

Supporters discuss what happens next

By Kelly Murad STAFF WRITER

After 30 years in its current facility, Novi will have a new library.

The \$16 million bond proposal for a 60,000-square-foot library was approved Tuesday by 64 percent of voters.

. "I have children that are younger and I think it's something important," said Novi resident Kathy Berg.

Berg was one of the 3,930 voters in favor of the proposal on the Nov. 6 hallot. Even though Berg is willing to

pay the estimated annual millage rate of .26 mills, she was encouraged to know the city might absorb the cost. Novi city council members

approved a resolution July 23 to

of 10.5416 mills, pending the passage of the bond.

Due to the city's current and projected financial position, Council believes the library construction millage can be absorbed through fiscal management plan-ping, meaning no additional cost to voters.

Aside from outlining a tentative payment plan, supporters of the new library have been anticipating this moment for months.

In August, members of the

maintain the city property tax rate library board and city staff were selected to serve on the building authority to make decisions regarding the construction, design and funding of the library

project. "It's designed as a committee with a series of city representatives and library representatives," said Mark Sturing, who is one of the two library board representatives on the building authority. Optimistically, the building

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Million Library Bond Proposal Pass 🗀 Fail Total number of votes: 6,155

Yes: 3,930

No: 2,225

Veterans honored Monday



1. S. S. S. World War II vets Bill Frayer, left, and George Russell join Vietnam War veteran Tom McLaughlin in a flag-folding ceremony during last Monday's Veterans Day ceremony at the Novi Senior Center.

Landmark fire deemed arson

Suspect arraigned for lighting blaze

By Kelly Murad STAFF WRITER

Novi police said arson is the cause of a fire destroying a piece of Novi's history from Grand River Avenue last Tuesday morn-

ing. The 19th century building on the south side of Grand River Avenue, east of Meadowbrook Road, was the former Whitehall Nursing Home.

Originally built in 1867, the vacant structure was set to be demolished by A and R Demolition.

According to chief David Molloy of the Novi Police

Department, law enforcement officials became sus picious the when blaze erupted on the ing set for



older build- Ted G. Patrick II

demolition. Investigators of the Novi police and fire departments began questioning Ted Gordon Patrick II, 36, the owner and operator of A and R Demolition, and his staff about the suspicious origin of the fire.

Police said staff interviews, in combination with those of the owner's friends and acquaintanc-es, led to the Oct. 31 arrest of Patrick, from Farmington Hills. "I think the success of the

investigation was a result of the continued on 3A

Photo contest

By Chris Jackett STAFF WRITER

About 100 patrons and residents of the Novi Senior Center celebrated Veterans Day a week early last Monday with a special ceremony.

"I reminisce back a lot. It brings back a lot of memories," said Staff Sgt. George Russell. "You wonder where some of the fellas are you were with. They're all spread out in Texas, Ohio, New York. You don't know if they're all alive until you meet or call somebody to find out."

Russell, 87, served in the Army Air Corp. from Dec. 1941-45, acting as a supervisor for loading bombs and ammunition onto P-47 and B-17 aircraft. Military service ran in the

family, as Russell's father served in World War I and his son Donald, 61, was later stationed on the edge of Cambodia during the Victnam War.

During World War II, Russell spent much of his time in service in the western United States and England.

"I was sent to an English base to study their Lancasters, which were big bombers like the B-17." Russell said. "Buzz bombs [German aircraft] would come over and you could hear them coming for miles. The only thing you had to worry about was when the motor shut off."

Bill Frayer, who also served during World War II, was dressed in full uniform as he spoke to the dining hall full of attendees.

"At 18, I went into the Navy and trained at great lengths," he said. "In Guam, we saw the plane take off to drop the first atomic bomb."

Staff Sgt. Tom "Sarge" McLaughlin was stationed in Guam as part of the Army. His tour was during the Vietnam War, when he served from Feb. 1965-Feb. 1968. He was also stationed in Vietnam, Fort Knox and San Francisco during this period.

"I sat through 20-some scud attacks. We picked up shrapnel off the roof. The concussions were blowing the lights off the ceiling," McLaughlin said. "We had a lot of Detroit and Oakland County cops in our unit."

After his stint with the Army complete in 1968, was

McLaughlin signed on with the Michigan Army National Guard, where he served on active duty from Jan. 1969-Feb. 1972. He then served full-time from Jan. 1982-1999 and part-time from 1999 until last week, when he turned 60 on Oct. 31 and fully

retired. During his time in the service, he handled administrative, logistic, military police and chemical operation duties while participating in Operation Desert Shield and Desert Storm from Nov. 1990-Oct. 1991 and Operation Joint Endeavor in

Bosnia and Germany from Nov. 1995-Sept. 1996. A New Hudson resident, McLaughlin enjoyed seeing the

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highlights City

By Chris Jackett STAFF WRITER

What's your image of Novi? If it can be captured in a photograph, the Novi Historical Commission is looking for you.

Time is still available to submit entries for the commission's My Hometown Novi 2007 photo competition.

The contest costs \$5 per entry, with a five-entry maximum per photographer.

Participants can win \$100, \$50 and \$25 prizes, or receive the distinction of "People's Choice," an award voted on by those attending the post-competition photo exhibition at a yet-to-be-set date.

Winning photographs will also be published in the Novi News.

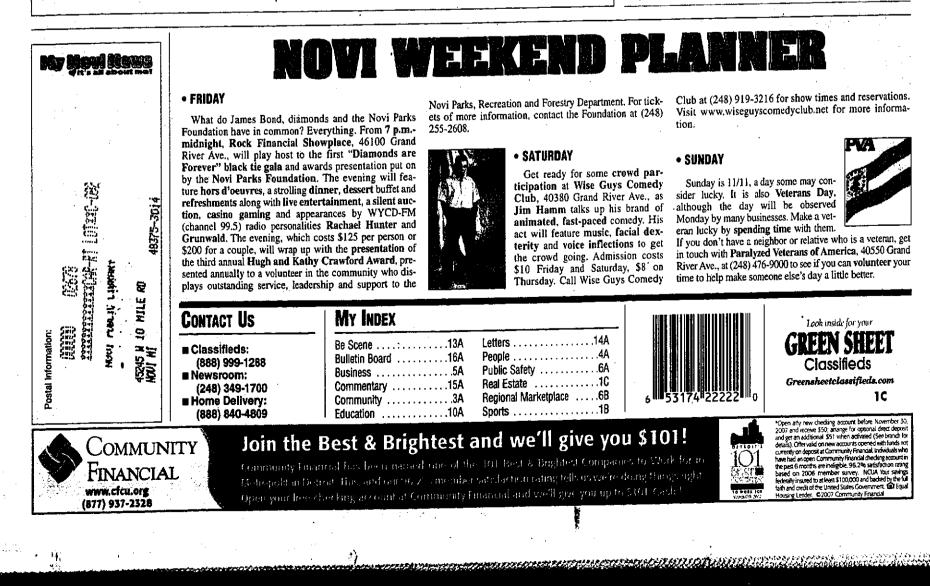


Chances of winning are based on the number of entries.

Last year's contest included 28 photographs, with Novi resident Margaret Schmidt taking home

first place. "We were very pleased with the creativity, variety and range of photos submitted last year, but we would like to see even more entries this year," said Kathy

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Victoria Mitchell, editor (248) 349-1700, ext. 102 vemitchell@gannett.com MY NOVI COMMUNITY

Welcome home: Area developer helps with market woes

By Chris Jackett STAFE WRITER

One of the hardest parts of buying a new home in the current market is moving out of an old over the next few months. home, but Randy Wertheimer and Hunter Pasteur Homes have a solution.

"The idea was simple. We down payment and a desire to wanted to sell homes in this mar- live there, we'll make it hapket. Talking to our sales man- pen." agers, we asked 'what do we

need?' The common theme is The amenities people have two mortgages," said Wertheimer, president and chief executive officer of Hunter Pasteur Homes. "If you buy a ment, is a "one of a kind commuhome from us, we'll buy your old nity in southeast Michigan," according to Wertheimer. home for 90 percent market

value." Hunter Pasteur Homes owns the Knightsbridge Gate subdivision on Nanier Road, south of Grand River Avenue, in Novi, as tial homeowners three or four well as communities in Clarkston, Van Buren and Ypsilanti. The "Guaranteed Sale" program, which began in dents are welcome to use. May, has already sold 20

"We hay the old home and (you buy the) new home the exact same day so you never find in a million-dollar home. have to have two mortgages," Wertheimer said, adding that huyers remain in their old homes during the six to seven months it

takes to build the new residence. "Anybody who's had their home on the market for six months will sign before I finish this sen-Wertheimer said many homes

homes.

are selling for below their appraised market value because of the tough real estate market. so the program is a win-win for both parties.

Additional programs

Hunter Pasteur Homes also offers a "Rent-to-Own" program where residents can rent a home for 12-, 18- or 24-month periods before deciding whether or not to purchase the home. To make this process even easier, and more appealing than apartments, renters are able to build equity toward purchasing the home from the money they use to pay

rent. "One-hundred percent of the down payment you give us, along with 20 percent of rent, goes

"We have an iPort station model had its grand opening mid-October of last year. The where you can dock your iPod and play it throughout the house. first families moved in You can control things all from November and December of 2006. There are 40 families now one panel," he said.

If the features and sales pro and another 50-60 will move in grams aren't selling points, "We're a solutions-based Wertheimer said the area alone is builder. If they have a job, a enough to draw families in. "We think the Novi, Northville, South Lyon area and Grand River (Avenue), Novi Road and 10 (Mile) to 12 Mile (roads) corridor are great for

growth and where families want Knightsbridge Gate, which has to live. From hospitals to shopping centers, to great schools in 348 lots available for developall of those communities," he said, noting that plans for another nearby community are in the The homes range from 1,900works. St. John Providence Hospital. 2,900 square feet and cost \$280-

Twelve Mile Crossing at 340 thousand to purchase. The Fountain Walk and Twelve Oaks varying floor plans offer poten-Mall are all within a five-minute bedrooms, a half bathroom and drive of Knightsbridge Gate. two or three full bathrooms. The Wertheimer noted. "It's exciting to be in a comsubdivision also has a communimunity where there's activities ty pool and clubhouse that resilike that," he said.

Along with granite countertops Novi News staff writer Chris and various other upper tier features. Wertheimer describes the Jackett can be reached at (248) homes as including things you'd 349-1700, ext. 122 cjackett@gannett.com.

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Nov! New: Randy Wertheimer of Hunter Pasteur Homes in Novi, is devising innovative ways to

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get homeowners into his busy Napier Road subdivision, Knightsbridge Gate.



Unopposed to see that because that means candidates people are interested in local elec-This was the first time in Novi's elected history to have all three council candidates and the mayor running By Kelly Murad unopposed in the election. Mayor David Landry received STAFF WRITER 5,022 votes, Kathy Crawford

Poll workers noticed the lack of received 4,647, incumbent candiattendance as voters slowly trick- date Bob Gatt had 4,293 votes and David Staudt received 4.132 led in throughout the course of election day Nov. 6. Council members will be sworn

Whether due to unopposed candidates running for city council, in at the Tuesday, Nov. 13 city inclement weather or a lack of council meeting. Candidates chosen for the community interest among voters, South Lyon Community School 18 percent of Novi's registered District Board by Novi residents voters headed to the polls were Douglas Curry and Ann Tuesday

Of the 34,116 registered voters Knauer-Bizer with 33 votes and David Taulbee with 29 votes. within the City of Novi, 6,229 Donald Beagle ran unopposed ballots were cast. for the partial-term board member Although the voter turnout was position for the South Lyon low, more than 3,000 absentee

School District and received 39 ballots were requested prior to the votes from City of Novi voters. election. "We've already issued almost There were no major complications at the polls, despite this 10 percent of our registered voters being the first election since the with absentee ballots." Cornelius July Michigan Supreme Court said last week. "This just happens ruling requiring voters to present to be a high number of absentees for a local election. We're happy valid photo identification.

A new face comes to town

Director of the Novi Public Library By Kelly Murad STAFF WRITER After being second in command at Baldwin Public Library for the past five-and-a-half years, Julie Farkas is ready to take the lead as director of the Novi Public idea of the library's goals. Library. "I've had a nice career in man-"There is so much new in Novi. it's very exciting," Farkas said. agement," she said, noting her "I'm looking forward to bringing involvement with the Baldwin Library renovation; an experience new ideas and new services to which may prove to be beneficial Novi ' The library board unanimously

with the passage of the library bond. selected Farkas, 35, to fill the position of former library director Brenda Lussier Sept. 29. Mary Ellen Mulcrone, who has doing a great job. I think they're doing some fantastic things." Although there are many been serving as interim director important features of a library. since February, will return to her Farkas believes Novi needs to previous role as assistant director. focus on staying abreas, of, new As Farkas wraps up her duties associate director of Badwin for people to neu ibramin-Birminghamiset

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> > The pre-exam conference was

expected to be held yesterday in

front of 52-1 District Court Judge

Dennis Powers to determine



Susan Whitehead, right, prepares to drop off her finished ballot at Novi's Precinct 12 at Novi Meadows Elementary Tuesday morning.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Novi News

nice to achieve," he said.

band says I become a hermit."

Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Novi New 349-1700 *** ett. 103 or kmurad@gannerf.com, 103 or Uille Farkas will take over the duties as director of the Novi Public Library on Nov. 12.

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authority unanimously selected the architectural and engineering firm BEI Associates Inc. with Diamond and Schmitt for the new Novi Public Library.

