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According to Busard, her son went through six months of misdiagnosis. She explained that the doctors he went to were very competent, but they had never treated anybody with eosinophilic esophagitis. "When Brian was diagnosed, they came

up with this huge word, eosinophilic esophagitis, and we didn't know what that esophagins, and we close t know what that was," Busard said, tears in her eyes. "Little did we know that was finally the end result after three misdiagnoses." The disease acts like a huge allergic reac-

tion where white blood cells appear in the esophagus. However, the body's immune system overdoes it until there's nothing left to attack, so it begins to attack the body. which causes much vomiting. Busard said that after learning about the

disease, she found out that it affects all ages. She talked about a woman who was 50 years first diagnos out her life 'Once you're diagnosed, you have this

forever, and it might take a while to get diag-nosed because it's so rare," Busard said.

#### Symptoms and public reaction

Jones didn't have any symptoms until January 2003. There have been reports of othranuary 2005, inter nave perior parts of our ers, however, who were showing symptoms since birth. It's not a disease that has visible symptoms, either. It attacks from the inside. Part of the problem, according to Busard, is the emotional toll it takes on the family.

"When people see Brian, they say he looks good, and they ask, "What do you mean your child is sick?" Busard said. "It's very hard for child is sick? Dushu said, it is very han to families to get support because of that. Even extended family members don't understand, asking things like, "What do you mean your child can't eat anything? What do you mean he's throwing up? Get him to school." That was a discourse of the school." getting early on with B

yourself or with others. First prize is \$5,000 cash; sec-ond prize is a night for two at the Hotel Baronette, and third prize is a night for two in a deluxe suite at Novi's DoubleTree Hotel, with breakfast for two he next morn-ing at the hotel. The owner of every 10th ticket drawn will win a door prize, including gift baskets, Christmas cookie jars, other holiday gift items and more. Nora Champion, Chamber pres-

Need some extra spending money this month? Then join members of the Novi Chamber of

Commerce for the Chamber of Holiday Luncheon set for 11:30 a.m., Dec. 14, at the Hotel

The luncheon is open to the The Hotel Baronette is located at 27790 Novi Rd. Area residents are encouraged

to buy their rafile tickets now. Tickets are \$100 each, and only 100 will be sold. Purchase a ticket

yourself or with others.

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items and more. Nora Champion, Chamber pres-ident, emphasized that tickets do not have to be purchased by only one person. "If five people spend \$20, they can buy one ticket. If they win first prize, each would receive \$1,000," she said. Winners need not be present. not be present.

not be present. Champion said the event has been a holiday tradition with the Chamber. It started as a free holi-day shopping spree to the winners and evolved into a more extensive cash prize raffle

cash prize raffle. "It's a fun thing for our mem-bers, and the winner receives some extra Christmas spending money," Champion said. "The last ticket drawn is the grand prize winner, so it's very suspenseful." The raffle will take place at 1 pm during the luncheon

p.m. during the luncheon. To purchase a ticket or to reserve a seat at the luncheon, call the chamber at (248) 349-3743. Seating is limited, and cost for lunch is \$18. Deadline for raffle



Photo by JOHN HEIDER Novi teenager Brian Jones will get some help from his sister Sarah, 16, second from right, and friends Anna Sansom, 15, and A.J. Glubzinski, left, in raising money and awareness of EE (eosinophilic esophagitis), a disease that he's been dealing with for some time now.

# **Student Support**

#### Bowl for a Cure slated for March 6

It's one of every parent's worst night-mares: to watch your child battle an unknown illness day in and day out, while people around you are saying that it's just a

bug that's going around. That's precisely what Diane Busard was going through before she and her family found out that her son, Brian Jones, actually had was a rare disease called eosinophilic

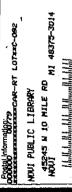
esophagitis Jones is now a senior at Novi High School. He was finally diagnosed correctly during bis sophomore year. What this disease has

brought upon him and his family, however, is had stomach pains through something most might find unbearable.

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for the Novi News. She can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 105, or by e-mail at pflenning@ht.homecomm.net.

ticket sales is the day of the event



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### Mayhem makes for magical Christmas production

Comedy to run Dec. 10-12 at Civic Center

By Pam Fleming WRITER

Who couldn't use a little humor around the holidays? In that spirit, the Novi Theatres will bring cornedy to its stage with the presentation of "The Best

Christmas Pageant Ever," Dec. 10-12 at the Novi Civic Center. Linda Wickert, Novi Theatres' artistic director, said the hilarious story concerns efforts of a woman, played by Sandra Deering, and her husband, played by Bruce Markham, to put on the annual church pageant despite having to cast the Herdman kids - probably the most inventively awful kids in history, said Wickert.

"You won't believe the mayhem - and the fan," Wickert said.

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Performances will be at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 10 and 11 and at 3 p.m. Dec. 12.

Tickets are \$10 in advance and

10 CKets are 570 in access and \$12 at the door. Wickert said the Seattle Times called "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever" "one of the best Christmas stories ever and certainly one of the funniest.

The Novi Theatres staff took another direction this year with the production of this Christmasthemed performance --- the group's annual contribution to

The BEST kicking off the holiday seaso

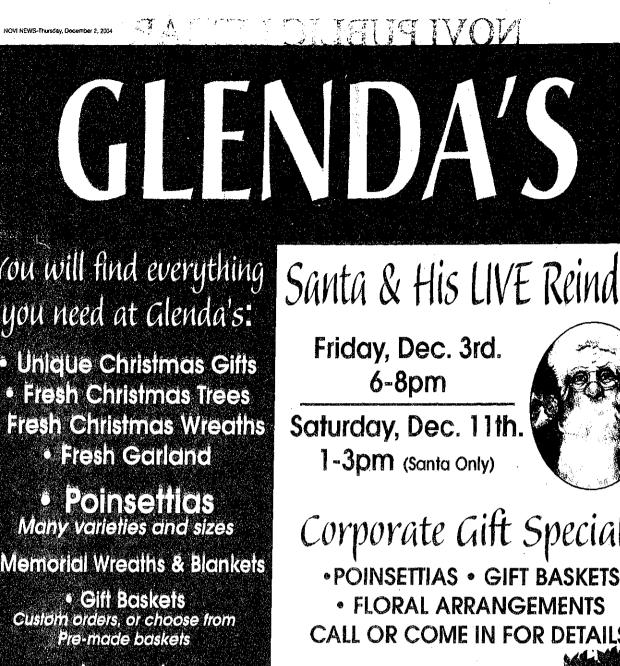
In the past, performances of "A Christmas Carol" would alternate every other year with "The Nutcracker."

"This year, we decided to drop "The Nutcracker' and try something else - a comedy with a huge message: 'What is huge message: "What i Christmas really all about?" Wickert said.

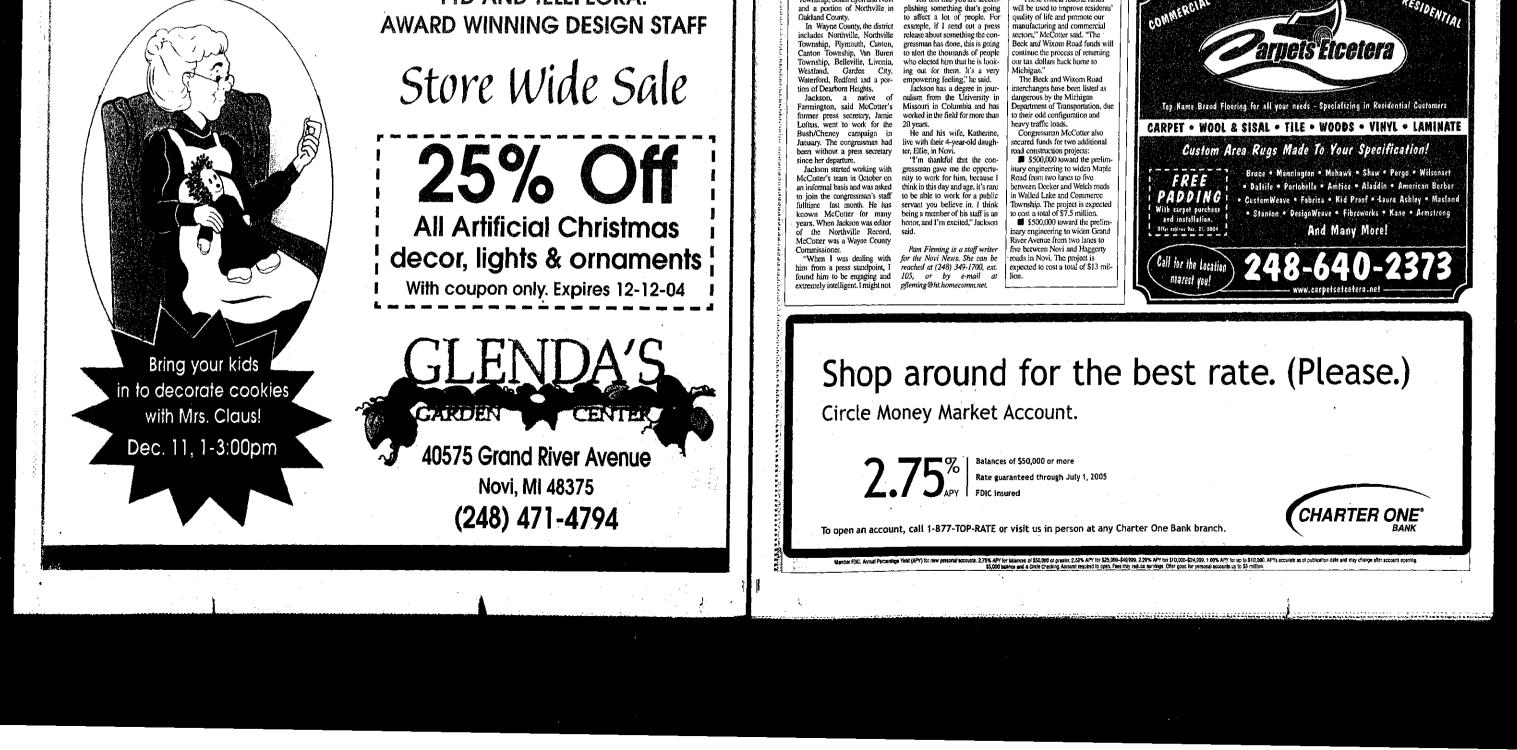
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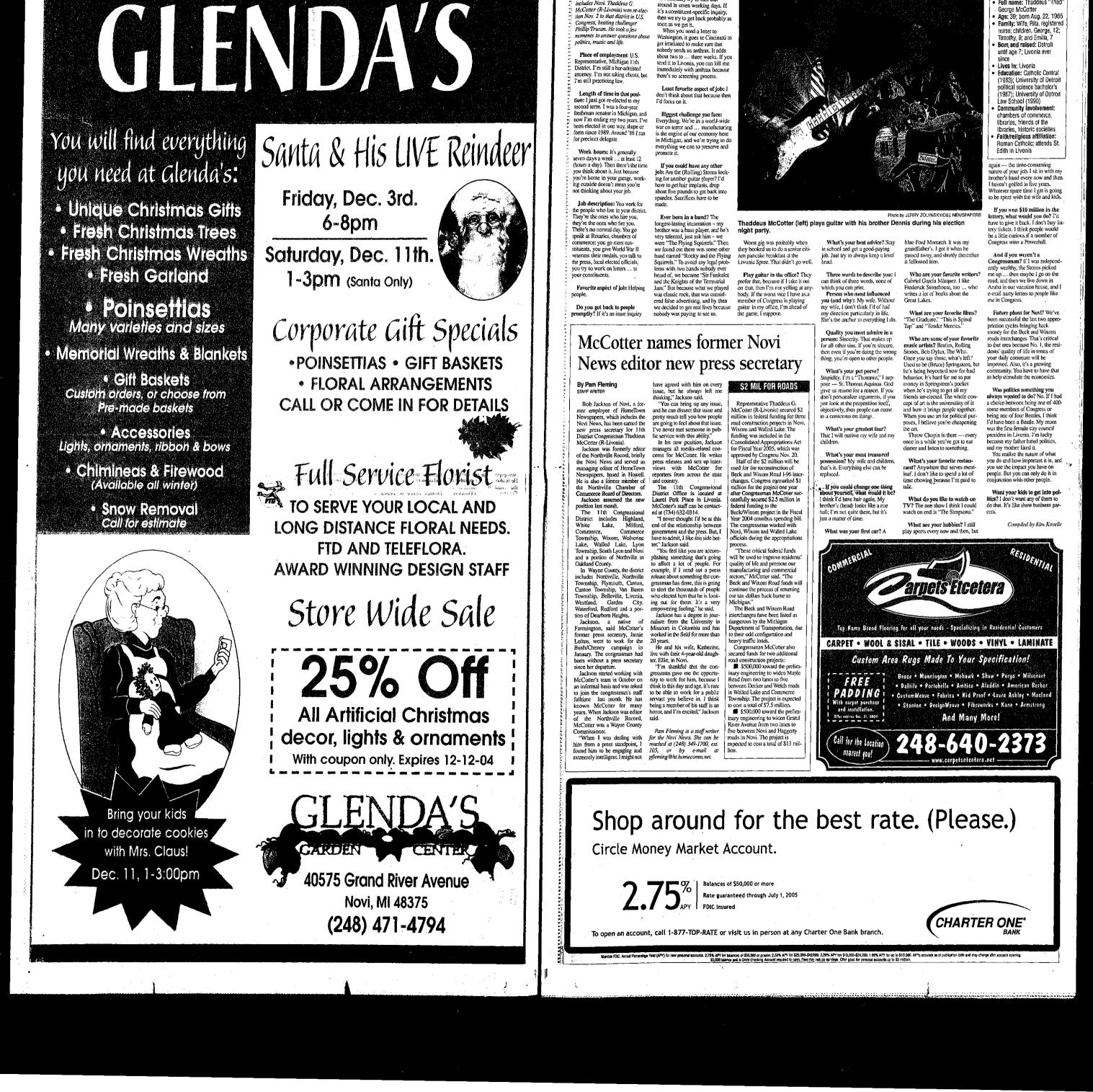
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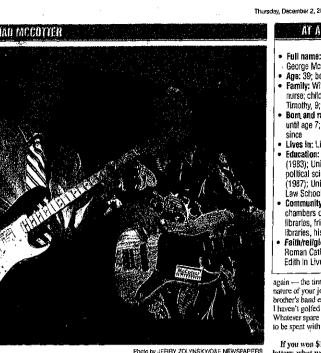
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Pam Fleming F WRITER	have agreed with him on every issue, but he always left me	S2 MIL FOR ROADS	pose — St. Thomas Aquinas. God gave us reason for a reason. If you	mor whe
	thinking," Jackson said.		don't personalize arguments, if you	frier
ob Jackson of Novi, a for- employee of HomeTown	"You can bring up any issue, and he can dissect that issue and	Representative Thaddeus G. McCotter (R-Livonia) secured \$2	just look at the proposition itself, objectively, then people can come	cepi and
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i News, has been named the press secretary for 11th	are going to feel about that issue. I've never met someone in pub-	road construction projects in Novi, Wixom and Walled Lake, The	What's your greatest fear?	pose the
rict Congressman Thaddeus	lic service with this ability."	funding was included in the	That I will outlive my wife and my	T
Cotter (R-Livonia).	In his new position, Jackson manages all media-related con-	Consolidated Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2005, which was	children.	onco dint
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Novi News and served as	press releases and sets up inter-	Half of the \$2 million will be	possession? My wife and children,	V
aging editor of HomeTown spapers, based in Howell.	views with McCotter for reporters from across the state	used for the reconstruction of Beck and Wixom Road 1-96 inter-	that's it. Everything else can be replaced.	ran ìoaf
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Northville Chamber of unerce Board of Directors.	The 11th Congressional District Office is located at	after Congressman McColler suc-	If you could change one thing about yourself, what would it be?	talk
ckson assumed the new	Laurel Park Place in Livonia.	cessfully secured \$2.5 million in	I think I'd have hair again. My	V The
ion last month. re 11th Congressional	McCotter's staff can be contact- ed at (734) 632-0314.	federal funding to the Beck/Wixom project in the Fiscal	brother's (head) looks like a cue ball; I'm not quite there, but it's	TV wate
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te Lake, Milford, umerce, Commerce	end of the relationship between government and the press. But, I	The congressman worked with Novi, Wixom and Walled Lake	What was your first car? A	V play
nship, Wixom, Wolverine	have to admit, I like this side bet-	officials during the appropriations		a television
e, Walled Lake, Lyon aship, South Lyon and Novi	ter," Jackson said. "You feel like you are accorn-	Process. "These critical federal funds		16 S
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des Northville, Northville	release about something the con-	sectors," McCotter said. "The		
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land, Garden City,	ing out for them. It's a very	Michigan."		
rford, Redford and a por- of Dearborn Heights.	empowering feeling," he said. Jackson has a degree in jour-	The Beck and Wixom Road interchanges have been listed as		
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ington, said McCotter's er press secretary, Jamie	Missouri in Columbia and has worked in the field for more than	Department of Transportation, due to their odd configuration and	Top Name Brand Flooring	TOP 8
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otter's team in October on	nity to work for him, because I	Road from two lanes to five	E D E E	Bruce

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AT A GLANCE

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Full name: Thaddeus



### **Resident shares experience helping hurricane victims**

Walled Lake firefighter says people were very thankful

By Pam Fleming

Disaster movies, such as this year's "The Day After Tomorrow," where global warming leads to deadly weather, are popular these days, Novi resident and Walled Lake

firefighter/emergency medical technician John Shepp got to experience the aftermath of a real-life disaster when he raveled lorida September



dier Officials J. Shepp

Emergency Management Agency - forestry workers. He and his team

COURT REPORT

These are the cases scheduled

for sentencing in Oakland County Circuit Court originating in 52-1 District Court for Oct. 8. • Adam Jay Deeley, First

degree criminal sexual conduct

Kenneth Michael Shirley: Embezzlement of more than \$1,000 but less than \$20,000,

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Circuit Court originating in 52-1 District Court for Oct. 11.

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pended. • Troy Lee Cobb: Felony assault, relail fraud (second

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These are the cases scheduled

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Erica Marie Kortman: Assaulting, resisting and obstruc-

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District Court for Oct. 13.

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the Walled Lake Fire Department's Community Emergency Response Team, decided to join the effort. He staged two weeks, working 12-burg down hour days. Shepp shared his experiences with local CERT trainees at a Nov. 13 training session at the Walled Lake Fire Department. Members of the public are well

come to join the response team, which has periodic training class-es. The new team just completed training Nov. 20. Shepp said the mobilization effort was fast. "From the time I read the e-mail from FEMA sent to all CERT members and submitted

my paperwork until 1 got on a plane was about 24 hours," he said. When he was flown to Florida. to he learned it was the largest in deployment of people FEMA had r ever undertaken, with about 4,500

three eathered in about four days. Shepp said about 65-70 percent of the volunteers were CERT members from across the county. urricanes hit. the Federal Others were public safety o

asked the nation's trained volum-teers if they would help victims in Florida. Shepp, an instructor in

"People lost their homes, had no phones, ha power, no money, A lot of people just

needed a place to stay," said John Shepp of Florida, where a trio of hurricanes ravaged the state in September

body livable --- what they needed to survive," Shepp said. "The (Elorida) nanhandle was hit most by (Hurricane) Ivan. Most of the damage was done by tomadoes that spun off of the hurricane. There were eight tornadoes in about an hour and a half and just devastated blocks. Almost 100 percent of the county was without power."

population of just under one mil-

for food and water donated by

Anheuser-Busch. "FEMA's goal was to get every-

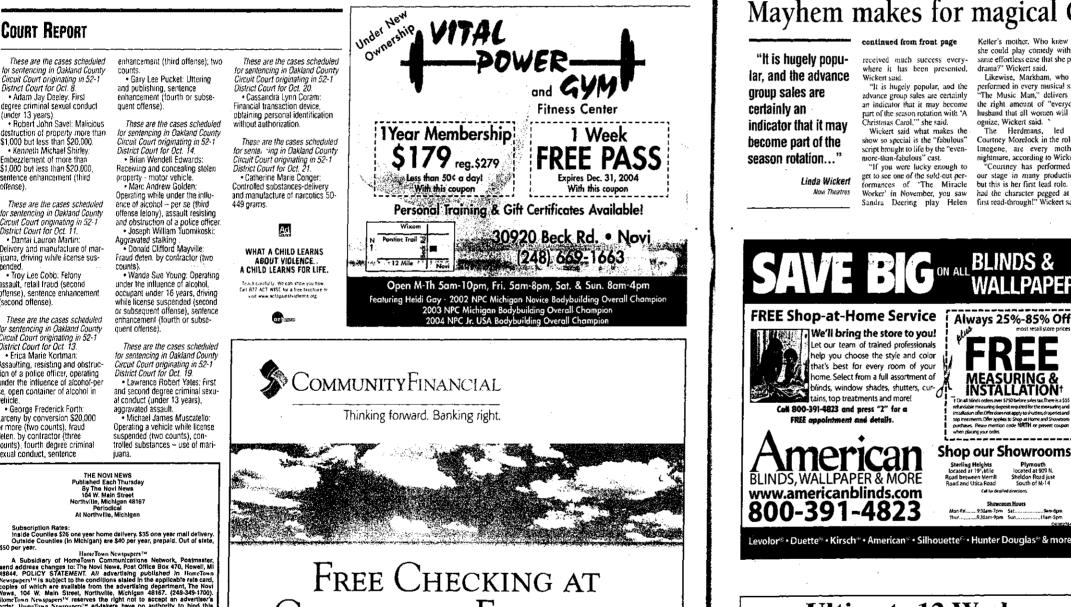
People received military rations

Shepp said it was rewarding going on the rescue mission, and would recommend others donating their time for such caus

"We had volunteers that ranged from the 18-year-old right out of high school to a retired deputy chief from a major city fite department. They all worked together great," he said. "And, the people (victims) were so thankful. I like to help people."

