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# Murder one charges

# Authorities say toddler spent night in horror

By Phil Folev

"She doesn't deserve it," said District Court Judge Brian MacKenzie coldly, denying bond for accused child killer Nikole Michelle Frederick at her Oct. I preliminary hearing at the 52-1 District Court. Frederick is now being held in

the Oakland County Jail awaiting arraingment before Circuit Court Judge Colleen O'Brien. She could go on trail as soon as early March, with the trial expected to last one

Novi Police detectives and Oakland County Medical Examiner Ljubisa J. Dragovic had just finished more than three hours of testimony detailing what amounted to a night of torture and terror for Ann Marie Shawley in her father's Other Street home

Dressed in the same black kuit shirt and and white pants she were at her Sept. 3 arraingment, the 23vear-old woman sat quietly through



Defendant Nikole Frederick reacts as she hears graphic testimony of the death of Ann Marie Shawley dur-Ing a preliminary hearing in Judge Brian MacKenzie's 52-1 District Court last Wednesday afternoon. Frederick was

bound over to Oakland County Circuit court on a charge of first degree mur-

most of the hearing, begining to sob only when Judge MacKenzie read out the charges — felony murder, first degree murder, second degree murder and manslaughter -again and denied her attorney's

Judge Brian MacKenzie-

"The last hours of

this child's life must

have been torment."

52-1 District Court Judge Brian MacKenzie swears in another witness about to give testimony during last

week's preliminary hearing of Nikole Frederick.



Oakland Co. Prosecuting Attorney Greg Townsend, left, confers with Nikole Frederick's defense attorney Michael McCarthy during a break in last week's preliminary hearing at Novi's 52-1 court.

Doctors at

the Providence the Pro---emergency also

room also immediately began making arrangements to have the

child trans-

ferred

notion to drop the most serious

charges.
Although he presented no witnesses, defense attorney Michael McCarthy argued that there was no evidence of premeditation, no evi-dence that Frederick had thought things out in advance. He added that the fact that Frederick and the child's father, John Shawley, had taken her to the hospital showed there was no intent to kill the child.

Dr. Dragovic testified the 2-year-old chitd died as a result of her brain swelling, forcing the brain stem down through the opening in the base of the skull. The swelling, he told the court, was the result of least four blunt-force traumas to

Novi Police Detective Vic Lauria told the count that Shawley told investigators that he had found his daughter cold and unresponsive on a heating vent in his living room at 8 130 a.m. Sept. 1. Lauria noted that, according to emergency room records at Providence Hospital, Shawley and Frederick didn't arrive there until 9:37 a.m. The detective said it normally takes less than 10 minutes to drive from Old Dutch Trailer Park on Napier Road to the emergency room at Grand River Avenue and Beck roads.



Dr. Dragovic

William Beaumont Hospital Troy, where she later died, and called Novi Police. Detective Lauria said Frederick returned to her Ocher Street residence to change her shirt before going to

Troy.

Dr. Dragovic told the court the child had second degree burn patterns to her buttocks and thighs that were consistent with being held on a heating vent for an extended peri-od of time. He also noted there was a burn on her chin that appeared to be caused by the heated metal end of a disposable lighter. The doctor also testified that the child had eig-arette burns on her right forearm, front of the body, head and bottom

of her right foot.

According to Dr. Dragovic two
patches of hair had been ripped from the girl's scalp behind each

of tearing around her lips.

Lauria told the court that
Frederick told him she'd first been awakened by Ann Marie crying and complaining her turning hurt at 12:30 a.m. Lauria said Frederick gave investigators several conflicting accounts of what happened.

ear. He added there was evidence

In binding Frederick over for trial on felony murder charges MacKenzie noted Ann Marie was "left on a couch at least 10 hours,"

every minute at the cost of her life.". He noted,

"We have a set of acts that can only described torture. This didn't just happen. It happened for a

Det. Lauria

Listing her injuries MacKenzie observed, "T again, hours of this child's life must have been torment."

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# Council sends Walled Lake music festival back to the drawing board

# ■ Members worried about possible effects on neighbors, M&MFest

**By Phil Foley** 

Novi's City Council didn't totally close the door on Lee Alan's plans to recreate the early '60s on the site of the old Walled Lake Casino Monday night, but they came pretty darn close. Council members told the one-

time WXYZ-AM decjay-turned-advertising-executive to bring city staff a detail plan and staff 45 days to respond to the plan.

Robert McCann, vice president
and general manager of Bright

House Networks, and several residents from the south side of

walled Lake wanted the council to say no for different reasons. Noting that Novi's population has grown from "6,000 in 1960 to 47,000-plus now," Lori Harris told council members she is worted about the effect a four-day ried about the effect a four-day concert on the site of the old Walled Lake Casino would have on her neighborhood. Harris, who lives on Wainwright Street, presented council members with a petition signed by more than 50 lake area residents asking council

members to turn the project

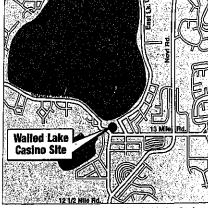
Harris husband, Jeff, said not many of his neighbors remember the old Walled Lake amusement park, adding "there are no longer fields and open lots out here." He said he and his neighbors are afraid what traffic generated by a concert on the city-owned property would do to their neighbor McCann, who sits on the city's

17-year-old Music and Motor Fest, asked council members to "deny the request completely." He reminded council members that the privately-funded Music and Motor Fest has pumped hundreds of thousands of back into the city over the past 17

ears. He warned that having an vent with a similar name close event with a similar name close to the time Music and Motor Fest is held would be confusing to iocal event sponsors. McCann said that while "I believe Mr. Alan's concept has merit," he couldn't see the city backing it at

the expense of the older event.

Another lake area resident,



Some residents around the old Walled Lake Casino site oppose bringing the music back after 40 years.

Mark Adams, suggested that Alan's proposal for a four-day festival on the shores of Walled Lake was "worthy of council consideration." Adams, a former

member of the Historical Property Study Committee had

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# Commission balks on Links of Novi project

Representatives from Singh Development in West Bloomfield will have to wait a little longer to see if they can create a new subdi-vision. Quail Hollow, with more than 400 homes planned for land currently occupied by the Links of Novi Golf Course.

Members of the Novi Planning Commission voted to send Commission voted to send Singh's request for a zoning change on the property back to the Master Plan and Zoning Committee during a public hear-

ing Oct. 1.

Kahn Pham from Singh Development, represented by Birmingham attorney Robert Carson, former attorney for Sandstone Inc., was not pleased with the decision, as Singh has a limited amount of time on the purchase agreement for the land? Pham and Carson could not be reached for comment.

The property in question, which totals almost 325 acres, is located

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# Firefighter's fans

Home Depot in Novi on Grand River Avenue west of Beck Road sponsored a free Child Safety Fai Oct. 4. Members of local police, fire and emergency medical services were on hand to meet and greet the public. Mark Pehrson from Fire Station #4 in Novi lets Priya Bhasin, 3, of Wixom, try on his hat at the event while her sister. Maya, 1, watches. A photo I.D. program for during the event.



# Fire-related products can make home, office safer

.By Pam Fleming STAFF WRITER

Since October is Fire Safety Month, this is a good time of year to evaluate home and office needs when it comes to fire pre vention equipment and fire safe-

ty equipment.

Fire is also the third leading cause of accidental deaths. Plus, each year more than 400,000 homes are damaged by fire.

A visit to Home Depot in Novi in West Market Square on the north side of Grand River Avenue just west of Beck Road, revealed a wide range of prod-nets and price ranges on such items as fire extinguishers smoke alarms, escape ladders and fireproof safes,

Home Depot carries Kidde

fire extinguishers which can be classified as either compact, household or commercial. Kidde recommends homeowners and business owners install one fire extinguisher for every

600 square feet of space.

The Professional Commerical model, which is ideal for commercial use and features a flexible hose and rechargeable battery costs \$29.97. It also comes with a six-year warranty.

Cooking is the leading cause of fires A kitchen-garage fire exhinguisher for fires common in these areas costs only \$9.97. Another extinguisher with a decorative design for the kitchen costs \$9.94.



Photo by John Heide

Fire escape ladders are available at Novi's Home Depot store.

common, isolated household or office fires that include fire to items as drapes, furniture, items as drapes, furniture, that secure the soon can wastebaskets or electrical fires the hinges removed, a three-mentale several models at number combination lock and wasternakers or erecriteri tires into angles removed, a furce-include several models at \$19.93, \$19.97, \$29.97 and \$46.96. The Fire-Out Foam model at \$29.97 is the easiest to

Smoke alarms at frome pepting include the FireX model for bedrooms and family rooms at \$24.97 and \$26.94. Smoke alarms should be replaced about every 10 years, according the manufacturers.

Smoke alarms at frome pepting includes 1.2 color feet consistence for bedrooms at the firex model for bedrooms at the firex multiposition for smaller items, and multi-position shelf and tray. The Sentry Fire Safe Security

A heat alarm make by FireX custs \$23.97 and a twin-pack make alarm costs \$22.91.

The FireX smoke alarm for switchffer the costs \$22.91.

The With offer the costs \$2.95. only \$19.97.
Finally, the 1.2-cubic-foot
Sentry Home/Office Electronic
Advanced Home Safe for \$184 ow traffic areas costs \$9.95 And the FireX model for offers two hours of proven fire

kitchens, which helps prevent nuisance alarms from cooking and steam, costs \$17.97. The model for hallways and airways is priced at \$11.78. nd the smoke alarm for low affic areas runs \$9.95.

Finally, a Fire Sentry Micro rofile smoke alarm costs only A13-foot, two-story escape adder at Home Depot costs

Fire safes can protect impor-

vide a \$10,000 fire protection guarantee.
One model, which costs \$99

for .8 cubic feet of space, pro-vides one hour of proven fire protection, four locking bolts that secure the door even with use and clean up, according to the manufacturer, and inhibits a fire from reigniting.

multi-position tray are also included.

Another Sentry model that Fire from reigniting. Another Sentry model that Smoke alarms at Home Depot includes 1.2 cubic feet costs

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protection. It features an elec-

tronic lock with user program-mable combination, a locking drawer, and adjustable shelf

tray. Four alkaline batteries are

required for operation.

For more information about

fire safety and prevention prod-

nets, call Home Depot in Novi

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# Fires don't have to happen, says chief

■Walled Lake Fire Department increases efforts to protect community

The Walled Lake Fire Department has implemented initiatives to further reduce risks

to our residents and our visitors. Our approach: "If it's pre-dictable, it's preventable," The recent "Did you Check?" program's goal was to raise ess on the importance of "working" smoke alarms for a family's protection. To date, 100 percent of alarms tested have functioned properly and families are enjoying a free dinner as a

We are currently working on strengthening our smoke alarm requirements in rental proper-ties. The home is where we feel safest, but it is also the place where most fire deaths occur

Speaking of prevention, all are invited to attend our annual Walled Lake Fire/Police Open House on Sunday, Oct. 12 from noon to 4 p.m. It will be a fun day for the entire family with many educational activities. The events of 9/11/01 rein-

forced the need to focus on prevention and mitigation efforts to protect the community from any large-scale event that may arise. When an emergency does hap-pen to a homeowner, neighbor-hood, school, or business, it becomes one of the worst days in a person's life, and the fire department's handling of that incident will have a dramatic impact on the outcome of how

magact on the outcome of how and day is remembered. It to that end, we are looking for the service. He took over as Walled Lake's fire chief after seven that day is remembered.



Chief Van Sparrentak

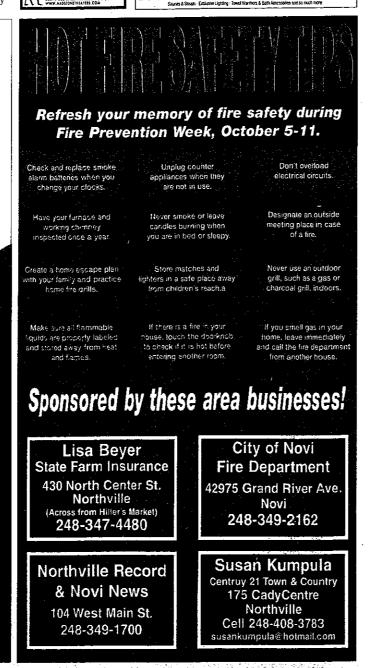
Office of Homeland Security Community Emergency Response Training (CERT) teams are designed to prepare citizens to help themselves, their

families, and their neighbors is the event of a catastrophic disaster. They are trained by emer gency service professionals to respond to local disaster situa-tions. Once funding is in place, and other members of Walled Lake Fire and Police have received training, we hope to implement the program in

Fire Chief Ken Van Sparrental



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# Wixom man, 20, pleads

told Novi Police he was only in the Caste Wine Shop for four or five minutes, but that was long enough for a pair of self-con-fessed heroin addicts to jump in his 2002 Dodge Stratus and drive off into the twilight Sept. At press time David Kirt

to arson A Wixom man pleaded guilty as

charged Monday for trying to burn down the Cozy Inn in Green Oak Township, east of Brighton, in August. Yevgeniy Gurskiy, 20, took responsibility for a felony count of arson before 44th Circuit Court

guilty

By Jon Zemke DAILY PRESS & ARGUS

Judge Stanley Latreille in Howell. Steven Dodge, Gurskiy's attorney, said his client was intoxicated at the time of the incident and doesn't remember what happened.
"I think if it wasn't for the use of alcohol it wouldn't have happened,"

Dodge said. Dodge said.

Gurskiy is applying to be sentenced under the Holmes Youth
Trainee Act, which could mean a
light sentence and a chance for the charge to be suppressed from his record if he stays out of trouble. He could receive a sentence of up to 10 years in prison. If Gurskiy does

not like the sentence, he could with draw his guilty plea and go to trial.

Police said Gurskiy tried to burn down the Cozy Inn on Grand Rive Avenue on Aug. 4 as retaliation for

damage done to his car.

At 1 a.m. that night, a man sleeping in a van behind the building woke up when a Ford Focus pulled up. The man in the van told police he saw someone spraying lighter fluid on the back of the bar nd set it on fire.

The man came running out of his van to stop it, prompting the suspect and another man in the Focus to flee. Police said they found Gurskiy hiding in a wooded area by using a thermal-imagining camera. They added that he was

The other person who fled the scene was cleared of any wrongdo-The damage to the Cozy Inn was minimal. Damage was contained to a black burned spot and some sprayed lighter fluid. No one was injured in the brief fire.

Gurskiy is awaiting his sentencia before Latreille at 10 a.m. Dec. 2.

# Suspected auto thief caught

stolen.
Officer Brown followed the car first east on I-96 and then on I-96 before stopping it near Orchard Lake Road in Farmington Hills, where a South Oakland Narcotics Consortium surveillance team hopement to be working. The 57-year-old Novi man happened to be working.

After ordering Lawrence and a 23-year-old Milford man from the car at gunpoint, Officer Brown reported finding a syringe on the floor of the car. He said when he asked the man

Lawrence, 19, of Wixom was being held in the Oakland County jail on auto theft charges whose needle it was, they both said they were heroin addicts on their way to Detroit to buy pending a pre-preliminary exam conference scheduled for today e scheduled for today at the 52-1 District Court.

According to reports, the theft was made that much easier drugs.
According to Officer Brown, as Lawrence stepped from behind the driver's wheel, he called out that his companion by the fact the car's owner left it with the keys in it and running outside the Beck Road business

was "not involved in this." The Milford man was eventujust after 7 p.m. According to Detective Sgt. David Molloy, it's an all-too-common occur-Lawrence, who has no prior rence in the city. He said people adult criminal history, could be should never leave their keys in sentenced up to five years in prison if convicted on the auto their vehicle no matter how short a time they plan to be away from it. Fortunately for the Dodge owner, Officer Jeffery Brown theft charge.

Phil Foley is a staff writer for the Novi News. He can be reached at (248) 349-1700 ext. 108 or at and his dog, Yukon, were on patrol and spotted the car get-ting on to eastbound I-96 about five minutes after being reported

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# Novi man faces multiple charges following mobile home shootings

A 59-year-old Novi man accused of shooting at his neigh-bors in Novi Meadows on the city's far west side Sept. 21, before turning the gun on himself, is being held in the prison ward of a Pontiac hospital in lieu of a \$2 miltion bond.

Judge Robert Bondy traveled Oct. 3 to Pontiae General Hospital, where the Oakland County Sheriff's Office maintains a prisoners facility, to arraign Melvin Clarence Buckmaster. Buckmaster now faces 13 felony

charges including three counts of assault with intent to commit murder, three counts of assault with a dangerous weapon; four counts of possession a fire arm during the ommission of felony; arson of dwelling; arsons, preparation to burn a building \$1,000 to \$20,000; and felony weapon discharge in or

and retony weather at a building.

According to Novi Police
Detective Sgt. David Molloy, conviction of assault with intent to
commit murder is punishable by up to life in prison, while arson

taken to Pontiac General by ambu-lance early Oct. 3. after having been airlifted from Novi to the University of Michigan Medical Center Sept. 21. Novi police say Buckmaster

went on a shooting spree that left two neighbors, including a 12year-old boy, wounded and then shot himself with a World War II vintage rifle. Both victims, investigators said, were struck by flying

debris rather than bullets.

Police say the 12-year-old was wounded first as he and his 14year-old brother entered their nobile home across the street from Buckmaster's Carolina Avenue home. They say John Durrant was shot at next as he stepped from his home two doors down to see what the noise was. Durrant and the boy were treated and released at Providence Hospital.

The shootings left residents of the mobile home park in a panic. According to Police Chief Doug Shacffer, the scene was so chaotic when police first arrived, they weren't sure if Buckmaster was a

The arson charges stem from a small fire found in Buckmaster's mobile bome following the shootings.

Molloy said Buckmaster was taken to Pontiac General by ambu-

leaving several investigators doubt ing he'd live to be charged. ing he'd live to be charged.

As late as Sept. 26 Buckmaster
was reportedly suffering from a
lung infection as a result of his
wounds, but to investigators' surprise, he was sitting up talking with
his doctors in Ann Arbor early last

Despite having 11 contacts with Novi Police since 1998, Det. Molloy said it appears Buckmaster had only one criminal conviction on his record, a misdemeanor foi from an April incident in which he was when charged with slashing a neighbor's tires. However, Molloy said investigators are still looking into a 1988 incident in which Buckmaster was apparently charged with three counts of assault and one of arson following

an incident in Redford. Novi News. He can be reached at (248) 349-1700 ext. 108 or at pfo-ley@ht.homecomm.net.

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•Encourage children to walk

and play with friends, not alone

Tell them to avoid places that

could be dangerous such as

•Teach children to be alert to

what is going on around them.
•Tell children to avo

strangers who may hang around

teacher or parent, if a suspicious

person is noticed.

playgrounds, public places, etc. Tell a trusted adult such as a

•A child should check in with

a parent or trusted neighbor as

school. Parents should know

when a child is staying late a

Chief Shaeffer said while his

current cases similar to those in

Farmington Hills, "rather than pretend these guys couldn't drive

across the street, we want to warn our parents." He added,

"the key to catching bad guys is

vacant buildings, new construc-tion, wooded or secluded areas.

Suspicious activity in

warning parents to cover safety precautions with their children.

Farmington Hills Police Chief

William Dver issued a statement

Monday that three children had been approached on his city's east side since Sept. 18. The clos-

est incident to Novi happened

Oct. 1 near 11 Mile and Orchard

Lake roads, some four miles

Shaeffer said, "we feel it is very

important to remind our parents and children of certain safety

precautions they should take to

Oct. 1 an 11-year-old Farmington Hills boy said a man in a full-size gray van followed

him on his way home from

school about 3:05 p.m. Two days

later a 10-year-old girl told

authorities a man stepped from the bushes near 12 Mile and

Middlebelt as she walked home

from school at 2:25 p.m. and fol-

lowed her until she ran to a house

Sept. 18 a 13-year-old girl told

Farmington Hills police a man in a fade-brown Lincoln-style car

drove up to her while she was

riding her bicycle near 11 Mile and Middlebelt and ordered her

to get in the car. Chief Shaeffer said Novi resi-

dents should call the police at

248-348-7100 anytime they witness or experience suspicious

11-vear-old

isure their personal safety."

Still, Novi Police Chief Doug

from Novi's city limits

Farmington Hills prompts warning from Novi Police

A string of seemingly unrelated incidents involving men approaching adolecents in Parmington Hills over the past three weeks has Novi Police

He offered local parents several tips to improve their childrens' safety.

Be sure children know how to call 911 and how to use the

found that city residents over whelming support the city retainownership of the 13-acre ing ownership of the 13-acre Walled Lake Casino site and using it for special events.

"I'm not opposed to a celebra-tion of the Walled Lake Casino and history," offered Counci member David Landry, "I'm con offered Council cerned that something that's been soing on for 17 years is going to

be overshadowed."

While Alan is planning his project for the four days leading in to the Fourth of July, Music and Motor Fest typically falls dur-ing the last full week of July. While saying the Casino had been "a wonderful thing at the

time." Council member Lou-

declared, "very basic issues need to be addressed," before the city could consider the project. She worried that the hype and media attention behind the event could push the council to approve some-thing they know little or nothing about. Mayor pro tem Michelle

Bononi said she was disturbed by the lack of a business plan for the event. Should told Alan she want ed him to come back with a "bul let plan" outling the financing and scope of his Walled Lake/Novi Music and Family Festival. Bononi and nearly every other council member criticized Alan takes place totally in Walled Lake pfoley@ht.homeco

Csordas noted, "a lot more people live there now. I think this would be a disservice to the residents."

Chiming in on the same theme, Council member Laura Lorenzo distributions of Novi City Manager Rick lelwig and Craig Klaver, the city chife concentral of the council member Laura Lorenzo distributions of the lack of detail in his proposal. Alan countered he had merely followed the instructions of Novi City Manager Rick lelwig and Craig Klaver, the

city's chief operating officer.
Helwig bristled at the suggestion, denying that his office had ever asked Alan not to contact Music and Motor Fest officials and complaining that it had been difficult to get details from Alan's group. He said his office had been "feeling pressure from the outset."

Alan tried a little pressure at the council meeting, suggesting "This event will happen. I'd like to see it happen in Novi and Walled Lake." that Walled Lake's city council gave its blessing to the project last month and noted that if the event

people coming from the rest of Metro Detroit would still have to drive through Novi to get there. Alan said that Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson ha joined the Walled Lake/Nov Music and Family Festival's steering committee and urger council members to support the

project's concept.

The council agreed unanimous The earliest Alan could be back in front of the council with a

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refined proposal would be some-time in December.

# Commission balks on Singh's Links of Novi project

in the south side of Ten Mile.

# Purchase agreement has

time limit

Singh has control of the property but does not have title to all 325 acres, "We don't mean to pressure the city, but there is a imited lifespan on acquiring the three properties that make up this area," Carson said.

One of the problems we have a Novi is that areas are being developed before the infrastruc are is put in. We are also in the process of updating the master plan and are trying to find areas to decrease the density of homes the city," said Toni Nagy, omnission chair.

"When you increase density you're also talking about fire slice and snow removal. The equipment and staff at the present time to accommodate a sub-

vision of this size," she added. sewer and water service on there. They'd have to hook up rith South Lyon as far as water

Nagy said that currently about two-thirds of the city is devel-oped. Currently, the subject property off of Ten Mile Road is as Residential Acreage which allows 239 homes on the property. Singh wants to rezone it to R-1, which is One Family Residential, increasing the num ber of homes allowed on the

property to 428 units.

Since this is such a large amount of property in one of the city's few undeveloped areas, nission members did not

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"The planning commission has the responsibility to direct Master Plan and Zoning Committee to thoroughly study this area. The commission's responsibility is first and forest to the city of Novi," Nagy

"Our obligation is to work in the best interests of the city of Novi," Nagy said,
"Their urgency is not our emergency," Nagy said.

Commission wants more creativity

Nagy said she would like to see developers building more ranch-style condominiums that ranch-style condominiums that would appeal to baby boomers instead of the large, single-family dwellings that Singh has planned for the proposed Quail

"The largest part of our population is going to be the baby boomers. They want one-floor condos with a master bedroom on the first floor. We tend to build large homes in Novi. My question is, 'Who's going to buy

Nagy noted that Pinckney has responded to the housing needs of older residents to the area by incorporating a group of \$169,000 one-floor ranch unit condominiums into a subdivi-

ion.
"They have taken a creative solution to something that's already happening," she said. Nagy believes the city needs to look not only at infrastructure needs for southwest Novi but also traffic studies, the fiscal analysis and other high-density

residential areas to see if their density can be lowered. Quail Hollow as "an exciting and

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not recommend a zoning change

density of the area. "We consider this to be high-value roject in a

area on the western borthe

city," Carson said. Singh is known to the city and has a

says."

Carson also noted that the loss of Links of Novi would not be detrimental to the area since there are about 10 other golf courses within six miles of the course and a total of 31 courses in the surrounding area.

Plus, the tax base for the city \$27,000 a year that the gold course provides to well over \$1 million a year if the subdivision

Park land would go to city Singh also proposes to devel-

op 65 acres park land located west of Fire Station #4 on Ten Mile Road and south of Links of Novi in conjunction with the longer suited for rural use," Carson said, "But, this area of able amount of time.