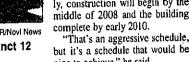
"They have been approved, so the first step would be to actually approve the architectural conract," Sturing said.

Once the contract is approved and site plans are agreed upon, a construction contractor must be selected.

Interim library director Mary Ellen Mulcrone said to allow a few months for the completion and approval of the designs before breaking ground.

"They'd like to have plans ready to go in the spring," she said.

With the hiring of incoming library director Julie Farkas. Mulcrone will return to her former position of assistant library director. According to Sturing, tentativev. construction will begin by the



pares for her first official day at tion. the Novi Public Library, Monday. Julie Farkas: "Novi is such a growing com-"My first challenge is to get munity with lots of diversity," she

to know the staff and get to said. "We definitely should be know the people in the commu- considered the information hub, nity," she said. "I'm open to get- really connecting the library with ting us out there as much as the community." Farkas is looking forward to possible. Making a stronger having the library surrounded by community connection is one the high school, police departthing I have been asked to focus ment and civic center. "It seems we're on a little bit of Among the many accomplishments during her time in a campus there," she said. "It's convenient. I do see a huge benc-Birmingham, Farkas participated fit to being close to them. in developing a strategic plan for the Baldwin Public Library, which gave the community a clear

With enthusiasm, Farkas faces the new challenges and experiences being director of the Novi Public Library has to offer - even if it means less extracurricular reading time for her. "I'm jealous because my hus-

band is doing more (reading) than I am," she said. "You sometimes "The library may not be in the read more of the technical stuff best space right now but they are than the pleasure stuff, but that's what vacations are for. My hus-

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cause to believe Patrick commitcooperation with the police department, fire department and ted the crime. The felony offense carries a Oakland County Sheriff's maximum penalty of 10 years in Department," Molloy said. According to investigation find-No one was injured in the fire. The fire department responded ings, it is believed Patrick underbid the demolition contract and to the 911 call at 4:10 a.m. Oct. 30 caused the fire to alleviate a finanand had the blaze under control by cial hardship. "The cause and origin is still 5:17 a.m. under investigation," Molloy said. Novi News staff writer Kelly Patrick was arraigned last

Murad can be reached at (248) Friday in front of 52-1 District 349-1700, ext 103 Court Magistrate Andra Dudley kmurad@gannett.com. on charges of arson of real proper-

Photo contest one who takes photos, whether amateur or professional, young highlights City or older, new-to-Novi or lifelong resident, to share his or her vision of Novi, receive recognicontinued from front tion for their work and win a Mutch, chair of the Novi cash prize. "Entries will be Historical Commission. "We are added to our growing collection looking forward to seeing Novi as of images that illustrate life in seen through the photographers' our community - the people, places, events and natural envilens in 2007." ronment - and used in future Eligible photographs may not be altered and will be judged as a exhibits and publications."

single group. The deadline has been extended to Dec. 28. Novi News staff writer Chris Jackett can be reached at (248) "The Historical Commission encourages everyone to enter 349-1700, ext. 122 or this competition," Mutch said. cjackett@gannett.com. "It is a great opportunity for any-

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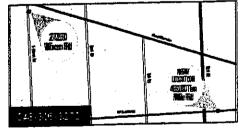
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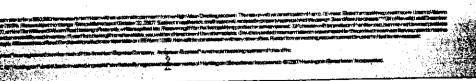








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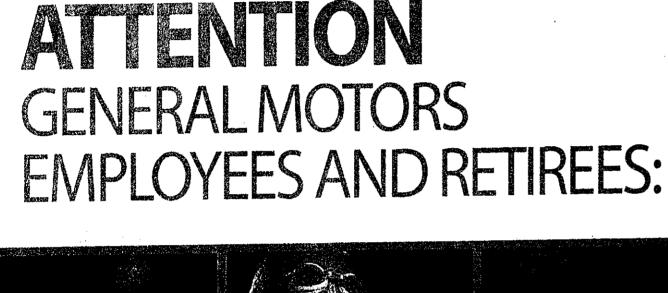
reception at Lumiere Gardens, Indianapolis. Bob Boyd officiat-The bride is the daughter of Suzanne Weaver, of Novi, and the late Ray Taulbee. She graduated from Novi High School in 1993, from Eastern Michigan University in 1997 with an occupational therapy degree and from the Indianapolis School of Medicine in May 2007. She is currently serving her internship and residency at Indianapolis University. The groom is the son of Shizuhiko and Katsuko Yuki of Japan and Al and Chris Hlinak.

his American host family, of Chicago. He graduated from DePaul University in 2002 with a hachelor of arts and secondary education degree and from Concordia University in May 2007 with a masters in education

Ringing in the Holidavs

The Novi Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department, in partnership with St. John Providence Park, is already busy planning the Ringing In the Holidays event. The annual event, will take

place 6-9 p.m. Nov. 30 at Main. Street Novi.







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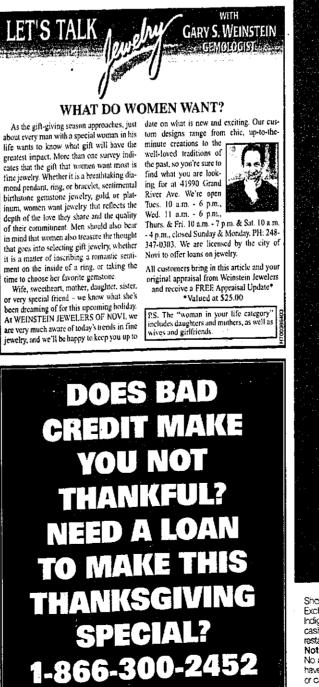
The property is currently zoned EXPO, Exposition District, and If the Zoning Board of Appeals Adell cannot open his business chooses to change the previous use decision, Adell plans to open without clarifying the usage under the trade center for its first show the zoning ordinance. Among the board's many as soon as possible. "I don't care if it's May, June or equests to be addressed at the July," he said. "I'm successful January meeting, parking was the because I don't give up. most critical concern.

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Novi High School placed in lock down after bomb scare

The Novi Police Departmen responded to a suspected bomb threat at the high school Friday afternoon, officials said. According to Novi Police Chief

David Molloy, a staff member Pre-devil's night destrucfound the words "homh in the tion skool" written on a bathroom stall

of an upper level hoys lavatory. Molloy said the school was placed in lock down and the students were kept in their class-

The initial search was completed within 45-50 minutes and a bomb was not detected Students were dismissed at regmar time, but, due to a swim meet scheduled in the aquatic center, a more thorough search was conducted using explosive dogs. According to Molloy, there are no suspects at this time, but a \$1,000 reward is being offered through Crime Stoppers, leading

frame and hatch, reports said. to the arrest and conviction of the guilty party with information which was parked curbside, just Anyone north of the driveway, had the rear should call (800) SPEAKUP. window and right rear door window broken along with dents to

Suspected credit card thieves spotted at Denny's

dow, reports said. The resident said he left his According to Gannett News wallet in one of the vehicles Service, a man and woman suspected of using a stolen credit overnight, but nothing was misscard were captured on a surveiling from either vehicle. According to the report, the fance camera buying breakfast at semi-circular depression of the Denny's on Novi Road and glass on the Yukon looked as if Interstate 96 on Sept. 28. The card was among several items stolen from a vehicle earlier with the swing of a baseball bat. that morning in West Bloomfield. Anyone who can provide information regarding the crime should contact the West Bloomfield police at (248) 975-8905

the window had been broken out · The residents on Cider Mill Road, between Beck Road and Riverview Lane, had the window broken out of their red Cadillac Seville STS, reports said. According to the report

the molding surrounding the win-

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between 4:30 p.m. Oct. 29 and 9:30 a.m. Oct. 30, the rear win-Two separate instances of malicious destruction of property on both back door windows. occurred between 4:30 p.m. Oct. 29 and 9:30 a.m. Oct. 30, near Cider Mill Road, reports said. windows on the rear doors. · According to the police As with the previous incident, reports, a residence on Edgewood nothing appeared to be missing Drive, hetween S. Edgewood Court and Cider Mill Road, had from the vehicle and there are no

suspects at this time, reports said. windows in two of the vehicles broken out between 8:30 p.m. Oct. 29 and 7 a.m. Oct. 30. Retail fraud at Lord & Taylor The black GMC Yukon, which

Police arrested a woman for was parked in the driveway, had retail fraud at Lord & Taylor the rear hatch window and right department store in Twelve Oaks rear quarter window broken, as Mall Oct. 29, reports said. well as dents on the window According to the report, a loss prevention officer observed the The black Lincoln Zephyr.

As the woman left the area, she passed several cash registers. making no attempt to pay for the dow of the Cadillac was broken merchandise, and proceeded out along with a dent to the left toward the upper level parking lot rear door window and scuff marks entrance, reports said. When the loss prevention offi-Police said the marks appeared - cer stopped her outside the store. to have been attempts to break the the woman handed him one of the earrings and attempted to discard the other on the ground, reports said. The earrings totaled \$56 and the Novi Police Department was

called to the scene to arrest the woman for retail fraud. Vehicles targeted in Twelve

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Mile Road Crossing at Fountain Walk parking lot

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in the lot outside Chuck E. Cheese reviewing video surveillance, when the rear driver-side window reports said. was broken out, reports said. Two pairs of sunglasses, several compact discs and a DeWalt Anonymous artist in town tool set were stolen from the vehicle, reports said. According to the officer, between 13 and 14 Mile roads made a report of malicious Fountain Walk security made a report of the incident to check the destruction of property occurring parking lot surveillance videos. between 11 p.m. Oct. 26 and noon · Between 3-8 p.m., a black Oct. 27.

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said.

oman, via surveillance cameras. Twelve Mile Road Crossing at The estimate for the window

maroon GMC Yukon was parked

Between 5:30-7 p.m., a

Fountain Walk Oct. 27, reports was \$500, reports said.

According to police, there was

Fountain Walk security was

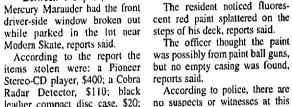
A resident on East Lake Drive

no physical evidence found at the

scene and no suspects at this time.

Mercury Marauder had the front driver-side window broken out while parked in the lot near Modern Skate, reports said. According to the report the items stolen were: a Pioneer Stereo-CD player, \$400; a Cobra reports said.

Two separate vehicles were leather compact disc case, \$20; no suspects or witnesses at this



The officer thought the paint was possibly from paint ball guns, but no empty casing was found, According to police, there are

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Brian's story: Returning soldiers deserve more from society By Pam Fleming

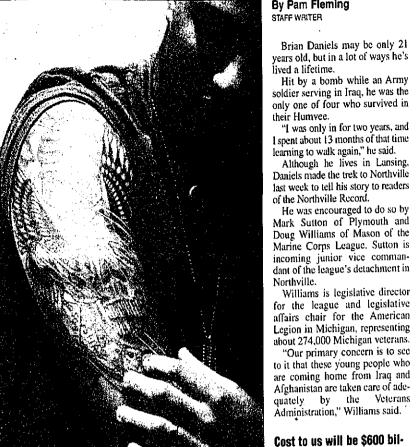


Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Novi News

United States Army veteran Brian Daniels shows the tattoo he got after being the sole survivor of a four-man crew blown apart by an improvised explosive device in Iraq in 2005. The tattoo features depictions of the dog tags of members of his platoon that were killed in Iraq and the day they died. At the top is a Purple Heart, which he received for being wounded in battle.

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Veterans Day	Day) means to the veterans. It's not just a day off. It's a day to remem-
continued from front world. One of his favorite memo- ries is from time spent in Paris. Now retired, he is in his fourth year of service as dispatcher and scheduler of transportation at the Novi Senior Center. "It sort of reminds me of Army stuff with the administrative, accounting and scheduling duties," he said. McLaughlin said he still keeps in touch with about 80 percent of veterans he's served with, some who are currently in Iraq, through e-mail and annual meals. "Everybody keeps in touch and watches out for each other. It's part of the Corp., the belief's instilled," he said. "People who haven't served need to understand what (Veterans	ber lost comrades and keep in touch with those still around." Sunday is the 88th anniversary of Veterans Day since it was intro- duced by President Woodrow Wilson in 1919 as Armistice Day. The date was set when an armistice, an agreement to cease fighting, was signed to end World War I on the 11th hour of the 11th 'day of the 11th month in 1918. The holiday's name was changed to Veterans Day in 1954 and serves as a day to honor living veterans of military service to the United States. "I hope it's appreciated by this generation," Russell said. "If not for the veterans of World War II, they may be speaking Japanese or German right now. Over a million were killed and hurt in the Pacific and Normandy."