#### Pain Fleming is a staff write for the Novi News. She can be

"People lost their homes, had to stay," Shepp said. was made responsible for 49 vol-no phones, no power, no money. Since the Novi resident had unteers in Panama City and the 105, ar by e-mail A lot of people just needed a place incident command training, he suburbs of Dade County, with a pfleming@ht.homecomm.net. reached at (248) 349-1700, ext.



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Bowl for a	Cure slated f	for March 6	EE, ACCORDING TO D	R. ANDREW M. SINGER
continued from front page Busard explained that people told her that her son was just standard rebellious teenager who didn't want to go to school, or he school. Some even suggested that he must have hated his mother. "Sure," Busard suid, "you're may when all of this is happening, and we cried a lot. It was really hard because you never know when you're looking for a rare disease." Busard suid that her son had always been healthy and earned straight As in school before he straight As in school before he they been healthy and earned straight As in school before he straight As in school before he straight As in school before he they been healthy and earned straight As in school before he straight as in school and said he had to get back. We had no cidea he was going to miss 26 days of school that year. We had no cidea he was going to miss 26 days of school that year. We had no cidea he was going to miss 26 days of school that year. We had no cidea he was going to miss 26 days of school that year. We had no cidea he was going to miss 26 days of school that year. We had no cidea he was going to miss 26 days of school that year. We had no cidea he was going to miss 26 days of school that year. We had no cidea he was going to miss 26 days of school that year. We had no cidea he was going to miss 26 days of school that year. We had no cidea he was going to miss 26 days of school that year.	where he vomited 15 to 20 times per day on average, and one day he vomited close to 30 times. On many occasions, he woke up extra early just to vomit for about three hours before going to school. "The vomiting itself was what worried me the much" looses and	"But he was still sick," Busard	"Eosinophils are a type of white blood cell that your body orduces," said Andrew M. Singer, MD, whose patient is Brian Jones. "They are involved usually in allergic inflammation, so people who have allergies usually have more active eosinophils. What Brian has is a newly-identified disease, and patients with it usually have symptoms such as a lot of vom- iting, feeling very nauseated and a lot of heartburn-type symp- toms. A lot of times it looks like a severe case of heartburn that doesn't get better with the usual medications that are out there now. It can start at any age, but typically it's something that affects younger children to young adults. "The disease is not fatal, but if left untreated, people will have nutrition problems because there's some things they can't eat or they can't keep all the food in because they're having problems vomiting. It can go from involving the esophagus to community to please help us to find a cure for this disease." Bowl for a Cure will take place at Novi Bowl on Sunday, March 6, from 2-4 p.m. To have a reserved spot in this event, participators must register by Wednesday, Dec. 15. The money will be collected prior to March 6.	involving more of their intes- tines, including their stomachs. Someone can get ulcerations and a lot of pain from that, and it interferes with their life. Untreated long term, you can get abnormal narrowing of the esophagus, which you might have to have surgery for because you can't swallow, and you form scar tissue. "People with this disease are usually on steroid medications. Because these are cells in the allergic immune system, we also try to identify the things the patients are allergic to, which is real important. It could be any- thing from pollens to dust mites and mold. If you can figure out what things you're allergic to, you can avoid it, and that can improve your chances to get better." For more information, call Dr. Singer's office at (734) 432- 7811. Call the Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center at (800) 344-2462. For more information, call (313) 570-7267 or e-mail ElecxtremeNovi@aol.com. Ramez Khuri is a steff 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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ilt is hugely serve	continued from front page	Keller's mother. Who knew that she could play comedy with the	Other Herdmans include Bryan Glick, a senior at Novi High School,	designed the set. Bill Whikehart serves as scenic artist, with
"It is hugely popu-	received much success every- where it has been presented,	same effortless ease that she plays drama?" Wickert said.	who has performed with the Novi Theatres since he was 8.	Natalie James as stage manager. For more information about
lar, and the advance	Wickert said. "It is hugely popular, and the	Likewise, Markham, who has performed in every musical since	"The Best Christmas Pageant Ever," was written by Barbara	tickets, call (248) 347-0400.
group sales are	advance group sales are certainly an indicator that it may become	"The Music Man," delivers just the right amount of "everyday"	Robinson, directed by Carol Laghan-Bissonette and costumed	Pant Fleming is a staff writer for the Novi News. She can be
certainly an	part of the season rotation with 'A	husband that all women will rec-	by Mary Step.	reached at (248) 349-1700, ext.
indicator that it may	Christmas Carol," she said. Wickert said what makes the	ognize, Wickert said. * The Herdmans, led by	John Verloove designed the lighting, and Katy Monthei	105, or by e-mail at pfleming@ht.homecomm.net.
become part of the	show so special is the "fabulous" script brought to life by the "even-	Courtney Morelock in the role of Imogene, are every mother's	200000000000000000000000000000000000000	
season rotation"	more-than-fabelous" cast.	nightmare, according to Wickert. "Courtney has performed on	VARSITY LINCO 2 exits west of 12 O PEOPLE'S C	IN MERCURY COL
Linda Wickert	"If you were lucky enough to get to see one of the sold-out per-	our stage in many productions,	§ 2 exits west of 12 O	aks Mall at Grand Rive
Novi Theatres	formances of 'The Miracle Worker' in November, you saw	but this is her first lead role. She had the character pegged at the		
	Sandra Deering play Helen	first read-through!" Wickert said.	* PEOPLE'S C	CHOICE AWAR

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#### Thursday, December 2, 2004-NOVI NEWS

"If you watched Daril perform. you knew he really enjoyed what he was doing."

> Larry Mollov Fellow Choralair

### Coronary claims 'Mr Choralaires'

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"I always called Daril 'Mr. Choralaires' because he was our biggest cheerleader," Wassilak said. Plus, she noted, he brought in \$2,000 worth of patron ads every year. He dropped out of the group in 2001 because he wanted to focus his attention on starting a contemporary church service a

aol.com. Farmington Hills, according to Wassilak. St. John's Lutheran Church in is a staff writer He was an active member of ws. He can be 349-1700, ext. e-mail

St. John's since 1977. "Daril was a very vital person. He was full of energy," Wassilak said. "He was one of the most omm.uct

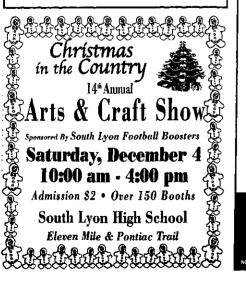
positive people I've ever met. Everybody loved him." Larry Molloy of Novi, a fel-low Choralaire, had known Riley for 10 years, "He loved to sing and was very enthusiastic. He liked to make people happy," Molioy said. "If you watched Daril perform, you Bill Whikehar

knew he really enjoyed what he was doing." Pam Fleming is a staff writer for the Novi News. She can be wached at (248) 349-1700, est.

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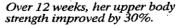
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igure out. Anyone could see she was a Princess or an International Dignitary – certainty Royalty. But here she was - "out of her setting". When I first saw her some seventeen years earlier, she was as struning as she is now, yet even then she was unsettled, a bit locse, it locked as it she was not complete, parts of her frame where missing, she needed fixing. Someone else had worked with her with clearly limited success; it was now up to me to give this memory a new lite. She's known as a Carrene, a shell Carneo, most likely from the waters Mediterranean Sea and carved in Italy but not just a carving, but more like a sculpture, the likeness of a lady with cuts and peorts and a gentieness that you can leet with just one look. For a dreamer like my self it's not hard to recoil a time when she must have been beautiful and new, and how she must of felt that first day, when she was seen and enjoyed for the very first lime, a coming sub avoid have been so carefully replaced in what must have been a of the staft locs. Or how she must long to that goin.

she would have been so carefully replaced in what must have been a mixed with a would have been so carefully replaced in what must long for that glow again. I designed a new setting for her, her original setting was nowhere in sight, this one would be so fine that the world would take notice. It was indicate, unique even a bit ornate. When I finished the design draw it is on y finest artifactors. If was indicate, unique even a bit ornate. When I finished the design draw it is on y finest artifactors. Make fill's backed out. As if I where King and I was demanding that my foyal servants would make a new dress for my doughler, the Princess. After two weeks I was told 'it's too hard to make!'' 'I'l' do it myself hen!' I histed. For the next two weeks I sat with her design on my work- bonch, and her with her head tumer as it she was looking for a different setting or a different design, someptace their be.

her will her need latter be. Then, there it was, in an old bag of discarded parts, her original setting, it was shill broken, still un-repatroble and it it wasn't for that the old frame didn't have any gold in it, it would have been metted a long time ago. Yet here it was, could I fix it? No, but it could be remader that's ill remake at move standed turning. Remove the main motif, make a mold, cast 4 in 18kt, yellow gold. Hand-make a double besel for a tobbie set and thin enough for burnishing of the free standing metal. Make it a pln and pen-dent combination for versatility, and have it hand engraved to give it that old world fouch.

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# COMMUNITY

### Novi orthodontists do good deeds for teen

### Patient

appears on national TV show

#### By Parn Fleming

BRIEFS

Learn to Skate

Novi lee Arena will run two Holiday Learn to Skate Camps at

the end of December. The first

session will take place Dec. 20-

23, with another session running Dec. 27-30. Classes will be held from 11-11/45 a.m.

Holiday Learn to Skate camps

are open to skaters ages 6 and up, with each group limited to just six skaters. The cost of enroll-

ment is \$75, and skate rental is

available for \$2 per day. As an added bonus, Learn to Skate

camp participants are welcome t

attend open skating immediately

following class from noon-1:50 p.m. free of charge. Registration for the Holiday Learn to Skate Camp began Dec.

1. For more information, call-

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Novi orthodoutist Jamie Reynolds, D.D.S., M.S., was able to help an area teenager have a new lease on life, thanks to two national television shows - lived," Reynolds said, "We don't that brought the two together. Reynolds, who's one half of Spillane & Reynolds Orthodontics at Ten Mile and

Manry Povich Show saying that really a sweet girl – very shy. She's a preity girl, but her teeth are overwhelmingly crooked." Dr. Herb Elfring, another Novi dentist, also got involved. she really wanted braces, but her parents, who are divorced, couldn't afford them. Before she knew it, network executives contacted producers of the new makeover show, "He cleaned my teeth and pulled out some of my haby "flome Delivery," aired at noon Monday-Friday on UPN-Channel 50, about her case. The teeth," Sasser said. The show's producers also

Sensitive deturing Reynolds and paid for a haircut, makeup fips, made fun of her. Sasser aired Nov. 2. She's been a renovation of her hedroom "People would call her Sasser aired Now. 2. She's been coming to Reynolds since "They found out where she lived," Reynolds and a new outfit. "Dr. Reynolds said that I was lucky that my teeth were mov-ing, because I in all an ge where know how we got involved. Someone from NBC in New York called me and taked to me about it. They novn the rights to the scheme Otherse Otherse."

Tait roads, recently placed be show "Home Delivery"), finding are telling us that we have "Home Delivery", finding are telling us that we the show ("Home Delivery"), friends are telling me that my to be able to improve the White We saw pictures of her teeth and teeth are getting straighter and Lake student's smile. Spillane learned a little hit about her look better," Sasser said. has been practicing in Novi for herore agreeing to do this. Her "I think her personality is

meeting her, we found out she's got the braces. Her teeth have really a sweet girl — very shy improved a fittle already." She's a pretty girl, but her teeth Reynolds said. Reynolds such that it will the University of Detroit, take 18 months to two years before the teeth straightening getting a sense that you're Reynolds noted that it will take 18 months to two years before the teeth straightening process is complete. Reynolds said Sasser's teeth were so crooked that fellow stu-lade fun of her. "People would call her "People would her you would her "People would her", "People woul process is complete. were so crooked that fellow stu-dents at Lakeland High School

"People would call her Snaggleiouth, and said that you could rock climb on her teeth hecause they were so crooked," "Most people who have teeth as crooked as she did have hraces," he said, Reynolds said it was rewarding to be able to instruct the said.

in practice with him for three

years. Spillane studied dentistry at University of Michigan, and Reynolds studied at U of M and

Courlesy photo Novi orthodontist Jamie **Reynolds is helping Laura** Sasser, 15, of White Lake Township with a free smile makeover. The makeover makeover. The makeover show "Home Delivery"

brought the two tog Pain Fleming is a staff write for the Novi News. She can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 105, or by e-mail at pfleming@ht.homeconum.net. They appeared on the new show, aired locally on UPN-Channel 50, on Nov.





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Urban Design Committee Business of the Month for January 2005. The deadline for nominations is Monday, Dec. 6, and the judg-ing will take place Friday, Dec. Awards will be presented at the

next Walled Lake City Council meeting, scheduled for Jan. 4, at 8 p.m. in the Walled City Council

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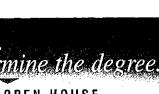
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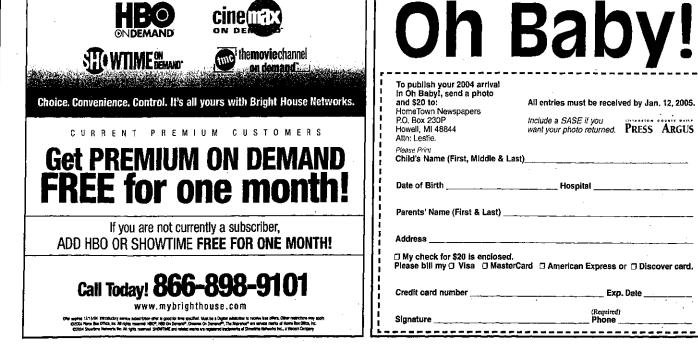
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STAFF WRITER

Developer appeals judge's sub ruling City officials wait for court notice on oral arguments

### By Pam Fleming

City officials are waiting for a notice from the Court of Appeals on a date for oral arguments in a long-standing court case involving the City of Novi and developer Ker Nanda of Nanda Enterprises in Northville Township. The Oakland County Circui

Court of Appeals recently entered an order to expedite the appeal, according to Gerald Fisher, city attorney. "We have been waiting for a notice on an early date for oral arguments," Fisher said. In the meantime, Nanda filed a motion asking the court to set aside its order for an expedited hearing, Fisher said.

Mirage, developer of the adjoining subdivision. Wilshire Abbey, intervened in the case while it was pending in Oakland County Circuit

Court. On appeal, Mirage filed a Appeals, asking that the case be expedited for hearing and decision, Fisher said. Mirage owners alleged that the delay was a hindrance to the sale of lots in their subdivision.

"Our position has been that it would be good to expedite resolution of the case in view of the uncertainty for the Cheltenham residents. We believe it's not fair to them h Jelay a decision in the case]," Fisher said. Developer Ken Nanda filed

streets leading into the Cheltenhain Estates subdivi-sion belong to the city of Novi. Cheltenham Estates is located on the west side of Beck Nanda filed an appeal July 23. order which would stop the

Council members reviewed

current owner, Mirage. The city could not assign the plat because the status of the roads leading into the subdivision was up in the air because of the lawsuit involving the

"When the Cheltenham plat was finally approved in June 1998, it was anderstood that Wilshire Abbey subdivision, for safety reasons, would have a separate primary access out onto Beck Road. So, originally, Wilshire Abbey was not landlocked. The city decided later, however, that this entrance would be too close to the Cheltenham Estates entrance," Fisher said. William Lokey, another

Habitattidude Campaign ouseholds. With the slogan, "It's not about aims at fish and plunts. It's about respon-sible consumer behavior," the campaign encourages aquarium stopping spread of invasive fish. and water garden owners to pre-vent the release of aquatic fish and plants into the environment and stop the spread of damaging, invasive species. It may sound like a minor issue. By Pam Fleming Bui, according to the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Services and other fed-eral organizations, invusive species can cause irreparable If your backyard water garden became overstocked with fish. what would you do? Take them to a harm to the environment and larger local pond and release them? affect recreational and commercial use of aquatic resources. Those in Novi to launch the new campaign included Marshall That may not be the best ption. A new national public aware-

ness campaign. Habitatitude, is trying to discourage such prac-tices worldwide. Officials from several organiza-Meyers, executive vice president, Pet Industry Joint Advisory Council; Dennis Schornack, chair, U.S. Section, International Joint tions announced the launch of the Commission; and Kenneth campaign Nov. 19 in Novi during the American Family Pet Expo at the Novi Expo Center, Literature DeBeaussart, director, State of Michigan Office of the Great Lakes. Others here were Charlie

Lakes, the biggest current prob-lem is keeping Asian carp out. This fish cats plankton important Great Lakes-Big Rivers Region, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service; Douglas Jensen, aquatic invasive for native game, sport and com-Douglas Jensen, aquate invasive species information center coordi-nator, University of Minnesota; and Carol Swinchart, Sea Grant Michigan. We know that pets and plants ally valuable lish "It's like a horrible science fie-tion movie," Wooley said. The State of Illinois, Army Corps of Engineers and other are an integral part of American society, Meyers said. organizations are working to deter this menacing fish by building a massive electrical barrier. "We have to recognize that people maintain aquariums, outdoo One invasive species, the sea ponds and water gardens and con-sider how we're going to deal with issues that come along with that," Meyers said. He noted that more than \$14 million households have home aquariums, "We know that there are about \$2 million families that have freshwater aquariams in their homes who also have outdoor ponds. Turning anything loose in

problem," Meyers said.

Most people unknowingly turn fish or plants loose. In the Great

lamprey, is being controlled with the help of Canadians and representatives from the eight Great Lakes states, Wooley said. A spe-cific toxin that doesn't harm other fish is used kill them in stream hile they're spawning, It takes about \$15 million tax dollars every year to support this

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 Seal aquatic plants in plas tic bags and dispose in trash. program, according to Wooley. Contact veterinarian/pet retailer for guidance on Pam Fleming is a stuff write humane disposal of animals. the environment can become a for the Novi News. She can be For more information, conreached at (248) 349-1700, est. 105, or by e-moil at tact www.habitattitude.net.

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Arrange ladyfingers on the bottom of a 9-inch spring form pan.



#### Photo by GWEN MARKH Novi Eagle Scout candidates Joe LaPan, left, and Matt Markham recently joined fellow Scout Jim Brunner and other volunteers in making improvements at Lakeshore Park in Novi. The Scouts are members of Troop 54.

# Scouts, other volunteers improve Lakeshore Park

OUTING SATURDAY

An outing for Webelos is

planned for Saturday, Dec. 4, a

Lakeshore Park. Scouts will try

out the new orienteering course, learn first aid, build

campfires and other Scout

all Webelos and their adult

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activities. The event is free for

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Three Eagle Scout candidates Positioning System (GPS) coordinates, so that anyone who wants and dozens of supporters have to learn orienteering can navigate made some major improvements this year to Lakeshore Park on the course with a compass. Each post has bearings and disnorth side bordering Walled Lake. tances to other posts throughout The park now boasts two new the park. Markham raised money through a bottle-und-can drive and completed his project June 5. The first group to test the bridges on its mountain bike trail, new signage and a permanent orienteering course. Working with Matt Wiktorowski of Novi Parks, with Matt course was comprised of 10 new Scouts, who, on their first cam-pout, learned orienteering skills that will be useful on future out-Recreation and Forestry Department, each Scout designed Forestry ings. Joe LaPan, a senior at Walled his project, raised money, and organized and led vorume, perform the improvements, donated prorzed and led volunteers to Lake Central High School, designed and built a second

Volunteers donated more than 600 hours to complete the proj- bridge on the mountain bike trail and created new signs. The 383-acre park has more than 10 miles of mountain bike trails and five Jim Brunner, a freshman at need additional trail markers. project Sept. 19.

SPECIAL WRITER Dancing, water aerobics and if they weren't already in the program. The girls all made new friends and met fellow Girl Scouts from different areas or back-grounds, said Kuebler. grounds, said Kuebler. "That's part of the experience of ment in Novi. It was all into ages. The 5- to 8-year-old programs did their activities in the morning and the older girls up to

### LIBRARY LINES - NOVI PUBLIC LIBRARY

#### For more information, please contact the library's Youth and Teen The Novi Public Library is open Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m.-9 p.m.: Services department. Friday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; **Teens Read**

and Sunday, 1-5 n.m. It is located # 45245 W. Ten Mile Rd., just Students in grades seventh-ninth east of Taft Road. For more infor-mation, call (248) 349-0720. are invited Saturday. Dec. 4, from 11-11:45 a.m. for a discussion of "The Devil's Arithmetic" by Jane Yolen. No registration is neces-

#### **Battle of the Books**

Hours

sary. Registration forms for Battle of the Books, which will be held Ballet... Pointe by Pointe Saturday, Anril 9, are now available at the reception desk. The first 12 teams to return their regis tration forms will be eligible to participate in the battle. A kick-off meeting for team coaches will be held Wednesday. Des 15 m 7 p.m. in the library meeting room.

now offer weekly story times for tots ages 12-24 months and "big kids" ages 5-8. The Academy of Russian Ballet **Board Meeting** visits the library on Saturday, Dec. 4, from 1-1:45 p.m. to perform The Novi Library Board of Directors meets Wednesday, Dec. short pieces from popular ballets 15, at 7 p.m. in the City Council

such as "The Nuteracker" and "Swan Lake." The dancers will share details about their costumes, Chambers at the Novi Civic



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gram, which is for all ages

Story Time Notes

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# **BUSINESS**

### Play it Again's in Novi – again **BUSINESS BRIEFS**

#### DeMaria earns contract

DeMaria Building Company, which has a Novi office, has pinned down a new construction contract and received an award. Along with Walsh Construction. Chicago, DeMaria reportedly has been hired by the U.S. Department of Veteran Affairs to build an \$82 million addition to the new Jesse Brown VA Medical Center in Chicago. Also, DeMaria was selected as

one of the 2004 Metropolitan Defron's "101 Best & Brightest Companies to Work For," This is DeMaria's second year in a now summing the award.

