



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Novi News Novi Police Department detectives Scott Baetens, left, and Jerrod Hart check their firing accuracy at the Farmington Police Department Indoor range.

By Kelly Murad NEWS STAFF WRITER

Plans for constructing a city-owned gun range move forward with expecta-

tions construction will be compresent the end of the year. "Our tentative schedule shows we would start (construction) either the first or second week in August," said Novi Police Chief David Moltoy. "Estimating it would be finished by December 31." The plan is to build the range on citv-owned property at the Field

The pian is to build the range on city-owned property at the Field Services Complex off 11 Mile Road and Delwal. City officials began soliciting con-tractor bids for the project June 11 and will continue accepting proposals through tomorrow. The indoor facility will be about 5,100 square feet with a 25 ward none.

25-yard range. "Officers will be able to shoot hand guns, shot guns and patrol rifles all inside," Molloy said.

According to Molloy, the facility will be one of few designed to shoot patrol rifles inside. The police department currently rents

au the facility at the City of Farmington's Department of Public Works complex for firearms training. "Having our own indoor facility will offer 24/7 training opportunities for our Offer of the City of the City

officers," said Novi city manager Clay Pearson, "It will greatly improve public

safety." The state-of-the-art facility will also provide officers with a higher quality of

raining, officials said. "It will allow us to shoot at multiple targets at different ranges," Molioy said. "Currently, the Farmington range does

not give us that capability." Having the gun range located in Novi limits the amount of drive time for offi-cers and allows them to be immediately available in case of an emergency, officials said.

A proposal to allocate the final \$725,300 of a \$1.2 million police

Proposed Site for Gun Range



department project was turned down last

December, but approved by Council May I as part of the 2007-08 fiscal year budget. The money is the remainder of \$6.5

million in federal drug forfeiture funds that must be used for police purposes.

Enjoying

July 4th

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Novi's soldier of fortune, hometown hero

By Chris Jackett NEWS STAFF WRITER

"That was it. I heard a loud ringing, like nothing i had heard before, and thought I was a genee" goner.

Those were the first thoughts in Pfc. Casimir "Cas" Werda's head when an incendiary explo-sive device (IED) exploded in sive device (IED) exploded in front of him while on patrol as a machine gunner with his U.S. Army unit, Bravo Company, in Iraq March 14. Werda took a direct hit in the face from the exploding pieces of shrapnel leaving him without his left eye and without vision in his right eye after numerous surgeries in Baehdad.

Baghdad. "I was conscious the whole time," Werda, who turns 24 on July 8, said. "I lost a lot of blood. I was getting really faint. I thought-about my family and concentrated on breathing."

After surgery, he was flown to Germany, where his unit was stationed in Schweinfurt. He was then flown back to Walter Reid Hospital in Washington, D.C. where his family flew out from Novi to see him. We flew out to see him in

D.C. and his spirits were up and he was laughing and joking. He wasn't, negative, crying, com-plaining or blaming anybody else. He's one of the most posi-tive pcople l know," said



reteran and Novi resident Casimir Werda, center, joins his father Greg, right, and fellow Novi High Iraq War alum Phil Niehaus for a photo on his front lawn. Werda lost his eyesight after an IED went off near his Humvee. Werda served with the First Infantry Division in Ramadi, Iraq.

Kristine Werda, Cas' older sister. abouts. They gave him a tour of "He picks up knowing a lot of the hospital, feeling around things as far as his where-

day we came and he gave me a President George W. Bush pretour. While hospital. at the

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By Chris Jackett

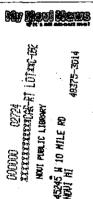
With the Fourth of July holiday just around the comer, frework shows and children with sparklers will be common scenes. However, playing with fireworks could



mean playing with fire. Safety and legal issues surrounding the popu-lar holiday items are paramount this time of year.

What's Legal?

Fireworks legal in Michigan include sparklers with less than two ounces of pyrolechnic com-position, flitter sparklers, flat paper caps, cone and cylinder fountains that shoot showers of sparks, snakes, smoke devices and





FRIDAY

Visit Paradise Park, 45799 Grand River Ave., for a variety of options perfect for dates, group

outings and family activi-ties. Features include miniature golf, go karts, a rock climbing wall, a set tag, an arcade, trampolines, soccer cages and homemade pizza. The park is open from 11 a.m. to 13 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays, and 11 a.m. to 0 p.m.

and 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday through Thursday. Call (248) 735-1050 or visit http://www.paradiseparknovi.co m for prices and more informa-tion.

SATURDAY

Want to compete in some leisure fitness habbies? Sign on for the X-Tri Novi Triathlon at Lakeshore Park, The 8 a.m. event costs \$55 to participate and includes a 1 kilometer swim, 20 km mountain bike course, 4 km trail run and 2 km trail run. Interested persons should contact Kenny at (810) 714-5768 for more information and to register. Registration ends Friday.

SUNDAY

If the first day of July is too hot for you outdoors, drop in to a nicely air conditioned Emagine Theatre, 44425 W. 12 Mile Rd., and watch the new film, "Transformers," which is based off the television show where robots transform themselves into cars, airplanes and other vehicles. If this doesn't sound like your sort of movie, check out other recent releases such as "Live Free p Dis Medi" the fourth instell. or Die Hard," the fourth install-ment of the "Die Hard" series



Bruce Willis, or "Evan Almighty." starring Carell and

Morgan Freeman in "Bruce Almighty." a sequel to

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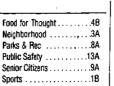
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New sidewalks enroute for residents

Benefits of Sidewalks By Chris Jackett WS STAFF WRITER

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Parents are able to more easily push children in strollers on sidewalks and trails with accessible surfaces. After months of debate, the Young children can use curb ramps when riding their bicycles. design for the Meadowbrook Road Bicycle Pathway Project is Children, parents and school systems benefit from sidewalk networks complete. Rob Hayes, the city engineer, with visible pedestrian crossings and other safety features. Children learn independence by having a safer place to travel. is in charge of the \$280,000 proj-ect that will add sidewalks along the west side of Meadowbrook A good system of sidewalks may allow older pedestrians who no

longer drive to walk to services and socialize in their community, while offering a continued independent lifestyle. Road between Eight and 10 Mile, Wide sidewalks can be gathering places in neighborhoods and busias well as on portions of land on line and 10 Mile between Beck ness districts, and offer space for families and friends to walk and and Taft roads. socialize together. Well-maintained sidewalks and

and latt roads. "It was originally supposed to be an eight-foot bike path one foot in to the right of way, but the scope has changed significantly and it's now a 5-foot pedestrian meth Y meth Harrie trails encourage exercise path, said Hayes. and provid-For residents along Meadowbrook Road and parts of Nine and 10 Mile roads, this the benefits of a healthy lifestyle. means they will be seeing con-SOURCE: U.S. struction for new sidewalks in late July or early August. "I like the idea of a bike path..! Department of Transportation's Federal Highway

think they should be every-where," said Frank D'Uva, president of the Meadowbrook Lake neowner's Association. "We have a lot of people who walk the same project a few years but budget restraints and an unpassed millage caused it to become a dead issue. and bike. Most people henefit from it by walking and biking." However, many residents felt the plans intruded on their pri-

"The city of Novi, once they do this, I don't think they're going to allocate more money to change it," LaFleur said. "I went down vately owned property. A city ordinance requires all sidewalks and bike paths to be placed 33 feet from the center line on either side of the road, according to Meadowbrook Road and made up a questionnaire to give residents. Out of the 26 houses, 22 were

Hayes. "(The city's) letter didn't make it clear. They didn't give us choice;" said Ken LaFleur, an Orchard Hills resident who has the second transformation of the total the second t From the rural scenery to privacy, lived on Meadowbrook Road just south of 10 Mile Road for the south of 10 Mile Road for the past 22 years. "Nobody wants it at all. At least we got it changed. "They don't plan to fill in the ditches. They plan to leave the ditches for rain water runoff and said it's expensive. The residents becase to live with this the rest of have to live with this the rest of

their lives, so do it right."

Did You Know? The City of Novi has about 248 miles of pedestrian sidewalks and bike paths

The residents' complaints did convince the city to cut the proj-ect from 8 to 5 feet, but not to cut

of my house. It makes it more of my house. It makes it more secssible for people to steal Meadowbrock complained about things from my garage. Put them their lawns being taken up. (The out in the road if you want to put their lawns being taken up. (The

were minimizing the impact on Meadowbrook tesidents," Croad

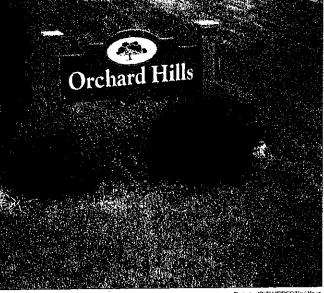
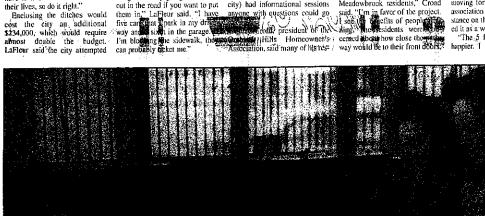


Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Novi News Residents of this Orchard Hills neighborhood along Meadowbrook Road, south of 10 Mile Road, will have to prepare for the city's plan to build sidewalks along their now grassy front lawns.

idents had concerns with the projmaintenance, the width of the path and liability issues." Despite complaints from about two dozen residents, the project is moving forward. D'Uva said his association didn't take a strong stance on the matter, but support-ed it as a whole. ect. "I wanted to make sure we

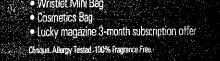
appier. I think we'll see more





maintenance, the width of the path and liability issues." bespite confplaints from about When I ride my bike, "I'm out dodging traffic right now and jumping up on the curbs."

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Novi Police Department detectives Jerrod Hart, left, and Scott Baetens fire their .40caliber Glock handguns at the Farmington Police Department indoor range

City targets range completion	nge completion range used the drug forfeiture money to pay off an existing			
Continued from front Police officials said the	bond on the current police head- quarters, update and purchase squad cars and computers, hire two additional police officers and	for the Novi News. She can be reached at (248) 349-1700 ext. 103 or at kmurad@gaunett.com.		

"Having our own indoor facility will offer 24/7 training opportunities for our officers.

