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Novi steamrolls Pinckney

The defending KVC champs earned a big win in their league opener, taking a convincing 42-6 victory over the up-and-coming Pinckney Pirates.

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Four charged in home invasion

■ Police say the suspects targeted home over Labor Day weekend.

By Pam Fleming
STAFF WRITER

Three men from Detroit and a Wixom man were arraigned this week for second degree home invasion following an incident last Sunday morning in Novi.

John McFarland, 19, Tyrone McFolley, 17, and Curtis Lee, 18, all of Detroit, and Anthony Freeman, 20, of Wixom were arraigned in 52-1 District Court in Novi

Tuesday. Novi police received a residential alarm call at 10:36 a.m. Sept. 5 on Beckenham.

Upon arrival, officers noted that there was a sliding door wall that was broken, leading to a walk-out basement.

Police made contact with the homeowners, confirming that it was an unauthorized entry. Officers canvassed the neighborhood and spoke to a neighbor, who observed a suspect vehicle in front of the residence.

He noticed two suspects leaving the backyard, who eventually entered the suspect vehicle and left the area.

"We issued a he-on-the-lookout for the suspect vehicle and the suspects' description. The West Bloomfield Township Police Department located the vehicle later in their jurisdiction," said Det. Jarrod Hart, Novi Police Department.

Upon further investigation, the suspect vehicle was broken down in a residential area in front of a home that was also broken into.

Located in the suspect vehicle were burglary tools and mail from the residence that was broken into in West Bloomfield.

Hart interviewed the suspects at the West Bloomfield Police Department. All four suspects confessed to the break-in in Novi.

"It was something they were planning for several weeks, and they finalized a plan on Saturday night, the reason being that this was a holiday weekend," Hart said. "They figured most people in our community would be out of town, and that if anyone was at home, they'd be in church on Sunday morning."

"From a crime-prevention standpoint, residents should be aware that criminals

operate on crimes of opportunity. They're planning out how they're going to commit their crimes when we're away. Also, residents might want to have a neighbor pick up their mail or have their mail stopped while they're away. Stealing mail is a way that they can gather someone's personal information."

The suspects, who left the break-in empty-handed, told police they were scared off by the alarm going off in the Novi residence.

Second degree home invasion is a felony punishable by not more than 15 years in prison.

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A night of good cheer



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Up in the air for the Wildcats

A quartet of Wildcat cheerleaders performed a stunt at Novi's season opener Pinckney as Kensington Valley football game at Chelsea. The Wildcats rebounded last Friday with a win over Pinckney as Kensington Valley Conference play began. For more, see Sports, page 1B.

Fuerst Farm Family Day set Sunday

■ Annual event includes several new activities

By Pam Fleming
STAFF WRITER

The annual Fuerst Farm Family Day will take place from 1-4 p.m. on Sunday at the farm at Taft and Ten Mile roads.

The event celebrates the community's rural history and provides recognition to one of Novi's best-known farm families.

"The Historical Commission is pleased to offer this family event that attracts residents of all ages," said Kathy Mutch, president of the Novi Historical Commission.

"We're looking forward to seeing familiar faces at the event as well as welcoming new ones," she said.

Events will include self-guided tours of the farm; wagon rides presented by Roy Prentice of Novi from Michigan State University's Tollgate Education Center in Novi; a variety of small

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Kathy Mutch
President, Novi Historical Commission

farm animals owned by Margaret Schmidt of Novi, known as "The Farm Lady," for visitors to see; apple tasting conducted by apple grower Roger Miller from Eaton Rapids, who specializes in antique-variety apples; farm-related games for children; and refreshments. Miller grows about 600 different types of apples at his Eaton Rapids orchard.

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McBeth appointed director of planning

By Kim Kovelie
STAFF WRITER

Barbara McBeth was appointed the City of Novi's acting planning director on June 28, and as of this Tuesday, the title became permanent.

City Manager Richard B. Helwig announced McBeth as the city's new planning director effective Sept. 7.

"We are delighted that Ms. McBeth competed for this appointment and prevailed," Helwig said in a statement. "It is a joy to have someone as talented as Ms. McBeth seek additional responsibilities and be selected from within our organization. We have consistently received compliments on her professionalism and work habits."

There were 27 applicants for the position, which opened up when previous director David Evancoe resigned in June. McBeth applied in mid-July, soon after the job was posted.

"I wasn't really sure what the plans were," McBeth said. "They had asked me to do the acting position for a while. We're hoping to keep the plan review center move forward (and) keeping the quality review letters going. We're consolidating our efforts here a little bit and continuing what we started."

McBeth, who joined the Novi staff in December 2001, helped to implement the plan review center,

which began about three years ago. Prior to that, she had served with the City of Southfield for 15 years.

While acting planning director, she was involved in the city's leadership group, providing administrative leadership and maintaining case management responsibilities.

Now, as planning director, she'll be responsible for all aspects of operating the planning department, from employee supervision and project management to budget preparation and contract management.

McBeth said another goal is continued work on updating the city's master plan. After work by the planning commission done over the past year and a half, she said, it's in the final stages, and should be ready in the next couple of months.

In her fulltime position, which pays a \$75,257 salary, McBeth will split her time between meetings and work in the office, and visiting the community, she said.

McBeth said she aims to stay involved in planning commission reviews.

"There's a lot of development projects," McBeth said. "I hope to continue to be involved in the review of some of those."

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Cable committee's future clouded

■ Two positions have been vacant for several months

By Pam Fleming
STAFF WRITER

The future of Southwest Oakland Cable Commission's Cable Access Committee, the group of volunteers whose mission is to promote cable access, is uncertain, with two positions on the committee still vacant. CAC is a nine-member committee whose members are

appointed the respective cities' mayors — four people from Farmington Hills, three from Novi and two from Farmington. But two positions — one in Farmington Hills and one in Novi — have been vacant for several months.

One vacancy is due to a death on the committee. Ben Marks, a former Farmington Hills resident, passed away in March 2004.

Pat Poirer of Novi resigned in the spring.

Replacements are appointed by the mayors with city council's approval.

Mayor Lou Csordas in Novi

said city council interviewed several people for the CAC positions a few months ago, but no one has come forward lately.

"They interview in front of city council, and then we vote," Csordas said.

The Cable Access Committee is just one of several committees mandated in the cable TV franchise agreement signed in 1982 to make certain that subscribers are represented to SWOCC, according to Mark Adler, a local cable access proponent.

Recently, Farmington Hills

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Novi man arrested for drunk driving

A 38-year-old Novi man was arrested for Operating While Intoxicated at 12:11 a.m. Aug. 27 at Foxton and Steeplechase. Two officers were driving east on Nine Mile Road near Center Street when they saw a car driving west on Nine Mile Road. The driver of the green 2000 Jaguar S-Type failed to dim his bright headlights as he came at the marked police car. The vehicle was also clocked with moving radar at 43 mph in a 30 mph zone. After making a traffic stop, the officer could immediately smell a strong odor of intoxicants coming from the passenger compartment. The man stated that he had been golfing and was returning from O'Leary's. When asked, he also said that he had consumed four or five beers. A blood alcohol test revealed a level of .17 percent.

Stop sign or stoplight?

A 23-year-old Ypsilanti man was arrested for Operating While Intoxicated at 1:43 a.m. Aug. 27

at Grand River Avenue and Novi Road. A 19-year-old Novi man was arrested for Operating While Intoxicated at 6:25 a.m. Aug. 29 at Ten Mile and Deck Roads. An officer was dispatched to a station facing northbound. He watched as a 1997 blue Ford Taurus came to a stoplight, stopped for several seconds at a solid red light, then turned left, disobeying the traffic signal as well as three no-left-turn signs posted at the intersection. The officer pulled the driver over at the Mobil gas station on the southwest corner of Novi Road and Grand River Avenue. The man said that he thought the intersection had a stop sign and that he was not from the area. The officer could smell the odor of intoxicants coming from the car and that the driver's eyes were slightly bloodshot. The driver told the officer that he had come from the Fifth Avenue bar, that he had four to five beers, and had stopped drinking about an hour ago. A breath analysis showed a blood alcohol level of .13 percent.

Asleep at the wheel

A 19-year-old Novi man was arrested for Operating While Intoxicated at 6:25 a.m. Aug. 29 at Ten Mile and Deck Roads. An officer was dispatched to a station facing northbound. He watched as a 1997 blue Ford Taurus came to a stoplight, stopped for several seconds at a solid red light, then turned left, disobeying the traffic signal as well as three no-left-turn signs posted at the intersection. The officer pulled the driver over at the Mobil gas station on the southwest corner of Novi Road and Grand River Avenue. The man said that he thought the intersection had a stop sign and that he was not from the area. The officer could smell the odor of intoxicants coming from the car and that the driver's eyes were slightly bloodshot. The driver told the officer that he had come from the Fifth Avenue bar, that he had four to five beers, and had stopped drinking about an hour ago. A breath analysis showed a blood alcohol level of .13 percent.

Retail fraud incident

A 31-year-old Southfield woman was arrested for retail fraud at 5:42 p.m. Aug. 29 at Lord & Taylor at Twelve Oaks Mall. Police were notified when sales prevention employees saw the woman take a \$170 silver bracelet from the jewelry department and switch the price tag to a \$30 bracelet. She then discarded the \$170 tag and proceeded to buy the bracelet. The entire incident was observed by loss prevention officers and caught on closed circuit TV.

Three arrested off Sixth Gate

An 18-year-old Livonia woman, 18-year-old Redford Township man and 17-year-old Livonia man were arrested for Violation of the Controlled Substance Act at 12:38 a.m. Aug. 21 at Sixth Gate and Grand River Avenue. Two Novi officers responded to a suspicious vehicle call in the area of Sixth Gate and Grand River Avenue. A vehicle was occupied by numerous subjects, and police asked why they were parked there. Police detected a strong odor of marijuana coming from the interior of the vehicle. The officer asked where the marijuana was, and the woman provided him with a baggie which contained a small amount of marijuana, saying that it belonged only to her. Upon searching the vehicle, the officer also found a bottle of gin; a full, unopened bottle of Molson beer; and an empty bottle of Jagermeister liquor. He also noticed another sandwich baggie of suspected marijuana and a glass marijuana bong inside the vehicle. Each subject said the items belonged to the Livonia woman, which she confirmed. The woman was arrested for possession of marijuana and possession of paraphernalia. While doing an inventory search of her property, police found another small baggie of suspected marijuana inside her wallet in her purse. She said she forgot that it was in her purse. Seven grams of marijuana was logged into evidence. The two men were arrested for Minor in Possession of Alcohol, and the Redford Township man was charged with Open Intoxicants in a motor vehicle.

