Not only do her friends look Tiso said. "I'm not sure how far up to her hard work and admire her talent, but they also love her versatile and very wearable play of decadent decade fashion it will go, whether I'll design for "Mixing school and business is" never casy, but in Tiso's case, another label or my own label, but either way l'll be doing what showcasing her work for her peers is essential. "It's kind of weird, but it is a good source of criticism for me," one of the models. "Things range 1 love." tuck away some of her talent to focus on school. But while away, Tiso said, "Their opinion matters from conservative, that you'd she will still continue to design most to me because they're the wear to school to more out on a clothes and maintain her website limb, especially like the clothes for the show." ones I see everyday." With over 165 hours put into runway to making her dream Students aren't the only ones making the 33 outfits for the show, it is no wonder Tiso come true, Tiso has learned hanging Tiso's fashion friendly wardrobe in their closets. Teacher Brian Langley has also many things, but the one thing she has learned the most about is sought out a little friendly help to get her fashions successfully ntings, did hair, and helped with the runway order. She admits that although it's fun and flexi-it's always been a lot of fun. It is very lenient in the planning ther aren't a lot of herself. "It has helped me figure ou what I want to do with my life and has taught me when to push myself and when to wait for inspiration to find me," Tiso 15 new pieces will be on display on Wednesday, July 28 at the Novi Music and Motor Fest. getting all the Visit www.vintageguru.com fo models the heads of those in need. Since last September, she has worked with other Novi High students to together was hard," she said. more information regarding time Because I don't see them all in er extra fabric to create hats for



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they can read about the differen

cholarships, rather than listening

to presenters talking about them, which cut the time of the evening

down by about an hour. One of the more recognized

seniors was Anna Switzer. Not

only is she the class president, a

student board member. Phi Beta

Kappa, Presidential Educational Excellence Award, a Four-Year

Honor Roll student and Magna

Cum Laude, but she also accon plished something that not too many people are able to: She was appointed to the United States

appointed to the United States Naval Academy. "I think this is a really nice cul-

mination of four years at Novi High School," she said. "To rec-

ognize all the students who have achieved a lot in education is so

great," Switzer explained that it's not

an easy thing to be appointed to the US Naval Academy. She said

that she had to get good grades in high school, she had to be involved in lots of co-curricular

activities and lots of leadership

positions. She started applying a the end of her junior year, she had

to take a physical examination,

medical examination and she had

to receive a congressional nomi-

Seniors finishing their high school careers in limelight

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- To give readers an idea of just how impressive Novi's Class of 2004 is, check out these statistics from Honors Night:
- 143 seniors were on the four-year honor roll, which means they have earned A or B grades in all subjects during high school.
- 182 seniors earned the Presidential Award for Educationa Excellence, which means they have a minimum overall grade point average of 3.5 and scored at the 85th percentile or higher in math or reading on standardized achievement tests. This award is given by the U.S. Department of Education.

126 seniors earned Phl Beta Kappa, which means they earned a grade point average of 3.75 or higher in core academic sub-jects including math, English, science, social studies and foreign language from five semesters - 10th, 11th and 12th grades. This award is given by the Detroit Association of Phi Beta Kappa.

67 seniors earned Summa Cum Laude, which means they earned a grade point average of 3.95-4.00.

73 seniors earned Magna Cum Laude, which means they earned a grade point average of 3.75-3.94

81 seniors earned Cum Laude, which means they earned a grade point average of 3.50-3.74.

66 seniors earned Local Novi Scholarships

53 seniors earned Denartmental Awards

40 seniors earned Special Awards

The Novi Community Schools Board of Education recognized students earning Summa Cum Laude, Magna Cum Laude and Cum Laude status with a gift of an engraved paperweight

j nation,		
For those interested in follow-		
ing in her foot steps, she offered a	and I'm thankful we have such a	Beta Kappa, Four-Year Honor
little advice. "Just follow your	great class. I commend everyone.	Roll and a Presidential
dreams," she said, "Stick with it	This is almost like a final closure	Educational Excellence Award,
and stay focused. Don't give up."	as the last days go by. We realize	but she was most excited about
Ashlea Surles is the senior	what we have gone through and	the English Department Award.
class vice president and a student	what are accomplishments are	She plans to attend the University
board member. She was honored	and it's just an honor to be com-	of Michigan Residential College
with a Magna Cum Laude status,	mended for what we have done.	to study creative writing.
a Presidential Educational	I'm thankful to be here and I	"I think a ceremony like this
Excellence Award, Four-Year	know everyone else is too."	really brings the seniors together
Honor Roll and Phi Beta Kappa.	John Henry III was honored	as a class," she said. "It feels real-
She plans to attend University of	with the Drama Department	ly good to see everybody recog-
Michigan and possibly medical	Award. He plans to attend	nized as a class and for everyone
school.	Western Michigan University, but	to see each other go up there."
"This is a good recognition of	is undecided on what field he will	Lawrence summed up the
how hard people have worked,"	study yet. He explained that a	evening best when he described
Surles said. "I enjoyed this very	ceremony like this one takes	the program as an incentive for
much, just celebrating all our	away some stereotypes that may	students to strive to accomplish
accomplishments and seeing	be circulating about teenagers.	what the class of 2004 has.
what our classmates have done. I	"There are so many awards and	"If you think about it, any kind
liked learning new things about	scholarships that are being given	of recognition that you receive is
what everyone wants to do."	out and it's great to see so many	very beneficial," he said. "I really
Eric Hansen was also honored	of my peers being awarded," he	think the human soul needs
with a Presidential Educational	said. "It's very special to be a part	recognition in one way shape or
Excellence Award, Phi Beta	of that kind of a student body. A	form. Tonight we're honoring
	ceremony like this makes us feel	academic leadership and scholar-
Kappa, Summa Cum Laude and	better for ourselves. It shows us	
Four-Year Honor Roll. He is		ships. It's the old proverbial pat
going to attend the University of	that we're better than some	on the back, and it goes a long
Chicago where he will be	stereotypes that some people	way."
wrestling. He plans on studying	might put out, that teens are in	
business and finance and eventu-	trouble. This completely bashes	Ramez Khuri is a staff writer
ally moving into environmental	that."	for the Novi News. He can be
law.	Lydia Katsamberis was hon-	reached at (248) 349-1700, ext.
"First off, I'm honored to be	ored with the English Department	110 or by e-mail at
here," he said. "It ran smoothly	Award, Magna Cum Laude, Phi	rkhuri@ht,homecomm.net.

Tonight we're honoring academic leadership and scholarships. It's the old proverbial pat on the back, and it goes a long way."



Silent disease takes its toll on women's bones

WHO'S AT RISK?

By Elgine Horowitz ing, growing tissue. Old bone is removed and new bone formed in **2020 FINCE NUPSE NAVIGATOR**

Alext acoust think that astenporosis is a disease of old age. While it is true that most fractures. occor in the elderly, it takes many identified with low hone density that, left untreated, can result in greater lasses later in life. Osteoporosis is a disease in

which K? the silent discase, because easç.

E. Horowitz

E. Horowitz that there is a problem until t fracture occurs. According to the National Osteoporosis Foundation, in the U.S. today, 10million Americans already have the disease and almost 34 million more have low bone mass, putting - density of the hip and spine. them at increased risk for osteoporosis. Fighty percent of those the wrist of heel, and though these may be predictive of future risk women. One in two women over for fracture, they are not as accu-

ken down, resulting in increased years of house loss of a mach that point. The troubling part is that many younger women are being reached in our early 30s. After that, bone breakdown begins to speed up a bit and, over time, a net loss can develop. This is especially true after menopause when the production of estrogen decreases. hones become Will everyone will lose some porous and bone density as part of the aging prone to frace process, it is difficult to predict ture. It is who will lose enough to suffer a often called fracture. Therefore, prevention is the silent dismost people are unaware Testing There are several methods for measuring bone density, but the "gold standard" involves a simple

test using a Dual Energy X-Ray Absorptionetry or DXA machine. This measures the bone Other tests involve altrasounds of

forms faster than old hone is bro-Risk factors include: porosis

with medical conditions that may before you buy. Weight bearing of predispose them to develop the resistance exercise is also necesa process called "remodeling". During childhood, adolescence and carly adulthood, new bone The causes of osteonorosis are many and complex. However, we know that some people may be at higher risk. for developing it than others.

🖪 🖪 Being fermale Advanced age Family history of osteo Being small boned or having a small frame Being Caucasian or Asian, though African Americans and Hispanics are also at

> significant risk Decreased estrogen levels Low calcium intake An inactive lifestvie

Excessive alcohol intake Smoking Certain medications such as steroids and antiseizure medications, as well as some diseases, can also predispose you to developing osteoporosis.