Enjoying 4th of July Continued from front rick noisemakers such as snap-Signal flares, blank cartridges

and railroad signaling devices are exempt from state law and are not considered fireworks. "We've had a real good handle on our fireworks. We make sure

stores sell only legal fireworks," said Mike Evans, fire marshal for the Novi Fire Department. Bottle rockets, sky rockets, roman candles, firecrackers, mis siles, crackle and strobe, para-chutes, wheels and spinners, sky flyers, display shells and aerial items (cakes) are all federally legal, but have state law restric

tions requiring a permit, which also means they cannot be sold in Comerica Park in Datroit (Admission charges) Community Park in Fowlerville "People who have access to a Taylors Beach Campground in large amount of illegal fireworks aren't going to start asking about a permit because they know we're Howell (Admission charges)

feet away after a fuse is lit and while the firework is exploding is Summer Festival at Central City Park in Westland going to come out and confiscate them," said Tom Lindberg, deputy police chief of the Novi Police Department. The penalty for using illegal Dawson's Island in White Lake also a safe precaution. Wolverine Lake Tiki Night in Wolverine Lake "Things shooting sparks is fire. It's hot and you can't get too close to it or let it get in yours eyes," tle rockets and roman candles in Lindberg said. fireworks can amount to 90 days in jail and a \$100 fine, but Lindberg said it's rare that people spend time in jail for fireworks. their backyard won't have any Evans added doing fireworks luck securing a permit. with an adult and without alcohol "If it's something that goes that was denied," Evans said, "We ved are both important, espe-

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cially for teens. bang or leaves the ground, it's get a lot of inquiries, but not a lot illegal," Lindberg said. "Officers of action on them." To use any fireworks illegal in Last year, there was no drastic increase in calls to the fire depart-. ment, officials said. "There's no increase in personcall, I'd say we're more assertive Michigan, permits must be bitchigan, permits hust of the shorterase in person-obtained from the local govern-nel, just in avareness," Evans ment via the Michigan Township Association and also from the professionals with proper licensment via the Michigan Township Association and also from the Federal Bureau of Alcohol,

es and enjoy them from a dis-Tobacco, Firearms and tance.

In Novi, only one permit is usu-ally given out each year, to the 50s Festival in mid-July. People look-Manager, City of Novi ing to have a small show with bot-

than other cities."

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Clay Pearson

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fireworks that are illegal in Michigan, but not at the federal

Regardless of the size of the fireworks, it's easy to gel³⁵ injured. Fireworks don't have a

very high rate of misfiring, but

simple caution when the fuse is lit and just after the fire goes out can keep accidents from happen.

ing. "If they're using the legal ones,"

any young person needs to be closely supervised. Kids love the sparklers, but the sulfur gets red

hot and the kids grab it and get burned," Lindberg said. "I had a friend who had one set on their

cushion armchair and it got set on

the sparklers in it until you can. properly dispose of them."

In addition to dousing the fire-

work in water, standing at least 20

"Keep a can of water and put

level, do not require a federal pe





Proposal could smoke out public areas including bars

By Chris Jackett EWS STAFF WRITEF

they're still there and have been doing OK." Omernik said the change would make places healthier and wel-The air in local bars and restaurants may seem a little cleaner in coming to families, but could also regatively impact the events groups that go out to drink. "It could keep some people out, but bring others in. 1 think it's months to come if proposed legis lation is passed into law Along with bowling alleys. VFW halls and potentially casigoing to be a good thing," Omernik said, adding, "It can be expensive. We have big plasma TVs. Smoke damages the equipcurrent state legislation would han smoking from all of these public establishments, tainly understand the concern for health and safety for non-

smokers," said Sen. Nancy Cassis (R-Novi). "I also have concern for Buckley said acceptance of the Smokers, 'said Sen, Nancy Cassis' Buckley said acceptance of the generative sector of the sector sector for 'bill may vary from county to bill may vary from county to bill may vary from county to county, based on views of restauant to do. Consumers can take rants, health and business. However, parts of the bill are less their business where they'd like."
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ned public locations to Buckley said. "Bowling alleys ut anyone lighting up in and more family-oriented restaumentioned public locations to Buckley said. "Bowling alleys such out anyone lighting up in their businesse. Like the politi-riants could be nonsmoking cians, local owners differ in their opinions of the bill. "I don't think that'd be a good idea. There's still alor of smokers out there I think nave world from the Senate's anyon the Senate's any on the Senate's any ony

approval from the Senate's Economic Development and out there. I think places would take a hit, initially," said non-smoloer Shann Buckley, general numager of The Post Bar in Novi. Regulatory Reform Com before it can be voted on by the Senate. Sen. Cassis said her own

"(The change) would take a while to hit everyone. We'd have to tell experience with smoking was abruptly halted during her youth, not by a statewide law, but by a determined college propeople to stop smoking and then they'd get angry." Some bars and restaurants

already make nonsmoking fesso options more readily available to "I "I had a professor in college tomers. Others throughout the who said 'there's not many things we have control of in life, but we "Basically, I'm for it, mainly "Basically, I'm for it, mainly because it's going to eventually happen. Other states are doing it and some other restaurants in Michigan already do it," said for-mer senoker Garrett Omernik, said.

general manager of Buffalo Wild Wings in Novi. "It hurt Red Robin when they first did it. It hurt espe-

Chris Jackett is a staff writer for the Novi News. He can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 122 or cjackett@gannett.com. cially in the winter because peo-ple don't want to go outside. But



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Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Novi Ne Lisa Burton lights up at Novi's Post Bar on a recent lunch hour. Joining her, at left, is Kristin Giachino. The State of ering banning smoking in all public bars and rest higan is cons

Names in the News components that direc courol, measure, an	auditing and professional services firm , for exemplary leadership.	In the time that he has headed up ITC's operations, the company has	announced additions to the communi- ty's resident services department. Kristin McCoy, MSW joined the	coordinator, will transition from Fox Run's independent neighbothoods to the community's new health care
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	and social responsibility. He was	and is now building a new head-	McCoy will be working with resi-	joined Fox in 2006.
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Casimir Werda puts his hand on the shoulder of his father Greg and is led back into his Novi home. Werda lost his eyesight to an IED explosion in Iraq last March. Werda served with the Army's First Infantry Division.





plant, cameras or prosthetic eyes for her brother. None of these options are currently weights, but Can barrh for Benefitinu Cas Werda available, but Cas hasn't fet On July 29, the Motor this get him down. He still has the option of opening a Jet's Pizza franchise in Florida, as City H.O.G. Chapter 2368 will hold the Wounded America III planned before the injury. He worked at Jet's in Novi before scavenger hunt and joining the Army. "I believe in a God and it was drive from the Motor City Harley Davidson to a test. It makes me see things in different ways," Cas said. "I'm Michigan International Speedway, Sign in is sented Cas with a Purple Heart for his loss while serving his Interim to sit and be sad." Kristine is grateful, drawing inspiration from her brother. "Words can't express how from 10 a.m. to noon The cost is \$15 per per-Cas returned to his hometown of Novi June 2. He graduated from Novi High School in 2001 son with proceeds bene fiting Cas Werda. Call (313) 138-3161 for wonderful he is, just watching my brother and learning about his character, inner strengths, influence and thinking. He's where he played varsity football, wrestling and lacrosse. "Those were the glory days," Cas recalled. "I wanted to do things on my own." After high school, Cas took details. Also, visit changed a lot of people's lives. You're so upset for him, but he http://www.casimirwerda.com to contact has such a positive attitude," Kristine said, "I don't know if Werda or make dopaclasses at Oakland Community College and Grand Rapids Community College studying tions. I could be that positive if it happened to me. The whole family is grateful to the sup-port from friends and the combusiness management. He spen summer 2004 in Alaska with a and family who organized fundraisers in his name. "Comedy 4 Cas" at the Wise munity." Cas does have one regret, "We just lived on the beach in a camper fishing and clamming however. "It's good to be back. I do Guys Comedy Club last month and "Cuts 4 Cas" at Phyl's Barber Styling raised \$4,300 and \$4,200, respectively. A friend threw a party that raised \$1,000, and the Werda family hours club and barber and barber and barber and barber and barber friend threw a party that raised \$1,000, and the Werda family barber and barber and barber and barber and barber and \$1,000 and the Werda family barber and Upon his return home from Alaska and a semester of classes Alaska and a senester of classes at Schoolcraft College, Cas enlisted in the Army in July

has received many other donanray for them. tions. "It's great, overwhelming," Chris Jackett is a staff writer Cas said. "Everyone is coming for the Novi News. He can be There his life exploded in together. The city is generous," *reached at (248) 349-1700, e* front of him. Kristine said the future 122 or ejacket(@gannet).com reached at (248) 349-1700, ext.

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Three seats, three candidates

Two councilwomen not running for re-election

By Kelly Murad

"My issue with the gun range is that we never got a true finan-cial picture of the economic cost, Nagy said. "I have concerns about that," tor of the Nov's Senior Center Nagy also hopes that Nov's Will and Staudt, a member of the cost, Nagy said. Nov's Economic Development Overall, Nagy hopes Novi can maintain fow taxes, remain fis- Corporation and president of the get through the next number of cally sound and have a good Novi Parks Foundation.

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cilwomen, Toni Nagy and Lynne Paul, who have decid-ed not to run in the November general ection. Toni Nagy

"My plate is just way too ill," Nagy said. "Something had to give and work comes Prior to serving a four-year term on city council, Nagy spent three years on the planning com

"I've given the city seven years," she said. "I really enjoyed my seven years, but Paul did not return phone calls



also serves as president of her condomin urn association.

Nagy spoke with pride on being a part of acquiring 51-acres of park land with council-man Andrew Match and helping fulfill the needs of the Fire Department and the Department of Public Works. "I feel that I have accom-plished stuff that is positive for the city," Nagy said. Aside from her accomplishments on city council, Nagy also knows what it feels like to be on

the opposing side of an issue. One of the largest issues Nagy opposed was the use of federal drug forfeiture funds to build a gun range in Novi. ाह



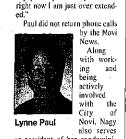
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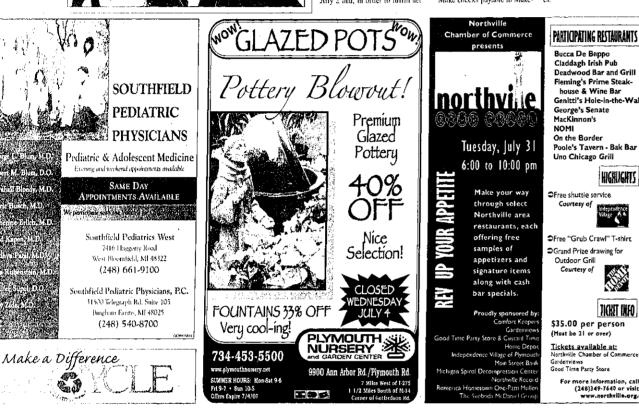
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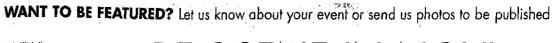
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Deerfield Elementary School students pose for a photo after completing their field day events





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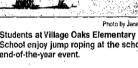
Photo by J Me. Slawski's kindergarten class stops for a photo break during Village Oaks nentary School's annual end-of-the-school-year field day ev





School enjoy jump roping at the school's end-of-the-year event.