Teachers can keep state-issued laptops till they break

Computers issued to sixth grade teachers in 2001 are titled to school districts

When teachers throughout Michigan received free laptop computers from the state's department of education in 2001, many wondered what the catch was. Apparently there was none. According to Jim Koster, Novi Community School District's assistant superintendent for business and finance, and those who are fortunate enough to have computers that are still functioning can keep them for as long as they are employed by their district or until the laptops break. If they don't work for the district anymore, the teachers must turn the laptops in to their district. "The teachers still use them, and probably when they break they're not worth anything," Koster said. "If they break they can bring them in to determine if they're worth fixing or not. If not, they're just disposed of."

In Novi, 350 Dell computers valued at about \$1,100 apiece were purchased - one for each teacher. The district received \$374,000 from the state for the computers because the state government wanted to ensure that teachers were as technically literate as students in the classroom. Greg Ford is the director for the office of communications, which is located in the office of the state

budget. He said that the laptops were paid for out of the state's school aid fund, which is the primary budget that pays for K-12 operations. Koster said that the computers are still titled to the school district that the teachers work in, but if they break, there won't be any replacement ones because there aren't any more available. "There are not any more com-

ing and teachers don't have to turn them in because they're still in use," Koster said. "We had a couple cases this past year where teachers brought broken ones in, but they weren't worth fixing."

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Jim Koster

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Fuerst Farm Family Day set for Sunday

Historic photographs of the farm will also be displayed in the Novi Township Hall next to the Novi Public Library. Several projects by University of Detroit students of architecture will also be on display in the Novi Township Hall. "What makes these projects interesting is that they present some design concepts for adaptive reuse of one of the barns on the Fuerst Farm," Much said. The Friends of the Novi Public Library will sell the tickets for a hand-made quilt that will be displayed at the Novi Township Hall during the event. Proceeds from the raffie will go toward the library. The library staff will have a crafts activity for children at the event.

Live music will be provided by the Just Friends Trio that performs acoustic folk tunes. The Fuerst Farm was a family-run farm and orchard. The Fuerst family bought the property in 1918. They moved from another farm that is now Detroit, Much said. The Novi City Council recently approved additional funding to the Novi Historical Commission's annual budget so that this free community event could take place this year. "The members of the commission appreciate the support of the community, especially the city council and community organizations that are participating in the event," Much said. For more information, call Much at (248) 224-4211.

Fuerst Farm Family Day

Here are the activities planned for Sunday's rural celebration at Ten Mile and Tait roads:

- Wagon rides
- Display of small farm animals
- Farm-related games and children's crafts
- Self-guided tours of the Fuerst Farm
- University of Detroit architectural students display
- Historic photographs of the Fuerst Farm
- Apple tasting
- Live acoustic folk music by the Just Friends Trio
- Hand-made quilt raffie
- Refreshments

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Cable committee's future clouded

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Mayor Vicki Barnett received a letter from resident, Bob Tubek, who was interested in filling one of the two open positions. But Barnett said rather than appoint Tubek, she is using a wait-and-see approach. "I don't want to appoint someone to a committee in which the current leadership has requested that no appointments be made until the committee clarifies its direction," Barnett said. She noted that SWOCC still has ongoing classes in which people can become certified to produce their own television programs, and they don't have to be on the Cable Access Committee to do that. "I think there is a misconception that you have to be a member of the Cable Access Committee to produce a program," Barnett said. "The whole purpose of cable access is to present local community viewpoints on issues and events, and we encourage that." Adler said he recently reapplied to be appointed when a vacancy became open in Novi and received no response from the city. He noted that at the July 14, 2004, meeting of SWOCC, it became clear SWOCC was considering removing CAC's place in the franchise agreement. "Without the CAC, there's no oversight of community access television," Adler said. Adler believes the committee is important and should not be disbanded. "Public access is designed to offer views from the public at no charge. Unlike newspapers or broadcast television, it's freedom of the airways. People can say what they want without reason. Public access is the only place where you can get on a soap box and express your point of view before a potentially large audience," Adler said. In fact, there have been studies by the Alliance for Community Media that show in colleges and affluent communities that cable access viewing is as high as 35 percent of the population, Adler said. Pat Isham of Farmington Hills, chaired the CAC for nine years. Her current term on the committee expires in February. "I would not be adverse to having it [the CAC] disbanded because we don't do anything. We have no 'hedge-making' ability," Isham said. "We did offer 10 suggestions to SWOCC at its last meeting chaired by SWOCC last spring of these were actually implemented," Isham said. Adler said the question is, "Where does public access fit in? It's for the public. Residents can have their public speaking and television production skills before college. Senior citizens use it as a hobby. Nonprofit groups can get their message across. It's not being utilized to its full potential," Adler said. Executive Director Collins agrees. "We'd like to see more input from more people," she said. "As far as I know, they [SWOCC Board members] are still talking about the committee itself," said Melissa Cohn, SWOCC community relations coordinator. "They're talking about maybe forming a different type of committee that would include less involvement from SWOCC staff and be more of a grassroots organization," Cohn said. "The goal of the Cable Access Committee, or whatever its new name may be, is to promote public access and community access," Collins said. "Should this group be reconfigured? Should it be reelected? There's nothing definitive yet," she said. Pam Fleming is a staff writer for the Novi News. She can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 103, or by e-mail at pfleming@ht.hometown.com.

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FAITH CALENDAR

• **Dr. Richard J. Henderson and the congregation of Faith Community Presbyterian Church** invites you to worship on Sunday, Sept. 12 at either 9 or 10:30 a.m., as we return to our normal two services with Rally Sunday and communion. All children are invited to attend Sunday School, preschool through Senior High. Nursery care is available. Our youth groups, both senior and mid high, will begin meeting on Rally Sunday. Bible Sunday will be Sept. 19. All children, third grade and up, will receive a Bible. Any child interested in receiving communion at Faith Community is invited to attend the Sacrament Orientation class, led by Dr. Henderson, on Sunday, Sept. 26 at noon. There is a small amount of reading required in this class. Faith Community Presbyterian Church is located at 44400 W. Ten Mile Road in Novi, Call (248) 349-2345.

• **The Church of the Holy Family** offers a Spanish speaking mass once a month. All masses begin at 6:30 p.m. on Saturdays in the church. Sept. 25; Oct. 30; and Nov. 27. The church is located at 24505 Meadowbrook Rd., between Ten Mile and Grand River Avenue. Call (248) 349-8847.

• **The Meadowbrook**

Congregational Church is holding its Annual Chickenfest Dinner, scheduled for Sunday, Sept. 12, from 1-4 p.m. This event is open to the public, and the cost is \$8 for adults and \$5 for children. The church is located at 21355 Meadowbrook Rd. in Novi. Call (248) 348-7757.

Christian Rock Band Broken Yoke

DATE: Friday, Sept. 17
TIME: 8 p.m. (doors open at 7:30)
LOCATION: Walled Lake Western High School (600 Beck Road, north of Pontiac Trail).
DETAILS: XPM Student Ministries of Crosspointe Meadows Church in Novi hosts Christian rock band Broken Yoke. Broken Yoke have played concerts with such bands as Newsboys, Third Day, Michael W. Smith and Relient K. Tickets are \$7.

CONTACT: Jessica Holder, director of XPM Student Ministries, (248) 427-2700, Mon-Thurs, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

Worship Service

DATE: every Wednesday
TIME: 12:10-12:50 p.m.
LOCATION: Church of the Holy Cross, 46200 W. Ten Mile Rd. (between Beck and Taft roads), Novi.

DETAILS: Come and share your lunch hour with God at a worship service that includes scripture and holy communion.
CONTACT: (248) 349-1175 or www.churchoftheholycross.com

St. James Catholic Church Friendship Circle

DATE: second Thursday of 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 Taft and Beck roads).
CONTACT: (248) 348-9138 or joyovakd@earthlink.net.

Women's Prayer Support

DATE: every Saturday
TIME: 9-10:30 a.m.
LOCATION: Harvest Fellowship Church, 49329 Pontiac Trail, Wilson (parking is behind the church).

DETAILS: You are welcome to come for encouragement, help, hope and prayer as you face life's problems, issues and frustrations. Drop in for five minutes or longer.

CONTACT: Nancy and Susan at (248) 926-8332 or by e-mail at harvestfellowship@comcast.net.

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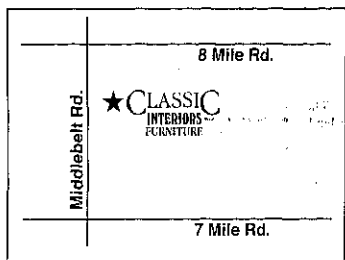
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Novi resident wins 'Maestro' award

■ Excellence in program size and growth is honored

By Ramez Khuri
STAFF WRITER

If she's not careful, Novi resident Karen Schanerberger may have a dynasty on her hands. Not only is she an early childhood specialist at Evola Music of Canton, but she has also been named a Maestro Producer for the third straight year by Kindermusik International, the world's leading publisher of music and movement programs.

The Maestro Producer award recognizes excellence in program size and growth. Kindermusik programs at Evola Music of Canton are in the top 5 percent internationally.

"I'm very excited," Schanerberger said. "It makes me feel really good. I've worked hard for this, and I love what I'm doing."

Schanerberger gets especially excited when she receives positive feedback from parents and students about how much the program is affecting their lives.

Kindermusik has three maestro programs - masterful teaching, outreach and production. Production basically means the size of an instructor's program. It is an international music program that has to be licensed to teach. Schanerberger tells everybody that she teaches Kindermusik because she wanted to work with young children and that she thought that Kindermusik was the best program out there.

"We work with what they call foundations of learning, which means that every activity we do is researched with what the developmental aspects of that activity

are," Schanerberger said. "We have many different areas that we know the children are going to benefit from. Music is based with math, it's based with language and there is a lot of physical development with music."

Schanerberger won the Maestro Producer, which means she's in the top 5 percent internationally in program size.

"I just started the program six years ago," she said. "This is my fourth year maestro status and being able to maintain that for the last three years is pretty exciting."

Schanerberger is one of 5,000 licensed educators in the world who use Kindermusik's music and movement curricula. She

has been providing Kindermusik at Evola Music in 1998 with two small classes. This fall, Evola offers 15 classes in four different age groups to area families.

In the last year, Schanerberger has provided free musical story times around the local area and is the lead teacher for a growing staff of Kindermusik educators. She has a degree in vocal performance with a minor in piano. She has been teaching for about 30 years, working with children's choirs, adult choirs, teaching private piano or teaching private voice.

"I'm truly blessed and excited that families have enjoyed and learned from their classroom experiences," said Schanerberger. "I am very appreciative of the loyalty of our students and their willingness to share their enthusiasm with family and friends."

The Maestro Program recognizes licensed Kindermusik educators who master one of three levels in early childhood development: Fast-growing programs, outstanding community service and teaching excellence.

For more information, visit www.kindermusik-evola.com.

Ramez Khuri is a staff writer for the Novi News. He can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 110 or by e-mail at rkhuri@lahome.com.



Karen Schanerberger's teaching method and program size helped her win the Maestro Producer award at the Evola Music of Canton.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Novi Town Center 8 Theater presents its Free Fall Matinee series starting Sept. 11. Local children and their families can enjoy movies free of charge every Saturday and Sunday at 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. through Nov. 7.