#### Taubman stock offer closes

Taubinan Centers, Inc. annoniteed Nov. 23 that it has com-pleted as \$100 million public offerne of 8-percent Series G. Cumulative Redeemable Preferred

The plan was to refinance \$100 nallion of pieferred equity at attract tive rates and reduce the company's Internity and reduce the englary s long-term financing costs. Taubman Executive Vice President Lisa Payne said.

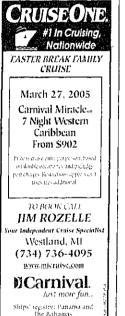
Taubman, which manages Iwelve Oaks Mall, said it expects the transaction will help 2005 results by about \$1 million

#### Holiday rush off to good start

After solid October sales, retailers welcomed the holiday rush that "officially" began last Friday. According to the Michigan Retailers Association/Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago Michigan Retail Index, 42 percent of retailers increased their sales this October over last, 15 percent has as-good sales, and 43 percent recorded declines. Overall, siles were up to almost

53 percent from 45 percent m September. Sixty percent of state retailerbelieve sales will be higher this November January than over the

ame span last year



# lew Year's

Eve Under the Stars

Somervilles bring used sports equipment back to city By Kim Kovelle STAFF WRITER

Though the two events aren't related, Ian Somerville's dream of opening a sports shop started not long after Novi's Play It Again-10 ports closed. Last week, the vision — and the ---- came back to life at Pine Ridge Center. Ten years ago, there was a Play It Again Spons in this exact same spot, in this exact same center," Somerville said, "My wife and I

had kicked around an idea of oper ing ... any sporting store." Initially, he and Julie looked a Ian Somerville chose Novi for his new store because of its families and "being a their hometown of Milford, They chose Novi because of its families

Opening the day after Thanksgiving, Play It Again Sports' inventory is one-third used a good condition. The rest is new, brand-name equipment at discount prices. They buy, sell, trade and consign goods for golf, skiing, lacrosse, soccer, volleyball, basketball, skate-boarding, water sports, baseball and "Our biggest thing (is) fitness

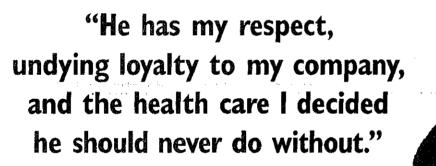
and that's from weights to all the cardio," Somerville said, "We're really well-known for hockey." franchised store. It's a new venture for the counte. although sports are a long-time passion. "Julie and I were both athletes ---that's how we met, actually, She - came from," laughed Somerville.

good community. nd "being a good community." was playing softball when I worked at Ford Motor Company in Yrisilanti, We mountain bike, we roller blade. She skis, and I snow-board. She water skis, and I wakeboard," Somerville said. visit the store. A California native, he was an Academic All-American baseball player in college, Julie, who grew up in Milford, is part-owner of Empirical Solutions Corporation in Binghan Farns, Jan works full time at the new,

"My family is and has always been in the music industry. I went more the sports and engineering route. I'm not sure where the genes-

tory for a month and a half," Sommerville said, "I kind of fig-ured, I'll ... put my nove to the grindstone and get through it. The construction didn't show me down." The store has raised money for Howell and Pinckney High schools. Five employees are Novi High students. Somerville's black students. Somerville's black Labrador retrievers, Jake and Nuke, Before opening, there were a few Saturday buy-days. "The really fun part ... was hearing people say, 'You know, we really missed having a Play It Again Sector in the sector of the sector of the sector." "We're really trying to be com-munity-oriented." said Andy Cooper, assistant manager, "We're pretty much the only place around that deals in used quality equip-ment. We're planning on having team days. I think the store's in a Sports in our city," Somerville said They're aiming for a grand opening in a few weeks. Meanwhile, Somerville said sales great location by the (ice) rink and the mail." Nearby Ten Mile and Novi roade went well last Friday have been under construction, and

the intersection work has impacted business for some "We've had two customers in bottle-necking traffic. getting city permits caused delay. "We've had two custo "I've been stocked full of inven- here pretty consistently."



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By week's end, work on Ten Alle/Novi roarts intersection should go into winter hibernation mode, according to the Road Commission for Oakland County

Last week, RCOC Public Information Officer Craig Bryson said the end date for the construction should be Friday, Dec. 3, barring heavy snow or rain. Bryson said the Photo by KIM KOVELLE east and south sides will be

done this year. During the winter, traffic will be shifted to the three new concrete lanes, with one through-lane and a left-turn lane in each direction Also, there will be a dedicat ed right-turn lane for southbound Novi Road and westbound Ten Mile Road traffic. Work on the north and west portions is scheduled to be omplete by June 2005. Home to the Pine Bidge enter and other businesses



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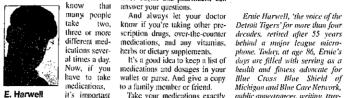
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motor coach, the mobile PET/CT combined image shows precisely scanner is available at three St. where abnormalities exist, mak-John Health sites on a rotating ing it possible for earlier cancer basis: St. John Hospital and and heart disease diagnosis, accu-Medical Center in Detroit, St. rate staging and more precise John Macomb Hospital in Warren, and Providence Park Medical Center, Novi. treatment and monitoring.

The PET/CT image also pro-vides early detection of the recur-Considered a powerful diagnosrence of cancer, revealing tumors tic breakthrough, PET/CT is a that may otherwise be obscured echnology that combines images by scarring that results from sur-



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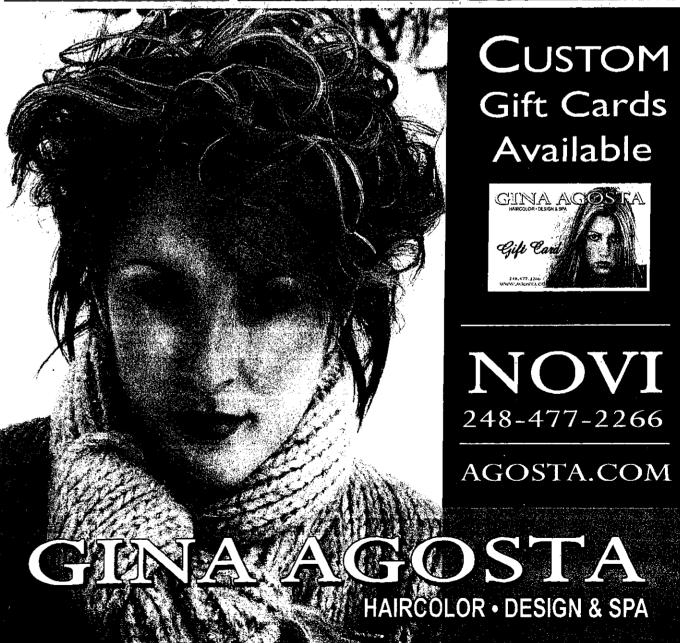
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### YOUR HEALTH - "THYROID DISORDERS IN WOMEN"

Your thyroid gland plays a to infertility problems in some vital role in your health and well women. These symptoms often being, affecting every organ, tissue and cell in the body. This several years and since other dissmall, double-lobed gland locate each start be hear of the acted zero. Ernic Harwell, 'the voice of the ed at the base of the neck promay take a while to diagnose duces hormones that regulate Hypothyroidism can be detected with a simple blood test and is metabolism. When it is not working properly, it can affect your heart rate, body weight, energy level, muscle strength, menstrual usually treated with replacement of thyroid hormones. Hyperthyroidism, or overaeeling and taking long walks with Miss Lulu, his wife of more than 60 years. His latest book, a colcycles, skin health, memory and tive thyroid, occurs when the thy-just about every other function of roduces an excess of thyroid produces an excess of thy-roid hormones, causing weight your body. Thyroid disorders are more loss, irregular menstrual cycles, common in women than in men muscle weakness, palpitations, available at local bookstores of occurring in approximately 1 in 8 heat intolerance, feeling of irri-American women, according the U.S. Office on Women's Health.

temperatures.

SPOTLIGHT ON:

ALLERGY & ASTHMA

Presented by

Michael S. Rowe, M.D., F.A.C.P., C.C.R.I

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Public health officials, predicting an CENTER OF MICHGAN within 48 hours extremely strong influenza strain to spread of the first symptoms. We may be able to his winter, are unging those most at risk for provide an anti-flu treatment to shorten or fluerelated complications to get a flu shot, prevent the illness. We can be reached at People with asthma are at high risk for (248) 473-6400 and we are located at 24/20 complications. The flue aggravates antima Macdowbrook Road, Ste. 20; in Novi, New symptoms and ean lead to pneumonia. The patients are welcome. "The Caring Allergist best prevention for the flue is a flu shot, if "Who Gets Results."

per provention for the air is in a bot, in the who were keening. I defectively to prevent scrious problems. Get pleasy of bed rest, drink lots of fluids, keep your fever and body aches under con-tro with user-the-counter medications, and keep a lumidifier in the room to molisten.

tability and insomnia. Some women may have fertili-Other risk factors include being ty problems and frequent miscarriages. This condition can also be diagnosed with a blood test. Treatment for hyperthyroidism over 40 years of age and having a close family member with thyroid disease. There are different types of depends on the cause of the conthyroid disorders.

Hypo- dition and a woman's reproducthyroidism, or underactive thytive plans. It may involve taking roid, is the most common type of thyroid disease. It occurs when radioactive iodine to inactivat the gland or surgically removing the thyroid gland does not pro-duce enough of the thyroid hor-mones, causing weight gain, fatigue and intolerance to cold it. Replacement hormones may

Other symptoms may include period in particular, the sympconstipation, irregular menstrual bleeding, anemia and slowed heart rate. It can also contribute toms of fatigue, insomnia and depression may be dismissed as depre normal for a new mother. During

symptoms with your healthcare provider and have your thyroid function checked to ensure that you are not overlooking a hidder then be necessary. Women can develop thyroid problems during or following a pregnancy. In the postpartum thyroid disorder. Todd Kaffler, MD can be reached at Providence Park Pedianrics, 47601 Grand River

Ave, B233, Novi or by phone at (248) 465-4847.

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pregnancy thyroid disorders can

result in preeclampsia, increased

miscarriages and may impact the

child's psychological develop-ment. Some physicians routinely check thyroid levels in all

patients, so underlying thyroid

disease can be detected and treat-

ed early. Thyroid disorders can also

mimic symptoms of menopause and premenstrual symptome (PMS). Often the symptoms of

hyperthyroidism, such as palpita-tions, heat intolerance, irregular

periods, hot flashes and mood

swings, can be confused with

symptoms of menopause, espe-cially in women under 40.

Likewise, hypothyroidism may

cause symptoms, such as bloat-

ing, weight gain, mood changes and fatigue, similar to those of PMS.

It is important to discuss these

SPOTLIGHT ON: ORTHODONTIC NEWS

by Donald M. Wayne, D.D.S., M.S. Orthodontic Specialis TOOTHY SMILES

Some individuals have more than the usual number (32) of perma- nent teeth in their mouths. Extra or supernumerary teeth occur more	proper bite. Crooked and crowded teeth are hard to clean and maintain, which may contribute to conditions that
often among permanent teeth, than	cause not only tooth decay, but
primary ("baby") teeth. The most common type of extra tooth is a	also eventual gum disease and tooth loss. Other orthodontic prob-
	lems can contribute to abnormal.
small supernumerary incisor	wear of tooth surfaces, inefficient
called a "mesiodens" (or "middle	
tooth"), which appears between the	chewing function, excessive stress
upper central incisors (top front	on gum tissue and bone that sup-
teeth). The tendency to produce	ports the teeth, or misalignment of
supernumerary teeth seems to be	the jaw joints, which can result in
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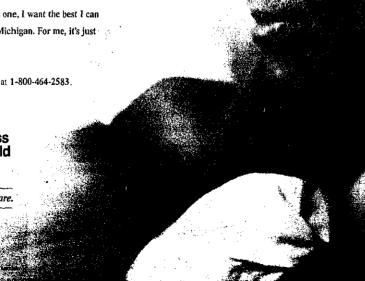
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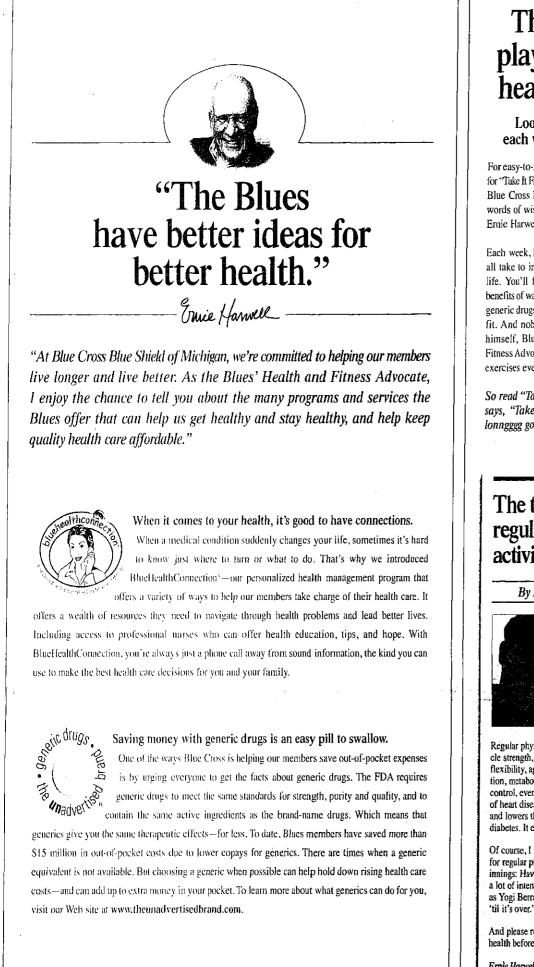
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Ernie Harwell, "the voice of the Detroit Tiers' for more than four decades, retired after 54. years behind a major league microphone. Today, at age 86, Ernie's days are filled with serving as a health and fitness advocate for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, public appearances, writing, traveling and taking long walks with "Miss Lulu," his wife of more than 60 years. His latest book, a collection of his baseball columns titled "Life After Baseball," is available at bookstores or by calling 1-800-245-5082.

Think of it as play-by-play for healthier living.

Look for Ernie's column each week in this newspaper.

For easy-to-follow advice on staying healthy, look for "Take It From Emie." This column, sponsored by Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, brings you words of wisdom from Hall of Fame broadcaster Emie Harwell

Each week, Ernie highlights simple steps we can all take to improve our health and our quality of life. You'll find entertaining information on the benefits of walking, the value of using less expensive generic drugs and simple ways to stay healthy and fit. And nobody's a better example than Ernie himself, Blue Cross Blue Shield's Health and Fitness Advocate, who makes healthy choices and exercises every day at 86 years of age.

So read "Take It From Ernie," and as Ernie says, "Take care of your health before it's lonngggg gone."

The truth about regular physical activity - at any age.

#### By Ernie Harwell

While it's not uncommon for some adults to think they're either too old or too frail to exercise, nothing could be further from the truth Regular physical activity brings health benefits and greater wellbeing at any age.

Regular physical activity helps improve muscle strength, stamina, balance, joint mobility, flexibility, agility, overall physical coordination, metabolism, blood pressure, weight control, even the treatment and prevention of heart disease. It also helps slow bone loss and lowers the risk of developing adult onset diabetes. It even improves your mood.

Of course, I recommend three simple rules for regular physical activity in life's later innings: Have a physician on your team, take a lot of intentional walks and remember that; as Yogi Berra is fond of saying, "It ain't over

And please remember to take care of your health before it's lonngggg gone!



FESTYLES

Massachusetts Worker's Compensation Rating and Inspection Bureau in Boston. A May 2005 ceremony is planned at Harvard's Memorial Church in Cambridge, Mass.

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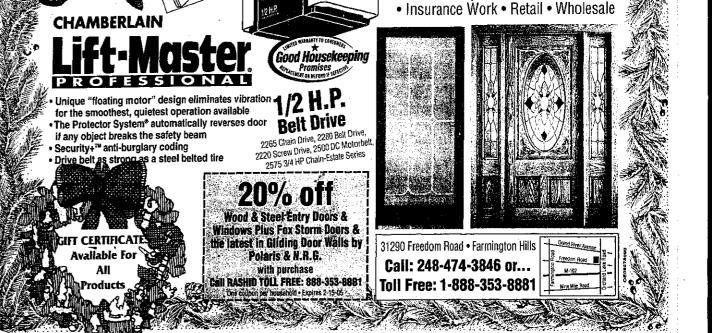
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# Fewer line up for flu shots

32 come to senior center for vaccine

#### By Kim Kovelle

After an initial flurry, the rush for the flu vaccine seems to have dwindled Still, 31 seniors and one care-

Giver went to Novi's Senior Genter Nov, 24 to get their shots, From 10 a.m.-noon, nurses from Troy-based Advanced Professional Home Health Care administered shots. They had 200

loses on hand. After receiving her shot, Yola Stencel, 75, sat for a few minutes in the Meadowbrook Commons Community Room with her hus band, John.

Tye been looking since the first week of October," said Stencel, who lives in Livonia. "My doctor called me twice and said she didn't have it. I have got ten them every year. I wasn't concerned." Her shot was covered by

Medicare. Others who meet the criteria set by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control but didn't have the coverage paid \$20, Bobbi Dempsey was one of the nurses giving shots, "We don't normally do clinics

the Metro Detroit area, Dempsey said. "We had extra vac cines. I know the seniors are th ones that really need it. It's kind of dwindling a little bit. People panicked at the beginning." The shortage was announced Oet. 5 by United Kingdom-based

Chiron Corporation, which produces one half of the country's influenza vaccine supply. Chiron's license to produce

"Fluvirin" was suspended at its Liverpool facility for three This year, 58 million shots were flu.

to be available in the country, the Center for Disease Control and Prevention said In Oakland County, 46,000-48,000 doses were available this

season, Oakland County Health Commission Health Division Manager George Miller said. "I think the demand for that

high-risk population may have her shot.

Photo by KIM KOVELLE Registered Nurse Suzane Kovacs gives a flu shot to Blanche O'Donnell at the City of Novi Senior Center Nov. 24

VITAL INFORMATION For more information on the flu vaccine status, contact the Oakland County Health Commission's flu vaccine hotline at (800) 434-3358

#### Priority list

Pontiac.

The federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention still recnmends the following people receive priority in getling flu shots this season due to the shortfall: · All children ages 6-23 months Adults ages 65 and older Persons ages 2-64 with underlying chronic medical conditions
All women who will be pregnant during the flu season · Residents of nursing homes and long-term care facilities

 Children ages 6 months-18 years on chronic aspirin therapy · Health-care workers involved in direct patient care · Out-of-home caregivers and household contacts of children ounder than 6 months.

Source: U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Go to www.cdc.gov/flu or call (800) CDC-INFO for further details.

been fully covered at this point in time," Miller said. "We have just recently made sure that all the nursing homes in Oakland have been covered. all the way to Grosse Pointe." Miller said flu season typical "I'm not short any the vaccine whatsoever. So far I think we've

.. The commission has clinics in Walled Lake, Southfield and Pointae, Senior Services Manager Rachel Zagaroli said 31 had signed up for last week's shots, "We're taking anyone who walks in Teknonia! building up their immunity

the Novi News. She can be in," she said. Anne Campbell, 86, received reached at (248) 349-1700, est. 107 or via e-mail at

### "I had gotten to the point when I didn't worry about it," she said "I wasn't going to go stand in line for hours. One lady I know wen

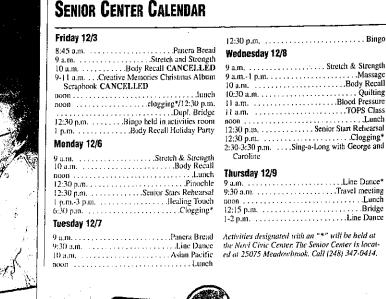
Iv kicks off in December, and it takes about two weeks for the shots to start working. His mes-sage to those in high-risk cateonly seen four identified cases of gories still waiting: "They really need to do it. They need to start Kim Kovelle is a staff writer for

107 or via e-mail kknvelle@ht.hunnecomm.net.



