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“Turnaround plan”

Business is better than ever, according to Radio Shack employees, now that the store is getting out of business, on 10 Mile and Meadowbrook roads. Over 400 stores are scheduled to close across the country as part of a Radio Shack Corporations “turnaround plan.”

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Emilly Estbrook is one of the state's best soccer players and leads our All Area voting. See which other Novi Wildcats made our spring sports teams.

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## Felon list includes 3 in Novi

### School district dismisses one

By Matt Doran  
STAFF WRITER

One employee was dismissed from the Novi Community School District following the state legislature's "highly faulty" initial attempt to identify convicts working in schools.

John Calhoun, a convicted felon and custodian with the district, was dismissed by the board of education - acting on the recommendation of the administration - after the February 1 release to school districts of a list naming convicts working in schools.

The list was the result of laws enacted by the Michigan state legislature and was initially flawed, according to Bob Schram, executive director of human resources for the school district.

"The list was tremendously inaccurate," Schram said. He noted that one school employee was listed as having committed armed robbery when they were 4 years old.

### Three convicts listed in school district

However, the list provided to the Novi school district did correctly name three employees with felonious criminal histories, including Calhoun. Calhoun was convicted of

felony armed robbery in 1986 and "Felony Embezzlement - Agent or Trustee over \$100, Attempt Felony Embezzlement - Agent or Trustee over \$100" in 1994.

The district does run background checks when hiring new employees, Schram said, but he said Calhoun's somehow came up clean. Calhoun also lied on his employment application that he had no criminal record, Schram said.

"We've got to rely on what the employee tells us and what the state

tells us," he said.

**"Good, family men"**

The two other employees with felony convictions were retained on recommendation of the administration to the board, Schram said.

Custodian Daniel Greener was convicted in 1978 of felony larceny in a building, and in 1986 of felony malicious destruction of fire/police

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Paulette Donaldson's garden in the Village Oaks subdivision is one of 6 in Novi featured in the July 15 tour.

## PLANT ON IT

### Upcoming events showcase community's beautiful gardens

By Maureen Johnston  
RECORD STAFF WRITER

Yvonne DeMatteis knows her "No-No's" have something different up their sleeve.

The president of the Gardeners of Nordville and Novi, promoting

the abbreviated No-No moniker, said members have planned a new type of garden walk that helps turn the inspiring views into take-home projects.

Visitors to six Novi homes will be able to wrap up the July 15 tour at the Tollgate Education Center the club is hosting informational demonstrations and plant vendors.

"One of the most frustrating parts of garden walks is seeing a plant that would be perfect in your garden and not know where to buy it," DeMatteis said. "Each vendor has been assigned one of the featured gardens and two or more of the Tollgate gardens and will have these plants available for sale."

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## Gun range draws fire

### \$1.2 million has already been allocated

By Pam Fleming  
STAFF WRITER

Jim Hinkle doesn't like the idea of hearing gunshots outside his Novi home.

The 22-year-resident is afraid if the noise level is too high at the city's proposed police firearms range that once it's built residents will have no recourse.

Hinkle was one of the residents who attended a public meeting June 28 at the Police Training Center.

The purpose of the meeting was to give those who live in the subdivision next to the police department an overview of the proposed firearms range and expanded training facility.

Misty Beatz and Dan Kriza from Wild Architects in Troy as well as

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## Detroit Public TV begins effort to raise \$22 million

By Pam Fleming  
STAFF WRITER

George Riley believes in the importance of education.

And, he feels a key component in the education of today's young people is public television, such as the still-popular children's program "Sesame Street."

That's why the Farmington Hills

philanthropist has donated \$5 million from his foundation, the Riley Foundation, and will chair a \$22 million capital campaign for Detroit Public Television launched last Thursday.

The campaign, appropriately named, "Because Minds Matter," will fund the station's new headquarters in Wixom.

The station also announced that it

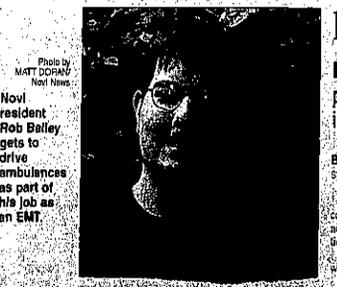
has named its new headquarters off Grand River Avenue at Napier Road the Riley Broadcast Center.

The 93,000-square-foot facility was built in 1998 on 18 acres just west of the I-96/Wixom Road interchange. The building was formerly the home of Clover Technologies, which Riley founded, and was sub-

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George Riley with his daughter, Kimberly Riley-Fouts (left), and wife, Dolores Riley at last Thursday's public launch of Detroit Public TV's \$22 million capital campaign.



Novi resident Rob Bailey gets to drive ambulances as part of his job as an EMT

## EMT work means a busy summer

### College student preps for career in medical field

By Matt Doran  
STAFF WRITER

"Being an ambulance driver comes with a few perks. Example: not having to worry about getting tickets." Even

"You get to go 90 on the highway and have people pull over.

You get to run stoplights and red lights. You never have to park," said Novi resident Rob Bailey, a 20-year-old college student who's working full-time this summer as an EMT in Calhoun and Jackson counties.

"It's fun," he said. "Cops are so nice to us."

**Prepping for the ER**

Bailey got his EMT certification nearly a year ago, and has

been enjoying the experience. He's planning on a career in emergency medicine once he finishes up his double major undergraduate degree in biology and chemistry at Albion College, where he's a dean's list student.

"It's my stepping stone to further medical outlooks," he said. "It's a fun job."

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**School district dismisses one on list of felons**

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property, and driving under the influence of alcohol.

Electrician Robert Coleman was convicted in 1995 of "Felony - Weapons - Carry - Concealed." He was convicted after being employed by the district, and under the laws at that time, was not obligated to inform the district of his conviction, Schram said.

"If we at all felt they should not

be around my grandkids or around anyone else, they wouldn't be there," Schram said, noting that none of his grandchildren attend Novi schools. "We've met with them, we've talked with them. They're both good, family men."

**Hiring felons**

When considering whether to hire an employee, the district takes into account the seriousness of the offense, Schram said, meaning that an offense like forging checks is weighed differently than a rape conviction. He said the district also considers whether or not the person has kept their nose clean since the conviction.

ly and without input from the educational community. Districts across the state run into problems as employers with clean records were accidentally reported as having criminal histories.

The whole process was frozen after a lawsuit by the Michigan Educational Association, and the legislature went back to the drawing board, producing an improved package of legislation and a corrected list which was presented to school districts May 12, Schram said. The list was "embargoed" from the press and from Freedom of Information Act requests for 15 days so districts could be certain they had received accurate lists.

**Problematic legislation**

Schram said the point of the legislation was to make sure school districts knew the criminal histories of their employees, and some convictions - such as sex offenses - required immediate dismissal.

"The intent of the (original) law was fine, but what they passed was highly faulty," he said.

"The legislation was passed 'by stealth'" Schram said, very quickly

minor convictions from FOIA requests, meaning only felony convictions are now public, Schram said.

School employees must also now disclose to the district when they are charged with a felony, and Schram said the district's response to such a scenario would likely be to place the employee on leave pending completion of the case.

"The new legislation was greatly needed," Schram said. "We're very much in favor of the new legislation."

**Improved laws**

Schram said the initial legislation included a "ludicrous" requirement that all school workers provide their fingerprints. The legislation was worked so broadly that it would have required fingerprints from everyone doing any sort of work at schools, from workers putting shingles on the roof to delivery men bringing packages to student co-op workers, he said.

Another unpopular feature of the initial laws was a requirement that the criminal histories of school employees - even those convicted of misdemeanors - be subject to FOIA requests. The updated laws protect mis-

**Upcoming events showcase Novi community's beautiful gardens**

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"There's going to be a world of information available to the gardeners who attend."

**Lets to see**

Six buses will be featured on the tour, DeMatos said, where the work is done by the homeowner and not a landscaper.

"This in itself is an oddity these days," she said. "These are gardens that have been thought out by gardeners who just love to beautify and enjoy their surroundings."

The Tollgate Farms part of the garden walk allows ticket holders to tour the 19 gardens maintained by volunteers as part of a Michigan State University project, DeMatos

**Garden Walk, July 15**  
**What:** No-No's Gardening Adventure  
**When:** 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday  
**Where:** Six local gardens and Tollgate Education Center, with 17 individual gardens  
**Hosted by:** Gardens of Northville and Novi  
**Cost:** \$10  
**Tickets available:** online at [www.gardensofnorthville-novi.org](http://www.gardensofnorthville-novi.org); in Novi — Anglin Nursery; in Northville — Gardenviews and Water Wheel Health Club; in Plymouth — Backyard Birds  
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Attendees will be given a map when entering Tollgate, she said.

"We made sure that the selected gardens are within easy driving distance to each other so that people don't have to spend all of their day driving," DeMatos said.

**Lets to learn**

The on-site vendors will offer plans designed by sign at each home garden, DeMatos said. She said labeling the featured plants makes a little more work

**College student preps for a career in medicine**

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"It's my stepping stone to further medical outlooks," he said. "It's a fun job."

Bailey said the work with emergency rooms in a different angle than he will as an ER doctor, but the experience is still similar.

"It's fun," he said. "It's really interesting - it's a huge adrenaline rush. I've done it from a different aspect, but it's still the same."

**Living abroad**

Bailey has lived in Novi for six years. Before that, he spent a couple of years living in Eastern

**Rob Bailey**  
**Education:** He'll start his junior year of Aflion College in the fall. He's a dean's list student and is planning on attending medical school once he finishes his undergraduate education.  
**Hobbies:** Biking, weight lifting, and cooking.  
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Europe, where his parents were working.

He attended an American international school, which he said can be found in many foreign countries and employ mostly American teachers who give lessons in English.

"It's like a private school where it's based on American standards," he said. "The difference in the standards are even higher, he said.

where (in Europe)," he said. "You need a car to go anywhere (in America)."

His workload as an EMT can be pretty heavy, but when he's not busy, Bailey enjoys several hobbies. He likes cooking, and said he tries to work with high-quality ingredients.

"I'm normally the one who goes all out," he said. "I'll cook anything."

Bailey's other hobbies include lifting weights and bike riding.

"My view towards the American people has changed (because of living abroad)," Bailey said.

One of his favorite things about living abroad was the ability to quickly and easily travel around the city, Bailey said. In Novi, it takes him far longer to get around, even on relatively short, A to B trips.

"You hop a bus, you can go any-

**Detroit Public TV begins effort to raise \$22 million**

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separately sold and then closed.

The station owners began leasing the building from Riley in 2004 and are in the process of converting it into a modern broadcast facility.

The capital campaign will fund the purchase of the building and equipment necessary to complete a federally mandated conversion to digital technology plus a mobile production truck that will be used to produce programming from anywhere in Southeast Michigan.

"You have questions? We have answers?"

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ty on June 28, with Riley attending. Much of the station's business staff is currently working at the Wiscom center, with production continuing at the Detroit facility until funds are raised to complete studio and technical operations in Wiscom.

Riley, now chairman of RF Connect in Farmington Hills, got in at the ground level of the television industry when he opened a television repair shop in 1932, with Detroit Public Television as a customer. He later built a successful technology company with offices nationwide, which was acquired by what is now AT&T.

"Public television has always been a favorite in our household," Riley said. "We are pleased to be able to help ensure that Detroit Public TV will continue to grow and deliver more worthwhile programs and services."

The Riley Broadcast Center will serve nearly one million viewers who watch WTWS Channel 56 each week. Riley noted that the new building is a perfect match for the station, as it already had the fiber optic network the station needed as the former Clover Technologies headquarters.

The Wiscom center replaces the 50-year-old facility in Detroit's New Center area that is technologically antiquated.