Your healthcare provider can review your history and help to

sary to maintain bone strength. This includes walking, jogging or Again, your healthcare provider can help determine if testing is muscle strengthening exercises using weights. Other things, like limiting alcohol intake and opti-ting smoking, can also do a lot not appropriate for you. Treatment only to prevent osteoporosis but also to improve your general Treatment is prescribed based on the results of these x-rays. There are several medications that can stop the bone loss, such as Fosamax, Actonel, Miacalcin and health. Building and maintaining strong bones is something that should concern all of us at all ages. Evida Elaine Horowitz, is a 2000 The key to dealing with osteo-

porosis is to prevent it from occurring in the first place. Nightingale Award recipient for Excellence in Nursing Education Obviously, there are some risk from Oakland University School factors that you cannot change like gender or heredity. Other of Nursing. Elaine Horowitz is a magna cum laude graduate of the WSU College of Nursing, and her things you do have control over. Current recommendations include career has given her hands on taking in adequate amounts of calcium and vitamin D. Women under 50 need 1000 mg of calciexperience as a social worker, labor and delivery nurse, public health nurse, clinical research um a day and those over 50 need nurse, and community health edu 1500 mg of calcium daily. Getting it through dietary sources cator. She is the past president of the Hadassah Nurses Council and a member of the Signa Thera s best, but using calcium supple ments is a way to ensure that you Tau International Honor Society get an adequate amount every day of Nursing, the Association There are many calcium supple-ments to choose from. Read the Women's Health, Obstetric an Neonatal Nurses and th

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among peers

For most people, the thought of pins and needles is quite painful. For Jeannette Tiso, it's productively pleasurable. The Novi High Senior has been threading her way into a fashion filled future for the past two years. With over a dozen fashion shows under her belt, Fiso is becoming not only a local

others

that she's done in the past two years," said Jenny Knockeart, Tiso's friend and one of the show's coordinators. "A lot of people couldn't accomplish all she does. She inspires me by bal ancing school work, family, Powered by fringe, senior Christina Thompson takes the activities, and her fash-

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For the next few years she'll

Throughout the walk down the

Tiso's spring line and around

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Novi Education Foundation hits the links for kids

begins around 3 p.m.

way to spend a Thursday in June.

that allow the NEF to continue it

mission. Foremost right now is the high school brick pavers project. Bricks of two sizes, 4" by 8" and 8"

by 8° are being sold for installatio

at the site of your choice: Either the Novi High School entrance or

This is a great way to immortal

ize your child's and your family's tenure with the Novi Schools. Whether your child has already

graduated, will be graduating in the

oming years or has yet to even star

in the schools, a brick paver will make a lasting statement. Check the

Novi Educational Foundation Web

http://www.novi.kt2.mi.us/NEF/N EFindex.htm or call Bob Schram of

the Novi Schools at (248) 449-1203

for additional details and order

On behalf of the trustees of the

Novi Educational Foundation we

wish all of you a relaxing summer

and hope to see you at the 9th Annual Charity Golf Classic on Thursday, June 24 at the Links of

Wildcat Stadium.

site

Novi.

details

Annual golf classic set for June 24

By Geolirey Scott

White the Novi school year is winding down, the Educational Foundation is putting the finishing touches on its Annual Charity Golf Classic scheduled for Thursday, June 24 at the Links of Novi. The Novi Educational Foundation is a nonprofit organiza-tion devoted to expanding educa-tional opportunities for the students in the Novi community. It's a great of the Novi Community School District. The NEF supports student enrichment programs, staff development, classroom equipment and eacher mini-grants.

Last year's golf outing was the most successful thus far, raising over \$16,000. The NEF trustees are working hard to top that figure this year. At a time when educational funding is under such pressure, every extra little bit helps the schools and more importantly the Incents

Participation in the Golf Classic could not be easier. Sign-up forms can be found on the NEF's Web site: http://www.novi.k12.mi.us/NEE/N EFindex.htm or by calling Bob Schram of the Novi Schools at (248) 449-1203. Golfers of all skill levels and even many non-golfers. attend the event so all are welcome This year's event promises to be as entertaining as last year's. There are also some great prizes. The first place team will receiving \$300, the econd place team will receive \$200 and the third place team will receive \$100. There are other prizes for the longest drive, nutting contest, closest to the pin, longest patt, beat the pro- and 50/50 raffle. If we are lucky, we will start a hole-in-one ing streak. Chris Becker, of Skanska USA, got his first hole-inone ever last year and took home \$10,000 to boot. The same prize is

Geoffrey Scott is a Novi Educational Foundation Trustee. available this year. The challenge is

NORTHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS **REGULAR SCHOOL ELECTION** NOTICE OF REGULAR ELECTION OF THE ELEC NORTHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS WAYNE, OAKLAND AND WASHTENAW COUNTIES, MICHIGAN TO BE HELD JUNE 14, 2004 TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT: Please Take Notice that the regular election of the school district will be held on Monday, June 14, 2004. THE POLLS OF ELECTION WILL OPEN AT 7 O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING AND CLOSE AT 8 O'CLOCK N THE EVENING At the regular school election there will be elected two (2) members to the board of education of the district ull terms of four (4) years ending in 2008. THE FOLLOWING PERSONS HAVE BEEN NOMINATED TO FILL SUCH VACANCIES: Cheryl Drogosch Joan Wadsworth Robert Sochacki Judith Wollack Write-in candidates must like a Declaration of Intent on or before 4 pm. Friday June 11, 2004. TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT the following proposition will be submitted to the vote of the BONDING PROPOSAL Shall Northville Public Schools, Wayne, Oakland and Washtenaw Counties, Michigan, borrow the sum of no exceed Thirty-Five Million Seven Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$35,700,000) and issue its general obligation to exceed Thirly-Five Million Seven Hündred Thousand Dollars (\$35,700,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds therefor, for the purpose of: erecting, lumishing and equipping additions to and remodeling, returnishing and re-equipping school build-ings, acquiring and installing educational technology improvements and purchasing school buses; and develop-ing and improving playgrounds and sites? The following is for informational purposes only: The following is for informational purposes only: The estimated millage that will be teviced for the proposed bonds in 2004, under current law, is 80 mill (\$0.80 on each \$1,000 of laxable valuation). The maximum number of years the bonds may be outstanding, exclusive of any refunding, will not exceed nineteen (19) years and nine (9) months. The estimated simple average annual mil-age anticipated to retive this bond debt is 1.00 mill (\$1.00 neach \$1,000 of I taxable valuation). (Pursuant to State law, expenditure of bond proceeds must be audited, and the proceeds cannot be used to repair or maintenance costs. teacher, administrator or enclowes askings, or obser onceation avenese 4). (Pursuant to State law, expenditure of bond proceeds must be audited, and the proceeds cannot be used for repair or maintenance costs, teacher, administrator or employee salaries, or other operating expenses,) PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT THE BONDS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT, IF APPROVED BY A MAJORITY VOTE OF THE ELECTORS AT THIS ELECTION, WILL BE GENERAL OBLIGATION UNLIMITED TAX BONDS PAYABLE FROM GENERAL AD VALOREM TAXES. NOTICE OF REGULAR BIENNIAL ELECTION OAKLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE FOR THE REGULAR BIENNIAL ELECTION TO BE HELD MONDAY, JUNE 14, 2004 TO THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS OF NORTHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS: ONLY REGISTERED SCHOOL ELECTORS RESIDING IN THE OAKLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE <u>ABEA</u> OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT WILL BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE REGULAR BIENNIAL ELECTION OF THE COMMUNITY COLLEGE.

JUNITY COLLEGE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Regular Biennial Election of Oakland Community College, State of Michigan, will be held at the same time and at the same voling places as the regular election of Northville Public Schools on Monday, June 14, 2004, between the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. prevailing Eastern time, and une 30, 2010 (three to be elected) will be conducted by the same officials, for those electors of the community college district residing in Northville Public Schools. At the Regular Biennial Election of Oakland Community College three (3) candidates will be elected to serve on the Oakland Community College Board of Trustees for regular 6-year terms beginning July 1, 2004 and endng June 30, 2010. The following i individuals have been nominated for regular 6-year terms beginning July 1, 2004 and ending June 30, 2010 (Ihree to be elected ne 30, 2010 (three to be elected): Kathleen R, Blessing Anne Scott Christopher K. Cornelius Janice Simmons Dawn Y Davis Carl L, Williams Thomas E. Kuhn Judith B, Wiser Elliot Parnes Write-in candidates must fill a Declaration of Intent on or before 4 p.m. Friday, June 11, 2004. Each person voting at the election must be: (a) A citizen of the United States of America and sighteen (18) years of age or older; (b) A registered elector of the City, Village or Township in which he or she resides. This Nolice is given by order of the Board of Education of Northville Public Schools, a component school dis-t of the Oakland Community College District. State of Michigan. rict of the Oakland Community College District, State of Michigan. JUDITH WOLLACK SECRETARY, BOARD OF EDUCATION NORTHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS THE VOTING PLACES ARE AS FOLLOWS: PRECINCT NO. 1 Voting Place: Northville City Offices, 215 W. Main Street, North rthville, Michigar PRECINCT NO. 2 Voting Place: Silver Springs School, 19801 Silver Springs Drive, Northville, Michigan PRECINCT NO. 3 Voting Place: Winchester School, 16141 Wincheste Northville, Michigan Vinchester Drive, No PRECINCT NO. 4 LOCAL UNIT Novi Community School District Novi Township Voting Place: Amerman Elementary School, 847 North Center, Northville, Michigan PRECINCT NO. 5 PRECINCT NO. 5 Voting Place: Northville City Offices, 215 W, Main Street, Northville, Michigan PRECINCT NO. 6 Voting Place: Moraine School, 46811 West Eight Mile Road, Northville, Michigan PRECINCT NO. 7 . r Nine Mile Road, Novi, Michigan Voting Place: Thornton Creek Elementary School, 46180 Nine PRECINCT NO. 8 Dated: May 11, 2004 Voting Place: Meads Mill Middle School, 16700 Fra klin Road, Northville, Michigan All school electors who are registered with the city or township clerk of the city or township in which they ide are eligible to vote at this election. (6-3/10-04 NN 135957) JUDITH WOLLACK, SECRETARY, BOARD OF EDUCATION 6-3-04 NN/NR 137859)

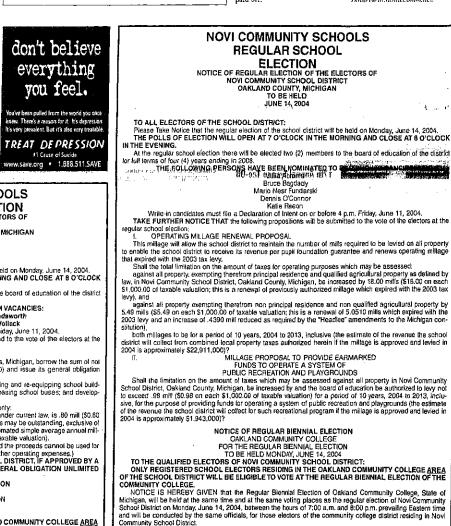
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holo by JOHN HEIDER

Novi Woods' student Alexandra DeLaCruz, right, surfs the web with her penpal from Inkster's Tomlinson Elementary Tianna Mobley during their get together on a recent Friday afternoon. The two schools' students corresponded a couple of times by regular mail then met each other, made some together and Woods students gave a tour of the school to their visitors.