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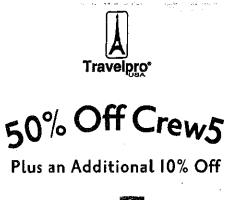
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• The Episcopal Church of the Holy Cross is offering a service of "Advent Lessons and Carols" accepts all canned goods and nonperishable items as donations. The food bank is available to qualified Sunday, Dec. 5, at 7 p.m. Hear the propheties about the birth of the Messiah, join in singing hymns of expectation with the choir and nor black is transferred black and persons in Novi, Walled Lake and New Hudson. On Dec. 5, the Advent Workshop from 2-4 p.m.is open to all fami-lies, as the children make small organist, and take a break from the ectic nre-Christmas season to o Christmas gifts for their family and pare one's heart, mind and soul for the coming of Christ. All are welfriends. Communion will be served at Sunday's service at both the 9 a.m. The church is located on Ten and 10:30 a.m. services. Come to the Faith Community Mile Road between Taft and Beck roads in Novi. Phone (248) 349-Presbyterian Church's Christma 1175 or visit www.churchofthe-Concert on Thursday, Dec. 9, Sue Sommer will be performing a selection of Christmas music, both holycrass.com. Crosspointe Meadows Church of Novi presents an Alpha Course, "Exploring the Christian Faith," on Sundays at 6 p.m. There are over 28,690 Alpha courses run-nien all ower the world Chard out sacred and popular. The concert will begin at 7 p.m. with dessert following. There will be a love offering collected for the Sue Sommer Ministries during the conning all over the world. Check out cert. For further information, conthe Alpha Course Web site at tact Jann Martin at (248) 349-2345 www.alpha.com. Program includes workbook and light supper. There or jmartin@faithcommunity-

A children's program, "A is no fee. CMC offices are located at Backwards Christmas," will be pre-39830 Grand River Ave., Ste. BI-C sented at 6 p.m. Dec. 12. Everyone is invited. The Three Kings Cantata with (west of Haggerty Road), Phone (248) 427-2700; Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. the Hallelujah Chorus will be presented by the Chancel Choir of Faith Community Sunday, Dec. 12, at the 9 and 10:30 a.m. services. Christmas Eve services will be Faith Community

Presbyterian Church invites you worship at either the 9 a.m. or held at 6 p.m. (family), 8 p.m. (tra-ditional) and 11 p.m. (with com-10:30 a.m. service. Sunday school offened at both services for chil dren pre-kindergarten-12th grade. munion). The church is located at 44400 Faith Community Presbyterian Church houses the Novi W. Ten Mile Rd. in Novi. Emergency Food Bank, which





The church is located at 46200 Family offers a Spanish-speaking Mass once a month. Masses begin W. Ten Mile Rd. (between Beck and Taft roads), Novi, Call (248) 349-1175 or visit www.chur choftheholycross.com.

at 6:30 p.m. on Saturdays. The church is located at 24505 Meadowbrook Rd., between Ten Mile Road and Grund River Meadowbrook Church is having a Treats and Treasure Christmas Sale Saturday, Dec. 4, from 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Attic treas- Church of the Holy Cross ures, Christmas decorations, jewel Wednesday from 12:10-12:50 p.m. ry, cutlery and more will be fea-Come and share your lunch hour with God at a worship service that includes scripture and Holy Communion. The church invites all tured. There is no admission fee The church is located at 21355 Meadowbrook Rd., between Eight and Nine Mile roads. to worship Sundays at 7:45 and 10 First United Methodist

a.m. Nursery care is available at 10 a.m. Nursery care is available at 10 a.m. worship service. (The nursery is coordinated by a registered pedi-Church of Northville is having a "Communitywide Healing Service Prayers for Healing of Body, Adult Bible Study is on Sunday Mind, Relationship and Spirit" on at 9 a.m. Worship Center for chil-dren ages 3-7, and Sunday School is at 10 a.m. The Rev. Karen Henry Monday, Dec. 6, at 4 p.m. This service is open to the Northville/Novi community and persons of all faiths who desire to ask God for healing in their life or that of someone they hold dear. is pastor and priest in charge. The Rev. John W, Henry II is assistant This service will be the first

Worship Service of Compline is held at 8:30 p.m. Rite 13 (ages 11-14) and J2A (ages 14 and up) groups meet at 5 p.m. for their pro-gram and dinner, 7 p.m. Youth Worship Service is held the second and fourth Sunday of every month; all are welcome

Monday of each month in the chapel of the church. (248) 349-1144.

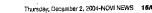
The church is located at 777 W. Fight Mile Road, Northville, Phone

cial Christinas musical drama enti-tled, "A Thrill of Hope," on Sunday, Dec. 12, at 7 p.m Hope Lutheran Church in

The church is located at 39200 Farmington Hills presents a spe-W. Twelve Mile Rd., just east of Haggerty Road. The telephone number is (248) 553-7170.









**Operation Christmas Child** 

Franklin Road Christian School's Operation

Christmas Child program is being put on by the Samaritans Purse organization. Students have been

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the world. The children receiving these boxes live in

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ticipate in this project and have collected a total of over 285 boxes. The show boxes have been taken to

depots in North Carolina and will be shipped across

the world. Pictured from left to right are kindergart-

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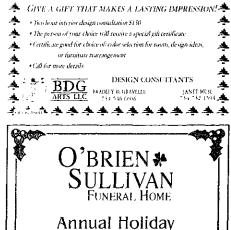
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Jann Martin, left, new director of Family Ministry at Novi's Faith Presbyterian Church, chats with office administrator Nancy Ryder on Monday morning. \*\*\*\*\*



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By Ramez Khuri STAFF WRITER

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As director of Family Ministry or the Faith Community Presbyterian Church, Jann Martin has a lot to do, It's only been twomonths since she was hired into her tew position, but she has already : impact. One of her biggest accomplishments so far was to set up a

Christmas concert for the night of Thursday, Dec. 9, which will feature religious performer and encee Sue Sommer, Marin met Sommer, who lives in Horida, many summers ago during a work camp. The two became good friends and kept in touch through e-mail. "She has a beautiful voice," cert. Martin also oversees the edu- education was a 10-hour commit-

Martin said of Sommer, "I had her come up three different times before to do concerts in Westland, but this Bible school and a Wednesday assistant, so they combined the two come up three different times before to do concerts in Westland, but this is before and a Wednesday is the first time I have had her in this evening program called Logos, jobs and made the director of

which is for children. She's in charge of coordinating recreation time, a Bible study time, and she case don't have to purchase tickets. There will, however, be a collection near the end of the concert to help support Sontmer's ministry. Desserts will also be available after the concert uprime the deacons visit Whitchall of the concert uprime. which is for children. She's in Family Ministry position Martin grew up in Detroit. She attended Schoolcraft College and Michigan State University and has a bachelor's degree in elementary education. She went back to school several years ago to take theology courses and was commissioned as an associate in ministry in the Lutheran Church

Desserts will also be avanues not the concert. "She's great with kids of all ages." Martin said. "She really ges the whole audience working with f her in her concert. e fi's hard telling what concert-gors will hear because Sommer sometimes plays guitar, but other tender of the prach-tender of the prach-tender of the prach-ing." "I served a church in Westland for five years," Martin said. "It came time to move on. There weren I any positions locally for me in the Lutheran church, and I happened upon this one in the newspapers Now I'm here, and I love it." ing." The position Martin holds is a lit-For more information call (248)

the different than what the church has been used to. The director of 349-2345, or e-mail imartin@faith-

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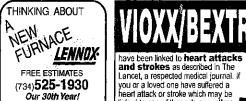
#### Koster: Board providing as much as it can for students **ON CAMPUS**

when you get hit with a lot, but we didn't, so we saved \$100,000," Koster said. Cleaning of buildings reinstated into Other savings district budget The district also anticipated administrative retirement in the budget, which didn't happen, so that saved a chunk of money as well. This is also the first year the 8v Ramez Khuri WRITER district bought its electricity through a third company pro-gram, so it saved over \$100,000 on utilities. Faced with a \$4.9 million deficit, the Novi School Board of Education said this past June that it would have to cut nearly Other savings included over \$100,000 on computer mainte \$900,000 in programs and per soonel even if voters approved a new \$1.9 million millage. Sixty-five percent of voters nance. "(Computer maintenance) is something you just don't know beforehand until you get to it," Koster said. "That's the sum of complied, but now the board is reinstating some of those reducons. Through financial manageall the contracts and everything." Because schools in the district ment and financial controls, the are taking less field trips this year, the district saved on bus driver time. Also, savings were district has additional money entering the 2004-05 school year, according to Jim Koster, incurred when district employees made changes to their health benassistant superintendent of business and finance Koster said the district has saved money in many areas, including the Michigan tax bill, efits. "The majority of the savings He explained that the district

staff just to watch their spend-ing," Koster said, "In the high school we saved some money on has to budget every year for tax abatement, which means that it has the legal right to contest its supplies and textbooks, and we saved some money at the middle school. When you add up all the little stuff, it's a lot. We also taxes. The City of Novi said it taxed the district correctly, so ster asked the state to review the district's taxes. The result saved on legal fees." was a savings of about \$100,000. The district original-ly budgeted \$250,000, and the

Why reinstate programs? Koster said the district is trying tate's results came back around to provide as much as it can now When money gets tight again, it will see if it should cut again. "We have billing from

Oakland County twice a month through June. Usually in June is "If you provide as little as you



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BACK IN THE BUDGET The Novi Community School District, through financial manacement and financial controls, has additional found money enter ing the 2004-05 school year. With these new funds, the school board has reinstated, or is in the process of reinstating, some programs earmarked earlier in the year under a \$900,000 cut: Contracted administration savings \$102,527 (through private companies) One maintenance position 72.424 Central office administration 142,644 Administration cierical 11.959 49,950 Co-op program (employed by district) Uniform purchase (middle and high school athletics) 55.000 Assistant director - maintenance 73,972 Extra counseling time 2.485 One parking lot attendant at the high school 17.477 Cleaning in all buildings 239,750 All field trips
 Restructure Novi Meadows camp (funded by fees) 30,000 48,830 General education portion of social work 45 093 \$892,109 Dallar amounts are annaplized casts and when programs or personnel are renatated, costs with be far less. The reductions were annualized casts premised upon the first date of July 1 through June 30. The envisationers are causing those to be hired as tale as Jan 1, so the full amount of reductions are not being reinstated.

way, is the passing of Proposal I from the Nov. 2 general election. The proposal is to amend the state constitution to require voter

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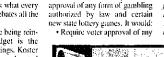
Proposal 1

Another factor, which may affect the budget in a negative

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can for as long as you can, you might provide a little for a long time, but shouldn't you provide the best for a shorter time?" Koster asked. "That's what every state constitution to require voter approval of any form of gambling

time.' The biggest service being reinstated into the budget is cleaning of the buildings. Koster explained that the board voted





form of eambling authorized by aw after Jan. 1, 2004,
Require voter approval of any

new state lottery games utilizing

"table games" or "player operat-ed mechanical or electronic

devices" introduced after Jan. 1 2004.
 Provide that when voter
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approval is required, both statewide voter approval and voter approval in the city or township where gambling will

Specify that the vote:

approval requirement does not apply to Indian tribal gaming or

gambling in up to three casinos located in the city of Detroit. At the time, Koster explained

that the proposal is retroactive to Jan. 1, 2004, and that the Keno

game, which generated roughly \$100 million for school districts

in Michigan, came into effect after that date. Therefore, that money could possibly be taken

"We'll see where the chips fall

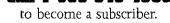
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Novi residents Andrew Curtin

and Jennifer McGuire have been

named to the Academic Honors

list for the summer 2004 semester

at Ferris State University. Jennifer McGuire and Ryan Pivetz, of Novi, were among the

summer 2004 graduates at Ferris

State University during com-

Samantha Kern, a Glengary Elementary School fifth grade stu-

dent, recently received an honor-

able mention for her creative

The Parade Company, the produc-er of the Detroit Thanksgiving Day parade. Samantha's design

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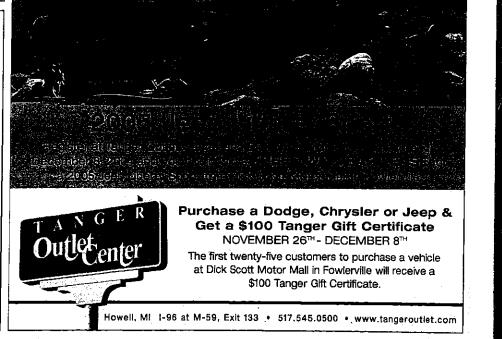
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# Board approves new accelerated program

Improved plan should meet students needs

#### By Ramez Khuri STAFF WRITER

Parents with children in the Novi Community School District who are unhappy with their kids' current advanced/accelerated pro-orain may some change their tune. the board of education passed a new, more advanced program. One catch, however, is that the new program won't be up and running for at least a year. The new program's purpose

conding to Donna Tinberg director of student services, is to exploit student's talent areas and develop them. The idea is for schools to not just meet the needs of advanced students but to take there tauther, Tutherg said, Under the old model, which

was called the Learning Enrichment Activities Program, a ingle test on a single day deter-uned the student's eligibility for rest of their school career. It was a - dimensions in the new model and they seered above the 95th percould, they were in, no matter dent's leadership and social abiliwhat their personal strengths were. Once in, all the children were taught the same erriredum. The new model looks at the multi factored assessments and parter and any time originality, as opposed to a single grade. There's not a specific cut-off point ether, like the 95th percentile of LEAP. "We're looking more at the global picture of the child," identified. Timberg said, "It used to be that the poperturb focused many on the poperturb focused many on the picturb acceleration with the idea being that a child with the idea being that a child with the grade level 10 ar by commutet.

that some of the pieces because a corriculum and ja corriculum and ja potential overall. There are four level curriculum. "The new model opens it up other domains that have to do vith specific academic abilities as where we can do enrichment

#### **CITY OF NOVI** NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council, of the City of Nov bold a joint meeting with the Novi Parks, Recreation and Forestr Commission on Thursday, December 9, 2004, at 7:00 PM, in the Nev Civic Center, Council Chambers, 45175 West Ten Mile Road, Novi

This notice is published by the City of Novi, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road Novi. Michigan, 48375, 248-347-0456. MARYANNE CORNELIUS, CITY CLERK

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#### CITY OF NOVI **BENTLEY & BLOMFIELD** WATER MAIN EXTENSION SPECIAL ASSESSMENT **DISTRICT NO. 172** PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE Date: DECEMBER 20, 2004

Time: 7:00 p.m. In the Council Chambers at the Novi City Hall 45175 West Ten Mile Road Novi, Michigan

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that by previous resolution adopted following public hearing, the Novi City Council has determined to proceed with a public nearing, the New City Council has determined to proceed with this improvement project, and has specified the properties to be included in the district to be specially assessed for the costs of the project. On December 20, 2004 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the New City Hait, 45175 West Ten Mile Road, Novi, Michigan, the City Council shall meet for the purpose of hearing commants and objections from interestorid persons regarding the proposed special assessment losi for this project, known Bentley & Biomfield Water Main Extension Special Assessment District No. 172.

Assessment District No. 172. The proposed improvement is a water system extension project which is infended to specially benefit the properties described on attached Exhibit A, the Special Assessment District. The cost for the Project as approved by the Council following the first public hearing has increased by five (5%) per cont or more, and the new cost is \$523,470.00.

### WHAT PARENTS THINK ABOUT IT

 "This new identification process is going to be so much better because it looks at characteristics and behaviors and it's so much more well rounded to get a better grasp of where the children's strengths are. It has come a long way. This is targeted for the excep-tional child, the one that really stands out, and in the long run it's going to help really everybody in the class because it's going to give teachers more information, more guidance and more ability to differentiate."

-Katie Racon, former president of a group called Pursning Learning Advancement for Novi Students, PLANS is an affiliate of the Michigan Alliance for Gifted Education.

 "I'm personally thrilled that a program is taking shape as far as the advanced and accelerated is concerned. I feel like the flexibility of the program can be very positive for individual students if the dis-trict will remove the glass ceiling that has been put on grade level teaching. It will also make communication between the district's schools very important so that each elementary knows what the others are offering and we can try to meet the needs of all the students. I also want to reiterate that parents cannot relax now that there is a program in place until the advanced child is considered a special needs student by the local and the federal government. That may not here's solver in our lifetime, but want parents to realize that teachers can't carry the burden of this program. Hopefully, the teachers will find a way to utilize parent volunteers and 1 hope that the parents will step up to the challenge. Ace Linton, current PLANS president

the entrehment program for the well, so there are five measuring we can do acceleration." Tinberg said. "That doesn't necessarily

mean moving a child to a different classroom." Tinberg explained that all the research talks about the students being "considerably rate," or "considerably more advanced." The district is looking for that believes this new model is a more - rare, unusual kind of a child, will take into consideration a lot appropriate program, which fits in which administrators anticipate of different data sources. A refer- with what is known about gifted will be the top 3 to 5 percent of child a sources. A refer-ral could happen at any point in a culturation. "We know that it's not so much instrument used has a different "We know that it's not so much instrument used has a different gaten and any time of through, as opposed to a single grade. There's not a specific cut-off point ether. Once the five domains of a stu-are you smart?." Tinberg said. "We're leoking for kids who once the five domains of a student are identified, a plan that is tion of scores for a particular sub

would stay with the grade level 110 or by e-mail enriculum and just go broader and deeper in that same grade CITY OF NOVI

#### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO SERVE ON

**CITY BOARDS & COMMISSIONS** Notice is given that the Novi City Council will be meeting to interview applicants for appointment to the Beautilitication Commission, Board of Raview, Economic Development Corporation, Election Commission, Housing & Community Development Advisory Commitse, Historical Commission, Library Board of Trustees, Parka, Recreation & Forestry Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals. If you are a qualitide voter in the City of Nevi and interested in volun-teering to serve on a City board or commission, applications are available in the office of the City Citer, 45175 Wr For Mile, or by calling (248) 347-0456 to receive an application by mail or fax, or log onto the City Web Site at www.choutimus to print out an application. The deadline for filing an application is Wednesday, December 8, 2004 to allow time to scheduling interview appointments. Council Will be interviewing application on Monday, December 13, 2004 beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers; interviews are scheduled for 15 multes each and all City Council meetings are tele-

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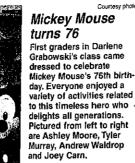
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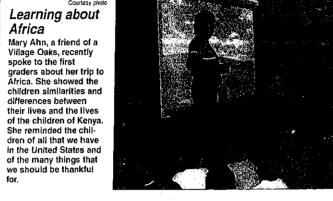
#### CITY OF NOVI PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission for the NOTICE IS\*HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on Wednesday. December 8, 2004 at 7:30 P.M. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider PROVIDENCE PARK PARKWAY, SITE PLAN HUMBER 04-88A, FOR PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN APPROVAL. WOODLAND PER-MIT, WETLAND, PERMIT AND, STORM WATER, MANAGEMENT PLAN APPROVAL. THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IS IN SECTION 17, AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF GRAND, RIVER, AVENUE, AND, BECK POAD IN THE OSC, OFFICE SERVICE COMMERCIAL AND PLAN. ON ERAMILY, DESIDENTIAL, DISTBICTS, The subject property is approxitely 198.46 acres.



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The City of Novi will receive sealed bids for Meadowbrook Lake Dredging according to the specifications of the City of Novi. Sealed bids will be received until 330 PM. prevailing Eastern Time, Wednesday, December 15, 2004, at which time proposals will be opened and read. Bids shall be addressed and delivered as follows: CITY OF NOVI

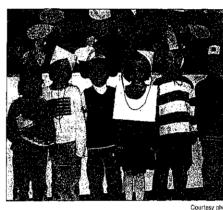


Turkey fun at Village Oaks Students at Village Oaks pose in front of a giant turkey.



Turkey Tunes at Deerfield

### Deerfield students have fun performing Turkey Tunes.



Spirit high at Novi Woods Novi Woods kindergartners enjoyed their Thanksgiving Feast on Nov. 22. They read stories, made crafts and shared a meal. Pictured are Grace Tlerney, Anna Mikkelsen, Drew Olsen, Katle McMaster, Austin Morton and Ryan Welch.

Let the madness begin

on Nov. 23.

### Meeting challenged student minds and exercised brains

By Jill Bednarek LANS NEWSLETTER EDITOR It's a mad, mad, mad world. a transformation of the second Students (PLANS) "Mind Madness," offered through Novi Community Education, in the

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 "Mind Madness," there were for senior an ultion." In the case of grams and frenzied fractions, he hought the students really

 Diana Thompson was the cre mad there present. Most of the
 high school assistants had a still be stumping the children.

ative force behind this program. Activities were math-based, and prior to moving to Michigan with her husband and daughters, she taught math in Maryland. Che summer she had designed a program for her daughter and thisking." tignate to in a fun way, when they were out of school. The idea was a great success, the latence were were math-based, and good time trying some of them out, ton. "You could see how proud of the pailoren that in Maryland. With their children and also par-ticipated with some of the most theiltene as well. the states of the thisting." Seven-year-old Julia liked "decoding the shapes to find the children are success, theiltene as well.