This series is designed to allow everyone the opportunity to enjoy quality family oriented films. Each week the theater presents a different movie free of charge. Anyone wishing to see one of the free films simply goes to the theater. No ticket purchase is necessary for anyone. Each presentation has a 15 minute intermission to allow the kids and parents to stretch.

This season will see the introduction of the company's new mascot, Kemal Kim. The friendly popcorn character will appear at theaters as a four foot inflatable, making a great photo op for kids. This season will also feature a Digital Projection Premier presentation of the feature Lilly The Sparrow.

The movies in this series are: "Agent Cody Banks 2," Sept. 11 and 12; "Cheaper by the Dozen," Sept. 18 and 19; "Peter Pan," Sept. 25 and 26; "Scooby Doo 2," Oct. 2 and 3; "New York Minute," Oct. 9 and 10; "Lilly The Sparrow" (A Digital Premier), Oct. 16 and 17; "Two Brothers," Oct. 23 and 24; "ELE," Oct. 30 and 31; "Garfield," Nov. 6 and 7.

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Novi resident Kristen Sorok has received an Academic Achievement Award from The College of Wooster (Cleveland, Ohio).

Richard R. Harris of Novi was among the graduates at the University of Notre Dame during spring 2004 commencement exercises. He is currently pursuing a Ph.D. in Latin American/Comparative Politics at the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill.

Novi resident Janine Waranowicz has been named as a winner of the Heritage Scholarship at Denison University, Granville, Ohio. She is a 2004 graduate of Novi High School.

NOVI TOWN CENTER 8

MOVIE GUIDE

FREE
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AGENT CODY BANKS 2 (PG)

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PG-13
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SINGLES 2 (PG)
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THE BUTTER (PG)
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Welcome to Novi, new teachers!

Jeff Dinkelman
School teaching at: Novi High School
Subject or grade teaching: math
Residence: Madison Heights
Why I came to Novi: This is an opportunity to teach in a growing, supportive school district that has a lot of great changes going on in it. Who I admire: I admire Larry Brown, coach of the Detroit Pistons. He was able to meld a team together of league journey-men as well as some league stars to make a championship team working towards one goal. He got past individualism that runs rampant in professional sports and got 12 grown men to work together and accomplished the goal of all basketball players.
Prior to Novi: I taught math for five and a half years in Royal Oak, splitting time at both Kimball and Dandridge.
What are you looking for in your new position? I have now taught one semester at the high school of St. Charles in January and am looking forward to getting to know the staff, students, and parents of the district better. I was a whirlwind semester last year, but I feel I let more commingle with the new school and the wonderful opportunities that I have here.
Why did you choose teaching as your profession? I always liked helping people and felt working with children to be a strength of mine. I liked school and thought being a teacher would bring all of that together. I like giving young people the same opportunities that I had as I went through school as well as the commitment that my teachers gave to me. I like seeing students succeed.

Jennifer Kupica
School teaching at: Novi High School
Subject or grade teaching: life management
High School: Dexter High School
College: Western Michigan University, B.S. and Eastern Michigan, M.A.
Residence: Novi
Why I came to Novi: Excellent school district, supportive of my department (life management). Who I admire: my father.
Prior to Novi: Dexter High School
What are you looking for in your new position? Collaboration within my department, growth in enrollment, opportunity to develop professionally.
Why did you choose teaching as your profession? It has always been second nature (just ask my little brother who I forced to sit through my lessons as young kids).
Adam Lynch
School teaching at: Novi High School
Subject or grade teaching: business/language arts
High School: Fraser High School
College: Western Michigan University
Why I came to Novi: I have heard of their wonderful tradition and that it is a great district to be a part of.
Who I admire: my parents
Prior to Novi: I taught math at Kalamazoo Central High School.
What are you looking for in your new position? An opportunity to be apart of an excellent school and community. Also, the chance to educate my students, while having some fun along the way.
Why did you choose teaching as your profession? I had a great high school experience with wonderful teachers that have influenced me and helped me to become the person that I am today. I hope to provide that for a young person.

Cathie Thomson
School teaching at: Novi High School
Subject or grade teaching: geometry
High School: Westside High School
Augusta, Ga. (graduated in 1973)
College: Kalamazoo College, Michigan State University in secondary school administration
Residence: Novi: I've been a resident for 25 years.
Why I came to Novi: I taught at Mercy High School in Farmington Hills for many

years. When juggling my schedule and my children's schedules became difficult, I began substituting in the Novi district. Now that my children are older, it seemed logical to return to a full-time position. When one opened in Novi, I interviewed and got the job.
Who I admire: Lance Armstrong because he won six Tours de France after his cancer diagnosis and recovery.
Prior to Novi: Mercy High School.
What are you looking for in your new position? An opportunity to work with young men and women as they move through their high school years.
Why did you choose teaching as your profession? I love being around kids and working with them. I've found that I can explain concepts in various different ways and have pretty good success. When students finally catch on to a concept, I feel so rewarded.

Katie Tolbert
School teaching at: Novi High School
Subject or grade teaching: nutrition
High School: Canton High School
College: Western Michigan University
Residence: Canton
Why I came to Novi: Novi is a great community. The staff I met during my interview made me feel right at home. Who I admire: I admire my mom. She had endured much pain in her life, but accepted it as a positive matter.
Prior to Novi: Wolfe Middle School, Center Line.
What are you looking for in your new position? I am looking for challenges, growth, learning, camaraderie and fun.
Why did you choose teaching as your profession? I initially studied occupational therapy at college. Something was missing, though. Growing up, I was fortunate to have some amazing teachers who impacted my life. Teaching is the ideal way to help others as I would have as an occupational therapist, while still impacting lives the way my previous teachers did. I am very open about hard times I have faced in my life. I love that teaching allows me to use my life to reach out to, and learn from, others.

Seth Purlow
School teaching at: Novi Middle School
Subject or grade teaching: eighth grade, science
High School: Dearborn High School
College: Miami University, Ohio, for undergrad, and University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, for graduate school
Residence: Canton
Why I came to Novi: Novi has a tremendous reputation for academic and athletic excellence. The position became available to me and I wanted the chance to work in such a well respected district.
Who I admire: Anyone who works hard and truly cares about whatever it is they do.
Prior to Novi: I taught chemistry for one year at Franklin High School in Livonia. Prior to being at Franklin, I worked for two years doing research in a human genetics lab at Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center in Ohio.
What are you looking for in your new position? I'm really looking forward to the learning aspect of teaching at the middle school. I think it provides a fairly open opportunity to teacher and student alike.
Why did you choose teaching as your profession? I never really found myself happy in the research lab. I had always been interested in education, and I did not want to let go of my interest in science. Returning to school to teach science just seemed like the natural thing to do. It has definitely worked out for the best. I love teaching and can't imagine myself doing anything else.

Cheryl Rohak
School teaching at: Instructional Technology Center
Subject or grade teaching: 4s and 5s preschool
High School: Divine Child, Dearborn
College: Eastern Michigan University
Residence: Livonia
Why I came to Novi: 1) Nationally Accredited School District. 2) The preschool program is only in its second year, and I'm excited to be part of this new program and team. We will all work together to help this program continue and grow.
Who I admire: my family
Prior to Novi: Owner/director of Sherris Little Learners. State licensed in-home day care eight years. I was licensed for 12 children and had two to three employees working for me.
What are you looking for in your new position? A challenging and exciting year with the staff and my students. I'm looking forward to growing and learning together as a class. My goal is to make learning fun and I want my students to enjoy school, so it will help them become lifelong learners.
Why did you choose teaching as your profession? Teaching is what I've wanted to do since I was a child. I love to work with children and make a difference in their lives. One of my greatest pleasures in teaching is witnessing the excitement and enthusiasm my students express when they learn a new concept and had fun doing it.

Lisa Scheich
School teaching at: Novi Community Schools
Subject or grade teaching: preschool and kindergarten care
High School: Northville
College: Indiana University
Where do you reside: Northville
Why I came to Novi: It seemed like a great teaching opportunity and everyone is very welcoming and friendly. Who I admire: I admire my mentor teachers who helped guide me to become the teacher I am today.
Prior to Novi: I was a guest teacher with the Northville Public Schools.
What are you looking for in your new position? I am excited for great experiences with both preschoolers and kindergartners and hope to make the school year fun and enjoyable for the children.
Why did you choose teaching as your profession? I enjoy seeing a positive impact on children at such an early age, so they begin to enjoy lifelong learning experiences.

Elizabeth Tandeki
School teaching at: Instructional Technology Center
Subject or grade teaching: 3- and 4-year-olds, all-day preschool
High School: Adrian
College: Western Michigan University
Residence: Shelby Twp but in the process of moving closer to Novi
Why I came to Novi?: Novi schools have an outstanding reputation and could offer an all-day position.
Who I admire: my parents
Prior to Novi: Big Rapids and Waterford
What are you looking for in your new position? I am looking forward to watching the very youngest of our students grow in their social relationships, fine and gross motor skills, knowledge of themselves and the work around them.
Why did you choose teaching as your profession? I've always had a passion for education. I believe that early childhood education sets the stage for lifelong learners.

Lindsay Simon
School teaching at: Novi Meadows
Subject or grade teaching: sixth grade math and language arts
High School: Northville
College: University of Michigan
Residence: Northville
Why I came to Novi: I have friends who attended Novi Community Schools and they told me of their great experiences. I also heard from people who worked in Novi that it is a wonderful place to work. I feel privileged to be part of the most, I admire the kind, giving, hardworking people they are and the values they hold. I am lucky to have such wonderful role models in my life.
Where did you teach prior to Novi? I did all of my pre-student teaching and student teaching in Ann Arbor Public Schools. Over the summers I worked for the Novi Public Schools summer program. I also substituted in Washington and Livingston counties.
What are you looking for in your new position? I am looking to share my enthusiasm for teaching and learning with my students, their parents and my fellow teachers. Every day provides a new opportunity to expand your knowledge.
Why did you choose teaching as your profession? I chose teaching as my profession at the young age of five. Throughout my schooling this aspiration never wavered. I've admitted by teachers throughout my education. Many of them inspired me to have a passion for learning. This passion became a profession.

Saralyn Borrowman
School teaching at: Orchard Hills and Village Oaks
High School: Tooele High School in Tooele, Utah
College: Brigham Young University
Also received post-baccalaureate credentials from California State University Hayward for elementary education and English as a second language.
Residence: Novi
Why I came to Novi: We initially came to Novi in 1979 because of the schools.
What are you looking for in your new position? I plan to make my new position with the Novi Community School District fun, exciting and challenging!
Why did you choose teaching as your profession? I became interested in teaching through my experiences with my own five children. As they were learning to read, I wanted for them to share that joy of learning to read. Over time, my interest in teaching became a passion. One thing led to another and I enrolled in a post-baccalaureate teaching program.