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Photo by Janet Flor Students from Village Oaks Elementary School participate in the school's annual field day event before heading out for summer vacation.



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entary students Andrew Hixson and Adam Tarrant race in the ice cream cone relay during the school's annual field day.



Deerfield first graders, Buddy Vereilen and Buddy McDonald, race in the Hippity-Hop relay



Mrs. Sparling's first-grade class participate in step aerobics during field day at Village Oaks Elementary School earlier this month.

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Educator salaries more accessible?

By Chris Jackett NS STAFF WRITER

School district employees may soon have their salaries posted inline as a requirement of newly proposed legislation. Sen. Nancy Cassis (R-Novi) introduced a bill to the Senate that would require school districts statewide to post the salaries of employees with compensation packages in the top three percent on their Web site. If a district does tot have at least 10 people in the top three percent, they would be

equired to post the 10 highest ried employees. "I think it maintains local con-Cassis trol of setting salaries." Cassis said, "Taxpayers can be knowledgeable so they can decide. They an call the school board mem-sers, who are elected. It gives

control to the taxpayers, but they have to be informed. Otherwise, taxpayers don't really know and can't voice their opinion." Alongside the salary, the employee's position and employ-

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Community Education Preschool Program

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For more information about the classes, please call the physical and cognitive development. Preschool classes Preschool office at (248) 449follow the Novi Community 1713.



i Meadows' teachers Renea Vollmer, Lisa LaPorte, center, student-teacher Jennifer Noel and a few students do a pantomine dance earlier in the school year that helps students remember the five factors that affect climate.

Chris Jackett is a staff writer fo DeWitt), is up for review by the state Senate Committee on the Novi News He can be reached sored by Sens. Valde Garcia (R- Education, which Cassis sits on, at (248) 349-1700, ext. 122 or hefore it can be voted on by the cjackett@gannett.com Senate floor

secure a spot in the program parents must register their child spring semester: Anna L. Cynar, a senior from Olivet College Kettering University at the Child Care Services Novi majoring in Communications and Culture office at the Instructional Technology Center, 25345 Taft Rd., between 10 and 11 Mile Studies: Justin L. Hodges, a Alexander B. Burtch of Novi graduated with top honors from freshman from Novi majoring in roads. Child care is also avail Kettering University, Flint on Humanties: Crystal - G. able for a fee for students attending the preschool. Space menties on May 19 Buchanan, a senior from Walled June 9 Lake majoring in Biomedical Engineering: Rebecca L. Klank, When registering children. University of Michigan a junior from Walled Lake majoring in Biomedical Engineering: Matthew T. Nielsen, a senior from Walled Lake majoring in Ashleigh Doinidis of orthville graduated from the Biomedical Engineering: Derek site. University of Michigan, Ann Arbor on April 28. She received a R. Botero, a senior from Wixom bachelor's of science degree in Industrial and Operations majoring in Mechanical Engineering; Kiel D. Vanderhovel, a senior from Engineering. Wixom majoring in Mechanical Engineering: and David J, Walters, a junior from Wixom majoring in Mechanical Michigan Technological University The following students were Engineering, Cynar earned a 4.0 spring semester.



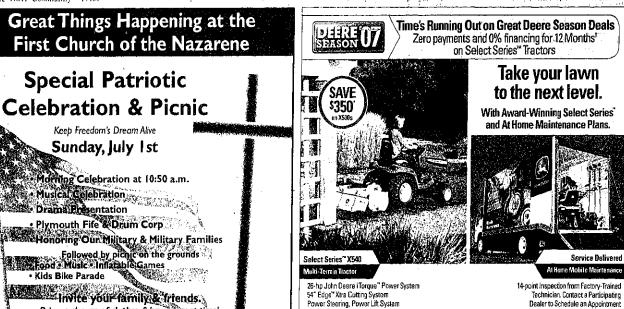
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The victim foll as if the woman in the front passenger seat was going to get out of the car and assault her so she went inside the said. ,00.html NEWS STAFF WRITER Corrections, which includes four At that time, the woman "On the list, there's only one of Sex Offenders List; approached the cash register and The popular social-networking site Myspace.com just got a little safer, as 200 Michigan registered sex offenders and 7,000 total were http://www.michigan.gov/ag /0,1607,7-164-34739vehicle through the open doors and paid for items that she had not con-31 registered sex offenders in Novi. We're heing proactive in checking and will press criminal charges if he's still in Novi," Molloy said. sunroof and dumped SpaghettiO's and eggs on the inside, permanent-ly damaging the cloth interior. mall, reports said. cealed in her Marshall's bag, According to the police report, the victim believed there were Loss prevention officers stopped her as she exited the store. 170808--- 00 html Michigan Sex Registry deleted from the site last week. young school kids in the van and that it was some sort of Detroit http://www.mipsor.state.mi reports said according to Attorney General There were no witnesses and no Juveniles wanted Mike Cox The state has kept on the tails of suspects at this time. school bus. The Web site allows people of potential and registered sex offenders by carrying out sting operations. Since the restructuring The victim noticed her car had According to a police report, a Report suspected all ages to converse in an online been keyed when she went back resident on Ohio, near Arizona and Montana, called just before S **Tireless Truck** nity. Users create profiles Internet child predators via out about four hours later. http://www.mlchigan.gov.o by calling (313) 456-0180. Mall security is reviewing the of Cox's Child and Public and post personal interests, photos The tires were stolen from a p.m. on June 16, to report kids Dodge 1500 demo pick-up truck at Suburban Chrysler-Jeep between surveillance cameras at this time to and information such as phone Protection Unit, 138 Internet sexwere destroying a neighbors prop ual predators have been arrested, according to Cox. The Novi Police Department numbers or addresses. see if they can determine a possible rty. The suspects ran away from the User names of the sex offenders Courtesy of the Attorney General's Office midnight and 6 a.m. June 15, suspect and/or vehicle. ranged ranged from "jall_dark_and_handsome45" to reports said. residence, heading south, once caught one such man in late April The unknown suspect(s) stole they realized they were being May I see what is in your "felonious_thoughts." Once Myspace discovered the users were sex offenders, the prowhen he arranged to meet who he thought was a 14-year-old girl in a parking lot outside Blockbuster Video on Novi Road. four 20-inch chrome Dodge stock wheels and tires from the truck, but atched, reports said. Allegedly, the juveniles were teaches these lessons to the publi bag? throughout the year. "We do public education with placed two old tires under the truck A woman was caught stealing throwing plants, destroying outdoor young people through the school systems," Molloy said. 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Donna Tinberg Director of Student Services \$105,125 Source: Novi Community Schools at least once a year. Solation for the 2007-08 school year are expected to be available next always been public information." said Peter Dion, superintendent of the Novi Community School District. "It will have no impact week, according to Dion. on quality education." Each school district would be those salaries." Cassis said. required to keep this information

er-paid insurance costs would also posted on their Web site yearlong of faxpayer dollars and wants to be posted. until the next year's information keep them in the dark would probbe posted. Until the next year's information keep them in the dark would prob-"That info is always available. The alternative would It's public information. It has be to post it in a district newsletter Ignorance is bliss. This is the pub-

"Anyone who opposes disclosure The bill, which was cospon-Howell), Alan Sanborn (R-Richmond) and Alan Cropsey (Riamed to the Dean's List for the - average for the semester. On Campus

Coming Sunday, July 15th **Frank Turner**

Frank Turner is known to millions of viewers for his television ministry of "God's Amazing Grace!" and as a former Emmy winning investigative reporter and anchor of "Action News" on Detroit's ABC affiliate WXYZ-TV Channel 7, As a gifted, evangelist, seminar speaker and Bible teacher who retired from his career as a news anchor in 2006 to preach the gospel, Frank is a unique and formidable weapon for the Lord's Kingdom. His ministry, "God's Amazing Grace!" is an international evangelistic association devoted to sav-

ing souls, building and strengthening marriages and families, and bringing deliverance, power and healing through faith in the Lord Jesus Christ.

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Our lundamental purposes are to enhance the lives of our readers, nurture the home towns we serve and contribute to the business success of our customers

In our opinion:

Have a safe 4th

Storting this weekend. Americans near and far will begin celebrating the 231st anniversary of this nation's birth. Whether enjoying a family picture at Eakeshore Park or attending one of the many fireworks celebrations, please remember to play it

When it comes to fireworks, you're best off leaving it to the pro-

An estimated 9,600 people were treated for fireworks-related injuries in 2004, the most recent available data, according to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission. And a CPSC study con-ducted over the past 10 years shows 30 to 33 percent of injuries asso-ciated with fneworks have typically been caused by illegal explosives or homemade fireworks

ure, setting up your own illegal fireworks display can seem like --- but at what cost? It's illegal, and if you have children around, it sets a bad example.

How can someone expect their children to follow rules and law a considerable when they see more and dad, an older brother favorite uncle flaunting the law? For better or worse, children look up to their authority figures for

guidance, direction and understanding. Think adout the message you are sending. Of course, even legal freeworks, like sparklers, can be dangerous So if your children use any freeworks, make sure there's more than basic adult supervision. In addition to ensuring that the users are safe, watch your surroundings as well. A stray spark may not do any thing noticeable in the short term. Danger aside, freeworks are an integral part of Fourth of July festivities. We're not suggesting that Novi residents refrain from sparklers, smoke bombs and fountain

Novi News Welcome little one I quickly learned two We went on like this for

four months.

however doing the right thing. she's any-Of course that's impossithing but ble and one of the things little in that can make those pet that can make those pet my heart. end-of-life decisions ago-She's nizing. It can take months to figmere - 8 John Heider pounds,

ure out and even then you're not sure: they're in yet has a surfeit of love that's built physical pain and you're in up over her short life. Her mental anguish How can you tell someaffection comes out in a thing you love them by endtorrents. It is concentrated

ing their life? With Pudding, 1 did not sunshine. How can 1, a 42-year-old serious professional be -tell her with words so much reduced to a giggling, silly that I loved her – though I did that too - but by being heap?

by her side in the vet's office as they prepared the By adopting another used cat whose trust, once won after months of gentle last IV line she'd ever need, effort, is marked by out- By cradling her as her By cradling her as her bursts of affection and joy. body cooled. By weeping on her grave everyday for a To talk about my new cat "Peanut" I need to say a week and waiting about as long as I could before lookfew words about her predeing for a new cat. cessor. In October of 2006, with ner where she felt safe. 1 wrote about Pudding in 2006 and was amazed that a still-heavy heart, I began so many people were touched by her story and my search for another furry hello and get fairly close to our lives. giving me an affectionate l still a After checking online and shared with me the diffiat a half dozen cat rescue afraid cult choices at the end of organizations, I wound up shrank from my gently their pet's life. Last August I said good-bye to 20-year-old Pudding. the Huron Valley Humane I kept her alive longer than she probably desired Superior Township in a room full of caged, sickly past. and had felt guilty for months for the amount of and cowering cats. Fun. I adopted two at that time

treatment I was putting her as friends advised that two cats would "entertain" each through just to have another day and another "buddy other. hump" from her soft, furry "Ginger," a 6-month-old