Nearby residents voiced concerns about increased traffic on Ten Mile Road if a new subdivi-

appropriate plan for this property, representatives from the Novi Planning Department did 200,000-square-foot Oakpointe

Church going up on the north side of Ten Mile. "This project would have a big impact on the western side of the

density is an "Their urgency is

not our emergency." Papp, Commission Toni Nagy

Chair, Novi Planning Commission big develop-ment," said Commission track record of doing what it Gwen Markham. I think it can be done, but we need some diaproject to affect our core park land. Every time this developer comes before us, it's to increase density. There are some positive

> "It's our goal to create balance and areas that are attractive to the city," said Commission Member John Avdoulos. "One of

"It's our responsibility to the residents of Novi to develop this land properly," Nagy said.

Nagy suggested that the
Master Plan and Zoning Committee meet as soon as pos sible on the property in question, so that members could respond to Singh's request in a reason

for the Novi News. She can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 105, or by e-mail at pflem-

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# Novi man busted twice in one day s

By Phil Foley

A 34-year-old Novi man probably should have listened to Novi Police the first time. After he was arrested again at 8:43 p.m. after police were called to his estranged wife's Pousses estranged wife's Rousseau

Street residence.
Daniel L. Soos is now awaiting sentencing after pleading on domestic violence charges Sept. 24, according to Novi Police Detective David

had been released earlier in the day after posting 10 percent of a \$10,000 bond and being ordered to have no contact with his wife not to return to their residence without being accompanied by a police officer Police were sent there after the

N.C. to tell authorities that he thought his daughter had been that she sounded evasive when ne asked her if there was anyone in the house with her.

When police arrived, they found the woman feeding her

son in the kitchen and talking to

a man later identified as her hus-

hand.

Asked why he was in the residence. Soos told officers he'd come to get his things. Although, told earlier in the day not to go to a the woman's residence without a house with a house w police escort, the Soos told investigators that he decided topick up his things along after he called Novi Police on the phone

and got a busy signal.

The woman told police she'd returned home at 7:30 p.m. to find her husband in the residence. She said her husband told her he'd been ordered to have no contact with her, so she left and returned an hour later, but he Detective Molloy said Soos Novi Police charged the man

> conditions and he was held in lieu of a \$50,000 bond until. pleading guilty before 52-1. District Court Judge Brian MacKenzie Detective Molloy said it's the second time Soos has plead-guilty to domestic violence, charges. He said Soos pled-guilty in May 1996 following an

with violation of is bond release

Phil Foley is a staff writer for the Novi News. He can be reached at (248) 349-1700 ext., 108 or at , pfoley@ht.homecomm.net.

incident involving a different

woman in Wayne County's Van

# Police investigate drug store thefts

A 33-year-old Novi woman could be facing embezziement and drug charges soon.

Novi Police Detective Sgt. David Molloy said investigate are close to seeking warrants from the Oakland County Prosecutor's

office after being contacted by loss prevention officers at Save On Drugs corporate headquarters.
Officer Mark Kohls was sent to Novi Drugs on Meadowbrook Road Sept. 19 after loss prevention officers at Save.On Drug reported that one of the store's clerks had confessed to taking \$250 worth of consumables, ciga-rettes, razors and toiletries from

the store Aug. 14. During the investigation, reported Officer Kohl, the store's on-duty pharmacist said a womar had telephoned to complain that the 33-year-old suspect had sold,

The suspect reportedly con fessed to investigators that she hadtaken unspecified amounts of AZ-,, PaK, Vicodin and other drugs from the store. The woman report-edly told investigators that two edly told investigators that two other employees at the store wen selling drugs as well, before decid ing she didn't want to speak with-

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# POLICE REPORT

Witnesses said a 1998 Ford

tractor-trailer was driving nor-mally as it turned left off South Lake Drive onto southbound West Park Drive at 2:30 p.m. Sept. 29. The driver, a 40-year old Detroit man, told Officer Kevin Heaney the truck's load shifted, making it roll on its side Providence Hospital with minor

Officer Steve Patterson charged a 24-year-old Westland man with operating under the influence of liquor after the he was driving 1998 Chevrolet clipped a 1998 Ford in the leftturn tane of Haggerty Road just north of Eight Mile Road at 9:50 p.m. Oct. 3. The driver of the Ford, a 23-year-old Novi man, told Officer Steve Patterson that for a moment he thought he might be stopped in the wrong but then the other car

swerved away. The Westland man told Officer Patterson he'd had "three or four beers" prior to the accident. After he registered a Officer Patterson took him into

### Friday night wrestling Officer John Nelson spotted

two men wrestling in a 1995 Ford parked behind The Post Bar \$100 bond. at 12:48 a.m. Oct. 3. After he ordered them out of the vehicle, the men told Officer Nelson that they were friends and had been just horsing around. However, one of them, a 21-year-old from Troy, was being sought on a war rant from Sterling Heights. He was taken into custody, but later release after paying bond and fees totaling \$100.

A 22-year-old Beverly Hills woman told Officer Micheal Corbett that a small blue car rate into the back of her vehicle while she was stopped on Grand River Avenue and Market Street, but drove off before she could get a license number.
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# Two beers too many all anote out mor

Rear ended

A 61-year-old New Hudson man told Officer Eric Lindblade that he was on his way home from The Manhattan Club when he was stopped at 10:56 p.m. Oct. 3 on Grand River Avenue near East Fountain Park, The man told Officer Lindblade he'd consumed two beers, but he reg-.20. Officer Lindblade charged the man, who was later released after posting a \$100 bond, with

operating under the influence of

A Novi man told Officer Larry erand at 10:06 a.m. Oct. 4 that someone cut a valve stem or his 2001 Ford Explorer at his residence near Amherst and outh streets overnight. The man said there have been severa similar incidents in the neighbor hood recently.

Smile, you're on camera Officer Jonathan Zabick charged a 62-year-old West Bloomfield woman with retain fraud after loss prevention offi cers at Lord & Taylor told him they stopped the woman with \$438 worth of the store's jewelry The incident, said store officials, was captured on videotape. No tura on red

### Officer Jeremy Stempion

topped a car at 1:18 a.m. Oct. 5 Novi Road at a red light. He charged the driver, a 22-year-old Livonia woman, with driving while license suspended and operating under the influence of quar after she failed field sobri ety tests and registered a blood alcohol content of .15. She was later released after posting a

Flag stolen A 36-year-old Novi woman told Officer Diane MacGrego: plastic storage box and stole I 4-by-6-foot Canadian flag from her townhouse near Georgetown between 7:30 a.m. and 9 p.m. the

# Jewelry heist

Officer Diane MacGregor charged a 17-year-old Fenton girl with retail fraud after loss pre-vention officers at Lord & Taylor told her they captured the gir outside the store with a pair of earrings and a necklace that had not been paid for. Store officials said they exputed the gill of the

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video tape taking the items. She was released after posting a \$100

### Truck vandalized

Dog dispute A 70-year-old Novi woman told officer Brian Tillman that \$700 from her home no Mile and Galway roads. The daughter, a Northville resident, told investigators that the puppy had been a gift to her daughter, but she would return it immedi-

### Builder bolts

A 50-year-old Novi man told Officer Scott Bactens Oct. 2 that he gave a deposit and first draw totaling \$6,913 to a Chesterfield Township contractor to remodel the basement of his Shawood never completed the job Investigators later received an monymous call claiming the contractor had filed bankruptey.

### Just a couple

Officer John Nelson stopped a 2003 Lexus with dealer pla West Pontiac Trail near Wes Park Drive at 1:15 a.m. Oct. 2 after he spotted driving erracti-cally. The driver, a 31-year-old West Bloomfield man, told Officer Nelson that he'd had "a couple of beers." However the man failed field sobriety tests and registered a blood alcoho content of .15, Officer Nelson charged the man, who was later released after posting a \$100 bond, with operating under the

### Caught at Kohl's

Officer Jason Meier charged a 19-year-old Farmington Hills woman with retail fraud at 7:58 p.m. Oct. 1 after loss preventio officers at Kohl's said they caught the woman with \$82.99

someone as taken \$1,228 worth of items from her Beachwalk apartment in the past six months. There is a suspect.

A 61-year-old Novi woman told Novi Police Sept. 29 that

Items taken

taken from the store. The woman

Two beers too many, II

After being stopped for driving 56 mph in a 40 mph zone on southbound Novi Road at mid-

night Sept. 30, a 25-year-old Farmington Hills man told Officer Michael Marchetti that

he'd had two beers after leaving

work at Local Color. However, after the man failed field sobriety

ests and registered a blood alc

Marchetti charged him with oper

A 47-year-old Wixom woman

after her 1997 Lincoln was struck

Ranger headed west on 12 Mile

Road, According to reports, the

driver, a 67-year-old Novi man

was cited for running a red light and making an illegal left turn.

Officer Brian Tillman stopped a car on M-5 south of 14 Mile

Road at 1:21 a.m. Sept. 29 after

clocking it at 68 mph in a 50 mph zone. After citing the driver Officer Tillman discovered one

of the passengers, a 38-year-old

Howell man was being sought by Walled Lake police on a warrant.

He took the man into custody and handed him over to Walled

was taken to Huron Valley-Sina

Hospital for treatment Sept. 29

at 10 p.m. by a 2002 Ford

Fugitive nabbed

hol content of .161, Officer

Red running wreck

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# Parks and rec plans spooktacular afternoon

Generations of Peanuts readers have watched as Linus has sat in the pumpkin patch waiting for the Great Pumpkin to rise, only to be

Novi youngsters, however, won't be disappointed Oct, 18 as pumpkins rise high and far over the softball fields at the Novi

While the trebuchet, like this one at a European muse-

um, was the atomic bomb of its day, almost everything

nown about the weapon comes from medieval prints, tapestries and sculptures. In modern times they've been

sed to throw and upright plane in an episode of Northern Exposure and a Buick In a Discovery Channel

special. Oct. 18 several local groups are expected to show up with substantially smaller models to hurl

pumpkins at the Novi Civic Center as part of Pumpkin Palooza.

Did you know?

Civic Center as part of the city's

Along with pumpking chuckin', there will be a costume contest, pumpkin decorating and a Haunted Hallway, said Tracie Ringle, the city's event/marketing

coordinator.

Ringle said a Cub Scout group,
a sixth grade class from Novi Meadows School, a youth group from St. James Catholic Church and a group of technicians from the South West Oakland Cable Commission are expected to gath-

Pumpkin Palooza, which will include a "pizza and potion"

er at 11 a.m. on the ball fields to see who can clear the outfield fence with a six-pound pumpkin.

"Watching a pumpkin hard through the air is something you really want to go see," declared Ringle. Adding that she'd like to really like to see the competition take off next year, Ringle said building a trebuchet is "a great building a building a trebuchet is "a great building a building a trebuchet is "a great building a build

really like to see the competition take of next year. Ringle said a trium until Oct. 30 as part of the building a trebuchet is "a great family project."

There is a 55 per child fee for Pumpkin Palooza, which will snooky stories and a costume converted to the property of the parks. Programment of the parks are property of the parks are property of the parks. Programment of the parks are property of the parks are property of the parks. Programment of the parks are property of the parks are property of the parks. Programment of the parks are property of the parks are property of the parks. Programment of the parks are property of the parks are property of the parks are property of the parks. Programment of the parks are property of the parks are spooky stories and a costume contest at 12:30 p.m.

Lake Single Fairs, where there with the room for the Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department to create

said Ringle, is being made possible in part with the financial help of the Novi Police Officers

In the meantime, for more information about this year's

Phil Faley is a staff writer fo

# Pumpkin tossing contest gets big league entry

Forestry Department is expecting pumpkin 50 yards, Dr. twice as many contestants for the pumpkin chuckin' contest at its whole new level."

West Occurrence of the pumpkin 50 yards, Dr. Commission. "If we're su whole new level." and Annual Pumpkin Palooza

ernarian, and a couple engineer-ing buddies at St. James Catholic

mals over castle walls. Dr. Parker and his confederates have been designing a scaled down version to toss pumpkins.
"We thought, well, to hurl a

pumpkin 300 feet would be good, but 500 feet would be better." To do that, they are planning to con-struct a trebuchet with a 16-foot throwing arm. That, said Dr. Parker, requires an axle eight feet off the ground and a base that's eight to 10 feet wide.

Dr. Parker said he got the idea for building a trebuehet watching a Discovery Channel special on pumpkin chuckin contests. He got the plans and engineering software for the project from

www.trebuchet.com.

He said his design team includes an engineer from a robotics company and an engineer and a student working at and auto-

motive spring company, While the machine's design going to be handled by adults, Dr. Parker said construction is going to be a youth group project at his

church. He said the kids will also only gotten comittments from Dr. enturen. He said the stats will also get to name the machine.

Noting that last year's winning group, a Sixth grade class and machine at Pumpkin Palooza pitched a pumpkin 50 yards, Dr.

West Oakland Cable Novi's Parks Recreation and machine at Pumpkin Palooza

"If we're successful this year." That's exactly what Tracic Ringle, Novi's event/marketing exotic next year." Of course, his OK, so that brings it to four continuator, is hoping for, Ringle group has already spent \$40 on a contestants, but one of them has said she like to see Pumpkin 1.5 inch har of chrome-molly saru sne fike to see Pumpkin
Palooza grow into a major event
for the city.

"We've got enough engineers in
Novi/Northville area that, hey, we
can do something here," said Dr.
Parker.

month.

A trebucket is a medieval siege weapon originally designed to throw large rocks and dead animals over continuous.

Parker.

So far, however, Ringle said their seige engine once it's complete. He said test firing a device that will throw a six-pound pump-

down range in the backyard of the church is just out of the question

wasn't suprised. He explained that might be because, "I'm learning how to play the bagpipes. One of reasons decided try is that some people irritated no matter what you play."





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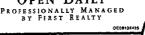
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# County businesses have plan to reduce Oakland's roadway congestion problem

of the Road Commission for Oakland County, headquartered in Beverly Hills, and James Page, a principal at Harley Ellis architec-tural firm in Southfield, presented

details on the Congestion Reduction Plan 2003 at a Novi Chamber of Commerce luncheon

Projections of population and

tes drivers' valuable time in traffic, saps leisure and family time, hinders employers' ability to

job growth indicate that road con-gestion in the county is only going to get worse. Road conges-

hire and retain workers and cre-

last month.

vehicles.

Funds for improvements to be raised.

used locally

By Pam Fleming

County knows the roads are congested and need work. In fact, the 2003 Quality of Life tudy conducted by the Southeast

Members of the Oakland

Since there aren't enough state

and federal funds to update our roads, they want to create a "Self-Help Congestion Fund" for coun-

ty roads comprised of money

The 10-year program would generate funds for road widening

ed locally and used locally.

to look at the prob-

County Businesses for Better

Roads, an organization formed a

Michigan Council Governments revealed that 83 not satisfied with the condition of Oakland County has the most

heavily traveled and congested freeways and local roads in the state. It is approaching gridlock faster than any other area in Michigan. And, the 10-year cost of their roads for the control of their costs for the control of their costs for their costs fo of local road capacity needs for the county only is about \$1.7 bilaccording to the Road The question: Where do we find the money to alleviate these

He noted that when he first sug-gested the idea to his wife, she

and 4x6 frame together.

Dr. Parker said he and his team the Novi News. He can be reached. at (248) 349-1700 ext. 108 or at

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Widen 2 lanes to 6-lane boulevard — \$11 million/mile

Source: Road Commission for Oakland County Population Growth Projections for Oakland County

Source: Southeast Michigan Council of Governments

It also places lives at risk by increasing the likelihood of acci-dents, shatters neighborhood tranquility by increasing noise and ty tax that would net \$23 million; creating cut-through traffic and increases air pollution with the increased exhaust from idling a 1/2 percent local sales tax that would bring \$80 million; • a 20 percent increase in the vehicle registration fee that would

vehicles.

The proposed self-help fund would pay for widening projects on county and city or village streets. Money would be distributed. pull in \$9.6 million; and • a \$25 flat-rate driver's license fee that would total \$14 million. "Actions proposed by members of the Businesses for Better uted via the objective system used by the Oakland County Federal
Aid Task Force.
This task force is made up of Roads would amount to an annual total of \$154.6 million for road widening projects," according to

representatives from cities, vil-lages and townships in the county as well as members of the Road Commission and the Michigan "To increase funding, we need Department of Transportation.

Task force members would select projects for funding based on a include development impact fees and special assessment districts. review of their potential to Implementing any improve safety and reduce congestion. actions will require a significant and sustained effort over many years. Every action but the prop-erty tax would require that legisla-· a four-cent local gas and diesel tax increase that would generate 528 million;
• a 1/2 mill countywide proper
value tion be passed approving the funding. And, the local sales tax would require statewide approval

burchkardt@co.oakland.mi.us. the support of the basiness community," Page said.

Additional proposals would 105. or by e-mail at

(248) 858-5443 or e-mail her at

businesses at the luncheon to get

their presentation.

involved in the Businesses for Better Roads and bassed out For more information about the Oakland County Businesses for Better Roads or to join the task force, call Charlotte Burckhardt at

summer 12 Mile west of the intersection with Novi Road was paved through a special tax assessment program paid by PLC Development, own-ers of Fountainwalk Mall.

Work on 12 Mile draws to a close

By Phil Foley

The "12 Mile Gap" has been closed, but orange barrels will continue to decorate roads for awhile as Road Commission for Oakland County construction crews complete the finishing touches on the \$6.5 million proj-

Craig Bryson said that while all four lanes for traffic were opened Sept. 29, Six S opened Sept. 29, Six S. Managing Director Bren. Construction still has traffic. Bair, "It will certainly make signals at the boulevard turn-arounds and sidewalks to complete.

was," said Bryson, adding that the last of the orange barrels are expected to be gone by the end of the services at the interest are expected to be gone by the end of the services.

That will end two years of construction on 12 mile west of Meadowbrook Road, Last as "Michigan lefts."

Taubman Company, owners of the adjacent Twelve Oaks Mall, paid the city's share of the cost of widening 12 Mile between Novi and Meadowbrook, which included moving utilities last sum mer. The commission paid another 10 percent, but 80 percent of the project was paid for with Michigan Transportation

Development (TEDF) funds.
"This is a significant in this rapidly developing area," explained RCOC Managing Director Brent it more convenient for motorists to travel through the area or access the many "We're still not finished, shopping opportunities avail-

turns at the intersection have

for the Novi News. He can be reached at (248) 349-1700 ext. 108 or pfoley@ht.homecomm.net.



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# MARRIAGE



### McNamara & Keys

Keys of Novi, are pleased to announce the marriage of their children, Jennifer McNamara to The couple exchanged their wedding vows on June 21, 2003, at the First Presbyterian Church in Plymouth. with Rev. Richard Jones officiating the ceremony. The couple cel-chrated their union as one with 175 guests at Fox Hills.

School and has received his bach-elor science degree in administra-tion from Central Michigan

Maid of Honor was Kelly McNamara, along with brides-maids, Frisha Streeting, Debbie Carman, Heather Jensen and Lisa Benfley: jumor bridesmaids were. Sarah and Beec Berman, Best

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an was Michael W. McNamara Michael and Namey McNamara Robert McNamara, Mike South Lyon and Larry and Pat Mazzola, Bill Ashbreck served as groomsmen and Joey Berman was

the couple's ring bearer.

Jennifer graduated from
Plymouth-Canton High School and has received her bachelor science degree in teaching from Central Michigan University. Ryan graduated from Novi High Robert Baker. A funeral service will be held tion from Central Michigan University. He is currently employed with EDS. The couple

History of Michigan, 400 Mack Ave., Detroit, 48201. honeymooned in Punta Cana in the Dominican Republic, Jennifer and Ryan will reside in the

ate of Oxford High School, 1998 graduate of Alma College, a 2002 Fitzpatrick & Isaacson John and Linda Fitzpatrick of foci announce the engagement of foci announce the engagement of field sales on the University of Michigan School of Dentistry, and is currently employed as a sales on, daughter of Ed and feature of the University of Michigan School of Dentistry, and is currently employed as a sales of the University of Michigan School of Dentistry, and is currently employed as a sales of the University of Michigan School of Dentistry, and is currently employed as a sales of the University of Michigan School of Dentistry, and is currently employed as a sales of the University of Michigan School of Dentistry, and is currently employed as a sales of the University of Michigan School of Dentistry, and is currently employed as a sales of the University of Michigan School of Dentistry, and is currently employed as a sales of the University of Michigan School of Dentistry, and is currently employed as a sales on the University of Michigan School of Dentistry, and is currently employed as a sales on the University of Michigan School of Dentistry, and is currently employed as a sales on the University of Michigan School of Dentistry, and is currently employed as a sales of the University of Michigan School of Dentistry, and is currently employed as a sales of the University of Michigan School of Dentistry, and is currently employed as a sales of the University of Michigan School of Dentistry, and is currently employed as a sales of the University of Michigan School of Dentistry, and is currently employed as a sales of the University of Michigan School of Dentistry, and is currently employed as a sales of the University of Michigan School of Dentistry, and is currently employed as a sales of the University of Michigan School of Dentistry of Michigan School Novi amounice the engagement of their son, Dan Fitzpatrick to Sarah

Canol Issueson of Oxford.

The groom-elect is a 1995 graduate of Novi High School, a 1999 graduate of Michigan State University, and is currently employed as a C.P.A. with Pulie Homes in Bloomfield Hills. The bride elect is a 1994 gradu-

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48/75 W. Ten Mile Road, Phone (248) 347-0414.

# **OBITUARIES**

Fred Baker of Novi died Oct. 5, 2003. He was 78. Mr. Baker is survived by his

wife, Juanita; four children. Randy (Michelle), Gary (Denny), Kim (Tim) Todd and Robin (Rob) Byrnes; seven grandchildren, Sydney. grandchildren, Sydney, Courtney, Paul, Joe, Courtney, Matt & Chris; and one brother,

9 at 11 a.m. at O'Brien/Sullivan Funeral Home,

Arrangements were made by O'Brien/Sullivan Funeral Home.

# Raymond Cecil Martin, Jr.

Raymond Martin, Jr. died Oct. 2, 2003. He was retired from the U.S. Postal Service after 37 years of faithful service at Detroit offices in 1982. He was a found-ing member of Holy Family Parish, Novi. He will be dearly missed by aunts, uncles and cousins in the West Branch and Rose City areas.

Ray was an avid sports fan of the Red Wings, Tigers and Lions. He participated in senior citizen card groups, golfing, bowling, and hunting thoughout his life. Survivors include three chil-dren, Timothy (Becky), Kathleen

(Richard) Lombardi, and Suzanne (David) Combs; 12 grandchildren, Kimber Jennifer. Kimberly (Jeffery) Morgan, Melissa, Andrea and Megan Bridgette (Dewey) Tricia (Marvin) Marlow, Tricia (Marvin) Galbraith, Martina Lombardi, Heather (Jason) Vernon, Bethany, Bretton and Carissa Combs; and three great-grand-children, Jacob Morris, Darrian Galbraith and Halle Marlow.

Preceding him in death was his wife, Joan P. who died in 1992; and two siblings, Barbara Jones (Jim) Alexander of Northville; and Michael Martin. (Jim) Alexander of Northville; one sister, Jane Colombino of A funeral service was held

American Diabetes Association. Oct. 6 at Thayer-Rock Funeral P.O. Box 2680, North Canton, Home, Farmington with Rev.

Ohio 44720, the American Kidney Fund, 6110 Executive Blvd., Ste. 1010, Rockville, Md 20852-9813 or a charity of your

choice. Arrangements were made by O'Brien/Sullivan Funeral Home, James Hoff of St. Paul Lutheran

Church officiating, Interment will be at Glen Eden Memorial

Memorials may be made to

Alzheimer's Association, 20300

Civic Center Drive, Suite 100, Southfield, Mich. 48076.

Arrangements were made by

Thaver-Rock Funeral Home,

Lois Crowther died Oct. 1, 2003. She was 80. Survivors include five chil-

dren, Michael (Beth) Wheelock,

Sally (Chuck) Plachetzki, Daniel

(Loretta), Meta (Tory) Dorer and Dean (Michelle); seven grand-

children, Dennis, Gary, David,

Lisa, Renee, Dan and Wendy; and two brothers, Ken Rakestraw and Tom Rakestraw. Her husband, Donald F. pre-

A memorial service will be held Oct.11 at 1 p.m. at the

O'Brien/Sullivan Funeral Home,

831 W. Huron, Pontiac, Mich.

Arrangements were made by O'Brien/Sullivan Funeral Home,

Michelle Wolfe died October

3, 2003 at home. She was 55, She

was born Dec. 8, 1947 in Detroit

to the late Edward and Majoria

Survivors include her husband, Duane Wolfe of Salem Township; and her sister, Val

A memorial service will be held Saturday, Oct.11 at 11 a.m. at Phillips Funeral Home, 122

West Lake Street (Ten Mile),

Foundation) Gilda's

41555 Grand River, Novi. Memorials may be made to Michigan Cancer Foundation,

Park, Livonia

Lois M. Crowther

ceded her in death.

Michelle Wolfe

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### Mary Angela (O'Sullivan) Spillane

Mary Spillane died Sept. 30, Survivors include her husband, Thomas; three children, Tom (Kathy), Larry (Stephaine) and MaryBeth (Steve) Swad; nine grandchildren, Mike, Hailey, Danny, Calla, Jimmy, Becca, Kyle, Danny and Tommy; and Kyle, Danny and Tommy; and four siblings, Laurence (Mary Catherine) O'Sullivan, Sheila

(Don) Broderick, Joan (Joseph) Vettraino and Elizabeth O'Sullivan. Two brothers, Fr. Patrick O'Sullivan and Michael O'Sullivan preceded her in death. A funeral mass was held Oct. 3 at St. James Catholic Church, Novi. Interment will be at Holy

Sepulchre Cemetery.