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current war, so that's 4,000 times ing down at the burning truck from the air, and I passed out," he said. 16 or 64,000 soldiers when it When he came to a couple of comes to those injured," Sutton minutes later, his right foot was Brian Daniels may be only 21 said. "We are not a proactive society years old, but in a lot of ways he's when it comes to providing for the truck in a ditch. needs of the people we commit to Hit by a bomb while an Army battle," Williams said. Their needs soldier serving in Iraq, he was the only one of four who survived in include housing, transportation, education, medical benefits. "I was only in for two years, and

How he was injured his leg. On Nov. 6, 2005, Daniels' unit

was uncovering one of the largest caches from Iraq to date just west While in the hospital at Fort of Tail when they heard an explo-Campbell, Ky., Daniels received a sion. That's when his platoon sergeant was killed, which began a Purple Heart for wounds suffered in combat and learned that their series of unfortunate events for gunner, Alexis Roman-Cruz, had his unit. died in the air. Because of a sand-On Nov. 15, while traveling

between two checkpoints, about a dant of the league's detachment in 2-mile route, they decided to do a Williams is legislative director snap TCP (traffic control point) to check cars for explosives and for the league and legislative weapons. After checking a couple affairs chair for the American of vehicles, they got back in the Legion in Michigan, representing truck, with Daniels seated behind about 274,000 Michigan veterans. the driver. "Our primary concern is to see Another Humvee drove across to it that these young people who a driveway they'd all walked are coming home from Iraq and

many times with no incident. Afghanistan are taken care of adequately by the Veterans Administration," Williams said. Then, while crossing the same drive, they were hit. "Everything slowed way down, and I just heard 'tick, tick, tick,' Cost to us will be \$600 bilwhich is what a Humvee sounds

like when it's turning," Daniels Over the next 60 years, the cost to American taxpayers will be an estimated \$600 billion to handle the needs of our wounded warriors. For every one soldier killed overseas in Operation Iraqi iothing else. Freedom, 16 are injured. "The next thing I knew, I'm look-"We've lost 4,000 guys in this

who represents thousands next to his left leg, and he was of Michigan veterans, as about 150 feet away from the legislative affairs chair for He couldn't feel his right leg the American Legion in and screamed for help. His best Michigan, said citizens can friend at the time, Sgt. Clarence help the plight of injured Floyd, heard him and came to soldiers returning from the help him, putting a tourniquet on war in Iraq. Here's how: Write legislators to stop cutting funding for veter-**Receiving the Purple Heart**

eran

 Elect legislators who support veteran funding. · Donate to local veterans' groups, such as the the Marine Corps League, American Legion, VFW and others.

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How you can help vet-

Doug Williams of Mason,

Hire veterans.

"Everybody in that Humvee He later learned Floyd had been "I became a different person shot in the back of the head by a after I got injured," he said. As a soldier who made it back sniper when he decided to take over someone's guard shift 15 from Iraq, his message is to be thankful that our young men and women are serving their country. "He saved me, and then he was 'You can't be for the troops and

against the war." he said. He's got a rod, 10 screws and Now, the Lansing native two nails in his foot, which hurts whose had 10 surgeries on his all the time. He can't feel the botfoot, works parttime at Whitehall tom of his foot, has flashbacks Jewelers in Lansing and will start almost daily, horrible nightmares, on a political science degree next is on medication, sees a psycholofall. He hones to serve his coungist and attends group therapy try as an elected official some Veterans

Administration "We hope he can come back He has a new girlfriend, Karis Olney of Lansing, that he met and make some changes where after his former high school they need to be made," Williams sweetheart and he broke up.

storm, the crew couldn't land the

plane. The other two in his

Humvee had died instantly.

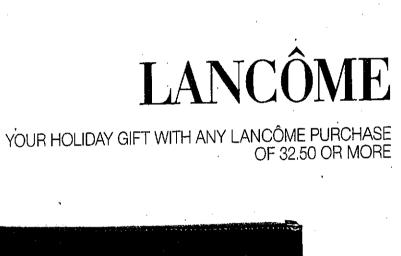
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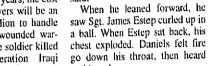
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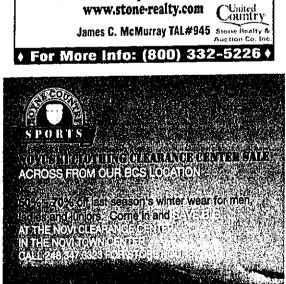
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Judge pens book about ignorance and resolution

process.'

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don't realize the importance."

Warren said. "I give an overview

of the history of jury and they

transform into jurors excited and

eager to serve. It's a 15 minute

Warren said the operations of

government and the historical sig-

nificance of the past is lost on

many Americans. Both are areas

tled

By Chris Jackett STAFF WRITER

When Michael Warren began writing "America's Survival Guide: How to Stop America's Impending Suicide by Embracing Our First Principles" more than a decade ago, it was based off a gut instinct. Now, he knows better, forces behind their behaviors. and how right he was.

Currently an Oakland County Circuit Court judge of five years and a state board of education member the three years prior, Warren has experienced a wide range of people, many with one standing of specific (subjects)." thing in common. "I have been concerned for a

number of years regarding the example; also noting defendants' lack of education has an influence general ignorance of citizens and students in regard to government, on their involvement in cases.

he said, "When I first started writing it, I had an instinctual belief AMERICA'S that the public had a problem. Since then, there have been a number of studies that have backed up my gut instincts."

SERVIX M. ETCI Warren said his work with the courts and educational systems have both helped him to better understand people and the driving "Every day is a new adventure There was no one episode where I had a hot moment. Through the course of working every day, I

saw the hidden threads," he said. "Being a judge gave me an undercance. He used choosing a jury as an

"When we pick a jury, there's often a great reluctance of the

jurors to serve. A lot come in and America grew from the days of We need to make sure it's taught its forefathers in a section enti- not just once, but continuously. "We need to test Americans on "America's Impending history and civics. The media Suicide.' This leads into the second part needs to spend less time on of his book, discussing Britney Spears and Lindsay Lohan and more time on those America's history and current crisis more in depth, before issues. Voters can spend more time on these issues." wrapping up with a third section suggesting resolutions for Information on Warren's book

ovement through "educa- is available at www.americassurtion, legal, holiday, media, nonvivalguide.com, where those interested can preview the first 35 pages and order the book, which is also available at Amazon.com

to teach history and civics as a number one priority. Right now, His book touches on a number of subjects. The first portion of it's way down the list." Warren Jackett can be reached at (248) the three-part book summarizes said. "My recommendations go 349-1700, the First Principles and how from kindergarten to law school.

he touches on in "America's profit and political reform." "When I was on the state "July 4th we eat apple pie and do fireworks, but don't think of board, it became clear that we do the meaning behind it," he said of not have an emphasis on civics and Barnes & Noble. Retail price the American holiday's signifi- and history in schools. We need is about \$16. Novi News staff writer Chris ext. 122 or ciackett@gannett.com

Farmer John & FOND Norma Tseemer MEMORIES



In October 2004. Maybury State Park farmer John Beemer is shown leading his Belgian plow horses Andy, left, and Beauty to their barn stalls after some field work. At that time, farmer Beemer was to retire from operating the park's working farm. After that coming winter's fire destroyed Maybury's barn, he returned the following spring

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Hard to imagine Maybury Farm without the Beemers

ith Maybury Farm, you could always count on three things: farmer John Beemer, the kids and the kids.

Novi Economic Development Corporation and Lawrence Tech team up to provide presentation on Green Building are recognized experts in the

Today the City of Novi conomic Development Economic Corporation (EDC) and Lawrence Technological University will partner to host "Green Building 101," a presentation about developing and constructing eco- development within the City friendly buildings. The presentation will be held from 8 to 10 a.m. in the Novi Civic Center Council Chambers, 45175 W. 10 Mile Road. The event is offered free of charge and registration is not required. presenter and Featured Lawrence Tech professor Joseph

Veryser will give insight to contractors, realtors, developers and businesses on how going green lessens the impact commercial buildings have on human health and the environment. Veryser serves Lawrence Tech as the university architect responsible for the coordination of the campus master plan. He is certified as a replacement for the Single leader in energy and environmental design accredited professional (LEED AP) and is a that the MECA has presented

Michigan Green Building 101 corre- Policy chair and now as Senate sponds with the unanimous. recent approval by the Novi city "Michigan council of a resolution encouraging green building practices through voluntary participation ing the LEED Standards Novi's citizens." official green building criteria. LEED Standards are the national-

My Novi, briefly (?)*

hy city council members. They serve as a resource for business through the review of industrial revenue bonds and for other eco- es across the state. nomic development initiatives. For more information, visit the for her "dedicated service to MDOT expects to hear from the City of Novi's Web site at Michigan's small business com- federal agencies no later than www.cityofnovi.org.

Committee." Cassis receives awards, legislator of the year State Sen. Nancy Cassis (R-

Novi) was awarded the Public Service Award from the Michigan al taxation. Electric Cooperative Association (MECA) for her work on the Michigan Business Tax, which was enacted this summer as a

Business Tax. "I am honored and humbled licensed real estate broker in me with this award for my years

service first as House Tax will serve as a four-year planning Finance chair," Cassis said. document for the state. After July, MDOT is now posting the draft 2008-11 State Cooperatives are an important part of our economy and electric draft industry, providing power to Transportation Improvement and asking for final public com-

and private developments by mak- more than 650,000 Michigan Program (STIP) to the Internet In her work on the MBT, Cassis ment until Nov. 15. * * Containing proposed road, gories. helped ensure the tax allows elecly accepted benchmark for the tric cooperatives to deduct the bridge and transit projects for design, construction and opera- purchase of electricity and natural rural areas, the STIP is required islation called the s reduce the tax

designations). The STIP has been submitted Legislator of the Year award from for approval to two federal agenthe Independent Accountants cies. Review by the Federal Association of Michigan for her Highway Administration and the Federal Transit Administration is work on behalf of small businessdone concurrently during this final public review period and The association praised Cassis

munity and (her) tireless efforts as Nov. 30. chair of the Senate Finance Cassis accepted the award at a

remarks before an audience of

MDOT seeks State Transportation Improvement Program comments

The Michigan Department of comment on a draft document that Canada.

Electric announcing a list of projects in Programming Impact Award.

projects on the list are on state highways (roads with I, US and M

SWOCC Studios wins proceremony in Novi. She gave brief gramming awards

Telecommunications Officers more than 300 people attending a and Advisors (NATOA) congratu-sentinar on issues related to feder-lated the winners of its 22nd President Richard H. McClure. Annual

Programming Awards. The Awards recognize excellence in electronic programming pro-

duced by local government agencies. This year, NATOA received more than 1,200 entries repre-Transportation (MDOT) is giving senting 180 agencies from 31 the public a final opportunity to states across the country and

SWOCC Studios Legislative Update took a third place NATOA In the Philo T. Farnsworth Regional Awards, SWOCC Studios also placed in seven professional categories and SWOCC Studios Public Access producers

A placed in 10 nonprofessional cate / Hour Detroit magazine . * *

hold goods carrier Mayflower Transit, was honored recently by St. the van line for exceptional professional performance. The recognition was conferred during Mayflower's 2007 Convention with more than 400 Mayflower representatives in attendance. Announcement of the recogni-

tion, conferred as part of van line's annual awards program, Mayflower Transit, with head-Government

quarters in suburban St. Louis, is one of the nation's largest housebroadcast, cable, multimedia and hold goods movers and maintains a global network of 600 affiliated Directory at www.trinityhealth.org/physicians. agencies. More information about

Mayflower Transit and its services can be obtained through Mayflower's Web site at

Trinity Health physicians named "Top Docs"

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named. Addiction Medicine: Carl Christensen, MD, PhD and Herbert Malinoff, MD (St. Joseph Mercy Health System); Michael Fox, DO (St. Mary Mercy Hospital). Cardiology: Cheng-Chong Lee, MD and Chaman Sohal, MD (St. Mary Mercy Hospital). To contact these or any other physician, please visit Trinity Health's Physician

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A total of 52 physicians from

Trinity Health's three member hospitals were named Top Docs for 2007 in the October issue of

awards Premier Relocation LLC, Novi, an agent of the nationwide house-

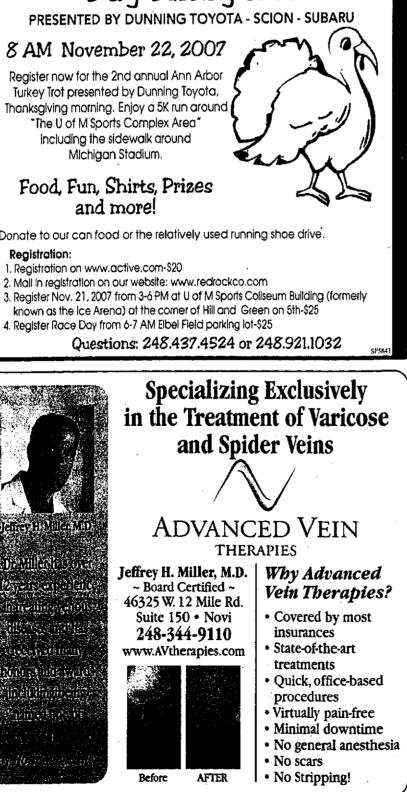
Mayflower's Premier Relocation LLC receives roscience, oncology, orthopedics, primary care and women's health. They are representative of the more than 2,100 physicians who practice medicine at St. Joseph Mercy Health System, Ann Arbor; Mary Mercy Hospital,

fields of behavioral medicine, cardiology, emergency services, neu-

Livonia; and St. Joseph's Mercy Oakland, Pontiac,

Following is a list of the Trinity Health physicians who were





As the main caretaker of the farm at Maybury State Park, Beemer could always be seen chasing after kids of all types and size: both the human and the baby goat kind.