Penpals



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Herbst wins national yearbook honors

EVENTS

DATE: June 2 - 6 TIME: Wed.-Fri., 4-11 p.m.;

Sat.-Sun., noon-11 p.m. LOCATION: Novi Expo Center

DETAILS: Annual carnival offers fun for the entire family.

Parking is free; there is no admi

www.carnivalfun.com

National Trails Day

DATE: Sat, June 5

TJME: 10 a.m.- 1 p.m.

1 OCATION: Meet at Wixom

DETAILS: Great family fun

day! Bike ride or walk the trails of Wixem and Oakland County! Start

at Wixom Habitat where Oakland

Nowicki will guide us through the

off to Gibson House for a tour of

we will enjoy a hot dog lunch and

have the opportunity to continue on to Kensington Park if they like, Shuttle service will be available for

have a chance to explore the new

park facilities. Participants will

those walkers who would like a

ride back to the Wixom Habitat.

distance- 2 miles each way. Co-

sponsored by Oakland County Parks and City of Wixom.

igallo@ci.wixom.mi.us

624-2850 or

Free, Please pre-register with Parks & Rec by June 2. Approximate

CONTACT: Jodi Gallo at (248)

ceed to Lyon Oaks Park, where

the historical grounds and home

uss features

County Park Naturalist Mr. Tim

Habitat and disc

bitat, 135 N. Wixom Road (at

ion charge, but ride tickets can be

contact: (248) 693-7222 or

Camival

Fun Rus

Novi Road)

numity program dedicated to the prevention of problems faced by youths between ages of 5 and 17. PHONE: (248) 478-0982

The Journey of Life

DATE: Tuesdsay, June 8 TIME: 6:30-8:30 p.m.

LOCATION: Nancy A. Fox Art

Gallery, Assarian Cancer Center, 47601 Grand River, Novi DETAILS: Providence Center for

the Healing Arts presents a free artist's

reception for "The Journey of Life", a show of dramatic black-and-white

photography by Mark Hoyer. The

PHONE: (248) 465-5455

DATE: Wednesday, June 9

TIME: 7-11 p.m. LOCATION: Salone Nadwa and

Day Spa, 43236 Eleven Mile in the

DETAILS: Metro Detroit singles

are invited to a complimentary evening of entertainment. In addi-

tion to live music provided by pop/rock singer Jody Raffoul, Detroit's modern day answer to

New Jersey's Bruce Springsteen

cocktails and food, all sna rooms

will be open for free sampling of spa services including massages,

e prize drawings. CONTACT: (248) 348-7316

CLASSES

Center, 47601 Grand River, Novi

DETAILS: Variety of activities for

bby Flay

aring recipes. Inspired by

body treatments, facials, manicures. pedicures and more. There will also

For Singles

Novi Town Center

show will be in the gallery until July



and national conventions and workshops. Also, spreads from many of these yearbooks are used for example illustrations in pany's history to win from any middle school, anywhere. "Last year's book caught their attention," Herbst said, "I am Walsworth's Advantage resource materials. A premiere showcase of the thrilled about this." company's top yearbooks, Walsworth's Gallery of Herbst explained that the company was monitoring her spreads as they came in this year. She Excellence recognizes those books that exemplify excellence through their comprehensiv makes sure that all kids are repre-

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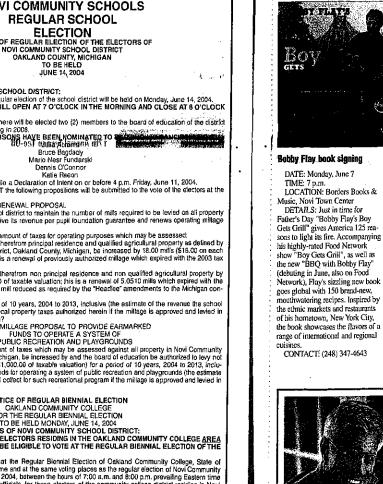
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SWOCC Studio Tours DATE: On-going LOCATION; 33300 Nine Mile DETAILS: The proceeds from the 13th annual run will go to sup-port Novi Youth Assistance, a com-

Road, Parmington DETAILS: Have you wondered what goes on behind the scenes a tele-vision studio? Why not come in for an up close and personal look at SWOCC Studios, your local commu nity television studio. SWOCC offers tours to many organizations such as Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts, and service clubs. The groups also have an oppotunity to make a short more for the public access channel, INFO TV-12 PHONE: Melissa Cohn at (248) 473.2840 to schedule your group

HEALTH

Free Blood Pressure Screening DATES: every Monday TIME: 11 a.m.-2 p.m. DETAILS: This service will be available until Jan. 31. LOCATION: Owner House of Novi, 24500 Meadowbrook Road, Novi, MI 48375 CONTACT; (248) 477-2000

Dakland County Health Division Child Health Clinics DETAILS: Free wellcare check ups, immunizations, physical exam guidance/referrals on behavioral, learning, and health prohlems. Luncheon CONTACT: Oakland County Health Division, Mary White, pr gram coordinator, Child Heald Clinics, (248) 858-1380.

MEETINGS

Acoustic Music Jam Session The Sierra Club Communit DATE: the second Wednesday of Workshop

> 1 OCATION: Novi Public Library, 45245 W. 10 Mile Rd. DETAILS: The Workshop will discuss both local and national ental problems created by administration, and will the Bush adr develop a plan for addressing these shall inges in Oakland County. CONTACT: For details, call the 2hall

TIME: 7 p.m. LOCAtION: UAW Local 36, 28930 Wixom Road, Wixom located 1/8 mile north of 1-96 on the east side of the road. DETAILS: John Kassid, PhD, a native of Iraq, will speak on "Iraqi Freedom - Myth or Reality?" Dr. Kassid was a professor of genetics College of Medicine at the University of Baghdad. A social hour will precede the meeting at 6

fessionals and business looking to increase word-of-mouth referral busitess, Various classifications open and cager to bring you qualified bu CONTACT: (734) 462-6460

FAITH Faith Community Vacation Bible School

DATE: June 14-18 TIME: 9:30 a.m.-noon DETAILS: Registration forms are available in the narthex. All children ages preschool through 6th grade and nvited to attend. There is no cost for his program. PHONE: (248) 349-2345

> Worship Service DATE: every Wednesday TIME: 12:10-12:50 pm. LOCATION: Church of the Holy Cross, 46200W. Ten Mile Road (hetween Book and

Novi Teastmasters Taft Roads), Novi DATE: first and third Tucsdays LOCATION: Novi Civic Center, DETAILS: Come and share you lunch hour with God at a worship service that includes scripture and activities room TIME: 7-8:45 p.m. holy communion. PHONE: (248) 349-1175 or DETAILS: Toastmasters will help you improve your communication skills, voice your opinion, polish your www.churchoftheholycross.com

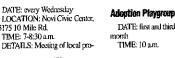
St. James Catholic Church Friendship Circle DATE: 2nd Tuesday to the month TIME: 1 p.m. DETAILS: Social group for widows and widowers. All are welcome

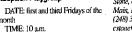
to join us for fellowship and fun. LOCATION: St. James Catholic Church, 46325 Ten Mile Rd., (between Tait and Beck) PHONE: 248-348-9138 or joyiovaldi@earthlink.net

SUPPORT **GROUPS**

Women's Prayer Support

LOCATION: Comerston DATE: every Saturday TIME: 9-10:30 am. LOCATION: Harvest Fellowship Church, 49329 Pontac Trail, Wixom DETAILS: Bring your business cards, meet area business represen-tations, make connections, mix and mingle at this great networking inity: cost is \$10. CONTACT: (248) 349-3743.





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LOCATION: Holv Family

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Rd, between 10 Mile Rd, and Grand

DETAILS: We are a not for profit.

non-denominational group that brings adoptive families together. Our twice-

a-month meetings provide families

with the opportunity to share play and conversation. During the summer, we

meet at specially designated times and

PHONE: For more information

contact Michelle Pergeau (248) 887-4955 or Sandra Noonan (248) 960-

Breast Cancer Support Group

Tuesdays LOCATION: Huron Valley-Sinai

Hospital, Commerce, Classroom C on the ground floor of the hospital. TIME: 10-11:30 a.m.