The sweet sound of turkey

Novi Woods second graders performed their annual "Turkey Tunes" concert for family members and friends

together to support advanced and accelerated educational opportu-nities in Novi schools. our mission is to work in part-nership with the Novi Community School District, parents and the community to meet the academic, social and emotional needs of error

The PLANS organization had a Chess Tournament on Nov. 16, also offered through Novi Community Education Information can be found in the

ative, talented and gifted Novi students, so that they can realize their maximum potential." Just as students with learning disabilities have special needs,

ter their children by calling Lee students with academic proficien-students with academic proficien-linton at (248) 305-9043, cy have educational needs that differ from those of their age peers, They require differentiated Oct. 18 with an update on service new that chal-



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Children are children, no matter what year

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The first grade children at Parkview have been studying children of today and long ago. They wrote letters from the Mayflower and then postcards for today. They packed suitcases for their trip long ago and then one for today. They compared transportation, food and lifestyle from long ago and today. After their month long research on the topic, they wrote books and had a feast. Pictured are Diachi Nakailma, Eric Rodriguez and Bernard Feliciano-Siemon



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Singin' about turkeys Second graders at Novi Woods performed Turkey Tunes recently Laura Combs, the long-term substitute teacher in music, helped all the students and teachers give a festive performance to parents and student

## Group PLANs for the future

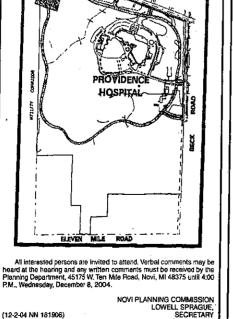


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Community Service at Parkview Students browse different artifacts for Parkview Elementary School's community service project.

lenge them and are appropriate to their needs. The PLANS organi-zation helps to educate parents in Talent Night, a Trivia Night and a old Alex enjoyed all the stations saying "It was really challenging and that was what was so fun you had to use your brain and really think to figure some of the puzzles out," All students received a commemorative pencil and certificate of participation. Students that completed all stations also the Michigan Alliance for Gifted received an award. The biggest Education. reward for the organizers was the smiles on the students' faces Community Eduction was a new venture for the organization. PLANS president Lee Linton when they completed their chal lenge. commented, "The children by far Jill Bednarek is the PLANS outnumbered the adults and high school helpers. I was worried Newsletter Editor

ways to work within the schools Math Competition scheduled as provide opportunities for the stu-For more information on the To meet those necus, they also were as several guess spearces, provide opportunities for the stu-dents, and their parents, to meet in PLANS organization, or upcoming social, as well as fun educational programs, please contact Linton activities. PLANS is an affiliate of (248-305-9043). New participants and members are always welcome. Offering a program through Confucius - "If your plan is for a year, plant rice. If your plan is for a decade, plant trees. If your plan is for a decade, plant trees. If your plan is for a lifetime, educate children," Jill Bednarek is the PLANS Newsletter Editor

#### Outstanding Novi teachers wanted

The Novi News will recognize a local teacher each month for his or her excellence in the classroom. Nominations can come from students, teachers, parents, administrators or community residents who have

contact or knowledge of a teacher's classroom activities. Nominations can be mailed to: Novi News, Cal Stone, 104 W. Main, Northville, MI 48167; faxed to (248) 1909/382; or sent by c-mails to estone@hil.comccomm.net The deadline for nominations is the last day of the month. The Novi News staff will select the winner and a

feature story and photograph will appear in the Novi News on the second Thursday of the following month. Those not selected as the Outstanding Teacher of the Month will be considered for subsequent months. To nominate a teacher, please send the teacher's name, school address and the school's telephone number along with a statement of no more than 200 words telling us why this teacher deserves to be honored,

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# **OPINION**

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words as moral, family, value:

increasing homophobia; promo ing the teaching of creationism

in public schools; the erosion of

civil liberities through the Patriot

Another frightening aspect of the movement toward theoracy

and job-site prayer groups. At the Riverview Comminity Bank in Otsego, Minn., the employees pray with customers and prose-lytize. Journalist Russell Shorto

in the Oct. 31, 2004, issue of the

The New York Times Magazine

writes: "The workplace-ministry

phenomenon has gained momen-

turn since 9/11, but it is part of a

trend that began in the '80s with the rise of the Moral Majority

gence of the Christian Coalition." Mr. Shorto lists these

ministry is taking place: The Curves chain, American Express,

Intel, the White House. He includes faith-at-work newslet-

ters and blogs and books with titles like "God@Work."

and continued at the national

political level with the emer-

places where this workplace

is the rise of office ministries

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character and God to signify one

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asks, "Will religion be the next workplace issue?" The founding fathers who framed the U. S. Constitution

which gives people freedom of religion and freedom from reli-gion. We must be informed and

diverse, heterogeneous democra-cy. We must keep and strengthen

Hannah Provence Donigan

the wall between separation of

election system

The current system for national elections is not working. We need to fix it, and we need to

start now in order to be ready for

the 2008 elections. When

Americans can no longer trus

that each vote will be counted,

then we are no longer a true democracy. We cannot afford to let another four years slide by

inequities and opportunities for fraud that currently exist in our election process. We need legislation that would

allow a unified system of voting

throughout the nation. This sys-tem should provide a paper trail

so that each voter would have an.

vote. A simple identification sys-

tem, such as a fingerprint, should be used to ensure that every

voter is registered and votes only, once. Similar systems are

already in place in other coun-

trics such as Germany and

India. The cost to implement

such a system would be great

president of the United

but a system would be great, but who could put a price on the importance of the integrity and reliability of the election of the

States? Who could put a price on the importance of protecting the right of each person to have his

or her vote count? This matter

shoud be a top priority for our legislators at both the state and federal levels because it is fun-

damental to our great democratic

Secondly, the Electoral Secondly, the Electoral Secondly, the telephase of to go. Why cling, to this antiquated and unfair system that allows a few states to

make the final decisions for the

rest of the states? We need to go with a straight popular vote so

that each person's vote in every

Democrats and Republicans need to unite in this effort to fix

what's broken. We need to con-

tact our legistlators and tell them

to get moving on election reform immediately so that in 2008

there will be no question of fair

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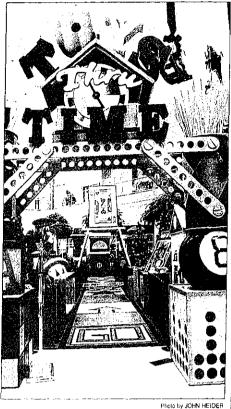
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Fix broken

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Looking back Novi's 12 Oaks' Christmas display "Toys Thru Time" ninates the shopping mall's center courtyard area.

#### GOVERDMENT

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

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Wake up, Dems Novi News The words "morality" and "values" have been used a multi-tude of times in reaction to this Part of HomeTown Communications Network™ year's election and are likely to continue to have frequent use over the coming months. They have been used by pundits, columnists and in news articles

In addition, morals and values have been described, defined and/or challenged by politician of both parties. As a pro-life, Our fundamental purposes are to enhance the Catholic, church-attending livesof our readers, nurture the home towns Democrat, I will like to share my vo cents worth. The Democratic Party has

become afraid to address issues high portion of voters seek canof values and morality, though a Share your opinions: We welcome your didates that they describe as moral or as religious. Having letters to the editor. Please include your name. morals or values does not mean that one must cross the line address and phone number for verification. We ask the one must cross the fine tween church and state. The Democratic Party contin that your letters be 400 words or less. We may edit aes to give national exposure for clarity, space and content. Generally, no more only to candidates that have adopted an extremist position or abortion. While the majority of than one letter per month by the same author will be Americans support legal abo published. Letters must be received by noon tion, a significant majority of us view partial-birth abortion as immoral and as extremist. Surveys indicate that at least 30 Tuesday to be printed in the Thursday edition Mail: Letters to the Editor, Cal Stone, Novi News, percent of Democrats do not upport legal abortion, yet we 104 W. Main St., Northville, MI 48167

e often treated as pariahs or as oddities within the party. The Democrats have passed opportunities to define other critical issues as moral issues. An increased number of children liv ing in poverty is a moral issue. An increased number of citizens without health care or jobs or livable wages is a moral issue. The invasion of another nation i a moral issue, as is the lying and deceit that led to the action For most of us, our values define who we are as a people.

governments) perceive as their The Democratic Party must right/mandate to implement. wake up to this fact and work Many members of the powerful with politicians that are willing to run on their moral character. majority are emboldened and blatant. The President's statement "I'll reach out to everyone Mark T. Robinson who shares our goals" is not Northville reassuring. The creeping moveme toward theocracy during the pre-Protect our ceding four years is growing tronger. Examples include prayers outside the Capitol Building against a moderate democracy Although one political party Republican; the attempt to has control/power over three rewrite history in a film shown branches of the federal govern-ment, and the Supreme Court is by the national park service in Washington, D.C., which would exclude such civil rights issues in conservative hands, that party does NOT have the mandate it as pro-choice and the rise of declares (51 to 48 percent). In institutional terms, America feminism; suggesting amend-ments to the U.S. Constitution to define marriage and to allow a is a center-right country. But this foreign-born person to be eligi-

is not true in terms of people. One magazine journalist believes that this is a center-right country and a center-left country, but the ble to run for President: attempts o control the media by banning certain movies such as "Saving Private Right Ryan" and center has not held. He believes "Kinsey;" diatribes against "activist judges" - those who make judgments based on ethics instead of politics; making the system of checks and balnces has broken down - right down the nonexistent, powerless middle. This powerless middle must "activist judges" and "liberal" synonymous with "traitor;" labeling dissenters and skeptics be vigilant in combatting the policies which the federal gov-ernment (as well as some state as non-patriotic; using such

This week's column focuses on two recent

During the past legislative session, the Michigan legislature has

carefully reviewed a

Intermediate School District (ISD)

educational accomplishment

Accountability Legislation

LANSING CONNECTION to demographics, travel, contracts, salary and

sation, technical costs, lobbyother compensation, technical costs, lobby-ing cost, and other additional costs. • Allows for individuals or school boards who misuse tax revenues designated for speciul education or vocational education to be Makes it a felony to misuse ISD or other ment, classroom and interpersonal behavior public funds, to violate competitive bidding

"Believers in Business" and "Loving Monday." The journalist Sharon Paul Precinct Delegate, Northvill During the development of the legislation I worked with Dr. Cheryl Somers, a profes-sor from Wayne State University, as well as a several school psychology graduate students. Dr. Somers and the graduate students presented research to the Senate Education nittee on the direct correlation betweer parental involvement and academic achieve-

# **OTHER OPINIONS** State needs to loosen wine sale restrictions

You don't have to be a dyedover states' rights has been simmering quietly for a long time, but the rise of the Internet as a in-the-wool conservative to recognize that there are far too many instances of the "nanny state," where governments presume that they alone know best how to take shopping medium and the increasing numbers of new, boutique wineries have brought the care of people and that there is ssue to a head The moving forces behind all no real or imagined problem that this are a couple,

cannol be over come by contin Ray and Eleanor Heald, who have ued and oppressive regulation. Examples abound, including been writing a column on wine and spirits for the that tag on your Observer & that forbids its Newspapers since removal "under 1990. Four years ago, the Healds heard about the Domaine Alfred penalty of law' and state restric tions on process ing (why no winery in-'butchering," for California: they

contacted Terry Heaven's sake?) enison. Another exam-Phil Power Speizer, the wine maker. They ple has to do with asked if he could send them a bottle of pinot noir to evaluate for their column. No, he replied, because Michigan law the spider web of regulations covering the shipping, warchous-ing and selling of wine, beer and booze, When Prohibition (itself a won't allow out-of-state wineries first class example of failed state to send even one measly bottle nnyism) ended in 1933 with into the state. Moreover, he he adoption of the 21st ouldn't sell his product here Amendment, many states lost no because wine distributors in Michigan couldn't be bothered time in combining a bow to temcrance advocates with a grab for with stocking wines from such a small winery. So the Healds and tate profit by enacting elaborate tions on the sale of alcohol Speizer such. There's little doubt that over-Michigan, it turns out, is one turning the restrictive state laws that now exist in almost half our nation would benefit both conof 11 states that forbid out-ofstate wineries from sending be tles directly to customers. This rule, which restricts consumer choice and protects the economic turf of members of the Michigan Beer and Wine Wholesalers Association (the single most owerful lobby in Lansing) is

sumers and small wineries. In all, It states have passed laws favor-ing in-state wineries and another 13 forbid outright all direct wine shipment. The Federal Trade Commission found in 2003 that now being challenged at the high-est level. Oral arguments before the United States Supreme Court direct shipping and online wine sales would "significantly enhance consumer welfare." One reason is price; the FTC found Advocates for change argue that the Constitution, through the Interstate Commerce Clause, that buying wine online is cheap-er than at local stores. Another benefit is choice; there are 3,700 wineries in the U.S., but most of them are too small for traditional wholesalers and distributors to bother with. The Wine Institute, a

group arguing for regulation changey says only 19 percent of " California's 800 wineries have distribution in all 50 states. For example, consider

There's nothing new in sports about players going after fans

that, the whole nation — is loudly attacked a fan --- a crippled fan. indignant over the famous "basketbrawl" incident in beat him up. which players from the Indiana The outraged authorities su pended the athle Pacers, all of whorn make mor and his entire money than God, climbed into the leam went on strike in solidarity Don't know the story? That's pertands to beat up fans during a game against the Detroit Pistons. haps because it was nearly a cen tury ago. The date was May 15, Matter of fact, you would think from the outraged 1912, and the reaction of the

Jack Lessenberry player was good old Ty Cobb. was slightly more significant than as the sociopath of the base paths.

winery in Sonoma County California. I met Jim Harwood, Tantalus' president, last summer when I sampled his syrah wine and found it excellent. "Can I get some?" I asked. "Nope, unless you actually visit the winery in person, in which case Michigan

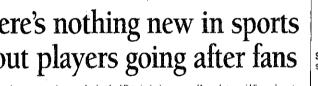
law allows me to ship you one case. "My output is only 3,500 cases, which is pretty small." explained Harwood, who married a woman from Michigan in 1978 and found his hobby turning into a fully permitted family business in 1989. "Over the years, I've had three

distributors in Michigan, but all of them found my wines uneco-nomic to stock. Even a winery with a 50,000 case production is on the borderline. There are plen ty of people in Michigan who would love to buy my wine, bu they can't get it because of the law. And there are so many differing laws in the different states hipping wine to Kentucky, for example, is a felony." When asked, advocates for the present system like to throw up moralistic rhetoric about "curtail-ing underage drinking," Sure. ome kid is going to go on the Web and pay 40 bucks a bottle for an ultra-premium wine? A 2004 study by the National Academy of Sciences found that parties, friends and strangers are the most likely ways for kids to get booze, a finding that matches the experience of most parents. (They don't normally get in trou ble with premium wines, cither.) I admire the Healds (who writ a pretty darn good wine column) for their professionalism and

their willingness to take on the nanny state in its loir. I hope the Supremes listen with care next Tuesday, A decision is expected some time next summer

Ray and Eleanor Heald write vine column for the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers, a sister company to HomeTown ewspapers. Phil Power is the Chairman of

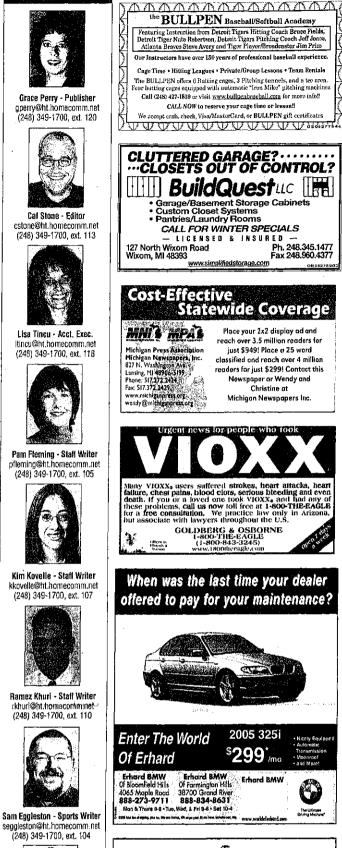
the Board of the company that owns this newspaper. He would " be pleased to get your reactions to this column either at (734) 953-2047 or at ppower@homecomm.net.



He made two middle-aged scout: play, and he picked a few gays out and vaulted of the stands to the stands and They lost to Philadelphia, 24-2. Sports historians are still wonder ing how the ersatz Tigers got the two runs. Everyone was horrified; the American League then banned replacement players and teams, and the Tigers returned to play Then the league folded, and Ty Cobh (no Ron Artest, hc) wa allowed to return to the field. He went on to bat .410. The Tigers finished the season about as poor

ly as they did this year, and nobody knows what happened to the foul-mouthed heckler who was beaten up by baseball's greatest What's the moral of the story? Perhaps that even if you think

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	Twp.)	PO Box 924	scries of two packages of bills know as the ISD	<ul> <li>Requirements, or to misuse bond proceeds</li> <li>Requires ISD boards to develop and</li> </ul>	Additionally, a survey conducted last April by a Lansing-based polling firm EPIC-MRA	the recent presidential election. Well, let's not go there. But there	Ty Cobb was not a nice man. He liked to spike people. He beat	terone always has been with us.	Marcia Cromas - Receptionist	Cobbler's Corner SHOES & SHOE REPAIR JO4 E, Main St. • Dowtown Northville
	PO box 30013	Northville, MI 48167	Accountability Packages	adopt a conflict-of-interest policy	was given to parents and teachers to help	are two other things being said	up his own teammates, and once	And in general, people who make	mcromas@ht.homecomm.net	SHOES & SHOE REPAIR
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	<b>•</b> •••••	Thomas K. Zoner, supervisor	cally accountable since	involvement Plans	ents' perceptions of the needs of students.	That's right. Whatever may be	met someone as wonderful as he	And vice-versa.		
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	Nancy Cassis (R-Novi)	(248) 624-0110	package was signed into law last July, and	107 of 2004, requires that Michigan school	others. The importance of good communica-	they could, many don't have cars,	except a child of God, Finally,	decided that Detroit had neither		and protection for you.
	PO Box 30036	FAX: (248) 624-5834	the second package is currently awaiting the	districts, intermediate school districts, and	tion between parents and teachers is vital to	and would have a hard time get-	Cobb hopped the fence and	space nor climate to properly		fund protocological form
	Lansing, MI 48909-7536		governor's signature.	public school academies adopt and imple-	the success of student achievement.	ling there. The Detroit Pistons	whaled the far out of him.	maintain the zoo's two aging ele-		
				ment a parent involvement plan,	Over the past few months, I was asked to	play, not in Detroit, but in Auburn	Sportsmanlike, this was not.	phants, and so he planned to send		A s an independent agency, we can tailor the best
	(517) 373-1758	<u>Cities</u>	ISD Accountability Package I:	These plans must be designed to encour-	be the keynote speaker at the Michigan	Hills, a middle-class suburb 40	Lucker had only one arm, and was	them to a wildlife sanctuary. But		insurance protection at
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	senate.michigan.gov	Novi	members who are elected by constituent	be adopted and implemented no later than	as leading the session on parental involve-	Most or all the fans involved in	hand.	Association opposes that, and	Karen Whikehart - Receptionist	
		45175 West Ten Mile Road	school board members	January 1, 2005. The law also requires each	ment at the Governor's Education Summit.	the melee were prosperous while	Ban Johnson, the president of	wants the clephants sent to the	kwhikehart@ht.homecomm.net	only the finest insurance compa-
9	State House of Reps	Novi, MI 48375-3024	<ul> <li>Requires the approval of the ISD budgets</li> </ul>	school to provide a copy of the parent	In February, the Michigan Parent Teacher	suburbanites. Matter of fact, the	the American League, was as hor-	Columbus Zoo instead.	(248) 349-1700	nies, including Auto-Owners
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	PO Box 30014	1499 E. West Maple Road	mittee	successful plans on their Web site.	receive this important award from them.	of the mayhem. Too bad for him	That outraged his fellow Detroit	San Antonio's Zoo, and it won't		tages of doing business with an
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Ringing in the Holidays DATE: Friday, Dec. 2 TIME: 6-9 p.m. LOCATION: Main Street, Novi DETAILS: Novi Parks, Recreation & Forestry's annual	CONTACT: (248) 348-8762	Fellwok and Christopher Golla. Also visit for a Holiday Open House, Dec.11. CONTACT: (248) 477-6620	Novi community. Tickets are \$7, free for children 2 and under. CONTACT: The Sports Club of Novi, (248) 735-8850	
Recreation & Forestry's annual event will include an electric light parade, carolers, an arts and crafts show, photos with Santa, carriage rides, a magician, a puppet show,	Dinner	Novi Concert Band Hollday Concert DATE: Sunday, Dec. 12 TIME: 7:30 p.m. LOCATION: Novi Civic	BUSINESS Business Referrats	Young and old alike
Kris Kringle workshop and a children's North Pole area. CONTACT: (248) 347-0400 Boost Camp Day	DETAILS: A sit-down dinner with a live auction, silent auction and three rafiles. CLC includes nine licensed group homes, an 'apartment-training site and two	Center (Ten Mile Road, between Taft and Novi roads) DETAILS: The program con- sists of many traditional Christmas and Hanukkah selec-	DATE: every Wednesday LOCATION: Novi Civic Center, 45175 Ten Mile Rd. TIME: 7-8:30 a.m. DETAILS: Meeting of local	the Toy & Hobby E) weekend,
DATE: Friday, Dec. 3	supported/independent living pro- grams. The centers were founded in 1968 by Mary Wagner and her husband, Bob, for special needs adults. Cost for the dinner is \$45	tions, and several portions of Handel's "Messiah" will be fea- tured as well. Free admission. CONTACT: (248) 347-0460	professionals and businesses looking to increase word-of- mouth referral business. Various classifications open and cager to bring you qualified business	A fantastic display of
TIME: 9 a.m3 p.m. LOCATION: Providence Medical Building, 47601 Grand River Ave., Novi, DETAILS: A day of enrich- ment and personal exploration designed to provide valuable tools, information and a new per- spective on healthier fiving	. in advance and \$50 at the door. CONTACT: comptoncle@hot- mail.com or (248) 478-0870 Meet Michigan Women	"Bahes in Toyland" DATE: Dec. 17-19 LOCATION: Senior Commanity Center, 303 W. Main St., Northville	CONTACT: (734) 462-6460	milroading will be comin Novi Expo Center for the Hobby Expo 2004 featuril collector shows in one loc Held at the Novi Expo young and old alike will !
through wholeness. Open to the public. Cost is \$50; includes lunch and materi- als. Registration is required. CONTACT: (248) 465-5455	Authors DATE: Thursday, Dec. 9 T'IME: 6-8 pm, DETAILS: Meet Michigan women authors; signed books	DETAILS: Kids ages 7-18 are invited to join Northville's newest performing arts group, Northville Youth Theater, for its first pro- duction "Babes in Toyland."	Providence Center for the Healing Arts' "Tuesdays at Assarian"	opportunity to experience model trains in action excitement that builds as it along hundreds of feet gauge raif on a 100-foot a
Novi Choralaires Christmas Concert Series "The Very Best Time of Year" DATES & TIMES: Dec. 3.	will be available. LOCATION: Mugs Coffee House, 1733 Haggerty Rd. (in the Meijer shopping center), Commerce.' CONTACT: (800) 343-3034	Rehearsals will vary by assigned part. This production is presented by Northville Parks and Recreation and Serendipity Productions. CONTACT: Northville Parks	DATE: Every Tuesday night TIME: 5-8 p.m. LOCATION: Assarian Cancer Center, 47601 Grand River Ave., Novi. DETAILS: Variety of activities	model railroad display. Morn and dad, grandi grandpa will recall wo childhood memories of cla- trains that many of us had youth as they watch the trai-
First United Methodist Church, Farmington, at 7:30 p.m.; Dec. 4, St. James Catholic Church, Novi, at 7:30 p.m., and Dec. 5, Church of the Holy Family Catholic	Local Artists Exhibit & Open House DATE: through Jan. 3 and Dec.	ext. 1411 "The Nutcracker"	or the adult community to come and enjoy a unique mix of classes sponsored by the Providence Center for the Healing Arts. Some activities may include a	el in and out of tunnels ar over bridges as they pass the countryside. Watch ti dren's excitement as the pa train arrives on time at the
Church, Novi, at 4 p.m. DETALLS: Tickets available from any Choralaire, at Meadowbrook Commons and at the door. Cost is \$10 for adults;	11 TIME: Monday-Friday, 10 a.m6 p.m.; Saturday, 10 a.m3 p.m. LOCATION Meadowbrook Art	DATE: Saturday, Dec. 18 TIME: 3 and 6 p.m, LOCATION: Novi High School ('Ten Mile, cast of Taft Road)	supplies fee (no more than \$10). CONTACT: (248) 465-5483 Send your calendar items to	train station and freight deliver their goods to in sites throughout the mi empire. For those wishing their own railroad empire,
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TIME: Friday noon-7 p.m.; Saturday 10 a.m6 p.m.; Sunday 10 a.m4 p.m. LOCATION: Novi Expo Center, 43700 Expo Center Dr. (southwest corner of 1-96 and	NOVI TOWN CENTER 8 Of Life on Novi Pit. & Cland River Dr. Seried Border, (246) 4 555-511 80W \$55.50 Kidd ell Anova. \$65.00 Seniors			
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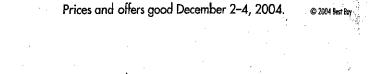