Darby Jones
School teaching at: Novi Meadows
Subject or grade teaching: fifth grade counselor
High School: Monroe
College: Central Michigan University undergraduate; Michigan State University master's in counseling
Residence: Novi
Why I came to Novi: I chose to work in Novi to become part of a growing community centered around families with an outstanding educational system.
Who I admire: I admire my parents, Gary and Judy Jones, for being amazing role models by always participating in their family first and giving unconditional support to their children.

Patricia Stambouljan
School teaching at: Novi Woods
Subject or grade teaching: kindergarten
High School: Dearborn
College: University of Michigan
Dearborn
Why I came to Novi: I interned in Lansing Public Schools at a middle school (Patengill). I was also a substitute counselor last school year at Novi Meadows for six weeks.
What are you looking for in your new position? I am looking for the opportunity to connect with students, parents and teachers to enrich the learning experience by being an additional support figure for the social, emotional and academic needs of all students. I am also looking forward to being a part of the character education program which teaches students about respect for themselves and others.
Why did you choose teaching as your profession? I chose counseling so that I can interact with all students in a one-on-one or group basis to assist with issues of childhood development that arise in the learning environment by using and teaching skills such as problem solving, goal setting, empathetic listening and other strategies. As a counselor, along with teachers and parents, can help students in unique ways to maintain a child's learning potential. I chose to work with children because I enjoy their energy, creativeness and willingness to learn!

Christine
School teaching at: Novi Public Library
Subject or grade teaching: literacy program
High School: Dearborn
College: Eastern Michigan University
Residence: Livonia
Why I came to Novi: I have heard of their wonderful tradition and that it is a great district to be a part of.
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COMMUNITY

Novi Lions Club funds new literacy program

By Pam Fleming
STAFF WRITER
Area vision-impaired children and their guardians now have a new reading tool they can check out at the Novi Public Library.
Novi Lions Club members recently donated money to purchase two complete Perkins Panda Early Literacy Program kits. The kits were just purchased in July 2004, and the Novi library is the only library in the Detroit area that has the kits.
The kits should be available to check out by the end of September. They will be located in the literacy collection on the main floor of the library near the reference desk and the Internet computers.
"We're proud of the fact that we work closely with the library. It's an important function to us in the community," said Ron Martin, Novi Lions Club president.
The literacy program was just launched in April 2004 by the Perkins School for the Blind in Waterford, Mass. The kits are a unique combination of materials that teach fundamental literacy skills to children with visual impairments and help parents or guardians get more involved in their children's development.
Perkins Panda is the central character in a set of three storybooks written in Braille with high-contrast illustrations and tactile elements.
The kit also has some tactile cups and a picnic basket that are to be used in conjunction with the audio cassettes and books.
The books also have activity guides and audio cassettes featuring songs and stories written and performed by children's entertainer Odds Bodkins.
A stuffed, plush Panda, complete with backpack for carrying program materials is one of several items available in the kits. The panda also has special tactile areas, such as a leather paw.
The program is designed for children from birth to age 8, and parents, guardians or other caregivers. It is also beneficial for older children with multiple disabilities. Adults with vision impairments can also use the kits to read to sighted children.
Roeig learned about the program through the newsletter that the library receives through the Library for the Blind.
The books have Braille on one page with words on the page next to it.
The Lions Club also remains area residents that they have a collection box in the library for hearing aids and eyeglasses in the large print section of the library. A collection box for these items is also available at the Novi Civic Center.
The Lions Club will participate in the Fall for Novi event from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sept. 18 at the Novi



Lucy Roeig, director of Special Services at the Novi Public Library, and Novi Lions Club members, from left, Dick Stopinski; Ron Martin, president; and Jerry Conable, display elements of the new Perkins Panda Early Literacy Program kits available at the library. The kits are designed to help children with vision impairments read. The Novi Lions Club recently purchased three kits for the library that are available to the public.

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by Donald M. Wayne, D.D.S., M.S. Orthodontic Specialist
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Without question it is a happy moment when, at the end of treatment, the orthodontist finally removes a patient's braces and he or she gets to appreciate the end result. At this point, however, patients should also realize that their treatment is not entirely over. In order to maintain teeth in their proper positions, the orthodontist will likely prescribe retainers. These placed on the bottom teeth are usually fixed so that there is no possibility for compliance. Removable retainers designed for the upper teeth should only be removed for eating. To do otherwise involves the potential for teeth to drift out of their desired positions, thereby compromising the success of treatment. It's important to stick with the plan.
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For Novi man, meeting Ali was the greatest

■ Muhammad Ali signs, shares a drawing

By Pam Fleming
STAFF WRITER

Novi resident Paul Thal was just going to visit a friend this summer when fate led him to a most memorable moment — the chance to meet the famous boxer Muhammad Ali.

Thal — who collects autographs and has several from famous people, including President George Bush, former President Bill Clinton, baseball legends Willie Mays, Joe DiMaggio, Mickey Mantle and Hank Aaron, basketball great Magic Johnson, former astronaut Buzz Aldrin, and more — met Ali at the Radisson Hotel in Farmington Hills this summer.

Thal was going to talk to a friend — a bartender at the hotel — that he hadn't seen in a couple of years, when he saw Ali in the lobby on the evening of June 25, 2004. Ali was in the area to watch some of his grandchildren play in a baseball tournament.

"Sometimes I pursue the autograph, and sometimes I just stumble on it like this," Thal said. "I recognized him right away."

Thal inquired at the front desk of the hotel if the visitor was indeed the legendary boxer, and he said that it was him, but that they were trying to respect his privacy by not encouraging autograph seekers.

"I respect that, because I respect the hotel, but I said to myself that I would not hesitate if someone was first," he said.

Thal then watched as Ali performed a magic trick involving a scarf for the children.

Finally, he came directly over to Thal and showed him the trick. "I appreciated learning the trick with six grandchildren," Thal said.

Finally, one of the young ballplayers in the lobby asked Ali for his signature.

Thal saw his opportunity, grabbed a piece of paper in the lobby and watched as Ali, who has Parkinson's disease, drew a rudimentary illustration of him and former rival Joe Frazier in a boxing ring. He then signed the piece not once, but twice.

Thal remembered that Frazier beat Ali, but then later Ali defeated Muhammad Ali.

ed Frazier in a re-match in Manila in the Philippines. "It was called the 'Thrilla in Manila,'" Thal said. "One of his only defeats was by Frazier. He was a big rival."

Thal said the drawing is special because Ali drew what he remembered about that day in Manila.

"He depicted the event in his own way. He's not a Rembrandt, but it's him," Thal said.

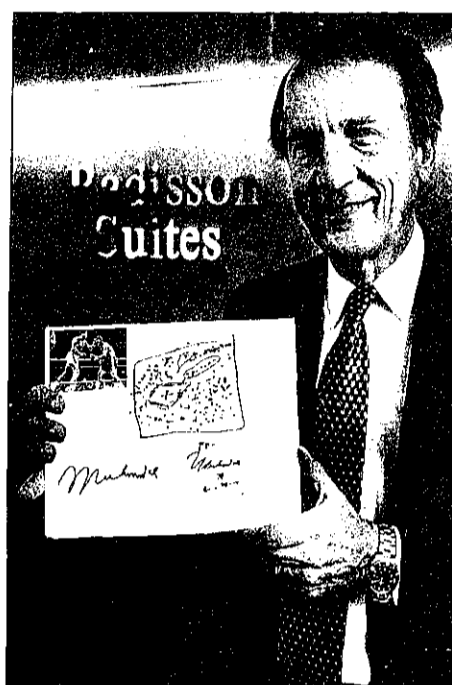
"He's world famous. I don't know how many of these draw-

ings he does. It took him about 20 minutes. The drawing makes it more personal than just an autograph," he said.

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Paul Thal
Autograph seeker



Paul Thal of Novi holds the autographed drawing that he recently received from the famous retired boxer Muhammad Ali. Thal, an admitted autograph seeker, met Ali at the Radisson Hotel in Farmington Hills.

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New firm offers solutions

Nilesh and Nipa Shah recently opened their new Internet consulting firm, WSI, in Novi at 39566 Squire Road.

The two owners will work with local businesses to provide specialized Internet business strategies and solutions.

As opposed to strictly offering web designing and hosting, WSI's approach allows businesses to increase revenue and return on investments, and decrease cost.

According to the company, they're focused on providing solutions to small and medium sized businesses that don't have a lot of money to spend on commerce solutions.

The Shabs are offering a complimentary Internet business analysis to all businesses that want to evaluate their e-commerce strategy, even if they already have a Web site. For more information, visit www.wsicollwvresults.com, or call (248) 471-1533.

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Culinary event coming

The Schoolcraft College Foundation will be hosting its 2004 Culinary Extravaganza on Sunday, Sept. 19, from 2-5 p.m. at the VistaTech Center in Livonia.

Gourmet foods and beverages from more than 50 of Metro Detroit's most popular restaurants and vendors will be featured.

The extravaganza provides scholarship support to "remove the financial barriers that often prevent students from pursuing higher education."

Such support also helps reward current students' academic excellence.

Individual tickets are \$50. Sponsorship levels range include Bronze at \$300, Silver at \$500, Gold at \$1,000. Diamond at \$2,500 and Platinum at \$5,000. The highest level includes 12 complimentary tickets, a pre-event champagne reception and other benefits.

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Internet service office opens

WSI announces the launch of a new Internet Consultant office in Novi. Headquartered in Toronto, Canada, WSI's latest office will be run by Nilesh & Nipa Shah, providing local businesses with

specialized Internet business strategies and solutions.

Nilesh & Nipa are both Information Technology professionals with more than 25 years of collective experience in Information Systems. They live in Novi with their two children, Nikki & Jay, and have been active in the Novi community for several years. Nipa has served on the Novi Public Library Board as treasurer, has actively participated in programs like Junior Achievement at the Novi Middle School, and served as the chairperson of the Career Day event at the Novi Middle School in 2002.

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Calling all women

The Novi Oaks Charter Chapter of the American Business Women's Association (ABWA) is trying to locate all former chapter members for its 15-year chapter reunion on Monday, Sept. 20, at the Wyndham Garden Hotel in Novi (dinner event begins at 6:30 p.m. - \$18 per person). Any working women who are interested in learning more about ABWA and how it helps women through scholarships, education, networking support, and friendship is welcome. For more information, please leave a message for Marcia Applegate at (248) 593-5268. To learn what ABWA has to offer working women, visit www.abwa.org.

Moving 'on up

Two Men and A Truck, International, recently announced that it will be using Version 2 of the Movers Who Care franchise management system software, which was developed by Ann Arbor-based Servant Systems. The moving company has a Novi location.

The technology will allow for all locations to receive critical management and technical data from each franchise site automatically every morning. Supplemented with portable Tablet PCs, the software also cuts back on-site project estimating by 25-30 percent.

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Salon's a good neighbor

In honor of National Good Neighbor Day, which falls on Sept. 26, Salone Nadwa and Day Spa is extending the celebration for the entire month.