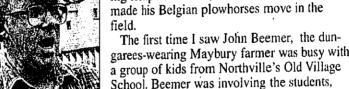
He'd feed and care for the baby goats and work on nuturing the farm-smarts of the other kids who flocked to his farm every week from schools, churches and cub scout packs. Children who'd never stepped on a real working farm before would take away from their time with farmer

Beemer knowledge of what time of year they'd plant the corn, how sheep are sheared

ing temps of winter, and what commands

of their wool, how pigs stay warm in the freez-





School. Beemer was involving the students, some with multiple physical and mental handicaps, in the day-to-day operations of the farm: feeding the chickens, collecting eggs and spreading straw in

the barn. That was 1998, and I was there to take photos for a

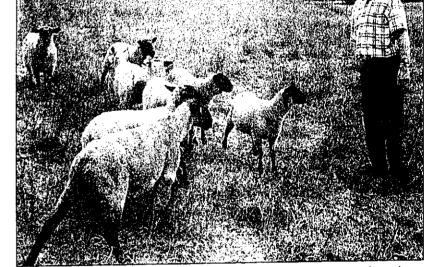
Northville Record article by Wendy White on Beemer receiving an award from the Michigan Federation of the Council for Exceptional Children for his work with the students from OVS. The excited shouts of youngsters were as much a given with Beemer and Maybury Farm as were the crows of roosters, the low of cows and neighs of those Belgians. Earlier this year, in June, I photographed him patiently feeding a baby goat whose Mom died during delivery all the while explaining what he was

doing to a curious group of school kids. In March, I photographed John and his wife, Norma, as they took a group of children from Plymouth in a horse-drawn wagon out to Maybury's "sugarbush" of trees to learn how maple syrup's made. The kids got to watch and help out as John and Norma carefully drilled holes in the maples, attached the spiles and collected the tree's sap.

Over the years, I've been to Maybury many times and recorded with my camera how John and Norma Beemer and their hordes of volunteers pass on the knowledge of what makes our community's farm tick. Knowledge not just for, but perhaps most enthusiastically received by all those thousands of little feet scampering around the barn, corrals and fields of Maybury.

I know Maybury will continue, but for me, it will be a little less for having lost such a good host and teacher like John Beemer.

In the February 1998 article in the Record, talking about the honor given to him for his work with Old Village's children, Beemer concluded: "I think it's great, but I don't think I should be getting it. I don't deserve it, these guys" (motioning to the OVS kids helping out) do."



John Beemer is photographed in 1998 with a flock of Maybury Farm sheep. In that year, he and the farm were dealing with a pack of wild dogs that were attacking and killing the sheep when they were pastured.



Photos and story by John Heider / Northville Record staff photographer

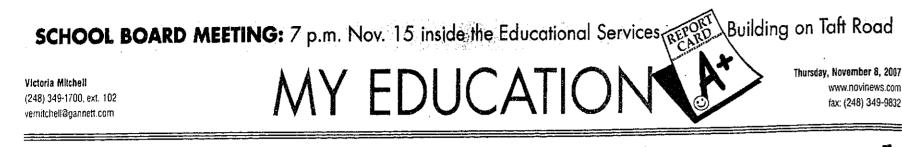
Norma Beemer helps Corinne McCarthy, 7, tap into a maple tree during a visit to Maybury Farm this past March. A group from Plymouth's New Morning School toured the farm to learn how maple syrup's made from start to finish.

More online

To see a video of John and Norma Beemer leading a maple sap gathering expedition in Maybury's woods this past March, go to www.northvillerecord.com and look for "Online Special" to view the Northville Record's archived viđeo.

Farmer John Beemer hoists a lamb into his arms in this photo from 2005. The Maybury Farm was just days away from re-opening after a lot of hard work following the fire.

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Parkview media specialist receives award

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Novi Meadows vocal music

students are preparing for their fall concert titled "It Starts in

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Seller "How Full Is Your

Bucket?" by Tom Rath and

Donald Clifton, Ph.D., as well

as Carol McCloud's children's

version "Have You Filled A

Bucket Today?" During the

Meadows student body, in con-

junction with the Counseling

Department and Meadows

Parenting Respect Committee

have been working to build

their own self-esteem and the

esteem of those around them

Walled Lake Central High

School, 1600 Oakely Park Road,

presents "West Side Story" 7:30

p.m. Thursday, Nov. 29, Friday,

Nov. 30 and Saturday, Dec. 1; and

through "bucket filling."

year, the entire

Fall concert

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formances

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children ages 6-17; and free to

children five and under. A \$40

tion. Valet parking will be avail-

able for \$2. For a registration

form, log on to www.walled-

wBall.pdf. Registration deadline

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Jennifer Kramer, Parkview Elementary School media specialist, recently received the Mary Anne Paulin Award for Reading Advocacy. The award is named in honor of a tireless crusader for literacy and quality children's literature with the purpose to acknowledge exemplary leadership and Thanksgiving meal to 100 homeadvocacy in instilling a life-long less people. The third grade familove of reading in children and lies are donating all the turkeys young adults. The award was and ingredients for the meal and

given to Kramer at the Michigan - will help the students that day. Association for Media in Education (MAME) conference. Walled Lake announces Michigan Association for Media in Education is an indefirst holiday snow ball pendent, professional association dance of library media specialists dedi-Walled Lake Community cated to educational, literary and technological excellence in Education and Sports Around in Town are pleased to announce services library/media Michigan's schools, MAME is an the first Snow Ball Dance, 7-9 affiliate of the American p.m. Friday, Dec. 15 at Walled Lake Northern High School, Association of School Librarians. a division of the American 6000 Bogie Lake Commerce Township. The Library Association, and an affiliate of the International Society for evening will include dancing. desserts and a photographer. Technology in Education. Kramer's mission in the Formal dress attire is recom-

Parkview media center is to make mended. The cost is \$15 for reading enjoyable and interesting, adults ages 18 and older; \$12 for instilling a life-long love of reading in her students. Her genuine love of literacy shows in the big Family Discount is available for and little things she does every- up to five people, any combina-

Franklin Road Christian School outreach projects

Franklin Road Christian Community Education Center at for adults and \$12 for senior citi-School, located in Brightmoor Christian Church in Novi, has (248) 956-5000. community outreach projects planned for this month. - Or Friday, the annual Rake-N-Bake Walled Lake middle schools will take the middle school stuhost internet safety presendents in grades six-eight out to tation the homes of in-need individuals The PTSAs from James Geisler

in the community. The students will rake leaves and leave behind and Sarah Banks middle schools a package of homemade baked invite the community for an and 16-17; and at 2 p.m. Sundays, goods. On Nov. 13, the third- evening on Internet safety, 7 p.m. grade class will serve food at Thursday, Nov. 15 at Geisler for adults and \$12 for senior citi-Grace Center of Hope in Pontiac Middle School, 46720 West zens and students. Tickets can be (formerly Pontiac Rescue Pontiac Trail, Walled Lake, The ordered online at www.wlwtick-Mission). The students will be program will feature information ets.com or by calling (248) 956dressed in traditional pilgrim or on the latest Internet scams and 4578. Native' American costumes and dangers, and is intended for adults will cook and serve a traditional only. For more information con-

Walled Lake High School announce fall performances Parkview Elementary Principal Jenifer Michos (left), Connie Dye, Jennifer Kramer and Superintendent Peter Dion stand with the Mary Anne Paulin Award for Reading Walled Lake Consolidated Advocacy Kramer received late last month. Kramer was presented the award by the Schools' performing arts Michigan Association for Media in Education for instilling a life-long love for reading departments is proud to announce its upcoming fall per- In the students at Parkview Elementary School.

> Novi Athletic Booster's All Sports Pass Now is the time to purchase creating their dream toy or game the sixth annual an athletic booster all-sports for TOYchallengeTM pass for entry into all home ath-

is Dec. 7. For more information at 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 1 and contact the Walled Lake Sunday, Dec. 2. Admission is \$14 letic events throughout the 2007-08 school year. zens and students. All seats are Tournaments, invitational and playoff games are excluded. The reserved. Tickets can be ordered family pass includes all family online at www.wlcperformingarts.org or by calling (248) 360members living in the same household for \$140. Individual · Walled Lake Western High passes are \$40. Please bring

School, 600 Beck Road, presents photo identification. For more "The King and I' at 7:30 p.m. information contact Michele Friday and Saturday, Nov. 9-10 Rydzewski at mrydzewski01@yahoo.com or Nov. 11 and 18. Admission is \$15 moira.robinson@hotmail.com.

Sally Ride Science invites kids to enter competition

Same Start Think



out of their classrooms and expe- categories including "Games rience engineering hands on by for the Family," Out and Play," "Toys That Teach" and start brainstorm

Further TOY challenge infor-The mission of this toy-design competition is to motivate kids, mation is available at especially girls, to get involved in www.TOYchallenge.com. All submissions will be judged on engineering, see that engineering is originality, creativity, engineer in everything, and experience engiing, feasibility, design process neering as fun, creative, collaborative and relevant to everyday life. description, team participation and clarity of communication. The competition is open to To learn more, visi fifth through eighth graders in www.SallyRideScience.com or the United States, its territories, or possessions, and call (800) 561-5161.

Canada during the 2007-08 school year. Team size can range from three to six members, half of which must be Please send class notes suit missions to vemitchell@gan girls. To get a team started: Find an adult coach (18 years nett.com or by mail to Novi an Sally Ride Science IM is giving viol age or older) and sign up by . News 104 . W. Main Street with and boyn in grades , the Accidat (fouris' 645 per wam); Worthville Mich. 48167. londo?



TALK ABOUT IT: Join in discussing

Victoria Mitchel

\$19,000, which could eliminated with a November election • The final discussion item for the evening regarded field trips. Beelsheit presented Dipcoming DECA, band and debate field

Nov. 1 regular meeting of the Novi Community School Board. All board members were in attendance. Next meeting: 7 p.m. Nov. 15 at the Educational Services Building, 25345 Taft Road.

Story Chat at novinews.com

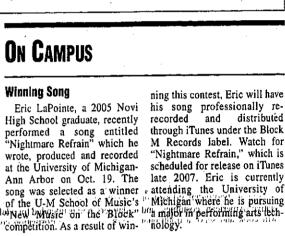


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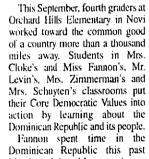


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March, and shared her experiences with the students. After discussing the issues facing the country, and its extreme poverty, the fourth graders were given a goal: Fill 20 suitcases

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Republic in October. The donations Grand Rapids. The Orchard Hills Dominican border of Haiti. students met and exceeded the chal-

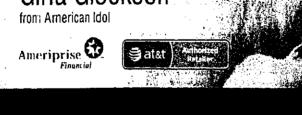


to be brought to the Dominican lenge. They collected new and used returns, Orchard Hills will be able clothes, toiletries, vitamins and to see the people who received will be delivered by a group of stu- Band-Aids to send to the people of their donations. The students are dents from Aquinas College in El Llano, a small town on the excited to see how their work here in the United States can help strangers so far away. When the Aquinas group

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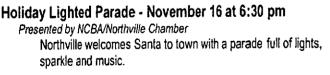
Santa Arrives in his

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Northville's Hometown Holidays

Holiday Home Tour - November 16 & 17 Presented by Northville Community Foundation Tour professionally decorated homes decked out in holiday spiendor.

Christmas Walk - November 17 & 18, Noon - 4 pm Presented by Northville Chamber Pick up your holiday decorations at the Greens Market and on Saturday enjoy a free horse-drawn wagon ride with Santa.

Mill Race Christmas Walk - November 18, 1 - 4 pm Presented by Northville Historical Society Free admission to guided tours of eight decorated historic buildings,

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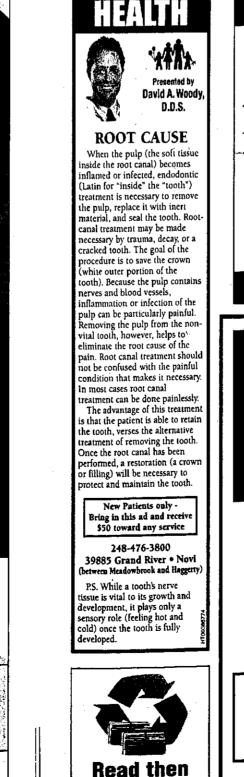
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acts as facilitators at the locations.

with some employees potentially

acting on a volunteer basis. Vice

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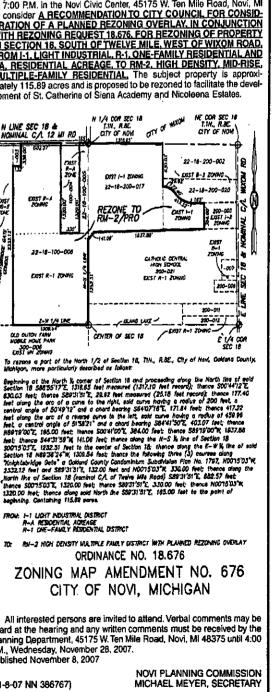




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MY OPINION

Novi News

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Editorial -Congratulations winners

We at the Novi News would like to congratulate supporters of the Novi Public Library, City of Novi Mayor David Landry, city councilman Bob Gatt and council newcomers Kathy Crawford and David Staudt.

All were winners in the Tuesday, Nov. 6 City of Novi general election.

Voters turned out, in low numbers, and mailed in ballots supporting their leaders and the \$16 million library bond proposal for the construction of a 60,000-square-foot facil-

Once the confetti settles, the hard work will begin and we believe and challenge all involved to represent the city in a fair and diligent manner. Once again, congratulations.

Hey, Novi: What's Your Story?

We're looking for you! The Novi News is currently looking to interview local residents regarding the following topics: · Are you a high school student who receives an allowance

from your parents? Are you a high school student who has an interesting job? . Are you a Novi senior citizen with an interesting job or

hobby? Are you a working woman who has recently returned to work?