DETAILS: There is no need to call

presentations and practice leadership

Caldand County Health Division

Expectant Parent Classes

DATE: ongoing series LOCATION: Oakland County

Maple, Walled Lake TIME: 7-9 p.m. DETAILS: Classes will be taught

by Public Health Nurses. Topics will

include childbirth preparation, labor and delivery, care of the newborn baby, breastfeeding, bottle-feeding,

information about keeping children

safe, and caring for them when they

are ill. Cost is \$25, PHONE: (248) 858-4003, or (888) 350-0900 ext. 84003

New TOPS chapter in Novi

LOCATION: Meadowbrook

DATES: Wednesdays

Health Division, 1010 East West

PHONE: Call Colleen at (248

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The following are key dates in the 7 Adult Book Discussion Group 7 p.m., library 7 City Council 7:30 p.m., Civic Center

8 Cable Access Committee 7 p.m. SWOCC 9 Planning Commission 7:30 p.m. 10 Senior Book Discussion Group noon, Library 10 Parks, Recreation and Forestry Commission 7:30 p.m. 12 Jeanne Clarke NYA Teen

Center Registration 9-noon 12 Kids' Fair Lakeshore Park 13 Library closed 14 Flag Day 14 City Council Interviews 7:30

p.m. 16 Library Board 7 p.m. 17 Historical Commission 10 a.m. 17 Ordinance Review Committ

20 Library closed 21 Jeanne Clarke Teen Center Opens noon-5 p.m. 21 City Council 7:30 p.m., Civic Center

23 Planning Commission 7:30 p.m. 24 Family Concert Series 7 p.m. Lakeshore Park 27 Likestore Park 27 Library closed 29 Storm Water Committee 7 n.m

p.m. 20 Father's Day

BUSINESS Novi Chamber of Commerce

DATE: Tuesday, June 15 TIME: 11:30 a.m. LOCATION: Carrabba's Italian

Grill DETAILS: The chamber will be presenting a check to its auction chari-ty, Sweet Dreamzzz Detroit; cost is

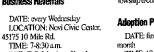
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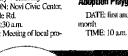
Chamber After-Hours Mixer

DATE: Thursday, July 22 TIME: 5:30 p.m. Dental Studio, Inc. and Goodman Orthodontics, PC, 42430 W. Twelve Mile Road

Business Referrals



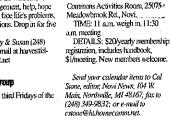








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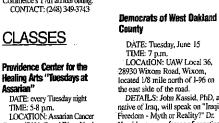


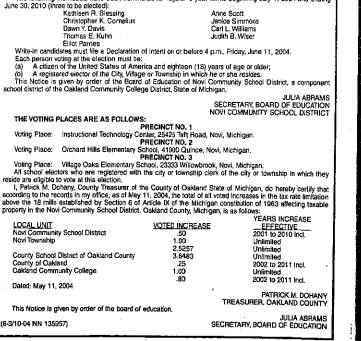
ach month TIME: 7-9 p.m. DATE: Thursday, June 3 LOCATION: Mill Race Historic TIME: 6:30 to 8:30 PM Village, Cadý Inn, just north of Main Street on Griswold in Northville. DETAILS: Bring your traditional sustic instrument and music to plat PHONE: Mary or Eric at (248) 760-9694 or MaryH@twmi.m.com 17th Annual Tycoon Tee-Off Golf Outing DATE: Wednesday, August 1 LOCATION: Links of Novi veb site at DETAILS: The Novi Chamber of

Commerce's 17th annual outing CONTACT: (248) 349-3743 County

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PARKS & RECREATION

What a way to kick off summer!

City's first Kid's Fair set for next Saturday

By Kim Baker INTERN

Novi's very first Kid's Fair will kick off the summer Saturday, June 12 from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. at Community Sports Park at 8 Mile and Napier. The gypt bosted by Novi

The event, hosted by Novi The before and a second of the second second

EVENT SPONSORS

Providence Hospital The Putting Edge College of Creative Studies Novi-Northville Gardeners Vans Skate Park Modern Skate & Surf Maybury Park Gander Mountain Rosco the Clown Smudge Fundaes Flying Aces Professional Frisbee Team "Rhythm Man" Phil Kaput Maureen Schiffman



coordinator. She assures there will be fun for kids of all ages

"We have something for a 3-year-old to a 15-year old." There will be a carnival area, featuring moonwalks, Putt-Putt golf, tattoo artists and kettle corn to satisfy the kid in every-one. The Extreme Recreation Zone, featuring the Nemesis Professional Skateboarding Professional Skateboarding Team skating and signing auto-graphs and an area for kids to try out in-line skating, will be there for the older kids.

Plenty of nature-oriented activities will also be available, including flower potting, a pet-ting farm, butterfly exhibit and ting tarm, buterity exhibit and a nature interpreter will be there to guide kids in finding native plants and animals in their own backyards. More adventurous nature lovers will enjoy Outdoor Aventure Area, offer-ing camping and fishing demon-strations. strations

Kids can tap into their creativity by participating in hands-on crafts, trying out per-cussion instruments with and visiting the puppet station to learn puppeteering and put on mini-performances.

Live entertainment will give the family a break during their busy day. Parents can relax and worry not because the Novi Police Department, Fire Department,

Department and Community EMS will be on hand for a Health and Safety Area. If weather is not permitting, the fun will move indoors to the Novi Civic Center.

Novi Parks and Recreation is very excited about providing a free community event for the kids, said Ringle. "it's going to

allow some family time...(and) set the tone for summer."

YOUTH SOCCER

This is a non-competitive league based on teamwork, respect and responsibility. Players will learn rules, game strategies, and feam tac-tics. Players will also develop the fundamentals of dribbling, pass-ing, shooting and goal tending.

REGISTRATION

Children who register for both fall and spring (registration dates: May 5-June 23) will be placed on the same team for both seasons. Players who register for full or spring ONLY will be randomly placed on teams that have openings.

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EQUPIMENT

Shin guards are mandatory, ao metal cleats are permitted, and mouth guards are highly recommended. Pre-school and Kindergarten divisions use a size 3 ball. Remaining divisions use a size 4 ball.

PRICE

All divisions - \$70 resident; \$84 Non-resident

For more information, call Wendy DuVall-Angelocci at (248) 347-0400 or e-mail her at wduvall-angelocci@ci.novi.mi.us.



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Kings of the league

'Cats secure purr-fect run for crown, earn their fifth-straight title

By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WAITER

It has been a season of domination for the Novi Wildcats baseball

They've hardly noticed their foes, mercying almost every team they've played in the conference and taking just two losses in a tough non-con-ference schedule.

ference schedule. Most recently, the 'Cats carned four more wins in the Kensington Valley Conference, beating Pinckney and Milford in double neaders

"They guys have just been deter-mined." Novi coach Rick Green said. "They vo been playing some of the best backelal I've seen from them. They have some big goals in mind and are determined to reach down."

In fact, even though they wrapped Wildcats seemed to even notice. "I'm not sure they even cared, to tell you the mith," Green said, "They

have something else in mind this year. I plan on telling them congrat-ulations before we play Brighton. They won the KVC. I'm sure they've all realized it, but they want more." That wasn't apparent when the

Novi players took on and pounded Pinckney last Friday. They beat them 10-0 in a mercy and 7-0. In the first game, Mike Hart threw a no-hitter over five innings with six

strikeouts Adam Brandeau was solid, crank-

ing out three RBIs in the game before it was called due to the mercy rule.

"I think Adam is really getting hot right now and is looking forward to the District tourney," Green said. "When he's on, he's as solid as they come.

In the second game, it was all about Kevin Cislo from the mound, The junior struck out 10 over the course of the contest.

"His velocity was great," Green said, "He was browing very well," Ryan Regan looked strong through the day, going 2-for-2 in the very days. second game.

Novi collected just five hits in the second game, but had eight guys waked and went 9-for-9 on stolen bases with Cislo and Matt Nickels currently leading the team in that department

Against Milford, Novi won the first game 12-1 and the second game 11-1. Billy Morrison won the opener, striking out 10 in six innings, while senior Chris Scott carned the win in the second game. "Chris would be a number one

pitcher on a lot of the teams in the KVC," Green said. "We just have an extremely deep pitching staff." Green added that he is looking to

use Scott in the Districts and the state playoffs if his squad makes it that deep. The senior is a quality pitcher and is strong against left handers.

Zach Flavin looked strong, notching 10 RBIs in the two games with

"I think he has 55 right now," Green said of Flavin's season RBIs. "He has nine home runs." Nickels went 2-for-4 in the first game and 2-for-2 in the second

ame with a home run in the night-

Track boys shock league

By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER

Mathematically, the numbers were staggering. If the Novi Wildeats wanted to win their conference, they'd have to finish in third place in the league meet and hope the Pinckney Pirates would be able to beat the Millord Mavericks.

the Milford Mavericks. The Pirates weren't up to the task though, but the Wildcats found another way to accom-plish their task. They instead finished second in the league meet, toppting Pinckney and Brighton to carn the top spot in the Kensington Valley Conference. Conference.

It worked out well. Novi and Brighton headed into the KVC model to the KVC meet tied for first place with each squad being awarded 7 Ω points for the tied position. Milford finished third and had points for the field position. Milford finished third and had six points while Pinckney was fourth with five points. The winner of the league meet, which was Milford, earned eight points for a total of 14. Novi took second and was thus given seven points, earning a total of 14 Q points to win the Kensington Valley Conference outright. "It was an awesome show we put on," Novi coach Bob Smith said of the meet. "It was such a close season that we didn't know what to expect really. The top four teams in the confer-ence were the closest I've ever seen. Nonnally, there are two

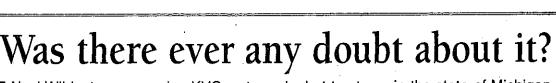
scen. Normally, there are two strong teams that could win the conference, this year there were four.

The Wildcats didn't mind. The Wildeats didn't mind. They headed into the confer-ence meet looking to make the most noise they could – and talk about an explosion. The 'Cats had just two first place finishes but used their depth to keep them in the running. Taking first was the 4-by-200 team of Justin Davis, Josh Woods, Brandon Cales and Carl Yiu in a time of 1:31.20. An impressive time to say the least,

impressive time to say the least, considering the squad broke their own school record with

Also earning a first-place fin-ish was the 4-by-100 team of Davis, Woods, David Carnegie and Yiu. That squad combined their talents for a run of 44.20 seconds.