Memorials may be made in Mary's memory to the American Diabetes Association or the

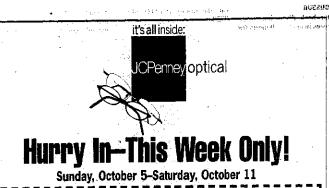
# Alice Mae Storm

Alice Storm died Oct. 3, 2003 at Lutheran Heritage Village, Livonia, She was 85. Mrs. Storm Livonia, Sne was 85, Mrs. Storin was born Jan. 18, 1918 in Houghton, Mich. She enjoyed gardening, cro-cheting, birds, nature and read-ing, and was knowledgeable in Natural Medicines. She was a homemaker.

homemaker. Survivors include two sons, Rawland (Anita) Storm of Novi and Duane (Debbie) Storm of Livonia; one daughter, Aliciu

South Lyon. Visitation with the family will begin at 10 a.m.

Memorials may be made to Development Office (Cancer one sister, Jane Colombino of Amasa, Mich; and six grandchil-Worldwide, 322 Eight Avenue, Suite 1402. New York, NY dren, Dean, Brett, Troy, Worldw Michelle, Dayna and Kimberly. A funeral service was held Oct. 6 at Thayer-Rock Funeral Arrar Offiliae Oct. 6 at Holy Family Church, dren, Dean, Brett



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# LIBRARY LINES

### Novi Public Library

The Novi Public Library i pen Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m. o 9 p.m.; Friday-Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.; and Sunday, 1-5 p.m. We are located at 45245 W. 10 Mile Road, just east of Taft Road. For more information, call (248) 349-0720.

## Design-a-plate days

Design-a-Plate days will be held Thursday, October 9, from 4-8 p.m.; Tuesday, October 14, from 4-8 p.m.; and Saturday, October 18, from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. The cost is \$6.00 per plate, payable that day. No registration is necessary for the general pub-lic, but groups that plan to attend should call ahead to make special arrangements.

The Chapter Club, our book discussion group for grades 4-6, meets Saturday, October 11, from 11 a.m.-noon. We'll be discussing "When Zachary Beaver Came to Town" by Kimberly Villis Holt, snacking on goodies, and playing games. Dropins are welcome

### Board meeting

The Novi Library Board of Directors meets Monday, October 13, at 7 p.m. in the library meeting room. Community members are wel-

### Rock and roll over dead

The music librarian has been ound dead! Was it a heart attack or murder? Detectives in grade 5 and up will meet at the Novi Public Library Tuesday, October 21, from 7-8:30 p.m. to solve the crime. You will investigate the crime scene and carefully examine the evidence to unravel the mystery. Please call the library to register for this event.

### Middle school book discussion

Our-book discussion group for teens in grades 7-9 meets for food, fun, and a lively discussion of "Among the Hidden" by Margaret Peterson Haddix on Thursday, October 23, from 4-

# Bats of the world

Step into the world of bats with the Organization for Bat Conservation on Thursday, October 23, at 7 p.m. The program includes a slide show; a discussion of such topics as bats echolocation and food preferences; and appearances by live bats. Please call the library to register for this free program, which is sponsored Friends of Novi Public Library.

# Ancestors online for sen

iors A class for seniors who want to begin searching the Internet for information on their ancestors will be held Tuesday, October 16, from 1-3 p.m. The program will include general background on genealogy research. We also will explore key genealogy web sites and learn effective search techniques for locating genealogy informa-tion. Please register in advance for all Internet classes in person or by calling the library.

### More Internet

A class that builds on our introductory Internet training will be held Thursday, October 16, from 7-9 p.m. We will cover such topics as Internet Service Providers, viruses, security, search engines, and search tech-niques. Hands-on practice is included.

### Chronic pain and arthritis

Patient educators Nancy Brown and Betty Prost present a program on chronic pain and arthritis on Wednesday, October 15, from 6:30-8 p.m. in the library meeting room. The pro-gram, which is sponsored by Providence Hospital Community Health Services and Community Health Services and the Novi Credit Union, is designed for arthritis sufferers, regardless of how long they've lived with the disease. Please call the library at (248) 349-0720 to reserve a seat.

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# In the Service



Michael P. Lockeman

Air National Guard Master Sgt. Michael P. Lockeman has deployed overseas to a forward operating location to support the of Operation Iraqi

Operation Iraqi Freedom is the official name given to military operations involving U.S. and coalition forces efforts to disarm and end the current Iraqi regime The focus of the mission involv ing U.S. active and reserve com-ponent military forces is to liberate the Iraqi people, preserve Iraq as a unified state, keep its territo rial integrity intact, and help the Iruqi people begin the process of economic and political reconstruction.

He is the son of William G. Lockerman of Walled Lake, and Patricia I. Lockeman of Williamsburg, Va.

Lockeman is a 1974 graduate of Bentley High School, Livonia.

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Of course, since chefs deserve a day off on occasion, all submissions will be entered in a special drawing to win one of two \$50 gift certificates to a

local restaurant To submit a recipe, send it along with your name, phone number and address to cpar ent@ht.homecomm.net or t HomeTown Newspapers, 323 E. Grand River, Howell, MI 48843, Attn: Candy Purent. Please include a brief history of the recipe, why it is special, who created it or how your family uses it as part of their holiday traditions. Photos of the chef or the finished product are well

come.

Recipes must be submitted by Oct. 22.



### Halloween at the Fountain

Rebecca Seguin and her brother, Troy, are ready for Fountain Walk's "Halloween At The Fountain," on Oct. 25 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. All events are free of charge. Children of all ages will find ways to have a great time as Fountain Walk in Novi will host trick-or-treating and other activites featuring character visits, entertail crafts and more. Emagine Theatre will be showing a free family movie at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m.. All Halloween at the Fountain activities are free.

"Rain or shine, we will hold all the fun events we have planned, says Linda Busee, Director of Marketing for Fountain Walk. "If the weather doesn't cooperate, trick or treating will go on as planned, and the crafts and other

# Norbert Schollett earns Am. Legion position

Legion Past State Commander Norbert Schollett of Novi Post 19 was recently elected to the

American
Legion office
of National Executive Committeeman

Schollett, one of the founder of Post 19, now represents Michigan's 95,000 Legion members at the national level of the

Schollett is also past president

of Legion service to this position, having carned his American Legion eligibility by Korean War service with the United States Air

of the Willowbrook Homeowners Association and served on the Novi Police & Fire Needs Committee in 1985, under Mayor

Patricia Karveich.

served the Legion as all, national executive committeeman and vice-chairman of the American mental in establishing Reyes Legion National Security
Council. He served as state commander, state vice-commander.

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Schollett and his wife Shirley, Schollett and numerous State Legion commit- former Novi residents, now re





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# Taft Knolls subdivision wins preliminary approval

# ■ Mozart plans 22-unit project

Tair Knolls, a 22-unit residential site proposed on the east side of Taft Road between Ten and Eleven Mile roads, won preliminary site plan approval at the Sept. 16 Novi

Planning Commission meeting.

Although commission members were divided on the vote, with the motion to approve passing 6-3, they all agreed following a public hear-ing that the proposal met major zon-

ing requirements.
The developer, Mike Fellows of Mozart Homes in Novi, wants to build single family homes on the 9.68-acre parcel.

The parcel is zoned R-4, which allows the most homes per parcel of all the residential zoning classifica-

### Abide by zoning

Some of the members of the Commission thought that too many homes were planned to be built on the land. But, they must abide by how the property is currently zoned. "This property as zoned allows this many units," said Toni Nagy,

"I'm wondering if we're encouraging creativity and innovation with this development. We're seeing another developer who wants to put in as many units as possible. This doesn't do much

> Tim Shroyer Novi Planning Commission

for the aesthetics

of the area.

David Evancoe, director of the Planning Department, noted that proposals that have not received preliminary site plan approval would also need to abide by the new city

Sullivan Lane objected to the new development on the basis of urban sprawl and the fact that the increase the number of residents ruises

One resident requested that trees pointed out that the city has

rate residential areas with trees. Another asked if there was going to be some sort of woodlands plan so residents could see what trees vould be removed. Nagy said that

"The site has been mostly cleared

trast to what's around it. It's going to disturb the harmony that's already established in the neighborhood," said a resident of Sullivan Lane. "It's not in keeping with what we have in the neighborhood."

Other residents' objections to the project centered on increased traffic to the neighborhood, especially with improvements planned for Beck improvements planned for Road, and the number of schools in

the neighborhood.

Some fear that their property values will decrease with the addition their lots.
Residents accused commission

members of favoring entrepreneurial interests over those of residents near the proposed development. They also expressed concern about conserving the natural beauty of the

bunch of neighbors," said Gilbert Van Siekle, whose family has owned property adjacent to the development since 1874.

"We didn't know about the new landscape ordinance, but we'll be glad to comply," Fellows told com-

He noted that this is Mozart onments like the Taft Knolls propos-

be placed between the complex and Sultivan Lane. However, Nagy requirement for developers to sepa-

there are no regulated woodlands on

already --- at least to the southern boundary." Fellows said, "We want said, "I think it's going to be a big con-

of the new residential site because of the natural wetlands that border

rea.
"I really don't want a whole

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between the property and me," he said. Van Sickle noted that there used to be a sawmill on the property in the 1930s, and there are a lot of

north of the property. "We can always ask the developers to put up a fence, but they don't have to comply with this," Nagy

Neighbors are also worried about how the developer and the city are going to provide enough water to the area.

"If there's a fire at one of the schools, are we going to have any water pressure?" one resident asked. "I want a water pumping station that will extend to my property," said a resident of Taft Road who

ives two parcels over from the pro-Ruyle asked Fellows if he would be

willing to put in a row of trees on the northern border of the property. "I would really prefer the trees over the fence," Fellows said. Ruyle agreed that trees are more appealing than a fence.
Fellows said homes would be in the range of 2,600- to 4,000 square

feet, with the largest home to date

# being about 3,265 square feet. Lack of creativity in design

"I do have quite a few concerns," said Commission Member Tim Shroyer, "I'm wondering if we're encouraging creativity and innova-tion with this development. We're sceing another developer who was

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The developer is also planning to build a straight road and perpendi-cular road in and out of the residential site rather than a cul de sac "I would like to echo what Mr. Shroyer said that this is not a very creative use of the property," said

### Straight roads favored

"I think the straight mads are bet-Markham said, "It makes sense to have connecting roads because it takes traffic off the main roads. of cul de sacs dumping onto Taft

"We have to plan for the future of the whole area," she said, "We don't want a cookie-cutter approach to design, I would prefer to see more creativity and roads that use the of the land more," Paul said she really didn't think the

Sickle's property. "I think this would ease the adjustment of the current residents," she said. "it's refreshing to get plans that neet the requirements," longmission Member Lowell Sprague said. "I think the traffic is a problem, but it is zoned R-4. It may be zoned wrong, but that's what we have. If we wanted to keep it rural, it

property was zoned properly. "I think there's one area you didn't address, and that's facades. I think

you could make the homes have a

you could give us a little better design.

"And I have mixed feelings about

the roads. I think there are some real issues as far as traffic."

Paul also said she wanted ever-

greens put in at the rear of the

shouldn't have been zoned R-4. We're going to have a higher densi-ty of homes in this area." Commission Member Avdoules said that tradition urban streets have been straight-on rather than cul de sacs. He did not

ing lot sizes on the property. "I'm not sure lot variations are the answer. You could have a situation where a big house is next to a small

"There's not much you can do with the property. I don't like stub with the property. I don't like stub roads that don't go anywhere. The project is within our limits, so't there's not much we can do," said Commission member Larry Papp. Commission Member Lynn

consider decreasing the number of: units planned on the property.
"The lots are not the minim size now. We feel that we've already units below the maximum allowed," Fellows said.

Kocan asked Fellows if he would

er, to have evergreens planted along both the north and south property

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refund. To register, call the Chamber at (248) 349-3743.

Kurt R. Metzger, research director, Center for Urban Studies and director, Michigan Metropolitan Information Center, Detroit, will be the guest speaker at the Oct. 21 Novi Chamber of

Commerce luncheon.

The luncheon will begin with registration at 11:30 a.m. at the DoubleTree Hotel, 2700 Sheraton Metzger, who has a bachelor's

degree in psychology and sociology and a master's degree in experimental psychology, will discuss, The Changing Packs of Oakland County What the Demographics Can Tell You." Reservations must be canceled at least 24 hours in advance for a For more information

### Visions Sna Salon expands

Visions Spa Salon, located at 26800 Beck Road, on the cast side of Beck just south of Grand River Ave., celebrates the grand open-ing of its new expanded location

The salon was formerly located in the Oak Pointe shopping center on Novi Road south of Nine Mile Awareness

now has a 12,000 square foot canteen Women who do not cat a free-standing building near the dietrich in grains, vegetables and new Central Park Estates apart The luncheon costs \$18. ments. Hours are Monday through

### WL store supports cancer research

The Better Health Store in Walled Lake, located at 39600 Fourteen Mile Road, will donate a percentage of each sale of a new supplement, Brevail, that

Awareness Month. Plant-based diets can be a pow

continued on page 12

# **BUSINESS**

# New York Deli Cafe brings East Coast tastes to Novi

We're all products of our upbringing, and Gus Shukeireh is no different. The Northville resident who

cousin Mike Shukeireh, intro-duced the New York Deli Cafe July 15 at Fountain Walk shop-ping center on Twelve Mile Road

The new eatery is located on

the center's promenade across from the Bamboo Club

signs and a facade of an apartment building inside. A "Beware of

Dog" sign sits in one of the win-dows, Fencing with traffic signs

top one of the room dividers. Yellow "no parking" markings are painted on the concrete floor. An

**BUSINESS BRIEFS** 

Professor to address

st of Novi Road.

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The developer did agree, howev-

Member John the Novi News, She can be reached that traditionally, at (248) 349-1700, ext, 105, or by e-

Quite the entrepreneur, the 27nesses, including 16 Mrs. Fields Cookies shops and four Pretzel Times snack bars. So, why did he pick Fountain

Walk for his latest venture? "I really feel like this is going to be the marquis shopping area for the western Detroit area," Shukeireh said.

"There's a place like this in Columbus, Ohio, called Easton, and it's really doing well," he added. He believes once a few more tenants come on board at Fountain Walk that the center will

The new cafe serves 19 different varieties of hero sandwiches - the New York name for submathe area that offers Boar's
Head meats, which contain no

year-old who dropped out of New York and is baked fresh Thomas Cooley Law School in Lansing with a year to go, already Salads include the Fattoush

mixed greens, walnuts, bleu cheese, mandarin oranges and a special dressing.

All types of gournet coffees, including espresso, cappuccino and latte's are served, plus fruit

smoothies and desserts, such as tiramisu. New York cheesecake,

Shukeireh was born on Long Island and moved with his family

daily.
Salads include the Fattoush with lettuce, parsley, tomatoes, toasted pita chips and

Mediterranean dressing and the New York Deli Cafe Salad with to go west when the neighbor-hood got too rough. "There were too many killings," Shukeireh

also be the first stop at the

that total \$25 or more and offers a full catering service that includes meat and choese trays, hero plat-

the city, and I love the food," he said. The graphic designer who

specialties, and, according to Shukeireh, Michigan sells more comed beef than any other state in

Palestine in 1972. But he decided

"I love this area. That's why I chose Fountain Walk as my land-mark store," Shukeireh said. The New York Deli Cafe will

set from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Oct. 25. The Emagine Theater will also show a free family movie at 10

a.m. and 1 p.m. that day.

Shukeirah even has plans to take his New York Deli Cafe con-Sunday 11 a.m. to 8 p.m.

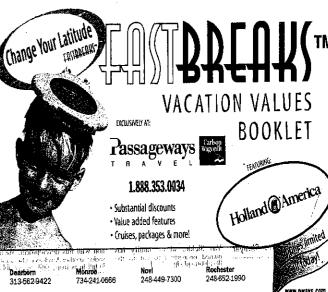
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Gus Shukeireh, owner of Novi's Fountain Walk Plaza's

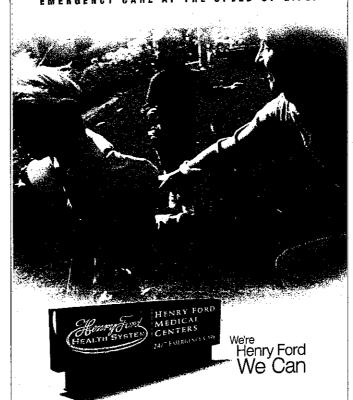
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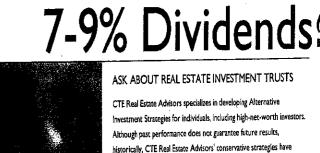
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Twelve Oaks Mall is located on the east side of Novi Road at the I-96 interchange. For more information, call (248) 307-0284, ext. 88.

# Epoch Events to cater OSO

The Detroit Symphony Orchestra recently selected Novi-based Epoch Events as the exclusive in-house caterer and event planner for all events that will take place at the Max M. Fisher Music Center, which

opens Oct. 11.

Facely Events, a catering, food service and event-planning firm, is part of Epoch Restaurant Group, which owns and operates some of the area's foremost restaurants, neloding the nationally acclaimed Tribute in Farmington Hills and Forte in Birmingham.

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# Retailers forecast improved

Michigan retailers continue to project better fall sales this year over last year despite losing some

Projections for sales growth remain at their highest point since May 2002, according to the Michigan Retail Index, a joint project of the Michigan Retailers Association and Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago.
According to the Index, which is

hased on a monthly survey of asso-ciation members, 64 percent of retailers forecast increased sales for September-November over the same period a year ago, which 14 cent predict flat sales.

### Retailers urge lawmakers to reject order

The Michigan Retailers Association urged state lawmakers last week to reject an Executive Order reorganizing departments because it jeopardizes the workers' compensation system.

In testimony presented to the House Commerce Committee, James P. Hallan, president and chief operating officer of the association, said, "Today, Michigan's workers' compensation system is fairly and evenly administered. Much of the partisanship that existed in the '70s and '80s has been eliminated...It is our firm belief that the portion of the Executive Order that eliminates the Workers' Compensation Appellate Commission tampers with that fragle balance between claimants and insureds. It is also a structural change that could hurt the climate for economic development in this

Credit unions assist youth Michigan credit unions once again lead the nation in efforts to eradicate youth financial illiteracy, having educated more than 55,00 Michigan students with over 1,900 personal finance classroom presentations during the 2002-2003 school

year, according to the Credit Union Network's National Youth

Michigan took first place in the "Number of Students Reached" cat-egory for the fifth consecutive year. The state also captured the top spot in the "Number of Classroom Presentations Reported."

"Recent surveys and polls show many young people today lack basic icial knowledge. That lack of knowledge directly relates to finan-cial problems these young adults may face later in life, such as bankruptcy and difficulty in obtaining affordable credit. Michigan's credit unions are helping change that," said David Adams, CEO and president, Michigan Credit Union

# Blackout losses to area to top

The Detroit Regional Chamber working with the University of Michigan and regional sources, has estimated financial loss to the

The Detroit Regional Chamber collaborated with senior researcher Donald R. Grimes of the University of Michigan's Institute of Labor and Industrial Relations, who created an

estimate of the overall impact of the blackout on the area's economy. The Chamber believes the \$220 million figure is the most accurate estimate available for the region. Grimes is well-known in the area for his economic forecasting and worked closely with the Detroit

Regional Chamber's Research and Information Center.

Components of the estimate included lost wages in private, servce-producing industries; lost perestablishments affected by the water ban; and direct losses to county gov-

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THE BONDS will be issued without vote of the

# Local beauty salons help raise funds for childrens' chartities

Two local salons are participating in a "cut-a-thon" in will anticipation of Dreams, an p.m. nnual fashion show benefitting Variety - The Children's Charity and the St. Vincent and Sarah Fisher Center.

Sarah Fisher Center.

Sarah Fisher Center is a charity he and his wife, Ann, regularly support. "I hope we have a full house," he said.

Gina Agosta Salon on Haggerty Road at Grand River Avenue will be open from noon to 4 p.m. Oct. 12, but owner John Takaes said, "I think

we're pretty well booked up."
"We're a well established salon and we've done extraordinarily well," said Takaes, dinarily well," said Takacs.

We didn't want to pass up an opportunity like this to give back to the community."

Takacs said all of the days proceeds will go to help support Dreams. It's the third year of the event by donating S5 for a DREAMS Heart Pin.

These salons have worked are yet heart to solidify their company to the proceeds will be able to support the event by donating S5 for a DREAMS Heart Pin.

These salons have worked are \$95 for general and valet parking. F

proceeds will go to help sup-port Dreams. It's the third year Gina Agosta has participated in Dreams. The first two years the saton helped out with make-up and hair for the models at the

very hard to solidify their commitment to children of abuse or foster care; for children with lifelong health conditions or limb deficiencies; just a few of show.

Vision Spa Salon, which moved to new, larger quarters on Beck Road between Grand River Avenue and 11 Mile limb deflectencies; Just a 15% of the worthy programs provided by the 14% of the two benefiting charities, "says Larry Gaynor, president and CEO of The Nailco

Road Oct. I will be one of four salons in Metro Detroit participating in the cut-a-thon Oct.

19. Like Gina Agosta, Vision will be open from noon to 4 p.m.

Spa owner Greg Bond said be desided to size on for the cut-a-to-defend to size on Nov.2 in DREAMS'.

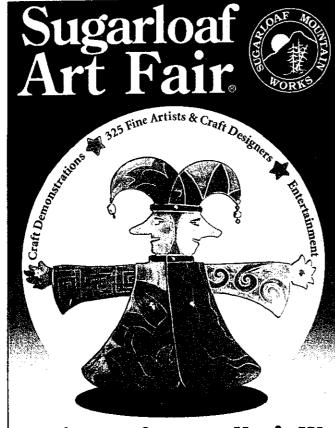
This year Dreams will be moving from the Royal Oak Music Theatre to the Masonic have a full house," he said.

Other salons open on Oct 19 for the event will he Rochester's London Hair Company, Troy's Nino of Somerset and Royal Oak's 6 Salon, all of which will be onen 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Even if Temple in downtown Detroit. The event will kick off at I The event will kick off at p.m. with a party that includes gourmet cuisines and wines from the area's finest restaurants, followed by a high-energant. gy runway show and a silent/live auction to raise funds to raise funds for the

Tickets for this year's event are \$95 for general admission and valet parking. Patron tick-ets are \$150 and include VIP seating and valet parking. Benefactor tickets are \$250 and include Recognition Dinner, VIP scating and valet parking, Tickets are available by calling (248) 347-7700 x503.



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# CLASS NOTES

# Parkview set to focus on many different snap shots to assess students

Principal Michos feels her school was already on right track before "Reframing" theme was

By Ramez Khuri

introduced

This is the fifth story of an eight-part series on how each school in the Novi Community School District is dealing with the district's new "Reframing for the theme. Elementary was chosen this week.

starting from square one when it comes to the Novi Community School District's "Reframing for the Future" theme. In fact, the school is far from square one.

her first year as principal, believes that there were many good things already happening before the theme was introduced. She just describes the introduction as "looking at it from a different perspective and seeing how the staff can continuously improve.

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Lippe, involves: with what is assessed on the

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is creating a new landscape. She said that the reframing that's going on is for the students. Teachers come with a lot of heart, passion and dedication to do whatever they can to help children be the best that they can be and establis a culture of respect and

What "Reframing" means to Parkview Principal Jennifer

Rich learning environment Reframing, according to Novi Schools Superintendent Emmett **Experiantial** Friendships Reflection Achievement

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According to Michos, teaching

assessment guide us as educators to continuous improvement for "They are taking a snapshot in stablis a culture of respect and to continuous improvement for responsibility for learning is paramount. It is up to the staff to facil- are constantly planning, teaching.

"They are taking a snapshot in fourth grade and we get those report cards out in the fall, but we itate the curiosity and energy of assessing and applying their new also don't get the MEAP scores

REFRAMING

are continuously meeting during planning time to design their quality work for students. They meet in fourth grade, third grade, second grade, first grade, kindergarten and are working towards having conversations between kindergarten and first grade teachers, first and second grade teach-

deasured by more than one The bottom line

meaningful engaging light.

Michos believes that the road map one must follow to achieve this success is the state of Michigan Curriculum Framework

"Curriculum, instruction and

ers, second and third grade teachers, third and fourth grade teach-

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The bottom line, according to

Michos, is that the Parkview staff teaches the whole student body, which sometimes isn't demonstrated through one test such as the MEAP. Though she believes that she can show strong evidence of student mental growth from said, "Is it perfect? No. I don't disagree with what we're trying to do because 1 believe all children can learn, but maybe not at the many different "snapshots" of same rate and maybe not at the assessment, she still feels that it is an unrealistic task to test the

she said. "The MEAP is to help you improve instruction and to help us get better, but it's a situaplaced in schools based on age, not how far along they are aca-demically. If they are of age they tion where it's the timing of the MEAP. It's an unbelievable task to be able to test the whole state of Michigan and get that whole data can enter into kindergarten, but within a certain age there could be a span of one to two years where a child will develop mentally and aligned. I think that they are trying to streamline that process develop mental appropriateness using technology and with that comes many glitches. That has child is five years old, their brain may not be connecting at the point that another 5-year-old been frustrating and the fact that

Michos explained that the Education Yes mandate is trying to get schools to show evidence of working at an achievement level that is acceptable.