. Are you a Novi resident interested in sharing a story about how your religious faith has carried you through tough times? . During the past six months, have you moved into a newly constructed home?

 Do you spend more than \$100 per week on gasoline? Are you a single parent? Contact Novi News editor Victoria Mitchell at (248) 349-

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We welcome your Letter to the Editor. Please include your name, address and phone number for verification. We ask your letters be 400 words or less. We may edit for clarity, space and content. Mail: Novi News, Letters to the Editor, 104 W. Main Street, Suite 101, Northville, MI 48167

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Lake and Wixom.

State missed chance for needed overhaul It took months of wrangling, a four-hour shutdown and a month-long extension - but our political masters have at last passed an officially balanced budget, as required by the state constitution. Yet nobody deserves any awards for valor.

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Structural Reforms: If we're going to keep minute, in the middle of Candidates for president Lansing almost completeshould concentrate on articulat ly missed the opportunity One hit, many misses. our brightest at home, the night, with no public ing their plans for solving serious Other than allowing attract talented folks hearings, at a rate triple to use the budget crisis to problems rather than attacking force major changes in districts the from out of state and what the governor origischool opportunity to get encourage high-tech nally proposed. the structure, workings While being skeptical of blog-Legislature: Ugly symand costs of government. detailed data to allow startups, we need to susgers, citizens should educate The visionary thinking competitive bidding on tain and improve our colbolism. We've known a themselves on issues, candidates' budget crisis has been this state needs so des- employee health care, leges and universities. views and voting records. 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Wedge issues are divisive And there is always the adopted a "continuation" orities for Michigan. rates in the private sector? Sen. Clinton has been forth- and divert attention from true very legitimate fear that budget. The budget for That is in no small part Didn't happen. right on the main issues of the issues. They appeal to emotion What about moving the "balanced budget" this fiscal year was only because some of them war in Iraq, health care, educa- rather than reason. Voters must toward requiring intense will turn out not to be finally adopted at 4 a.m. lack such priorities altogether. Many can barely collaboration between balanced after all, as has last Thursday. Yet lawlocal governments and often been the case. Too makers decided to reward agree on anything. Hannah Provence Donigan And since they lacked a school operations, with a often, at that time, law- their performance by Commerce shared vision for view towards saving makers first instinct has boosting their own budg-Michigan's future, legisla- money? What about been to whack spending ets by 2.9 percent, bringing the cost of the House tors and the governor movement on getting for higher education. Schools: Give them a C- and Senate to \$114.5 milproduced a spending plan some small and cashthat lacks focus, disci-strapped districts to con-minus. K-12 schools will lion. pline or any strategy for solidate into fewer and get an average of 1 per-Future Budgets: More chronic structural budget building us a future. more effective ones? The cent increase - less, By the numbers, what needle didn't move a mil- again, than inflation. deficits. Center for Schools will likely contin-Michigan Exécutive they did was this: Adopt a limeter. "North Coast" Quality of ue to lay off teachers and Director John Bebow \$9.8 billion spending Life? Not now. To attract other employees because said, "They're going to be plan that "resolved" the \$1.75 billion general fund talented people to come increased costs (especial- back at it for the next sevbudget deficit in two live in Michigan and to ly health care and pen- eral years because they sions) will outrun infla- haven't dealt with' strucstages, a month apart. keep our kids from movtural reforms." Tom Clay, First, they passed an ing to Chicago, we need to tion. increase in the income stress the unmatched Programs for math and the former research tax and extended the quality of life here, our science in middle schools director at the Citizens sales tax to some servic- natural resources and were cut - an especially Research Council said, some owned of yet allo move. "We're going to continue dismaying environmental assets. So what did the budget Michigan's greatest asset to have the same problem Then, last week, they finally agreed on \$433 do? Gave the Department is the skills and brain we have been having. By million in spending cuts of Natural Resources a power of our kids. But 2009, they'll have anothhalf-billion-dollar does the budget make er to finish closing the budg- less-than-inflationary et gap. Here's a look at increase of \$1 million (to this a priority or assure deficit, even if the econowhat they did do - and \$289 million). That will that as much of school my improves." the potential impact on result in laying off 14 funding as possible gets conservation officers and to the classroom, rather we? the state: Prisons: Ho Hum. the closure of 37 parks, than get lost in overhead Sadly, this budget nesses from going through the costly process of complying with Michigan now spends What about increasing costs? Nope. Taxes: Pure uncertain- clear evidence that around 40 percent more fees for hunting and fishon corrections than our ing licenses (currently far ty. For businesses think- Michigan's political, poli-As always, I look forward to neighboring states, cheaper than most other ing to expand in cy-making, taxing and your comments. You can contact Michigan, a simple, spending systems are me by e-mail at senncassis@senaround \$500 million. states)? Maybe in understandable and pre- broken. The interests of ate.michigan.gov, or toll free at Each inmate costs our Nope. taxpayers half as much January. Maybe not. How dictable tax system is 10 million Michigan citiagain as citizens in sur- about requiring develop- absolutely essential. zens continue to be held State Senator Nancy Cassis (Rrounding states pay to ers and business to pay Instead, we're back at hostage to the partisan Novi) represents the 15th Senate keep their inmates con- the increased costs of air square one, with busi- agendas of both political District, which includes the townships of Commerce, Highland, emission and wetlands nesses fighting anew to parties. fined. The \$2 billion Lansing permits and regulation? repeal yet another poorly Holly, Lyon, Milford, Novi, Rose, West Bloomfield and White Lake, allocated to prisons (\$500 No again; the Department written tax law: The arbi- more interested in playmillion more than for col- of Environmental Quality trary, inexplicable, ing "gotcha" games than as well as the villages of Holly, Milford and Wolverine Lake and leges and universities!) budget was cut by \$3 mil- incomprehensible and in setting long-term priorthe cities of Novi, Northville (the probably unenforceable 6 ities for a struggling state. represents a "cut" of \$66 lion. Oakland County portion), million. True, three pris- Higher Education: Give percent sales tax on a What's it all mean? Orchard Lake, South Lyon, Walled ons will be closed. Still, our lawmakers a D+. bizarre array of services. Simply this: We cannot this budget represented We're spending 25 per- Numerous economists depend on our elected fundamentally no change cent less (inflation adjust- see broad, low-rate serv- non-leaders for a new in the way we spend on ed) on public universities ice taxes as a good way to vision. Instead, it's up to than we were six years modernize the state tax us as citizens to craft a corrections. And Michigan has a ago. Other nearby states structure, but nobody clearer vision for long, long way yet to go to are spending around the advocates passing a tax Michigan's future. 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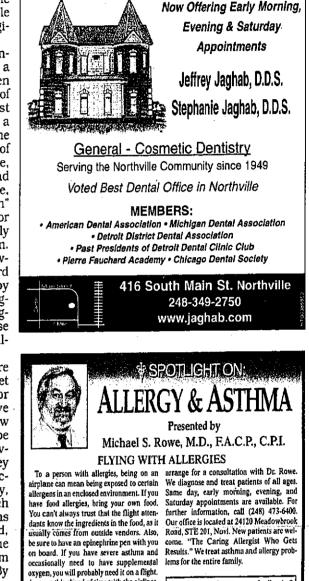
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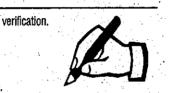
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Cassis votes no to increase budgets over inflation

When a budget shortfall exists and it is clear that raising taxes Department of Natural is the wrong way to fix the prob-Resources budget. lem, you must look for ways to department budgets that exceed responsibly contain the growth of government spending. It is the projected rate of inflation: The Department of my belief that cuts are difficult. but tax increases are toxic. For increase in General Fund spend- cent increase. that reason, I supported only ing by \$2,824,200, a 10-percent those budgets that staved under the rate of inflation (2.1 percent) increase. as determined by the non-partisan Senate and House Fiscal Fund spending of \$21,544,800, a cent increase. Agencies and the Department of Treasury at the May 18, 2007 3.4-percent increase. Estimating Revenue Conference. The budgets I support are the K-12 School Aid spending by \$1,087,300, a 2.8- a 6.3-percent increase. budget, Higher Education budgpercent increase. • The State Police (SB 238) et, Community Colleges budget, Judiciary budget, History, Arts budget, spending by \$30,642,300, a 12.6- increase. Libraries

Transportation budget and the percent increase. General fund spending which • Corrections (HB 4348) consists of our state tax dollars increased General Fund spending increased \$751,320,600, an I voted "no" on the following by \$124,207,000, a 6.6 percent increase of 8.2 percent from the increase. previous year. · Department of Education

(4346) increased General Fund Service Tax Update Agriculture (SB 222) saw an spending by \$482,900, a 7.4-per-Since the service tax was

 DEQ—Department of passed, there has been an outcry Environmental Quality (HB 4358) from the business community in · General Government (SB saw an increase of General Fund opposition to this new burden. If 229) had an increase in General spending by \$975,500, a 3.2-perit goes into effect, we will have more businesses leaving the state • The Community Health budg- and laying off workers, resulting Military and Veterans Affairs et (HB 4344) increased General in decreased tax revenue putting (SB 235) increased General Fund Fund spending by \$185,228,900, Michigan's budget back into a structural deficit.

Human Services (SB 232) As chair of the Senate Finance increased General Fund spending Committee, I held a hearing this budget increased General Fund by \$115,483,800, a 9.6-percent week on SB 838, which I spon-

State Sen. Nancy Cassis

sored, to repeal the service tax. We must act now to prevent bus

TOM WATKINS: We Need To Invest In Our Future – Education Matters

Michigan is at a tipping point. nations are increasing their invest- culture, innovation, creativity and our act together and fast, if we Are we going to invest in our peoment. nle and our collective future or

become an economic backwater? Many in our state capitol claim the latest budget "fix" of raising China. I have been a student of taxes will allow us to invest in education. However, the reality is the one percent increase schools in fourth grade. I first visited China may receive will not even cover the fixed cost of keeping our in 1989 and have traveled there schools open and will do little to many times since, including three trips this year alone. On each trip, stem rising luition at our commu-I have witnessed the emergence of World nity colleges and state universities. At best, this modest increase a nation intent on challenging the schools from falling further economically. In this century, the transformational and terrifying behind. Yet, in this time of hyperactive global competition, staying even is falling behind.

The only thing worse in not investing in education that will heritage of "lifting for a living" to a future of "thinking for a living." pretending that we are when we are not. Michigan has been disin-

a better way of life. Our past suc- wish to be relevant in the 21st The need for investing in the cess does not give us a lock or century." One student commenthuman potential of Michigan's stu- guarantee on the future. Our chiled, "The global competition we dents and workers was driven dren must receive unprecedented, are going to face is hungry, hardhome during my latest trip to quality educational opportunities working and motivated - it is scary!" Yes, it is. and our workers on-going training China since a great teacher opened if they are to be prepared to suc-No, we cannot and should not my eyes to this country when I was ceed in a global economy. compete with China on cheap labor. We should, however, be Confronting a Turbulent,

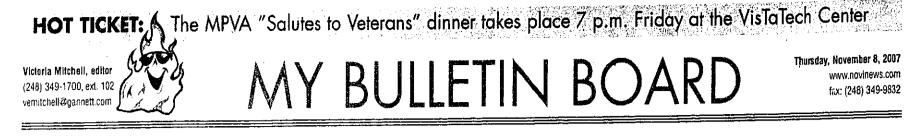
ramping up our institutions of learning to make Michigan the **Transformational Terrifying** brain bank of the world where everyone comes for deposits and

We are confronting a world that states and nations that get their for many. And it will continue to ity, innovation and courage are the not just low costs, but brainpower. commitment to emerge from our pare our citizens for this reality? nomic survival. 2 During my latest trip to China, there was a common thread The Chinese are hungry for among Michigan's business peoimproved economic success and ple and students alike: "I wish well for our future. With technol- cians, technology and knowledge

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can and do flow across the globe. classrooms today. We must be We are living in a world where the committed to educate our students withdrawals. Talent will be the undereducated and uneducated and workers so they will be in educational funding helps our United States educationally and is rapidly changing. It is turbulent, commodity that will rule in the will be left behind. The global among the world's best and future. Leadership, ideas, creativ- economy will continue to reward brightest if we wish to be economically relevant in the future. systems of education right will defy predictability. Are fuel Michigan needs to spur the Our biggest fear should not be The question remains - are we prosper. Michigan must make a Michigan's leaders helping to pre- talent needed for growth and eco- the outsourcing of jobs to China. investing in our future? We must Our greatest fear should be the be willing to invest in education, The world is changing much fact that China is outpacing us and talent and change if we want our more rapidly than we are in many other nations in the devel- state to prosper and not continue Michigan and this does not bode opment of scientists, mathemati- our economic slide, We must act as if our future vesting in education over the past are unrelenting in their quest for more people could see what is ogy, we are living in a borderless workers. Our hope in being glob- depends on the talent we develop few years while other states and education about Western language, going on in China; we better get world where ideas, talent and jobs ally competitive is sitting in our today - because it does.