I call speak to me just once in her her "Little final days and tell me her One," wishes, to tell me that I was knack for being energetic, five day trip to California in five day trip to California in March. psychotic attack kittles (60 pounds of closet stuff came I never really believed in the whole "absence makes crashing down one morning at 3 a.m. during Ginger's the heart grow fonder" until

frenetic explorations) and I returned from the west Peanut, though much larger coast. Basically Peanut than Ginger, was a timid cat pounced on me from the moment I got back and hasand was subjected to the n't let up since. Russian's violent whims. loving little She's my Ginger was, frankly,

nore adorable and stood a shadow and I delight in our established routines. better chance at re-adop-At the end of the day I'm I empathized more with forced to lie on the floor for unwards of 10 minutes the meek Peanut - whom I while thought stood less a chance

Peanut slams he of finding another new body into mine purring in a possessed manner and she home. The second difficult cat-call in three months joyfully accepts hundreds vigorous scratches from approached and Ginger me all the while happily went back to the Society Peanut and I then settled chatting away in her cat tongue about her lonely day into a routine for the next made brighter by my return Though 1 lost a good She slept and mostly stayed in her cat lair in my friend in Pudding. [believe closet, a bed in its back corthat her departure allowed both Peanut and J to begin She'd come out and say important new chapters l still miss Pudding. She was a unique cat, wholly giving me an affectionate body slam, but still seemed different from her succes and noticeably sor, but with each month my memory of her fades a bit and is replaced by these offered hand. Abuse, I Society in guessed, with its ugly twin wonderful moments spent

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of neglect was in her recent with a new buddy-bumping As I left cach morning, tabby called Peanut. Peanut would hide. John Heider is a photog-She'd neer up at me from under the table and looked rapher for the Northville Record and Novi News. He

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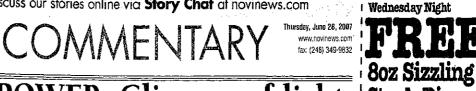
and economic forecast ers predict it will balloon to nearly \$1.6 bil lion in the next fiscal vear. The Detroit Free Press recently quoted

University of Michigan's Research Seminar in Quantitative Economics as saying Michigan lost 53,300 jobs in 2006 -38,000 of them manufacturing lobs. Further, economic forecasters have pro-

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practically a whole conearning between \$25,000 growth in employment jobs of any state and post gressional district," said Ed Sarpolus, vice presiand \$50,000 were six times as likely to report ment percentages in the dent of that polling firm. that they are discouraged Michigan's U. S. House and looking for sunnier delegation is now at 15 pastures. we lost a net 55,500 jobs members, down from our I certainly don't want to peak of 19 in the 1960s minimize the human services and so on. pain and anguish felt by and 1970s. That might mean we many. could lose another con-gressional seat after the Michiganders. But the fact is that plain next census. So what on Michigan is going to thrive if at all through earth is the good news? our higher educated, more skilled people, and Well, as scary as those numbers are on the surface, if you dig into the not the relatively it turns but the unskilled. digits. folks who are thinking of The policy set by Gov Jennifer Granholm and the Cherry Commission leaving are mostly less educated, less-skilled and lower-earning. to improve educational results and double the For example, 9 percent of those asked from Macomb County (where number of college gradu-atcs within the next only 21 percent of residecade makes perfect dents have a bachelor's sense. More subtle but equally degree or higher) said felt certain they important is a paper prewould move out of pared by Tom Ivacko, of Michigan University Michigan's Center for By contrast, no one surveyed from Oakland Local, State and Urban Policy (CLOSUP). Jvacko County (where 41 percent of residents have a argues that the 20th cen-BA or higher) was plantury Michigan economic ning to leave model of low-skill, high-College kids are, by and wage manufacturing large, planning to stay. The survey found only 7 the percent of those with coldegrees planning to Meanwhile, those holding only high school diplomas were twice as likely likely to leave. Meanwhile, 18 percent of those with no degree of any kind said they would be willing to move Nor is the solid middle

term struggles yet to longer works and that come, there are also only hope for a prosa knowledge economy. He concludes, "A critical component in establishing a sustainable and ing economy is human capital, a critical mass of talent based on a cultural context that promotes higher education and life-long learning, entreinnovation, risk-taking and

diversity. He recites U.S. Bureau show Michigan that

The goal the Michigan Business Tax is to foster job cre-ation, development, and

diversification revitalizing Michigan's economic future.

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will protect and advance, the professionalism, ethics, and ntegrity of the residential building industry while giving consumers greater confidence and security in those they hire. Also, the House Transportation Committee is expected to take up Senate Bill





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news is kind of old hat.

Understanding the good news requires a bit of

news requires a bit of thought, but it is signifi-

cantly more interesting.

According to the most recent number from the

U.S. Bureau of Labor

Statistics, Michigan con-

tinues to lose the most

the highest unemploy-

Between April and May

and posted an unemploy

ment rate of 6.9 percent

Over the year, unemploy-

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three states - and yes,

Dana Johnson the bal

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nay have put it best

"Michigan is rapidly

becoming a relatively poor state." Michigan's

from 96 percent of the

national average in 2003

Domestic Product (GDP,

the best measure of the

output of the economy)

declined by 0.5 percent.

while the nation as a

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to 89 percent in 2006.

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Educational Center, 850 Ladd Road, Building D; enter from

DETAILS: July 31 "Are You

CONTACT: Register at Lakes

Walled Lake Beach Party

TIME/DATE: 11 a.m.-5 p.m.

Downtown DETAILS: Dancing on sand

TIME/DATE: July 21-22 LOCATION: Pontiac Lake

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DETAILS: Fit to be Dyed will be there dying T-shirts for \$10 per shir CONTACT: Novi Parks (248) 347-0400; Weather Hotline (248)

347-0473 11th Annual Michigan Translators/Interpreters Network Sammer B88 TIME/DATE: 4-10 p.m. Sunday, July 22, rain or shine

LOCATION: 46320 West Ten contest. Mile Road, across from SL James Catholic Church DETAILS: Friends of MITIN. colleagues, clients . vendors, neighbors and anyone who registers in advance is welcome; free admission: activities include moon bounce, ballet stretch sesnities available. sion, ensemble performances and Swami Sam reading Tarot QuakeontheLake.org cards in four languages. CONTACT: Register at bbq@suzukimyers.com, (248)

344-0909, or fax to (248) 344-0092

Farmers Market DATE: Every Wednesday through the end of October TIME: 7 a.m.-1 p.m. LOCATION: Walted Lake City Hall Field (between Decker and Pontiac Trail), Walled Lake DETAILS: Vendor applications currently accepted; cost of booth is \$12 per day, special discounts are offered CONTACTS: Call Janell Joyce (248) 624-4847 for application and other information CHAMBERS **Golf Octing** OF COMMERCE section. **BUSINESS**

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Females in the Family nonprofit business association. We **Basiness Affinity Group** provide enjoyable networking'appor tunines for our members; act as a Thursday of every month LOCATION: Watsh College Troy bridge between local business and novemment: helo businesses stav aware of other member's services and DETAILS: Waish Business products and the activities of their Leadership Institute invites women community. For more information, who own, are partners in, or work contact. Whitney McClellan, executive for family businesses. Items disdirector (248) 347-4622 or ussed will be common issues wingenco@yahoo.com. For event listand women can share solutions in ings: www.greatemovichamberroom a nonthreatening, noncompetitive, non-sales roundtable. Registration Newport Famishings Open is required TIME/DATE: 5-7:30 p.m. CONTACT: Jan Hubbard, jhubtoniaht walshcollege.edu barr LOCATION: 29240 Lyon Oaks

DETAILS: drinks and munchies **CLASSES** Sales Leads Group 1 TIME/DATE: 8:30-9:30 a.m.,

every second and fourth **Providence Center for the** Thursday of the month ling Arts LOCATION: Hooter's of Novi LOCATION: Assarian Cancer DETAILS: Serious networking: Avenue, Novi

no fee.

Center, 47601 Grand River

p.m., Thursday DETAILS: Learn proper breath ing techniques that can be used at home or on the job to help reduce stress; class beld in reflec tion space, Cancer Center. Yoga Classes TIME/DATE: 12:30-1:15 p.m. Monday (for backs); 5:30-6:30 p.m. Tuesday (strength & endurance); 11:15 a.m.-12:15 n.m. Wednesday (for hacies): Chamber (248)624-2826 or Novi 12:30-1:30 p.m. Friday (for bacics) DETAILS: The cost is \$10 for walk-in: \$80 for 10-class card: \$70 for seven-week evening ses-

Sunday, July 15 LOCATION: Historic Lakefront sion: registration required. Massage TIME/DATE: Various times, covered streets, live band, limbo contest, kids treasure hunt, Monolay and Thursday DETAILS: Therapeutic massage medieval sand castle, wake board is effective for stress and tension, chronic fatigue, pain and Sth Annual Quake on the Lake headaches. Everyone is welcome Patients undergoing treatment should bring physician's referral. Call for an appointment, \$50 for

Recreation Area DETAILS: APBA inboard 50 minute session. hydroplane races; hospitality tents, souvenir program; silent Line Dancing DATE: Monday and Friday TIME: 6:30-7:30 p.m. beginauction; sponsor/vendor opportu ners; 7:30-9:30 p.m. intermedi-LOCATION: Novi Civic Center.