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me For the kids who love their LEGOs, the Michigan LEGO Train Club will be displaying their 20-foot by 30-foot operating train display that is built from thou-sands of the popular building blocks. In addition to the operating train displays, there is a ministure train ride available for the kids behind the "Little Train That Could" The Expo features toy and hodby items from the '50s to today's hottest col-lectibles. Vendors and collectors will be scelling new, used, antique of model For the kids who love their ing to the uring three location. po Center, ill have the nce scale and the they race t modular idma and will be selling new, used, antique and collectible model railroad and toy trains, collectible toys, die-cast and model kits, sports and racing onderful classic toy ad in our trains trav-and cross ss through h the chil- and model kits, sports and racing collectibles, and dolls including Barbie and Beanies.
 Hours for the show are Friday, Dec. 3, 5-9 p.m., Saurday, Dec. 4, from 9 a.m.-7 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 5, from 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
 Admission for adults is \$7, free for children under 12 with an adult Parking is \$5. For more passenger the city's ght trains industrial miniature adult, Parking is \$5. For more information, call (248) 348-5600. The Toy & Hobby Expo is a supporter and a collection point for the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve g to build , the dis-hand to jues used modular Toys for Tots Campaign.

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# **SPORTS**



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# 'Cats tie KVC foe

### By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER

With the first period behind them, the Navi Wildeats bockey players paused a moment to honor those who had built the program for which they now skate

The 'Cats, coached by Dan Phelps, were basy carning a 3-3 tie against Kensington Valley Conference rival Pinckney, but not so busy to take a moment to reflect on years past. The squad, as well as the fans

in attendance at last week's game, watched as four banners were unfurled to the right of the

American flag in the blue rink at Novi lee Arena. The banners were put up in honor of the team's past accomplishments, Unfortunately for Novi, not

as much was being accom-plished against the Pirates as the team would have liked. Novi scored first in the contests, taking advantage of a shot by Jon Hamblin, who put in the first score at 7:27 in the first period. Shamus Finnerty

lead The Pirates came back with a vengeance, however, scoring three straight goals before Hamblin could add his second

**Congrats!** 

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coach. Though we heard quite a while back she was engaged, it was just recently announced pub-

Parker, who took the head

from Michigan State University in 2000. Her fiance, on the other hand, graduated from Holt in 1989 and is a coach there

coaching position for the Wildcats cheer

team this season,

is engaged to Brent Pohlonski

graduated from Novi in 1996 and

of Holt. Parker

assisted on the play for the 1-0

score of the night on a pass from Zach Flavin, Novi added their final tally

to tie the game off the stick of Brett Jaussi, who was assisted by R.J. Makoski and Tom Ciaverilla,

Both teams had numerous scoring chances in the final minutes, but neither could find the back of the net. Novi (1-2-1) is slated to take

on Brighton Tuesday at 6 p.m. The game will be played at Novi Ice Arena.

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Check back next week

**OUICK HITS** 

If you want a complete schedule for winter addetics at Novi High School, check back in next week's edition. The Novi News will feature a full page of sports schedules that can be easily removed and hung on the fridge or in a locker. Take a moment and circle some

of the best games and make sure not to miss them. Novi versus Northville hockey sure has our eve.

#### The long trip north

It must be a culture shock for the Novi Wildcats when the hock-ey team takes their annual trip to Michigan's Upper Peninsula for a hockey tournament

There's very little concrete, a lot less people and cars and a whole

let more snow, It's good for them though, and the boys from the U.P. too. Both the Novi players and the Yoopers get plenty of good hockey under their belts, and they get to see that at least one thing translates well when crossing the bridge – hockey is still the coolest game ever, eh?

Congratulations are in order for Emily Parker, Novi's cheerleading Tean

> honors in her sport while such Amol Huprikar (boys cross coun-try) and Diana Ticu (tennis) earned places along with several other Wildcats. Check it out on in the Bsection of this week's edition

# arie-Grace Denton, a Novi resident and freshman at Notre Dame Prep, swims the butterfly. Denton received her varsity letter in swimming and diving at the Catholic High School League school.

# Novi resident earns letter in swimming

#### By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER

Freshmen aren't usually the players on any varsity team that make a big impact. Sure, one might make some noise here or score some points there, but it takes a special athlete to stand out

out. Novi's Mary-Grace Denton is one of those stand-out kind of athletes. The freshman, who attends Notre Dame Preparatory, finished eight in the highly-competitive.Catholic High School League

Championships in the breaststroke Her time of 1:14.68 was

enough to keep her ahead of the enough to keep her ahead of the majority of the talented pack. Denton also made a splash in the 200 individual medley, where she took 15th in 2:34.51. Denton helped her squad to take third-place in the champi-onship meet. Notre Dame scored 340 total points. Finishing first was Farmington Marey with Marian chee behind

Mercy with Marian close behind in second place. Swimming isn't all that Denton excels at, The freshman

found herself belting out the National Anthem prior to the Catholic High School League Championships.

Championships. The championship meet was held at the Livonia Recreation Center Nov. 13. Denton was awarded her var-

sity letter yesterday for her con-tributions to the swimming and diving team at Notre Dame. She is expected to return to the team next season.

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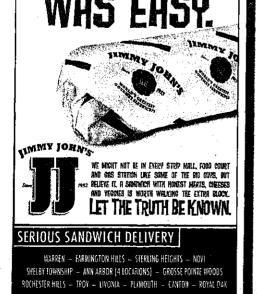
wedding, which is slated for July 2005

#### It's finally here!

After making the fans wait on pins and needles, the Novi News is proud to present the HomeTown Newspapers Ail-Area Dream

This is an honor for an athlete to receive. It names them as the cream of the crop in the sport they play along with their peers from Northville, Milford, South Lyon and Lakeland.

Novi didn't do too shabby. Rachele Folino, a junior basketball player, earned Player of the Year notables as Kevin Cislo (football). Trey Love (soccer), Brett Jaussi (golf), Laura Lynch (swimming), Patti Ramos (girls cross country),



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ALL-AREA DREAM TEAMS NOVI NEW



By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER

Isn't an athlete supposed to be full of himself once his name is signed to the dotted line for his national letter of intent him so good. to play college sports?

Kevin Cislo, a Novi senior, isn't.

On Nov. 10, which was the official signing day for college baseball, Cislo signed his name to a letter addressed to the University of Michigan where he will play short stop. He's bound to be a Wolverine with the squad paying 50 percent of his college for him.

And still you can't get him to say anything that remotely sounds like bragging. "I just like playing sports," Cislo said after having an amazing football season. "I love baseball and I love football. It's just a great time playing both of them."

Watching Cislo play this fall probably had plenty of fans thinking there was no way football was just his second sport. Cislo collected 1,017 yards on the ground him. and scored 15 touchdowns. He passed for 529 yards and eight touchdowns. Not only did he do well on offense, he snagged five interceptions on defense

"Speed kills," Cislo said. "That's the beauty of football. If you're fast, you usually do well."

And fast he was. Numerous times Cislo pulled away from the pack for touchdown runs of over 50 yards this season.

get caught, don't get caught," he said. "I think I ran a little faster because of it."

Beyond throwing, running and play-

ing defense, Cislo is a specialist too. He punted 37 times this season for an average of 39 yards. His long was 66.

Even with so many statistics on his side, Cislo just shrugs when asked what made

"My teammates," he said. "I couldn't have gained a yard without them."

Cislo has more than just the team on the field to thank. His parents, Chuck and Marilyn, have supported him every step of the way.

But, it's his brother, Brandon, that has inspired him the most.

"He's the main reason I got into athletics," said Cislo. "As soon as I watched him play baseball I wanted to play. When he played football I played the first year that l-could."

In fact, the jersey number that Cislo has made so popular was one his brother wore as a player too.

"He's the entire reason 1 had to wear number nine," he said. "It's a homage to

Athletics runs in the family. Brandon, who is now 21, was a notable athlete at Novi. His dad played at Farmington in fooball wrighting and baseball. Cislo grow up around athletics. He grow

up around the desire to win. Perhaps that was why he knew this season would be a good one for the Wildcats.

"I knew last year we'd come back like this," he said. "We had a lot of good play-"I just kept thinking to myself 'Don't ers returning and we knew what it felt like to win?"

The disappointment of a season-ending loss to South Lyon is one that Cislo hopes the underclassmen remember well.

"We fed off our loss the year before," he said. "The younger players need to do that now too.'

The love for both baseball and football is strong in Cislo. It's so strong he nearly gave up a scholarship with a team like the University of Michigan to play both

"It's one of the reasons I didn't want to pursue Division I baseball at first, he said. "I could have probably played, both, football and baseball at Division II. But the decision was made. It's the nght choice."

Cislo may have given up football



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#### **REASONS WE'LL** MISS KEVIN CISLO

9. He's such an easy guy to take photos of!

8. Did anyone notice he learned how to pass?

7. 37 punts for 1,443 yards with a long of 66 yards.

6. Five interceptions 11 tackles, four pass break-ups and a fumble recovered

5. Two Baseline Jug victories and three wins over Northville.

> 4, 529 passing yards with eight touchdowns.

3. 1.017 vards rushing and 15



through the remainder of his athletic career, but his impact on Novi football will be remembered.

"It makes me feel pretty good and pretty confident that I can excel in more than just one area," said Cislo.

Fans have to wonder just how good Cislo will be when he concentrates on just one sport.



touchdowns

2. Back-to-back Kensington Valley Conference titles.

1. Two district titles and a regional title while Cislo was on the varsity team.



#### JOSH WOODS, SENIOR RUNNING BACK

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OTHER TOP ALL-AREA FOOTBALL PLAYERS WHO WILL BE HARD TO REPLACE

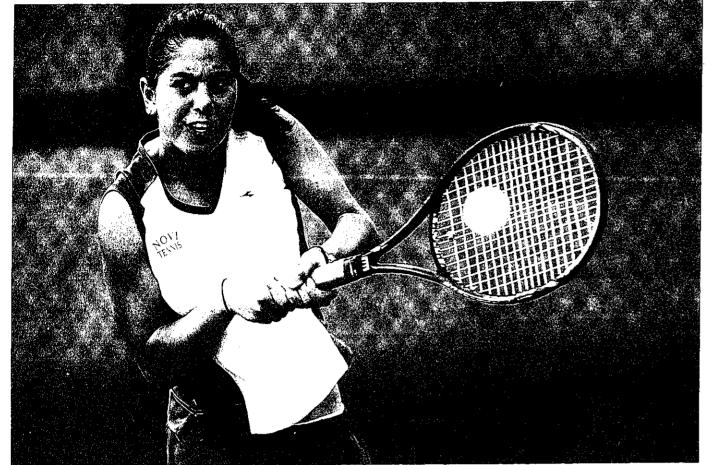
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# 2B NOVI NEWS-Thursday, December 2, 2004 Ruiz selected as All-Area Player of the Year



#### Diana Ticu was selected to this year's All-Area squad. She's a junior at Novi High School.

#### By Sam Eggleston

When it comes to HomeTown-Newspapers coverage areas, the Northville Record and the Novi-News are truly blessed when it comes to the sport of tenais. There are few teams that can who earn one singles rankings because they are the best on their team. Then, there are playactually compete with these. soliads. Be it off-season frainers out there who earn ing, superior coaching or just-incredible talent, the Novi-Wildcars and the Northville Mustangs are, quite simply, dominant on this list.

#### Sophomore sensation

There was a buzz in Northville when sunhumou impact at the state level. Christina Ruiz decided to move

#### back to town instead of playing Always competitive tennis in Texas at a national ten Novi junior Diana Tieu never

nis academy. People were excited well. gives up. No matter how far behind she is in a set or how the most of them --- and they knew-it could only be a positive formatch is playing out, she keeps Even fife can't seem to keep her down. Tieu, unfortunately, lost her father this fall. She was the Mustangs tennis team. "Christina Player of has been a the Year great addition playing tennis the same week. our team." id Northville coach Sandy Wooffall, "She's very talented and is one of the strongest play-ers I have ever coached." Ruiz didn't disappoint. She came in, carned a place at one singles, and marched to an npressive 20-3 record as the have asked her to and no one played well. did. She did it because that's what she needed to do." Ticu was not slouch this seatop player in the Western Lakes

through the regional tournament as well where she carned the championship title for her flight.

What does the future norm for starting and the season shows a season shows and the season as for the season shows and the season shows are block but they are shown in the season shows and the season shows are block but they are shown in the season shown in the season shows are block but they are shown in the season shown in the season shown in the season shown in the season shows are block but they are shown in the season shown in the seas extremely talented and had one of her best tenuis seasons."

career here at Northville," said with the top players from every the All-Area nod as a doubles. Ann Arbor Pioneer's top squad Amanda Cassidy and Kaylan bartner with Laura Vaugha. This in the doubles flights — that strater in the doubles flights — that "We're happy to have her season she stands alone. And alone makes a highlight moment how flashing their blonde hair "We're happy to have her Pressure isn't something that back next season," Hanson said, why wouldn't she? At two sin- for any tennis team, seems to worry anyone who knows Raiz. "She's an asset to this team." Diana Ticu never quits, no

There are players out there matter what the score is,

No change in intensity Senior Erica Dobson found herself in a position she wasn't HomeTown Newspapers All-Area Player of the Year, Why? she was humped down to two singles following the arrival of services at two singles following the arrival of services at two singles for a Ruiz is the best of the best. As a sophomore she made an impact on the sport she loves, As a junior and a senior she has the potential to rise up and make as

two singles players that tried to - one, even if she was down, and get in her way. "Brica did very well at two

until its over," said Hanson, "She fought back and won a singles this year," said Woolfall. "She fought back and "She was a one singles player — couple times this year." who was a lot better than must

#### of the competition." Dobson did what everyone Doubles trouble

Hough she would do this year Northville seniors Jen --- she dominated. For her senior Harkness and Amanda Darish thought she would do this year season she gave herself a gift of a re used to being a pair. They've a 21-2 record at two singles and carned a regional tournament years and this year they used bousing bernist the some week, earned a regional iomanieum years and only year to so the locus of the sport her father her play. Thirm add more than anyone could have asked from her this of being knocked out of their would said. "The genry, said Novi coach Jim confort zone Jobson di what Hanson. "She played when she she had set out this year to do: didn't have to. No one would She played with intensity and well together. There was never any doubt when it came to these "Erica is a senior that we will two."

gles she took on and defeated 18 opponents and fell to just 11. She was the Kensington Valley

Conference champion in her

showed that the match isn't over

Activities Association. The sophomore was WLAA the s The supplicative way harmore and way undefeated son. As a junior she earned the anony of and way undefeated arough the regional tournament is well where she earned the School and helped lead her hampionship title for her flight. What does the future hold for value Conference championship the rest of HomeTown within Thromshout the season. and Harkness graduate there's

always the feeling of a void. It takes a special duo to fill such a Some players are just comrole.

File photo by JOHN HEIDER

was. There agen't many doubles teams that go together as well as these two Wildcats. They bonded well, played even better Was there any doubt? Jackie Taylor and Shannon

Farris played the best tennis of together and no one seemed to their carces this year. It showed have the recipe to heat them on with the way they rolled through a regular basis. a regular basis. "It helps when you have their opponents and right onto the HomeTown All-Area tennis doubles team that plays togeth er for more than one year.

team. "They played very well this year," Woolfall said. "You Hanson said. "Amanda and Kaylan were a good team. They never know which two players complimented each other." Pustover and Cassidy-record will make a good doubles team. which is why we change the line-up in the beginning of the year trying to find the right one. ed a mark of 22-8 this year as they carned a Kensingtor Valley Conference title and Jackie and Shannon fit well were runner-ups to the regiona together." The Northville seniors climbed to a 22-4 record this

The hardest thing with sen-iors like those two is knowing they won't be back next year," year and pounded out conference and regional titles without Hanson said, "That experience much standing in their way. and ability is going to be hard to

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# Folino named HomeTown Player of the Year

### By Sam Eggleston

one of her best and hopefully it leads her into an even more prom-ising future of college basketball." Basketball is a game of individu-And what college wouldn't be lucky to get her? Quick on her feet, agile, aggressive and pretty darn talented — she's everything a who are asked to play as a team. Individuals can control a game. They can take it over and dominate it. Individuals can rise above the recruit should be. rest as stars. HomeTown Newspapers are Folino can do it all. She dribbles she shoots and, like always, she lucky. The coverage area includes some top-notch basketball players. Some are college prospects. All are scores.

#### Ms. Mustana npressive athletes

Ask anyone on the receiving end of it and they'll tell you being Folino earns top honors kicked by a horse is one of the most Just what is it about Rachele painful experiences ever. A Mustang, being untamed and unbridled, would most likely hurt Folino that makes her such a successful player? Is it her ability to drive with the ball? Her ability to shoot from beyond the three-point even worse. That's basically the same feeling arc? Is it all of the above? an opposing team got when Northville senior Evonna Karchon The answer is all of the above and then some. Folino, a junior at Novi High School, is being recruitwas on fire. A threat both inside

and out, Northville's leading scorer with 10.4 points per game was capable of controlling a game with ed by colleges for a reason - she can do it ali. She's the leading scorr on the Novi her skill. Wildcats bas-"She an integral part of our team," said Northville coach Pete Wright, "She's so quick and so ath-letic she was able to surprise a lot keiball team, Player of leading rebounder and the Year

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Folino

of people. Karchon was hardly just about lady. offense. She netted 6.8 rebounds per game and snagged 3.1 steals thanks to her quick hands and court Folino is basketball. Basketball is "We need more kids like that,"

said Novi coach Bill Keip. "Basketball is her main sport. I've awareness, For her abilities and impact on got no problems with players hav-Northville's game, Karchon was given All-Western Division honors. "On defense we asked her to re than one sport, but basing more than one sport, but bas-ketball is Rachele's main sport and

guard both perimeter players and interiors players as well," said Wright. "We relied on her athletic it shows. It has really helped her on her path to success. Currently, the stellar forward has netted 14 points and eight rehounds per game. She's poured in 22 here, 20 there, Assists? She does that too. ability to guard post players a lot bigger than her. Her athletic ability was also needed to guard on the Basically, she does it all.

perimeter." Karchon, a three-year member Basically, she does it all. Because of her pure talent, defenses were forced to adjust to Folino. They focused on her. They of the varsity team, was key in Northville's largest upset of the year when they topped Plymouth Salem in their regular-season condouble teamed her most of the time and tripled teamed her when it became clear she wasn't going to test. Her season high was 22 points be denied.

in a single game. Her graduation will leave big shoes for Northville to fill. "It's a big gap," said Wright. Such a force deserves recognition. The HomeTown Newspapers All;Area squod's Player of the Year "She's so versatile and can play so nany positions. It's always nice to have a player like that. She's going "We play in one of the toughest defensive leagues around, " said Kelp. "Everyone, especially in the KVC, works their game plan

to be hard to replace? around stopping Rachele. For her to score 14 points a game and lead the league in scoring is a huge Point taken

Few guards can handle a basketball like Jessica Haggerty, a senior from Novi. When she received two The future is bright for this three-year varsity player. As a sophomore and a junior she took the lead on her team. She has made fouls early in a game this year, someone in the stands mentioned that they hoped she wouldn't be HomeTown Newspaper's All-Atea taken out of the game because no Basketball team in the past and one else could bring the ball up the now she leads the list. She's on the

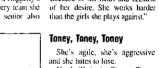
court. Though that statement is rather drastic, the truth is there is no guard all-conference squad again. Accolades just seem to pour in for her, It's not luck. It's hard work and that can bring the ball up the court at Novi quite as well as Haggerty. "She is one of the best point it has paid off senior season promises to be one of the best at Novi in a long time. guards I've ever coached," said kelp, who has coached both boys

"Next year we're going to go as far as Rachele Folino takes us," said Kelp. "We expect her to have a kids I've ever had in my entire huge season. Hopefully it will be career.