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beverages; register online at LOCATION: 40380 Grand River www.mpami.org, e-mail Ave., Novi info@mpami.org or call (248) DATE: Nov. 8-10, Jim Hamm, a 349-2666 highly animated, fast paced comic using music, facial dexterity and voice inflections. Joseph and the Amazing DATE: Nov. 22-24, Rich Guzzi. Technicolor Breamcoat hypnosis show, tickets now on-Tuesday, Nov. 13 CONTACT: Call for show times (248) 919-3216 or visit Elementary School, 30655 Novi

www.wiseguyscomey.net The Second City's "Dysfunctional Holiday

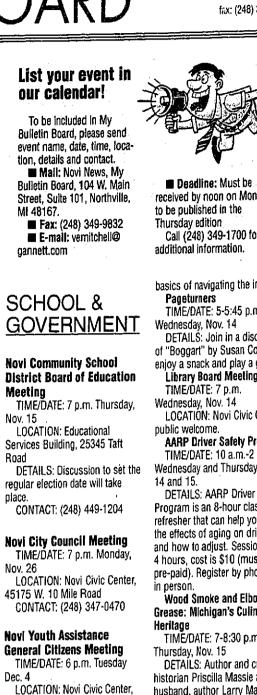
play at the school. Revue" DATE: Opens Wednesday, Nov. Novi Rotary Club 14 TIME: 8 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays, \$15: 8 and 10 p.m. Thursday Fridays, \$20; 7 and 9 p.m. (and 11 p.m. in December) Saturdays, Church, 41671 W. 10 Mile Road \$20; and 8 p.m. Sundays. \$15 LOCATION: The Second City, meeting, visitors welcome, check 42705 Grand River Ave., Novi website for speaker information, DETAILS: Get a healthy dose of www.novirotary.org. seasonal satire with The Second City's 31st revue: directed by Mark Levenson of Novi. CONTACT: For tickets or inforevening of "Dancing with the mation, call (248) 348-4448 or Stars:" help support our various visit www.secondcity.com community efforts with the pur-

Art Van Community Events Grand Prize is \$5,000 but other Art Van Furniture Store, 27775 prizes also awarded. Novi Road, Novi, (248) 348-8922 Children's Holiday Activity Sheets at novirotary@twmi.rr.com DATE: Safurday, Nov. 10 DETAILS: Holiday activity sheets promoting Art Van's Our Chaldean Students and parade float given to children vis-Neighbors: What Would You iting the store. Holiday Readings for Children TIME/DATE: Noon, Saturday, Wednesday, Nov. 14 Nov. 17 DETAILS: Book read will be "Has Anyone Seen Christmas?" in Kid's Castles play area. Ladd Road, Building D

"Hats Off Detroit" Hat Drive DATE: Friday, Nov. 16 -Chaldeans are, their perspective Sunday, Nov. 18 on the war in Iraq and what stu-DETAILS: In partnership with dents say about being Chaldean the Thanksgiving Parade in metro Delroit; Chaldean Company, Art Van will be collectdesserts and tea will be served; ing winter hats for local nonpresented by the Lakes Area profit agencies; drop off clean. Community Diversity Council; for

novichamber.com. **Roundtable Discussion** TIME/DATE: 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Sales Leads Group 1 Tuesday, Nov. 20 TIME/DATE: 8:30-9:30 a.m., LOCATION: Chamber Board second and fourth Thursday of the month (No meeting Nov. Room DETAILS: Discussion topic is .22) LOCATION: Hooter's of Novi marketing your business via marketing/advertising, promotional DETAILS: Serious networking, no fee. items, collections and pricing; CONTACT: Michelle Winn at cost is \$10 and includes lunch. (248) 835-3754 registration required. Arts Round Table TIME/DATE: 5:30 p.m. first BUSINESS Tuesday of every month LOCATION: Mixx Lounge Main Street Females in the Family DETAILS: Discussing art and **Business Affinity Group** culture in our area; all welcome; TIME/DATE: 8-9:30 a.m free. Green Building 101 Third Thursday of every TIME/DATE: 8-10 a.m. month LOCATION: Walsh College Thursday, Nov. 8 LOCATION: Novi Civic Center. Trov Campus Council Chambers, 45175 W. 10 DETAILS: Walsh Business Leadership Institute invites Mile Road DETAILS: City of Novi women who own, are partners Economic Development in or work for family busi-Corporation and Lawrence Tech nesses, Items discussed will partner for this presentation; no be common issues, and charge. RSVP to (248) 347-0583. women can share solutions in Diamonds are Forever a nonthreatening, noncompeti-TIME/DATE: 7 p.m.-midnight tive, non-sales roundtable. Registration is required. Friday, Nov. 9 LOCATION: Rock Financial CONTACT: Jan Hubbard. Showplace jhubbard@walshcollege.edu DETAILS: Novi Parks Foundation strolling buffet, open CLASSES bar, entertainment, silent auction and casino games; \$125 per person or \$200 per couple. RSVP at **Providence Center for the** (248) 255-2608. Healing Arts **B2B Breakfast** LOCATION: Assarian Cancer TIME/DATE: 7:45-9 a.m. Center, 47601 Grand River Wednesday, Nov. 14 Ave., Novi LOCATION: Novi Civic Center. CONTACT: (248) 465-5455 45175 W. 10 Mile Road Wanted: One-Time Art DETAILS: Hosted by Enertia Workshop Instructors Interactive: networking at its DETAILS: We are looking for finest; \$5 for members, \$10 nonpeople who have an art or craft member. that they would like to share in Financial Round Table our series of one-time work-TIME/DATE: 7:30-9 a.m. shops; call (248) 465-5455 if Thursday, Nov. 15 interested. LOCATION: Garnish, Novi Colored Pencil Workshop Road and Grand River Ave. TIME/DATE: 1-3 p.m., sec-DETAILS: Come and join the ond Tuesday of every month discussion about the financial DETAILS: Beginners welbusiness, free, Candy Cane Runtol moonal? comesque - requise minie Express Yourself with Art and DATE: Friday, Nov. 30 Color DETAILS: This festive holiday DETAILS: \$5 materials fee; call 5k run will welcome Santa and for times and registration. have a donation tent for nonper-Ceramics Class food, wrapped toys TIME/DATE: 10 a.m.-3 p.m. clothing and running shoes in Tuesday, Wednesday and good shape. Thursday; Friday by appoint-DETAILS: \$10 materials fee. **Novi Chamber of Commerce** Knittin' Yarns The chamber is celebrating TIME/DATE: 1-3 p.m. 40 years of business, representing over 500 members. Our Wednesday DETAILS: Join others and mission is to be a responsible create hats and shawls for proactive advocate of business interests in the greater Novi those in need. Creative Moments with area. We are business and pro-Scraobooking fessional people working TIME/DATE: 10 a.m.-noon together to enhance the life of our community and the busi-Tuesdav DETAILS: \$3 materials fee nesses in it. For more informa-Meditation tion, visit TIME/DATE: 11:15 a.m.www.novichamber.com or con-12:15 p.m., Thursday tact the chamber office at (248) DETAILS: Learn proper 349-3743 breathing techniques that can Chamber Membership be used at home or on the lob Luncheon to help reduce stress; class TIME/DATE: 11:30 a.m. held in reflection space, Thursday, Nov. 8 Cancer Center. LOCATION: Carrabba's Italian Yoga Classes Grill, 43455 West Oaks Dr. TIME/DATE: 12:30-1:30 p.m. DETAILS: Guest speaker is Rob Casalou, President, St. John Monday (for backs); 5:30-6:30 Providence Hospital; cost is \$20. p.m. Tuesday (for backs); 12:30 p.m.-1:30 p.m. Wednesday (for backs); 5-6 p.m. Thursday (pre-Lakes Area Chamber of natal); 6:05-7:05 p.m. Thursday Commerce (for backs) and 12:30-1:30 p.m. Since 1963, the Lakes Area riday (for backs) Chamber of Commerce has DÉTAILS: \$10/walk-in; \$80/10proudly served as West class card; \$45/5-class card; Oakland's Regional Chamber Lunch and Learn Yoga 7-week servicing the communities of session is \$60; registration Commerce Township, Union required. Lake, Walled Lake, Waterford, Massage Therapy Wixom, Wolverine Lake and TIME/DATE: By appointment White Lake, Our purpose is to DETAILS: Therapeutic masimprove the quality of life for sage is effective for stress and businesses and residents in the tension, chronic fatigue, pain Lakes area. We act as a unified and headaches. Everyone is voice on behalf of the business welcome. Patients undergoing community, provide a forum to treatment should bring physidiscuss and review topics of cian's referral. Call (248) 465interest, serve as a source of 4300 for appointment; \$50/50information and develop prominute session. grams that are responsive to the needs of the communities we Line Dancing serve. For more information visit DATE: Monday and Friday www.lakesareachamber.com or TIME: 6:30-7:30 p.m. begin-(248) 624-2826. ners; 7:30-9:30 p.m. intermedi-Mornina Connection TIME/DATE: 8:30-9:30 a.m. LOCATION: Novi Civic Center, Wednesday, Nov. 14 45175 W. 10 Mile Road LOCATION: T & C Federal DETAILS: No partner needed; Credit Union, 160 Wixom Road pay-as-you-go; Novi residents (near Pontiac Trail), Wixom \$5, non-residents \$6. DETAILS: Join us for coffee

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received by noon on Monday Call (248) 349-1700 for basics of navigating the internet. TIME/DATE: 5-5:45 p.m. DETAILS: Join in a discussion of "Boogart" by Susan Cooper, enjoy a snack and play a game Library Board Meeting LOCATION: Novi Civic Center, AARP Driver Safety Program TIME/DATE: 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Wednesday and Thursday, Nov DETAILS: AARP Driver Safetv Program is an 8-hour classroom refresher that can help you learn the effects of aging on driving and how to adjust. Sessions are 4 hours, cost is \$10 (must be pre-paid). Register by phone or Wood Smoke and Elbow Grease: Michigan's Culinary TIME/DATE: 7-8:30 p.m. DETAILS: Author and culinary historian Priscilla Massie and her husband, author Larry Massie, 45175 W. 10 Mile Road present a cooking demonstration and discuss the folklore and food CONTACT: (248) 347-0410 of our state; registration required. Library Closed Nov. 16 and LIBRARY Nov. 22 for staff training and LINES Thanksolving. Starlight Story Time Novi Public Library TIME/DATE: 7-7:30 p.m., LOCATION: 45245 W. 10 Mile HOURS: 10 a.m.-9 p.m. time stories read by a librarian, Monday-Thursday; 10 a.m.-5 PJs welcome. p.m. Friday and Saturday; 1-5 Movement and Mobility p.m. Sundav TIME/DATE: 7-8 p.m. Contact: (248) 349-0720 Thursday, Nov. 29 DETAILS: Providence-St. John Unless noted below, all programs take place at the library. Health presents a program about Knitters and Knotters preventing bone, muscle or joint TIME/DATE: 6:30-8 p.m. secproblems. Registration required. ond and fourth Monday of each DETAILS: Drop in for informal Walled Lake City Library needlework group in Youth Area; LOCATION: 1499 E. West all levels welcome. Manle Road, Walled Lake Senior Book Discussion HOURS: 10 a.m.-8 p.m. TIME/DATE: Noon-1:30 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday; 10 second Thursday of each month a.m.-5 p.m. Wednesday and DETAILS: Book discussion Saturday; 1-5 p.m. Sunday; group for older adults facilitated Closed Friday by librarian; please call to join. CONTACT: (248) 624-3772 English Conversation Group Classical Music Series TIME/DATE: 11 a.m.-noon TIME/DATE: 2 p.m. first Tuesday, Nov. 13, Nov. 20, Nov. Tuesday of each month DETAILS: Enjoy recorded 27 and Dec. 4 DETAILS: Make friends and classics, discussions and practice English; group guided by refreshments; lasts about 90 a volunteer form the Oakland minutes. County Literacy Council; no reg-Friends of the Library istration required. Meetina Art with Jane Alkon TIME/DATE: 1 p.m. second TIME/DATE: 1-2:30 p.m. Tuesday of month. Saturday, Nov. 10 **Book Discussion Group** DETAILS: Grade 5 and up can TIME/DATE: 12:30 p.m. third make a cool wall hanging for a Tuesday of each month material fee of \$5. Please regis-DETAILS: Drop in for informal discussion; bring a bag lunch; Snacktales check library for current book TIME/DATE: 7-7:45 p.m. selection Monday, Nov. 12 Evening Preschool Story DETAILS: Children K-fourth Hour grade listen to a story then make TIME/DAY: 6:30 p.m. every a story-related snack; please reg-Thursday DETAILS: For ages 3-5, no Ancestry Plus for Seniors registration requried; TIME/DATE: 10:30 a.m.-12:30 Library Board of Trustees p.m. Monday, Nov. 12 Meeting DETAILS: Learn how to navi-TIME/DATE: 1 p.m. second gate the huge genealogy data-Friday of each month introductory eBay Workshop Charlotte's Web TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Tuesday, Book and Movie Event Nov. 13 TIME/DATE: 6:30-8:30 p.m. DETAILS: Presentation by Tuesday, Nov. 13 Richard Truxall; free and open to DETAILS: Read E. B. White's the public. book as a family, then come to the library to discuss it as a Wixom Public Library group and watch the movie LOCATION: 49015 Pontiac together. Registration is required. Trail, Wixom The first 10 families to sign up HOURS: 10 a.m.-8 p.m. receive a free copy of the Monday-Thursday; 10 a.m.-5 "Charlotte's Web" book. The DVD p.m. Friday-Saturday; 1-5 p.m. will be raffled off at the end of the Sundav CONTACT: (248) 624-2512 All About E-mail for Seniors TIME/DATE: 1-3 p.m. **ESL Cate** TIME/DATE: 3:30 p.m. every Wednesday, Nov. 14 DETAILS: Must know the Thursday