They're offering \$10 off any salon or spa services on Tuesdays and Wednesdays during the month of September.

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Released in 1999, Movers Who Care is currently used by Two Men and a Truck's 140 U.S. locations.

The "camp" promotes the education of entry level media professionals in two hour and a half sessions. The first features a lecture on production equipment overview and set and client etiquette, as well as a discussion about local production companies, organizations and unions. It's followed by a moderated discussion with a panel of local producers, coordinators and assistant directors, who will discuss their experiences and expectations on the set. An audience question and answer session will follow.

Alliance members attend free, students with ID are \$10, and guests \$20. On-the-spot discounts for memberships will be offered, as will refreshments and door prizes. For more information or to register ahead of time, contact Mark Adler at (248) 349-2666 or visit www.npami.org.

Back to boot camp

On Oct. 16, Novi-based Michigan Production Alliance will be presenting its quarterly Production Assistant Boot Camp, a one-day instructional seminar to promote the skills and ethics of the trade.

Sponsored by the Association of Independent Commercial Photographers, the event lasts from

9 a.m.-12 p.m. at the Specs Howards School of Broadcast Arts, located on 19900 W. Nine Mile Rd. in Southfield.

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Reduce your accent

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Airline traffic was up 11 percent from second quarter last year, and museum visits nearly 77 percent.

Michigan tourism's up

The Michigan Tourism was up to 113.26 points for the month of April, May and June, according to Comerica Bank.

"For the first half of 2004, state tourism is up 8.4 percent from a year ago, propelled chiefly by air travel and museum attendance," Comerica Bank Chief Economist David Littmann said. "Weather has not been a material factor influencing these better than year-earlier comparisons."

Higher costs clip med use

Multiple sclerosis patients are

less likely to take the generally recommended medications for their condition when their out-of-pocket cost for the prescription drugs rose, according to research by MedStar, a business of The Thomson Corporation.

The study, published recently in Clinical Therapeutics, found patients would be 32 percent more likely to use these medications if their insurance co-payments were cut in half, bumping usage from about 41 percent to almost 55 percent.

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SWOCC UPDATE

Studios holding open house Sept. 22

By Melissa Cohn

Fall is around the corner and that means less activity outside, so that makes it the perfect time to get active inside. Don't just view TV, do it. SWOCC Studios, the local community, public and government TV access center in the cities of Farmington, Farmington Hills and Novi — is holding an orientation class Wednesday, Sept. 22, at 6:30 p.m.

The first step to doing television is attending the two-hour orientation, which introduces you to SWOCC and the staff, reviews policies, procedures, and explains the full training program in detail. From there you are eligible to sign up for a show. You MUST take the orientation before you can sign up for any of our free workshops.

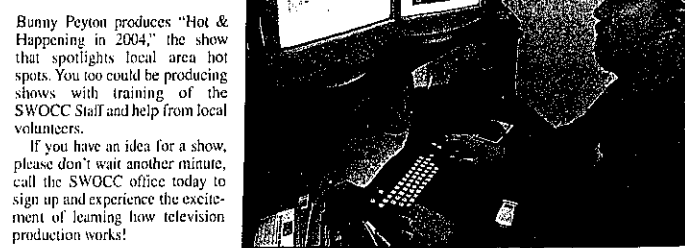
This two-hour class meets one night to learn the basics of running audio for studio productions. SWOCC Studios offers a variety of workshops, beginning with the basic and most popular, SWOCC has two studios, and offers training in both. The studio workshop teaches you the basics of studio production.

You will learn how to operate the camera, emphasizing on picture composition, camera movement and depth of field. You also learn the basics of audio, character generator graphics, and directing.

Another popular workshop is for Producers. This workshop will be covering the steps in creating and executing your own show. It will cover topics such as pre-production meeting, set design, finding talent, copyright laws, rules and regulations.

And that is just the tip of the iceberg. SWOCC Studios also offers a remote camera workshop (using our camera or yours), and the Editing overview workshop introducing Adobe Premiere 6.5 editing program.

If you've tuned into INPO-TV-12, you may see some shows produced at SWOCC studios. Access producer such as Steve Cast produces, "Wise Guys," a comedy talk show. Rose Simpson's produces "The Relationships Times Show," which takes in depth looks into relationships and dating, and



Production Technician Steve Merglewski works on some digital video editing. SWOCC will host an open house on Sept. 22.

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A place where everybody knows your name

Olé-Olé offers Tex Mex and camaraderie

By Kim Kovelie
 STAFF WRITER

Walk into the Olé-Olé Southwestern Bar & Grille, and you'll immediately notice the long bar to your left, decked with grass skirts and cowboy boot lights.

It's much more than home to 23-ounce margaritas, said co-owner Rob Cvetkovski. Rather, it's a gathering place where people get to know each other, and turn into restaurant regulars.

"Our bar crowd is like a Cheers crowd," Cvetkovski said. "Everybody knows everybody. Anytime they've seen anybody new... they introduce themselves. That's how we're in business today, because of our regulars."

Located on the far north border of Novi where Fourteen Mile Road dead ends at Walled Lake, Olé-Olé blends its welcome atmosphere with affordable prices on oversized portions of authentic Tex-Mex cuisine — a formula that's been successful since May 2002.

That's when Cvetkovski and his brother, Sam, revamped the former Frigate's Inn bar, adding everything from sombrero decor to five TVs. Before, they'd owned a Novi Baskin Robins for 12 years.

"Fifteen years ago, Novi was all mom-and-pop shops," he said. "In the franchise business, everything's measured. We had it with... not giving the customers the



Robert Cvetkovski, of Novi's Ole Ole restaurant on East Lake Drive, displays a couple of his man-sized meals: the macho chimichanga, left, and the Rattlesnake burrito. Also seen are some of the restaurant's drinks; a strawberry and lime margarita.

place to work. We have a lot of people that come out on the boats."

Last week, Marilyn Wheeler, Don Wheeler, Gloria Roebler, My Jackson and Jacqueline Grech gathered from Novi, Farmington Hills, Clarkston and Commerce to feast. All five needed large brown paper bags for leftovers.

"I live near here," said Jackson, who frequents Olé-Olé often. "I watched them build it and decided to try it."

Besides enjoying the meal, new comer Marilyn Wheeler enjoyed the service.

"The waitress is really good," she said. "That's what makes it."

"To thank loyal customers and invite new ones, Cvetkovski said he's offering specials every day of the week this month, including various two-for-one specials. On Mondays, kids eat free with an adult purchase.

For Cvetkovski, who lives with his wife and three young children on Walled Lake, keeping things affordable is important. So is that welcome atmosphere.

"People tend to forget about the

beauty and gem this area has to offer," Cvetkovski said. "I've been in Novi almost half my life. I will never leave this area."

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The Public Hearing will take place at the Novi Civic Center - Council Chambers, 45175 West Ten Mile Road, on September 13, 2004, at 7:30 p.m. All interested persons are invited to attend. Any written comments may be sent to the City Clerk's Office at the above address.

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HEALTH

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Talk of West Nile is less shrill

By Kim Kovelle
REGGIE SMITH/STAFF

When Patrick Brunett took his two daughters to Maybury State Park to go horseback riding last Friday, he wasn't thinking about West Nile Virus.

"It's something that really hasn't even crossed my area," said Brunett, 42, who lives in Commerce Township. "My wife's got a boyfriend in the back which she tries to keep cupped out. In general, it's not a big concern for me."

Information about West Nile
For more information about West Nile Virus or to report a dead bird, contact:
• Oakland County Health Division's Environmental Health Services/West Nile Virus Information Line: (877) 377-3641
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- Wear light-weight, long-sleeved shirts and long pants outdoors
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According to the Michigan Emerging Disease Issues Web site, the following methods can help treat and control West Nile Virus:
• Spend less time outdoors during mosquito seasons, especially at dusk

In Novi, an ongoing program has been implemented to treat 2,700 upstream storm water catch basins. About a dozen retention ponds, particularly near the Meadowbrook Commons and the Willowood retirement communities, also are treated with bio-solids, as are heavily used parks. Public Works Director Renay McCusker said that Oakland County provides a grant of about \$19,000.

"We actually supplement what we pay for the grant," McCusker said. "We budget for two fall applications. We'd like to keep a full stocking. It's probably close to eight cases we have here."

"It takes crews of about eight people working for a week and a half," McCusker said. Costs last year for two applications were \$20,000. An extra application is kept at the department.

Catch basins are marked with a different color each time, to track treatments.

Despite the Livonia case, McCusker's confident.

"I took until almost September this year to even get up with a case," McCusker said. "We haven't found any dead birds in the area that we know of."

Of the county, he added, "It's just nice that they haven't had any

cases." Last week, Northville Township Engineer Anne Nasrudi showed off a new bag VectoLex WSP biological larvicide, one of dozens received via a Wayne County grant.

The 150-day, water-soluble pellets, treated all of the ponds on township property, Nasrudi said, and supplement two bags of Allisod Briquets.

"Briquets I can hand out to individual 'homeowners' for detention ponds," Nasrudi said. They're free to homeowners associations who apply for a Michigan Department of Environmental Quality permit.

"In 2002, that's when we started really looking into... how do we make our community safer?" Nasrudi said. "The thing about these larvicides is they are not hazardous to anything but mosquito larvae."

Lacking a public works department, the township's storm water drains are not treated.

In the City of Northville, funding comes from both Wayne and Oakland counties.

Last year, each granted about \$1,200 towards larvicides, probiotics to treat the city's 600 storm water inlets, said Public Works Director Jim Gallogly.

This year, Wayne County provided materials.

"Storm water inlets usually have a little pocket in them that traps the sediment, but these inlets also can hold water," Gallogly said. "That's a great place for mosquitoes to lay their eggs."

The department of public works pays only to drop the Clarke Mosquito Control briquets in inlets in July, which

Gallogly said costs a few hundred dollars.

Four treatments are on hand, Gallogly said, and "Words from Works," public works' quarterly newsletter, includes educational articles.

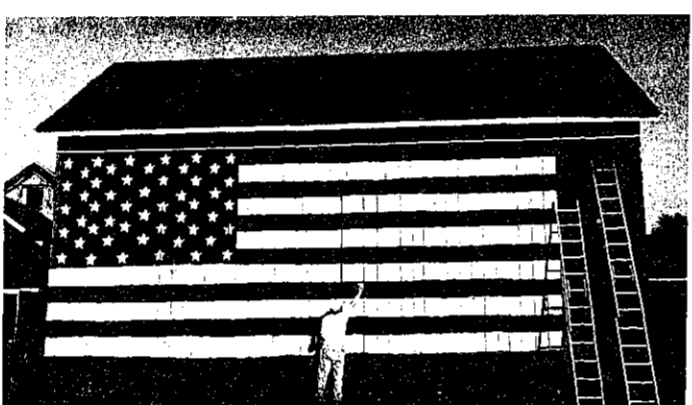
One more treatment is available for this year.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER

As they await a trailer at Maybury Stables, Commerce Township residents Patrick Brunett and daughters Miranda, 10, and Justine, 11, talk about how they prepare for keeping mosquitoes at bay and avoiding West Nile Virus.