Novi Chamber of Commerce The chamber is celebrating 40 45175 W. 10 Mile Road DETAILS: No partner needed years of business, representing for lessons; pay-as-you-go proover 500 members. Dur mission oram: Novi residents \$5; nonis to be a responsible, proactive dents \$6. advocate of business interests in the greater Novi area. We are business and professional people Waltonwood at Twelve Daks working together to enhance the LOCATION: 27475 Huron life of our community and the Circle; adjacent to Twelve Daks businesses in it. For more infor-Malí CONTACT: (248) 735-1500 www.novichamber.com or contact Open House TIME/DATE: 10 a.m.-6 p.m. the chamber office at (248) 349daily or by appointment Summer School Series "The ABCs to Achieving Business" DETAILS: Co-hosted with the SCHOOL & GOVERNMENT 20th Annual Tycoon Tee-Off **Revi City Council Meeting** DATE: Wednesday, Aug. 8 DATE: Monday TIME: 7 p.m. DETAILS: See "Golf Outings" LOCATION: Novi Civic Center 45175 W. 10 Mile Roa CONTACT: (248) 347-0470 nne Clarke Summer Tees Center DATE: Monday through TIME/DATE: 8-9:30 a.m. Third

Thursday through July 27 TIME: noon-5:30 p.m. LOCATION: Caleteria at Nov High School, 24062 Taft Road DETAILS: Summer fun for teens going into 6th-8th grade; wave nool, movies, bow music: video games, taser tag. field trips, Detroit Tigers, lock-in, s, sports, Cedar Point. Havi Yawih Assistance General Citizens Meeting DATE: Tuesday, July 10 TIME: 6 p.m. LOCATION: Novi Civic Center 45175 W. 10 Mile Road CONTACT: (248) 347-0410 ni Scheel District Beard of Education Meeting

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Time to Stretch

Novi resident and certified fitness instructor Missie McSweeney leads more than 400 participants in a pre-walk warm-up before beginning the first Children's Leukemia ndation of Michigan Walk at Kensington MetroPark.

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TIME/DATE: 6:30-7:30 p.m.

books win a travel mug; sign up on-line or in library. Drop-In Story Time for Ages 4 and Up TIME/DATE: 10:30-11 a.m. oday DETAILS: Stories and fun; children need not be accompanied by adult: no registration necessary, space limited. **Drop-In Story Time for Ages** 1-3 TIME/DATE: 10:30-11 a.m. Friday DETAILS; Stories and fun; children accompanied by adult; other siblings welcome; no registration Decess sarv: space limited. **Civil Air Patrol Open House** TIME/DATE: 11:30 a.m.-1:30 .m. Saturday DETAILS: The United States Air Force Auxiliary Civil Air Patrol with the Sixgate Composite Squadron of Novi invite you to attend this Open House; refreshments will be served. Mystery Game TIME/DATE: 1 p.m. Monday DETAILS: Solve the mystery of the Heavy Metal Kidnappers; fun for kids grade 5 and up; registra tion requ Nake it and Take it Craft TIME/DATE: 1 p.m. ages 5-6, 2 p.m. ages 7 and up; Tuesday DETAILS: Registration not required: \$2. Library Closed for America's Birthday Novi Kaitlers TIME/DATE: 6:30-8 p.m. onday, Juty 9 DETAILS: Drop in for informal knitter's group in the Youth area; ali ievels welcome. Walled Lake City Library LOCATION: 1499 E. West Maple Road, Walled Lake

Thursday July 12 DETAILS: Read "On Beauty" by CONTACT: (248) 624-3772 Zadie Smith; come prepared for a Evening Story Hour TIME/DAY: 6:30-7:30 p.m. stimulating discussion; for questions call Sheila or stop by the Information Desk. DETAILS: Domin story time "Get A Clue" Children's for children ages 3-5. Strates in the Park Summer Reading Clubs



TIME: 7:30-9 p.m.

LOCATION: Novi Civic Center

DETAILS: A clergy from the

area will be lead in prayer and

reflection to help those recover

are welcome and there is no

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from the loss of a loved one. All

CONTACT: Michael M. Meyer,

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Heartstrings: Pa Have Lost a Child TIME/DATE: 7-8: Thursday of month	d 8:30 p.m. first		ed.	practice leadership. - CONTACT: Colleen (248) 685- 9226	TIME: 10 a.m. First Baptist Church of Novi	include scripture and Holy Communion. Youth Worship
Thursday of month Griet Support Qu TIME/DATE: 1-3	Quilter's Group	between Taft and Beck Road DETAILS: Social group for all widows and widowers.	CONTACT: (248) 937-5017	Take Off Pounds Sensibly	LOCATION: 45301 W. 11 Mile Road	I TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. second and fourth Sunday of every
third Wednesday of DETAILS: Registe	of month	widows and widowers. CONTACT: Norbert Monson (248) 851-6730, Florence Voight	Croha's & Colitis Support Group	(TOPS) Chapter TIME/DAYS: Wednesdays 11	CONTACT: (248) 349-3647 or www.firstbaptistchurchofnovi.org	month DETAILS: All youth welcome. Alzheimer's Support Group
(734) 953-6012	6 by wanne	(248) 851-6730, Florence Voight (248) 477-3032, Joy Iovaldi (248) 348-9138 or	DATES: First and third Wednesday of each month	a.m. weigh-in; 11:30 a.m. meet- ing	Sunday Schedule Family Bible Hour: 9:45 a.m.	DATES: Saturday July 14 and
DMC Huron Valle		(248) 348-9138 or joylovaldi@earthlink.net	LOCATION: Providence Park Hospital and Medical Center	LOCATION: Meadowbrook Commons, 25075 Meadowbrook	Family Worship: 11 a.m. Bible Study: 6 p.m.	Aug. 11 TIME: 10 a.m. DETAILS: Meetings held on the
Hospital Support LOCATION: 1 Will	rt Groups	MOMS Club of Novi	TİME: 7-9 p.m. DETAILS: Enter facility through	Road, Novi DETAILS: \$24 per annual	Family Movie Night: 5:30 p.m., fourth Sunday of every month	DETAILS: Meetings held on the second Saturday of each month, offering support and open dis-
Drive, Commerce Al-Anon Support	rt Group	DATE: First Thursday of each month	southeast entrance. Meeting in Conference Room A, immediately	membership, includes handbook; S1 per meeting. New members		offering support and open dis- cussion for all those dealing with Alzheimer's disease and related
TIME/DATE: 10 a. Sunday	a.m. every	TIME: 10 a.m. LOCATION: Novi Civic Center DETAILS: Morris Offering	to the left. CONTACT: AI Biggs (313) 805-	welcome. CONTACT: Rebecca Boyke	Episcopal Church of the Holy Cross	Alzheimer's disease and related dementia.
DETAILS: AI-Anor Alcoholics Anonymo	nous, but	DETAILS: Moms Offering Moms Support (MOMS) is a non-profit support group for	7605 or Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of America (888)	(248) 305-8646	LOCATION: 40700 W. 10 Mile Road	Church of the Holy Family
intended for the fam friends of someone	mily and e with an alco-	non-profit support group for mothers who choose to stay at	737-2322.	FAITH	CONTACT: (248) 427-1175 or www.churchoftheholycross.com	LOCATION: 24505 Meadowbrook Road
hol problem; helps fa friends of alcoholics	s family and cs recover from	home with their children or work out of their homes. CONTACT:	Heartland Hospice	Meadowbrook Congregational	Sunday Worship TIME: 7:45, 10 a.m. Sunday School	CONTACT: (248) 349-8847 or visit www.holyfamilynovi.org
the effects of living v lem drinker; no pre-r	g with a prob-	CONTACT: jensungfleming@yahoo.com	Volunteers Needed TIME: Day and evening train-	Congregational LOCATION: 21355 Maadowbrook Boad	Sunday School TIME: 9 a.m. Adult Bible Study: 10 a m. Worship Center	Mass Schedule TIME/DAY: 7:30, 8:45,10:30
required. CONTACT: (248) 7) 706-1020	Kensington Valley Mothers	ing classes LOCATION: 28588	Meadowbrook Road CONTACT: Rev. Ed Willingham, Interim Minister (248) 248-7757		a.m. and 12:15 p.m. Sunday; 7 p.m. Tuesday; 9 a.m.
Alcoholics Anony Support Group	nymous	of Multiples DATES: Second Thursday of	Northwestern Hwy., Suite 475, Southfield	Interim Minister (248) 348-7757 or visit www.mbccc.org or omcsr@artuunddatcait biz	Lunch Hour Worship TIME/DAY: 12:10-12:50 p.m. Wednesday	Wednesday-Friday; 5 p.m. Saturday
TIME/DATE: 10 a.r Sunday		each month TIME: 7 p.m.	DETAILS: Caring and compas- 1 sionate individuals needed to reg-	gmccc@arounddetroit.biz	Wednesday DETAILS: The service will	
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UUNDELLY .		activities for mothers of multiple birth children and their families.	Tri-County area. Office support is also needed.	1st Ann	ual Half M	arathon
Neighborhood Bat Co-op	aby-sitting	Mothers of multiples living in and around the Kensington Valley	CONTACT: Mary at (800) 770- 9859			
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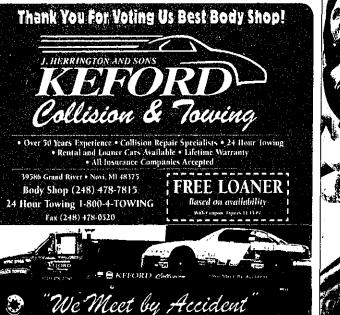
include scripture and Holy Communion. Youth Worship TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. second and fourth Sunday of every month DETAILS: All youth welcome. Alzheimer's Support Group DATES: Saturday July 14 and Aua. 11 ŤIME: 10 a.m. DETAILS: Meetings held on the second Saturday of each month. offering support and open discussion for all those dealing with Alzheimer's disease and related dementia. **Church of the Nolv Family** LOCATION: 24505 Meadowbrook Road CONTACT: (248) 349-8847 or visit www.holvfamilynovi.org Mass Schedule TIME/DAY: 7:30, 8:45,10:30 .m. and 12:15 p.m. Sunday; 7 p.m. Tuesday; 9 a.m. Wednesday-Friday; 5 p.m. Saturday Continued on 18 e Hungry Duck Run' rathon