DETAILS: Coffee and conver-Noon: Lunch sation-Improve your English 12:30 p.m.: Club Clogging 1:30-3 p.m.: Sing-A-Long speaking skills by speaking with people from other countries try-2-4 p.m.: Estate Planning by ing to improve their English; no appointment. tests: Instructor hein: free 6:30 p.m.: Beg/Easy/Int. CONTACT: Karin at the Clogging Information Desk. 7:30 p.m.: Club Clogging The Beauty of Depression Glass TIME/DATE: 6:30-7:30 p.m. Waltonwood at Twelve Oaks Thursday, Nov. 8 Independent Living Residence, DETAILS: Register at Licensed Assisted Living, Information desk. Licensed Memory Care Fabulous Fantastic Fridays LOCATION: 27475 Huron "Family and Friends" Circle (adjacent to Twelve Oaks TIME/DATE: 10:30 a.m. Friday, Nov 9 CONTACT: (248) 735-1500 DETAILS: For children ages 2-Open House 6 with a parent or caregiver: pro-TIME/DATE: 10 a.m.-6 p.m. gram offer stories, songs crafts daily or by appointment. and food. Veteran's Day Celebration Moonlight Story Time TIME/DATE: 1:30 p.m. "Famous Favoriles" Monday, Nov. 12 TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Entertainment and refresh-Wednesday, Nov. 14 ments: public welcome. DETAILS: For children ages 2-Health Fair 6 with parent or caregiver; sto-TIME/DATE: 11 a.m.-2 p.m. ries, songs and crafts. Thursday, Nov. 15 Wixom Sings! Various health vendors, free-TIME/DATE: 10:30 a.m. bies, raffles and a healthy buffet; Saturday, Nov. 17 learn about healthy living; public Slaves of Suspense Book welcome. Club TIME/DATE: 2-3 p.m. Wednesday Nov 28 SUPPORT DETAILS: Discuss "A Small Death in Lisbon" by Robert GROUPS Wilson. One-Stroke Painting: Holiday Ornament Adoptive Parent Networking TIME/DATE: 6-7:30 p.m. Meeting Thursday, Dec. 6 DATE: Last Wednesday of DETAILS: Paint your own glass ornament to take home. each month TIME: 10-11 a.m. LOCATION: Holy Family Catholic Church, 24505 NOVI Meadowbrook Road DETAILS: This informational SENIORS meeting is open to all adoptive families in Oakland County. There is no charge. Child care is Novi Senior Activities available; registration Center required. LOCATION: Located in the CONTACT: Lisa Mollov (248) Meadowbrook Commons Senior 334-3595 Complex, 25075 Meadowbrook Road. CONTACT: (248) 347-0414 Bereavement Support Group Massage: 12:30-4 p.m. DATE: Third Tuesday of each Monday-Friday and 9 a.m.-noon month Saturday; call for appointment. TIME: 7:30-9 p.m. Thursday LOCATION: Novi Civic Center, Spirit Week Hat Day 45175 W. 10 Mile Road 9-11 a.m.: Line Dance-Int. DETAILS: The meeting pro-10-10:45 a.m.: Meditation canvides the opportunity for those celed in grief to share their story and 11:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m.: Line to learn about the phases and Dance-Beg. tasks of grief. All are welcome; Noon: Lunch no fee. 12:15 p.m.: Contract Bridge CONTACT: Michael M. Meyer, 1-3 p.m. Computer Lab Doctorate of Ministry 1:30-3 p.m.: Book discussion "I Feel Bad About my Neck" by Angela Hospice Groups Nora Ephron

Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Novi New

Fun and Games!

ly services offered free for those

through suicide; call (734) 464-

TIME/DATE: 5-6:30 p.m. every

DETAILS: For children ages 6-

8, 9-12 and 13 and up; free of

group sessions, parents and

on how to help their children.

Have Lost a Child

Thursday of month

(734) 953-6012

Drive, Commerce

charge; includes light meal from

5-5:30 p.m.; while children are in

quardians attend their own group

Heartstrings: Parents Who

TIME/DATE: 7-8:30 p.m. first

Grief Support Quilter's Group

TIME/DATE: 1-3 p.m. first and

DETAILS: Register by calling

third Wednesday of month

DMC Huron Valley-Sinai

Al-Anon Support Group

TIME/DATE: 10 a.m. every

Hospital Support Groupsamoo

"LOCATION:"1 William Carls"

who have lost a loved one

7810 for more information.

Children and Teen Grief

Thursday through Nov. 8

Support Groups

Phyllis Harrison and Zaven Dolik play a game of backgammon at Novi's Fox Run Village recently. Fox Run had an open house to show off its facilities and actitivies availble for residents on Oct. 26.

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someone living with cancer.

Alzheimer's Careolver

Support Group

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month

CONTACT: (248) 937-5163

TIME/DATE: 2-3:30 p.m. the

fourth Monday of each month

LOCATION: Krieger Center

DETAILS: Designed to allow

caregivers to share tips and offer

support to each other; for ques-

tions or directions call (248) 937-

New Parents Support Group

TIME/DATE: 10 a.m. second

and fourth Wednesdays of each

DETAILS: A supportive envi-

ronment for families to share

their struggles, learn how to

resolve issues after the birth of

a child; discuss concerns such

as sleep deprivation and coping

with the emotions of parenting.

CONTACT: (248) 858-7766

Support for Smokers Group

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. first and

"LOCATION: Hospital

Conference Center

(South Garden Entrance)

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hird Tuesday of each month DETAILS: Provides education nd support to quit smoking; no ee and no pre-registration equired. CONTACT: (248) 937-3314 Psychotherapy &	Friendship Circle TIME/DATE: 1 p.m. second Thursday of each month LOCATION: St. James Catholic Church, 46325 10 Mile Road, between Taft and Beck roads DETAILS: Social group for all widows and widowers.
Counseling Services Northville Counselling Center Anxiety/Agoraphobia/Panic ittack Support Group TIME/DATE: second	CONTACT: Norbert Monson (248) 851-6730, Florence Voight (248) 477-3032, Joy Iovaldi (248) 348-9138 or joylo- valdi@earthlink.net
Vednesday of each month DETAILS: Call (734) 420-8175 or more information.	MOMS Club of Novi TIME/DATE: 10 a.m. first Thursday of each month LOCATION: Novi Civic Center
leighborhood Baby-sitting DETAILS: Using the co-op, ou and your children can make riends and get what you need ccomplished without the little mes in tow. Also enjoy a mom's ight out and other social events.	DETAILS: Moms Offering Moms Support (MOMS) is a non-profit support group for mothers who choose to stay at home with their children or work out of their homes. CONTACT: jensungfleming@yahoo.com
CONTACT: Sue Tracz (248)	continued on 18A
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new or gently used winter hats at nore information contact Cathy an Art Van location Ferguson at (248) 956-2091 or e-Toys for Tots mail to DATE: Please donate a new, fergusc@walledlake.k12.mi.us. unwrapped toy for a child and drop it off at any Art Van store Presidential Council Toys will be delivered to local Gardeners of Novi and children by Christmas day. No toy guns please. Northville Monarch Migration TIME/DATE: 7-9 p.m **Novi Parks Foundation Gala** Thursday, Nov. 15 and Awards Presentation LOCATION: Novi Civic Center DATE: Friday, Nov. 9 DETAILS: Guest speaker will LOCATION: Rock Financial be Brenda Dziedzic, president of Showplace, Novi the Southeast Michigan Butterfly DETAILS: The first annual Gala Association. Admission is free. and Awards Presentation will be Visit www.gardenersnorthvillea black-tie affair with a "Diamonds are Forever" theme: CONTACT: (248) 349-2352 hors d'oeuvres, strolling dinner, dessert buffet, refreshments, live entertainment, casino gaming Healthy Girls Night Out and silent auction; proceeds sup-Presented by Henry Ford port the City's park and recre-TIME/DATE: 6:30-8:30 p.m. ational facilities; tickets are \$200 Thursday, Nov. 15 per couple or \$125 for single: LOCATION: Hotel Baronette, purchase tickets by calling (248) 27790 Novi Road 255-2608 DETAILS: Henry Ford Health CONTACT: www.noviparks.org System's Heart & Vascular Institute invites the public to attend a complimentary, gour-Work of Human Hands met, heart-healthy meal prepared TIME/DATE: 5-7 p.m. Saturday, by renowned Matt Prentice Nov. 10 and 8 a.m.-2 p.m. Restaurant Group, Healthcare Sunday, Nov. 11 providers will discuss the latest LOCATION: Holy Family Church, Activity Center, 24505 advances in women's heart health and answer questions. At Meadowbrook Road, Novi no cost, this is part of the Hot DETAILS: Sale of handcrafted items made by artisans from Topics Women's Health series. Seating is limited; registration developing nations of the world; required. proceeds directly benefit the arti-CONTACT: To reserve a spot sans; sponsored by Holy Family call (800) 436-7936 or visit and St. James Catholic Churches. www.henryford.com/hottopics. CONTACT: Church of the Holy Family at (248) 349-8847 CHAMBERS Michigan Filmmaker's Marketing and Distribution OF Seminar COMMERCE TIME/DATE: 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 10 LOCATION: Lawrence Greater Novi Chamber of Technological University, 21000 Commerce W. 10 Mile Road (west of We're about business. We're Northwestern Hwy.), Room S321 about networking. We're about Blda 6, Lot D creating excitement in busi-DETAILS: One day seminar to ness and networking! help sell your movie; speaker is Everyone is welcome to attend Michigan's premier independent any of our events. For more producer Bob Brown discussing information call Whitney, exechis attitudes, philosophies, lesutive director at (248) 347sons and opinions on marketing and networking 4622 or wmgncc@yahoo.com. and distributing your film; fee of

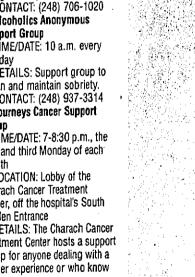
lora Ephron	Angela Mospice Groups	Curdey
2:30-3:30 p.m.: Line Dance	DETAILS: Grief support	Sunday DETAILS: Al-Anon is similar
Friday	groups include general grief	to Alcoholics Anonymous;
Spirit Week Heritage Day	loss of a spouse, women's grief,	
9 a.m.: Stretch & Strength	parents who have lost a child	intended for the family and friends of someone with an
10 a.m.: Body Recall	and a grief support quilters	alcohol problem, helping them
Noon: Lunch	group. All groups are led by	to recover from the effects of
12:30 p.m.: Dupl. Bridge	bereavement professionals and	living with a problem drinker.
1 p.m.: Bingo	trained volunteers.	CONTACT: (248) 706-1020
Monday	LOCATION: Angela Hospice	Alcoholics Anonymous
Senior Center closed for	Care Center, 14100 Newburgh	Support Group
eteran's Day	Road, Livonia	TIME/DATE: 10 a.m. every
Tuesday	CONTACT: Joan Lee (734)	Sunday
8:30 a.m.: Panera Bread;	953-6012	DETAILS: Support group to
offee and Conversation	General Grief Support	attain and maintain sobriety.
9-11 a.m.: Line Dance-Int.	Groups	CONTACT: (248) 937-3314
10 a.m.: Asian Pacific	TIME/DATE: 1 p.m. and 6:30	Journeys Cancer Support
11 a.mnoon: Computer Lab	p.m. second and fourth Tuesday	Group
Noon: Lunch	of month DETAIL & Open to all losses	TIME/DATE: 7-8:30 p.m., the
12:30-3 p.m.: Focus Hope	DETAILS: Open to all losses. Loss of Spouse/Significant	first and third Monday of each
istribtuion		month
1 p.m.: Bingo	Other Support Group TIME/DATE: 6:30-8 p.m. first	LOCATION: Lobby of the
1-3 p.m.: "Ask The Lawyer" by	Tuesday of month	Charach Cancer Treatment
ppointment	Men in Grief	Center, off the hospital's South
Wednesday	TIME/DATE: 6:30-8 p.m.	Garden Entrance
9 a.m.: Stretch and Strength	fourth Monday of month	DETAILS: The Charach Cance
10 a.m.: Body Recall	Suicide Loss Support	Treatment Center hosts a suppo
10:30 a.m.: Quilting	Services	group for anyone dealing with a
11 a.m.: TOPS; Blood Pressure	DETAILS: Individual and fami-	cancer experience or who know
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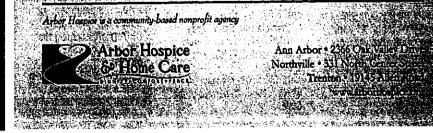
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Sunday Worship

Sunday School

TIME: 7:45, 10 a.m.

TIME: 9 a.m. Adult Bible

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. second

Aizheimer's Support Group

TIME/DATE: 10 a.m. second

visit www.holyfamilynovi.org

a.m. and 12:15 p.m. Sunday; 7

TIME/DAY: 7:30, 8:45, 10:30

Adoptive Parent Networking

TIME/DATE: 10-11 a.m. last

DETAILS: This free informa-

Wednesday of each month

tional meeting is open to all

adoptive families in Oakland

Registration is required.

Catholic Update

Monday, Nov. 19

County. Child care is available.

TIME/DATE: 7-8:30 p.m.

CONTACT: Lisa Molloy (248)

**Disciple Bible Study: Jesus** 

TIME/DATE: 3-5 p.m. every

TIME/DATE: 9:30 a.m. every

DETAILS: This interlaith group

will be reading "The Faith Club";

Suicide Loss Support Group

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. second

Thursday and fourth Monday of

DETAILS: New Hope Center for

Grief Support is offering this sup-

port group to those who have lost

CONTACT: New Hope Center for

Grief Support (248) 348-0115 or

TIME/DATE: 5:15-8:15 p.m.