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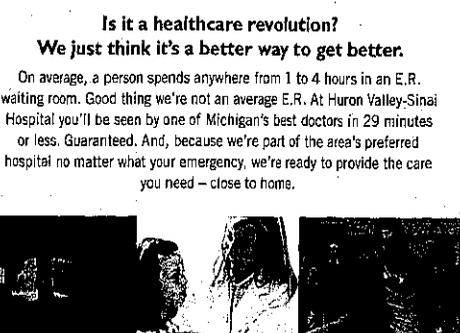
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**Ring road project back in motion**

**Ruling means city can acquire land near former Expo Center**

By Julie Edgar  
 GANNETT NEWS SERVICE

Novi is again considering building a ring road that would connect the old Novi Expo Center to Grand River and has budgeted \$150,000 for an engineering design study that should be finished within the year. The idea, which city officials last year claimed was dead, was to divert truck traffic from Novi Road and Grand River to ease traffic in what was an exceedingly busy intersection.

The state had rescinded a \$1.1-million grant for the project, primarily because it was stalled in a court case that began in 1998. In that case, the city sued the state, which widened Grand River and improved its intersection with Novi Road, making a ring road less urgent.

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**Need a new friend?**

Scotty Bentley, 8, of Birmingham, is pictured with Disney, a cocker spaniel and border collie mix his family adopted from the Michigan Humane Society. The society's animal shelters in Westland, Detroit and Rochester Hills, began offering new adoption hours on June 25 and are open seven days a week. "Our expanded adoption hours will include Sundays and weekday evenings, making it convenient for busy adopters to add companion animals to their families," said Cal Morgan, executive director of the society. The Westland shelter is located at 900 N. Newburgh Road. Hours are 11 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, Sunday and Monday; and 11 a.m.-7 p.m., Tuesday through Friday. For more information about hours and adoption procedures, visit [www.michiganhumane.org](http://www.michiganhumane.org) or call (866) MHUMANE.

**New group takes a swing**

**Greater Novi Chamber hosts first golf outing**

By Tracy Mishler  
 STAFF WRITER

Shine up your golf clubs and practice your swing.

The first Greater Novi Chamber of Commerce Golf Outing will take place Wednesday at the Links of Novi.

Links of Novi is located at 50395 10 Mile Road. Chamber Executive Director Whitney McClellan said she is expecting about 100 golfers, which begins with a 9 a.m. registration hour and a 10 a.m. shotgun start.

"We're looking for a lot of our current members to bring non-

members interested in potentially joining the chamber," McClellan said. "We have about 60 people signed up, but I'm expecting between 80-100."

The outing costs \$98 per golfer and includes 18 holes of golf, lunch, two drink tickets and a steak dinner.

"We'll also have door prizes, a raffle and special competition holes," she said. "The golf outing is more for fun and will probably be a staple every year."

**Growing rapidly**

The Greater Novi Chamber, started by a group of area business people in May, currently has about 60 members, which includes 12 board members.

"I feel really positive in the amount of people who are interested in becoming members," McClellan said. "In the past two

**Becoming a member**

For more information on the Greater Novi Chamber of Commerce Golf Outing or to become a member, contact Whitney McClellan at (248) 347-4622.

"We want to present opportunities for people to network efficiently," she said. "I really think we're going to be a strong force in working with the city, a bridge between business owners and government, and a positive change for businesses in the area."

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**BUSINESS BRIEFS**

**Tower deadline re-extended**

Financially struggling Tower Automotive released its fourth-quarter 2005 results and company officials say it lost a lot less than it did a year earlier. The Novi-based company is under Chapter Eleven bankruptcy protection and officials say the company lost 64 million dollars, or a dollar-ten a share in the quarter on revenue of 732 million dollars.

Judge Allan Gropper of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Manhattan said in a court order last Thursday he has extended the deadline to work out an agreement on cutting labor costs, extending the June 27 deadline to July 7 at the request of Tower and three big unions.

Gropper said he was prepared to extend the deadline again if necessary.

Tower said that Gropper has indicated he will likely ruling on Tower's union contracts as long as negotiations continue.

Tower is one of a growing number of automobile-parts manufacturers that have fallen into bankruptcy amid production cuts by the biggest U.S. auto makers. The company filed for Chapter 11 protection from creditors more than a year ago, listing \$1.3 billion in debts.

**PARAGON sponsors leaders**

Five high-level leaders from Michigan industry and government recently spoke at a special leader forum sponsored by PARAGON Leadership International, the Novi-based executive coaching and consulting firm. The topic was "Challenges and Opportunities: Female Leaders Face and The Future of Our Economy."

Speakers included Bob Casola, president of Providence Park Hospital; Cheryl Johnson, vice president of human resources for Wolverine Worldwide; and Janet Kelly, partner with Zelle Hoffman.

Automation Alley's International Business Center (IBC) announced it is accepting applications for Southeast Michigan companies to participate in a trade mission to China this autumn. Scheduled for Nov. 1-15, the trade mission will bring area businesses to the cities of Beijing, Chengde, Chongqing, Guangzhou and Shanghai.

As a result of a partnership between Automation Alley's IBC, the State of Michigan's Shanghai office and U.S. Commercial Service offices around the world, companies will have an opportunity to meet with pre-screened business contacts representing a variety of industries including automotive components, alternative energy technologies, machine tools and metalworking equipment; environmental and pollution control equipment; and information technology and software applications.

The last Automation Alley trade mission to China took place in 2002, and resulted in more than \$18 million in signed contracts for participating businesses. In addition, the mission led to technology licensing agreements,

**Developing businesses**

The Automation Alley Technology Center is providing Southeast Michigan companies the funding, entrepreneurship assistance, training and networking opportunities needed to support business development throughout the region. Recently, the Technology Center used its resources to assist software provider, 3IS, and hydraulic hybrid power-train developer, Hydra-Drive Systems, LLC in bringing their products closer to market.

With funding from the Advanced Automotive Manufacturing Seed Fund, made available by the State of Michigan, the Automation Alley Technology Center provided Novi-based software provider 3IS with seed investment to produce its software product and showcase the technology to potential partners and customers. Additional assistance included entrepreneurship seminars, business plan development and general consulting.

Program promotes Hummer

Detroit Hummer and Hummer of Novi are drawing in consumers with mileage maximizer, a mechanical modification they claim helps the bulking vehicles get 23 miles per gallon in highway driving.

The improvements come at a price, though. GM and Hummer officials haven't endorsed the adjustments, and say they may not honor the warranties on the altered vehicles.

The dealerships are charging customers \$189.95 for the mileage maximizer.

Gary Krupa, general manager of Hummer of Novi, said they sold about a dozen modified Hummers in the first three weeks of the promotion. The claim is now considering modifying vehicles at other Detroit-area Chrysler, Jeep and Dodge stores it owns within the next month, according to Hummer officials.

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**Director of Operations Mike McKinley and General Manager Mike Cain pose with "Famous Daniel," "Famous Justin," "Famous Karen" and "Famous Michelle"**

More than 165 people are currently training to service the restaurant, which seats about 230 customers. "We offer a multifaceted menu, but 90 percent of people choose the barbecue," McKinley said.

He said Blue Ribbon chose Novi for its fifth Famous Dave's location, others in Taylor, Rochester, Westland and Roseville, because of its prime corner spot in the former Grady's American Grill location.

"Finding good, available real estate is tough," McKinley said. "Novi is a good location in our business... it's a strong trade area."

There are more than 133 Famous Dave's restaurant across the U.S. and McKinley said they hope to have eight or nine in Michigan in the future.

"Twenty-five percent of our service is take-out," he said. "We also cater events and have full-service restaurants... The demand is growing and we want to provide more to our customers."

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**It's a 'Famous' experience**

**Famous Dave's kicks off with \$1 ribs on Saturday**

By Tracy Mishler  
STAFF WRITER

Elise Carpenter is looking forward to sinking her teeth into a big slab of ribs as the grand opening of Famous Dave's Bar-B-Que draws closer.

The 54-year-old Novi resident said she's tasted enough ribs in her lifetime to know what's good. "Some people like vegetables, and I like meat," Carpenter said. "I'll be first in line at Famous Dave's so I can give them my seal of approval."

Famous Dave's, located at the Novi Town Center, is scheduled to open July 17, kicking off with delivery of the restaurant's mascot, Wilber the pig, courtesy of the Novi Fire Department.

"People can definitely look forward to having a famous experience," said Mike Cain, general manager for Famous Dave's. "We're going to blow the minds of everyone with our barbecue."

Founded in 1994 by Dave Anderson, Famous Dave's brings down home cooking right to the plate.

Mike McKinley said Famous Dave's is unique because finding a good barbecue restaurant is rare in this part of the U.S.

"People have responded well to the handful of restaurants we currently have in the area," said McKinley, director of operations for franchise owner Blue Ribbon Restaurants. "This is more of a destination restaurant where people can come and enjoy the atmosphere and good food."

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■ 'Retirement Network' soon to make the screen

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STAFF WRITER

Move over Game Show Network and TV Land because a new cable network will soon be capturing the attention of your senior viewers.

As a way of providing television aimed specifically toward seniors, John Erickson, founder and CEO of Erickson Retirement Communities, which developed and manages Fox Run in Novi, is launching the Retirement Living Network, designed for people 62 and older.

The network's tagline: "TV Finally Grows Up."

"Television has been so obsessed with fading younger eyes," said Patrick Baldwin, senior director of TV and media for Retirement Living. "Television has been ignoring the seniors of our population and it's time TV grow up and pay attention to them."

Fred Moschetti, site and marketing director for Fox Run, believes a network strictly aimed toward seniors will be very popular.

"John Erickson is a visionary and when he gets a creative idea he knows how to put it into action," Moschetti said. "Seniors are the largest growing segment of the population, and (Erickson) saw there was a lack of television and programming for seniors."

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### The Lineup:

• **Amazing Seniors:** A one-hour program telling the stories about ordinary individuals and the extraordinary lives they've lead. Stories will focus on the creative lives of seniors as artists, athletes and leaders.

• **The Doctor's Hour:** A one-hour, live call-in show. The largest group of geriatric experts in the world will be available to answer questions from viewers across the country.

• **The Voice:** A live-audience, interview-based show discussing social issues important to seniors.

Moschetti said seniors across the nation should be seeing something very soon.

"(Seniors) are always asking when they're going to have our own programming," he said. "Their needs are completely different than other age groups, and I believe this will be a big success."

Not only will Retirement Living provide programming for seniors, it will also employ them.

"There is no group more discriminated against than the senior population," Baldwin said. "At our network a seasoned resume is a good thing."

## SENIOR CENTER CALENDAR

### Friday 7/7

9 a.m. .... Stretch and Strength cancelled  
10 a.m. .... Body Recall  
10:00 a.m. .... Jack Meir, Medicare  
12:30 p.m. .... Lunch  
12:30 p.m. .... Drpl. Bridge  
12:45 p.m. .... Bingo cancelled

### Monday 7/10

9:45 a.m. .... Men's Golf  
9 a.m. .... Stretch and Strength  
10 a.m. .... Body Recall  
noon .... Lunch  
12:30 p.m. .... Pinochle\*  
2:30 p.m. .... Tea, \$1 at the door; DIA presents "Getting Framed"  
6:30 p.m. .... Clogging\*

### Tuesday 7/11

8:30 a.m. .... Paten Bread  
8:30 a.m. .... Coffee and Conversation  
9 a.m. .... Line Dance\*  
10 a.m. .... Asian Pacific  
11 a.m. .... Computer Lab Open  
noon .... Lunch  
12:30 p.m. .... Focus Hope Distribution  
12:45 p.m. .... Bingo  
1-3 p.m. .... "Ask the Lawyer" by app.