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SCHOOLS

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Village Oaks welcomes 'Book Buddies'

By Ramez Khuri
STAFF WRITER

Village Oaks Literacy Specialist Jane Funfgeld is usually excited to start a new school year off on the right foot, so it was no surprise to anyone when she arrived all energetic and ready to go. Funfgeld did receive a special surprise real early on, however, that made her even more excited about the new academic year.

After months of discussion and possible termination of the Village Oaks Book Buddies Program, the Village Oaks staff was pleased to learn on Aug. 27 that the program received a thumbs up from administration and the board of education.

The pilot program, designed to meet the needs of struggling beginning readers through a one-to-one tutorial format, will continue until the end of this school year.

"I am so pleased the school district has embraced the importance of additional early intervention programming for young readers," Funfgeld said. "We are looking forward to another successful year."

An open house will be held at Village Oaks Elementary School today for anyone from the community who may be interested in volunteering to be a book buddy.

This year, volunteers will be able to either just help make materials, so they wouldn't have to be at the school on a regular basis, or they can make a commitment of a couple times a week working with

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As far as volunteers...

- If you are interested in being a Book Buddy volunteer, contact Jane Funfgeld at Village Oaks Elementary School at (248) 449-1212, ext. 1934. To be a volunteer you must be able to commit to two, one hour tutorial sessions per week, from October to May. Training sessions are scheduled for the last week of September. Although this seems like a big commitment for volunteers, the program boasts a high level of volunteer satisfaction and return volunteering in subsequent years.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Sally Mayoras works with a Village Oaks student during a Book Buddy session.

win, win situation for everybody." Goderd explained that those who are planning on working directly with children need to be able to have really good pronunciation of vowels.

"We have to make sure that

they are saying the vowels correctly so we can teach the children the correct vowel sound," she said. "That's why we need volunteers with good articulation of Midwest vowel sounds."

Ramez Khuri is a staff writer for the Novi News. He can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 110 or by e-mail at rkhuri@ht.homecomm.net.

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Monday was Labor Day. As a national holiday, it's traditionally the day that labor unions celebrate their efforts to represent working men and women, and trying to make their lives a little better.
Mainly, it constitutes one last day in the summer to grill out, head up north or get to the beach for one last swim.

GOVERNMENT

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

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OPINION

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER

A culinary extravaganza

Schoolcraft Community College culinary program student Lacey Martin chops and measures carrots and onions for a recipe during a Thursday afternoon class in the college's giant kitchen classroom. Schoolcraft will soon be hosting its annual Culinary Extravaganza at the Haggerty Road college. Hosted for its 13th year by the Schoolcraft College Foundation, the event will be held Sept. 19 from 2-5 p.m. at the school's new ViaTech Center in Livonia.

LETTERS

Don't keep beds out

My wife Thelma and I have been residents of Novi for over 40 years, and you never see us writing letters to the Novi News. But this issue is frustrating enough to get us to do so. Our city has a great asset in Providence Park medical center, and it is time for them to have hospital beds.

The systems that oppose the new hospitals in Novi and West Bloomfield know this, and that is a shame.
Virtually every Novi resident that I speak to would love to see Providence Hospital at Grand River and Beek. The most interesting component of this, to me, is that one of the hospital systems that oppose Providence is based in Novi. I hope that the five hospital systems opposed to this opportunity for our area set down their fear of competition and allow Providence to move forward.

It could be life or death

In Novi we are blessed with many things. We have a beautiful community that can boast of its highly rated school districts, excellent city services, beautiful subdivisions, convenient freeway access, and shopping districts that are the envy of most other cities.
What we don't have is a hospital.
Many people moving to Novi do so because of the above-mentioned assets of our city. Yet, when considering Novi, many people make the mistake of assuming that the large and comprehensive medical center in our city, Providence Park Medical Center is actually a hospital.

Novi needs a hospital

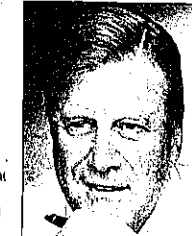
It appears that the good folks at Providence Park have to waste more time in court rather than going forward with their desire to improve medical access to western Oakland County, including Novi.
The legal appeal of the Certificate of Need is clearly an attempt by competing hospitals and other special interest groups to deny a logical shift of medical availability. It seems that there is no concern for the residents of western Oakland County.

In defense of Bush

In response to Mr Juenzell's editorial ("No beating around this Bush"), I would also like people to remember the facts.
1) George Bush did not mislead us. Many other countries (Russia, France and Germany) bought Iraq had weapons and was a threat. Does anyone remember the UN resolutions? People seem to forget we were attacked on September 11th and it is the job of our President to look out for America's interest first.

Poached frogs and school funding

Remember the story about the frog in the pot of water on the stove? You put a frog in the water and you slowly turn the heat up, a degree or two at a time.
Supposedly a frog will sit quietly in the water until, yep, he's poached.
Well, we haven't had poached frog at our house for some time, but the moral is clear and all too true: If you keep doing bad things little bit by little bit, nobody is likely to notice until it's too late.



Phil Power

Ford wouldn't mesh with today's GOP

There was a brief tribute at the Republican National Convention to their only living President not named Bush. But the delegates barely noticed and the media completely ignored it. And that was just plain wrong.
Gerald R. Ford is an authentic hero. He is an icon now — 91 — and if still politically active, would be seen as hopefully out of step, maybe even a liability by the current Republican Party.



Jack Lessenberry

Doing so is easier than ever, thanks to charter schools, and thanks to Proposal A, every child who leaves costs the public schools thousands of dollars. That sets up a vicious circle in which the more kids leave, the more the quality of cash-starved public education falls, and still more families take their kids out of the schools. The end product could look very like the public schools of Detroit.
Aid communities with substandard schools aren't going to attract the kind of people or the kind of businesses they want to have living in them.

ROAD CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

- I-96 / Beek Road Interchange
The I-96 west bound exit ramp at Beek Road is closed to construct the temporary off ramp. A temporary exit ramp will open on September 23 to eastbound-only Twelve Mile Road traffic.
Novi Road / Grand River Avenue Intersection
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BUSINESS

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Northville Gourmet gets resort liquor license

By Kim Kovelie
STAFF WRITER

Already in the clear to sell fine wines and select beer, Northville Gourmet is now officially licensed to add packaged liquor to its shelves.

In July, the Michigan Liquor Control Commission approved a "specially designated distributor" resort license for the three-year-old Northville business, also home to Cicco's Chicago-style pizza. It's one of only 10 such licenses that are granted statewide each year.

Up against 100 hopefuls, owner Dave Stewart applied at the beginning of the year. He tried for the resort type after learning that all three of the city's regular specially designated distributor licenses were in use.

"From Haggerty all the way out to South Lyon ... there's nothing to people to be able to purchase," Stewart said.

"The liquor would be a really nice way to be a one-stop shopping. It justifies everything together."

In his request, Stewart highlighted the tourist attractions of the downtown Northville area, from Art in the Sun to the Victorian Festival. The license was granted July 21.

Hanging just behind the counter above the wares, the purple-colored license allows him to stock about \$20,000 in premium, packaged scotches, vodkas, liquors and other hard liquors.

"We had to prove through our finances ... that our business is driven by things other than liquor sales," Stewart said.

"We were fortunate enough to get one."

City of Northville Police Chief James Petres said that this classification is a new addition.

"According to the list we've got from the (Liquor Control Commission), we don't have any other SDD (specially designated

Licensed to sell

The Michigan Liquor Control Commission allows for a number of different licenses to sell alcohol, some of which are based on population. Following are three common types:

• Class C: An on-site license that allows selling beer, wine, mixed spirit drinks and spirits.

• Class S: If the licensee sells these items in more than one bar, there is a fee of \$350 for each additional bar.

Quota: One per 1,500 residents.

• Specially designated distributor (SDD): Can distribute spirits and mixed spirit drinks in the original package for off-premise consumption.

Cost: \$150 per year, with an additional \$3 fee for each \$1,000 or major fraction of that amount in excess of \$25,000 of the total retail value of merchandise purchased under each license from the commission during the previous calendar year.

Quota: One per 3,000 residents.

• Specially designated merchant: Can sell beer or wine for consumption off-premise only, but not at wholesale.

Cost: \$100 for each location regardless of systems/chains of stores.

Quota: None.

Source: Michigan Liquor Control Commission.

distributor) resort licenses,"

Petres said. "I've seen through the application process and the license was approved."

The city does have resort licenses for on-site sales, in places such as restaurants. In all, there are 20 on and off premise licenses in Novi, and 31 are filled.

Two of the city's 16 specially designated distributor slots are in use.

Northville Gourmet and Cicco's Pizza is located at 680 W. Eight Mile Road, east of Tall.

Call them at (248) 349-5611.

Since opening in July 2001, Northville Gourmet has introduced Chicago-style stuffed pizzas, soft-serve ice cream, fresh salads, carryout foods, and desserts and rolls made by Pastry Chef Sue Crawford.

"Our stock is going to be small, based on the top 90-plus percent of sales," Stewart said.

"We already have a request form for people coming in. It's convenient on this side of town."


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Dave Stewart, owner of the Northville Gourmet store, recently received a license to sell packaged liquor from the Michigan Liquor Control Commission.



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CALENDAR

EVENTS

Wüsthof Trident Knife Sharpening Clinics

DATE: Thursday, Sept. 9
TIME: 4-6 p.m.
LOCATION: Twelve Oaks Mall
DETAILS: Marshall Field's and Wüsthof Trident are pleased to offer you the opportunity to have your cutlery sharpened. Bring in any dull knife and a Wüsthof Trident representative will sharpen it at no cost. Limit three per guest, please. Excludes serrated.

Creative Fall Harvest Cooking - A Twist on the Traditional

DATE: Friday, Sept. 10
TIME: 1 p.m.
LOCATION: Twelve Oaks Mall, Marshall Field's
DETAILS: Looking for a unique way to serve the traditional roast beef and apple pie? Join us for a cooking demonstration where you'll learn tips and tricks for turning your family's favorite meal into a new experience. There is no charge for this event, but reservations are required and seating is limited.
CONTACT: (800) 265-COOK

Novi High School Band Fantare

DATE: Saturday, Sept. 11
TIME: 4 p.m.
LOCATION: Novi High School Football Field
DETAILS: Marching Band Competition; \$6 per adult; \$4 per senior and child; free for Novi senior residents.
CONTACT: Patti and Charlie Hokeu at (248) 478-6502.

Emergency Food Assistance Program

DATE: Tuesday, Sept. 14
TIME: 12:30-1:30 p.m.
LOCATION: Novi Senior Center at Meadowbrook Commons, 25075 Meadowbrook Rd.
DETAILS: All people who are income eligible and not registered may do so at the site by bringing social security cards, household income and photo I.D.
CONTACT: OLHSA's

Community and Family Services Department in Pontiac at (248) 209-2658 or (800) 482-9250.