The other coaches in the snagged two assists a game and L5 despite playing against some of steals. The best the KVC has to offer. "The KVC is just foaded with Kensington Valley Conference must have noticed Haggerty's abil-ity too. She was selected as a sec-tran's best guard," said Kelp. must lave noticed Haggerty's albil-ity too. She was selected as a sec-ind-team All-Conference player this year. The very team she played against. The senior also

Year for HomeTown's All-Area team.

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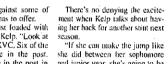
Northville junior Simone Toney is a natural selection to the All-Area basketball team. She's quick . game, off the dribble, can drive when

Novi's Rachele Folino tries to bring the ball around the perimeter against Northville. She was named Player of the

she needs to and has been known to bury a few shots from downtown in three-point land as well.

"She's another versatile player for us," said Wright. "One of the benefits of Simone's ability is she's capable of playing the point. That adds an extra conifort when you have a second player that can bring the ball up for you." Toney averaged 8.4 points per game this year, adding to her impressive totals from her sopho-

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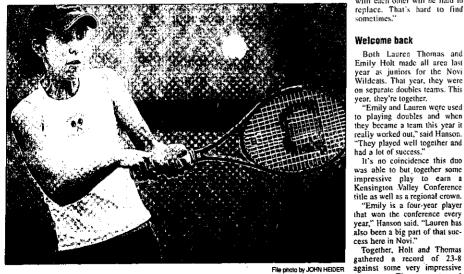
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dways have been for this sensa-ion. Even at a young age she was ranked nationally for her-Tree will be back next season. She'll look to take the top spot age group. She'll look to take the top spot "I expect she'll have a good on the squad again and compete



fortable as members of the All-"They played as a team and Arca squad. Novi junior Ayano Nakamura is one of them. Last scason, Nakamura earned with each other will be hard to Area squad. Novi junior Ayano Nakamura is one of them. replace. That's hard to find

ometimes.

It's no coincidence this duo

title as well as a regional crown.

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Together, Holt and Thomas

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File photo by JOHN HEIDER s year. Karchon is a swar. Karchon is a Mustang Evonna Karchon tries to get a shot off against Salem this year. Karchon is a senior this year

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Northville's Christina Ruiz takes a swing at an incoming volley this season.

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## HomeTown squad loaded with quality runners

#### By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WAITER

Valley The Kensington Conference is basically the best cross country conference in the state. The Western Lakes

Activities Association, where the Morthville Mustangs run, isn't far behind. The All-Area team for the cross country squads represents some of the best runners Lakes Activities Association Michigan has to offer. They are

the cream of the crop. They are the best of the best. Moore please

#### There are few cross country runners that have the ability of Another strong finish

Novi's Mark Moore. He's fast, especially when it counts, and he doesn't buckle under pressure. Moore's top time nted runner this year was a 15:38, which he ran in the state finals meet for

hird place overall. He was the op runner in the Kensington Valley Conference at the state which would push the other to try finals that much harder. "Mark has been the spiritual leader of this senior class," said Novi coach Bob Smith. "He has when it counts the most. been the guy that all the other

athletes measure themselves against. Because of his knowl-edge and ability, he commanded Moore didn't just step up for Moore didn't just step up for eighth place in just 15:48. He one meet though, He did well all season. He took second overall in County, All-Region and All-State

Kensington Valley honors this season. Conference finals meet as well as third in the Oakland County third in the Oakland County State states in Division 1 cross meet, In the regional, Moore was country," said Smith, "Arnol is

first overall. "He has set the tone of the team knew the competition, the curses. and, fortunately, the tone has the strategies and the mental been positive and profound." Smith said. The Novi senior is a returning member of the HomeTown Newspapers All-Area team, hav-ing been named to the squad last

season as well. He was also our younger athletes in the finer named Athlete of the Year by his team. Shith said. The All-Area team is just

#### Leading the pack

As a sophomore, runners are sit back, put their legs up and relax. Why shouldn't junior

they? Seniors will lead the team and so will juniors. Spencer for hire Well, that just doesn't sit well with Northville sophomore Jasen Turnbull. Turnbull was the leader in

Northville this year. He qualified for the state meet after finishing fifth in the region for Allsquad. Regional status

Girls sq	uad full	of talent
By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER		She was an All-Western Division runner, second team
1	Smith said. Liz is one of the	All-WLAA and a regional

record hoard for years to come

Chocolate Chip Cookie Pic won

an award in the Novi News and

and they say never trust a skinny

Northville Record pie contest

#### SPORTS WRITER

Smith said, "Liz is one of the best runners I have ever coached In the world of cross country girls reign supreme. The races are usually tighter for the most part and the rise and fall of athletes is and one who will stay on the Beyond being a great runner, Hrivnak is also one of the nicest usually much more dramatic. This year didn't disappoint. people to have ever graced an All-Area squad. She's polite, she's genuine and she's modest. Her shoes will be the biggest on this Close races abounded and some of the top teams didn't even qualify for the state finals. It was a great year for cross squad to fill next season. There's country and a great year to more to her than just running. select one of the most impres-sive HomeTown Newspapers

#### Patti cake All-Area teams to date. Many people might not know it by looking at her, but Novi senior Patti Ramos sure can cook. In fact, last year her

**Record**-setting performance

Northville senior Liz Hrivnak is no stranger to being competi-tive. Sure, she's quiet and bor-ders on being shy, but an animal is unleashed when she runs.

cook! It's obvious that her recipes are successful outside of the kitchen as well. Ramos has the Hrivnak hates to lose. It shows Over the past three

"Jasen has a lot of potential," said Northville coach Chris Cronin earlier this season. "He runners. His best time this season was a 16:42 and he came through for his team when they needed it can be a great runner if he puts in the most. the time and is dedicated enough." The Mustang sophomore's best "Spencer was 100-percent committed to our program," said Smith. "He came into the season fully prepared to make his senior

year his best. He accomplished that goal and then some." In the Kensington Valley Conference meet, against some of the toughest runners Michigan has to offer. Ornes pushed his way into the top flight of runners and came away in 10th place to against some of the toughest competition the league has ever offered. At the highly competitive Michigan State University help Novi secure the champi-onship. In the regional, he ran one Invitational, Turnbull took 15th. of his best races of the year, fin-ishing seventh to help Novi carn

that title too. "As evidence of his drive to Novi is lucky to have such talexcellence, Spencer ran over 700 miles during this past summer leading up to the season," Smith Their top two harriers in the above-mentioned Moore and sen-

ior Amol Huprikar helped make noted. them one of the most competitive teams in Michigan. Why? He also carned an All-Oakland teams in Michigan. Why? Because you could never tell County nod this season to add to his All-Area honors. Ornes deserves his accolades. Few run ners work as hard as he does. "Amol is a very gifted runner," said Smith. "He has proven that

#### Career performances

Huprikar is a walking trophy Novi seaior Justin Namm came into this season knowing if he put up his best performances he case. He was the fourth-fastes Kensington Valley Conference runner in the state finals this seacould hang with some of the toughest runners around - his peers in the Kensington Valley nference. Namm did that and a whole lot

more in his final stint as a harrier, "He has twice achieved All-"Justin knew how to race and train," Smith said. "It was not unusual for Justin to be at the also a student of the sport. He front of the pack during our practice runs. He stayed focused al In his senior season, Nami

Quite frankly, any team would collected a career-best run of have been drooling over having 16:38 in the state finals. He also such a high caliber runner step up earned All-Oakland County hon and be their top man. "He was very active in guiding ors this year thanks to his impressive running. "Justin knew the correlation between quality practices and quality racing," said Smith. In the KVC meet, he was key

another accolade Huprikar can in Novi's overall victory for the conference title. He edged past some tightly-packed runners and came in 11th to help secure the crown. He also notched an add to his resume. It marks a return trip for him to the squad, having made it fast season as a eighth-place finish in the region-I meet and helped Novi to the

A strong cross country team In the state meet Namm kicked has strong finishers who may not out his best performance, finishbe the top runner on the team but ing 55th overall.

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does what's best for his uad. Sam Eggleston can be reached at Spencer Ornes, a senior at (248) 349-1700, ext. 104, or at seg-

Novi High School, is one of those gleston@ht.homecomm.net. for All-Area

"Over the last four years, Kate

has grown into an incredible runner, always striving to become better," Smith said. "Kate was a true leader this sea-

son. Her dedication and deter

mination through many road-blocks from injury never stopped her pursuit to be the

She's more than just a good runner and a pretty smile though. McClymont has brains

to boot, which explains why she

was selected as an Academic All-State runner as well.

next year thanks to her gradua-

missed by her teammates and

her coach, but also by the news-

paper that covered her on a

"Kate has been a constant

contributor and a top five runner

McClymont will leave a void

Not only will she be

hest runner she could be



File photo by JOHN HEIDER Mustangs Jasen Turnbull and Liz Hrivnak were both selected to this season's squad

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# Hannah leads charge as Player of the Year

#### By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER

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doing the task well. "He is probably the best one-on-one defender in the state," said Novi coach Brian O'Leary. "He held the number one player, James Hannah, without a shot on goal and the number two player, Jordan Fylonenko, without a shot on aroa!" Soccer, It's all about team. Without every person on the field, from the top scoring forward to the stone walling goalie, no one would be able to earn a victory. The teams of Novi and Northville did their fare, the Mustangs were ranked first in the state and the Wildcats made a run for the district tille against a tough on the HomeTown Newspaper's Livonia Stevenson squad. All-Area team. "It is because of Trey that we The king of kings play man-to-man defense. Is there anything James Hannah

#### O'Leary said. "He can always eliminate the other teams' best offensive player." can't do? Well, it's apparent the Northville senior forward can't stop being good, so add that to the very small list. Hanaah is a powerhouse. He One goal in mind Steve Besk is one of the best always has been. He always will

goalies in the state.

"James can control a game." He plays against some of the best teams. He plays with some of the best players. Against all of said Henry Klimes cartier this year. "The other team is forced to adjust to him. They have to put them he has shown himself to be a heir best player against him and stellar goalie. This will mark Besk's fourththey have to be ready to stop him. That makes us All-Area team. And why not? more of a Plaver of This year he helped his team to a The senior 19-2-1 record and a number one the Year ranking in the state. He recorded 11 shutouts this season. He has 22 didn't stop at just being one of the best socshutouts in his career. This season he had 72 saves cer players to put on a uniform for Northville High School. He also made a point of showing he was and earned 17 victories on the "We can always rely on Steve," multi-faceted this year. "James is a great kid that Klimes said. "When he's playing we don't worry. He's always on his game and he's always ready to impresses me by being able to play two sports," Northville foot-ball coach Clint Alexander said. play." This season, Besk was selected "That's awe-inspiring. Hannah, scored 25 goals this season and had 10 assists, He is first on the all-time Northville list is being actively recruited by a for goals and third for assists in a number of colleges le season

#### Dedication and determination Well done helped make this year's HomeTown Newspapers All-Area If one thing is certain in life, "it's A.W. Stanek, a junior Novi midfielder, puts every ounce of energy into his game. "He is our best offensive player, which is rare for a midfielder," Player of the Year the leading scorer despite missing two games from a red card he took against Salem and an injury that soon fol-

said O'Leary. "He is also our best player in the air." This season, Stanek collected With an ankle injury that was expected to keep him out of play for up to a month. Hannah showed his grit by coming back 10 goals and five assists. He was merely a week later. "They said it could take up to that long," Hannah later said. "I named All-Conference, All-District, All-Region and Honorable Mention All-State. wasn't going to wait. But it's going to be a long, long wait for Northville soccer fans. Who knows the next time a play-The future is now Mike Cornelius, a Northville junior forward, has a bright er of Hannah's caliber will come

through. Maybe never: future. Not only was he the second-leading scorer for the Mustangs this year he was also one of the most highly recognized Defensive pressure No one applies defensive presplayers on the team. sure like Trey Love, a junior for

the Novi Wildcats. He is asked to stop some of the best players in the state and has made a point of Mike ready to score."

### "Mike has been an asset this of course

All-State recognition this season. This season, Cornelius scored 14 goals and collected a team-leading 17 assists. He is first alltime for assists for Northville in a single season. The right ingredient

Cornelius earned Third-Team

Neil Kocan, a senior from Novi, was asked to move from the midfield to defense this season He did and the Novi Wildcats were much better because of it. "In the first few games we were having lots of trouble shutting the other team down and they were getting lots of shots on goal and

way too many quality scoring chances, said O'Leary. "Then I switched Neil from midfield to sweeper and we instantly became a team that was difficult to score on and gave up very few quality scoring chances. He was the most

mportant piece of our team's suc cess No glory If there's one thing about soc-cer and defensive players, their names are rarely mentioned outside of their circle of fans. enders do it all. They Def

assists, they stop plays and they keep the score tilted in the favor of their team. Northville junior Mike Blasius doesn't mind the fact that he doesn't get any attention. He just keeps playing. "The defense doesn't get the

credit it deserves," Klimes said. This scason, Blasius did get his nods though. He was selected as an Honorable Mention All-State player

The hammer

### Got milk? One player was actively pur-sued to play a sport other than soccer this year when the varsity

football team-practically begged him to play for them too. Scott Hammerle, a senior defender for Northville, didn't bite though. And why would he? He's one of the best defenders around in the game he loves. "Scott is a big part of our team," Klimes said. "He has a lot of us. of experience and is a leader for

### Double trouble

Can't Mike Kelleher, a senior midfielder for the Northville Mustangs, stay off our lists? This is the second year in a row he has made All-Area and this year be also earned a spot of the All-Area football team as well. What makes him so special? ior year.

His undying need to be the best, "Mike never quits," Klimes said. "Even though he plays foot-

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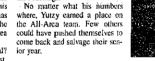
Mustang soccer player Phil Yutzy had been drinking about a half a gallon of milk a day to speed the healing of a broken bone in his foot so he could get back to his ff-bound team. Yutzy was selected to the All-Area squad this season

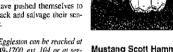
being tired. He just keeps going. He gets a little banged up now and then, which worries me, but he works through it."

Phil Yutzy had a rough season. He only played a fraction of the games this year after breaking his foot in August. The result? He had to push himself back into action. He used the help of a half a gal-lon of milk a day. "Just having a Phil on the field makes a difference," said Klimes.

"He's a leader for us. Having him off the field has been tough on all There will always be if, and or

buts when it comes to Yutzy's sen-iors season. Though he didn't have much in the way of numbers this year, he is ranked on the alltime assists and points board for the Mustangs. No matter what his numbers where, Yutzy earned a place on

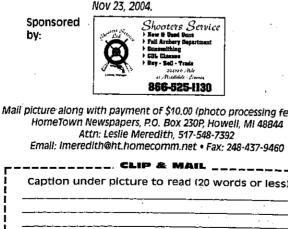




before Northville's game against Salem

- - File photo by JOHN HEIDER
- Mustang Scott Hammerle kicks a ball during warmups





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	Patti Ramos of Novi was select team. She's a senior this year.



second-team All-Conference harrier as well. She was a

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# Football squad full of stellar athletes

#### By Sam Eggleston

game capable of producing yards and tonchdowns you have to have more than a single threat in the backfield, Jarrell was another threat What is it about football in this area. This season, both teams were extremely competitive and both teams had staggering season statis-

Football is alive and well in Novi and Northville. Just come to the games on a Friday night in the fall and you'll be the first to agree.

#### OFFENSE

Offense is key in any game. Whether a team runs the ball or ¢5. "He's an outstanding football and the place to put points up on the board in order to win. Now did that just fine, breaking long runs throughout the season for their player this season tas well. player." Kellepourcy said, "It has been a lot of fam coaching him." He was selected as an All-KVC scores. Northville was the secondhighest scoring team in school his Slippery Stilec ory this year

The aridiron king What can't Kevin Cislo do? The Novi senior quarterback has shown time and time again that if you want — opponent this year, as his numbers to beat them you have to shut him down. This season he racked up 892 yards with his rushing attack, scoring 14 touch- 🚥

downs along the way, and passed for 514 Player of the Year and eight more coring strikes. There's a reason he's the offenave player of the year. He was the offensive player of the year for the Kensington Valley Conference too if was because of the same reasoning injury that limited his action . He will not be shut down. He show to be shut down. He shows the regular season. I not be denied. He will score on the worked hard to rehab that and it was because of the same rea will not be denied. He will score on

We were locky to have an athlete - the field. He's one of the most tal like Kevin to run our offense and lead our team this year," said Novicoach Tab Kellepourey. 'He's an cocky and Eye never heard him outstanding affilete. He makes good-reads and keeps the offense under

The scary thing about a player like Cislo is the fact that football is the sports he's second best at. Baseball is his primary selection. That's the sport he decided to play atthe University of Michigan with "That just goes to show what kind of athlete he is," said Kellepourcy.

for the Wildcats. He pulled down five interceptions this year. Ob yeah, and he was the punter too, collecting -37 kicks for a 39-yanl average. His long was 66 yards

#### He's only a junior?

Aren't stellar seasons supposed to be reserved for seniors? Don't tell that to junior Charlie Thomas, Northville's quarterback. "We allowed Charlie to get in sit-

to happen on offense," said Clim Alexander, "We had a lot of must his ability to read defenses. He's real

as far as leadership on the field The youngster counsiled an impressive 1,203 yards through the aij this year in the Mustangs' spread offense. He tallied up six touchdowns to three different receivers On the ground he pounded out 621 yards and 13 touchdowns. Character wise great kid and he's one of the most hard working

people you'll ever meet," said Alexander, "Immediately after a game he starts analyzing himself and figuring out what he's got to fix. He's also his own worst critic." Thomas was selected as an All-Western Division quarterback this season despite having the best overall numbers of any quarterback in

Like trying to grab air

the league

"I'd like to see Ryan play at the college level," said Kellepourey. "I think it would be a good fit for him." "Jarrell helped make our offense come together this season," said Kellepourcy. "To have an option

#### Just plain nasty There's a word the Northville

Mustangs coaching staff likes to use: nasty. It's the perfect word to Against Northville he was devas describe senit J.D. Gerblick, tating, taking the opening offensive play all the way for a score despite senior offensive lineman "He's the most competitive kid being hit by five players along the way. The Mostangs weren't alone in the club though -- Woods was known to decimate plenty of defenson our offensive line," said Alexander. "He did what we wanted him to do on basically every play. He was always determined to make sure his guy didn't make the tackle."

No, he's not a dirty player. He's just nasty. He puts players on their backs, beats them up and then invites them back for a little more. Thanks to blocking like this, Northville had a rushing average of nearly seven yards per earry. Gerblick was an All-Western Northville senior Mac Stilec is one slipperv little son of a gan. He Division selection this year. can dart in and out of tackles and "He has great feet and he's a great then break a run up-field. Sulec did it to more than one tactician," Alexander said. "His determination and his skill made him capable of beating the guy in can testify. He rate for 1.030 yards front of him. I'm certain he can play omewhere. He's so release and scored 14 tonehdowns this sen-

any college that took him."

determined that he's be an asset to

season.

Back again?

and was involved on nearly every play," said Kellepourey, "We're

going to miss him on our team next year. He's going to be very hand to replace." Now's leading tackler was an All-

Josh Woods, a senior linebacker

for the Wildcats, is another returning

face on the Home Town Newspapers All-Area team. He s about as tough

as they get too, which is why he

"Jush is an outstanding line-backer," Kellepourey said. "He could read a play very well, which enabled him to be where he need-

ed to be to make a big play. We

knew he would get the job done for us and were always confident when he was in the game."

This year Woods earned 71.5

tackles while nunching through the

offensive blockade for three sacks. He forced three fumbles and

A bird in the hand...

His long was 66.

lied the troops, led the charge and fought with every ounce of his

energy every single game. That's

the kind of play the HomeTown apers All-Area team was

keeps getting named to the squad.

#### "Obviously, Mac is a great athlete and an asset for this team." Alexander said. "But uside from what he wa The big boy

able to produce on the field this year Mark Yassay, a senior offensive his off-season conunitment was lineman at Northville, is no small unbelievable. He's a tremendous fellow. He towers over nearly everyleader and a lead-by-example kind one around him, has muscles trying This season, he was picked as an to tear through his clothing and can All-WLAA player despite a hameasily be characterized as a "quiet giar "He's a poster boy for weight lifting," Alexander said. "His off-seayou and if given the chance he will - injury this year," Alexander said, "It son conditioning helped him develwas critical for us to get him back on op into a true athlete. He's such a

hysically devastating blocker. He ented kids l've ever met, but he's bumble. I've never seen him be vill drive a guy so far up the field that it makes a natural hole for our runningbacks," bragging about himself." This giant, however, is one you really don't want to wake up. When

team better."

this year.

you do it usually ends in a defensive-

player buried on the turf on his back.

"He's drive a guy and then just paneake him." Alexander noted. "But even without that ability he

was an asset to us. He's an outstand-

ing young man with all the keys to success. He helped bring the team together, both consciously and indi-

Yassay's prowess on the field was noted by the coaches who put a

player up against him. He was selected as an All-WLAA player

DEFENSE

Offense gets the glory hut defense wins championships, Just ask the Novi Wildcats, who were KVC

champs for the second-straight sea-

for their third year in a row.