### Wednesday 7/12

2:30 p.m. .... Massage by appointment  
9 a.m. .... Stretch and Strength  
9 a.m.-4 p.m. .... Secretary of State Mobile Office  
9:15 a.m. .... Women's Golf  
10 a.m. .... Body Recall  
10:30 a.m. .... Quilting  
11 a.m. .... Blood Pressure  
11:30 p.m. .... Clogging (move to Mondays)  
noon .... Lunch  
1:30-2:30 p.m. Sing-A-Long with George and Caroline  
2:30 p.m. .... Massage by appointment  
2-4 p.m. .... Estate Planning by appointment

### Thursday 7/13

9 a.m. .... Line Dance  
9 a.m. .... Mixed Golf League  
noon .... Lunch  
12:15 .... Connect Bridge at Senior Center  
12 p.m. .... Line Dance cancelled  
1-3 p.m. .... Reading and Discussion Group  
1-3 p.m. .... Computer Lab open  
2:30 p.m. .... Massage by appointment

\*Activities will be held at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. 10 Mile Road, Phone (248) 347-0414.

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The Novi High School Band Boosters are planning their fourth annual fundraiser golf outing. Posing at last year's golf outing (l to r) are Mirhan Kochyan, Dihan Kochyan, Chuck Kalton and Kent Thompson.

## Boosters plan golf outing

### Event to raise funds for Novo High School's band

By Matt Doran  
STAFF WRITER

The Novi High School Band Boosters are hoping to drum up support from the community in their fourth annual golf outing fundraiser, being held this year at Tanglewood Golf Club in South Lyon.

"It's not real competitive," said outing director Dihan Kochyan, who is hoping the event will be supported not only by people connected to the band, but also by the community in general.

"It's a real fun event," he said. "Bands always have a need. If we can raise \$4,000 to \$5,000, we're not really happy with that."

The proceeds will be used to buy music and equipment like accessories for instruments, Kochyan said. The boosters are also still hoping to gather donations of prizes from local

### Outing details

The fourth annual Novi High School Band Boosters' golf outing will be held at 12 p.m. Sunday, July 30, at Tanglewood Golf Course on Ten Mile Road, west of Wixom Road.

Registration for the outing begins at 11 a.m. The cost is \$100 per person for golf and dinner, and \$35 for dinner only. Lunch is included with golf, which is a scramble format. Proceeds benefit the band program.

A \$750 package is also available, which includes dinner and golf for four players, a hole sponsorship, and five fairway tickets for each golfer.

There is still room for teams and event sponsorships and door prizes are still being accepted as well. Hole sponsorships are \$100.

For more information, call Dihan Kochyan at (248) 348-6135.

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The outing will be in a scramble format, with four players per team. Each player will receive a goodie bag with treats like ice cream, soft drinks, and trophies will be awarded for his longest-mans-and-women's drives, and shots closest to the hole. The first and last place teams will also receive trophies.

Registration can be a slightly

challenging course, Kochyan said. He and his son, a band member, typically golf three days a week, and Kochyan said his handicap is around a 14.

"You have to know (the course) to know where to place the ball," he said.

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- Patricia Anthony, Teena Antony,
- Ryo Anzai, Nicholas Aricilano,
- Kallyn Arbour, Alyssa Arnick,
- Shubhangi Arora, Aayush Ashby,
- Jasna Ashtank-Zarembi, Kellee
- Auterson, Andrew Bagdasary,
- Nicholas Bagaris, Lauren
- Balford, Matthew Bator,
- Alexander Baumgartner, Makana
- Baus, Davante Beat-Greer,
- Joanna Beaton, Souvik Bellran,
- Shannon Bennett, Rebecca
- Berman, Jacob Barry, Sadie
- Blato, Deepanshu Bhardwal,
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- Bhankura Blossfeldt, Sean
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- Buha, Brenna Bullock, Grant
- Bullock, Joseph Butty, Jaime
- Bush, Maianne Cuddy, Brian
- Cameron, Shelly Carbery,
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- Erin Cooper, Chantal Copeland,
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- Cornellier, Michel Copard,
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- Denoyer, Sydney DeLuccio,
- Laura Denyer, Alexander
- DeOliveira, Xin Ding, Jessica
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- Farley, Nathaniel Farrah, Rami
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## ON CAMPUS

Novi residents Erin Wickham and Dawn Willson were named to the spring 2006 semester dean's list at DePaul University.

Novi residents Daniel Coleman, Aimee DePatis, Samuel Francis and Pavan Rajpal, have been awarded an Athlon College Presidential Scholarship. Hollie Gornizian, Renee Hadley and Nicholas Sulley, of Novi, have been awarded the Athlon College Brian Award. Scott Keling and Elizabeth Schilling, of Novi, have been awarded an Athlon College Trustee Scholarship. Mary Lewis and Lindsey Yanko have been awarded an Athlon College Webster Scholarship.

Nicole Iagnowicz-Rebecca Major and Steven Szalony of Novi, have been named to the spring 2006 academic honors list at Ferris State University.

Novi resident Rachel Watson was named to the winter 2006 dean's list at Northern Michigan University.

Novi residents Florence Jirask and Lance Suttie were named to the spring 2006 term dean's list at Northwood University.

Mario Gouba, of Novi, was among the spring 2006 graduates at Olive College during commencement exercises.

Novi resident Adam Pitcher was among the spring 2006 graduates at Adrian College during commencement exercises.

Novi residents Ntasha Alhulwala, Meredith Azzam, Melissa Anderson, Jordan Barnes, Stephanie Barb, Alexander Baum, Eric Bruce, Lindsey Broadwell, Michelle Buckley, Andrew Camilleri, John Campbell, Ashil Chang, Ananda Craik, Eric Deighton, Lisa DeLia, Michal Filipkowski, Gabriela Frank, Catherine Garbicki, James Centrick, Rachel Good, Kristin Gorman, Lisa Howell, Miklata Humaid, Baret Katz, Allison Kommer, Michelle Krause, Deanna Kubas, Lauren Linkner, Matthew Ludwig, Jyll Lyngner, Stuart Muehlich, Julia Margrave, Michael Miner, Anna McDougall, Caitlin Miller, Samiullah Moradikar, Sara Beth O'Connor, Karan Oteyza, Jaelyn Panetta, Megan Pierce, Jonathan Postema, Stephanie Regan, Robert Richl, Scott Rollig, Katherine Schenck, Emily Schaefer, Matthew Selimovic, Laura Sheppard, John Paul Sherbeck, Amanda Smith, Andrew Smith, Jessica Smith, Smita Smith, Amy Sorvan, Allison Steward, Eric Tingwall, Rachel Tucker, Lauren Tucker, Kimberly Walsh, Jessica Wayne, Stephanie Weygn, Robert Wilson, Leslie Bateman, Matthew Best, Erin Benson, Danielle Bell, Sarah Boyle, Laura Carosio, Bryan Chonoff, Connor Chisley, Brandon Cigita, Ryan Corne, Steven Dabney, Anthony DePallicci, Erin Dwyer, Jason Erickson, Alison Gilchrist, Jessica Giancy, Marie Goleto, Julia Hagoopian, Brian Harmon, Amanda Haplan, Brian Hawthorne, Ashley Haynes, Kelly Hebert, Andrew Andrew

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Novi resident Wendy Ying has been awarded the 2006 Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police Youth Scholarship Award given by the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police. She is a 2006 graduate of Detroit Country Day High School.

Winnon resident Rebecca Rudy was named to the fall 2005 semester President's List at Saginaw Valley State University.

Calli Cox, Kristina Clairingham, Christine Hood, Rebecca Noll, Tiffany Nelson, Lisa Paladino, Jeremy Sala, James Sobert and Mark Welch, all of Novi, were among the spring 2006 graduates of Madonna University during commencement exercises.

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## Stem cell research could spur economy

You might say that Michigan is in a state of depression these days — psychologically speaking. What's more, it is clear that our elected masters are responsible for a good share of the blame.

The evidence is clear. A new round of polls have found that more Michiganders than ever before believe our state is headed in the wrong direction and are alarmed at the poor state of the economy. What's more, they don't have any confidence things are going to get much better any time soon.

There are lots of reasons for this. But one big one is the seeming total inability of our elected legislators to do something — anything — except to complain. As proof, consider how ideological ideology in Lansing is frustrating progress in a promising area for our economy, not to mention the human race: stem cell research.

Stem cells are generic cells capable of developing into various kinds of more specialized cells. Stem cells taken from very early human embryos can quickly differentiate into various types of tissue, such as blood, skin or nerves. Virtually every scientist in the country agrees that research using stem cells could produce breakthroughs in treating so far incurable ailments such as Parkinson's Disease.

Lots of states are vigorously pursuing research into embryonic stem cells. California, for example, recently passed a state ballot proposal allocating \$3 billion to stem cell research.

Not surprisingly, this has led to lots of very able scientists to move to California to pursue this work.

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"Our laws are some of the most restrictive in the world, far tighter than federal law and more than 50 states," said the Michigan State University. The bill is compounded by the negative effect all this is having on our economic future. According to the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC), more than \$2 billion is invested annually in life sciences research and development in Michigan. The industry produces \$4.8 billion in sales and is one of the few rapidly growing sectors in our economy.

Indeed, the MEDC says the State of Michigan has over the last four years invested \$178 million in growing the life sciences corridor around Wayne State University through the U-M and Michigan State University to the Van Andel Institute in Grand Rapids.

So on the one hand we have a rapidly developing scientific field that is critically important for the health of every citizen, one in which there is great talent at our research universities and has proven to be one of the few bright spots in our economy.

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PHOTO OF THE WEEK

Now what? Andrew Ward, 12, right, contemplates his next shot as he plays a game of pool with Alex Dixon at the Novi Teen Center. The center, located inside Novi Middle School, is open Mon-Thurs, 12-5:30 p.m. until July 27th. Cost for the entire summer is \$80 for unlimited sessions. Kids can play video games, use the gym, watch movies and attend many field trips (Tigers games, water parks) for an extra fee.

Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Novi News

## LETTERS

### Where are politicians' priorities?

It never ceases to amaze me that our politicians show such stupidity. On the front page of the Free Press today was a small story regarding "Nearly 1 out of every 5 Michigan children are found living in poverty."

On page 2 is yet another headline re: the most unemployment issue in the United States flag.

I repeat, "Nearly 1 out of every 5 Michigan children are found living in poverty." And who what pay-off are the Congress and the House of Representatives concerned about? The Rag? Lowering the estate tax? Tax breaks for the wealthy who undoubtedly don't care about our hungry and homeless? They are causing more and more families to join these ranks of the downfallen. What has become of our country? It makes me sick. I mean, really sick.

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### and all their big money will not share it with the common people. We all should know that their interests are in China...taken from Michigan. All the money that he has already spent on television could be helping starving children instead of puffing and trying to fool the people.

This madness has to stop. Please, please educate yourself now and until election day in August and November. Check out the voting records and past history of all candidates and watch out for yourself because these politicians have no interest whatsoever in helping the needy, jobless people of this country.

**Dolores Vedra**  
Novi

### On term limits

Your editorial (Phil Power's "A part-time legislature" 7 June 29, 2006) concerning term limits for our state legislators prompted this comment. The strongest argument against term limits has been and always will be that terms of elected officials are always limited. Those limits are called elections. The creation of arbitrary time limits is the result of an apathetic and indifferent factor of our electorate.

Without the facts within my immediate grasp I would venture to say that less than twenty-five percent of Michigan's eligible voters (an insignificant plurality) mandated term limits. Perhaps a higher turnout occurred if the vote coincided with a presidential election. I can't recall the specifics.

**Patrick Downey**  
Novi

### Hey, Novi, wake up

I just drove through Wixom today for the first time in a long while. The work that they have done in their downtown is awesome. The pool by city hall, the parking, the new apartments, stores... wow!

Maybe we should have interviewed Tony Nowicki for the city manager's job?