Kensington Metropark Events for September and October
Friday Evening Fitness Hikes: Join the Crossroads Group of the Sierra Club for a brisk four mile hike on Friday, Sept. 17 starting at 5:30 at the Kensington Metropark. For more information contact Cheryl at CherylMcConnel@MichiganSierraClub.org or (517) 552-1464.

Fall Mushroom Outing: Join the Crossroads Group of the Sierra Club on Saturday, Sept. 18 in pursuit of the wily fall fungi. If our wet weather continues into September the mushrooms should be abundant. We will meet at Rick Pearsall's house at 11 a.m. to start the hike into the Island Lake State Recreation Area. Contact Dan for directions at (248) 685-2411 or Dan.Minock@MichiganSierraClub.org.

Hawk Watch Outing: Join the Crossroads Group of the Sierra Club on Sunday, Sept. 19 when we travel to the Lake Erie Metropark to observe the many migrating hawks, eagles and vultures on their way south. We will meet at the east carpool lot at 1-96 and Spencer Road at 10 a.m. Bring a sack lunch, binoculars and a raincoat. If you are interested in participating contact Dan at Dan.Minock@MichiganSierraClub.org or (248) 685-2411.

Saving The Kensington Metropark Program: Join the Crossroads Group of the Sierra Club for our next program at the Milford Public Library on Monday, Oct. 4 at 7 p.m. Several speakers will discuss the methods they recently used to save 181 acres of Kensington Metropark from being developed. This program will demonstrate how important local involvement can be in successfully controlling development and preserving our precious parklands. Both members and nonmembers are welcome to attend.

8 Minute Dating

DATE: Wednesday, Sept. 15
TIME: 6:30-8 p.m.
LOCATION: Shanahan's Irish Pub in Livonia
DETAILS: Meet Metro Detroit's most eligible singles.

CONTACT: Erin Quinn at (248) 921-5905 or erinq@8minutedating.com; visit www.8minutedating.com.

Novi High School Band Bottle Drive

DATE: Saturday, Sept. 18
TIME: 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
DETAILS: Students will be collecting bottles at homes throughout the community and sorting in parking lot of Farmer Jack Supermarket.
CONTACT: Sharon Hoving at (248) 349-4461.

Novi Chorales Auditions

DATE: Tuesday, Sept. 21; and if needed, Tuesday, Sept. 28
TIME: 9 p.m.
CONTACT: Chorale president, Noel Brown at (248) 348-0439 before Sept. 20 to make an appointment for an audition.

CLASSES

Providence Center for the Healing Arts' "Tuesdays at Assarian"

DATE: every Tuesday night
TIME: 5-8 p.m.
LOCATION: Assarian Cancer Center, 47601 Grand River Ave., Novi.
DETAILS: Variety of activities for the adult community to come and enjoy a unique mix of classes brought to you by the Providence Center for the Healing Arts. Aug. 26 - Modern Japanese Calligraphy, Ceramics. Some activities may include a supplies fee (no more than \$10).
CONTACT: (248) 465-5483.

HEALTH

Boost Camp Day

DATE: Friday, Sept. 10
TIME: 9 a.m.-5 p.m.
LOCATION: Providence Park Medical Building.
DETAILS: The program is a retreat designed to provide valuable tools, information and a new perspective on healthier living through wholeness. Cost of \$50 includes lunch and materials.
CONTACT: For more information or to register call: (248) 465-5455.

Bad News: One out of every two deaths from stroke occurs outside the hospital. Other stroke victims are left with permanent disabilities.

Good News: Stroke treatments are available but they need to be given as soon as possible, ideally within the first three hours.

Best News: When you call 9-1-1, Huron Valley Ambulance paramedics contact the



hospital with their assessment so advanced treatment is ready when you arrive, increasing your chances of survival without permanent brain damage.

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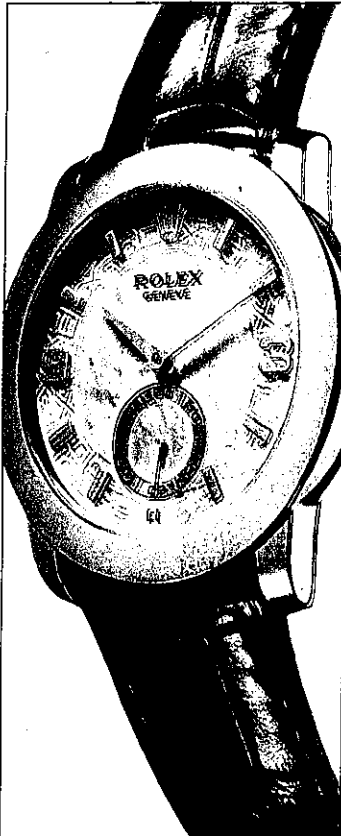
- sudden numbness or weakness of the face or body
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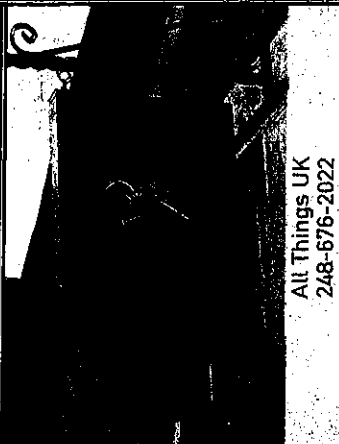
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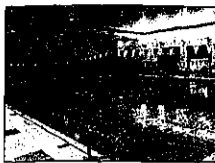
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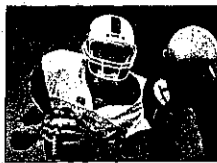
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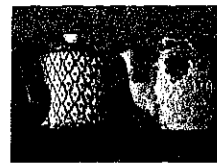
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Home, sweet home
The Novi girls' swimming and diving team earned two very impressive wins over Walled Lake Central and Walled Lake Western. They are the first to say there's no place like home. — Page 2B



Verbally committed
Novi senior athlete Kevin Ciso has verbally committed himself to play baseball for the University of Michigan. He had offers from other schools, but being a Wolverine just felt right. — Page 3B



Regional Marketplace
Whether you enjoy arts and crafts, rockabilly music or just a stroll through nature, you'll find it at the 3rd Annual Art and Craft Fair at Greenock Mill. — Page 4B

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It just takes a minute

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER

Novi's Rob Carter, left, really puts a shoulder into a Pinckney wide receiver moments after the ball arrived during last week's home game

SHIVER ME TIMBERS!

Novi forces Pinckney to walk the plank in KVC opener

By Sam Eggleston
SPORTS WRITER

In the Kensington Valley Conference, every game is a must-win if a squad wants to stand a chance at winning the crown at the end of the season.

Since the Novi Wildcats football team is defending KVC champs this year, they knew they had to start the conference schedule off on the right foot if **WILDCATS 45** they wanted **PIRATES 6** to defend it.

They did just that, earning a crushing 42-6 victory over the up-and-coming Pinckney Pirates.

"We knew it was very important if we wanted a chance at winning the league to open up with a win," said Tab Kellepourey, the Wildcats' head coach. "What I'm very happy

about is that every player that had been practicing all week long got a chance to get on the field and perform. We were able to get some film on those kids as well, which will give us a better week in practice."

The Wildcats knew the Pirates, who were 0-9 last season, weren't about to come into this game and just roll over for them. Instead, Pinckney came out will all the ferocity and intensity expected, delaying multiple Novi option plays before the 'Cats finally broke a touchdown out of the mix.

With Pirates stacking themselves inside the defensive front, Novi dropped back into a pass. Senior quarterback Kevin Ciso fired a shot to the left corner of the north endzone and could only watch as a Pirate defender deflected it. The ball hung lazily in the air for a moment before

being hauled down by sophomore Brandon Carnegie as he fell backward into the endzone for the 34-yard score. Pat Sijan added the point-after for the 7-0 lead.

"Brandon made a very nice adjustment to that ball," Kellepourey noted. "We know if a team puts too many players in the box that we have the option of throwing the football."

The Wildcats marched down for their second score of the night following a diving interception by Ciso, playing at defensive back, in the second quarter. The squad added another touchdown when senior Chris Dalton snagged a pass and scampered 44 yards for the touchdown. Sijan, once again, added the PAT to put the Wildcats up 14-0.

"I think Pinckney did a nice job of defending our perimeter play," said Kellepourey.

CRUSHING BLOWS

The Novi Wildcats football team is blessed with an impressive defense this year.

Sure, holding your opponent to six points is enough to make one impressive, but the hits that were being handed out like candy on Halloween were even more impressive.

The two that stood out the most were given out by two different defenders — both seniors.

The first was from Seab Costello. On a kick, he raced down the field and slammed himself at a full sprint into the wedge, taking out three Pinckney blockers and still managing to keep his feet.

The second was from Robbie Carter, who met a receiver after the Pirate caught the ball and formed tackled him with crushing intensity. The hit threw both of them into the Novi sidelines, but it was Carter who jumped up with fire in his eyes and the Pinckney player who got up just a bit more slowly.

"Ultimately, they ended up giving up counters and traps. Defensively, they're a sound team. They're going to have some good games this season I think."

Though the Pirates began buckling down on the outside runs the 'Cats had planned, the

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Intense Wildcats upend Williamston

By Sam Eggleston
SPORTS WRITER

The Novi Wildcats girls' basketball team knew one thing after a quarter of play against their foes from Williamston — they needed to calm down and play their own game.

The squad, coached by Bill Kelp, came out a little too pumped up but settled down enough to earn a 50-38 win over Williamston in non-conference play.

"We were way too amped," said Kelp. "We were pumped up and we weren't really playing together. We were missing free throws and layups. They were just way too jacked and going 100 miles per hour."

The squad, it seemed, found themselves just too energized

despite the long bus ride. At the end of the first quarter, the 'Cats were trailing 6-3. After taking a few deep breaths and calming down, the squad came back with a vengeance, going up 20-12 by the half.

"Once they slowed down and ran the offense, they were fine," Kelp said.

Novi continued to propel themselves forward, outscoring **NOVI 50** Williamston **13-10** in the third quarter before shooting 17 to Williamston's 16 in the final stanza.

Williamston, however, wasn't about to be left in the dust. They cut the lead to four points at one point to keep the game close while hitting three 3-point field goals in

the fourth. "They had some very good basketball players over there," said Kelp. "They love their basketball in Williamston and the kids there play well."

Kelp noted that Novi, too, has some top-notch players. Rachele Folino, a junior shooter, lead her squad with an impressive showing of 20 points.

It was the play of Nicole Stephen, however, that drew the most attention. Not only did the junior center put up 14 points in the victory, she played very solid defensively as well.

"She played great defense against their stud post player," Kelp said. "She had a lot of deflections when they would try their entry pass to the post. It was a huge effort from her."