What a snag!

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on. They were also District champs

Sean Costello, a senior defensive lineman for the Novi Wildeats, is

That's Costello's job. But his job

isn't to grab an interception like he

did this year thanks to some trickery

by defensive coaches Jeff Burnside

and David Hartman.

interception came from a stunt we-

have that opportunity." Costello did more than just snag a

simple interception. He recorded 46

A lot of people thought they

way to an All-KVC selection

Just try and stop him

rectly, and that made the rest of the KVC selection this year.

big and he's quick. He'll bull over a pulled in one interceptions during

tackle, get in a quarterback's face his All-KVC campaign

Go long! If there is one thing Northville did

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well this season, it was pass the football. And on the receiving end? None other than two-time All-Area selection Mike Jameson, a senior. "I felt like he was the key to our offense," said Alexander, "We used han to unbalance the field. When Cislo was also a defensive back - defenses give him a lot of attention. which they seemed to do a lot, we

act things to the other side of the field. We could not have been suc-1.413 yards in total punting yards on - cessful without Mike Jameson. lameson has hands like glue. He rarely ever drops a pass, even if it's when he's being purmieled during a

cross route through the middle of the field. He's going to hold on. "He's a big play receiver," Alexander said. "Against John Glenn he had 162 yards receiving. He nearly single handily beat them This season, the speedy receiver collected 643 yards of offense and

put the ball in the endzone four times for Northville. He carned All-Western Lakes Activities

smart, real calm and a great leader. You could never tell he was a jumor Association honors this year. Center of attention Ryan Pritchard is finally a senior Ask any coach who has had a team play against this senior offensive

center and all of them will be quick say they are relieved. This Allspecial teams captain and allaround tough cookie has been stifling blitzes and defensive linemenas a three-year starter at Novi, Pritchard also played his fair share of defense too. He collected 32 tackles and a sack this year as a down lineman. "Beyond being a great lineman in our program, Ryan is a great kid."

Kellepourcy said, "He's extremely intelligent, which helped us on the field. We knew with Ryan in there i like having another set of coaches' eyes out there for us

He's done his job well, which is ons he has had inter one of the rea



File abote by JOHN HEIDER Blasting his way through the Mustang line, Wildcat Jarrell Woods rumbles for a touchdown against Northville. Woods earned a place at running back for the All-Area team.

day may have touchened his hide a

"Rob was never satisfied." guessed that, but he has great closing speed and prowls the field like a predator. He was always looking Kellepourcy said. 'He always want-ed to do better and was his own little. "Favorite is definitely a very worst critic. He knew what he was for people to hit and usually found tough player." Kellepourcy said doing out there and the result was often some of our biggest hits this Mike Kelteher, a senior defen-"It didn't matter how big the play er was coming at him because he never backed down. Having a sive back for Northville, is defi-Carter collected an applaud-wornitely that. To watch him play in player like that as a defensive back thy 73 tackles this year to lead the either sport is a moment of awe helped make us stronger in any sit-Wildeats along with 2.5 sacks. He had four forced fumbles, recovered one and had an interception this "He has such a tremendous uation work ethic," Alexander said, "I was impressed that he could play two sports at one time and go full Favorite collected 47.5 tackles this season, snuck in for a sack and year. "He kept his head in the game earned three interceptions. His time in the defensive backfield way on the whole time. He never com-

nan.

It's a mystery

plained that he was tired or injured. He's a very impressive young well spent as he carned All-KVC honors this year. Kelleber led the Mustanes in SPECIAL TEAMS tackles this season, scooping up 55 in his Jinal season. He also record-Sometimes it comes down to a ed a single interception.

ittle kick. Thankfully, Novi and Northville never overlooked the importance of a good special cams squad this year

How does the best defensive back in the Western Lakes it's up and it's good! Activities Association not get an All-WLAA nod? The only answer Evan Corbeil, a Northville ju seems to be politics. "He's an unselfish player that ior, never made a fuss about anymoved from linebacker to free safety for us early in the year," said Alexander, "He was a physical

> was going to be added on. "We're point-after attempts and hit 4-of-6 field goals with a long of 32 yards. Corheil was also an All-Western Division selection this season. "We're happy to have him back," said Alexander. "Having a

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# Three local golfers grab area honors

#### Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER

It takes a cool player and a steady swing to succeed in the world of golf in HomeTown Newspapers' coverage area. There are some of the tough-est courses in the Metro area and the All-Area team has some of the toughest players who have conquered th

#### Earning accollades

Northville senior Jimmy ates is never quite satisfied. He plays hard, turns in some impressive scores but never mite sits back and tells himself it was good enough. Despite what Gates thinks of his own performances, others were

"Jim has a great all around game," said Tom Shaw, Northville's golf coach. "He can drive the ball incredible dis tances with great accuracy as well. His ability to focus and turn on his A-game when e needs to is a real asset. Gates came through for his squad on more than one occasion. He was medalist four times for the Mustanes and was named Most Valuable Player of

tis team. "He has shown why his fetlow teammates elected him one of our captains by both leading on and off the golf course," said Shaw. "He set a positive exam ple for both varsity and junior arsity players. earned a 77.5 average over 18 holes. He was an All-Western Division player this season and a second-time selee tion to the HomeTowr Newspapers All-Area team. Where Gates takes his golf seems to be up to him,

Shaw. "His level of play would easily be an asset to a college pro

Repeat offender

eram if he elects to continue to Novi's Mike Martinez tees off on the fifth hole at the Links of Novi. lay after high school," he said.

ago. With a 75 over 18 holes at knew we could always expect the always-competitive Oakland solid numbers from him on a Brett Jaussi is not stranger to he HomeTown Newspapers County needs lauss inde it consistent basis." clear he intended to end his sen-ior season playing well. He for his play as well. He carned didd with white prime in the set of the play as well. He carned All-Area team. Last season, as a junior, he made the cut with the added an exclamation point first-team All-KVC recognition valley Conference meet. "Brett played some outstand-ing golf for us this year," said Novi coach Brad Huss. "We likes of Brandon Cigna and Eric Aytes - both Novi grads. Jaussi is still in good company and this year he stands out at as much as he did one year

Novi is going to miss Jaussi, who has been a staple on the squad for the nast few seasons His will be one big swing to try one stroke. "Mark and fill.

Ending on a strong note A senior knows their season is only as good as the way they end it. Novi senior Mark

In Northville there are a few

families that are known to exce

the Kellehers, in cheerleading

it's the Amblers and in swim

ming it's the Schwiring unled the reputation her family has this

season with some very impres-

sive swims. She earned the top

spot on more than one occasio and helped the Mustangs cha

lenge for the top spot in the con-

This season she swam some

impressive times and continued

to improve throughout the year

Her best times were: 50 free

27.59 seconds: 100 free

100

seconds; 100 backstroke
 1:06.53; 50 butterfly: 28.26 sec-

onds; and in the 100 butterfly

:05.26 seconds

it's in her blood

moved to the states.

This season she had some of he

best-ever times: 50 free; 27,16

seconds: 100 free: 59.31 sec

1:03.31: 50 breaststroke: 35.87

seconds; 100 breaststroke. 5337 1:17.28; 100 butterfly: 1:06.24

and in the 200 individual med

stamina.

1:01.80; 50 backstroke: 30.15

backstroke

ference.

in certain sports. In soccer in

She's a strong swimmer, as across the board.

she earned her trip to Ann Arbor

and the state meet this season,

Carr was known for swim-

best times were: 50 free: 26.11

seconds: 100 free: 55.01 sec

onds; 200 free: 1:59.38; 500 free: 5:18.24; 50 breaststroke:

free: 5:18.24; 50 breaststroke: 32.20 seconds; 100 breast-stroke: 1:12.21; and the 200

Divers are an interesting

job of earning those

group that aren't often associat-ed with the "swimmers" of the

fifth in Oakland County and

was third at the KVC meet. "We had a large number of

divers (11) on this year's team

and Amy led them by example,'

said Teahan, "She was a posi

tive role model and is very ded-icated to her sport."

Glubzinski, who dives year

round, had a best score of 189.70 for six dives and 312.45

The Northville Mustangs

were blessed with a very deep team this season. With so much

talent on the squad, it was hard

for a single swimmer to truly stand out. Kathryn Kusuplos

The senior tanker put up some

impressive numbers throughout

managed to do just that.

for 11 dives.

Solid senior

Daring divers

amazing

### Girls earn honors on first-ever team

By Sam Egglestor better, the senior tanker took 14th in the 500 free and a 10th in the 200 free. The relay team didn't make it out of the pre-ber of the 400 free relay team ber of team The HomeTown Newspapers All-Area swimming and diving lims. Her best times this season leam has been a long time in the re: 50 free: 24.87 seconds; 100 free: 53.55 seconds; 200 free: 1:55.28; 500 free: 5:11.39; 100 tion. naking. It has often been wondered why there hasn't been any in the . The truth be told, Milford breaststroke: 1:19.06; 100 butand Lakeland, two of the schools used to scleet All-Area individual medley: 2:19.68. ming a variety of events throughout the season and being competitive in all of them. Her teams, didn't have any swim Solendid senior season Well, now they do and Northville and Novi were quick Laura Lynch, a Novi senior, wanted her season to be the best to earn places on the first-ever of her career. It was, Lynch was a team captain and one of the team leaders for the individual medley: 2:20.75. Simply fantastic Wildcats this season. Alex Tereszczenko is, quite "Laura's strengths are hard work and determination," said mply, a fantastic swi She's quick, she's strong and Novi coach Larry Teahan. Lynch's best event was the she excels in the events that she 500 free where she took second oncentrates on. in the KVC and at the River Rat learn. Tereszczenko qualified for Challenge. Her best time was 5:30.34 - just short of the statefreestyle event as well as the 5:30.34 — just short of the state finals cut. She also swarn the 200 free. As a member of a relay squad she earned a nod at the 400 free relay. The was a lot of function of a state of the system of the second state of the system of the "It was a



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Eberline ended it in style, nearwhat it takes to win in the ly making the state meet as an Kensington Valley Conference. individual and missing by just He climbed to the top of Novi's eam with his scores this year Eherline played and challenged in nearly every meet he was at.

extremely well in his last three tournaments," said Huss. "He tied (Player of the Year) Luigi (Spadafora) for medalist at the Sam Eggleston can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 104 or at seggleston@ht.homecomm.net. Oakland County meet. Eberline is well aware of

> A SELECTIONS **OTHER ALL-AR**

**Basketball** Rvan Blanzy, soph., Lakeland Bryan Lynch, junior, Lakeland Brett Quitiguit, junior, Milford Zac Bennett, senior, Lakeland

Lloyd Brennan, senior, S. Lyon Kenny Coopola, senior, S. Lyon Orneed Firoozgan, junior, Lakeland Gabe Hernandez, senior, S. Lyon Brandon Janssen, senior, Lakelan

Nick Andersen, freshman, Milford Andrew Keller, junior, S. Lyon Matt Picou, junior, Milford

Joel VanDerworp, senior, Milford Girls cross country Carlie Green, soph., Milford

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Marissa Bober, senior, Milford Kelsev Hackern, senior, Milford Stefance Morrison, senior, S. Lyo Fallon Sanborn, senior, Lakeland Nicole Wilson, senior, Lakeland seconds; 200 free: 2:09.08 sec-onds; 500 free: 5:49.60; 50 Katie Wissner, senior, Lakeland backstroke: 29.91 seconds; and Boys cross country 100 backstroke: 1:04.09. Dana Pitcock, senior, Milford Mike Andersen, senior, Milford A family tradition

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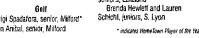
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Soccer

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Ryan Teeple, senior, S. Lyon



thing. Even when newspapers other than those run by HomeTown made the mistake of giving his field goals to anothe player on the team he didn' presence back there and an answerfor us when we needed one. Northville junior David Bandy Why? Because he's a kicker. They're a breed of their own and a did everything he needed to do for an all-conference selection. He group of players that are unique in collected 53.5 tackles to account many different ways. No matte what type of personality a kicker might bring to a field, a good one is always welcome. for the second-most on his team and snagged six interception ranking as one of the top in school "Evan is a very good kicker, history for the statistic. "His intercentions were usually Alexander said, "He helped us by being a steady contributor for us. I we scored we knew the extra point In fact, Corbeil missed just one all season. He went 36-of-37 fo

Maybe it's all the lacrosse he (248) 349-1700, ext. 104 pr at seg-

kicker like that only helps a team We expect him to have a great sea

unbelievable catches too and not just passes tossed over some kid's head, Alexander said. excited to have this kid back, that's for sure." Bandy may have been looked over for All-WLAA selection, but he fits in perfectly with HomeTown's All-Area squad

Novi junior John Favorite is one

Rick Birdsall is a diamond in the ough. This Northville senior line-

One tough cookie

tough cookie. He doesn't flinch away from a hit and he doesn't its with a total of 1,137 yards. More importantly than anything tackles and 3.5 sacks this year on his else. Birdsall was a leader. He ral-

hesitate to level a ball carrier.

backer did whatever it took to be did an outstanding job for us this an asset to his team and his coachseason," Kellepourcy said. "He did what we asked him to do. He's aggressive and he's determined. The recording 45 tackles along the

interception came from a stunt we way. As a punter he helped his ran that game that enabled him to team with a 34-yard average on 33

Trying to bring down Novi senior mingback Jarrell Woods is like est from some fairly big names of college football. Besides being a trying to tackle air - it isn't easy. The speedy tailback was able to coltough cookie, Pritchard is a sman lect 783 yards rushing with 14 one too, which is why his main touchdowns this season with the interest is Princeton for his choice of constant ground game the Wildcats higher education and a little football have to offer.

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could just put a body on Northville built on senior Joe Prain and stop him from "He "He was the coach of the setting through the offensive line. defense, basically," Alexander Not so. It takes more than a single said. "He lined everyone up and block to slow this All-Area defen- made sure they were whe were suppo sed to be, it

"He was a captain for us and I felt until he had a concussion and had he was the rock on our defensive to come out of the game that we line." Alexander said. "He was an realized just how important he anchor for us on the edge and a was." When he returned to the line-up,

heady player that's field smart." Prain collected a whopping 49 Alexander said he breathed a sight tackles this year and earned four of relief. sacks against some of the best line-men in the state. Thanks to his "He was in the right place at the right time," Alexander said. "Beyond what he did on the field, efforts he was awarded an All-Vestern Division nod. Rick was also ready for every "He led the team in sacks and tackles for a loss," Alexander said. opponent. He studied them and their tendencies and when he recognized what they were doing he let the others know. His efforts "He's a great player with great awareness. You couldn't fool him or trick him. He was always in the right made people around him better." place at the right time.

#### **Two sport All-Area selection**

A welcome selection Playing two sports in a single season is amazing. The time con-straints and the physical demands are enough to consider it a feat. Novi senior linebacker Robbie Carter is comfortable on the All-Area list. He's one of the returners Two excel at both sports? To on the team this season. 





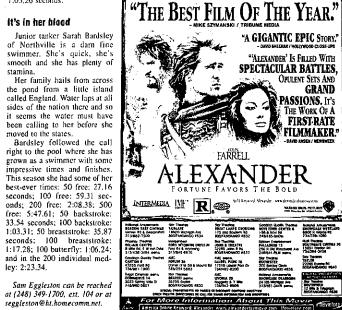
Tereszczenko sajd of her state "She's Novi's best diver," In the driver's seat finals swim. "I was excited with Northville senior Sarah Carr Teahan said of the sophomore. how well [ did Though Tereszczenko said isn't the kind of swimmer that "She came in first place in most of her dual meets." she wished she would have done misses the state meet. Glubzinski won the West Bloomfield Invitational, was



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File photo by JOHN HEIDER

Though she didn't specialize Sam Eggleston can be reached in just one event, Kusuplos at (248) 349-1700, ext. 104 or at Novi's Laura Lynch swims the 200 meter freestyle. She was selected to the first-ever All-Area swim and dive team. managed to have good times seggleston@ht.homecomm.net.



the year. Though she didn't specialize

lcy: 2:23.34.

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# **REGIONAL MARKETPLACE**

### Veterans: Following business tradition

Americans look forward to the day when men and women serv-ing in combat far from home return safe and secure to their families, friends and communities

around the nation. For as long as this nation has existed, it has been defended by existed, it has been therefored by citizen-soldiers, the first of whom appeared on a small gathering spot in Lexington, Mass., hearly 230 years ago, "Minutemen," they dubbed themselves, for they vowed to be



"ready in a minute" to take up arms against an oppressing enemy, As soon as the threats were repelled America's first entrepre

Jack Faris

neurs put down their muskets

neurs put down their nuwkets, picked up their tools and went back to work as farmers, erafis-men and shopkeepers. Like their risk-taking forebears, today's veterans have a strong entrepreneurial spirit. According to a study recently released by the U.S. Small Business detuningterents. Business Office • of U.S. Small Business Administration's Office of Advocacy, who has been charged with developing programs to assist veterans, nearly one-quarter of the veterans polled said they were either purchasing or starting a new business, or giving it some serious consideration. True to their Minutemen roots, nearly tworblirds of those classified as their Minutemen roots, nearly two-thirds of those classified as "new-veteran entrepreneurs" planned to initially open their businesses entirely from their homes and 67 percent furesaw expanding beyond their resi-dences in the near future. Almost two-fifths of current-veteran busi-ness outwee surrowed indicated two-mins of current-veteral busi-ness owners surveyed indicated their operations were entirely home-based small businesses. Of these, nearly 36 percent had plans to grow their enterprises outside of their homes. Of course, today's armed forces are the most oreanizationally and

Of course, today's anned forces are the most organizationally and technologically sophisticated our the ration's history-applying their skills to meet the needs and chal-lenges of modern combat. Those men and women who have returned and are starting new busi-nesses are making good use of the training they received during their military service. For example, the SBA study found that 11 percent SBA study found that 11 percent of the new-veteran entrepreneurs plan to be entirely internet-dependent, while nearly one-third said their business would be 50 percent or more tied to the internet. Almost a quarter of car-rent-veteran business owners reported that their enterprises were 50 percent or more Internet-

dependent. Overall, the study determined Overall, the study determined that military service appeared to have provided a significant pro-portion of both new-veteran entre-preneurs and current-veteran busi-ness owners with skills necessary to operate a business. More than one-bird of those queried in the study (both new-veteran entrepre-neurs and current-veteran busi-ness awners) confirmed that they ness owners) confirmed that they had gained skills while in military

had ganed skills while in initiary service that were directly relevant to business ownership. It is comforting and re-assuring that after more than two centuries of answering the call to defend their nation. America's vertexing heir nation, America's



# Santa: 'At Milford Jewelers, I feel special'

Great Elf dazzled by world's 'friendliest, most affordable' jeweler

very year he arrives the same way, unexpect-edly, thistles jingling, reindeer stomping. "Hol Hol Hol" he rumbles as he floats from rooftop to cobbled sidewalk, along Main Street in picturesque downtown Millerd. "Hol Hol Hol... Hol Hol Hol... HO! HO! HO!

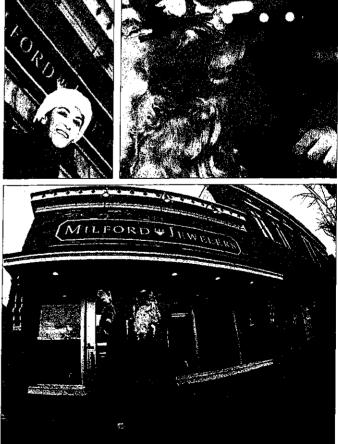
HO! HO! HO!" Santa Chaus arrives at Milford Jewelers each year, heart filled with love, gift bag slung across his burly shoulder, cager to renew old friendships. His first stop when entering the 441 N. Main St. store never changes: the cookie dish. "Mrs. Claus said I can cat whatever I want between now and Christmas," he said. "All she wants in return is a some-thing user from Milford Invaler. The fact case."

thing nice from Milford Jewelers — that is easily Indeed, the world's most famous professional shopper knows just where to go when time is short and quality craftsmanship is essential. He knows when it comes to relaxed, friendly customer service and 30 years of profesrelaxed, friendly customer service and 30 years of profes-sional expertise, sister and brother tandem Tamar Aguilar and facques Chopjian represent a family steeped in profes-sional pride and unsurpassed for its attention to detail. Sunta also keenly understands the value of having your own workshop, "I couldn' i magine asking a third party to make our toys," he said. "That's why I shop here." At Milford Jewelers, the story is the same. The family-oweed business features there and its try stores and its

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owned business features three retail jewelry stores and its own jewelry manufacturing facility. While most jewelers boast on-sile repairs and custom-carved waxes — minimum industry standards — as fea-tured practices, Milford Jewelers also humbly casts its own platinum, gold and silver and uses high-tech laser equip-ment for intricate repairs. The net result: ultimate customer design flexibility — and significant cost savings. The family is well-known from the North Pole to Northville for its meticulous, hand-crafted dedication. "Because we control the entire process, customers end up with exactly what they wart — for less," Tamar said. Even Santa. Tamar refused to divulge Mrs. Claus' gift. "That's a secret," she said, defiant. "He likes to buy her unique gifts. He's really good at finding just the right thing."





retain the citizen-soldier tradition. That's the good news; the better news will come when those men and women bravely serving the nation throughout the world return-many of them to pursue the American Dream of small-busi-To learn more about services

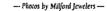
available to veterans interested in beginning a business, visit www.sba.gov/vels.

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