**Gary Reamer**  
Novi

## Longing to be a daddy once again

I've been staring at the blinking cursor on my laptop for the past 20 minutes wondering just what I should write about in this column. The truth is, it's my last column for this section of the paper. In 22 days I'll shut off my computer at the office for the final time, check to make sure I've got everything I need to take with me and walk out the door. So this column I wanted to be special.

But the only thing that I can think of is the little arms that I haven't felt wrapped around my neck but for seven days out of the past six weeks.

My daughter became the absolute center of my universe just after I started working here. She was born three days after the terrorist attack on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon. I cried the moment I looked into her eyes.

On May 21, my daughter, Shaylyn, and my wife, Christie, moved to the Upper Peninsula to initiate our new lives up there. We're Yoopers, unapologetic down here over the past five years. Upon my wife's graduation from nursing school we decided it was time to go "home" and raise our daughter where we had been raised.

It was a tough decision. But the toughest part hasn't been the move of all of our belongings or my pet fish or even the preparations here at work. The hardest part has been not having my daughter to hug me good night and wish me the best at work.

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## EVENTS

### Whitehall Fund-raiser

DATE: Saturday  
TIME: 10 a.m.-4 p.m.  
LOCATION: Whitehall of Novi, 43455 W. 10 Mile Road  
DETAILS: This is a fund-raiser to help offset the cost of trips for senior residents at Whitehall.  
CONTACT: Tommy, (248) 349-2200

### Parks and Recreation Summer Camps

CONTACT: (248) 347-0400 or visit www.ci.novimichigan.org  
Camp Lakeshore  
DATE: Weekly now through Aug. 18  
TIME: 9:15 a.m.-4 p.m.  
LOCATION: Walked Lake, South Lake Drive  
DETAILS: This camp is for ages 6-12. It will include field trips, games, sports, swimming, art projects and entertainment. The cost is \$45 per week for residents; non-resident fees apply. Registration is required.

### Novi Theaters "Senior Variety Show"

DETAILS: The production will be Sept. 7, 8, 14 and 15 at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. 10 Mile Road. Tickets are available at Novi Parks and Recreation, 41737 W. 10 Mile Road.  
CONTACT: (248) 347-0400, 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday-Friday

### Farmers Market

DATE: Thursday through Oct. 26  
TIME: 8 a.m.-3 p.m.  
LOCATION: Noviville Downs parking lot, corner of Seven Mile and Sheldon Road, Novi, Mich.  
DETAILS: There are 160 stalls of fresh produce, plants, flowers, baked goods, garden art, crafts and home accessories available. This is sponsored by the Noviville Chamber of Commerce and Postwick Estates of Noviville Hills Golf Club.  
CONTACT: (248) 349-7640

### Borders-Nov Event

LOCATION: 43075 Crescent Boulevard  
CONTACT: (248) 347-0780  
Summer Fun Days  
TIMEDATE: 7 p.m. today, "val-ve-tar" 7 p.m. July 13, "pinac-cats" 11 a.m. July 29, "sand art", 11 a.m. July 27, "surprise-link activities"  
TIME: 7 p.m.  
DETAILS: These events are for all ages.

### Second City Comedy Club

DATE: Tuesday, Thursday, Sunday; 8 and 10 p.m. Friday; 7 and 9 p.m. Saturday  
LOCATION: 42785 Grand River Avenue, across from Novi Town Center  
DETAILS: "Bottle Heads of State" is the theme for this month's shows. Tickets are \$15 on Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday and \$20 on Friday and Saturday.  
CONTACT: Visit www.secondcity.com or call (248) 643-5666

### Novi City Council Meeting

DATE: Monday  
TIME: 7 p.m.  
LOCATION: Civic Center, 45175 W. 10 Mile Road  
CONTACT: (248) 344-0470

### Novi School Board Meeting

DATE: Tuesday  
TIME: 7:30 p.m.  
LOCATION: Wixom City Hall, 49045 Pontiac Trail  
CONTACT: (248) 624-4537

### Novi Youth Assistance General Citizens Meeting

DATE: Tuesday  
TIME: 7 p.m.  
LOCATION: Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. 10 Mile Road  
CONTACT: (248) 347-0410

### Novi Schools

First day of 2006-2007 school year  
DATE: Monday, Aug. 28

### Novi Band Car Wash

DATE: Saturday, July 15  
TIME: 9 a.m.-2 p.m.  
LOCATION: Novi United Methodist Church, 41671 Ten Mile Road, west of Meadowbrook Road  
DETAILS: Donations raised will support the Novi High School Band.  
CONTACT: Pauli Koolyan, (248) 348-5135

### Car Wash

DATE: Saturday, July 15  
TIME: 11 a.m.-2 p.m.  
LOCATION: Waterwood at Twelve Oaks, 27473 Huron Circle  
DETAILS: This is a fund-raiser for the Alzheimer's Association. Refreshments and entertainment will be included with the car wash.

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DETAILS: Individuals and businesses are invited to participate as sponsors, donors or to provide gifts or gift certificates as prizes to the attendees, or donate items for the "Silent Auction." All proceeds will be given to local charities.  
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DETAILS: This event includes lunch, a raffle and prizes.  
CONTACT: Dave Crumell, (248) 380-3148 or Doug Reichley, (248) 380-3921

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CONTACT: Dhan Koolyan, (248) 348-5135

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DATE: Thursday, Aug. 3  
TIME: 10 a.m., shotgun start  
LOCATION: Links of Novi, 50395 W. 10 Mile Road  
DETAILS: The cost is \$125 per golfer including breakfast, lunch, golf, dinner and silent auction. Proceeds will benefit Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department.  
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DATE: Wednesday, July 19  
TIME: 7 p.m. all ages  
DETAILS: Performer Doug Scher will make everyday objects who, bang, pop, and pop. Registration is not required.

**Library Board Meeting**

DATE: Wednesday, July 19  
TIME: 7 p.m.  
LOCATION: City Council Chambers at the Novi Civic Center  
DETAILS: Community members are welcome to attend. Meetings are also broadcast live on cable channel 13.

**Walled Lake Library Events**

LOCATION: 1499 E. West Maple Road, Walled Lake  
CONTACT: (248) 624-3772  
"Circles"  
DATE: Today  
TIME: 6:30-7:30 p.m.  
DETAILS: This event is for ages 1-5 and includes crafts and games about snakes. It is based on the story, "Circles" by Tomi Ungerer.

**"Butterflies and Hops"**

DATE: Tuesday, July 13  
TIME: 6:30-7:30 p.m.  
DETAILS: This event is for ages 5-9, Nourah and Lapidot, Jodi Brundfield, will discuss butterflies and hops. This will include refreshments and a craft.

**"Pizza Taster"**

DATE: Monday, July 17  
TIME: 6:30-7:30 p.m.  
DETAILS: You are invited to ideally pizzas from local businesses. This includes games and prizes. Summer Reading Program  
DATE: Nov through Aug. 3  
DETAILS: "Paws, Claws, Scales and Tales" will be the theme for this program. It is designed for ages 5 and up and includes crafts and games. No registration is required.

**Stories in the Park**

DATE: Monday and Wednesday through Aug. 2  
TIME: 12:30-1:15 p.m.  
LOCATION: Riley Park, Common Street and Sims Park, Walled Lake  
DETAILS: This is designed for preschool through third grade students. It will include crafts, games, puppets and songs. Participants are invited to bring a picnic lunch and chair or blanket. No registration is required.

**NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given that on 7/22/06 at 10:00 a.m. the following will be sold by competitive bidding at Estate Self Storage 21650 Novi Rd., Novi, MI.

John Turnquist (Unit No. 226) Boxes/bags, Hand tools, Recreation equipment, Office equipment, Susan McFarland (Unit No. 434) Household furnishings, Household goods, other misc items, Ben Rodriguez (Unit No. 145) Household goods, Power tools, Office equipment, Other misc. items, Martin Mizera (Unit No. 195) Household furnishings, Power tools, Recreation equipment, Other misc. items

**SOUTH LYON THEATER**

STARTS Fri, July 7

**CLICK**

Adam Sandler  
Kate Beckinsale  
Christopher Walken  
Rated PG-13 107 Min

Friday - 7pm, 9:15pm

Sat, Sun, Mon  
1, 4 & 7pm

Tues, Wed, Thurs 7pm

Matinees \$3.50

Evenings \$4.50

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Wednesday  
FREE am. Popcorn  
with paid admission

Thursday  
FREE Ice Cream  
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Monday is  
Senior Citizen Night  
\$3 admission

126 E. Lake St.  
437-4545

**SUPPORT GROUPS**

**Neighborhood Baby-sitting Co-op**

DETAILS: Using the co-op, you and your children can make friends and get what you need accomplished without the little ones in tow. Also enjoy a moon's night out and other social events.  
CONTACT: Sue Tracz, (248) 389-9998

**Friendship Circle**

DATE: second Thursday of each month  
TIME: 1 p.m.  
LOCATION: St. James Catholic Church, 45325 10 Mile Road, between Taft and Beck roads.  
DETAILS: Social group for all widows and widowers.  
CONTACT: Norbert Monson, (248) 851-9790, Florence Veight, (248) 477-3032 or Joy Iovanni, (248) 348-9138, joyovaldi@earthlink.net

**Kensington Valley Mothers of Multiples**

DATE: second Thursday of each month  
TIME: 7 p.m.  
LOCATION: Which's Hot Depot, 300 Dorothy St., South Lyon.  
DETAILS: This group provides information, support and social activities for mothers of multiple birth children and their families. Mothers of multiples living in and around the Kensington Valley school conference are all welcome.  
CONTACT: For more information, (248) 437-5456.

**New Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) chapter**

DATE: every Wednesday  
TIME: 11 a.m. weigh-in, 11:30 a.m. meeting  
LOCATION: Meadowbrook Commons, 25015 Meadowbrook Road, Novi  
DETAILS: \$20 per annual membership includes handbook, 1 per

**Women's Prayer Support**

DATE: Saturday ongoing  
TIME: 9-10:30 a.m.  
LOCATION: Harvest Fellowship Church, 49329 Pontiac Trail, Westland  
DETAILS: Come for encouragement, help, hope and prayer. Drop in for five minutes or longer.  
CONTACT: Nancy or Susan, (248) 938-8333 or harvestfellowship@earthlink.net

**Breast Cancer Support Group**

DATES: second and fourth Tuesday of each month  
LOCATION: Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital, Commerce, Classroom C  
TIME: 10-11:30 a.m.  
DETAILS: No registration needed.  
CONTACT: (248) 937-5017

**Novi Toastmasters**

DATE: first and third Tuesday of each month  
LOCATION: Novi Civic Center, 45325 10 Mile Road, between Taft and Beck roads.  
DETAILS: Toastmasters will help you improve your communication skills, voice your opinion, polish your presentations and practice leadership.  
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**HEALTH**

**Yoga Classes**

TIME/DATES: 12:30-1:15 p.m. Monday; 6-7 p.m. Wednesday, 12:30-1:30 p.m. Friday  
LOCATION: Assarian Cancer Center, 47601 Grand River, Novi  
DETAILS: The cost is \$10/walk-in; \$80/10-class card; \$70/7-week evening sessions.

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LOCATION: 47601 Grand River Avenue  
CONTACT: (888) 340-7325, Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.  
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DETAILS: This two session class teaches parents how to offer their infant the comfort of massage.  
Yoga Classes  
TIME/DATES: 1:30-2:30 p.m. Monday; noon-1:30 p.m. Friday  
DETAILS: The cost is \$10/walk-ins or 10 class card for \$80.