CONTACT: Mirchelle Winn at (248) 835-3754 Golf Outing DATE: Truesday, July 10 DETAILS: See "Golf Outings" section. Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce Since 1963, the Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce has proudly served as West Oaktand's Regional Chamber, servicing the communities of Commerce Township, Union Lake, Waled Lake, Waterford, Watom, Woherine Lake and White Lake. Our purpose is to improve the quality of life for businesses and residents in the Lakes area. We act as a unified voice on behalf of the business community provide a forum to discuss and review topics of interest, serve as a source of information and devel- op programs that are responsive to the meds of the communities we serve. CONTACT: (248) 624-2826	CONTACT: (248) 465-5455 Wanted: One-Time Art Worksbap Instructors DETAILS: We are tooking for people who have an art or craft that they would like to share in our series of one-time work- shops; call (248) 465-5455 if interested. Colored Peocial Workshop TIME/DATE: 1-3 p.m., second Fuesday of every month DETAILS: The cost is \$2; beginners welcome. Ceramics Class TIME/DATE: 10 a.m. 3 p.m. Tuesday, Tunstay, Friday, 1-5 p.m. Wednesday DETAILS: There is a \$10 mate- rials tee. Koltin' Yans TIME/DATE: 1-3 p.m. Wednesday DETAILS: Join others and cre- ate hats and shawts for those in need. Tai Chi Class TIME/DATE: 10:15-11 a.m. Turstay DETAILS: Ancient Chinese evergie used to improve fieldbi-	DATE: Thursday, July 12 TIME: 7:30 p.m. LIOCATION: Educational Services Building CONTACT: (248) 449-1204 LIBRARY LINES Buoi Public Library LOCATION: 45245 W. Ten Mile Road HOURS: 10 a.m9 p.m. Monday-Thursday; 10 a.m6 p.m. Friday and Saturday; closed Sunday thering the summer CONTACT: (248) 349-0720 Unless roted below, all pro- grams take place at the fitnary. Get a Clae DETAILS: Summer reading program for kids up to fourth grate; sign up on-line or in Sprary. Yea Unover Ensure DETARS: Summer reading for Kids going into Sith grade and up; avecome programs and projects.	ages invited to sgn up for sum- mer reading clubs; play giant board game "Get a Clue;" partici- pants solve mystery of missing dinosaur, karn secret message; program includes treats and prizes, reading kg, instructions, calendar of events, Big Boy kiddle meal coupon. Marigenetic Peopel Shew TIME/DATE: 6:30 p.m. tonight DETAULS: "Rumpelsitifiction," a Rack Morse show, old world tra- dition, elegant stage, after show temonstrations, secrets revealed; drop-ins welcome, registration approxiated.	DETAILS: Children ages 2-10 can sign up now for the Read-To- Me and Summer Reading Clubs: everyone who reads (or is read to) eight or more books by August 11 is invited to the Closing Celebration on August 14: prizes for reading one, five and eight books. "Know Your Library" Reading Club for "Fweens and Teens DETAILS: Register now if you are in middle or high school." NOVI SENIOR CENTER Located in the Meadowbrook Commons Senior Complex, 25075 Meadowbrook Road Triday 9 a.m.: Stretch & Strength moved to Novi Civic Center mover dth of July Party 12:30 p.m.: Dupl. Bridge Thousay Bets a.m.: Mens Golf	DETAILS: Grief support groups include general grief, loss of a spouse, women's grief, parents who have lost a child and a grief support quitters group. All groups are ted by beneavement professionals and trained volun- teers. LDCATION: Angela Hospice	Vednesday The Teen Angels	
ABCz to Achieving Destines"	ty, balance, strength, no experi- ence necessary, cost \$5. Builtation	Adult Semaner Rending Program DETAILS: Age 18 and over; first 300 to register and read four	TIME/DATE: 3-5 p.m. Friday DETAILS: Fun for ages 9 and up.	a.s. a.m.: Body Recall 10 a.m.: Body Recall 11 a.m2 p.m.: Computer Lab noom: Lunch	who have books a loved one who have loss a loved one through suicide; call (734) 464- 7810 for more information.	being of each and to press and to press and to press and to be and the press of each and	Card, 55,000 minimum opening deposit is equired. Maximum intracection smolund of 53,000 for checks and withdrawais. Renquiritying transaction fee of \$15 and for the first based on collected balance for new personal accounts: 5,00% APV for bulances of \$3,000,000 and practs, 5,00% APV for balances of \$3,000,000 as 20,000 APV for balances of \$3,000,000 APV for balances of \$3,000,000 APV for balances of \$2,000 how APV for balances of \$3,000,000 APV for balances of \$3,000,000 APV for balances of \$3,000,000 APV for balances of \$2,000 how APV for balances of \$2

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www.newbonecenter.net Continued from 17 Radical Joy Women's Bible List your event in HEALTH First Presbyterian Church of our calendar! Adoptive Parent Networking DATE: First and third Thursday Northville LOCATION: 200 F. Main St. Meetini every month X-Tri Novi Triathion DATE: Last Wednesday of each CONTACT: (248) 349-0911 TIME: 6-8 p.m. TIME/DATE: 8 a.m. Saturday monih TIME: 10-11 a.m. DETAILS: This is a nondenom Sunday Worship LOCATION: Novi's Lakeshore TIME: 9:30 and 11 a.m. inational group that uses the DETAILS: This free informa-Park guidebook, "Radical Joy" to Single Place Ministries DETAILS: Triathlon; 1K swim, 20 K mountain bike, 4 mile trail DETAILS: Thursday evenings, 7:30 p.m. social time; 7:45 p.m. tional meeting is open to all sludy the New Testament book of adoptive families in Dakland Phillipians and holds dinner and run, 2 mile trail run; cost \$55. CONTACT: Kenny (810) 714-County. Child care is available opening; 8-9 p.m. program; \$5 CONTACT: (248) 349-0911 or discussion meetings that provide Registration is required. MI 48167 fellowshin and community out-CONTACT: Lisa Molloy (248) 5768 reach. The spring session runs visit www.sindieplace.org 334-3595 **Online Dating: What You** through May 31; \$30 per person Interested in the Catholic CONTACT: Sue Craik (248) gannett.com Need to Know Part III Sixth Annual "Camp Dasis" Church? DATE: Tonight DETAILS: With Tara 961-5911 or e-mail DATE: July 15-21 LOCATION: Camp Copreconic, CONTACT: Call Maria at num craik1@aol.com Kachaturoff (see above) stores.com ber above or Vacation Bible School Fenton, Michigan DETAILS: Traditional camping spiritwalker001@anl.com Walking Group DATE: June 25-June 29 TIME: 11:30 a m. Saturdays TIME: 9:30 a.m.-noon experience for children 7-17 who ROCK LOCATION: First, second and DETAILS: "Avalanch Ranch; have Croho's disease or vicera-**Oak Pointe** \$20 per child, \$50 per family (3 fourth Saturday, Big Apple Bagel tive colitis. Registration forms for LOCATION: 50200 W. 10 Mile Shop, 2334 Farmington Road, or more children) campers and volunteer coun-CONTACT: Miss Heather (248) Road Farmington; Third Saturday, selors now available at (248) CONTACT: (248) 912-0043 or Panera Bread Co., 34635 Grand 349-1144 737-0900 or visit www.oakpointe.org River Ave., Farmington Habitat for Humanity www.micbioan@ccfa.ord Sunday Worship TIME: 9:15 and 11:15 a.m DETAILS: This is a DATE: Saturday July 21 CONTACT: Robyn Gorell (248) walking/social group. Everyone is DETAILS: Sponspred by line 855-6777 or Gilda Hauser Men's Group and Church and invited. Backus, CCFA, (248) 737-0900 Society. St. John Lutheran LOCATION: 23225 Gill Road, St. James Catholic CONTACT: Brooks Kelley at LOCATION: 46325 10 Mile (248) 380-0969 pr BORDERS Road Farmington Hills CONTACT: (248) 474-0584 or BrooksK@soscs.org CONTACT: (248) 347-7778 BOOKS AND for more information Mass Schedule visit www.stjohn-lutheran.com Crossoninte Meanows MUSIC TIME/DAY: 8, 9:30 and 11:30 Saturday Worship LOCATION: Meadowbrook a m. Sunday: 9 a.m. Monday-TIMF: 5:30 n m 43075 Crescent Blvd Nov Elementary School, 29200 CLASS Tuesday; 7 p.m. Wednesday; 5 Call (248) 347-0780 for more Sunday Worship TIME: 9, 11:15 a.m. Meadowbrook Road (south of 13 p.m. Saturday information. Mile Road) CONTACT: (248) 427-2700. 9 "Grand Hallows Ball" Novi United Methodist TIME: 10:15 a.m. a.m.-2 p.m. or visit www.cross-**Celebrating Release of** LOCATION: 41671 W. 10 Mile pointemeadows.org Harry Potter Book CONTACT: (248) 349-2652 Sunday Worship **Faith Community** TIME/DATE: 9:30 p.m.-mid Prestyterian LOCATION: 44400 W 10 Mile CONTACT: (248) 349-2345 or visit www.fathcommunity-novi.org Sunday Worship TIME: 9, 10:30 a.m. Sunday Worship TIME: 9 and 10:30 a.m. night Friday, July 20 DATE: July 28 TIME: 9:45 a.m DETAILS' Celebrate the release of "Harry Potter and The Deathly St. Paul Lutheran First United Methodist of Hallows" with free "Grand LOCATION: 201 Elm St., Northville Hallows Ball" events in stores LOCATION: 777 W. Eight Mile Northville across the country; dress in -Butler, Class of '74, CONTACT: (248) 349-3140 Road, Northville magical attire or muggle finery; CONTACT: (248) 349-1144 or Sunday Worship Gracepointe Presbyterian be transported from the muggle TIME: 8:30, 11 and 11:30 a m visit www.fumcnorthville.org CONTACT: (248) 497-3178 or world into an evening of enchant Sunday Worship DETAILS: 8, 9:15, 11 a.m. and Kinderparten Registration e-mail gracepointe@mac.com ing music, costumes, fun activi-DETAILS: Children who turned ies and fabulous prizes; stores Worship Service five before Friday Dec. 1 may 5 p.n will be decorated and the Ball Call for time and location. register for full or half-day Healing Service hosled by a headmistress or kindergarten at S1. Paul's DATE: First Monday of every headmaster of ceremonies; take **Orchard Hills Baptist Church** Lutheran School. An all saith at an an part in the Potter spelling bee, the Great Snape Debate and the monih LOCATION: 23455 Novi Road CONTACT: (248) 349-5665 TIME: 4 n.m. Suicide Loss Support Group The Baha'i Faith prowning of a king and queen of of 1982 Vacation Bible School DATE: Second Thursday and the Ball; prizes given out includ-TIME/DATE: 11 a.m. last TIME/DATE: 6-8:20 p.m. July DATE: Aug. 3-5 Fourth Monday of every month ing a chance to win the first place Saturday of every month 24-28: 5-8:20 p.m. July 29 TIME: 7-8:30 p.m. line at midnight when the book LOCATION: 23803 Ripple LOCATION: 23455 Novi Road Marriott Yosilanti DETAILS: New Hope Center for does on sale. Creek St., Nov DETAILS: "Game Day Central: Grief Support is offering this sup CONTACT: www.borders-DETAILS: This Devolional 844-8704 or Where Heroes are Made;" preport group to those who have lost Gathering is focused on prayers for peace. People of all faiths school through grade 6; free. a loved one to suicide. CONTACT: Jon Hix Redistration is not required. welcome. CONTACT: (248) 473-0355 or visit www.us.bahai.org into@orchardhillsnovi.com or line i trai batcaol CONTACT: New Hope Center for visit www.orchardhillsnovi.com Grief Support (248) 348-0115 or Thank You For Voting Us Best Body Shop!