"That is for all ""

might be connecting at.

"There may be other factors that affect where a child is mentally as well," Michos said. "You may have different prior knowledge. Maybe von the connection of the

trips with your family or maybe you have two older brothers that have read a lot to you and you absorbed a lot. Maybe you are the first child in that family and you

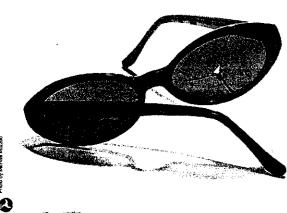




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# Parkview School set to focus on many different snapshots to assess students

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you or maybe they haven't. There are lots of different situa-tions. It's not how smart a child is, it's how are they smart? How an we get kids to understand how they're smart in their own way? You think about adults, we all have different strengths and weaknesses and so do students. So, for me, ultimately I want that child to understand themselves as a learner, understand their strengths and weaknesses."

### What mandates bring to Parkview

The federal and state governments' hopes are to try to hold schools accountable. So what will the legislation of No Child Left Behind and Education Yes

hring to Parkview?

It is encouraging to Michos and her staff to be able to show and ner start in the abit of stown strong evidence that all students represented in various popula-tions are achieving at their max-imum level. Michos also believes the Novi staff as a whole already does an outstand-ing job at meeting the unique and varying needs which will only challenge them to reflect deeper into the teaching and learning process in order to demonstrate success defined by

the mandate. "A new word that we have all kind of learned lately is 'triangu-lating' the assessments," Michos said, "We're not just using the MEAP as an assessment, but we have lots of other snapshots of the children throughout their journey in education to make sure that they are moving from point A to point B. All the chilren are moving in their own

way."

The district is beginning to look at all of those snapshots and creating a common assessment for all fourth graders and third graders, Everybody knows that that students learn in a variety of ways and they come to schools with different gifts or talents and that's why Michos hopes that students will show evidence of their knowledge and learning through an array of options that are authentic such as work samples, speeches, projects, presen-tations, models and utilizing the

grounded with what they know is best for students and to also keep in mind of the mandates that are being asked of them. being asked of them.

being asked of them.
"It is through teamwork that
this staff has stayed grounded
and strong during this time of
turbulent change," Michos said.
"Change can be messy, it can be
organized chaos but I believe
that this exil from strugting the that this staff, from attending the two day retreat this summer, we established a strong foundation for us to move forward. We saw ourselves and the unique traits we all bring and with that foundation we can continue to work as a team because we all know that we get the best results that

Parkview has standards of Parkview has standards of teaching and learning. The staff is trying to integrate the Michigan Curriculum Framework and the standards of teaching and learning into its curriculum, which is new this school near The staff is also tryschool year. The staff is also try-ing to look at its lessons to see how all of this fits.

### Information age brings new type of students to schools

Michos believes that in education, there is always room for nent. She also believes

"We are now part of an information age where kids are exposed to media and information beyond just their own little community," she said. "For a community, she said. For a third grader or a fourth grader who's being exposed to that information, that poses a differ-ent type of a child that's coming to us. It's exciting in a way, but we have to teach them how to simplify and analyze what good information is versus had information. There is just so much at their fingertips and we have to get them to be able to think crit-ically and to be able to think at a

higher level."

In other words, the students that are coming to schools are different intellectually then they have been in the past given all

the technology that's out there.
"I think we are always trying to reflect and move forward on our practice, but the mandates that are coming down from the

Novi we're pretty fortunate because we have a supportive community. We have many teachers who have masters degrees or beyond, we have the resources in many ways to sup-port us and move the students in their learning. We have technology and we have beautiful schools. We are fortunate to be able to respond to the mandates that are coming at us in the best

way possible."

Michos feels that all the "snap shots" or assessments that are put into place throughout a child's school years are opportunities to reflect on those students who may not be performing at their maximum level, which is what No Child Left Behind is all

"There is brain research that tells us that kids learn in differ-ent ways," Michos said. "Some are auditory learners, some are hands on learners and some are more visual. Kids come to us with a variety of learning styles and personality traits. You look at these assessments through many different lenses and you ask yourself what is it about this child that's not allowing him or her to move forward?

Michos explained that there sometimes can be many different control over.
"We want to keep in mind that it's a whole child, not just a child

with a simple solution, but there are many variables to a child and once they can diagnose what it is that is happening with that par-ticular child, then we can find what works," she said. "This is forcing us to individualize our instruction and now we have to slow down and reflect on what's making this child not move as fast as some of the other children. I think we have a tremendous amount of resources in place and because of that I don't think it's going to be a dramatic

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Parkivew Elementary School students Elizabeth Malear, Olivia Warren, and Lauren Piorkowski, right, read books in the school's media center on a recent Thursday afternoon. As part of their effort to "reframe" the school's curriculum and resources to it more accessible for all students, Parkview is teamming up with its PTO to purchase books for the media center to keep the kids interested in reading and learning new

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Scarecrows in the Woods!

Kindergartners at Novi Woods welcomed the first day of fall with Scarecrow Day. The children celebrated with fall crafts and activities, a scarecrow stuffing snack mix and a parade through the school. Pictured from left to right are: Frank Aleva, Gabby Ubeda, Katie Telder, Emma Frasier, Teacher Jill Walro, Madeline Ligotti and Scott

# On Campus

oined the Class of 2007 at Carleton College in Northfield, Minn, with the start of New tudent Week on Sept. 10.

Wollack of Novi Wollack is one of 492 students in the class, selected from a pool of 4,734 applicants Wollack is the son of Robert Wollack and Judith Wollack of Novi.

ed to participate in the Nationa Youth Leadership Forum on Defense, Intelligence and Diplomacy from Nov. 4 through Nov. 9 in Washingtor D.C. Having demonstrated academic achievement and an interest in a career related to national security, Crawford will join approximately: 400 outstanding high school juniors and seniors from across the United States at the forum.

According to Donna Snyder, executive director of the forum, by participating, stu-dents like Crawford will develop a keenly educated perspective on the United States' role in global conflict resolution.

The forum curriculum is based on actual world events,

allowing participants to learn from examples set by previous generations of leaders and encouraging them to develop a perspective and tenacity

SERVICE CALL



Novi sisters meet Hilary Duff

Novi sisters Rachel and Sarah Less had the opportunity to meet movie and television actress and singer Hilary Duff on Sept. 18 at the Sport-Way of Westland. Local radio station WDRQ was sponsoring the Fall Mini Putt Classic and Duff's visit to the metro area to promote he

new CD, "Metamorphosis."
The Less sisters were one of several winners of the radio station's contest for a personal VIP meeting with the star where she chatted with the winners, signed her CD and posed for photographs. Afterward, Duff had a general autograph session followed by the public's

opportunity to golf for charity.

Pictured from left to right are: Duff, Rachel Less, who is a freshman at Novi High School and Sarah Less, who is a sixth grader at Novi Meadows Elementary School.

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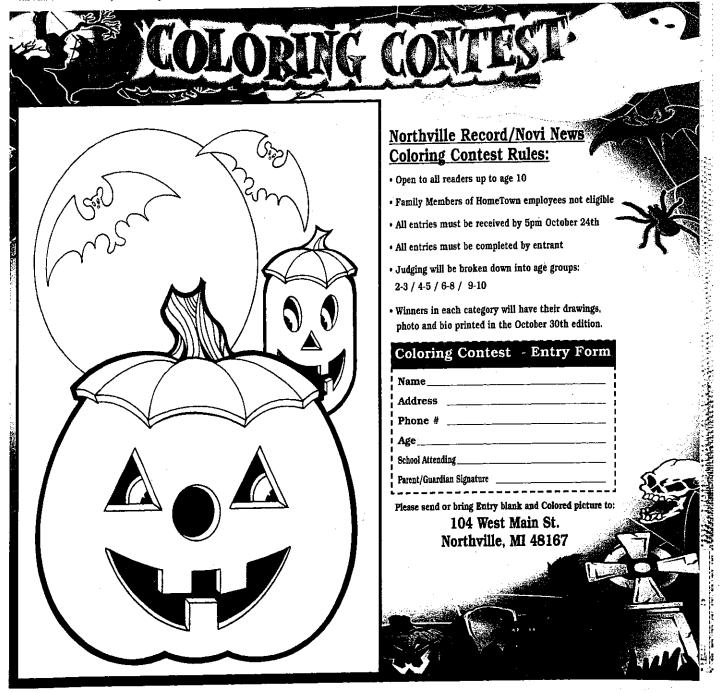
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Cost-saving legislation sponsored Senate Education Committee

Vice-chair Nancy Cassis (R-Novi) was signed into law Friday. Senate Bill 365 streamlines the use of the Center for Educational Performance and Information (CEPI) by requiring all data submissions go directly to CEPI rather than other state agencies. The legislation

received strong bipartisan support, passing the Senate omanimously.
"This new law is a victory for Michigan's schools," said Cassis. "Making CEPI a clearinghouse for educational data will save taxpayer dollars and allow schools to direct more of their education funding toward their students-where they belong by allowing CEPI and state agencies to coordinate their efforts and information more efficiently." The purpose of CEPI, a state

agency under the Department of Management and Budget, is to col-lect and report data under Michigan's K-12 public schools and make that information a resource to the public. That date includes stu-dent test scores, enrollment figures, graduation and dropout rates. teacher information, pupil/teacher ratios, crime and safety data, finan-cial information, and building infra-

Currently, schools are required to submit their data to CEPL in addi-tion to many other state agencies. This has caused duplicated efforts on projects costing schools and the tate valuable time and resources.

Under SB 365, state agencies such as the Family Independence Agency, the State Police, and the Department of Education that need information on Michigan's public schools can contact CEPI and the data would be forwarded at the agency's request.
The Senate Education Committee

held hearings in March asking educational leaders to bring forth suggestions on how the legislature can implement cost-saving measures for school districts. Senator Cassis introduced this legislation as a result of those hearings.

# NOTICE

PUBLIC SALE. Pursuant to state law, a public sale will be held on October 24, 2003 at 11:00am at COLONIAL MINI STOR-AGE, 48200 West Road, Wixom, Michigan 48393 Contents will be sold by competitive bidding for cash only to the highest bidder and include miscel laneous household, furniture, tools and personal items including clothing. Units are as follow:

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# **Novi Community Education Corner**

DATE: Monday, Oct. 20 TIME: 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. LOCATION: Novi Middle School Media Center

DETAILS: Learn how to remember names, memorize 20 words forward and backwards in two minutes and apply the same learning concept to vocabulary, foreign languages, and math formulas. FEE: \$35

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DATE: Wednesday, Oct. 22
TIME: 7 - 9:30 p.m.
LOCATION: Novi Middle
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DETAILS: This seminar is designed to help individuals who have stepped out of the workforce and are now ready to return. Learn how you can market the skills you have used at home and in commu-nity involvement, then struc-ture your resume to demon-

strate your experience. FEE: \$24 PHONE: (248) 449-1206 for registration

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p.m. LOCATION: Novi Middle School Room 520 DETAILS: This is an ideal course for owners and book-keepers of small, service type businesses. Learn how to track income, expenses, cash & eredit card expenditures, reconcile a bank account statement and determine profit or loss using a simpli fied, double entry bookkeep

ing system. FEE: \$42 PHONE: (248) 449-1206

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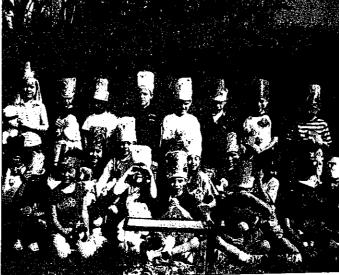
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DATE: Tuesday, Oct. 28
TIME: 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 LOCATION: Meadows 5 Media Center
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mony to areas of your life as they relate to your living space, such as abundance, relationships, career, etc. TEE: \$24 PHONE: (248) 449-1206



Teddy Bear Day!

Becky Hurst's first graders at Orchard Hills pose with their Teddy Bear hats and held their favorite bear friends. Teddy Bear day was part of their literature unit on animals. They took this theme into their science, Spanish, math and reading studies as well.

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Sunflower Last year at the Village Oaks Kindergarten Orientation, -year-old Gabriella Born was given her first assignment utached to a package of sunflowers. It read:

Dear Friend, Plant your sunflower seeds soon. Nurture them with sunshine and water.
When your sunflowers are as tall as you are.....it will be When your sunflowers ar time for school to begin.

Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Nanas Village Oaks Kindergarten

Born immediately went home and insisted that the seeds be planted. She spent all summer taking care of her sunflowers, watering them and pulling the weeds. When the sunflowers were as tall as her, she was ready to attend Village Oaks as a full-time Kindergartner. However, according to the calendar, it was only July. The sunflowers she had planted had grown really fast. In fact, by the time school began in August the tallest sunmeasured nine feet tall.

Born's first assignment became her first "Sharing Day" subject at Village Oaks. She shared a photo of herself with her sunflowers along with some of the actual sun-flower heads for her fellow classmates to enjoy.



**Butterflies at Orchard Hills** Tricia Styles third grade class poses with one of the monarch butterflies they raised from caterpillars.



Allison Schulte and Gabrielle DeLeon have fun reading

Good book, eh?



Orchard Hills at the zoo!

Orchard Hills first graders in Darlene Grabowski's class get a big bear hug at the Detroit Zoo. The whole school's irst grade visited the zoo as part of its "Animals Unit." Pictured from left to right are: Lauren Wahrman, Casey Croad, Kylie Douglas, Rio Furuse and Matt Meyer.



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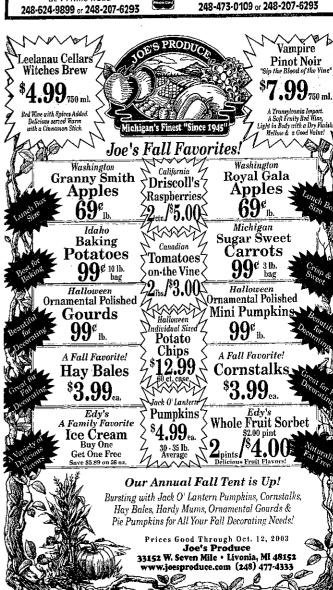


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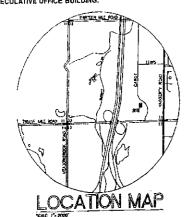
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, October 15, 2003 at 7:30 PM. In the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W., Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI oconsider HAGGERIY, CORPORATE OFFICE CENTRE V. SITE PLAN NUMBER 93-36, LOCATED ON CABOT DRIVE. BETWEEN 12 MILE AND LEWIS DRIVE FOR WOOD LAND PERMIT, STORM WATER MAN-AGEMENT PLAN, AND PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN APPROVAL. THE APPLICANT IS PROPOSING A TWO-STORY BRICK, 61,426 SO FT



All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments may be eard at the hearing and any written comments must be received by the tamping Department, 45 t75 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 until 4:00 Planning Department, 451/5 W. ren r P.M., Wednesday, October 15, 2003. 10-9-03 NN 69889)







# Feel free to fling thine pumpkin

"Cum catapultac proscriptac erunt sum soli proscripti catapultas habebunt"

Normally, we wouldn't call for the citizenry to arm themselve heavily, but for the City of Novi's upcoming Pumpkin Palooza we'll

For the second year in a row, the city's Parks, Recreation and For the second year in a row, the city's prack, kecreation and Forestry Department is hosting a pumpking chuckin' contest and at least four terms are basily constructing their version of the Middle Ages' ullimate weapon — the trebutchet. We whole-heartedly encourage this practice.

There are several very sound reasons for building a trebuchet. Not

the least antong them is that it encourages team building. Whether you're a in a cub scout den or a team of engineers, this is not a project

that can be done alone.

In order to successfully build one of these medieval devices so you can burl numpkins great distances, people need to work together. For school and youth groups, constructing one of these machines opens up several apportunities to learn mathematics and physics as well as delve into more than 1,000 years of human history. Besides, it's just great fun to heave a pumpkin high in the air and

watch it go splat.

• We think the folks at the Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department

While time is growing short to add an entry to this year's Pumpkin Palooza pumpkin throwing contest at the Civic Center Oct. 18, there's always next year.

"When catapulis are outlawed, only outlaws will have entapulis."

# COVERNMENT

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

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# **OPINION**

# LETTERS

# Remove the barriers

I have been involved in homeland security issues and crime prevention issues for over 27 years as a police officer and as an officer in the United States Air Force Auxiliary. My background includes many years conducting security surveys for the prevention of crime and training

"security measures" at Novi City Hall and the Novi Police Department with some amusement. I felt confident that our City leaders would come nothing more than window-dressing (very expensive window-dressing, at taxpayer expense). I was even sure our leaders would remove these ineffectual barriers when they realized the lack of any real threat to the City of Novi and its facilities. I was very proud of Robert Gatt for pursuing this issue, I am very disappointed in the city leadership to include the council, mayor, manager and police chief for wasting our tax dol-lars to achieve nothing.

The "security measures" that block the

entrance to the police states of and access to the front of city half do nothing to prevent a terrorist city half and only prevent a terrorist city half and the police department, are that attack. Right now a truck or car can be driven right up to any of these buildings by simply driv-ing around these so called barriers. Regardless of that fact, there is no reason to believe that Novi and its facilities are at any more risk than any other municipal facility in this area. While no real security is obtained by this absurdity it has achieved one thing: It has prevented our citizens with disabilities easy access to city services and prevents quick access to the police in an emer-

city facilities and get rid of these barriers!

William S. Charles II, Colonel, CAP

# Gamble on casino fest

Boo! Hiss! Once again Novi City Council can not look past its nose. The Casino Event would be great for Novi. Lots of us want it. Lots of us would work hard to make it happen. Council touts the Music and Motor Fest as the be all and end all. Boring! When it began as the '50's Festival, it offered many varieties of activities. It was great fun! Now it is the same old food stall was great fun! Now it is the same one food after food stall with dull bands. How about giving us a professional event? It won't hu Music and Motor Fest. We can work it out. Get with it. As Member Sanglivi always says, "Dare

Carol Jean Crawford

# What's the price tag?

Many different people are jumping on the tear-down-that-wall bandwagon. My phone has rung off the hook with people telling me they support my campaign to have those silly harricades removed and to return our city hall and our police department to the people. And, there are signs that the people responsible for barricading our public parking lots are beginning to budge. Studies are being conducted to determine if we should remove one side of the barricades in front of city hall, thus allowing ingress and egress, and I assume, handicapped parking. And, that would e fine with me and with the senior citizens and handicapped people that are being robbed out of their parking spots. Let's not forget the front of our police station. There is a much greater chance that someone will drive up to the front of the police station needing emergency help than there is that a terrorist will attack the Novi Civic

Hugh D. Crawford 46275 11 Mile Road Center complex The "debate" between the candidates for City Council and mayor (it was hardly a debate) revealed other people's opinion on the barrihughcrawford@msn.com cades. Frankly, I was surprised by those that took the stance that they would follow the direction of the police chief and the city manager on this subject, yet voted to overturn the Planning Commission on a different matter. They said, Raymond Schovers upon overturning the Planning Commission, that they did so because the Planning Commissioners

erred in their dec

right the wrong before it cost the citizens money. I see no difference in this matter. the north side of city hall and the front of the police station are wrong. Their deci ng (has cost) the taxpayers a great deal of money ady. How much did it cost to creet those ugl ement barricades last spring? How much did it cost to remove those same ugly barricades? How much did it cost to build that wooden stairway? How much did it cost to purchase those ugly, uscless cement flowerpots now in place in front of our police station and our city hall? How much did it cost to purchase those ugly flowers in the ugly cement flowerpots? And finally, how much did it cost to rip up our grass on the east side of our city hall and build that sidewalk? How many senior citizens were forced to forego

> capped people who are not senior citizens did the Great leaders know when to say they are wrong, I understand the need to do "something"

a visit to their city hall because there were no

close handicagned spots? How many handi-

# Political Letters Policy In order to be fair to everyone, this newspaper will not run letters to the editor in the last edition prior to an election to the last edition prior to an election of the edition of the edit Political Letters Policy tor in the last expressions of a that open new issues. Expressions of a thanks to political supporters are best thanks to political supporters are best.

made by buying an advertisement.

I have been watching the events over the security measures' at Novi City Hall and the security measures' at Novi City Hall and the expressed grave concern that my attempt to have the barricades removed would undermine our to their senses and realize these measures are police chief and city manager. The fact is, not many police officers or city workers support the chief or city manager on this issue. They, of course, may not come out in public against it because the very people who made the decision to build the walls employ them. To publicly

> In this instance, our city leaders were wrong. And, I am surprised and disappointed that our City Council has not madged them to correct their mistake. My hopes, and the hopes of the whole Novi senior citizen community and the something happens soon.

express their views would not be prudent

# Csordas jumps the gun

It has come time for our city leaders to wake up, listen to the taxpayers, and get rid of these eyesores. It is also time for our city leaders to took hard and fast before they throw taxpayer money out the window on projects that have no benefit to the community. city laws and ordinances.

Mr. Csordas' election signs were put up at least 24 hours before our city ordinance stated he could. What's his excuse this time? It can't be because he didn't know the ordinance because all candidates were given a copy of the ordinance far in advance of the date. And surely after the first in advance of the date. And surely later the have incidence of pre-election signage, he would have already known what the verbiage and proper date for placing the election signs would be, (30 days before the election). In other words October 5. If Mr.Csordus tries to tell us his campaign staff were over-zealous and got a head start, forget it The election signage ordinance hasn't changed from the last time he ran for public office four years ago. If he can't direct is campaign staff in the rules and regulations set forth in a city ordinance, it doesn't say much for his ability to be a

This city cannot and should not tolerate an elected official who violates a city ordinance and thinks all he has to do is apologize for doing it

and everything will be all right.

But most importantly is the fact that this city cannot and should not tolerate an elected official who has violated his oath of office.

Mary MacDermaid

# Boo To Lou

Tsk, tsk, tsk! How sad for our city when even the mayoral candidate, Lou Csordas, feels as though he is above the law. First of all, Mr. Csordas has possibly violated trademark/copyright infringement laws by making use of the Spiderman trademark with hopes of benefiting trademark being elected Mayor of from the trademark by being elected Mayor of Novi. (By the way, is there some sort of analogy that the voters are to gain that relates Mr. Csordas

that the voters are to gain that relates Mr. Csordians to the fictitious, young intelligent, mild-mannered, law abiding, Peter/Spiderman?)
Secondly, Mr. Csordas has violated Novi's campaign sign ordinance. On Friday October 3, 2003, Mr. Csordas and "his" camp of supporters. made certain sections of Novi, including portions of Haggerty Road, were "littered" with his cam-paign signs 48 hours before the ordinance states one can place their signs. Is this an individual we wish to have as our Mayor... one who is possibly in violation of not only trademark/copyright infringement laws but also one who knowing violates city ordinances? Clearly, Uncle Ben a Aunt May would be disappointed in Mr.

# Those responsible for the decision to blockade Paul's the person for

I would like to take this opportunity to endorse

Lynne Paul for Novi City Council.

When I met Lynne for the first time, I could tell that there was something different about her. As I heard her talk about her vision for the City of Novi, I knew that she was sincere and c, a real down-to-earth person who cares. strike me as the typical candidate running for

I think that Lynne understands what is needed in this community. She has an excellent record of being there for this community. Lynne has been a planning commissioner and was appointed to a cond term, the Implementation Committee for Novi Ordinances, and the Environmental Committee. She even goes beyond her commitment to Novi as having been a previous member when you are in power and your country is ment to Novi as having been a previous member attacked. I also understand those who think that of the American Cancer Society Board, and she

is active in the schools of our great city, even co-founding the Novi Woods PTO Alumni Scholarships.

I could go on with her active involvement in this community and speak of her passion in doing good for others. If you don't believe me, call her and see for yourself directly. You will find an approachable, intelligent and friendly person, who is comfortable in any environment As a law enforcement officer, I pride myself as being a person who can see others for Paul is just such a person.

Do not be distracted by the rhetoric of the

upcoming election. Do yourself and Novi a favor and vote for Lynne Paul on November 4, 2003.

Terry Whitfield

# To all Novi candidates

Well, it's that time of the year when the candi how they want to make Novi a better place for all of us to live.

They will talk about the various strict building

and planning codes that were enacted to maintain a certain level of uniformity and quality in the

Therefore, at this time I challenge each politi cal candidate to back up their words with action. It is roughly one month until the general election takes place, and almost every intersection in the city as well as the entrances to most subdivisions in the city are already inundated with political campaign signs. I'm sure most residents would not want to take away each candidate's right to place campaign signs in the city. But no one wants to be overwhelmed by them either. The candidates and their bands of loyal supporters seem to place these signs wherever they want in the city. Do they ask the property owners or Homeowners Associations for permission to place these signs on their property? In most cases, I think not! Isn't it about time they started to ask permission to place the signs before

Elected City officials waste hours scrutinizing every commercial sign being installed in the city to make sure it meets Novi's requirements. Here is a novel idea! How about using the same dilipaign signs.