**"Dinner with a Doctor" Discussions**

LOCATION: St. John Providence Park Hospital, 47601 Grand River Avenue  
CONTACT: To register, (888) 440-7325, Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; for more information, Lou Martin, (248) 465-4505 or e-mail, lou.martin@sjph.org  
TIME: 6:30-8:30 p.m.  
DETAILS: These free discussions include dinner, a health presentation and an update on the hospital construction progress. Reservations are required.  
A new hospital in Novi - what's coming  
DATE: Wednesday, July 19, 8:00 a.m.  
Children's Immunizations  
DATE: Tuesday, Aug. 22, Dr. Victor Gavali  
Looking Younger - Non-Surgical Treatments  
DATE: Thursday, Sept. 21, Dr. M. Gowda  
Looking Younger - Surgical Procedures  
DATE: Tuesday, Oct. 19, Dr. M. Gowda  
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DATE: Thursday, Nov. 16, Dr. Brad Rowens

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LOCATION: 21355 Meadowbrook Road  
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DATE: Tuesday  
TIME: 7:30 p.m.  
DETAILS: This is a discussion on the book "Circles" by Tomi Ungerer.  
Vacation Bible School  
DATE: July 17-21  
TIME: 9:30-11:30 a.m.  
DETAILS: This is for ages 4 through fifth grade. The cost is \$15 per child. Registration is required.  
Sunday Worship  
TIME: 10 a.m.

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LOCATION: 2405 Meadowbrook Road  
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Catholic Faith Questions  
DETAILS: The church has information available regarding "Being Catholic, What's it all about?"  
CONTACT: Maria, (248) 349-8847 or maria@holyfamilynovi.org  
Adoptive Parent Networking Meeting  
DATE: Last Wednesday of each month, ongoing  
TIME: 10-11 a.m.  
DETAILS: This informational meeting is open to all adoptive families in Oakland County. There is no charge. Childcare is available. Registration is required.  
CONTACT: Lisa Molloy, (248) 334-3395

**Episcopal Church of the Holy Cross**

LOCATION: 40709 W. 10 Mile Road  
CONTACT: (248) 427-1175 or www.churchoftheholycross.com  
Sunday Worship  
TIME: 7:45 and 10 a.m., Sunday School  
TIME: 9 a.m. Adult Bible Study: 10 a.m. Worship Center for ages 2-7, 10 a.m. All ages  
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TIMEDAY: 12:10-12:50 p.m., Wednesday, ongoing  
DETAILS: This will include scripture and Holy Communion.  
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TIMEDATE: 7 p.m., second

**Oak Pointe**

LOCATION: Novi High School, 24067 Taft Road  
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**St. John Lutheran**

LOCATION: 23225 Gill Road, Farmington Hills  
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Sunday Worship  
TIMEDATE: 8:30 p.m., Saturday; 8:30, 9:30 and 11 a.m., Sunday  
Sunday School  
TIME: 9:45 a.m.

**Commerce United Methodist**

LOCATION: 1155 North Commerce Road, Commerce Township  
CONTACT: (248) 363-3035  
Vacation Bible School  
DATE: July 31-Aug. 4  
TIME: 9 a.m.-noon  
DETAILS: This event is for kindergartens through sixth grade students. The theme is "Sons of Treasure Island". Registration is required and the deadline is June 30.

**First United Methodist of Northville**

LOCATION: 777 W. Eight Mile Road, Northville  
CONTACT: (248) 349-1144 or visit www.fumcnorthville.org  
Sunday Worship  
TIME: 8, 9:15 and 11 a.m.  
Community Healing Service  
DATE: First Monday of every month  
DETAILS: This service is open to anyone asking God for healing in their life, or that of someone close to them.

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Many local, non-profit organizations are finding support from Todd's Services, Inc.'s *Give Back to the Community Program (GBC)*. The response has been so well received that TSI has raised their pledge from *One Million Dollars to TWO Million Dollars*. The TWO Million Dollars will continue to support local, non-profit organizations over the next few years.

TSI's *Give Back to the Community Program* has been very successful to date, donating over \$400,000 to local, non-profit organizations. Approaching the half-way mark to one million dollars, TSI met last week to consider the longevity of the program. The owners of TSI reviewed a large stack of thank you notes and discussed the numerous calls from local organizations expressing their need for the program to continue. After much consideration, TSI decided to double their pledge to *TWO Million Dollars*. Todd LaButte, co-owner of TSI stated, "The appreciation from the non-profit organizations has been so rewarding that we have decided to double our commitment to help support the community." Kurt LaButte, co-owner of TSI commented, "We have met so many wonderful people through this program and we know that the many non-profits in our community is what makes such a great place to live. We want to continue supporting them."

For TSI, the *Give Back to the Community Program* has helped them achieve record sales in 2006, and for that Todd and Kurt would like to say thank you for your patronage. The increased sales have allowed TSI to support the community with donations to local, non-profits. Organization managers have expressed that they feel the success of the program has been TSI's price guarantee. Local non-profits are able to bring their supporters and members their best value on landscaping and at the same time generate donations for their organization. It's a win-win for everyone! TSI is not a customer's best value on their landscaping project, TSI will give the customer 10% of their bid in cash.

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**Give Back to the Community**

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Kurt and Wendy LaButte, co-owners of Todd's Services, Inc. are shown with their son, Todd, who is the current president of the company.

Todd LaButte, co-owner of Todd's Services, Inc. is shown with his wife, Wendy, and their son, Kurt, who is the current president of the company.



Donna Murphy of 1st District, Michigan State Police, is shown with her son, Kurt, who is the current president of the company.



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By: Mike Riley  
**The Case for Ceramic**

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**Talented tracksters**  
The Novi Wildcats may have only earned one spot on the girls All-Area track team, but they were well represented with the amount of talent she has.  
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**Driving license**  
Northville and Novi have plenty of girls golf talent, including the co-Player of the Year.  
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# ALL-AREA TEAMS

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## Jasen Turnbull leads track pack

Junior silences critics with state finals finish

By Sam Eggleston  
SPORTS WRITER

What's amazing about the talented track and field stars in this area is the way they never give up on their goals.

Each one of them set their mind to accomplishing something this year and each one of them reached it. That's dedication.

Now imagine what they'll do next year, since many of them still have high school competition left in their careers.

### Making strides

Ask Jasen Turnbull what his goal for the season (any season) is and he'll say to improve.

Some might think that's a tough goal to achieve, especially following his third-place finish at the state track and field finals this year.

### Player of the year

Turnbull was an easy choice as the Player of the Year for this year's All-Area Dream Team. His leadership ability is impressive, but it actually pales in comparison to his natural running ability. For years critics have disparaged Turnbull for not being able to perform in the big meets. This year he shut them up and, likely, for good.

Turnbull qualified for the state finals in the mile and two-mile runs and stepped up to the line without thinking twice about the daunting task of taking on some of the state's best long-distance runners.

When he crossed the finish line, Turnbull did exactly what he always wants to do: He improved. He ran a 4:19.22 mile to finish third, earning All-State



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Novi News

Mustang runner Jasen Turnbull is this year's Player of the Year.

status and finishing just three steps behind the state champion.

So what's on the docket for next year? No doubt more improvement as Turnbull looks to repeat his performance at the state finals and challenge for a championship.

### He did it

There was little doubt in Mike Yassiy's mind that he would

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# THE BEST

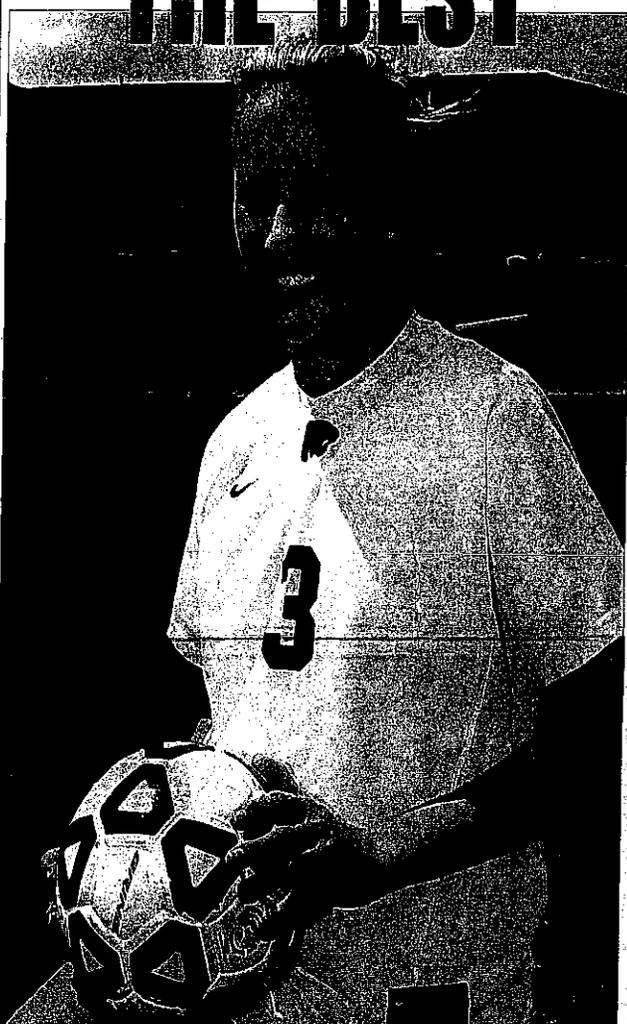


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Emily Esbrook is one of the state's best soccer players.

## Esbrook, Crawford lead All-Area voting

When you take the two best soccer players in Michigan (despite what titles have been handed out to other players) and put them on the same team, magical things can happen. Like back-to-back state championships.

Emily Esbrook, a junior midfielder, and Stephanie Crawford, a junior forward, are the best in the business and it just happens they play for the state champion Novi Wildcats. Both have committed to Division I colleges, both have played at high level Olympic Development Programs and both are locked to as leaders.

And that's why both have been named as Player of the Year for the 2006 All-Area Girls Soccer Dream Team this spring.

It was a pretty easy decision, considering a state championship would most likely not have happened without either of them on the field. Each brings an amazing ability and each has a driving desire to be the best without second thought to the accolades they may receive.

But it's not like they go home, empty handed; Both players were All-KVC selections; All-District and All-Region; and All-State First Team. Take that and add the fact Esbrook and Crawford both made the All-State Dream Team and were second and third, respectively, in the Miss Soccer (them) voting and they're quite the pair.

It's these kind of players that made the All-Area squads a dream come true.

The rhetorical question is: Will these two outstanding players be able to come back to earn a place on the All-Area team again next year?

You (hopefully) know the answer to that one.

### The best there is

What can't this girl do with a soccer ball? When it comes to controlling the flow of a game, no one does it better.

As she moves the ball up the field, Emily Esbrook is constantly scanning the field ahead of her. Awareness is one of her greatest assets, combined with speed, strength and determination. Then, like a flash, the midfielder will make a move. She stops the ball in an instant, changes direction and the defense freezes.

Teams often don't know how to react to the presence of Esbrook. Do they bring a defender up to assist the midfield or drop them back to stop her from feeding a pass to one of her top-notch forwards? Do they double team her at all times or try to keep the ball from ever entering the same parcel of field she occupies?

There's no answer to how Esbrook should be treated other than with complete and utter

respect. No one can make a difference in a game like she does and nobody plays her position better in the entire state. Emily Esbrook is as good as they get.

### Crawford on pace to make history

It's hard to believe that Stephanie Crawford doesn't dream about scoring goals each night with a black and white soccer ball tucked under her head as a pillow.

Her entire season was what dreams are made of, scoring 47 goals to help add to her already impressive totals. To top off an amazing season, she put in three goals to lead her team to a 3-0 victory over cross-town rival Northville in the state championship game.

The key to being Crawford is just going out and never quitting. She gets knocked down (she's kind of injured compared to some business on defense) and she gets back up and she scores. She gets double teamed and she passes the ball and then gets open and ends up scoring. She always finds herself in the right place at the right time. It's more than luck, it's hard work and a ton of talent.

If Crawford keeps playing as well as she has been over the past three years, she's on pace to break the all-time scoring record in the state of Michigan.

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Wildcat softball player Jenny Heathfield takes a cut.