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register early - 20 minimum/45 maximum unity Services, (248) 624-Country Garden Club of om.com iorthville 14th Annuai Series Thursdays Garden Walk DATE: Wednesday, July 11 Square Park TIME: 9 a.m. 4 p.m. (rain or Those Delta shine) DETAILS: Visit six exceptional July 12, Red gardens and other special attracuntry); July classic) T**rip** tions: tickets are \$10 and available at Garden Views, 402 W. Main St. a.m. Sunday. Northville CONTACT: (734) 591-0360 or Wednesday, Aug. 29 DETAILS: Fee \$20 es at 11:30 www.cgcnv.org

"Evening in the Gardens" at MSU Tollgate Fams Dinner, Support and Fun for Nidowed TIME/DATE: 5-9 p.m. Friday CONTACT: Registration neces sary; call Linda (248) 858-0887 or July 13 LOCATION: Am. Polish Cultural smithlin@oakgov.com Gardening Made Easy Center at Maple and Depuindre TIME/DAY: 6:30 p.m. DETAILS: Cost is \$13, cash bar, Wednesday, July 11 desserts are extra: conversalion. DETAILS: Fee \$20 games and music; RSVP by July 7 Herb Gardening enter from Dequindre. TIME/DAY; 6:30 p.m. CONTACT: Mary Ann (586) 939-Wednesday, Aug. 8 DETAILS: Fee 20 Dwarf and Unusual Conifers Fifth Annual Holy Smoke Car TIME/DAY: 6:30 p.m. **Cruise and Food Drive** Vednesday, Aug. 22 DETAILS: Fee \$20 DATE: Saturday, July 14 TIME: 9 a.m. registration; 10 a.m. Car Cruise Begins; 11:30 a.m. Cooking in the Garder TIME/DAY: 6:30 p.m. registration for Kiddle Cruise at Hiram Sims Park (decorated non

motorized vehicles); noon Kiddie Cruise begins LOCATION: Church of Christ. 403 Pontiac Trail, Walled Lake (between South Commerce and Decker roads) DETAILS: Car Cruise and trophies; Kiddie Cruise and trophies; clowns, food, face painting, prizes and raffle: Fill a Truck food drive for Hospitality House food pantry. CONTACT: Lorene (Lorrie McVey at (248) 96Q-9975 or lorene.mcvev@hospitalitvhouse foodpantry.org

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guarantee it."

our bid in cash.

the community," said Todd.

and drought. We get to

enjoy all four seasons, and

we have all the fresh water

our state needs. Few states

have all these things in

common with Michigan."

Todd and Kurt LaButte,

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everything we can

to keep the Give

Back to the Com-

munity Program

going," comment-

ed Todd LaButte.

co-owner

We're keeping our prices low and Letters from the giving discounts to get the business Organizations Dear Mr. and Mrs. Kaviany,

> You recently had landscaping work done by Todd's Services, Inc. and you selected Kid's Wings as a recipient of the TSI Give Back to the Community Program. We recently received a check for \$360.00

These funds go towards our efvorite Landscaping Company fort to help people in medical and years in a row. "This consumfinancial need, especially chilconfidence has allowed us to keep dren, get to or from their medical our heads above water in a toug economy, and continue to suppor treatment facility. A six year old oungster from this area is being Acknowledging that many ho meowners might be putting off seems to be making progress. It is local, non-profit tiated their Give Back to the Com- landscaping this year for financial munity Program reasons, TSI decided to offer items heart warming to be able to help as a way to say such as mulch to the public - at

> years in business. to keep their landscaping looking Todd's Services good AND at the same time gener makes a donation ate a donation for a local, non-profi Sincerely, (up to \$500) from organization. Mulch prices are as each sale, big or low as \$24.00 per yard, free delivery Kid's Wings Josh Robinson, top salespersor

local, non-profit commented on what's selling this Dear Todd's Services, organization Kurt year, "Stamped concrete patios LaButte, co-own- with brick sitting walls and corner er stated, "We are pillars. Many of my customers are so grateful to our also requesting a fire pit built into

assault whom your generosity will help this year, thank you so much for your donation of \$500.00, through the Give Back to the Community Program. We

Todd and Tn order to help keep donations Kurt attribute Iflowing, TSI is offering homare so appreciative of your generthe success of eowners a free consultation with a ous support, which will help us to

There are no opportunities for fuel surcharges in this economy," said Kurt. "Our customers realize they are getting the most for their money with TSI. As a matter of fact, we Todd's Services Guarantees we will be your best value on landscape packages. If Todd's Services is

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SPORTS SPOTLIGHT: ALL-STAR SOFTBALL Oakland pitching dominates



Novi pitcher Brittany Luka threw the final two innings of a 4-0 shutout against the Livingston All-Stars.

Luka finishes 4-0 shutout against Livingston

By Patrick Pinter SPORTS WRITER

Lauren Memmer has been a dominate pitcher all season long for the Lakeland Eagles. Just because her high school career e to an end didn't mean the domination was going to stop

Memmer helped guide the East team to a 4-0 victory over the West on June 19 at Novi High School/during the annual East vs. West All-star softball game.

The Lakeland senior pitched five innings and finished with seven strikeouts while giv ing up three hits and one walk. Also serving up solid performances were South Lyon's

Nicole Vess and Novi's Brittany Luka, Both players collected a team-high two hits during the game. Luka finished with two RB1 and she also

pitched two scoreless innings in which she





Novi's Ryan Figurski slides into third base during the Oakland vs. Livingston All-Star Game on June 20 at Novi High School.

Senior game a trip down memory lane

Five former 9-year-old teammates reunite for win

By Jeff Theisen NEWS SPORTS WRITE

Oakland The versus Livingston All-Star baseball game brought back old memo-ries for five recently graduated seniors.

Figurski, Stephan Ryan Figurski, Brett Glover, Eric Gordon and Nate Sarkissian played on the Michigan Indians as 9-year-olds. The Figurski's and Glover went to Novi, and Sarkissian and Gordon went to South Lyon. They teamed up again almost 10 years later to help the.

Column

Thanks to all involved in high school sports

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Oakland team beat Livingston 11-10 with a watk-off single in the bottom of the seventh inning by Catholic Central's Sean Faiyo.

Sarkissian picked up the win, throwing the final three inaligs in relief. He also had a pair of doubles and knocked in three runs during Oakland County's

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thank you to all the student athletes and coaches that took part in the 2006-07 season.

I started here a little

less than a year ago, and I most say, it was quite a year — capped quite a year — capped off by a third straight, state title by the Novi soccer team

So many things go into a season. First off, coaches always won-der exactly who is Jeff Theisen oing to come out for he team. What if so

and so doesn't come out, or who can we get to fill this position are iust two of a million things running through a coach's mind. Working out plays and strategies can all be for naught if a key returning player does or does not Then - for most sports -

tryouts and cuts. These are probably the hardest couple of days for all involved because of how much has to be done in such a

short amount of time,

With the roster set, the main thing becomes bonding. All the talent in the world is virtually useless if a team does n't come together. Many different theories abound on how to come together. If a team does hend, it becomes anywhere from five to 11 players working as one the playing surfaces.

Every team will carry goals and expectations with it, whether written down or just in the minds of the players and coaches. Some goals will be met and some will fail short. Coaches

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ASON M Line 28, 2007 **All-Star Moments**



Novi's Amanda Diacono hits a ball toward third base.

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fanned three batters. Vess had one run scored. "Coming out today, it was a much more laid back atmosphere than during the regular season, Luka said. "Following a pitcher like Memmer was a fittle bit intense. I knew I had to come in and keep the momentum going. "As a pitcher you have to have a good change up and today I was able to throw that for a strike. Pitching in the loss for the West team were Courtney Zilch, Chelsea Hazzard and Cassie Schiller. The trio combined to strikeout five while giving up

Novi's Amy Bielski keeps cight hits. After retiring in order during the bottom of the first inning, the Senior All-Star game. East team responded with one run in each of the next two innings. A hope it is going to be fun," Ward single by Luka scored Lakeland's suid, "When we first got here, it Krysia Schlack to give the East was a little quiet, but as the game the early 1-0 lead. In the third - went on we got along really well inning, s Sonda Lakeland's increase the lead to 2-0.

went scoreless. Memmer retired the West in order in the inning and for the second time in the game. In the bottom half of the inning, Novi's Stephanie Jarasek reached base on a single, but that would be the only successful East play.

The East team broke the game open during the fifth inning with two more runs to take a 4-0 lead. Vess led off with a single, reached second base with a steal and third base on a wild pitch. From there, Vess scored on a bloop single by Luka. Later in the inning Schlack scored her second run of the game off a single by Novi's Kristen Lowney

Picking up hits for the West team were Kala Zoner, Melissa Harless and Jessica Schwartz. Caitlin Nins was issued two walks. Other area players on the roster included South Lyon's Danielle Pizzo and Janice Couch.

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THANK YOU: Novi soccer caps off great year

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Photos by Shawn Clanar

Oakland All-Stars sign softbails for each other after beating Livingston 4-0.





Oakland All-Stars comeback for 11-10 victory continued from front

comeback from a 7-1 deficit. Novi head coach Rick Green, coach of the Oakland All-Stars, awarded Sarkissian the game ball. "I haven't played in a while, but it felt good to finally come back," Sarkissian said, "I was anxious to play. This was a tun, a good way to end." Winning the game was fun, but

playing with his former Indian teanmates brought back some memories. "I played with most of these guys during travel," Sarkissian said. "It was fun getting to play with these guys again. They're all a tude bit batter." a little bit better.

Livingston jumps ahead

woke up.

Novi's Dan Piligian took the mound and delivered a scoreless first inning before Livingstor touched him up for a pair of rans in the second. Novi's Mike Stack cut the lead to 2-1 with a run-scoring double in the bottom of the second. Livingston appeared as though

they were going to run away with the game, charging out to a 7-1 lead over the next couple of innings off Catholic Central's Andre Omilian. Torre pear rungian. Horre pear rung Andy Omilian. Brighton's T.J. VanDoren (3 innings, I run, 2 strikeouts) gave home way to teammate Brian Kropnick. Falvo and the Oakland All-Star hats lead.

man, who tried to make a tag and missed, and all runners were safe. third base into left field Two more runs second on a Bat it only produced a more ground out and a wild pitch, but a pair of walks reloaded the bases. with two outs. Sarkissian completed the comeback with a double to deep right ter. Gordon and Matt Hohenshil field, clearing the bases and tying the game at seven.

Sarkissian then went to the Falvo delivered the game-ending



Senior All-Star game June 20 at Novi.





Novi's Dan Piligian can't make the tag against Livingston's Aaron Sochacki.