Glad for freedom ..... We all know how blessed we are to live in this country. We have laws to protect us as individu als and laws in place to protect our environmen We also know those who value wealth and its

power more than anything else use that power to exploit the rest of us and our environment. It's not only our future that's at stake; our children

have a right to enjoy the freedoms that this country has held for us.

We have a responsibility to be aware of what is happening and do what we can to put those who are dedicated to preserving this country's racy in positions to save our American

The greed in this country that we have witnessed over the last few years has got to stop.

I am grateful for the freedom and the opportunity to voice my opinion, and I appreciate your

Mary Posont

# Paving problem needs to be addressed

The Novi City Council chip sealed three roads this summer. Two of those roads were designated as major roads many years ago and the City Charter requires the city to pay for any improvements. The third road is Austin, a short residen-

tial street. We, as the taxpayers, paid to have it paved even though we have no benefiting use. Up until now, residential road improvements were always assessed to the homeowners abut ting the road to be improved. It was built to City Designed Road Standards and then maintained

While the residents of Novi Heights, Glenda, Kim Taylor-Papp & Larry Papp Echo Valley and Lanny's Road, for example, paid for their streets to be paved, their streets are left with holes and deteriorating while ma

funds are paving Austin Drive. Why is this fair? Novi Heights residents not only paid for the subdivision street hey also paid for the chip and seal paving that fell apart in one year.

Does the City Council plan on us paying for the paving of the rest of the gravel roads?

According to the quarterly Comm Newsletter, we as the taxpayers, paid more than nance funds to chip \$64,000 with road main

seal three roads. How much more?

It is election time and these quest be answered. Every person living on a paved residential street paid for it in one way or another. Either It was Special Assessed or it was included in the cost of the home. This year we all paid for Austin to be paved while there are large holes in the pavement on Clark Street and Marison,

If all of the paved residential roads are main us pay for residential road paying again.

Pat Karevich

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# OTHER OPINIONS



'Cat Court Members of Novi High's 2003 Homecomming Court, From top, left to right: Mark Kaminski, James Woods, Chad Thurman, and Brent Pantaleo. Ashlea Surles, Lindsay Blaszczak, Anna Switzer, and Anna Rickard. Tim Spisich, Ryan

# All is not Great on the Lakes

Astute readers may nave noticed a recent flurry of announcements from the Environmental Protestation Thousands of ships come into Thousands of ships come into Astute readers may have ting environmental protections such as the Clean Air Act or the Clean Water Act.

How come so many just now? Simple. And very clever. There's nobody heading the EPA, Former administrate Christine Todd Whitman resigned a couple of months ago. The Bush Administration's

Leavitt, has yet t be confirmed by the Senate. So i there's nobody charge at the EPA, there's things announced in recent months. right? Instead. trative regulations" is the pre-

Phil Power explanation for this little game. And when Gov. Leavitt gets asked about them during his confirmation hearings, he can truthfully say that they all happened before he took office. Nifty, eh? The latest example came to light last month when the EPA ruled that ocean-going

ships do not need permits to di rge ballast water in American seaways, including the Great Lakes. According to the EPA. there are just too many ships docking at U.S. ports to make ractical. Moreover the EPA has transferred jurisdic tion over discharge of ballast water to the U.S. Coast Guard interest in protecting the envi-

The Coast Guard "requires ships to discharge ballast water before entering U.S. waters, but compliance is not "mandatory." How come? Probably because federal agencies that have over the years been captured by the constituency they are supposed to regulate, and making sure bal-

deliver and collect cargo. Most of them arrive with water in their ballast tanks that they took on in foreign ports. That water often contains living creatures that originated abroad in places like the Baltic Sea. But once in a Great Lakes port, ships often

dump ballast water to increase buoyancy. In the process foreign organisms — hitchhikers, in effect — are dis charged into our lakes, where enemies they can grow and flourish. The fancy term for such things is "non-

pecies." i.e. relcritters that live quietly in their natural habitats, but turn into environmental ter

rors once here. Two cases in point: The zebra mussel, which first invaded Lake St. Clair in a load of ballast water dumped in 1988. The mussels have clogged water valves, covered rocks and pipes and generally made nuisances of themselves. They have also cost the State of Michigan an estimated \$1 billion over the past

The quagga mussel is less known but maybe worse. Its excrement increases phosphorus levels that provoke damaging algae blooms. The quagga mussel may well be to blame for the dead zone now growing in Lake The Great Lakes represent one the planet, but the best estimate

of the largest bodies of relatively nated fresh water on is that under present conditions new species invades the lakes every eight months. And it isn't just a bunch of tree-hugging ists who are worried. The sport

and commercial fishing comm nity looks at damage done to the lish food chain by the roundnosed goby or the spiny water flea and sees real threat to fish

populations.
So I was delighted when U.S.
Rep. Candice Miller, R-Harrison Township, introduced legislation to reduce the amount of ballast water dumped in the Great Lakes. Her Great Lakes Water Protection Act of 2003 would prohibit any ship from entering the Great Lakes if more than 5 percent of the capacity of its ank contains ballast water. Enforcement of the Act would be up to the U.S. Coast Guard, according to Rep. Miller.

"It's been voluntary up to now but under my bill it would be but under my bill it would be mandatory. The master of every boat entering the first lock of the St. Lawrence Seaway would have to certify that at least 95 percent of its ballast water has been dumped at sea," she said. Sen. Carl Levin, D-Mich., has introduced legislation along sim-

introduced legislation along sim ilar lines. I tried to reach G. Tracy Mehan, III, Assistant Administrator for the Office of Water in the EPA to ask what he thinks about his agency's recent ruling. Mehan was Director of the Office of the Great Lakes in

the Engler Administration and, by all accounts, an able and sen-sible guy. I figured he might have something interesting to say about whether the rule changes promulgated on his watch really made sense. But the PR gatekeeper in Mehan's office refused to let me

speak with him and instead tried Guard, Maybe there was some thing Mehan's gatekeeper want ed to hide. Perhaps she might have wanted to keep Mehan away from any er questions I might have asked ently at the EPA, I'm not at

Phil Power is the Chairman of the Board of the company that owns this newspaper. He would be pleased to get your red to this column either at (734) 953-2047 or at

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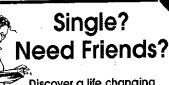
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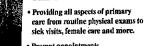
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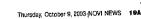
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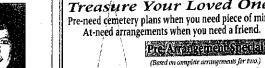
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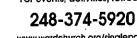






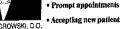








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# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

# Monte Ragler Photography Exhibition DATE: thru October 11 TIME: 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

LOCATION: Meadowbroo Art Center, 41200 Ten Mile Rd.,

DETAILS: black and white photographs of various subjects displayed in the new gallery. PHONE: (248) 477-6620.

Meadowbrook Congregational Church Women's Service Club Rummage Sale DATE: Friday, October 10 and

Saturday, October 11 TIME: Friday: 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday: 9 a.m.-1 p.m. LOCATION: 21355

# Walled Lake Schools 5th annual 6K

DATE: Saturday, October 11 TIME: registration, 11 a.m.; walk/run begins at 9 a.m. LOCATION: Walled Lake Western High School, 600 Beck Rd., Walled Lake. DETAILS: \$25 entry fee, all donations 100% tax deductible PHONE: 248-956-2011.

# Novi Camera Club Annual Fall Color

DATE: Sunday, October 12 TIME: 2 p.m.-4 p.m. LOCATION: Heritage Park Farmington Hills, 3rd light south of 12 Mile Rd.. DETAILS:Plenty of fall colors. nature trails, rain date-Saturday, PHONE: 248-380-6980.

## Walled Lake Schools Foundation for Excellence 5th Annual Walk-A-Thon and 5K Run

DATE: Saturday, Oct. 11 TIME: 9 a.m.,run starts; 9:10 a.m. walk starts LOCATION: Walled Lake estern High School, 600 Beck Rd., Walled Lake PHONE: (248) 788-5881

Phil Kaput the Rhythm Man DATE: Monday, Oct. 13, TIME: 10 a.m. LOCATION: Borders, Novi

Town Center DETAILS: Fun and music for kids of all ages. Phil Kaput the Rhythm Man presents a percussion workshop sponsored by the Pro-Mark Corporation, Join us for drumming, dancing and more. PHONE: (248) 347-0780

# Gardeners of Northville and Novi

DATE: Monday, Oct. 13 TIME: 6:30 p.m. LOCATION: Northville Public Library. DETAILS: Sue Grabba

This weekend at Borders Bookstores

All events held at the Novi Town Center location, Phone (248) 347-0780 for more information

### Educator Appreciation Weekend

DATE: Cct. 10-12
DETAILS: Borders will honor local educators for their hard
work and dedication during "Educator Appreciation Weekend."
Each store will offer educators a 25-percent discount on most dicts, including items not intended for classroom use. Meet nors Kathleen Hanna, Jill Sklar, Annabel Cohen, Jackie Kallen and more. See store for complete details

### Faeding Families Fast

3: Saturday, Oct. 11.

TIME: 2 p.m. DETAILS: "Got2Go: Feeding Families Fast" Cooking Demonstration & Book Signing, Kathleen Hanna will demon-strate simple recipes for families on the go and sign copies of "Got2Go: Feeding Families Fast," which provides over 300 recipes that are easy to make, economical, and use readily available ingredients. It's the perfect cookbook to help feed "on the nilies while in the car, before the game, or with a simple

### Eating for Acid Wellux DATE: Saturday, Oct. 11,

TIME: 4 p.m. DETAILS: Co-authors Annahel Cohen and Jill Sklar will sign copies of their popular book and give advice to those affected by acid reflux. In "Eating for Acid Reflux," authors Jill Sklar and nabel Cohen, both of whom have suffered from reflux, offer an invaluable resource for all those seeking relief from acid reflux symptoms. Split into two user-friendly sections-handbook and cookbook-Eating for Acid Reflux is perfect for everyone newly diagnosed with acid reflux as well as for those who've struggled with the condition for years and are seeking new tips and diet

### Hit Me With Your Best Shot

DATE: Saturday, Oct. 11.

TIME: 7 p.m. DETAILS: "Hit Me With Your Best Shot: A Fight Plan for Dealing With All of Life's Hard Knocks' Book Signing
Meet female boxing manager and author
Jackie Kallen.



Jackie Kallen is a former journalist, television newscaster, and public relations consultant. She stands out not only as the most suc-cessful female boxing manager in the sport's history but as the only woman to own and run her own boxing gym — Galaxy Boxing, in Detroit. Her life inspired the forthcoming movie Against the Ropes, starring Meg Ryan. In Hit Me With Your Best Shot, Jackie

shares her secrets to leading a successful life

and competing in a man's world with warmth, savvy, and street smarts. Whether your battles are in the bedroom or the boardroom, she gives you the tools to deliver a knockout punch. With a no-nonsense approach and the heart she looks for in her fighters, Jackie will motivate and inspire you. She's the supreme personal trainer.

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DATE; Tuesday, Oct. 14 TIME: 7:30 p.n LOCATION: Hillside Middle

School, Center St. at 8 Mile, Rd.

DETAIL Sneaker: Deana Rabiah, Educational Outreach Coordinator, ACCESS Cultural

Arts (Arab Community Center

Rabiah will speak on Arab Culture, Islam and the Arab American Experience

and Social Services).. Ms

TIME: 7:30 p.m LOCATION: Novi Civic

DETAILS: The Novi Civic Center will be performing with

st conductor Diran Kochyan

Cassis speaks to Newcomers

DATE: Monday, Oct. 20 TIME: 7 p.m. LOCATION: Forum Room of the Instructional Technology Center on Taft Road.

DETAILS: State Sen. Nancy
Cassis will be offering a general update of Novi and the surround ing area, including any new busi-ness or legislation which may impact the Novi community.

All local residents are welcome to attend. (You need not be

PHONE: For seating, RSVPs preferred by October 17 to Kim Love at 248-305-8775, or call her with any questions.

# Novi Chamber of Commerce October

TIME: 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. LOCATION: DoubleTree 27000 Sheraton Drive, Novi. DETAILS: Speaker-Kurt Metzher from Wayne State University. He will be speaking on "The Changing Faces of Oakland County-What the Demographics can tell you PHONE: For reservation (\$18.00) 248-349-3743.

### Quick and Healthy Cooking Demo DATE: Thursday, Oct. 23

TIME: 6 p.m. LOCATION: Botsford Cente for Health Improvement, 39750 Grand River Avenue, located between Haggerty and Meadowbrook in Novi fast, easy and healthy meals for

you and your family in PHONE: (248) 477-6100 to

### Author Tom Grace signing book DATE: Thursday, Oct. 23 TIME: 7 p.m.

LOCATION: Borders, Novi Town Center
DETAILS: Former Northville resident and author Tom Grace will be signing copies of his lat-est book, the "Twisted Web". Copies of the 400-page science

thriller will be available for PHONE: (248) 347-0780

Grand Court, Novi, Annual Health Fair DATE: Friday, Oct. 24

LOCATION: Grand Court.

DETAILS: Low cost screening for stroke, peripheral arterial dis ease and osteoporosis and other testing. Also, physicians and elder law attorneys will discuss issues related to local seniors.

-PHONE: 248-669-5330 to pre

# Childtime's Community Hallowee

DATE: Tuesday, Oct. 28 TIME: 6:30 p.m.-8 p.m. LOCATION: Childtime, 2720 Oakley Park, Commerce. DETAILS: free food, costume est, free arts and crafts. PHONE: 248-669-7448

# Walled Lake Central High School "The

TIME: 7 p.m.-9 p.m. LOCATION: Walled Lake Central High School, 1600 Oakley Park Rd., Walled Lake

DETAILS: Featuring Kenneth Krygel, a drug recognition expert from the Macomb Community College Criminal Justice Training Center. For parents, teachers, administrators and community members covering topics on cur rent drugs of choice, signs and symptoms of drug use with new trendy drugs, displays of drug paraphernalia, an overview o rave culture and a question and answer period. Free program. PHONE: Donna Camardese,

# ome a government vendor semina TIME: 8:30-11:30 a.m.

LOCATION: Oakland Schools

248-681-8836

Auditorium, 2111 Pontiac Lake Rd. west of Telegraph, in

DETAILS: Learn how to

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NAACP President Nancy Quarles. The session includes a

"resource walk" where partici-pants can meet one-on-one with

representatives from a variety o

nunicipal and institutional pur-

DATE: Saturday, Nov. 8 TIME: 8:30 a.m.-4:45 p.m.

Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI

DETAILS: To fund the Safety

Town program for 4-6 year olds. Safety Town is a community edu-

cation program teaching children safety behavior. Children are

introduced to safety conditions in

mini-town, \$24 per person or

and door prizes)This annual

only. Call (248) 449-1206

DATE: Saturday, Nov. 8

Christian School,40800 West Thirteen Mile Road, At M-5

TIME: 10am – 4pm LOCATION: Franklin Road

Between Haggerty Road and

DETAILS:C rafters are still

home decorating.

Holiday Craft Show

event is a day of mini sessions

for women dealing with health, nutrition, exercise, financial and

PHONE: Advanced ticket sales

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This request will be considered at 3:00 p.m. on Wednoodsy,
October 15, 2003 at the Novi Civic Center, 45:175 W. Ten Mille Road:
All written comments should be directed to the City of Novi Building
Department and must be received prior to October 15, 2003.

TEMPORARY USE PERMIT SECRETARY (10-9-03 NN 89765)

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

# ON-GOING

Women: Be Fit and Fabilious October 7, attend once a week for \$40 or twice a week for \$75; 4-week series begins November 25, attend once a week for \$25 or twice a week for \$50, TIME: All sessions begin at

LOCATION: Botsford Center for Health Improvement, 39750 Grand River Avenue, located

etween Haggerty and deadowbrook in Novi DETAILS: This program encompasses a variety of ses sions including aerobics for car-diovascular health, strength train-

PHONE: Registration: call

voga for flexibility and relax

# Oakland County Health Division Child

Health Clinics

DETAILS: Free Well care check-ups, immunizations, physi cal exams, guidance/referrals or behavioral, learning, and health

problems.
PHONE: Oakland County
Health Division, Mary White,
Program Coordinator, Child
Health Clinics, 248-858-1380.

### Church of the Hely Cross Episcopal Prayer Sessions DATE: Wednesdays starting

Sentember 17 (Ninc weeks) TIME: 10 a.m.-11:30 a.m. LOCATION: Church of th Holy Cross, 46200 W. Ten Mile

DETAILS: Open to all. Come and learn, practice and deepen your prayer life. \$15/donation to cover the cost of the workbook. PHONE: 248-349-1175

# , Church of the Holy Cross Episcopal

DATE: beginning September TIME: Worship, 7:45 a.m. and 10 a.m., nursery care and sunday school, 10 a.m.-nursery is designed and coordinated by a registered pediatric nurse, sunday

school for 3-15 year olds, youth and fourth Sunday exemines of and every/months Wednesday worship service of Holy Eucharist-12:10 LOCATION: 46200 W. Ten

### DETAILS: Meeting of local fessionals and business look

Providence Hospital and Novi Community Credit Union library series ing to increase word-of-mouth referral business. Various classifi-cations open and eager to bring DATES: Oct. 15, Chro Pain & Arthritis; Nov. 11,ADHD. TIME: 6:30 p.m.-8 p.m. LOCATION: Novi Library, 45245 Ten Mile Rd., Novi PHONE: (734) 462-6460 DETAILS: Due to limited space, please call to reserve a

### seat, light dinner is provided PHONE: (248) 349-0720. Providence Center for the Healing Arts "Tuesdays at Assarian"

DATE: every Tuesday night TIME: 5 p.m.-8 p.m. LOCATION: Assarian Cancer enter, 47601 Grand River,

DETAILS: Variety of activities and enjoy a unique mix of class es brought to you by the Providence Center for the Healing Arts. Aug. 26 - Modern Japanese Calligraphy, Ceramics. Some activities may include a supplies fee (no more than \$10)

PHONE: (248) 465-5483.

DATE: every Saturday TIME: 9-10:30 a.m. LOCATION: Ha Fellowship Church, 49329 Pontiac Trail, Wixom (Parking is behind the church) DETAILS: You are welcome t come for encouragement, help, hope and prayer as you face life's

problems, issues and frustrations. Drop in for five minutes or longer. PHONE: Nancy & Susan (248) 926-8332 or by e-mail at harvestfellowship@comcast.net

# Adoption Playgroup DATE: first and third Fridays

of the month
TIME; 10 a.m.
LOCATION: Holy Family

Catholic Church (on Meadowbrook Rd. between 10 DETAILS: We are a not for profit, non-denominational group

that brings adoptive families together. Our twice a month meetings provide families wit the opportunity to share play and conversation. During the sum-mer, we meet at specially designated times and locations PHONE: For more informati contact Michelle Pergeau (248) 887-4955 or Sandra Noonan.... (248) 960-3257.

Business referrals DATE: every Wed. ongoing LOCATION: Novi Civic enter, 45175 10 Mile Rd. TIME: 7 - 8:30 a.m.

DATE: ongoing series LOCATION: Oakland County lealth Division, 1010 East West

DATE: first and third Tuesdays LOCATION: Novi Civic Center, activities room TIME: 7-8:45 p.m.

**DETAILS:** Toastmasters will help you improve your communi-cation skills, voice your opinion, polish your presentations and practice leadership. PHONE: For more information, call Colleen at (248) 685-

### Breast Cancer Support Group DATES: second and fourth

Tuesdays of the month
LOCATION: Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital, Commerce Classroom C on the ground floor TIME: 10 a.m.- 11:30 a.m

DETAILS: There is no need to call ahead and register.

Oakland County Health Division

# Expectant Parent Classes

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

aught by Public Health Nurses lopics will include childbirth preparation, labor and delivery, care of the newborn baby, breast feeding, bottle-feeding, informa-tion about keeping children safe, and caring for them when they PHONE: (248) 858-4003, or (888) 350-0900 ext. 84003

# New TOPS chapter in Novi

LOCATION: Meadowbrook Commons Activities Room, 25075 Meadowbrook Rd., Novi TIME: 11 a.m. weigh in, 11:30 TIME: 6:30 p.m. LOCATION: Wyndham .m. meeting
DETAILS: \$20/yearly memperchin registration, includes

bership registration, incl handbook, \$1/meeting. New members welcome brings together working women of diverse occupations and pro-vide opportunities for them to Send calendar items to Cal Stone, Novi News, 104 W. Main, help themselves and others grov to estone@ht.homecomm.net.

DATE: third Mondays

which includes full dinner. Future dates for the Novi Oaks Garden Hotel in Novi DETAILS: American Business Women's Association (ABWA) Charter Chapter include and PHONE: Chris Struwe at (248)

269-2035 or e-mail Christina.struwe@huntington.com Send calendar items to Cal Stone, Novi News, 104 W. Main, Northville, MI 48168 or e-mail to cstone@ht.homecomm.net.



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# NOVI PUBLIC LIBRAR **SPORTS**

# Queens of the KVC again!

# Tennis seniors have always won coveted KVC crown

By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER

It must be a strange thought for the seniors on the Novi Wildcats girls tennis team — the thought of losing, that is. For eight straight years, the Novi Wildcats have taken control of the

Kensington Valley Conference and kept it as they won the championships. Now and then, they shared that title with the Brighton Bulldogs, but for the past four

years, it has been all Novi's.

What that means is that the seniors on the team this year, all five of them, have known nothing but outright conference championships since they started on varsity as freshmen. The Wildcats took first place in the

Kensington Valley Conference Tournament as they gathered a total of 21 points. Pinckney took second with 10 points, and Brighton took third with

"This is a very talented team," Novi coach Jim Hanson said. "We have more depth than most teams, and it showed." The Wildcats had little trouble scaling

yet another conference victory for their high school trophy case, as they swept the championships of all of the doubles flights as well as third and fourth sin-

gles.

In the doubles flights, where the Wildcats are the deepest, the conference found total domination coming in the form of green-and-white duos. In the first doubles flight, Colene Brockman and Emily Holt marched to victóry with a win over Brighton's Pam Stafford and Stephanie Harper in the first round, 6-1, before they marched on to be all 6-0, before they marched on to beat Nicole Fabisiak Stephanie Latroy in three sets 6-3, 6-7 (5), 6-1, before beating Pinckney's Claira Harris and Cate Harris 6-1, 6-3 to

Claira Harris and Cate Harris 6-1, 6-3 to carn the championship.

The second doubles flight of Laura Vaughn and Ayano Nakamura dominat-ed in similar fashion as they blasted Lakeland's Allison Corbin and Britany Offut 6-0, 6-0 before marching to a 6-1, 7-5 win over Pinckney's Abbey Ventrone and Allison Diaz in the second round. In the championship match, Brighton's Laurie Lysak and Mary

Brunken in three sets 6-1, 3-6, 6-4.

In the third doubles flight found Amanda Cassidy and Kaylan Pustover stampeded to a flight championship as they topped South Lyon's Katic Gjerpin and Brenda Hewlett 6-0, 6-1 before beating Howell's Heather Marshall and Keri Wanlass 6-1, 6-2. In the championship match, the Novi duo beat Brighton's Sara Jane Beach and Lisa Deptula 6-4, 6-2 for the flight title.

The fourth doubles flight that the same success as the other Novi duos as Lauren Thomas and Becky Thomson pranced to a 6-2, 6-2 victory over Pinckney's Lisa Pearson and Mandy Roach before getting a 6-1, 6-0 win over Milford's Taylor Quinn and Melani Plank. Brighton was their foe in the championship match, and Bulldogs Lauren Rentz and Jenny Borgstrom couldn't keep up with the Novi pair as they ran away with a 6-1, 6-0 championship win.

The third singles flight found Anna

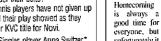
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The third singles flight found Anna Switzer pound her way to victory as she

onshìos under their belts? These tennis players have not given up all year and their play showed as they

- Third Singles player Anna Switzer\*
- First Doubles team of Colene
- Vaughn and Ayano Nakamura
- Fourth Doubles Team of Lauren
- Thomas and Becky Thomson

won't quit until they have flight champi-



- E Fourth Singles player Diana Ticu
- Second Doubles team of Laura
- Third Doubles team of Amanda

# Too much Hart for Hartland

Kreutzberg on the receiving end of a pair of touchdown strikes from senior quarterback

By Lon Medd

Big plays made the difference in the October 3 game between Novi and Hartland for the Eagle's homecoming

night.
Senior quarterback Mike Hart threw two touchdown passes of 35 and 36 yards to senior wide receiver Kerry Kreutzberg to help beat Hartland 21-7.

"It's their homecoming," Hart said. going to fight to the end. We just to had to exe-"It's their home-

eute each and every play and that's what we did and that's why we won." The Wildeats came into the game ranked eighth in the state in Division 1 and improved to 6-0 on the season, while the Eagles fell to 2-4 on

the season. Unseasonably cold weather mixed with steady rain kept both teams from doing too much on offense for most of the first half.

Hart's performance stood out because he was responsible for all three Novi touchdowns on the night.

With just under two minutes left in the first

half. Hart scored on a 1-

half, Hart scored on a 1yard run to finish an 11play, 82-yard drive.

Hartland got the ball back, but would
turn the ball over on their first play of the
possession. Quarterback Tim Hallin tried
going down the field, but the ball was
intercepted by Kreutzberg and returned
to the Hartland 42. to the Hartland 42. With 38.1 seconds left in the half,

Hart would find Kreutzberg for a 36-yard touchdown pass to go up 14-0 at the half Hartland turned the ball over three

times on the night, but Eagles coach Todd Cobb said that was the one that really

"Outside of that, turnovers really were not a factor," he said.