## NOW THAT'S TALENT

Wildcats earn two spots on All-Area softball team

By Sam Eggleston  
SPORTS WRITER

Five years ago, no one could have convinced the sports writers who pick the All-Area teams that Novi and Northville would ever be the solid squads. Thankfully, it didn't take much convincing for those teams to

just go out and do it. This year was the best season for the Northville Mustangs and while the Novi Wildcats still struggled to find their feet they showed marked improvement on many levels. And the talent just keeps getting better.

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# Simpson, Hart earn All-Area baseball nods

By Sam Eggleston  
SPORTS WRITER

Was there a home run hit with this year's selectors for the All-Area Baseball Dream Team or what? Well, it all depends on who you're talking about. Some of these guys are definite home runs. Others? Well, they're job is to prevent them but we don't want to go as far as calling them strikeouts. How about the complete games? That's a better fit.

### Try and hit this one

There can't be a sight much worse for a Western Lakes batter than to step into the box, look to the mound and see Northville junior Jesse James standing there. James, who earned every honor from All-Conference to second-team All-State this year, earned a record of 10-0 this year to secure himself as one of Northville's best-ever pitchers. But that's not all James can do. He's also a threat to the pitchers on the other team as well. This season he put up a .366 batting average while cranking out 34 hits, 28 RBIs and five home runs. With James coming back next year, there's not much for the Mustangs to worry about when it comes to where their production will originate.

### He'll be back

What can't junior Bret Spencer do on a baseball diamond? He's the kind of athlete that can play any position from outfield to first

base to pitcher and does a fine job of it. This year he earned over seven victories off the mound, helping lead his team to a WLA championship and a strong run in the post-season tournament. Spencer, who was an All-District and All-Western Division selection this year, isn't just good at scooping ground balls or throwing a mean curve. He can swing with the best of them, too. With a .360 batting average this year, Spencer blasted 26 hits and two home runs. He had the most chances at the plate on his team, stepping up to bat 190 times this year.

### Natural talent

These aren't many players who have an on-field presence like Northville senior Cory Patterson. From the time he played on the youth leagues to helping lead his Mustangs to a conference title his senior year, Patterson's life has been all about baseball. That's a good thing, especially when you're as good as he is. This year Patterson earned All-District and All-Western Division honors while collecting 39 hits, nine RBIs and a home run on his way to an impressive .417 batting average.

### Always playing his best

Matt Simpson doesn't like to lose. He's the kind of player any coach would want on the team just because he's so determined to walk away from any contest — and that includes tie-tie-tie —

with nothing less than a victory to his name. Though the Wildcats didn't have the best season this year, Simpson was recognized as one of the top performers in the Kensington Valley Conference when he was the third overall selection to the All-KVC squad. It isn't his hitting or his fielding that makes Simpson such a great addition to the All-Area Dream Team, it's his pure athleticism. There's really no sport that he would excel at if given the chance. He goes out, does his best and makes a point of being the hardest working player on the field.

### Swing away

What a slugger. Senior Charlie Thomas has slugged more baseballs out of parks around the Western Lakes during his three-year varsity career than most average players have hit during their entire careers. But, that's why Thomas isn't a slugger. He's a power hitter. This season Thomas earned All-District and All-Western Lakes Activities Association nods before earning a hands-down selection to the All-Area Dream Team. He slugged out a team-best way to an impressive .417 batting average, three home runs, 45 hits, 39 RBIs and stepped up to the plate 85 times. Thomas will be a hard hitter to replace, but his leadership ability will be even bigger shoes to fill.

### Pitch and catch

What was it with the Mustangs

just being blessed with great pitching this year? Tim Parent, a senior All-Western Division selection, was another of the crew that led the Mustangs to a division and conference title, earning nearly 10 wins along the way. Parent may not have gotten to the plate as much as some players, but he made the best of it when he did, stepping out at .300 average with four hits and five RBIs with eight appearances. But the plate wasn't his specialty — at least not hitting from it. Instead, Parent made himself one of the feared WLA players by being able to throw over the plate and sending guys on the long walk back to the dugout with a strikeout.

### Hart-to-Hart

There's more to Steve Hart than a great pitch or a clutch hit. He's a funny guy, too. With a nickname like "Beave", he has to be a funny guy. Hart never lets the outcome of a game change the way he steps out onto the field for the following contest. Each time he comes out of the dugout it's for one purpose and one purpose only: to win. Hart can do everything from pitch to play all the field positions to crank out clutch hits. He's been a strong force for the Wildcats for the past two seasons and a hard senior to replace next year.

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Novi News  
Matt Simpson fouls off a pitch.

# Patrick Nemes earns All-American honors

By Courtney Ratkowiak  
SPORTS WRITER

Patrick Nemes' third goal of the night was the most memorable of his season. As two of the top lacrosse programs in the state battled through a third overtime, the junior attacker scored the game-winning goal for Novi-Detroit Catholic Central. One month later, after consistently scoring multiple goals per game while leading his team to the state finals, Patrick was

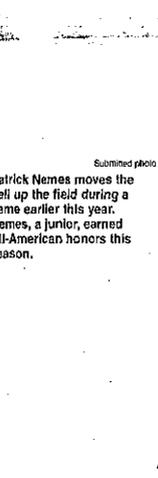
selected as an All-American in a vote from varsity area coaches. In the eighth grade, Patrick began playing lacrosse for Our Lady of Sorrows School in Farmington. He was a member of Catholic Central's junior varsity lacrosse team in the ninth grade and, as a sophomore, became a starter on the varsity team. In his first varsity season, Patrick earned All-State Honorable Mention, All-Catholic League, and All-Region honors. "My sophomore year, we finished 10-9, but we were a really young team," he said. "Eight out of our 10 starters were sophomores or freshmen."

This season, the Catholic Central varsity lacrosse team was 13-5 and advanced to the state finals game against non-affiliated Rye. Patrick scored four goals and had one assist in the 14-8 state championship loss. With a head coaching change immediately after the team's tryouts and a schedule that was

ranked fourth most difficult in Division I lacrosse, the junior captain emphasized persistence and strong work ethic to keep the team successful. "His biggest attribute is really his desire out there on the field and his 'I will not quit' attitude," father Charles Nemes said. "That's very contagious on a team. They all want to work as hard as him, and that really shows."

This season, Patrick was the second-highest scorer in Division I with 46 goals and 45 assists. "If you look at his statistics, that really tells the story," Charles said. "A lot of guys might have 20 goals and 5 assists, but for Patrick to have as many goals as assists tells an awful lot about the quality of the people he passes to, as well as the fact that he's an unselfish player."

After the state championship game, Michigan lacrosse coaches attended the All-American selection meeting to determine the country's elite athletes. Patrick learned of his All-American status at his team banquet, two days after his selection. "I know I was up there. I knew I had the chance, but I didn't know I was being considered," Patrick said. "It was a pretty big surprise."



This summer, Patrick has attended three recruiting camps in hopes of gaining exposure for a future collegiate lacrosse career. Georgetown University and Hofstra University, both ranked in the top five in the nation for lacrosse, have already shown interest in the junior. "I definitely want to play lacrosse in college, but I'm taking my time and seeing what's out there before I make a decision," he said. Next year, Patrick hopes to be named Mr. Lacrosse, an award given to the top Michigan high school athlete. As he begins to prepare for his last high school season, he feels that the Mustangs will have the talent and level of dedication to return to the state championship game. "I hope we make it to the finals again, and win this time," he said. "I'll just keep working every day and tell them not to slack off just because we made it to the state finals (last season)."

Submitted photo

Patrick Nemes moves the ball up the field during a game earlier this year. Nemes, a junior, earned All-American honors this season.

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# Novi, Northville rule All-Area soccer

By Sam Eggleston  
SPORTS WRITER

There's no arguing (really) Northville and Novi has the state's best soccer talent. This year made it exceptionally easy to make that point when both teams made the state final game. Unfortunately, they're both in the same division and only one could be champion — Novi.

### One Hill or a player

What's so special about Lauren Hill? Oh, let's count: count three ways. Hill brings to the game of soccer a very special intensity that is rivaled by none. She's often quiet, with a few vocal exceptions, and does her job like few others. As a senior forward and a captain of the Mustangs, this year she scored 23 goals and added 19 assists to keep herself at the top of the all-time scoring list for Northville (63 goals). Hill, who will be playing for the Big 10's Michigan State Spartans next year, has been named on the All-Area team for three straight years and has earned All-League honors in all three seasons as well.

### Welcome back

Last year Vanessa Bailey missed out on most of the soccer action thanks to a knee injury. This year she had to squeeze enough excitement in to make it feel like she didn't miss anything. She did that and much more. Bailey, a senior forward for the Crawford, is humble and modest and always quick to give credit to her fellow Novi Wildcats. Her pure ability and dedication made her one of the best players in the state of Michigan, as evident in her selection to the All-State Dream Team and the All-State First Team. Crawford is a repeat member of the All-Area soccer team.

### Just try and stop her

Watching Emily Esbrook in action is like watching an artist at work. She reads the field like an open canvas and then goes about painting everything with broad brush strokes and fine detail as she controls the very tempo of a contest. How she didn't get Miss Soccer this year is still a complete mystery, but Esbrook, a junior midfielder, was never concerned with the award in the first place. Instead, she was happy to take the next step and to a berth in the state finals. "With" her second selection to the All-State Dream Team and All-State First Team in as many years, Esbrook once again made it clear she's one of the best in the state. She's also a repeat member of the All-Area Dream Team.

### Co-Player of the Year

Earlier this season, Esbrook announced her intention to play for Ohio State University, ensuring the Big 10 college athletic conference will be stacked with Novi and Northville talent for years to come. "I hope we make it to the finals again, and win this time," she said. "I'll just keep working every day and tell them not to slack off just because we made it to the state finals (last season)."

### Dream Team, again

The key to defending Dani Toney is admitting right away that you're not going to be very successful in your endeavors. Toney, a junior forward, has proven herself to be one of the state's top athletes since helping her team to a state championship her freshman season before adding a runner-up trophy this year. Toney, who will play for the Big 10 Penn State Nittany Lion after graduating, was key in helping the Mustangs traverse the district and regional tournaments and earn a berth to the state final game. She will no doubt be in the running as a potential Miss Soccer candidate next year and will look to repeat, once again, on the All-State Dream Team.

### Headed to Oakland

It was a frustrating season for senior midfielder Lindsey Blair, who had trouble finding the back of the net at first. But Blair, who will be playing for the Oakland University Golden Grizzlies come

Team and All-State First Team selection list. This year she put in 22 goals and had 19 assists while earning All-League honors.

Ball brings to the game of soccer a very special intensity that is rivaled by none. She's often quiet, with a few vocal exceptions, and does her job like few others. As a senior forward and a captain of the Mustangs, this year she scored 23 goals and added 19 assists to keep herself at the top of the all-time scoring list for Northville (63 goals). Hill, who will be playing for the Big 10's Michigan State Spartans next year, has been named on the All-Area team for three straight years and has earned All-League honors in all three seasons as well.

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### A great addition

One of the best things about this area is you're never quite sure who's going to move in. Thankfully for the Northville Mustangs, when Jennifer Ulmer came to town she brought a tad bit of soccer experience with her. Prior to her move to Northville, Ulmer played in Avon Lake, Ohio and had already committed herself to an athletic scholarship at Michigan State University.

### Seeing double

There are few things that can be said about one Walker sister that can't be said about another. Both are clutch players, bringing out their best games in the most intense situations. Kelle, on the other hand, had eight goals and 10 assists in one of the most rounded players on the team. The Walkers, without a doubt, deserve the All-State recognition they received this year as well as the repeat selection to the All-Area Dream Team.

### Tough stuff

If there's a tough cookie on Novi's squad, Stephanie Janssens is it. Throughout any game, it's not uncommon to see Janssens, who has committed to Eastern Michigan University, smacking into a defender while moving the ball up field. She doesn't hesitate to put her body on the line for the sake of the team, often ending up on the receiving end of elbows and knees courtesy of frustrated defenders. Janssens was the second leading scorer for the Wildcats this year, notching 17 goals and 12 assists during the state-championship run.