Novi sophomore Tim Min competes in the long jump during a track meet at Hartland High in May. The Wildcats had strong per-formances across the board, fastest time by any Wildcats in the 400-meter dash for three seasons. Unfortunately, espe-Two guys who really helped make the difference in the final score were Amoi Huprikar and Mark Moore – both juniors. "They really stepped up," Smith said. "The 4-by-200 team wasn't even seeded first. They the run. wash i even seeded first. They were confident, as was J, that they'd prove to be the top seed-ed team by the end of the meet. They did." One of the more notable runs cially in the KVC, the time wasa't good enough for first and Sisson crossed the line as was by Trent Sisson, a senior who will graduate Saturday. Sisson scorched out a time of 'They've underperformed all Continued on B5 51.30 seconds to mark the the fifth fastest in the league.



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Another impressive performance came from Tyler Farrant, who went 2-for-2 with two RBIs and two runs scored.

"He's one of the hardest workers on the team, if not the hardest, Green said.

Doug Benton and Scott have been well through the last few weeks too. Benton was on a streak, hitting five home runs in four game with the first five RBIs of the game against South Lyon recently. Scott hit three homers in a double

header against Lakeland with eight RBls

"Once he gets hot, he's on a roll," Green said. "Hopefully, he gets on a roll in the state playoffs." The Wildcats will play Salem at

noon Saturday in the District Tournament. The same will be held at Salem with the finals coming at 3 p.m

Novi is currently 26-2 on the year. The teams have been impressive over the years," Green said. "We've won the KVC for the past five years." This year, it was pretty easy and that's a credit to this team.

Sam Eggleston is the sports writer for the Northville Record and the Novi News. He can be reached at 1248) 349-1700, ext. 104 or at seggleston@ht.homeconum.net.

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Novi Wildcats soccer wins KVC, gets ranked at top team in the state of Michigan

By Sam Eggleston

We're number one!

Only one team has a right to chant that before all is said and done and that's the team that the soccer coaches' association chooses to be the top ranked team in

Michigan with a poli. That team happens to be the Novi Wildcats.

"We are now number one in Michigan," Novi coach Brian O'Leary said. "We finished the season with a 17-1 overall record, 11-0 in the KVC and are KVC champs for the second year in a 10W

And for the second year in a row, the Wildcats found themsolves doing something that no other Wildcats squad had done in the previous years – they beat the Brighton Bulldogs. This time, Novi walked away victorious, 2-0. Even with the win, O'Leary said his squad could have come into the

game with a more ferocious attitude.

"Brighton gave a very inspired effort and we gave an average effort," he said.

The Wildcats scored the first goal of the game about 25 minutes into the contest. Moe Pawlak had a near-breakaway and took the ball in with a hard shot on goal. The shot bypassed the goalie, hit the post and rebounded into the box where Chelsea Atiyeh was waiting to knock it into the empty net for the 1-0 lead and the only score of the first half.

It wasn't until 20 minutes into the second half that the Wildcats ere able to add a second tally, his time, Stephanie Crawford This took a nice crossing pass from Pawlak and dribbled around the Brighton goalie to put the score into the open net for the 2-0 lead and the final goal of the game. But, the Bulldogs weren't fin-

ished trying. "Brighton held a strong advan-tage in possession of the ball but never really got any quality scoring chances," O'Leary said.

With about four minutes left to play, the Bulldogs got their best chance of the game. An aggressive comer kick by the Brighton squad found one of the 'Dogs heading the ball cleanly and right for the net. Kim Herbst, who earned the

shutout in goal for Novi, made a great move and saved the shot to preserve the victory and the utout

"On the other hand, we didn't possess the ball very well but had six great opportunities to score and converted two of them," O'Leary said of the flip side of the coin.

Coming off the bench and play-ing some remarkable soccer for the Wildeats, according to O'Leary, were Kellie Walker and Emily Eshmok

The Wildcats were gearing up for the post-season at last check, which began Tuesday when they hosted Redford Union after the Novi News went to print. The winner will take on Stevenson at Northville today at 4

p.m. The winner of that game will move on to play in the final tomor-row at 7 p.m. at Northville. "This is the hardest district in

the state," O'Leary said.

Novi is currently ranked first in the state, while Northville is sec-ond and Stevenson is fifth.

"The winner of this district will have a great opportunity to go very far in the state playoffs," O'Leary

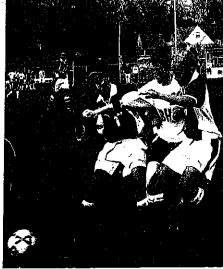


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Two Novi Wildcats trap a Brighton player in a game earlier this year.

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The final Kensington Valley Conference standings found the Wildcats finishing tied for see-

ond place along with Hartland

and Lakeland. South Lyon took

By Sam Eggleston

It was a season of great moments for the Novi Wildcats golf team. The most notable? A second place finish in the Kensington Valley Conference against some quality programs such as Howell, Hartland, Lakeland and

South Lyon. In the Post-KVC, the KVC Dual Standings South Lyon 7-0 Wildcats found themselves tak ing fourth place with a 403 over 18 hours. 1. South Lyon 2. NOVI "The girls improved in mos 2. Hartland

everything they did and played in this year," Novi coach Deb Harris said, "I'm very proud of them.

Laura Vaughn led the pack and earned an All-Conference nod for her efforts. She shot a 93 to help her squad in the (The Inal standings are decided by the outcome of each team at both conference formaments and seven dual matches. Two points are awards of for each dual writing and for every opponent passed in the standings at each tournament.) inpressive showing. Jessica Westfall wasn't far

behind, shooting a 102, while Jackie Chudy and Becea Hughes both recorded 104s in the fourth-place effort. Also playing but not having their scores counted in the final tally was Audrey Oh and Lindsey Haslett. Oh shot a 106 and

Haslett carded a 109. In the Post-KVC tournament, first place. Earning conference honors was Vaughn, who was firstthe Wildcats had to make up a game against Howell and team. Honorable mention matched cards with the Kencingue Vollar Conf. Kensington Valley Conference nods went to Hughes, Jennifer McKenna, Asaka Akamatsu and Highlanders on the front side of the course. Novi won the matchfinishing with a dual meet - Westfall,

SPORTS SHORTS

Volleyball Camp Julie Fisette, who is the varsity volleyball coach at Novi, is holding a volleyball camp. The camp, which is stated to run June 21-25 with grades third through eighth going from 9-11:30 a.m. and ninth grade and up going from 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m. The cost of the camp is \$87 for Novi residents and includes a T ed at 18600 Haggerty Road. shirt. The cost will be \$92 for non-Novi campers. There will between Six and Seven Mile roads, just west of 1-275. also he a slew of various compe tions held during the five-day **Coaching positions**

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For more information, please orthville-Novi Youth call Clint Alexander at (248) 344-Association is looking 8420. lne all Association is looking for additional varsity players that reside in the Novi School District. A second team, Novi Bobcats, was created this year Coach Schluter's Novi summer basketball camps for Novi School District resi-All of the basketball camps are dents. The freshman and junior

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varsity teams were very success-ful in meeting the roster sizes. However, 15 additional varsity directed by Novi High School Boys Varsity Basketball Coach Pat Schluter, Schluter was Coach of players are needed that meet the the Year 2003-2004, and is also a the tear 2005-2004, and is also a Physical Education Teacher at Novi Meadows School. Camps-will be assisted by Novi Basketball Coaching Staff and high school players. All camps will be at the Novi Middle School neuronable roted following requirements: Ages 12 - 13 (As of July 31) with a weight maximum of 165 lbs. Age 14 (As of July 31) with a maximum weight of 130 lbs. The Novi Bobcats Varsity offers increased opportunities for the develop-ment of the serious youth footgym unless noted. Novi Wildcat Boys Baskethall Camp (Grades 3-9) Participants in this camp will receive knowledge of the game of ball player. Other benefits/advan tages of playing for the Bobcats include: roster size capped at 33 players, an eight-game schedule including playoffs, minimum basketball, as well as instruction aranteed game playing time, rest youth player to coach to aid in the development of their playing abilities, Empha ratio in the area and more pracplaced on all phases of the game tice time beared toward teaching including dribbling, shooting, niv oting, faking, rebounding, team the fundamentals of football. The Novi Bobcats provides a tun, family-orientated atmosphere in a variety of on and off the field activities. It you are going into the sev-enth or eighth grade and are serifootball and developing your skills further, please contact Ken Hasse at (248) 347-0343. shirt size (S.M,L,XL) when regis ering. Fee \$126.00 June 14-18, Monday-Friday

Shooting Camp (Grades 3-9)

July 26-30. Monday-Friday

Fee \$63.00



A KVC title is nice, but can they get more?

This is the kind of team that seems like it is infallible. Can they lose? Who can beat them? What makes them so strong? strong? So many questions, yet so little room in this column. Let's start with the can they lose question. Of course they can, but the real question is will they. The Novi Wildeats soccer team is the kind of squad that



for a while after this year. They come and they go as they please, often taking victo-ries with them. And, yet, it inst Northville. The othe teams in the tournament may doesn't scent very satisfying. have something to say about Sure, it's nice to beat basically that, but words have little every team they face, but is it chance of changing an out-really what they want? Probably not. This team will it up — and Novi has the guns.