The Eagles would get back into the game in the middle of the third quarter

with a 15-yard touchdown run, courtesy of senior running back Chad Takacs, which closed the gap to 14-7. Takacs would lead all backs with 85

yards on 16 carries.

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Cobb said the weather conditions didn't allow the Eagles offense to throw as much as they normally would. Senior quarterback Jeremy Jess threw for 71 yards on eight completions.

"I thought we moved the ball both on the ground and through the air," he said. "I know we averaged over five yards a rush

and you can't be disap-pointed with that."

As much ground as Hartland would gain Hartland would gain with their offense, untimely penalties would hurt the Eagles throughout the night. Hartland would end up with seven penalties for 73 yards. "Penalties are something that we have to

fight to the end. thing that we have to investigate," Cobb said. "We have to study that on film and find out why We just to had to execute each and every play and they are being commit-ted and find out if they that's what we

are being committed."

As soon as Hartland was able to pull closer on the scoreboard, the

on the scoreboard, the Wildcat offense would strike again quickly.

Mike Hart Senior quarterback Senior quarterback the momentum gained by the Eagles. Hart and Kreutzberg would hook up one more time with a 35-yard touchdown pass to go up 21-7.

"Throughout the whole season, our kirls have done a nice job in terms of Senior quarterback

kids have done a nice job in terms of being ready to play on Friday night and I felt like tonight when we approached the game it was really no different," said Navi head coach Tab Kellenourey. "We

came out here ready to play."

Kellepourey was pleased with the effort given by his defense to hold the Eagles to seven points for the game.
"Even though Hartland has got

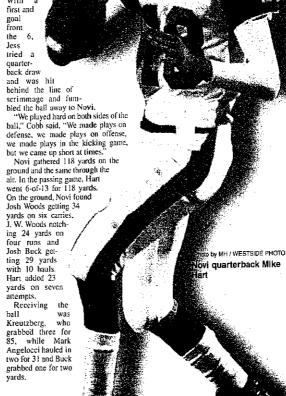
tremendous size and strength, I tho our defensive line played a nice game said. "The defense came through and held them to seven points.

Despite the 14-point affect Hardand continued to play hard and tried to make the game interesting late in the fourth quarter.
The Eagles would





Hart added 23 attempts.



Just who are those Wildcats that just

won another KVC title for Novi.

- Brockman\* and Emily Holt
- Cassidy and Kaylan Pustover

\* Both Switzer (third singles) and Brockman (first doubles) are four time Kensington Valley Conference champs.

# Don't celebrate too much

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It's an exciting week for everyone in the halls at Novi High School, with Homecoming and all — but, I have to say that in my opinion it also one of the most vulnerable weeks for a squad as well.

The Novi Wildests are a dam see I see I was the best of the week for the see I were the see I was th

good football team, but even the best team in the country can find itself on

the wrong end of a game if they get too distracted. unfortunately it also finds many of the football play-ers involved in

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various activities or contest and such. That can

quickly lead to a fatigued player on the field come Friday night. The Wildcats aren't going against the best of teams for a Friday night and for Homecoming either. The Milford Mavericks may not be the team that had such potential last year, but they have good memories and they are no doubt going to be looking to take down Novi just like those wacky Wildeats did to them twice last year (for those with shortterm memories. Novi beat them in the regular season and then again in the playoffs to send the Mavericks gathering their belongings and

watching the rest of the post-season from home). I am going to be the first to say that I have no love for Milford. Being that I am a major Novi fan from the tips of my toes to the hair on my head, I am quick to feel the rivalry that brews there and quicker to support my squad when this game rolls around.

Without going in to detail about a difference of opinion two years ago between myself and Milford coach Pat Fox, you can safely say that I would love to see Novi win this

Now, I have no doubt that plenty of Novi football players and fans feel the same as I do. A win over Milford is always a sweet thing, and the quicker we can rack up the points and secure that win the sooner the team can get prepped to start enjoying their Homecoming dance

And, as if I need to mention it, this win will go a long ways towards a Kensington Valley Conference championship which still needs two more victories to ensure outright. If the Mavericks manage a win in this game, that means Novi can only hope for a share of the crown with either South Lyon or Brighton. And, you can bet your paycheck on this one – every player on the Milford squad wants to do to Novi what the 'Cats did to them in the 2002 cam-

paign.

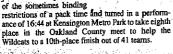
I am, however, betting that Tab I am, however, betting that Tab Kellepourey and his coaching staff of John Osborne, David Hartman and Jeff Burnside will have their squad geared up and ready to play some football come tomorrow night. To let a game like this slip past their fingers would be a painful experience for the squad, the parents and the fans. I know it would pain me if it were to happen, so I am confident my team isn't going to let me down my team isn't going to let me down and will come away with a win.

Novi 35, Milford 14



### Mark Moore Juniar **Cross Country**

Any time your top run-r earns a career-best mark at a particular course you have to take notice. Well, when it comes to Moore, just about any time he runs you should take notice. The stellar Novi ior was finally let loose of the sometimes binding





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Alison Greulich Senior Basketball

The Novi girls' basketball team may not be on the winning track when it comes to KVC play at this point in time, but that doesn't mean players aren't scoring Greulich, one of the team's most potent offensive threats, has collected double-digit

games the 'Cats have participated in and has been a steady leader on court for her team. No doubt, she will strive, as the rest of the Novi basketball team, to get back to their winning ways.

# NOVI PUBLIC

# Conference play proves challenging for Wildcats

It's not the easiest thing in the Kensington Valley Conference to be a team that is in a year of growth — especially when that growth has to come from all angles and aspects

of a team.

The Novi Wildcats girls baskethall team is in that period of growth right now, and they are finding themselves struggling in a very tough and surprising conference. In a week that found the squad playing two of the toughest teams in the KVC, the Wildcats were on the wrong end of the scoreboard as they fell to Lakeland 49-45 and to Brighton 48-35.

Against Brighton, the Wildcats Bulldogs haven't shown one bit of pain from that loss as they climbed to a 7-1 record overall and 3-0 conference standing with the win over

Novi didn't back down from the challenge though, and found Rachele Folino and Alison Greulich collecting 12 points each in the losing effort. The loss dropped the Wildeats to a 5-4 record after five straight victories and a sudden 0-3 run in the confer-

The Wildcats are slated to return Harrland on the road today at p.m. before hosting Milford at 7 p.m. Oct. 14. The 'Cats will then visit Pinckney in yet another KVC showdown Oct, 16 with a 7 p.m.

### Lakeland 49, Novi 45

The first thing that anyone would Hagles girls basketball team is that they don't have a single senior on team. That, however, doesn't

The Lakeland Eagles came in Novi with a plan of showing just how much talent they do posses, putting up an impressive 49 points on their way to a victory over the Wildcats:

Grewlich led the scoring, though her 18 points didn't mean the dif-ference in the game. Her squad notched a conference loss after collecting five straight wins before the start of the KVC schedule, which

Sam Eveleston is the sports writer

Plymouth Whalers

increased their winning streak to four games with a 5-0 shutout

over the visiting Sudbury Wolves on Saturday night. Vaclay Meidl paced the Whalers with two goals and Jeff Weber earned his first

shutout of the year. The Whalers

'season, Plymouth's Mike Letizia

gave his team a 1-0 lead when his slapshot from the point snuck past

Sudbury goalie Patrick Ehelechner at 9:34 of the first

period. Gino Pisellini earned the

one assist. After killing off a 5-

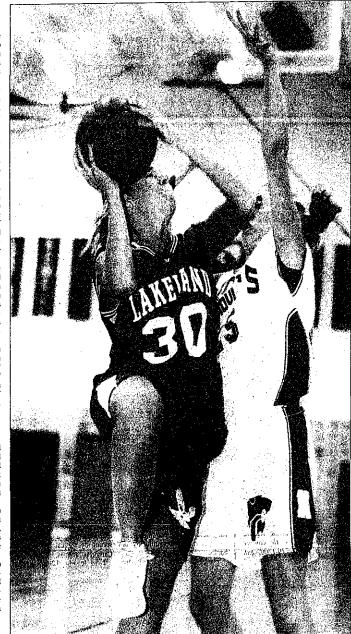
took advantage of their own

Meidl scored his first of the sea-son at 17:56 of the first. John Mitchell assisted on the goal to

give the Whalers a 2-0 lead. The Whalers increased their

play opportunity as Vaclay

now 4-2 on the season while



Novi's Rachele Folino, right, tries to block the shot of a Lakeland basketball player during a game hosted by the Wildcats last week.

Whalers start off on the right foot

# **SPORTS SHORTS**

Haggerty Road.
The team has professional coaching from a former professional, college and USA Junior Olympic baseball player in Auron Knieper. The squad plays the Little Ceasar's travel eague and is currently looking for very senior players to fill 12

Indoor training will be availand players must not be over 14 years of age before August 1, 2004. able at Total Baseball in Wixom,

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The arena's Learn to Skate Program runs through December 20 with a wide variruns through ety of classes being offered at different times Tuesdays through Saturday. Classes include. Beginning Tots. include, Beginning Tots, Snowplow Sam, Freestyle, Adult, Hockey Skills and

There will be no classes the week of November 24-29.
Arena spokesman Jennifer Sutherland said admission and skate rental at the open house is free to all skaters, and will give prospective students a chance to skate with Learn to Skate instructors so they can be placed in the proper class. She added Learn to Skate students get free admission to open skating at Novi Ice Arena throughout the session with their registration receipt. Open registration for Learn

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travel baseball team will be
holding tryouts October 12 from
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# Stanek grits teeth, plays through pain for victory

# By Sam Eggleston SPORTS WRITER

Some people say that a tie is a lidn't end p with the horrific feeling of a loss in the pit of your stomach, but you didn't get the weet taste of victory either

Well, that saying probably doesn't hold true for the Novi Wildcats, After taking a loss to Brighton earlier this year, the more than falling short of their

Thanks to some intense play by the defensive corps as well as the outstanding saves A.J. Glubzinski nulled out of thin air, the Novi squad found themselves down only 1-0 as halftime rolled A.W. Stanek. The Wildeat defend-

"We made some halftime adjustments and seemed to settle down in the second half," O'Leary out the entire half, and did so without being at 100-percent.
"A.W. Stanek did a great job o

The Wildeats managed to notch in part to some interesting arrangements on the field. Brad Simpson, who is a senior, was moved from his normal position of defender to midfield in the second half and found himself scoring the only Novi goal of the

night.
The intense senior won the ball in the box before being knocked "It was a game of two halves for us," Novi coach Brian O'Leary said. "In the first half we played awful."

To the ground by a Brighton defender and quickly awarded a penalty kick. Simpson took the ball and converted it for a goal.

tying the game up at 1-1 to cap the scoring for both team.

The Wildcats managed to stay in the contest through the second

"Especially considering that A.W. is playing in a sprained ankle."
Novi's record is now 11-1-2 overall and 8-1-1 in the Kensington Valley Conference.

The Wildcats are slated to be back in action when they host

covering Brighton's best player i

Hartland today at 7 p.m. befo visting Milford October 14 with a 7 p.m. start. Novi will then host Pinckney in their final regular season home game at 7 p.m. October 16. All three games are Kensington Valley Conference

### Novi 4. Lakeland 0

The Wildcats had no trouble handling the Lakeland Eagles in a Kensington Valley Conference owdown. But, the Eagles had lenty of trouble stopping the

Matt and Brad Simpson, a jui ior and senior respectively, score

"As a team, we played excellent soccer," O'Leary said of the game which found everyone on his team playing at least 15 minutes. "We ed the ball around very well and dribbled when it was appro-

Earning assists in the game was Matt Nickels, who collected three in an outstanding offensive effort, while Brad Simpson carned the third. Glubzinski made three saves for his sixth shutout of the

Glubzinski's play, which has the Wildcats maintain their high level intensity throughout the seacollect plenty of impressive saves throughout the 2003 campaign.

writer for the Northville Record and the Novi News. He can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 104 or at

# (Front row, left to right) Adam Tehranisa, Jordan Selva, Mark Wagner, Mark Zheng,

Blake Tschirhart, Andrew Ukrop and Chris Wolln; (back row, left to right) Coach Bob Pavlovic, Tenkl Yamada, Anuj Rama, Matt Johnson, Kristian Kalaj, Jon Bauer, Josh Kirby, Chris Song, Craig Demshuk, Nick Kalweit and Asst. Coach Jerod

# Novi Jaguars boys win tournament

Despite stiff competition from teams through-out the Detroit area, the Novi Jaguars under-12 boys white team came out winners at the Oakland University Global Soccer Tournament held September 13-14 in Rochester, Michigan, The 4-1 decisive victory in the finals against Waza East

decisive victory in the himst against waz Zeak was a great team effort by all of the players. The Novi Jaguars U-12 boys white team played with great determination and effort to advance to the finals of the Oakland University Global Soccer Tournament in Rochester, Michigan and defeat Waza East in an exciting 4-1 victory for the championship on Sunday, September 14. The Jaguars carned a trip to the finals by tying the Metrostars 1-1 in the first game of the tournament Andrew Ukrop scoring for Novi. Game 2 against Rochester was won 2-1 with Chris Song providing both Jaguar goals. Game 3 was a shut-out against

Canton with a 2-0 victory, advancing the team to the finals to face Waza East. Jordan Selva score the first Novi goal followed by Andrew Ukrop. The rain did not stop the Novi Jaguars from coming out on fire in the finals match to defeat Waza East 4-1 in a decisive victory that left no doub who was the champion. Jordan Selva, Josh Kirby, Andrew Ukrop, and Blake Tschirhart scored consecutively for the Jaguars. A rock solid defense in Jon Bauer, Anuj Rama, and Nick Kalweit with a solid performance from goalie Matt Johnson helped ensure the victories throughout the tournament. Hard work and great team effort by all of the players provided an incredible, unforgettable performance and a well-deserved victory for the Novi Jaguars U-12 boys. Congratulations Global 2003 Champions! mance and a well-deserved victory for the

# COLTS FOOTBALL

### Freshman Colts 35. Livonia Falcons 13

On a perfect fall day for foot-ball, the Northville/Novi Freshman Colts (3-2) returned to their winning ways with an impressive 25-13 victory over the Livonia Falcons. With contributions from everyone on the team, the Colts followed what has ecome their trademark: a stifling defense, a punishing offen-sive line and hard running by its

Now leading 12-6, the Colts The Falcons struck early by defense continued its dominant play. Alex Turner recovered a fumble on the Falcon's 45-yard scoring on their first play from scrimmage on a 39-yard run. Unfazed, the determined Colts line and Frankie Mastrangelo broke up a possible touchdown pass just before half time. responded with their own scoring drive. Connor Pollifrone jump started the Colts with a spectacu-Defensive end Michael Walukus was unstoppable, as he recorded 7 tackles, many of them sacks, Stegmeyer (7 plus pancakes), Garrett Wiska, Jake Bates, Derek Mully, Robert Paciocco and Derek Ince opened huge holes and he recovered a fumble in the second half to snuff out another

for the backs all game. Ends Joe Carroll, Zach Vidra and Connor Pollifrone also contributed pun-ishing blocks. Jeffrey Hewlett no time taking back the lead on a 63-yard run to open the second half to go ahead 13-12. The (17 carries/ 124 yards) scored from 8 yards out behind the from 8 yards out behind the blocking of running mate Cormac Littleton (11 carries/ 48 yard touchdown run by Jeffrey Hewlett, Cormac Littleton added another touchdown on a 10-yard sweep, which was punctuated by Dawson Laabs 3-yard quarteryards). The frisky Colts kept things rolling when Connor Pollifrone scored a 25-yard back keeper for the extra point to expand the Colts lead to 25-13.

The swarming Colts defense they keep took over the game (Trayor) touchdown on a reverse play,

sprung by a great block by end Cameron Thomas. then took-over the game. Trevo Maresh had a monster game, registering 15 tackles, including several jarring hits. Robert Paciocco (13 tackles), Derek Ince (10), Jim Cowart (7), Brad Currier, Hamilton Cauffiel and Matt Wright also had great games for the defense. Defensive backs Connor Pollifrone, Nick Wieland and Sean Gomillion made sever-

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# Underclassman Scores

### FRESHMAN GIRLS BASKETBALL Overall: 9-0

The Novi freshman girls bas-ketball team has won its first hine games of the season. The undefeated Wildeats have won six non-league games, and are 3-0 in Kensington Valley conference (KVC) action. The

We are a really talented and athletic group of girls that are quite exciting to watch." The Novi ninth graders also

Wildcats, coached by Sue Tomanek, defeated rival Brighton, 42-25, Thursday have beaten Canton, 30-14; outside, in the third quarter. Novi's Brittany Safford hit Centrals 40-25; Walled Lake Western, 46-12; Northville, 28-17; Ann Arbor Huron, 34-24; Novi applied full-court pressure

Howell, 39-11; and Lakeland 4624. in the final period and created some steals, but couldn't convert the turnovers into points. Stephanie Crawford led the

ond on a nice effort by John Vigilante, Vigilante took a pass from Ramsay and slid a back-

hand shot between the legs of

Ehelechner at 12:36 of the second

did the rest, turning away 17 shots

Plymouth 2, Owen Sound 1

The Whalers will now get ready

for the shutout.

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BASKETBALLOverall: 4-5

The Novi junior varsity girls basketball team got off to a quick start, but lost to KVC rival Brighton, 42-34. Thursday, but to the start of the sta played perhaps their best game of the season, defeating the Lakeland Eagles, 42-28. The Wildcats tough, match-up, zone The lady Wildcats led at halftime, 24-22. Audrey Smith demonstrated impressive ball-fake and scoring skills, as defense generated numerous steals, which that led to many fast-break opportunities. Katie Walker, Kellie Walker and ball-lake and scoring shall, as she contributed six points off the fast break. Brighton found its scoring touch, both inside and outside, in the third quarter. Novi's Brittany Safford hit Ashley Gazdecki all led the Wildcats' defensive charge. Nine players scored for Novi, led by Stephanie Crawford with eight points. Lisa Harden, Kara Yadach and Amanda Diacona

Compuware Sports Arena October 3. Dearborn's John knocked a rebound past Plymouth netminder Paul Drew at 5:28 of Vigilante and David Liffiton pro-vided the scoring while Whalers with 33 saves on the night. Th Whalers are now 3-2 on the sea-

son and will host Sudbury on Saturday night.

Plymouth jumped out to a quick lead when it scored less goals in the third as Meidl scored his second of the game and Dan Collins secred his first OHL career goal to ice the win. Weber ban a minute into the game. John man a minute into the game. John Vigilante rook a feed from Ryan Ramsay and beat Attack goalie Dan Lacosta just 58 seconds into the game. The Whalers continued to pressure and it paid off when David Liffton scored his first great of the season on the power The Whaters will now get ready to travel to Windsor tonight. Their next home game is October 11 against the SS Marie Greyhounds. Tickets are available by calling (2):1452-8400. goal of the season on the power

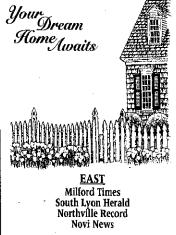
Penalties hurt the Whalers in the second period as the Attack The Plymouth Whalers carned a hard fought 2-1 victory over the power play chances to cut the lead power play chances to cut the lead

a hard fought 2-1 victory over the first place Owen Sound Attack at to 2-1. Kevin Baker scored his

Two days earlier, the Wildcats

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things work in the game of golf.
"Things can change quickly in
this sport," Huss said and comnow, these boys can do something pared the statement with last sca-son's results. "Consider we shot a 331 at the regional last year and then a week later shot 296 and

218 in terrible weather to win the state championship." reached at (248) 349-1700, ext.

Huss said he has full confi-

Wildcats hit small slump

"We had a bad stretch the last dence in his team's post-season three matches," Novi coach Brad Huss said. "I still have a lot of confidence in the hoys and I think they will play well from here on

Novi goalle A.J. Glubzinski dives for a save in warm-ups

pefore a Wildcat soccer match earlier this season.

Against a very strong Milford team, the Wildcats managed to get a 144-144 tie before losing on the fifth score. Brett Jaussi took charge of his squad, shooting an impressive 34 in the effort while tearmrates Brandon Cigna and Eric Aytes collected 35s. Mike Martinez shot a 40 in the losing

It's never fun to be a team that helps define the word slump. Unfortunately for the Novi

Wildcats boys golf team did just that as they fell to both Milford and Hartland before taking ninth at the Oakland County

Against Hartland, it was Jaussi once again leading his squad but there was never much of a contest as Hartland escaped with a pun-ishing 150-166 win over their 37 on the day — which was a five strokes better than his neares Wildcat linkster, who was Aytes with a 42. Cigna shot a 43 on the day, and R.J. Makoski shot a 44.

The Wildcats aren't out of the ference race though. They might not have the greatest chance of winning the crown, but the chance is still there nonetheess. "We still have the Post-KVC

looking at conference titles there are bigger fish to fry. "Our main focus is the regional and qualifying for the state meet,"

at the Oakland County meet, which is a full 18 holes of golf against some of the best competi-tion in the state. Novi managed to take a ninth-place finish as Cigna led the Wildcats with an impressive 75 in the tournament, while Aytes recorded an 81. Jaussi notched an 85 for his efforts,

# MI-DAN







and if we win tonight we have ar outside chance at the league title, But, the Wildcats aren't just

Huss said. The Wildcats had a tough time while fellow 'Cat Mark Eberline

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# Queens: Novi notches yet another crown

beat Howell's Karina English 6-1, 6-3 in the first round before blasting Pinckney's Ashley Candy 6-2, 6-2. In the finals match, Hardand's Elizabeth Laswell fell to Switzer 6-3, 6-2. Fourth singles found sophomore Diana Tieu winning each of her matches, including the championship, 6-0, 6-0. She

The Wildeats are now gearing beat Milford's Karen Bordt in up for the Regional Tournament

championship.

At first singles, Ashley
Glover won the first two rounds
ash she beat Sam Munday of
Howell 6-2, 6-1 before topping
Hartland's Elizabeth Atwood 6-

In the championship round. Nikki Getsoian of Pinckney got the best of her, topping Glo 6-2, 6-0.

The second singles flight found Novi's Lauren Carosio winning her first match of the day 6-0, 6-2 over Milford's Kara Hawthorne before falling

the first round, Hartland's which is stated to be held Lauren Klier in the second and Pinckney's Matti Samons in the High School.

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of kids that can lead us on any given night," Wright said. "We've been seeing that, and

couple weeks with out success."

Leading Franklin on the offensive end of the court was

Carly Muncy, who collected jus

seven points to lead her team in the losing effort.

The Mustangs will return to

the court when they visit a very

strong Walled Lake Western team today at 7 p.m. before hosting another strong squad in the Plymouth Canton Chiefs

October 16 with a slated 7 p.m

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# Mustang girls keep finding ways to win on hardwood

Mustangs,

Those winning ways are still continuing for the Northville dustangs girls' basketball team, Leading Franklin on the hut they don't ... Northville

Girls' Basektball

who are coached by Pete Wright, are much like many other leams throughout the state. A rough start in the year found the team looking at what they needed to fix and where they needed to improve and those things seem to be coming together as the squad notched yet another Western notched yet another Western and the Novi News. He can be lakes Activities Association victory with a 48-21 drubbing of the Liverity Feedly 1997 or at

the Livonia Franklin Patriots.

"Certainly, you like to have ome success along the way and in the last couple weeks we've been able to do that," Wright said of three straight victories
"We want to build on that and we want it to continue thi week. We have a couple of pret-ty good caliber teams in Stevenson and Walled Lake Western, but we want to keep it going and maybe get on a win-

The Northville cagers managed to take a 20-13 lead by the half on their own court as they strutted their stuff for their fans friends and family during Homecoming week. The victo ry, which was a conference and lestern Division win, found the Mustangs climbing to 5-4 over-all and 2-2 in the WLAA over that Pats, who are 2-8 and 0-4.

"it's hard sometimes, playing in an off week were you only have one game," Wright said "We did a good job of working through that, as well as all the stuff that is associated with

The deciding factor in the contest was the third period, when the Mustangs puled out a dominating 17-5 run over their conference foes.

bench for the Mustangs, but the team was led by the stellar post play by both Domonique Desira and Evonna Karchon, as each scored 11 points. The Toney sis-ters. Danielle and Simone, scored seven each to help Northville to victory, while Andrea Watts added three and Sarah Comai, Chrissy Castelli and Tracy Garfield added two

"It's nice to give everyone an opportunity to play," Wright noted. "In a game like last week against Franklin, it's nice to see

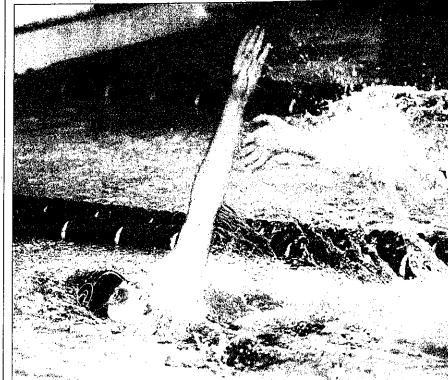
against Franklin, it's nice to see some of those kids step up and score and do things we work on every day in practice."