### Is she a player or a coach?

There are few players who step onto the field who know as much about the game they play as the coaches who stand the sidelines and the sis who officiate it. Novi junior Kristina Chalkos happens to be one of those players.

### Bandit barner

That's what Jessica Bandt is all about. The junior defender, who will play for James Madison after graduating, proved statistics aren't the measure of a player's value is determined by with one assist this year, Bandt made the books, but the intangibles she brings to the pitch were what made her such an easy All-Area selection. She's tough, gritty and determined and few players can put on such a fierce face like Bandt does.

### Intimidation factor

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Novi News  
Wildcat soccer player Stephanie Crawford earned co-Player of the Year honors this season.

made herself the most valuable when it mattered the most: the playoffs. Blair, a three-year starter for Northville, pounded home several goals during the post-season march by the Mustangs and added the lone tally in the state championship game. Her efforts this year earned her All-State recognition and an All-Area Dream Team nod.

### Going to Bowling Green

It's hard to believe Simone Toney is going to be gone next year. A four-year starter for the Mustangs, Toney has been a key player since the day she arrived on the scene. A starting defender/stopper for Northville, Toney earned two goals and three assists while helping lead her team to a runner-up finish in the state. Toney, who will play for Bowling Green University in the fall, is the kind of player that makes coaching easier, than it could be. She goes out, works hard and leads by example. Hopefully a whole lot of players have been taking notes. Emulating her is one way to make sure you never go wrong.

### The first of many

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her or push the ball against her, she's never going to back down. Chalkos brings an intensity to the field that embodies the spirit of Novi soccer. She was a key role player as a freshman when Novi won the state title last year and was vital this year in the team's second-straight title as she netted eight goals and 10 assists.

### No slacker here

There's a reason Kristin Slack's name isn't brought up in every many articles: because she goes out and does her job and does it so well no one notices. Slack, a junior defender for the Northville Mustangs, is the kind of player that doesn't mind "just" doing her job. She has the pitch, stymies offenses and trots off the pitch without worrying if the photographer got a photo of her or not. Slack's presence on the field is inevitable to Northville's progress, as evident when she was not taken out of the entire state championship game despite 100-plus degrees boiling the field.

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## Track team boasts talented Wildcats

By Sam Eggleston  
SPORTS WRITER

This was quite the year to be a member of one of the local girls track and field teams. There was tons of talent, great success and a drive to just get better each day. This year's All-Area team reflects all of that, ranging from field events to hurdles to distance runners and a load of talent with each one.

### Hurdling to victory

Will someone please slow Allie Sisson down? The Novi junior is a bit of a speed freak, at least when there are things to jump over scattered in front of her. That's why she's holds the 110-hurdle record at Novi High School and is one of the best 300-hurdlers in the state.

Sisson blew past the competition during the regular season in the 300 hurdles and then did the same thing in the state finals to finish eight overall with an impressive time of 46:30. The finish gave Sisson an All-State status.

No doubt she'll be back again next year, looking to help lead the Wildcats through her hard work and outstanding ability. Not to mention she'll be in the hunt for and even better time and a better finish in the state finals and going after the school record while she's at it.

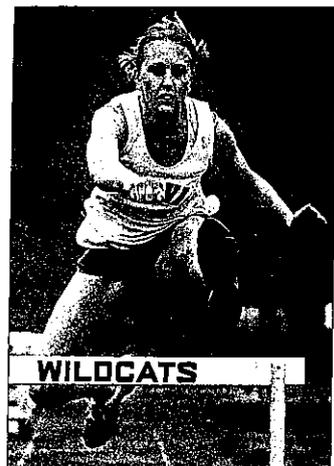
### Now that's experience

Talk about a good mix of youth and experience. As only a sophomore, Hagan has made two trips to the state finals and has competed as an individual in the two-mile run. She's smart, dedicated and enthusiastic, and that doesn't even touch on her talent.

Hagan will be a strong force for the Northville Mustangs for years to come and it's not hard to believe the next two years will be filled with state finals berths and All-Area recognition.

### An All-Area favorite

Who would have thought Bryn Smetana was going to be selected as an All-Area athlete?



Photos by JOHN HEIDER/Novi News  
Allie Sisson, hurdler specialist for the Novi Wildcats.

Everyone, probably. Smetana brings ability, drive and a really nice smile to the mix. Why the latter? Because it's rare you'll ever see her when she isn't sporting a big grin. There's plenty of Smetana to be smiling about, too. Not only did she make the state finals in the 400 dash, she also signed her National Letter of Intent to continue her career at Central Michigan University. She'll be a strong asset for the Chippewas, just as she has been for the Mustangs for the past four years.

### Never down and out

It's a character-defining moment when an athlete pushes aside an injury and steps up to perform their best. Sophomore Hilana Jenkins did just that, recovering from a hamstring back injury to compete (and win) in the regional meet to advance to the state finals. There Jenkins jumped 5-foot-2 inches to earn her season-best performance and finish 10th in the state.

Jenkins has a couple of years to find out just how well she'll do when she's fully healthy. Something makes you think she will end up jumping at the state finals again and landing right here on an All-Area team.

Thankfully they did as the duo quickly climbed to the top of the area's girl pole vaulters. Foucher set the school record this year, clearing over nine feet for the mark.

The two vaulters made the track to the state finals to put an exclamation mark on their very impressive seasons.

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Mustang pole vaulter specialist Julie Foucher.

## Turnbull leads Area track pack

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eventually break the Northville High School pole vaulting record. In fact, last year as a sophomore he guaranteed it. Though it took a little longer than he expected, Yassay, a junior, cleared the 14-foot mark early in the season to secure his name in the record books. He took that height and added to it in the state finals, going 14-1 to take fourth in the state and tie his dad, Mark, for the family's best height.

Yassay will be back next year, a full off-season of training planned out and new goals in mind. He termed a valuable lesson he has kept with him since his sophomore year though: Nothing is a guarantee.

Well, almost nothing. It's guaranteed that Yassay isn't satisfied with his current record and his determination, dedication and pure drive will keep him pushing himself to get that bar higher and higher.

### Well done

It's hard to believe Cavan Corcoran is only a sophomore, especially after he qualified for the state finals this year in hurdles and was one of the Western Lakes Activities Association's best.

Corcoran may not have faced as well as he would have liked in the state finals, but he put his best foot forward and found himself right in the mix with the state's best. That's a boost for any athlete and Corcoran feeds off challenges.

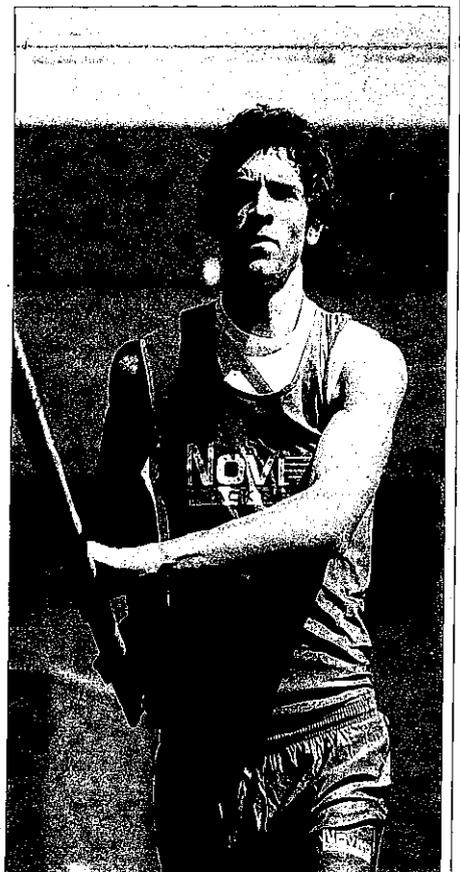
It's a safe bet to expect to see him back again next year, keeping pace with the big boys of hurdling and, maybe, taking the lead by the end of the year.

### As fast as fast can be

It's a pretty cool title to have: The fastest NYC athlete over a quarter-mile. Not that Brandon Coles is going to have it embroiled on his letterman jacket, but he has the right to do it if he wants.

Coles, a senior, went undefeated throughout the entire regular season in the 400-meter dash. He blew by his opponents, cruising around the four corners as though he had been training in the event his entire life.

At the regional, Coles impressed his fellow speedsters with an outstanding run to qualify him for the state finals. He represented Novi well, keeping the tradition of pushing himself to be the best.



Photos by JOHN HEIDER/Novi News  
Wildcat pole vaulter Dan Coleman and two other vaulters made All-Area.

### Reach for the sky

The beauty of having two outstanding pole vaulters on a single team is the fact that they'll push themselves to keep raising the bar.

Novi seniors Dan Coleman and Chris Machiack did just that this year, encouraging and challenging one another to the point

of setting the school record. Each broke the record once, which was eventually left to Coleman with a height of 13-feet-4.5-inches.

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## Tennis standouts get All-Area nods

By Sam Eggleston  
SPORTS WRITER

This area is just laden with super tennis talent. The only other place in Michigan that comes this well prepared to a court is Ann Arbor.

The Novi and Northville teams had strong seasons and the Wildcats made sure to add an exclamation point to the end of theirs with a fifth-place finish at the state finals — their best ever.

So picking this year's team wasn't too much trouble at all. The players basically did it themselves with how well they played.

### Following in his brother's footsteps

It's never easy picking a Player of the Year out of the lineups in this area and this year was especially difficult. But Roshan Ramachandran, a junior first singles player at Novi High School, earned the nod because of the role he played all year for the state's fifth place team.

Playing one singles isn't an easy job. The player who earns that nod is the best in the area, according to the sports rules. But that means they have to play the best every other team has to offer, no matter what.

Ramachandran filled that role and did it well, much like his brother, Suraj, did before him. And to top it off, he led his team to their best-ever finish in the state finals while taking on the best the state had to offer.

Ramachandran has never backed down from a tennis challenge as a Wildcat and it's likely he's not going to do anything but get better from here until he graduates.

### Ke's from Minnesota?

It's always nice to get a transfer student aboard, especially if that transfer student can play tennis as well as junior Virek Athlye. Athlye moved to Novi from the land of ten trillion lakes, Minnesota. There, he honed his skills and competed in national tournaments and by the time he became a Wildcat, he was ready to play with the best.

Athlye was close to becoming the team's one singles player, bowing out to Ramachandran during the head-to-head play coach Jim Hanson uses to determine who is the best his team has to offer.

In fact Hanson once said his top three players were virtually "interchangeable" without losing any talent. That's saying a lot considering just how talented they all are.

### A familiar face

This is one Wildcat who is going to be missed. Really, when you think about it, it's been a while since there has been a tennis season without Kyle Goodman in the lineup. And that did not grow up. From a freshman fitting in with the outstanding upperclassmen to a senior taking strides to make his squad the best in school history, Goodman has played every role

a team could ask. And does he complain? Does he ever ask questions about why he plays third singles? Of course not. Goodman just goes out and wins. He steps up his game when he needs to and he plays his best in every match.

Goodman's example is one for every generation of tennis Wildcat yet to come to follow. Hopefully everyone was taking notes while he was pulling on lessons on how to school opponents this year.

### One goal in mind

Don't let Peter Curran fool you. Beneath that calm demeanor and laid-back appearance is one heck of a tennis player. Just ask all those one singles players he pounded while helping the Northville Mustangs go yet another successful tennis season.

Much like Novi's Roshan Ramachandran (this year's Player of the Year), Curran had the daunting task of always playing everyone's best. For many people that would be frustrating.

Curran, a junior, didn't let it faze him. Instead, he just kept improving and looking to find his foe's weaknesses to exploit them. Expect to see Curran back in action again next year and with plenty more successes.