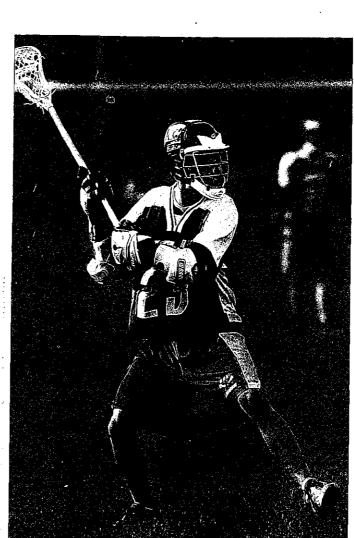
as much as hoisting a state finals championship trophy of the best. They can play with the best finals championship trophy of the best. They've proven that, Now, they have to prove they're the best Bre. The Wildcats have what it Are they the best in the

takes, Coach Brian O'Leary state? In this writer's opinion has seen it before because he's yes. But, like many of the coached the boys to that point coaches who east their vote for the rankings, not all of the n their hearts, the desire and he determination. the determination. And, yes, they have the skill. Instead, it's a statement spoken

The Novi Wildcats aren't about to be tripped up through the remainder of their regular and, more im This squad has the ability and, more importantly, the week three days that are left. Starting early next week they'll be playing in the posts season by starting things off against Redford Union, werk three days that are left. Starting early next week be determined, but some might they'll be playing in the posts against Redford Union, werk three days that are left. Starting early next week be determined, but some might the Vill deta to account the the the the Novi Wildeats.

against Redford Union. What are the chances Novi will win that game? Good. In fact, the squad is most likely for the Northville Record and the Novi Novs. He can be reached at Novi Novs. He can be reached at Novi Novs. 104 or at going to find themselves geared up for championship game in the district finals seggleston@ht.ht





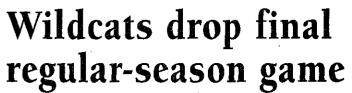
Wildcat senior and co-captain of the lacrosse team Brad Hunt prepares to take a shot on goal during a May home game.

Jags remain undefeated with win over West Michigan Edge

There's nothing quite like start-ing the season out in perfect form. shutouts in their first three matches. The defense is led my Mary Masck The Detroit Jaguars, which are based out of Novi, got their thirdand Heather Pedersen, who play in the middle of the back, and Rachel Rothenbach and Amanda Lentz straight victory in as many games when they took on the Western who play on the outside. The Michigan Edge and pounded them, Jaguars were able to hold the Edge o very few opportunities. "We are continually working on Detroit (3-0), now undefeated in

their inaugural season, came out sluggish but found a way to sort our defensive shape and organization," Fedrigo noted, "As a team we through it. With two goals from forward Therese Heaton and one from midfielder Gail Wilson, the believe it is going to be important as we get more and more into the season. We have some big games in the next few weeks and we are laguars found a way to capitalize "Being our first mid-week game, working towards solidifying our defense. It has been great that our was a little tough to get everybacks have been able to be so conthing sorted out and everyone on sistent for us so far this season." the same page," player coach Laura Fedrigo said, "The players have classes, jobs and their normal life Offensively, Heaton, who was W-League Player of the Week classes, jobs and their normal life to attend to during the day, it took has been able to find the net for s a little while to transition."

the Jaguars averaging two goals a game. She has had the game win-ner in each of the first three doing something right." The Jaguars have now outscored their opponents 8-0, having three



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By Sam Eggleston

It hasn't been the easiest sec-Novi Wildcats lacrosse team, Heading into the halfway mark, the 'Cats were boasting : 6-1 record and found them selves as one of the top teams in the state. Not only did they fend off the opponents that challenged them in their own Division II, but took on and defeated teams in Division I as Good things, unfortunately

don't last forever. The Wildcats dropped their final regular sca-son game, 7-4, against Lansing Waverly and ended their sched ule with a 9-5 record as they prepried for the post-season. The squad from Waverly was the first to get on the board, receipting in the first queries to

scoring in the first quarter to take a 1-0 lead before the Novi's Rob Carter rears back with the ball in the net of his stick and prepares to fire a shot on goal during a Wildcats were able to formulate home game in May against Ann Arbor Huron. Carter an answer. That particular solu-tion came in the same shape as scored on this shot, too.

Photo by JOHN HEIDER

In addition to their wins on the

field, the Jaguars have worked hard to make a difference off the field. The game against the Edge was to

benefit the Race for the Cure. The

players will be running in the race Saturday and had registration for volunteers, racers and ribbon deco-

The squad also has been lookin

out for those in need that aren't quite human. In their first game, they collected over 60 gallons of

"Making a difference in the

community is probably the single best thing that we will do all sea-

son," Fedrigo said. "It is just won

derful when you see youth players

coming up today with baggies full of change from their piggy banks to

donate to the Race, saying that they

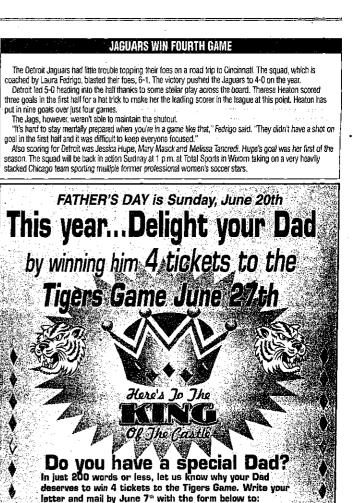
pet food for the Humane Society

rating for the children.

ball in and fired home a shot for the knot, 1-1. The Wildcats took the lead in the second quarter, scoring the only point of the stanza. Policicchio arbit was their six unanswered as they be found a sprinting Favorite with a sweet pass. Favorite made short work of the defense and notched a goal for the 4-1 final notice advantage. . Unfortunately, that was the Policicchio earned four points

to Parker Beard, who slammed home the shot for the 2-1 lead last time a shot by the Wildcats would find the back of the net. Waverly scored two goals to while Favorite had two points on one goal and a single assist. It appeared as though Novi would take control of the game and not bother to look back as the third quarter of play to the third quarter of play to the third quarter. Policicchin Novi. After that, it was as took a pass from John Favorite

and rocketed home a goal for stop their charging foes, the 3-1 advantage before he Waverly continued to nued to presup with Favorite once sure, adding four more goals to





Jaquars host soccer camps So you want to be trained by the best? Well, the W-League's best? For more information, please Detroit Jaguars are prepared to contact Novi Community Education at (248) 449-1206. Registration begins May 3. strut their stuff in a very educa tional environment for soccer players of all skill levels. The Jags, which are based out of Novi, will be holding three

Novi's Laura Vaughn tees off on the second hole of

Novi's River Bank golf course during a match in mid-

May against Ann Arbor Huron.

Basketball camp The Northville Mustangs foot-The Novi Wildcats girls' basket-

camps through fune and July that will run from Monday through Thursday from 9-10:30 a.m. each ball team will be holding a summer basketball camp for interested tions on their staff. The freshman, junior varsity and varsity teams have openings for interested canplayers from third grade through incoming ninth graders. The camp, which costs \$126 per The cost of the camps are \$125 per player each week. They will be held at Total Sports on Wixom player, focuses primarily on the Road

fundamentals, but advances fur-ther for the older players to the point that the incoming freshman will be taught the offense, defense More details are available a www.detroitjaguarstcom as is the downloadable and printable registration forms. and team philosophy of the high

school programs. Campers get a T-shirt, a basket-Softball tryouts Softball tryouts for the Girls' ball and a certificate of completion for attending the camp and will be taught by varsity coach Bill Kelp as well as the varsity players. Fastpitch Summer Incredible League, varsity and junior varsity, will be June 7 at 5 p.m. at the Northville High School diamond. There will also he trophics given out for various contests through-Rain day will be Jane 8 and June 9 if necessary. All girls who will be of high school age for the 2004-05 out the week and individual

The camp will consist of two sessions each day from June 14school year are eligible to play. This includes current 8th through 18. The first session - for third through fifth grades — will run from \$:30 a.m. until noon while the second - for sixth through

11th graders. more information, contac Jim Long during the day at (248) 349-0373 and evenings at (248) ainth — will run from 1-4:30 p.m. 349-5246. Both sessions will be held in the high school field house each day. Compiled by Sam Eggleston



be looking for something much more than a KVC crown. Yeah. From the ever-popular Moe it's nice to have. But is it Pawlak to Chelsea Atiyeh to

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Golf tournament auction features Ryder Cup tickets

Golfers at the Schoolcraft College Foundation Golf Classic can bid on two tickets to the 2004 Ryder Cup even though the tickets have been long sold out. The two packed with instruction, techweekly season tickets will enable the holders to attend all six days of the Ryder Cup matches Sept. 14-Emphasis will be placed on 3 19, including the opening cere-monies on the grounds of Oakland point shooting, free throws, shoot-ing of the dribble, and spot shoot-Hills Country Club. Schoolcraft's annual tourna-ment raises funds for student ing. Awards will be given to shoot-ing contest winners. Gym clothes ind shoes are required.

scholarships and for instructional initiatives. Participants will enjoy 18 holes of golf at the private Walnut Creek Country Club in South Lyon. Individual golfers can register

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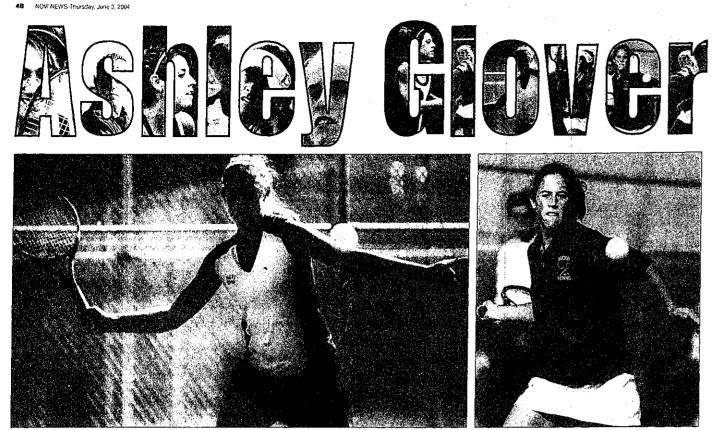


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Atlact Side Phot Detroit Jaguar Theresa Dwyer, a midfielder, takes the ball up the field against a ender earlier this year.