Notching steals for the Mustangs were both Toney sisters and Comai, who grabbed three each, while Simone Toney had four assists, Meaghan Higgins collected three and Watts added two.

Leading the way on the BETHLEHEM EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH, ELCA

Watts added two.
Leading the way on the boards were Comai, Desira, Emily Weaver and Karchon. Desira hauled down 13 on the night, while Comai pulled down 12. Weaver added nine rebounds to her statistics and Karchon. to her statistics, and Karchor

grabbed seven boards. "We definitely have a handful



Freshman Wildcat swimmer Julie Schram competes in the 200 meter backstroke in a recent meet at Northville High.

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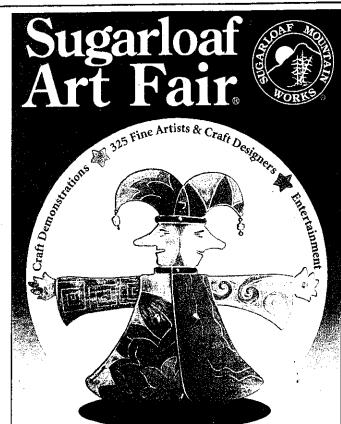
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Novi Jaguars Clinch Title

The U-13 Novi Jaguars were victorious in their bid for first place in the Capital Area Classic Tournament held in Lansing recently. The Championships game against Traverse City went into overtime, resulting in the team's 1st tournament win this

Team members include: Back row: Unche Anaeme, Will VanCleve, Nick Brockman, Andrew Donatto, Drew Blazaitis, Coach Joe Nara, Danny Kilger, Mike Clark, Cory Smetana. Kneeling: Shaun Rydzewski, Max Wujczyk, Marty Niessen, Patrick Ofjara, Brent Rau, Joe Hirka, Brandon Yanik. In Front: Blake Miglio, Tom Machisak

# One hour of gym class a week just isn't enough

According to ABC.com. childtood obesity has tripled since 1980.

Does that surprise anyone?

Most of our children no longer

valk to school, the budget has all but eliminated gym class, and tech-nology has made it very appealing or children to sit in front of hundreds of entertaining screens. None of these obstacles are apt to go away

ago, Gina Blazo decided to take a risk and open her own "parent and child friendly" gymnastics center. "I opened All Star Gymnastics to

exercise and play," she said.

The name was chosen to boost the self-esteem of all the children who joined her gym.

"All children are stars at All Star thing to keep lit. Gymnastics" was her motto. Blazo made her gym a little different than some of her competitors by remaining a privately-owned home away "One hour a week of from home. All of her office school isn't enough."

gym in this area that allows parents in the gym during classes. Blazo feels that it is important for parents to see what their children are doing

and for the child; it is reassurance that their parent cares and is a part of their world. She prides herself on knowing almost every child's name in the gynt. It's important to her to make sure that every child whether a team gynnast or a "just for fun" gynnast feels comfortable and wel-come at All Star. inytime soon.

So as parents, what can we do to

reln our children stay fit? come at All Star.

"Our programs are designed to
make kids happy and fit, not push
them into something that they are
not comfortable doing," Blazo said.

"We have children of all different One Novi business owner and mother of three asked, and answered, this dilemma. Eight years

ages and gymnastics ability. There is a place for every child in this gym." One of Blazo's own children give children a fun, safe place to wanted to dance competitively and only do a recreational gymnastics class once a week, which was line with Blazo as long as she did some-

> "Children need to develop positive attitudes about regular exercise when they are young," said Blazo. "One hour a week of gym class in

ormer students.
All Star Gymnastics is the only long choice and a learned behavior, It is easier for children to learn good exercise and cating habits now than to try and break a

poor diet and no exercise habit as a adult or adolescent, Influential child psychologists and educators, like Piaget and Montessori agree that a planned developmental program is movement should be a part of every child's education.
All Star Gymnastics Head Coach

trainer and power tumbler who has must love to work with all kinds of children. "Because many of our children

are very young when they begin organized sports, it is vital that their first perception of a coach is a good and happy experience," Eades said.
"If a child isn't having fun doing what they're doing, it could taint their perception of sports and exer cise in general for the rest of their

lives."

All Star Gymnastics is located at 22515 Heslip Dr. in Novi. For more information regarding All Star Gymnastics and class schedules, places and 12483 280-5330.

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# Northville tennis wins WLAA title

By Sam Eggleston

It starts as a light throbbing in your chest, and then it rises into a loud thumping that seems to even be in your ears. Soon, you can feel your heart rise into your throat as a smile crosses your face - yup, it's a con-

The Northville Mustangs girls' tennis team sealed the Western Lakes Activities Association with a conference title as well as a Western Division title. The Mustangs escaped with a 25-point victory over Stevenson's second place of 21 noints and Walled Lake Central's 17

points for third.

The victory came off of some impressive play throughout the dou-bles flights as the girls swept through and took every flight cham-pionship for the doubles reams. Amanda Darish and Jen Harkness had little troubles at first doubles as they crushed Stevenson and Canton 6-1, 6-0 and dispatched Walled Lake Central 6-1, 6-2. In second doubles, Jackie Taylor and

Jonnie Powers pounded past Wayne Memorial 6-0, 6-0 before downing flight title in the third singles brack-Central 6-1, 6-0 and then Canton in

a hard-fought 6-3, 6-1 final.

Kate Thomas and Laura
Krstevich quickly made it clear they weren't about to be stopped in the third doubles flight. The duo blanked Plymouth 6-0, 6-0 before topping Central 6-1, 6-1 and Canton 6-3, 6-4 in the closes doubles match of the day The fourth doubles team of Maria Rice and Catalina Oaida earned their flight championship with a swift dispatch of Salem, 6-1. 6.0 before rounding Stevenson 6-2. 6-1 and Walled Lake Central 6-0, 6-

In singles play, Chelsea Johnston was the only Mustang to earn a flight championship, but that does-n't mean her fellow singles players didn't give it their all. One other flight took second-place as well to ' Northville enough of an edge to round to an extremely

ct as she dominated a Plymouth foe 6-0, 6-1 before edging Stevenson 6-4, 6-3 and then Walled Lake Western 6-3, 6-2.

The second-place finish that helped push Northville over the hump and to the crown came from the fourth singles flight as Amy Knoth pounded out a win over John Glenn, 6-1, 6-3, before beating Walled Lake Western 6<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>4<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>6-3. Knoth eventually fell in the chairipi onship match to a strong Stevenson opponent in three sets, 4-6, 6-2, 6-3 to take second place.

At first singles, Erica Dobson went to work with a 6-2, 6-3 win over Walled Lake Western before falling to the eventual flight champi on in Stevenson's Ashley Moccia, 6

"Shunon Farris falling in the first round to an extremely strong Canton player in three sets, 0-6, 6-4, 6-3

# **NEXT LEVEL ATHLETES**

In the Next Level Athletes portion of the sports section, we are able to cheer on our former hometown athletes as they obtain new heights and reach

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Cadet Daniel "Air" St. Clair

# WHERE ARE THEY NOW?



The Novi High School class of 97 now has a representative at the Harvard Law School, Ken Suzuki Myers went on to gradu-ate from the University of Michigan's acclaimed Bachelor of Business Administration Program, and then spent two seasons there on the Crew Team coaching staff.

At Novi High School Myers

At Novi High School myers divided his team between stud-ies, sports, friends, and work. He was a four year member of the University of Michigan Men's Crew Team. Myers plans to be a member of the HLS Crew Team, as his sole break from the grind of Law School.

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Ken Suzuki Myers

# MONEY

# HOME & GARDEN

Pumpkin Bartels works on a heart fountain in her back yard. An artist's ever-changing homescape By Donna Birch MODESTO BEE
For artist Gloria Bartels, her house is much more than a place to rest her head. It's one big canvas that reflects her art, soul and personal "I communicate through art," said Bartels. 53. "I can't help it."

Creating art — whether painting expansive nurals on her walls, remodeling the base ment walls to look like something out of "The Flintstones" or assembling mosaics Some not-so-spooky tips on how to adorn front and back yards — is someto carve the perfect jack-o'-lantern... hing she must do. "Once I see something in my head, it has to get out," the Modesto, Calif., woman hing says Halloween quite like the glow ann an experity carved, candle-lit jack-lantern sitting on a from porch or in the Lantern over a lit candle than it is to place a candle Ten years ago, Bartels began creating murals and painting for others. She's done murals for a church, a restaurant, a country club and even a Gold's Gym. Her work also This will let you work inside from the top.

According to legend, people have been carving these spooky symbols for hundreds of years. Although Europeans originally used gourds, the good old American pumpkin is now the only way to go when you're making a Halloween carving.

FINE quickly and easily corve a pumpkin that you'll be proud to display in or outside your home.

Carving popper.

carving pumpkins ever since he was a boy and has become quite an expert. The owner of upstate New York's Wigsten Farms, family owned and operated for three generations, Paul takes great pride in his family's pumpkin patch and annual pumpkin carving

Here he offers tips for creating and preserving a

In the right pumpkin. The first step is to find the right pumpkin. Wigsten enjoys scouting around in the field, searching for one that is the right size and shape for his imagined design. Check for soft spots, dents or

■ Patterns, If you don't happen to be a fine artist, you don't have to worry let kids use knives unsupervised. Many stores sell

drawing freehand or using a pattern or stencil, use a farm.com

felt-tip pen to trace your design on the pumpkin. The soft tip won't leave an indentation and any excess ink

scars; these can mar the look of your finished piece.

Hole in bottom. Many people start their carvings by cutting a hole in the top of the pumpkin, but

should be cut in feature and jovial shapes, Halloween cookies are best when they taste great but look gross. Chugerman likes to make almond finger cookies in the shape of real fingers, with almond slivers and jelly serving as creepy fingermails.

These are just a few of the thousands of ways you can make your Halloween gathering fun, festive and a little frightening. It's a rare chance to dress up as suppose else and on a little backy so just your insertions.

about designing pumpkin's carving a good idea for children to young to harm your pumpkin's carving a good idea for children to young to harmany patterns available in stores specially for deleting a good idea for children to young to harmany patterns available in stores special electric lamps, which are also available at more conservations of contents. many stores in October. pumpkin and trace.

They come in a lasts through the Halloween season. Wigsten uses a 5 wide variety of percent chlorine solution in a spray bottle, spraying designs, including around the inside of the pumpkin and anywhere write variety of percent entorine stuttum in a spray tootic, spraying designs, including many farey ones, and Wigsten has found that they have been pumpkin and anywhere there's a cut to keep the pumpkin fresh.

For more information about pumpkin carving, check out the following Web sites:

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# ...and some suggestions for livening up your fright night

ist for many youngsters, of course, but there many other ways to have Halloween fun

Alyson Chugerman, who lives in upstate New York with her husband and two young daughters, is a member of her community's board of education and a big
fan of Halloween. Here she offers suggestions and tips
for throwing a fantastical fright night fiesta:

I Homemade ghosts. The spookier your

soda, with orange sherbet or a similar dessert floating

Chagerman's favorite tricks is to take a large piece of tastes great too.

lloween is a unique holiday celebrating all — cheesecloth, dip it in a product called Stiffy and then intoxes pookly and scary and is always a drape it over an inflated balloon. When the cloth hard-eating from house to house is tops on the ens into a spectral shape, you simply pop the balloon, add some eyes and a nose and voila — a perfect ghost

■ Dangling doauts. Bobbing for apples is an — are many other ways to have mantowen tun
at home.

With a little planning and a lot of imagination, you
can create special decorations, food and activities for
a memorable Halloween party that's perfect for all

■ Danging donatts. Bobbing for appies is an
even more enjoyable way to play with your food.

Simply attach a string to a donut, attach the other end
of the string to a tree branch or the ceiling and allow the donut to swing freely in midair. Have guests hold their hands behind their backs and try to get the donuts off the strings using only their mouths. It's harder than

If thomemade ghosts. The spookier your Halloween decorations are, the better. One of

■ Creepy cookies. It wouldn't be a proper party without cookies, and Halloween is the perfect time to play tricks with your treats. Just as Christmas cookies should be cut in festive and joyial shapes, Halloween

someone else and go a little wacky, so put your imagination to good use when planning your decorations, food and activities.

On the Web:

■ Halloween Online: www.halloween-online.com

# House in a hill: 1982 passive solar home still decades ahead of its time

By Jeff Haws

CRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE
Some may think it's peculiar to be cutting the grass on the top of a house, but Charles Manneschmidt doesn't think anything of it as he doesn't think anything of it as he admires the Smoky Mountains from his perch atop his home. "I'm used to the fact that I mow

my roof," he said.
His roof brings together a house that fuses six domes holding at least one room each. The original owners in 1982 to be assive" solar, with the domes and the grass-covered roof help-ing provide insulation and effi-ciency, and Manneschmidt and his wife Linda Billman moved in 3-

1/2 years ago.

Passive solar homes are built in such a way to make efficient use of the sunlight, with Manneschmidt's home allowing overhang provides shade on the porch during the summer. With the position of the sun and

an efficient home.

"It's super-insulated," said
Manneschmidt, an electrical engineer. "The walls are extremely strong because the concrete is so sun, It comes right into the kitchen on winter mornings, so that's kind

series of domes with an archway used for support where each dome connects, the inner walls don't support the ceiling, leaving the homeowner with "freedom of

support the ceiling, leaving the homeowner with "freedom of design," Manneschmidt said.

This freedom allowed the builders to create very sharp angles with the walls and leave several lofts between a wall and several lofts between



Charles Manneschmidt sits outside his passive solar home in Knoxville, Tenn.

Alliance for Clean Energy, "It's amazing we don't do it more often."

If the Manneschmidt-Billman

house were "active" solar, i would have solar panels and actu-ally convert the sun's heat into

he made more cost-efficient for

energy and electricity. Their house — while incredibly energy-efficient — doesn't create electricity
While a conversion to active solar is something Manneschmi would consider, he said it has to

thing for 30 or 40 years, it's at the

Adrian Mendoza / The Modesto Ba The hallway of Bartels' house is a ted recreation of Vincent Van Gogh's "Starry Night,"

has been featured in several Decorator Showhouses in Stanislaus County, Calif.

"She's always brought lots of talent and fun to the showhouse," said showhouse coordina-

tor Kathy Hughes.
Her contributions to showhouses have

included a mermaid-themed shower and a

something in

my head,

it has to

get out."

Gloria Bartels

est to her heart. The one that graces the living room wall came from a love of African art and animals. She was inspired to paint a wildlife scene that covers most of the wall. It took her

six days to complete and it's the third mural to

adom that wall in the 20 years she's lived there,

The painting, which features elephants,

zebras, giraffes and other animals, faces a big

picture window. Neighbors and passers-by can

three Vincent van Gogh paintings: "Starry Night," "Cafe Terrace at Night" and "Peach

T've had at least four other murals there, but

they just didn't flow," she said.

A fourth van Gogh re-creation of olive trees adoms a bedroom that Bariels' 10-year-old granddaughter inhabits when she visits.

There's also a mural in the bathroom that

depicts a mermaid flanked by two dapper men.

'30s. I like the romantic look of the era."

It's from an old men's clothing label from the

A version of the mermaid mural once

ced the living-room wall before she nainte

the African scene. "People were angry when I painted over it," she said. And because husband Verle also missed the

painting, she decided to redo it in the bath-

room.

Bartels recently has added another medium

to her artistic repertoire: mosaic. She saw an image in her head of a mosaic and started collecting books on the subject. Because she hadn't done it before, the project intimidated her.

The project was set aside. Three years passed. One day, she just decided to go for it.

The end result, completed last summer, is an image of a fiery sun decorating an awning over

Bartels described the project as the anentic

and "in the end, it's opened a new door for

they just didn't flow," she said.

rated an entryway.

"She has per-sonality in her work," Hughes added. "You look

who did it. She'll

anything. The world is her can-

vas."
The murals in

# SHOPPING FOR HELP

Compulsive buyers face large debts and bills from creditors

lame it on Bloomingdale's. Karyn Bosnak did — along with Barneys , Bergdorf Goodman and the scores of other New York City shops where she amassed a whopping \$20,000 in credit-card debt. It's easy to blow that kind of money if you're

bent on becoming one of Manhattan's chic young things, as Bosnak was. Bosnak splurged, panicked, then relied on the kindness of strangers to see her through. She tells her tale in "Save Karyn: One Shopaholic's Journey to Debt and

Back" (Perennial, \$13.95). Back (Perennal, 313-95).

Debt-free today, Bosnak paid off the bulk of her-financial burden by putting up a Web site outlining her-plight and asking visitors to send a dollar to help bail her-out. They did. She raked in \$14,000 from the site and

Debt can be entertaining when it's someone else's, but Bosnak's shopaholic story of materialism run arnok hints at larger societal issues. Running up huge debts can stem from nothing more than greed or irresponsibility, as in Bosnak's case, but for some debtors spending is linked to psychological or emotional disorders for which they're increasingly turning to counseling and

writer mey re increasingly inmaig to counsening and self-help groups.

"It was all very, very impulsive," Bosnak said in an intriview. "Il got e-mail from people all over. People were appalled at my audacity."

And a good many saw shades of themselves in her

story, something that might have been expected, says Rebekah O'Connell, supervisor of consumer credit counseling at Triangle Family Services in Raleigh, N.C. "We're a nation of debtors," O'Connell says.

Many of O'Connell's clients are newly unemployed.

deeply in debt and totally unprepared for a financial job.
O'Connell sometimes has trouble persuading her strapped clients to surrender cell phones or scale back the cable television service. "It's a comb denial and being overextended, living over and beyond

their means," she says.

While a taste for luxury or status may be the problem for some debtors, for others spending is a symptom of a

for some debtors, for others spending is a symptom or a larger illness.

Philip, a 35-year-old Raleigh-area man who asked to use only his first name, found himself with \$20,000 of unsecured debt two years ago. A member of the local Debtors Anoisymous, a giotip modeled on the 12-step Alcohólics Anonymous program. Philip says he was never good at handling money.

"Which was not a significant problem until people started giving me credit," he says.

He got his first credit card in college and the debt began spiraline. Restaurants, travel, gifts,

debt began spiraling. Restaurants, travel, gifts, Clothing: He spent with abandon.

Debtors Anonymous helps members identify the emotional needs and triggers that set

off their spending.

For Philip, the desire to be perceived as well-off and

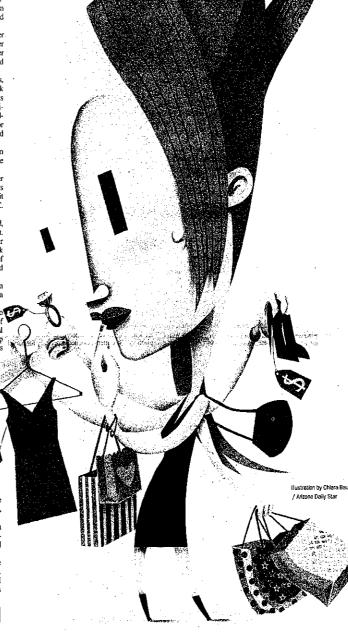
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D.A. with saving his life. He regrets that too
many people view compulsive debt accumulation as a
character flaw and not an illness.
Dina Sieroslawski, facilitator for the Obsessive
Compulsive Raleigh Area Mutual Self Help Group,
calls the condition "compulsive shopping."
Mental-health experts say those who suffer from
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onsessive-computative thistoric call extinite that Countries through a wide range of obsessive thoughts and compulsive actions, including shopping.

For Bosnak, not a D.A. member, solvency has come by changing her spending habits." I don't buy full price. I try to stay away from department stores," she says. "I would rather be debt-free than have the most fabulous reactions."



# Company scores big with movie collectibles

from the Black Lagoon and other movie monsters in Universal Studios' scary sta-

ing the field of high-priced collectibles.

The company wanted licenses to produce and market hand-sculptured replicas

Universal's best-known and most-prize

icons.
Producing the monsters was Sideshow's first foray into the niche market of top-end replicas of film and TV characters. The line is the second-most lucrative of the

Sold at nearly 900 retailers worldwide from \$40 to more than \$400, the hand-

a signed offset lithograph portrait of Schwarzenegger in full costume and Sideshow's products include character. makeup and a full-sized and precisely detailed 3-D replica of the head and neck

move them."

The company's best sellers include characters from "Buffy the Varnpire Slayer" and most incarnations of James Bond, which have racked up sales of more than 10,000 units.

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They insist on detailed accuracy, even purchasing Civil War military uniforms to on the company's radar.

Though its figures are created in Sideshow's Westlake Village, Calif., offices, they are hand-produced in China

Muppets," "The Simpsons" and "Star Trek" to figures from the Civil War and the American West. by workers chosen for their ability to faithfully copy the smallest detail, said Tom Gilliland, creative director and painter of Elliot Ledeman knew the man in his office well. He was certain his team could capture every fearsome facet of Frankenstein, Count Dracula, the Creature from the Illock Ledeman knew the man in his office well. He was certain his team could capture every fearsome facet of Frankenstein, Count Dracula, the Creature from the Illock Ledeman knew the man in his office well. He was certain his team could capture every fearsome facet of the Machines," Sideshow marketed four products in limited numbers, among them

figures from an array of movies dating back to the early talkies and TV shows like ble.

But on that day in 1999, Lederman, the vice president of licensing and merchandising for Universal's Consumer Products Group, had to convince his skeptical colleagues that Greg Anzalone and his artist partners at Sideshow Collectibles also were serious business people.

Although the little company had a solid reputation for creating popular toys and their houses the way their parents decorated their houses. ... They're adults who really want to continue to have an emotional want to continue to have an emotional of the Rings," marketing 120 products so

CEO and president

Sideshow Collectables Greg

of "Lurtz" the Uruk-hai general



Repo men:

Important work in a shadowy world

By Skip Knowles SALT LAKE TRIBUNE

Burly, tattooed, earringed and 200-plus pounds, Joshawa Pike, 23, is just what you think a repo guy should look like.
But he quit. He couldn't handle it.

It wasn't the bloody woman who reared up in his tow truck headlights screaming. Nor the gang members who materialized around the truck shortly after telling him to clear out. Getting hit by a truck on the job and feeling his vertebrae smash didn't make him want to quit, either.

No, that was all part of the action. It was the crying old lady, one of many, that made Pike quit the repo business, "I couldn't han-

dle mining people's days," he said.

Brandon Black, on the other hand, doesn't mind it at all. Pike now works in the office for Black, 24, a rising star in Salt Lake City's repo scene, part owner of one of Utah's 90 repossession businesses, American Lenders, which claims up to 300 repos a

Black is the nicest kid who ever wanted to jack you up. Not so much you, but your car. He's your basic clean-cut, blond, all-American car there.

The license plate on his big unmarked F-250 tow truck says "LOOKN4U." And if you're behind on payments, he probably

Black "threw his first hooks" on a repo car at 8 years old with his father, Chris, and at 24 is a veteran in a business where taking your lumps means exactly that. He can pop a "go-jack" under a car, spin it 180 degrees, throw the hooks on and be gone like a NASCAR driver from a pit stop.

He also has survived being smacked around about 30 times in his young career so far, proving he has the right stuff.

A repo man must be able to take a beating and stay cool enough to not strike back. He can make an old woman cry, dodge bullets, refuse bribes, steal cars, wipe someone's spit off his face and be

home before dawn.

Black and his father Chris take cars legally

Black and his tather Urins take cars legally. More or less. Repo men are not interested in, walking in the front door.

"Our ultimate goal is to steal a car," said Wayne Harrier, 35, a nine-year repo veteran for Black's business. "We don't want sob stories and cryking kids, we want to come out clean and steal a car."

Not to say they avoid conflict. Chris Black once backed his tow mock up to a car in a diverstrough. backed his tow truck up to a car in a drive-through window, hooking it up and dragging it off on the

Some repo businesses are staffed with up to 12 night stalkers living somewhere between the right and wrong, between loan enforcer and midnight

Get even a month behind, and Brandon may have your number, hunting down your piano, hot tub, tractor, computer or motor home. If the property is inside, he'll show up with a court order and sheriff's deputy.

The biggest danger comes when people mistake

Brandon for a common car thief. One man punched Brandon in the head and threw him up against a brick wall, then gave him the car keys when he realized he was not a thief. Unlike thieves, repo men don't run when they get "caught," which happens 50 to 60 percent of the time. They have to stand their ground to get the

car and sweet-talk circles around angry people.

Repo men almost never press charges, as a point of pride. Most don't carry weapons (too much lia

Brandon only hates his job when he shows up to repo a car ... and a friend of his walks out of the

# AVOIDING MONEY SCAMS 'Free' money costs

By Helen Huntley

"The check is in the mail" may be one of the most common lies, but sometimes it's true: You open your mail and there's an unexpected check. That's great if the IRS or somebody else owed

u the money. But under most circumstances, a surprise check should be treated as a red flag warning you to be alert for a come-on. Cash the check and you could be committing yourself to pay for something you

Usually this is explained in small type, but if you are not paying attention, you could end up signing up for long distance or internet service, a magazine

bscription or something else.
"Once one of these so-called checks is cashed, it will be very difficult to reverse the new services you may have unintentionally ordered," said Paul Richard, executive director of the Institute of Consumer Financial Education in San Diego. "The consumer's best defense against this type of marketing tactic is to read the fine print, and don't

# **TECHNOLOGY**

# From Dead to



Jamie Lykos packs recording equip-ment at his Durham, N.C. apartment.