Highlights

Slack led the way for Oakland

with three runs scored, Raymond

Central's Doug Raymond doubled home a run, and Gordon and Falvo singled in runs for a 10-7 ty fun." Stephan Figurski would've got-Stephan Figurski would ve get-ten the opportunity to bat in the seventh, but he was ejected in the seventh, but he was ejected in the Sarkissian headed out in the lifth for arguing a called third strike. "It was a good way to go out," he said laughing, "Great times."

coming on a high chopper over Ryan Figurski walked, stole second and went to third when the https://www.cond.and.went.to.third.went.the throw to second ended up in cen-were next with two runs scored. jtheisen@gaunet.com. throw to second ended up in cen-

were intentionally walked, but





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Steve Carell, lots of animals and Morgan Freeman as God, you can't ask for anything more in a cornedy!" Jim Ferguion, ABC-TV

South Lyon's Nate Sarkissian delivers a pitch during the Catholic Central's Andy Omilian pitched the third and fourth innings of the Senior All-Star game.

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Front Row: David Obrizak, Kirk Santure, Justin Danks, Andy Netter, Craig Latham, Clay King, Cory Odell. Back Row: Jacob Bedi, Rickie Carter, Andrew Glenn, Phillip Soong, Coach Matt Buzewski, Zachary Bock, Anton Karamuco, Manabu Soto, Hotaka Sasaki, Manabu Soto, Tyler Holt.

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Sport Shorts

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"It was great to have our Novi

seniors show up," Green said. "I thought they played their last game here two weeks ago, but it

"They won their last ballgam

Jeff Theisen can be reached at

was a lot of fun today.

Novi Athletic Boosters present four scholarships

On May 31 at the Novi High School Seniors Honors Night, Mr. Paul Flavin, president of the Novi Abletic Boosters, proudly pre-sented four 5500 scholarships to two outstanding young non and two outstanding young women. The committee was deeply moved by all applications submittee. All applicants are to be congratulated for functional thread in the output with althuist. Schotting inst their excellence in the classroom and with athletics. Selecting just four winners was very difficult. This year's recipients are: Amanda Diacono, Alexandra Sisson, Eric VanBuhler and Albert Vilathatum.

The Summer Basketball 'Academy

Area players will receive the best individual instruction available in a camp setting. Four weeks to choose from: July 9-12, July 16-19, July 23-26 and July 30-Aug 2, The Academy will involve players in three hours of highly intensive skill development training per day. Limited enrollment guarantees players, ages 10-18, will rapidly and dramatically improve in all phases of the game. Baskethall teaching professional, Coach Paul Tripp, will personally evaluate and instruct each player in shooting, footwork, offensive moves and defensive instruction. He has trained some of the top players in the area from middle school to college level. The camp fee is \$135. Contact Coach Paul at coachpaul@baskethallworkshop.com or call (248) 563-0858 for registration information.

4-Star Basketball Camp

Former Novi basketball coach Pat Schluter is teaming up with South Lyon head coach Daron Clayton to run the All-Arca 4-Star Basketball Camp at Livonia Stevenson High School. The first camp is for how covering rates 3-6 from 8:30 a.m.-noon with boys entering grades 7-8 from 1-4:30 p.m. July 9-13. The second camp is for grades 5-8 from 8:304noon and grades 9-12 form 1-4:20 a.m. July 1-6 for grades 5-8 from 8:304noon and grades 9-12

from 1-4:30 p.m. July 16-20. Each camp cost \$165 and is aimed at improving the serious bas-ketball player. Space is limited to 100 campers per session. Visit www.allareabasketballcamp.com for more information.

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Have you lived in your home for 8, 12, 15, 20 yearst Hars you checked the conditions of the snic, insulation, vanilation, exhaust systems, electrical system planbing, foundation, estre-tor draitage, fumace, hat watter tank, etc. Have you checked for gas leaks or caubon monoxide leaks from gas appliances?

appliances? We can provide you a Home Check-up to ensure you know the existing condi-tions of your home: Coad knowledge of your home's condition can aver money on repairs. For instance, replac-ing damaged sections of the roof rather than re-roofing the entire house, or completing repairs to unknown water leaks, air tasks, or for unknown ogs or carbon monoxide leaks are a few chings to consider. This will provide you Peace of Mind in knowing and under-standing issues which should have attention to them and avoid major issues down the road.

• Have you had routine serv-ice for the heating and cooling systems in your home? Have the systems been checked for effi-

checked for effi-cient operations? This can help reduce your overall heating and cool-ing cost.



Have

seas in internal pane windows as wen as identify maintenance that would be required to keep windows in good con-dition and provide case of operations for the windows. Windows stuck closed To the windows, windows stuce code may simply be painted whit, or a symp-tom of condensation build up that has formed a glue like substance on the window frame. Ensure that you know which is the case and what type of attention is required.

Is the storage area in your basement in the area of your how water tank and furnace? Is this area foll of boxes and storage items to the point that your furnace may not have the sufficient air instae available in this area to run effi-ciently and safely?

Are all the appliances in good safe operational condition?

Have your home checked for any air leaks which could be reducing your Home Energy efficiency from around doors, windows, drains, water pipes, and roof stacks.

 Ensure your attic has the proper amount of insulation and ventilation. Ventilation is the typical item found to be improper in the majority of humes in bis area. Proper ventilation will help prevent condensation/moisture build prevent condensation/mosture build up in atric space. Proper ventilation will also help avoid excessive heat in atries which could lead to pre-mature shingle failure. Do you have mildew or mold growing in your attic?

Ensure the bathroom vents are not venting into the attic space which could cause excessive moisture build up and possible mildew/mold develop-ment.

Ensure all exterior drainage and water run off for the roof is properly moved away from the foundation and struc-ture. This will help avoid damp base-ments and wood siding decay.

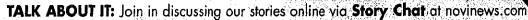
Are there any unknown water leaks for the plumbing system of the house?
 Are all showers, faucets, toilets and drains operating properly?

Do your lights dim when the dish-washer or furnace/Air Conditioner are running, or do you have a breaker that often trips?

Do you have squeaky floors in your home, or cracks in certain areas of the wall and around door/window frames?

Is your garage door up to date with safety features and is it operating safely for the auto reverse/ does it have a safe-ty eye installed?

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145°F. These long-legged crustaceans naturally complement dozens of flavors. Try adding lemon slices and white wine to season steaming or boiling liquid, or toss in a few kaffir time leaves, fresh ginger chanks and chopped lemon grass stalks. Serve Alaska erab Louisiana bayou-style with red beams and rice and some cayenne pepper heat as in Crub form(flee orderize) in with a kinesine. in Crab Étouffée, or drizzle it with a luscious lemony-wine sauce. Spanish flavors add sizzle to Crab Española. So grab a fork. There's a lot more out there.

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Alaska Crab Española Prep Time: 10 minutes

Cook Time: 15 minutes Servings: 4 as a main course or 8 as an appelizer 1/2 cup Spanish brandy 1 cup olive oil

- cup office oil
 garlic cloves, peeled and sliced lengthwise
 teaspoon to 1 table-spoon freshly cracked accented nonpercente
- assorted peppercorns
 - (red, green and black blend), to taste
- teaspoon to 1 table spoon crushed red pepper flakes, to taste
- 1 teaspoon garlic salt, or amount to taste 2 tablespoons chopped flat leaf parsley 2 to 3 pounds Alaska Crab

 - legs/clusters (King, Snow or Dungeness), thawed or frozen
- 1 cup large Spanish olives, drained and pitted Additional parsley for garnish
 - running water to remove any ice

Alaska Crab Étouffée Prep Time: 20 minutes Cook Time: 30 minutes Servings: 4 main course

- 1/4 cup vegetable oil
 2 cups onion, chopped
 1 cup celery, chopped
 1/2 cup green bell pepper,
- chopped 2 leaspoons garlic, minced 2 bay leaves

- 1 cup clam juice 1 cup water
- 2 tablespoons butter 2 tablespoons flour 2 pounds Alaska Crab
- legs (King, Snow or Dungeness), thawed or frozen 2 tablespoons fresh
- 2 tablesponds fight parsley, finely chopped 3 tablespoons green onion, chopped

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Alaska Crab With Chardonnay Lemon-Herb Splash

Prep time: 10 minutes Servings: 4 main course

- 6 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
 2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice
 2 tablespoons Chardonnay or dry white wine
- teaspoons lemon zest, finely chopped
 teaspoons fresh rosemary, finely chopped 1 tablespoon fresh basil, finely
- chopped 1 tablespoon oon fresh parsley, finely
- chopped 1/8 teaspoon dried red pepper flakes
- 1 teaspoon garlic, finely chopped
- 1/4 teaspoon salt 3 pounds Alaska Crab legs/clusters (King, Snow or Dungeness), thawed or frozen

Combine all ingredients in medium bowl and mix well; cover and refrigerate. Before serving, bring to room temperature. Serve drizzled over crab. Pass remaining Splash on the side.

Nutrients per serving: 527 calories, 23g total rated fat 41% calories from fa fat, 3g sate 143mg cholesterol, 62.5g protein, 2g carbo-hydrate, 0.3g fiber, 2,996mg sodium, 172m 72mg calcium and 500mg omega-3 fatty acids.

Warme bread such as sourdough or baguette

Combine all ingredients except erab and olives in large, 5- to 7-quart covered skillet or Dutch over

loaf

Rinse frozen crah legs/clusters under cold running water to remove any ice glaze; pat dry with paper towels. If desired, use a large knife to cut crab into

smaller soctions. Add crab to cil mixture and cover pan. Over low heat, bring crab to slow simmer, cooking 8 to 10 minutes for frozen crab or 3 to 4 minutes for fresh/thawed crab. Turn crab over, add olives, recover pan, and continue to simmer 2 to 3 minutes more. Remove pan from heat and allow crab to rest, covered, until just warm, about 5 minutes.

Transfer crab to large serving bowl and gamish with additional parsley. Serve family-style with crusty bread for dipping in sauce.

Nutrients per serving: 668 calories, 32g total fat, 5g sturated fat, 44% calories from fat, 48mg cholesterol, 30e protein, 53g carbohydrate.

Place crab legs on tray and thaw overnight in refrigerator. Using kitchen shears, cut shells oner and remove crab meat. Chop or shred meat. Combine the first six ingre-

dients in large, 5- to 7-quart covered skillet or Datch oven Over medium-high heat, sauté 10 to 12 minutes or until vegetables become soft. Stir in water and clam juice; simmer 5 minute

In 1.5-quart saucepan, melt utter. Add flour, stirring until mixture or roux turns deep brow Stir roux into vegetables and cor over medium heat until mixture thickens

Add crabmeat, parsley and gree onion to vegetables. Cook 5 min utes or until mixture is heated through. Remove bay leaves. Taste, adding salt and cayenne pepper as needed.

Nutrients per serving

427 calories, 21g total fat, 5g saturated fat, 45% calories from fat, 112mg cholesterol, 44g protein, 14g carbohydrate, 3g fiber, 2,100mg sodium, 152mg calcium and 1.550mg omega-3 fatty acids

4g fiber, 1,775mg sodium, 149mg calcium, and 400mg omega-3 fatty acids

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