And an effort Stephen will have to repeat if she hopes to assist the Wildcats in the Kensington Valley Conference.

"That's our hope," Kelp noted. "We're hoping she can play that kind of defense against all the post players in the KVC."

Jessica Haggerty, the starting point guard for the 'Cats, added eight points in the victory.

The Wildcats also had a bit of good news away from the competitive floor. Julie Longo, one of the team's captains and post players, was able to return to practice last week after a knee injury.

"She can't go right in and start playing, but she can come out and practice and slowly get back into it," Kelp said.

The Wildcats will be back in action when they play host to the

Walled Lake Western Warriors today at 7 p.m. The game will be held at the Novi Middle School due to delays from construction at the high school.

Novi will then take a short trip across Eight Mile Road Sept. 14 to play the Northville Mustangs at 7 p.m. at Northville High School, which is located on Six Mile Road between Beck and Sheldon.

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All it takes is for me to look at a picture of my deceased grandfather, Edward Eggleston, when he wore his Army uniform proudly in Belgium during World War II to remember why I cover my heart each time I stand for the National Anthem.

I'm not asking for you to break out the flags and hang them every day, or to get Old Glory tattooed on your arm. I am asking you to take a minute out of your hectic day when you attend a sporting event, seal your lips — or sing along if you'd like — lock your eyes on the red, white and blue and cover your heart. You, my friend, are an American. Be one proudly and show everyone you're not afraid to be patriotic.

Indeed, it just takes a minute of your night when the band starts playing and the music fills the air to honor centuries of Americans — all of the free and the brave who have kept them that way.

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Managing money

I'll never forget my first credit card: a VISA with a 22 percent interest rate. I was a starry-eyed college freshman eager to fit in with my new plastic-flashing friends. Naturally when the opportunity to apply for a credit card came up, I jumped at it. Emboldened by what I perceived as financial freedom, I used the card freely and it wasn't long before I was up to my ears in debt, which followed me through college and into my early career.



Mary Davis

Things haven't changed much since I was in school. Students are still barraged by credit card offers. And they're still going off to college without a clue as how to manage money. According to survey by the JumpStart Coalition for Personal Financial Literacy, 85 percent of college freshman go to school with little or no personal finance education.

If you're a parent with a child in college and you haven't talked to him or her about how to manage money, it's not too late. In fact, now is a good time. There's a lot riding on your student's ability to manage his finances. The consequences of having a poor bill paying history have lasting consequences. A poor credit score means he or she will have a difficult time getting a job, an apartment, a loan and insurance.

Consider encouraging your student to adopt these simple and reasonable money management practices.

Track spending

During these first months of college have your student make a list of non-tuition expenses. Include items such as food, clothes, entertainment, travel expenses, haircuts, cell phone costs and miscellaneous needs. Ask your child to write down every penny he spends for seven days (be sure to include the weekend expenditures). Next, note any convenience or unneeded items, like Starbucks double-mocha lattes, newspapers and magazines purchased at the newsstand, candy, soda, cab rides, and weekly jaunts to the dry cleaners. Lastly, if your child has a pre-paid meal plan, have him record how much money he spends on food not covered in the plan.

Craft a realistic budget

Ask her to list sources of monthly income such as scholarship money, part-time job income and student loans. Then, list fixed expenses like tuition, books, car payment, auto insurance, along with how it'll take to cover weekly social activities — a movie and dinner, a party, or a concert. She can use whatever is left over for the convenience or unneeded items she recorded in a journal.

Tracking expenses will allow your child to know when to stop spending before she goes over her budget.

Debit card instead of credit card

Instead of using a credit card, consider establishing a debit card for your student. Because debit cards are limited to the amount of money in the account, students can't acquire gobs of debt.

Visa offers Visa Buxx, a prepaid reloadable debit card issued in the student's name which can be reloaded by parents online, via the telephone and automatically by setting up the transfer of a pre-selected amount of money from a credit card, check card, or checking account every other week or once a month. Spending is limited to the amount of money that's on the card. And parents, if they wish, can review the student's account online to see how much is spent and where it is spent.

If you do select a credit card for your child, consider one from the credit union that's on campus. The card will likely come with a better rate and fewer fees than a bank-issued card. Set a low limit on the card — \$500 or \$1,000. Credit unions often conduct educational seminars on good money management practices and the wise use of credit. Encourage your student to sit in on one of these classes. Eventually the information, whether it comes from you or a financial institution, will sink into your student's brain. Options to look for in a card include no annual fees and low annual percentage rates.

Mary Davis manages public affairs for the Michigan Credit Union League. Send your financial questions to "Your Money Matters" c/o the Michigan Credit Union League, P.O. Box 8054, Plymouth, MI 48170-8054, or stop by our Web site (www.mcul.org) to learn more about smart money management. Comments about this column may be e-mailed to mcd@mcul.org.

Advertorial



Photos by HAL GOULD

Greenock Mill at 10470 Rushton Road between Nine and Ten Mile roads in Green Oak features arts, crafts, foods and merchandise that you won't find everywhere else. The Greenock Mill will host the 3rd Annual Art and Craft Fair 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 18.

Greenock Mill hosts 3rd Annual Art and Craft Fair

By Annette Jaworski
SPECIAL WRITER

You might say it's a combination open house and celebration. Whether you enjoy arts and crafts, rockabilly music or just a stroll through nature, you'll find it at the 3rd Annual Art and Craft Fair at Greenock Mill. Scheduled for Saturday, Sept. 18th, from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., it's a great way to spend a fall weekend in the country. The celebration gets bigger and better every year, says owner Rhonda Fackert.

"It's a great time to see the mill," she added.

For those who have never visited Greenock Mill and have been curious about the facility, the fair is like a warm welcome. It's also a good time to discover the historical background of the building.

All About Art

This year's fair will feature an impressive lineup of more than 20 artists. Visitors can enjoy demonstrations from spinning yarn and rug hooking to massage therapy. Several artists have

returned from year to year, as well as some exciting new faces.

"We have a variety of people that do a lot of different things," said Fackert. Artists feature numerous handmade items including hand-carved wooden bowls, jewelry, quilts and even goat's milk soaps in relaxing and refreshing scents like Lavender Lace and Perky Peppermint. The soaps are made from all natural ingredients by Coda's Haven, a participant for the past three years. Local artist, Carlene Atchison will return once again. Her pieces are a popular favorite, whether it's hand-painted giftware or jewelry. Dan Stuart will be back to present his award-winning photography.

The fair will also feature local author Nancy Marchinia Stevens. She will be available to sign her new publication "On Seven Mile Road," a historical account based on her life growing up in Detroit during the '50s and '60s.

Several new faces will be part of the program including Diane Klanik from The Wool Room, who will demonstrate traditional rug hooking. Greenock Mill

associate Peggy Kogstrom enjoys the creativity of two young entrepreneurs of JD Sculptures who will feature sports figures in three sizes. Outdoor fall décor will be available thanks to Paul Briggs who will bring bales of straw and corn stalks on his farm wagon.

One of the great features of this art fair include the reasonable prices for merchandise, which makes it affordable for visitors to buy unique items. It's also a great day to meet many of the Greenock Mill artists in person.

All that and music too!

This year's fair includes a lineup of entertainment that appeals to a wide variety of tastes from rockabilly to bagpipes. South Lyon High School teacher Richard Grieves returns again this year for a repeat performance of his unique sounds. The Highland Piper will kickoff the entertainment at 11:30 a.m. Next, at 2 p.m. enjoy the old time harmony of a barbershop quartet called FUNDamentally Sound. Later on, kick up your cowboy boots to Billy Mack and the Juke Joint Johnnies.

Food and snacks will also be available, including organic cider provided by Al-Mar Orchards in Flushing. Community groups such as the South Lyon Historical Society and Rails to Trails will be present.

Although it's only September, it's not too early to think about the holidays. The art fair offers a great opportunity to select that one-of-a-kind gift. The Greenock Mill shop will also be open for business.

"It's a good place to start your Christmas shopping... Don't forget we feature a visit from Santa around the holidays," Fackert



Artists and crafts people at the 3rd Annual Art and Craft Fair Saturday, Sept. 18 will show items not often found in other stores and art venues.

said. The holiday merchandise will be in a specific area for those who are interested, look for it in the newly remodeled balcony area. It's the same place they'll feature Santa this holiday season. Santa's visit to the Mill is a special event children enjoy, in a relaxed atmosphere without the hustle and bustle of department stores.

As a backdrop, the Mill is an intriguing place of historical value. Rhonda Fackert and her husband have continued the tradition that began with the DeAngelis family. This year improvements were made to enhance the landscaping, making it even more attractive. Most importantly Fackert and associate Peggy Kogstrom strive to feature merchandise in the store that you won't find everywhere else.

"The focus is on natural and organic as well as featuring local artists," said Graphic Arts Coordinator Barb Burns.

They pride themselves on providing personalized service, and will take the time to help you make a selection or maybe explain the background of their artists.

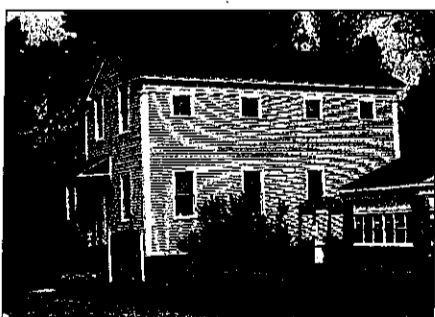
"It's a homey and comfortable atmosphere, where people are encouraged to browse," said Fackert.

Greenock Mill is just minutes from downtown South Lyon in a quiet country setting at 10470 Rushton Road between Nine and Ten Mile roads in Green Oak. For more information call (248) 486-5655. The 3rd Annual Art and Craft Fair will be held from 10 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 18th.

GREENOCK MILL HISTORY

Greenock Mill has been part of the Green Oak landscape since 1840. William Dean, a settler from New York State, dammed the Greenock Creek and built a water-powered saw and flour mill on the site. Over the years, the building has also served as a post office, train depot, manufacturing site and general store.

After a fire in 1971, the DeAngelis family rebuilt the old mill using a great quantity of the original building materials. They pressed apples for cider, made donuts and opened a museum on the top floor. The Fackerts purchased the mill in 1999 and continue to run the general store/gift shop.



Greenock Mill has been part of the Green Oak landscape since 1840.

3rd Annual Art & Craft Fair

Artisans

Handmade jewelry, quilts, photography, hand blown glass, sports plaques, handmade wood bowls, rug hooking, weaving, paintings, metal sculpture, massage therapist, and much more.

Music

Richard Grieves-Highland Piper Performing at 11:30AM
 FUNDamentally Sound-Barbershop Quartet at 2:00 PM
 Billy Mack & the Juke Joint Johnnies
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Refreshments

Hot dogs, chips, nachos, organic cider.

Greenock Mill

Saturday, September 18th, 10:00 AM thru 5:30 PM 10470 Rushton Road, Between 9 and 10 Mile, 248-486-5655