Photography by John I, White / Rateigh News and Ob-Steve Mang hooks his recorder into the sound board at The Pourhouse in downtown Raleigh, N.C., in preparation for a concert by The Recipe. Mang has been trading live recordings for over ten years but has

S1.500 better?

only started taping shows himself for a couple of years. Technological progress improves ease, secrecy and quality of homemade concert recordings

By Diwata Fonte

eigh news & observer amie Lykos didn't plan to "stealth it" but he's glad he did.

He had shown up at The Roots concert last summer with \$4,000 worth of recording equipment in his backpack only to learn that the rap group doesn't allow fans to tape their concerts.

No problem, Lykos, 27, put the backpack bag in the ear and took out his

He clipped eraser-size microphones discreetly on his shoulders, hid his Sony digital audio tape recorder in his pocket and ran a cord between them.

A few hours later, he was the proud owner of "The Roots: Live at the Ritz

"Oh my God, it was terrific," Lykos said, "They started out on fire." Though it wasn't his best tape, the recording allows him to relive the concert while driving his car or hanging out in his Durham, N.C., apartment.

Lykos and other concert recording enthusiasts are reaping the benefits of new technology that's making it easier than ever to tape concerts. Known among themselves as "tapers," they now have a wealth of Web sites and online forums to find information and advice on how to get

a perfect tape. The equipment is more advanced. affordable and smaller — with some mini-microphones almost invisible — giving tapers more options to record bands that do not allow taping. And the Internet has changed the way music is swapped. Although fans still copy tapes or CDs, swapping is also being done via the three three

Although the exact numbers of tapers, especially "stealth" tapers, are hard to pin pair of foam balls that combat wind interespecially "stealth" tapers, are hard to pin down, Web sites report an increase in new ference can cost \$50. Microphones and tape, it's a privilege," he said. "It depends

By Carrie Kirby
SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE
The theory in the world of hacking is this:

No one can test the security of a computer system better than former attackers them-

from the mayor of Sneek, his Dutch home-

Mark Abene, who calls himself "Phiber

worked with have the squeakiest of clean Francisco.

gression," said Jim Oade, co-owner of on concert tickets Onde Brothers Audio, a store and Web site based in Georgia that sells taping equipment.

Addio, a store and Web site based in Georgia that sells taping equipment. "At the same time," he said, "will I tape something

The store's Web site (www.oade.com) has a tapers' forum which receives a mil-lion hits a month. It has been growing 25 percent annually since it began in 1999.

Jamie Lykos demonstrates a

technique for holding micro-

written lists of their tape collections

ed a "tapers section," Their only request Share the music freely. And most enthusi-asts make it a point not to profit from their

Optik," went to work as a security consultant while still on probation after spending a year in jail for breaking into phone systems. And

Kevin Mitnick, the world's most notorious

criminal hacker, started his own security

Department's computer crime section. Painter was the prosecutor who put Mitnick behind bars for nearly five years. He's also

Not surprisingly, the debate was heated.

battled Granick in the courtroom

But some security experts say that notion nonsense.

Consulting business after his no-internet probation ended in January.

Winkler faced off with Mitnick and

"Breaking in its really easy; it's preventing it that's hard," said Ira Winkler, Hewlett-Packard's chief security strategist, who insists that the best security testers he's ever

Yet there are plenty of examples of convicted hackers who went from crime to lucrative security jobs. A student who used Painter, deputy chief of the Justice

songs at concerts.

\$150, making it easier for novices to get Today's tapers trace their roots to the started. More ambitious tapers bring lap Dead, lugging cassette recorders and

tops to shows, recording straight onto their hard drives, For those who must do their taping secretly, it's the ever-shrinking equipment
— microphones that can be worn within
eyeglasses straps, around the neck or on earrings — that has the most appeal. Musicians' attitudes on taping varies from band to band, with "jam bands" such as Phish usually giving the green

But minidisc recorders, which also record digitally, can be had for about

Many bands just starting out welcome tapers. They use the tapes to archive their tours and their progress. They're also a free way to create buzz and a fan base. Restrictions often hinge on Internet

phones to obtain the optimum sound quality while taping the trading. Most bands that allow trading forbid fans from making a profit from the recordings. And if the recording isn't sold, many fans don't feel like they are The Dead, along with bands like Little Feat and the Allman Brothers, were among the first groups to allow fans to tape their concerts. The Dead even creat-

doing any harm.

Lykos bought The Roots' concert tickel and owns a live album from the band. He's not interested in turning a profit from his open or stealth recordings.

One Web site, Bands That Allow Taping (btat.wagnerone.com), lists bands' policies. Kurt Kemp started the list the formal and informal taping policies of 988 bands.

embers. even cables can add up to thousands of on the good will of the band and their "To me, it seems like a logarithmic pro- dollars — not to mention the money spent sound man."

breaking into a computer is really not differ-ent from breaking into someone's house. If

But Granick, who directs the litigation

clinic at Stanford University's Center for Internet and Society, argued that denying rehabilitated hackers jobs is no deterrent.

"People who are going to commit crimes aren't thinking. This is going to (get me) my career," she said. "In railiy, people don't think they're going to get caught." Mitnick maintains that because he served

five years behind hars and is now reformed

there's no reason he shouldn't use his com-puter skills for the good guys.

"Look at (convicted junk bond trader)

Michael Milken," he said. "Look at Steve

tant, that's not a good role model,"

Painter said hiring convicted hackers sets a lousy example for youngsters.

"Kids growing up need to understand that"

Wozniak and Steve Jobs. They weren't convicted of selling 'blue boxes' on Berkeley's campus, but it's well-known that they did,

Foxes in henhouse: Pros, cons of hiring ex-criminal hackers

Making the perfect recording in any situation takes technical knowl-edge, lapers say. The craft deals with microphone angle, wind,

and placement.

"Just like real estate, the most important thing is location," says Jamie Lykos, a Durham, N.C., taper. But the right equipment can also help. Here's some of what's avail-

Pokémon

It's a gem

Pinball:

TACOMA NEWS TRIBUNE Game: Pokémon Pinbali:

Game: Pokenton Findan.
Ruby & Sapphire
System: Game Boy Advance
Publisher: Nintendo
Web site: www.nintendo.com
Price: \$29.95
Rating: E (Everyone)

Nintendo's Pokémon has been around

for several years and has seen phenomenal success. The franchise includes about a

dozen video games, several movies, a car

toon series, a wildly popular trading card game and millions of dollars in plush toy

ers can find and snag more than 200 of the little critters by bouncing a Pokéball around two lively pinball playing fields. You'll find Pokémon from the Ruby and Sapphire

games as well as many favorites from older

den in both the Ruby and Sapphire playing

fields, and players will need to hit the cor-

rect humpers and pins and other pinball fix-tures in the correct order to coax them out.

Some of the creatures are easy to find

and will appear with just one or two flips of the Pokéball. But sometimes catching the

more stubbom ones requires a complex

series of steps and a variety of conditions

You might need to build up a certain amount of points, hit several targets, trigger some switches and stop a slot-machine wheel before some Pokémon appear.

Once a Pokénion appears, it's usually a

matter of whacking it a few times with the Pokéball. This dazes the Pokémon so that

the Pokéball can open up and trap then

Pictures and information about that

Pokémon will be stored in your Pokédex, so you can go back later to read about all the Pokémon you've collected. If a friend has

the game, you can connect GBAs to share information and compare high scores. If you've caught a Pokémon that can be evolved, you'll have to perform an addi-

tional series of precise moves back on the

playing field in order to make the transfor-mation. Some Pokémon need to go through several stages of evolution, so catching and

transforming every creature can take some

evolve the Pokémon you've caught, you'll

have to catch them again - and try again to

Downhill

Domination:

extreme sports

Downhill Domination System: PlayStation 2 Publisher: Sony Computer Entertainment America

Price: \$49.95
Rating: T
On the net: www.sony.com

Downhill Domination is an incredibly

deep racing/combat game with some of the most insanely fun and twisted cours-

es you'll find anywhere.

Gravity can be your best friend and

your worst enemy on the super steep and dangerously busy slopes of Downhill Domination's many mountains. Getting your bike rider to the end of each course

in one piece, navigating past the twists, turns and obstacles, is the challenge, and

it will drive you mad.

An incredibly involved trick system

and a complex combat system help, giv-

ing players speed bonuses for perfectly

timed whomping of other bike riders. But more often than not, success will depend

on your ability to reflexively avoid trees.

rolling boulders, SUVs and herds of

In many cases, the best route to take is

in many cases, me best route to take is the route you make. Since that hairpin turn is so difficult to navigate at 70 mph, you might just plow through the barrier and head over the edge of a cliff. In the air, pull off a "Superman" trick, legs outstretched over the back end of your bike, to take off with a burst of speed. That's if you can stick the landing and stomach the.

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Refreshing take on

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www.soundorolessionals.com CONDENSER MICROPHONE (CMC-6 with MK4) by Schoeps, \$2,165 a pair. High-end microphone, used as a pair and set up on a stand. Popular

for capturing realistic sound. www.spnicsense.com Preamplifier and A/D conenhance sound, tapers can use exter-

nal microphone pre-amplifers and analog to digital converters. Although they come separately, a combination of the two is popular among tapers.
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HARD DISK RECORDERS (722)

evolve them.

The game is almost unbearably addicand 744T) by Sound Devices. Two-and four-channel hard disk recorders tive. Just knowing that you can turn it on and likely catch a few new Pokémon in just will allow recording onto a hard disk drive, like a computer. \$2000 and a minute or two makes it a sinister meal — or work — interrupter. \$4000, respectively. Expected by the

end of the year.

www.sounddevices.com

# TAPING BASICS

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www.minidisco.com

www.solorb.com/dat-heads www.tanerssection.com

and no one would doubt the value they

brought to the industry."

Wozniak has admitted in interviews that

he and his Apple co-founder made and sold

the devices, which generated a tone that

would fool a pay phone into dispensing free calls. Wozniak wrote the forward to Mitnick's book, "The Art of Deception." Whether or not they say they're reformed,

criminal hackers just aren't worth the risk.

said Winkler, who previously worked for the National Security Agency. He recalled how

testing security for a client in 1997, launched

a program that harvested passwords from Web servers all over the world.

# HEALTH & FITNESS

On the bookshelf

# Are you listening?

Or are you receiving your partner's sonic input while your brain is engaged about what you're going to say next?

By Mark Wolf

SCRIPPS HOWARD NEWS SERVICE Nina Atwood says you should be "listen-

Intra Atwood says you simulat be "listering empty".

"Listening empty requires a coascious decision to set aside my point of view in order to understand yours," said Atwood, a therapist and author of "Soul Talk; Powerful, Positive Communication for a Lawing Partnership" (Sourcebooks, \$14.95).

"It's listening without the notable interest.

"It's listening without the usually internal building up of my own thoughts. It's a fairly new skill that couples are having to bring to bear on their relationships. Without it, what you get is the usual scenario of two neople talking at the same time or in rapid succes

Listening empty is one of the communica tion skills Atwood details in her new book "My observation through years of working with both couples and singles is the primary issue they don't work out is around issues of com-

SOUL TALK

Love is active, not passive. Atwood writes.
"It's not just a feeling. although it begins with

feeling. Atwood said.
"In order to last, it takes action, real sustainable behavior on a day-to-day relationship. It's the behavior of love that keeps us connected and

Those two go together."

If couples can learn and practice solid communications skills, they can manage their relationship. Atwood said.

"The way of managing relationships is to recognize that we can't afford to take it for granted, that it does require unitavestment on our part. If it's money, should we just spend everything in the account and not worry about putting anything back in? We'd say that was crazy," she said, "We tend to man was crazy, sine said, "We tend to approach relationships in that way, spending everything in our emotional bank account, "We're constantly getting into relation-ships with the idea of "What's in it for me?"

and don't make the investment in heart and soul communication, meeting each other's needs, then we're surprised when the account runs dry and we look up and realize we've lost our connection. Counles need to learn to speak to empow

er. Atwood said.
"You have to consciously and deliberately

think of what the impact of your words might be on your mate. Words have a great deal of power to the people around us and a love relationship magnifies it times 10," she said. "In order to avoid contaminating relation

ships with toxicity, you have to stop and think into account the other person's feelings and the impact what we say can have on them. It's doing it with compassion and care."

# Babies are little learning machines, author says

TACOMA NEWS TAIBUNE

Scientists — and parents — once thought of babies as little more than slightly animaled organisms who needed only to be changed and fed.

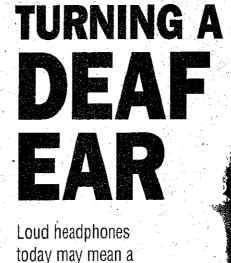
But research has revealed that babies are really sophisticated learning machines. I grammed to suck in and analyze information about their world from day one. Andrew Meltzoff, a professor of psychol-

ogy at the University of Washington and co director of the university's Center for Mind Brain and Learning is an internationally recognized expert on development in infants and children and co-author of "The Scientist in the Crib: What Early Learning Tells Us About the Mind" (Perennial, \$14) 'This book won't tell you how to make

obabies easier or smarter or nicer, or how to get to sleep or to them to go to sleep or to Harvard," Meltzoff and his co-authors. Alison Gopnik and Patricia Kuhl, write, "Our ques-tions are both harder and understand children, not

renovate them." "The Scientist in the Crib" looks at current research on child development, dis-cussing how babies recognize and learn to nte. It talks about how babies operate as tiny icientists of their own, developing hypothe-es about the world and then putting them to

Meltzoff's discoveries about how infants mitate their parents have broken new round. He has also conducted research on he effects of television viewing on infants



By Donna Halvorsen

MINISTANCES T. PAUL START TRIBUNE

Andy Uzendoski has 3,000 songs in his MP3 player

including all the work of Bruse Springsteen and U2

and he listens with heatphones whenever he's not in class at the University of Minnesota.

He also used to play drums in rock bands and still goes to club to be the other play the still cash imparine a week without

hearing aid tomorrow

to clubs to hear others play: "I can't imagine a week without

the music," he says.

For him — and many others of his generation — technology now allows an immersion in music: headphones, high-end car stere os and loud nightclubs.

Health experts increasingly are concerned that music played at excessive volume, over time, could steal the hearing of an entire generation.

Uzendoski, 21, of Minneapolis, recognizes the health risks. He knows he should try to avoid or reduce damage to his ears. That's why he wears ear phigs when he knows a concert will be loud.

"It's ironic," he says, "If I listen to it too much now, I won't be able to lis-

Experts say the louder the music, the longer someone listens to it, the clos-

er it is to the ear, the more likely some hearing will be lost.

Yet many parents and children don't recognize that loss is occurring. Hearing degenerates without pain or other warning, so some high frequencies could be lost. before the kids or their parents know they're gone.

Everyone starts life with thousands of hair cells in the inner ears, and loud sounds can destroy them permanently. When boul-muste is piled on top of the everyday notes that this anaxposed to the accumulated exposure can lead to significant damage.

Unfortunately, warnings from parents probably don't count for much. If parents tell their children to turn the music down or off, it's unwanted advice that will "go in one ear

and out the other," says Janet Hansen, an audiologist at the Hennepin County Medical Center in Minneapois.

"Will they stop listening to loud music?" she asks. "Probably not, because when you're young, your body is healthy and strong, and why worry about it now? That's for old people

Not just decibels Hearing damage results not only from the volume, but the duration of sounds.

93 decibels or more: Typical levels of Loud headphones. Higher risk of hearing music headphones Risk of hearing loss

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Source: U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration, Sight & Hearing Association

# Warnings to teens won't receive much attention

The federal government requires employers to protect their workers from noise at 85 decibels or higher if the sound will be at that level for eight hours.

Headphones and nightclubs can deliver music at 110 to 120 decibels — about the squre level as an ambulance

siren — or higher without restrictions or warnings, Digital technology has aggravated the problem by mak-ing it possible to increase volume without distortion. Research has documented the risk for young people. In the United States, people are losing their hearing bearly 20 years earlier than would have been expected in the normal aging process, and noise likely is the cause, according to the National Institute on Deatness and Other

Communications Disorders. About 10 million Americans have irreversible ear damage caused by noise, the institute said, and 30 million are exposed to dangerously loud noise every day. Studies by the National Center for Health Statistics

number of people aged 45 to 64 with hearing losses increased 26 percent while losses among 18-to 44-year-headphones.

Noise has long been recognized as dangerous in indus-trial workplaces, but other sounds have only recently been seen as potential dangers. Loud noise also can cause tinnitus, a ringing, clicking or hissing sound in the ears

olds incréased 17 percent.

"People are starting to see that there's something to this," said Julee Sylvester, spokeswoman for the Sight and Hearing Association, an advocacy group based in St.

If your child is wearing beadphones and your voice, they are too load.



found that 15 percent of people ages 3 to 19 have signs of hearing loss. In addition, between 1971 and 1990, the hearing loss. In addition, between 1971 and 1990, the Andy Uzendoski, 21, of Minneapolus, listenus

raun, rounn... that has organized hearing screenings. But, she said. "it's something they really don't think about until it happens to them."

Sylvester offers this guidance for parents:

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■ If your child is wearing headphones and can't hear ■ Sight & Hearing Association; www.sightandhearing.org

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Ten ways to recognize hearing loss:

Do you have a problem hearing on the phone? Do you trouble following the conversation when two or

more people are talking at the same time? Do people complain that you turn the TV volume up too

 Do you have to strain to understand conversation? Do you have trouble hearing in a noisy background?

. Do you find yourself asking people to repeat them-

 Do many people you talk to seem to mumble (or not) speak clearly)? Do you misunderstand what others are saying and

respond inappropriately? Do you have trouble understanding the speech of

women and children's

Do people get annoyed because you misunderstand

If you answered "yes" to 3 or more of these question you may want to see an ear, nose and throat specialist or an audiologist for a hearing evaluation.

■ American Speech-Language-Hearing Association: www.asha.org

■ Self Help for Hard of Hearing People: www.hearingloss.org

# REGIONAL MARKETPLACE

# **BUSINESS BRIEFS**

For a quick and easy sale, make your house the belle of

A charming Santa Fe style house with crisp canvas awnings and a high-pitched shingled roof is the backdrop of many of my childhood memories. Its polished wood floors creaked under the footsteps of four generations of my Irish clan. We gathered there to celebrate count-less Christmases and Easters, births, baptisms and marriages. And in times of illness and death, its fortress-like adobe walls provided us solitude and comfort.

Though we felt we all owned a part of this house, it belonged to my aunt who inherited it from her parents. And when she died 10 years ago it was sold to a young family. It sold in a matter of a few short weeks. Prospective buyers were eager to look inside the house because its outside was inspiring. The lawn was green and healthy, the shrubs were nearly trimmed, and the outside-both from and and the consider-bount from and block— was absolutely free of clus-ter. The house was also priced appropriately and it was in a good location. All reasons, say real estate experts, homes sell quickly. First impressions do matter - If you're preparing to sell your burse.

you're preparing to sell your house, make sure the outside of your home looks appealing to potential buyers who may be driving down the street. Are the lawn and shrubs maintained? Are there sizeable cracks in the foundation? Is the sid-ing in good condition? Are the gutters clean and free of debris? Are window easings, shutters or doors in need of a fresh coat of paint? Is the property free of garbage and debris? Removing detractors from your home will help pave the way

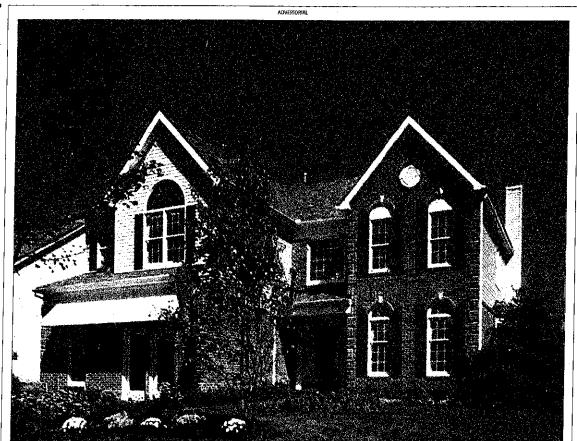
Make the place spic 'n' span -We used to joke that my aunt would come back in her next life as a box of Spic And Span, Cheery Lynn's floors always glowed, the silver sparkled and the windows were spotless. My aunt's super cleanliness paid off. Because she'd maintained the home so beautifully over the years, we had to make very few improvements before placing it on the market.

Even if your home isn't in tiptop shape, the few hours you spend cleaning and organizing it will go a long way with potential buyers. Consider applying a fresh, neutral coat of paint to tired walls. Scrub floors, wash baseboards and clean windows so they sparkle. Shampoo dirty carpets, clean bathtubs, replace unsightly caulking and make sure to fix dripping faucets and oil squeaky doors. Is your oven clean? Some prospective buyers may judge the overall cleanliness of your home by how clean you keep your oven. Inspect areas that are junk depositories, like closets and basements and atties. You want to give potential buyers the impression that there's ample storage space in

Clutter can be the kiss of death -If potential buyers have to perform gymnastic moves to avoid running into extra furniture and boxes, you may have to wait a while before you sell your house. Bric-a-brac and too many personal items are also detractors. From the minute prospective buyers walk into your home, you want to them to be able imagine themselves living comfortably in the house surrounded by

their belongings and keepsakes. Set a fair price - Naturally you'll want to get as much as you can for your house, but be careful not to overprice it. An artificially high on the market for too long. And the er it sits the harder it will be to sell. When setting a price for your home you'll need to consider your home's location, the current eeo nomic conditions, the local housing market, your school district and average home prices in your neighbothood. Consider asking a real estate agent to perform a market analysis that shows the selling prices of three properties in your neighborhood comparable to your own. The agent can help you appropriately price your home taking into account any unique features your home may have - firepool, or professionally fin-basement. In case your home doesn't move as quickly as you like, be prepared to facilitate the sale by paying the buyer's closing

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Seven models are available in Trotters Pointe Village, ranging from 1,900 to 2,900 square feet. Prices start at \$260,000.

# New home community has value and quality

By Elizabeth Heer

The Estates of Trotters Pointe Village, Toll Brothers' luxury home community in South Lyon, has released the last 10 home sites available for sale. The final homes in this highly desirable community

are expected to sell fast.

Trotters Pointe Village, a community of 340 homes, was created as a result of extensive focus group studies and national tours of other devel-opments. The resulting upscale development promotes home-town charm and appeals to move-up families and young professionals.

The location is just one of those many charms. "South Lyon has quickly become one of the most desirable locations for new home construction in Metro Detroit," says Charlene Bargert, Sales Manager for The Estates of Trotters Pointe Village, "Our location provides the small town charm that is so appealing to new homebuyers, plus we are just minutes from the expressways and major business centers like Novi and Southfield. The

unbeatable value, and quality Toll Brothers construction has made Trotters Pointe Village home community in South Lyon." the most sought-after new

Lyon.

In all, seven models are available, ranging from 1,900 to 2,900 square feet, with prices starting in the affordable \$260,000s. In addition, several homes are already inder construction and availunder construction and available for occupancy in the next few months for those relocat-ing or just seeking to move

All of the magnificently appointed, single-family homes are set on large home sites within the rolling natural woodlands. Each home is appointed with stylish design features which includes master leatures which includes master suites, ceramic baths, and hardwood flooring in the grand entrance foyer, kitchen, and powder room. Dramatic nine-foot ceilings on the first floor and formal dining and living rooms or great rooms allow for spacious family living. In addition, each home is designed with a five-point designed with a five-point energy plan that reduces the amount of energy needed so precious resources are pre-

served.

"The quality of our homes exceeds all other builders in the area," said Bargeri. "We take that extra step with customer service to ensure that our customers are delighted with their home." with their home. Those extra details show in the many standard features built into the homes at Trotters Pointe Village, like deluxe kitchens appointed with GE appliances, Andersen windows throughout, wood-burning fireplaces, central air, gutters,

and attached two-ear garages.
"We take pride in providing nice finish work, such as molding and trim work," she

Hundreds of other options allow homeowners to select the features that perfectly suit their lifestyles and tastes. "We give people that flexibility in predetermined options to cus-tomize their own home. For example, homeowners can choose among brick, stone, or marble finishing for their fire-place," Bargert said.

equally Environment is important at The Estates of Trotters Pointe Village. The exclusive community was designed to preserve the natu-

ral environment with a winding site plan that incorporates wooded home sites and cul de sacs. By preserving open spaces, woods, and wetlands, a 22-acre nature preserve complete with a nine-acre pond was set aside for residents to enjoy. Walking trails, chil-dren's play area, tot lot, and a private tennis court provide recreation and exercise opportunities. Lighted sidewalks, street lights, and full city services complete the community.

The amenities and location of Trotters Pointe have quickly made it one of South Lyon's most prominent addresses. Located within the exemplary South Lyon school district and adjacent to the high school, the Estates of Trotters Pointe Village is just minutes from quaint, historic downtown

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Numerous golf courses, the nearby South Lyon Rail Trail into Kensington Metro Park, bustling shopping centers and a variety of restaurant and din-ing options are also nearby. Convenient access to 1-96, U.S 23, 1-696 and 1-275 make for easy commutes to major business centers, health facilities, Wayne County

The Estates of Trotters Pointe Village, a Toll Brother's luxury home community in South Lyon, is located on Eleven Mile Road, west of Pontiac Trail.

The Sales Center is open daily from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. For more information, call (248) 486-4979, or visit the Web site at www.tollbroth-

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