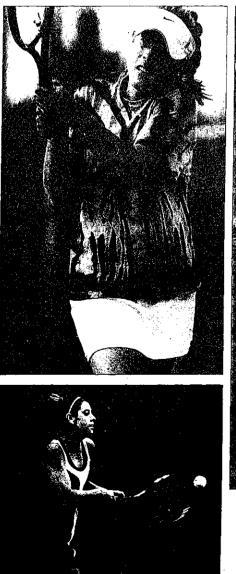
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Left: Ashley Glover as a savvy senior lead her squad to a fourth-straight Kensington Valley Conference and a state finals berth; RIGHT: As a freshman, Glover was intimidated at Inst as the one singles player on varsity, but came on strong to help lead Novi to a KVC title. She won a conference title in each of her four years on varsity; INSET: Glover takes a moment at the Sports Club of Novi to pose for a photo while practicing the game she'll take to college at Eastern Illinois; BOTTOM LEFT: Glover as a junior and full of confidence; BOTTOM RIGHT: As a sophomore, Glover was quick to prove her freshman year was no fluke; BOTTOM: Glover nearing graduation, working hard at the Sports Club of Novi.

Eastern Illinois, here she comes





By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER

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ness field.

Four years of playing number one singles at Novi High School lends itself heavily to a collegiate career — and Ashley Glover is man and moved right into the one scholarship. singles position, "I love it," Glover said of the game of tennis, "I've been playing more than happy to take advantage of that

game of tennis, "Tve been playing since I was eight." Though she was the best tennis player on her team for the past four years, her beginnings at Novi weren't the most relaxing. "At first it was very intimidat-ing," she said. "Being around all the underclassmen made me a little nervous. Lended up bonding really The senior, who will graduate Saturday, has announced that she will pursue another stint of competitive tennis as a Panther at Eastern

inois. "I was at a college-exposurecamp this, summer at Western nervous. Lended up bonding really Michigan and the Eastern Illinois well with the girls and it was really coach showed some interest in me," she said, "I visited the camfun. It was a great first year for Me." Of course, it helped that Glover pus, really liked it and it all came was just one of many impressive freshman that year. She and four others - Lauren Carosio, Coleen Brockman, Laura Vaughn and together. It all worked out for me in Glover said that Eastern Illinois s a medium-sized Division 1 school and has everything she

Anna Switzer - joined the team and were impact players all four years, winning the Kensington Valley Conference each of their needs to pursue a degree in adver-tising and marketing in the busi-Plaving tennis in college just seasons together.

seemed like a natural progression for the outstanding netter. She made the varsity team as a fresh-Glover needed to earn a college in with someone she has never met "I think that prepared me a lot." before. It will also be strange being without her mother and father, Cathy and Mark, or little brother she said. "I got to play every high

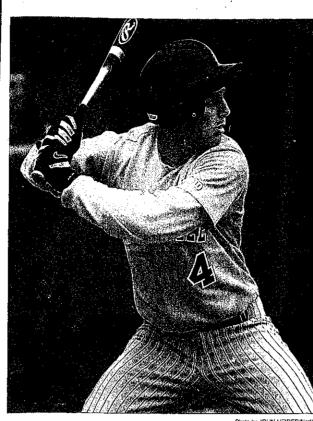
school's best player. At states, I played against some of the best Brett, who is a freshman this year at Novi High School. Of course, before heading to Eastern Illinois, Glover said she players in Michigan. It was a great experience." Of course, playing against the has some things to work on.

best never led to the greatest record on the team, but Glover said she didn't mind and said she never looked at her record. Instead, she "I'm focusing on improving my overall game," she said. "Another key will be improving my physical ability. I'm working with a trainer went out each day looking to play her best game. And Glover benefited from the to help get me prepared for the college level." If Glover takes the talent, deter-

coaching from two different fronts. mination and dedication that made Jim Flanson, the boys' and girls' varsity coach at Novi, and her her so successful at Novi to Eastern Sports Club of Novi coach Andy Laredo helped teach her the ins and Illinois, her time at that college level should be grea

outs of the game. "It helped a lot that I had a coach Sam Eggleston is the sports write I could work with all the time at the for the Narthville Record and the Sports Club," she said. "Jim helped me out a lot with the mental part of Novi News. He can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 104 or at the game. He's just a great guy. seggleston@ht.homecomm.net.





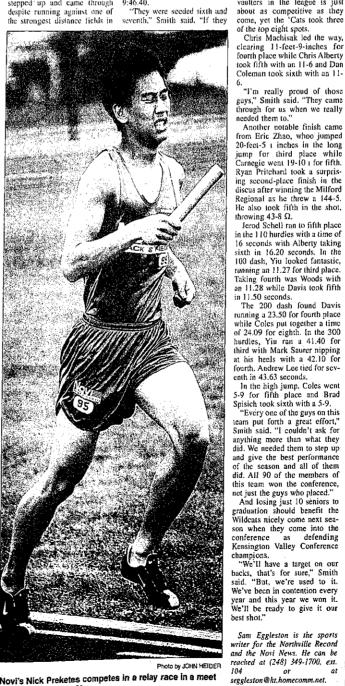
Phote by JOHN HEIDER/Northville Record Mustang Brett Asher waits for his pitch during an April game at Northville's home

'Cats shock league with KVC title victory

Squad upends Milford, Pinckney and Brighton to prove their worth in the conference this season

Michigan. The Kensington hadn't run out of their minds. Continued from B1

Valley Conference has always been known to be laden with take second place." season," Smith said. "They would be the first to admit that two-mile and mile talent. Huprikar took second in the and say they aren't having the seasof they would." event, running a time of 9:44:10 while Moore took fourth in Thitlie two-mile event, the duo stepped up and came through 9:46.40.



Northville wins the conference, division

It's official. The Northville Mustangs baseball team is the king of the Western Lakes Activities Association. After securing the Western Division two weeks ago, the Mustangs had to wait and see who they'd be taking on for the confer-ence title. The foe ended up being Wayne Memorial, who played Northville every step of the way before the Mustangs emerged vic-

pitcher," Northville coach Mickey Newman said, "We wanted to be patient and make him throw a lot of

Smart thinking

The strategy worked brilliantly. The Mustangs fell behind almost immediately and found themselves

down 1-0 after two innings of play. Mark Sorensen stepped up to the plate after Steve Besk singled to get on the bag. A double by Sorensen, who is a senior, scored the junior for the down and the statement of t for a 3-2 lead. for the tied game.

remarkable job." Sam Eggleston can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 104 or at seg-

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But the duo did, which

inspired the trio of pole vaulters the Wildcats have depended on

all year. The field of the top 10 vaulters in the league is just about as competitive as they

Junior Varsity Baseball up eight hits and threw four strike outs. In the second game, South Lyon won 7-2. Novi could The Wildcats split a double header with South Lyon May In the first game, with Novi down 2-0 in the bottom of the last inning with two out and the muster only five hits while committing three costly errors, two with the bases londed. All South Lyon runs were bases loaded. Andrew McGinn hit a two-run double to tie the uncarned. Hitters in the game for Novi were Steve Hart (two singles) Steve Gillam (one double), and Matt Perelli (one single). game and send it into extra nnings. In the bottom of the seventh, Matt Simpson led off with a walk and stole second. After a strikeout and a pop fly for an The 'Cats took two games from Milford High School two days later. In the first game of the twin bill, Yusuke Kumazaki out, Simpson moved to third base on a passed ball. base on a passed ball. Miles Young worked the bit to right field to send Simpsonhome and win the Richard Vandeveer who gave
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getting stronger an stronger,' Newman said.

The Zebras had a chance to pu

the game away in the fifth with no

outs and a runner at first and third with a 2-1 lead. The third batter popped out before Jeff Richard keyed a double play to get them out

of the inning. "It was a huge play by Jeff,"

Newman said. The victory marked the second of Northville's season goals. They

won the division and then moved

"They were very excited," Newman said of his squad. "Our

number one goal every year is to win the division and then the con-

ference. In the playoffs, we'll just do the best we can."

And every bit of the credit goes

By Sam Eggleston RECORD SPORTS WRITER

In the fourth, the Zebras struck usuin, going up 2-1. It wasn't until the sixth inning with five hits, one walk and six aguin, going up 2-1. It wasn't until the sixth inning that Northville's plan began to at Northville's plan began to ork as they had hoped. "We had their pitcher at 81 pitch-...more and more tired, Sorensen was work as they had hoped. es going into the sixth inning." Newman said. "By the end of the game, he had thrown 126." The Mustangs were quick to take to take advantage of the tiring hurler. They scored three runs in the sixth to seal the victory, 4-2. Matt Williams, who is considered one of the best catchers in the

torious, 4-2. "We knew they had a great state, led off with a double before Brendan Buckley beat out a throw to first base on a single to putt run-ners at first and second. Buckley, who is a speedy base runner, then stole second.

pitches. If we could tire him down, Hey batter, batter! we figured we'd be able to hit him in the later innings." That's when senior Brett Asher

stepped up to the plate. He didn't exactly knock the dirt from his cleats and call his shot, but he was just as effective in demoralizing the

to the players. "They stayed patient early on and really made our strategy work," Newman said, "The kids just did a Zebras. With a swing of the bat, he cranked out a hard base hit that scored both Williams and Buckley With two outs, Brian Tellish fin-ished Northville's foes off with a

double to score his teammate. Sorensen, who was the winning eleston@ht.homecomm.net

Greg Morrisette with the win ning run in the bottom of the ninth. Novi had to rally to score two runs in the bottom of the seventh and again in the eighth to be able to take the game into the ninth. Key hits in those two innings were by Craig Lawler, Steve Hart and Miles Young. In the night-cap, Novi was

again victorious in extra innings. This time the score was 15-14. Vandeveer was the pitcher of record and also scored the win-





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Novi's Nick Preketes competes in a relay race in a meet at Hartland High in May.