### Young, but talented

When Novi coach Jim Hanson brings a freshman up to the varsity level, there's usually a pretty darn good reason for it. Most Mahadevan is no exception to that rule.

Mahadevan showed just how valuable he is when he earned a two-seed in the state finals tournament and held it all the way to the championship game where he eventually fell to the state champion.

Mahadevan has plenty of years left to grow, but something indicates that he'll be playing his heart out with the state's best as a one singles player before he's a senior.

### Double the trouble

These two Novi Wildcats are a heck of a pair. Ryan Hoffeman and Ryan Bell took up the task of playing to top flight of the doubles teams this year and did a fine job of representing Novi with some of the toughest teams being played in the entire KVC.

The duo did well to showcase their talents in the Division I state finals this year, too, pounding out a hard-fought match against the eventual runner-up team from Grass Pointe South.

It was an applaud-worthy year for the team of Hoffeman and Bell, which was the reason why they were the first doubles team selected to the All-Area Boys Tennis Dream Team this year.

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## SPORTS SHORTS

### DC Sports to host Nate Robertson

DC Sports, located at Twelve Oaks Mall, will host Detroit Tigers pitcher Nate Robertson for an autograph session Monday from 6:30-8 p.m.

The cost per autograph is \$10 each for any item signed. Photos, baseballs and more will be available at DC Sports at various costs.

For more information or to purchase advanced tickets, call DC Sports at (248) 374-8300.

### Novi basketball fund-raising event

The Novi Wildcats boys basketball team will be holding its Second-Annual Golf Scramble July 15 at Tanglewood Golf Club located at 52903 W. Pen Hills Road.

The cost is \$100 per golfer and includes access to the driving range, a cart, 18 holes of golf and lunch.

For more information, please contact Dave Crandall at (248) 980-3148.

### Basketball Academy

A limited enrollment of 18 players for each session of the Summer Basketball Academy provides the most dynamic basketball experience in Michigan.

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## Snyder leads All-Area Golf

By Sam Eggleston  
SPORTS WRITER

There are few sports that require a degree of skill like golf. To take a small white ball, smack it with a club and expect it to go into a little round hole when all is said and done? That takes skill.

And few areas have the type of skill like this one. The Novi and Northville areas have some very talented golfers, from the senior class all the way down to the freshmen.

### The best in the business

There are few players in the game of girls golf who can put up numbers as consistently low as Northville junior Susan Snyder.

Snyder, who has played in the state championship meet twice, was an easy selection to make as co-Player of the Year for the All-Area Golf Dream Team this season.

Snyder came into the year touted as one of the state's best golfers and she didn't disappoint, placing second in the regional tournament with an impressive 81 over 18 holes of golf.

At the state finals, she proved herself to be one of the top 25 players in the state, turning in a card with an 85 on the first day before recovering for a 79 on the second day.

Snyder also totaled an impressive nine-hole average of 44 and was medalist six times for the Mustangs. Her low over nine holes was a 37. She also shot an 18-hole stroke average of 84 and was the team low scorer in all six of the Mustangs' tournaments.

### Co-Player of the year

There aren't many people in the world as nice as Northville senior Jessica Reuter. All the niceness and smiling transfers nicely into a ferocious golfer once she hits the links.

Reuter shot a 51 average over nine holes this year in what would consider an up and down year for the Mustang. But

### Golf is her fourth language

It's hard to believe that just a few years ago Novi junior Asuka Akamatsu didn't even know how to speak English. It didn't matter. She quickly discovered the universal language of athletics and, more specifically, golf.

Since her arrival in Novi, Akamatsu has made a nice transition, speaking outstanding and nearly accent-free English and already in the midst of studying Spanish as a third language.

When the team needed her the most, Reuter was quick to step up and lead, like when she shot an 87 at the conference tournament to help the Mustangs take another league title. The performance gave her a tie for the fifth place individually at the WLAA championships and an All-Conference nod.

### Sweet shot

The future of golf is bright at Northville. Alicia Weber, a freshman, is proof of that.

Weber, who shot a 50 average over nine holes this year and had her score count in all 10 matches she participated in,

### Gotta wear shades

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### One cool customer

As a sophomore, Kristen Friesen has more experience than most seniors. She's made the trek to East Lansing twice to compete in the state finals and has been a key factor in Northville's success the past two seasons.

This year she earned All-Western Division honors, finishing ninth overall at the Western Lakes tournament. She had a nine-hole average of 44 this year and was team medalist in five matches.

Her stroke average of 90 over 18 holes was second only to this year's Player of the Year, Susan Snyder.

Friesen placed eighth individually at the regional tournament and went to states with an 88 on the first day and an 89 on the second day.

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## SMART BUSINESS

**How to open that second location — without going bankrupt, or broke**

By Judy Artunian  
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Opening a second office or store might multiply your sales, but it can also multiply your headaches if you don't take the time to plan ahead.

Whether your new location is across town or across the country, you can expect to face many of the same challenges you deal with when you first contemplated going into business for yourself.

Remember wondering where your start-up funds would come from?

Most experts agree that tapping into your own cash reserves is the best way to get a new business up and running. Their advice for funding an expansion is along the same lines: If possible, use the cash flow from your existing facility to cover the cost of establishing a satellite location. If competitive pressures are forcing you to expand before your internal resources are available, you can bring in outside investors. But first ask yourself if you are comfortable with surrendering some of your equity and control. Many entrepreneurs are not.

Another option is to ask key suppliers to temporarily provide better terms on payment—for instance 120 days instead of 30 days.

If you have major customers in another state who expect someone from your company to be on hand on a weekly or daily basis, you must decide that it is more practical to open a location near that of your customers rather than commute back and forth. Since you are making a major commitment to their business by establishing the new office, in order to serve them better, consider asking your customers if they will commit to a certain amount of business before you sign the lease on your new facility. Another option is to ask if they could help your cash flow by accelerating payment on your invoices, or paying 50 percent of your fee up-front for the first two months.

If you are contemplating a second retail store or restaurant in a particular neighborhood, take a critical look at the market dynamics of the area. Are there direct competitors nearby? If so, is the market large enough to support your business as well? How will you draw customers? What will motivate potential customers to travel from outlying areas to visit your establishment?

Certain factors are difficult to anticipate. It's hard to predict whether the area's socio-economy will change in the coming years or what your competitors' own expansion plans may be. There is also the matter of whether a major corporation or big-box store is planning to swoop in and afford to out-price or out-service at lower prices.

Even if you establish your new location in order to serve a long-time client, you can't assume that their business will always generate enough revenue to keep that second set of doors open. Before you launch your second facility, ask your current customers if they can refer you to customers in your new area.

Hiring and managing employees from afar poses another set of challenges. You will need to master the art of managing through other people. Consider hiring a local staffing company to help you screen job applicants. Encourage your new employees to call with any questions, no matter how minor. Let them know that you are available wherever they need you. Be careful to not cross the line into micromanagement. The staff at your new location will be able to function with more autonomy if you establish processes and rules at the outset for handling money and working with customers.

Finally, getting your new site up and running may take longer than you think. If your business is seasonal, build in extra time to allow for unexpected events like construction delays due to weather or complications related to zoning regulations and building permits. Establishing a second location can be costly and complicated, but isn't that what you thought about launching your first one?

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Dan Zammit and Thomas Gerardi make sure Lyon's Marketplace, located in South Lyon, is stocked with a wide array of fresh, quality produce.

## Lyon's Marketplace: top choice

Summer is a special season for Lyon's Marketplace

This summer is a special season for Lyon's Marketplace. It's the first summer in its new, larger location in South Lyon where there's plenty of space to display locally grown produce for sale. Another reason is that the local business will celebrate its seventh anniversary in September.

Fresh produce is all seasonal, and the expanded market carries a wide variety of fruits and vegetables grown in the area and state when they are available, such as asparagus, corn, blueberries, raspberries, strawberries, melons, peaches and apples.

Lyon's Marketplace features more than 60 yards of counters full of fresh fruits and vegetables. It receives shipments of fresh produce four days a week and organic food products every Friday from Gerardi Produce.

"The challenge is keeping the produce fresh by constantly putting out new stock and rotating it all day long. If produce doesn't look good, it's not going to sell," said Al Manser, who works in the produce section and brings over 30 years of experience to the market.

In addition to a larger selection of fresh produce, Lyon's Marketplace offers imported natural and organic food products that customers wouldn't find at a typical supermarket along with its award-winning deli and full-service butcher shop.

"The expanded line of specialty food products and personal service provided to its customers has made Lyon's Marketplace a destination for

### LYON'S MARKETPLACE

**Location**  
601 S. Lafayette, across from Michatle Park in downtown South Lyon.

**Hours**  
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local residents as well as people from Ann Arbor, Brighton, Milford, Novi and Northville. Satisfying those customers is what makes it successful.

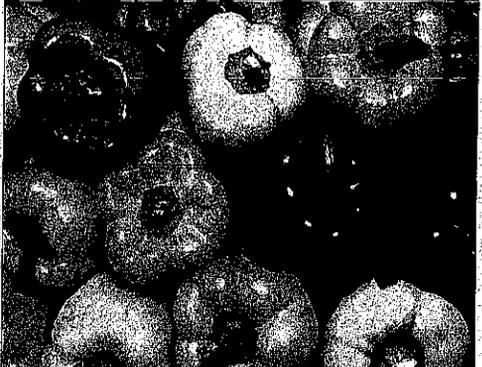
"If a customer wants something we don't have, we'll find a way to get it for them," said Dan Zammit, who was named manager of Lyon's Marketplace when they opened the new location. He has worked there for three years and in the food business all his life.

"Byron's philosophy is to have enough manpower to serve our customers," said Zammit. "We have enough employees working every day to give each customer individual attention."

This philosophy has worked for Byron Muiolo, who took a small ice cream shop and added a meat and deli business in September of 1959. Six years later the family-owned business doubled its space and number of employees when it opened its current location across from Michatle Park in January.

"Everything just came in-line for the new store," said Byron. "The new location was a natural progression to keep growing based on a realistic economic forecast and expectations of what we could do and we've met those expectations."

Lyon's Marketplace now carries 75 varieties of Dierz & Watson premium deli products, Dearborn Sausage Company's



At Lyon's Marketplace, located at 601 S. Lafayette in South Lyon, quality produce is available daily.

hams and hot dogs, Bell & Evans chicken and a large selection of fresh fish and seafood. It also makes its own Italian chicken sausage.

Over-friendly servers are inside daily for busy customers who want to take home meals of city chicken, pasties, stuffed peppers, egg rolls, pasta dishes, pierogis and much more.

The 24-foot cheese case holds dozens of cheeses with dips and sales. A 12-foot case is filled with a variety of homemade salads, baked beans, and other delicious dishes. The wall behind it is lined with racks of fresh baked, hand-stuffed daily by Cantor's Italian Bakery.

The market also features foreign cuisine to satisfy international tastes with liverwurst

from Germany, foie from France, wine gums from Great Britain, licorice from Finland and fresh ricotta from Michigan's only Italian cheese maker.

The two-story brick building is the focal point of the siting area where customers can enjoy cold or hot meals with a selection of sandwiches, salads and soups. The daily menu includes four different kinds of soup and chili made by longtime employee Janet McSorley.

Byron and his wife, Cami, wanted to create a store that would reflect the unique and special character of South Lyon. He credits Cami for developing the interior design and choosing the colors for it.

"South Lyon is a growing

community, but it still is a small town at heart. We want to keep that hometown feeling alive for ourselves as well as our customers," said Cami Munio, who serves as marketing director for the business. "We've become attached to many of our customers and have gotten to know them personally. Our customers and employees are like an extended family for us."

The Munio family includes Byron, Cami and their five children — Blake, Brooks, Tanner, Logan and Mitch, who visit with customers and employees in the store.

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