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Scam-proof financial information

Victims of fraud reported losing over a half a billion dollars in 2003, according to the Federal Trade Commission (FTC). The Trade Commission (FTC). The agency logged more than 500,000 consumer complaints. Fraud relat-ed to Internet auctions, Internet sales, bogus sweepstakes, as well as other kinds of fraud, accounted for more than 58 percent of the complaints, identity theft account-ed for the remaining 42 percent of complaints, an increase of about 2 percent over 2002.

Education and awareness are your best defenses against fraud. By learning about fraud-and how you may be vulnerable --- you remove the element of surprise, the scammers' biggest advantage in his scheme to separate you from your money.

Here is a sampling of scans (there's too many to list) to be on the lookout for along with some steps you can take to protect yourself. You can view additional seams on Bankrate.com at http://www.bankrate.com/brm/ne ws/advice/20030620a1.asp#main.

Counterfeit credit cards. A fraudster, posing as a clerk, wait-er, or anyone whom you've hand-ed your card to for payment, uses a process called "skimming" to pull data from your card. Instead of just charging your card, the scarnmer will make an extra swipe into a device the size of a pager called a skimmer. The skimmer stores the data until it can be downloaded and sold to make counterfeit cards.

To protect yourself, keep an eye on your eard at all times. Use your card at trusted businesses and establishments address and establishments where you're familiar with the staff. And each month review your credit card statements, line by line, to make sure there aren't any unauthorized transactions on your account, While you won't be responsible for the purchases with a counter-feit credit card, it could take you months, even years, to sort out your credit report after a thief makes the charges in your name. Twice a year order a copy of your credit report from the three

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tion site and you get an e-mail from someone offering you the same product at a chapper price, delete it. If this mystery person is anything like a Kentucky man arrested in November of 2003 for Control to the standard standard standard standard Control to the standard standard standard standard from the standard stan offering to sell items he didn't have, he'll ask you to send money for the item. And you'll receive nothing in return. Credit card three-digit code

scarns. The three-digit code on the back of your credit card may be all that a crook needs to complete all that a crook needs to complete a fraudulent transaction. Be wary of callers who say they're with the fraud departments at VISA or MasterCard and then ask you if you're purchased an anti telemar-keting device. When you say "no" they then tell you that there's been an unauthorized chance to your an unauthorized charge to your account for this device. Then they ask you to verify your credit card information and reveal your three-digit code so they can "block" the charge for this device.

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or e-mails you. frand

Details transform so-so to spectacular

Advertorial

Remodeling Remedies cures makeover woes By Annette Jaworski

The kitchen is heart of your home and the hub of entertain-ment. Now it can be as beautiful as it is efficient, says Jim Faydenko of Remodeling

WHITER

Faydenko of Remodeling Remedies in South Lyon. Paying attention to details can transform a kitchen from so-so to spectacular, and there are lots of exciting new trends that can make it attractive and functional. A kitchen remodel is one of the most practical and satisfying improvements a homeowner can make, says Faydenko.

Two Rooms In One

One of the latest trends in kitchen design is the open floor plan, which includes the dining room area. That is, literally removing walls and combining the dining and kitchen area to create an open, airy look and a free flow of traffic.

After

Get Coaking

ond dishwashers, and double ovens make for an ideal place to prepare a meal. Panel kits can camouflage refrigerators to match the kitchen cabinetry.

Custom made cabinetry offers built in specialty drawers for conveniences like pull-out cut-ting boards, hidden bread boxes,

free flow of traffic. In many cases, the formal din-ing room is more like a museum - attractive but not very function-al. The open floor plan makes use of valuable space as well as the dining room furniture, which is usually a big investment. Now the family can use both on a duly basis daily basis.

Faydenko incorporated the concept into his own custom home, saying, "With the open floor plan, we don't have a dia-

ing room, it's built around the way we live." The layout suits their family with three children well, since they love to entertain and require a kid friendly design.

Lighten Up

Along with the open floor plan, creative and innovative uses for lighting are another of Faydenko's specialties. He sug-gests installing lighting in unique areas, such as underneath the upper cabinets allowing for optimal task lighting. When



full extension glides for deep drawers, spice drawers and sil-verware dividers.

it's especially nice in the evening, custing a soft glow and allowing you to navigate through the kitchen. He uses a special kind of xenon bulb that stays Today's islands also expand counter space and often use upscale materials such as solid cooler than a typical halogen surface countertops, like granite, or furniture-like detailing to become a focal point of the room. They also provide signifi-"I won't do another kitchen without it," the builder adds.

cant storage and offer extra serv-ing space while entertaining. Hardwood flooring and ceramic tile adds a sleek contem-Today's appliances are among the hi-tech trends. Many come in stainless steel or commercial styles. For the family that's seri-ous about conking, wine refrig-erators, warming drawers, see-ond dichwashere, and double porary look to the latest kitchen floors. Central vacuuming makes clean up quick and easy with a conveniently located toe-kick vac pan for disposal.

vac pan for disposal. When it comes to fixtures, Faydenko favors Grohe kitchen and bath fixtures for quality and styling. New set-in sinks make winner as been a based. wiping up a breeze. There's no lip around the edge, so sinks are flush with the counter. Even tan-gled electrical cords can disap-pear into the countertops with the use of a few tricks.

No Time Like The Present

Faydenko and his partner, Gary Hess, encourage anyone thinking of kitchen improve-ments not to wait. Often cus-tomers remodel just prior to putting their homes up for sale. They're missing out on years of

enjoyment. "Why wait when they can enjoy them now?" he points out. Remodeling dollars are not only a sound home investment, but something the client can also miny. A kitchen envedel that enjoy. A kitchen remodel that costs between \$28,000 and \$32,000, can net a 90 percent return on value when sold, according to Favdenko.

Finish The Job

Since the kitchen is the heart of the home, it stands to reason that a remodel project can be dis-ruptive. Faydenko understands this, and takes careful precauas smoothly as possible. One way they can ensure results at Remodeling Remedies is by con-trolling their labor force. Hess and Faydenko have employees who are scheduled in for clients'



Before

said.

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projects weeks in advance. "I know where the guys are going to be working well before they do. I'm in control of scheduling. My guys have my tools and I know when they clock in," he cid Their decades of experience

provide valuable input to any remodeling project, "We've been doing this for

years, and our experience shows in the quality and service we provide," he said.

provide," he said. Contact Remodeling Remedies toll free at (866) 226-9080 or (248) 486-7494. Check out their website for a wealth of information at www.remodelin-gremdies.com. They have taken the time to add links to all their favorite picks for materials.

Steps To A Dream Kitchen

It all starts with the client's call to the Remodeling Remedies office. The conversation will include talk about the project's budget, initial concepts and ideas for the proposed work and both the homeowner and Remodeling s will decide if they are a good fit for one another. If it is agreed that the next step should be taken, Faydenko will make an appointment to meet with the client and discuss the

project further. He strongly urges that both the husband and wife (or whoever else is involved in the decision making process) be on hand for this meeting. "Too many details get lost in the translation when one party tries to relay information on to the unavailable partner," says Faydenko. "It's a large invest-ment and needs to be thoroughly everyone understood by involved."

At this point a fee is collected by Remodeling Remedies and a design is created. This is a 3-D computer generated drawing of the proposed plan. Simultaneously, the client begins shopping for their products and fixtures. Remodeling Remedies provides a list of required mate-rials and recommended vendors. They re tried and true suppliers in the area. Once the design and product selection is finalized an exact detailed quote is calculated and presented to the homeown ers.

If the client chooses to go ahead with the project, the fee is If the client chooses to credited toward the cost of the iect. If the client choo another contractor - the plans another contractor - the plans, the product selections and the quote are still theirs to keep. Finally, let Remodeling Remedies go to work- then enjoy your new kitchen!



trends that can make it attractive and functional. A kitchen remodel is one of the most practical and satisfying improvements a homeowner can make. installed with a dimmer switch

international flair. If you're selling an item on the Internet, a car, for example, and you're contacted by someone who says he buys cars for oversees clients, think twice if he references a Nigerian connec tion. There have been numerous fraudulent schemes where buyers have sent cashiers checks more than the amount than the sellers have requested, and have asked the sellers to send the difference. The sellers refund the difference and later learn the cashiers check has bounced

To protect yourself...steer clear of business opportunities that involve a Nigerian connection. Or

involve a Nigerian connection. Or call the financial institution to ver-ify authenticity. File complaints with the Michigan Attorney General's Office at www.michigan.gov/ag. Questions can be directed to 1 (877) 765-8388. Also consider fil-ing a complaint with the FTC by phoning 1 (877) 382-4357. Or visit www.fc.gov. visit www.ftc.gov.

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Jim Faydenko, left, and the crew of Remodeling Remedles can make your home more attractive, inviting and more valuable.