**DETAILS:** Program includes

recreation, dinner, bible study and

a loved one to suicide.

www.newhonecenter.net

LOGOS Youth Club

each Wednesday

music: orades 4-12.

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Study

classes

register at (248) 344-4248.

and the Gospels

The Faith Club

other Thursday

each month

Sunday

**Mass Schedule** 

p.m. Tuesday; 9 a.m.

Saturday

Meeting

334-3595

Wednesday-Friday; 5 p.m.

**Episcopal Church of the** continued from 17A Holy Cross LOCATION: 40700 W. 10 Mile **Kensington Valley Mothers** of Multiples Road CONTACT: (248) 427-1175 or TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. second www.churchoftheholycross.com Thursday of each month LOCATION: Witch's Hat Depot, 300 Dorothy St., South Eyon DETAILS: This group provides information, support and social Study; 10 a.m. Worship Center for ages 3-7; 10 a.m. All ages activities for mothers of multiple birth children and their families. Youth Worship Mothers of multiples living in and around the Kensington and fourth Sunday of every Valley school conference are all month DETAILS: All youth welcome. welcome. CONTACT: (248) 437-5496 for more information. Saturday of month DETAILS: Offering support Breast Cancer Support and open discussion for all Group those dealing with Alzheimer's DATES: Second and fourth disease and related dementia. Tuesday of each month LOCATION: Huron Valley-Sinai Hospital (Classroom C) Church of the Holy Family Commerce LOCATION: 24505 TIME: 10-11:30 a.m. Meadowbrook Road DETAILS: No registration CONTACT: (248) 349-8847 or

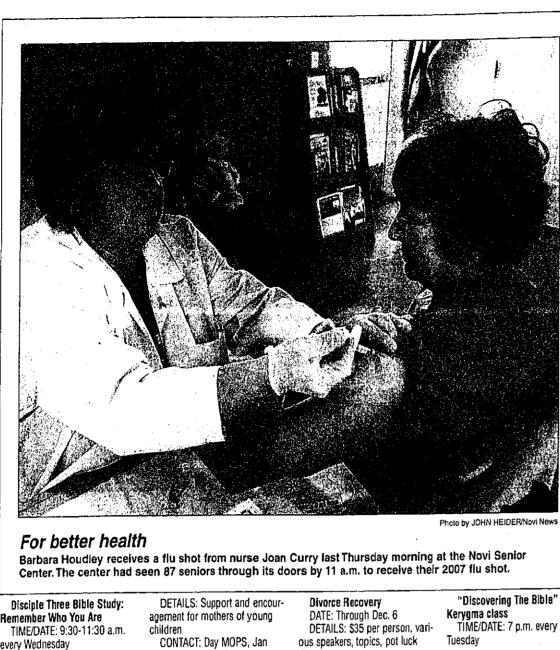
needed. CONTACT: (248) 937-5017 Crohn's & Colltis Support Group TIME/DATE: 7-9 p.m. first and third Wednesday of each month LOCATION: Providence Park Hospital and Medical Center DETAILS: Enter facility through southeast entrance.

Meeting in Conference Room A, immediately to the left. CONTACT: AI Biggs (313) 805-7605 or Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of America (888) 737-2322.

#### **Heartland Hospice** Volunteers Needed

TIME/DATE: Day and evening DETAILS: To be held in the Family Center: guest speaker, classes LOCATION: 28588 Sister Mary Louis Putrow from Northwestern Hwy., Suite 475, Sacred Heart Seminary on "The Sacraments., What Makes Us Southfield DETAILS: Caring and com-Catholic.' passionate individuals needed to Interested in the Catholic register for Heartland Hospice Church? Volunteer Training, We serve CONTACT: Call Maria at individuals and their families (248)349-8847 or spiritwalkduring their end of life journey er001@aol.com in the Tri-County area. Office support is also needed. CONTACT: Mary at (800) 770-**Dak Pointe Church** 9859 LOCATION: 50200 W. 10 Mile Road Novi Toastmasters CONTACT: (248) 912-0043 or TIME/DATE: 7-8:45 p.m. first visit www.oakpointe.org and third Tuesday of each Sunday Worship TIME: 9:15 and 11:15 a.m. month LOCATION: Novi Civic Center Activities Room, 45175 W. 10

St. James Catholic Mile Road DETAILS: Toastmasters will 46325 10 Mile help you improve your commu-Road nication skills, voice your opin-CONTACT: (248) 347-7778 ion, polish your presentations Mass Schedule TIME/DAY: 8, 9:30 and 11:30 and practice leadership. CONTACT: Amy (248) 752a.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. Monday-Tuesday; 7 p.m. Wednesday: 5 2800 p.m. Saturday Take Off Pounds Sensibly (TOPS) Chapter Novi United Methodist TIMÉ/DATÉ: 11 a.m. weigh-in LOCATION: 41671 W. 10 Mile and 11:30 a.m. meeting every Road Wednesday CONTACT: (248) 349-2652 or LOCATION: Meadowbrook visit www.umcnovi.com Commons, 25075 Sunday Worship Meadowbrook Road, Novi TIME: 9:45 a.m. DETAILS: \$24 per annual Peace Vigil membership, includes hand-TIME/DATE: Noon, first book; \$1 per meeting. New Sunday of every month members welcome. LOCATION: In front of the CONTACT: Rebecca Boyke church (248) 305-8646 DETAILS: Members of the congregation and the community will FAITH stand united in praver for peace. Artists and Crafters Wanted DETAILS: The church is host-Meadowbrook ing an arts and craft show Congregational Saturday, June 21, 2008. Vendor LOCATION: 21355 space will be available indoors Meadowbrook Road and out; contact Pam Davis, CONTACT: Rev. Arthur P. edleecr@yahoo.com Ritter, Senior Minister (248) 348-7757 or visit First United Methodist of www.mbccc.org or gmccc@arounddetroit.biz Northville LOCATION: 777 W. Eight Mile Sunday Worship TIME: 10 a.m. Road, Northville CONTACT: (248) 349-1144 or Installation Service TIME/DATE: 4 p.m. Sunday, visit www.fumcnorthville.org Sunday Worship Nov. 11 DETAILS: 9:15, 11 a.m. and 7 **DETAILS: Installation service** for Rev. Arthur Ritter with reception immediately follow-Heating Service TIME/DATE: 4 p.m. first Monday of every month Men's Bible Study First Baptist Church of TIME/DATE: 6:30-7:30 a.m. every Wednesday Novi LOCATION: Room 10 LOCATION: 45301 W. 11 Sharing Hearts Women's Mile Road **Bible Study** CONTACT: (248) 349-3647 TIME/DATE: 12:45-2:30 p.m. or www.firstbaptistchurevery Tuesday chofnovi. LOCATION: Chapel upstairs DETAILS: Child care available; Sunday Schedule Family Bible Hour: 9:45 a.m. cost is \$11 for materials. **Disciple One Bible Study** Family Worship: 11 a.m. TIME/DATE: 6-8 p.m. every Bible Study: 6 p.m. Sunday; or 9:30-11:30 a.m. every Family Movie Night: 5:30 p.m., fourth Sunday of every DETAILS: Course lasts 34 weeks; covers 70 percent of the **Bihle** 



Center. The center had seen 87 seniors through its doors by 11 a.m. to receive their 2007 flu shot.

DETAILS: Support and encour-	Divorce Recovery
agement for mothers of young	DATE: Through Dec. 6
children	DETAILS: \$35 per person, vari-
CONTACT: Day MOPS, Jan	ous speakers, topics, pot luck
Janke (734) 367-9171; for	dinner.
evening MÓPS, Keli Plansinis	Walking Group
(248) 561-8019.	TIME/DATE: 11:30 a.m. every
Single Point Ministries	Saturday
For single adults 40 years and	LOCATION: First, second and
older	fourth Saturday, Big Apple Bagel
CONTACT: (248) 374-5920	Shop, 2334 Farmington Road,
Grief and the Holidays	Farmington; Third Saturday,
TIME/DATE: 7-8:30 p.m.	Panera Bread Co., 34635 Grand
Monday, Nov. 12	River Ave., Farmington
LOCATION: Room A-105	DETAILS: This is a
DETAILS: Cathy Clough pres-	walking/social group. Everyone is
ents this free workshop for those	invited.
who have experienced the loss	Four Mondays in the Fall
of a loved one and are grieving;	TIME/DATE: 7:30-9 p.m.
no registration required.	Monday, Nov. 12
CONTACT: Barb at (248) 374-	DETAILS: Juleen Sparks pres-
5966	ents the Celebration of Discipline
	in four parts: Nov. 5 Corporate
Ch. Baul Julkanon	Disciplines; and Nov. 12 Grace,
St. Paul Lutheran	Forgiveness and Mercy. Book
LOCATION: 201 Elm St.,	available for purchase in church
Northville	office.
CONTACT: (248) 349-3140	Advent Candlelight Concert:
Sunday Worship	Messiah
TIME: 8:30, 11 and 11:30 a.m.	TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Sunday,
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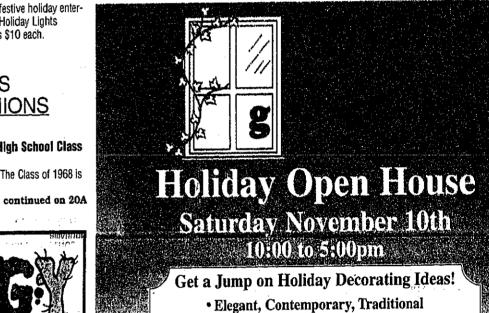
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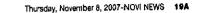
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Oakland Cable Commission



Heather Zarnick looks at a "puggle" at Twelve Oaks' Petland with children Alexa, 5, and Nathan, 2. Petland Inc. celebrated its 40th anniversary of being in business on Oct. 21.





Spirit Sings 2007 The Baha'i Faith TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Saturday, TIME/DATE: 11 a.m. last Saturday of every month LOCATION: Ford Performing LOCATION: 23803 Ripple Arts Center, 15801 Michigan Creek St., Novi Ave., Dearborn. DETAILS: This Devotional DETAILS: Presented by the Gathering is focused on prayers Spirit of Detroit Chorus of Sweet for peace. People of all faiths Adelines International: tickets in advance are \$20 for adults, \$15 CONTACT: (248) 473-0355 or student or senior (55+) and \$5 visit www.us.bahai.org for children under 12, \$22 at the CONTACT: Marilyn Bogaerts First Presbyterlan Church of (248) 735-1516 after 6 p.m., or Northville LOCATION: 200 E. Main St. www.spiritofdetroitchorus.org CONTACT: (248) 349-0911 Sunday Worship TIME: 9:30 and 11 a.m. **Crosspointe Meadows** Single Place Ministries LOCATION Meadowbrook DETAILS: Thursday evenings: Elementary School, 29200 7:30 p.m. social time; 7:45 p.m. Meadowbrook Road (south of 13 opening; 8-9 p.m. program; \$5 Mile Road) CONTACT: (248) 349-0911 or CONTACT: (248) 427-2700, 9 visit www.singleplace.org a.m.-2 p.m. or visit www.cross-The One-The Only Chuck pointemeadows.org Gaidica Sunday Worship TIME/DATE: 7:30 p.m. TIME: 9 and 10:30 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 8 DETAILS: Presentation by Chuck Gaidica, tickets \$5 per per-Ward Evangelical Church LOCATION: 40000 Six Mile A Quest for Singleness, Sexuality and Spirituality Road, Northville CONTACT: (248) 374-5978 TIME/DATE: 7:30 p.m. Sunday AM Women's Bible Thursday, Nov. 15 DETAILS: Presentation by TIME/DATE: 10:20-11:15 a.m. Harold Ellens, Interim Minister at every Sunday through Dec. 30 First Presbyterian Church of Troy LOCATION: Room A101-103 and Psychologist practicing in DETAILS: Karen Nottenkamper Farmington Hills. covers "The Life You've Always 25th Annual Thanksgiving Wanted," a study by John Dinner Ortberg TIME/DATE: 8 a.m.-4 p.m. **WOW Bible Studies** TIME/DATE: 9:30-11:30 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 22 LOCATION: Westminster every Tuesday through Dec. 12 Presbyterian Church, 17567 LOCATION: Chapel (NE corner Hubbell at W. Outer Dr., Detroit of church) DETAILS: Theme "In Your DETAILS: To car pool to Westminster meet at Starbucks Wildest Dreams;" 7 small group at 8:15 a.m. and return around noon; if you want to go at other **Book Study** times, you must contact Artheillia TIME/DATE: 7-8:15 p.m. every Thompson at (313) 341-2697 Wednesday through Dec. 12 ext. 210. LOCATION: Room C309 Assault Crime Prevention DETAILS: "Discerning His TIME/DATE: 7:30 p.m. Voice" by Priscilla Shirer. Thursday, Nov. 29 MOPS DETAILS: Presentation by lan TIME/DATE: 9:15-11:15 a.m. Kinder from the Life Safe and 7-9 p.m. the first and third Academy, LLC, a safety and self Thursday of each month defense school. LOCATION: Room C307-309

DETAILS: Handel's "Messiah" Road, Plymouth CONTACT: (734) 453-0190 performed by the Northville Reinventing Your Life-God is Concert Chorale with Dr. Darlene Kuperus, conductor; tickets are Calling You to a Song TIME/DATE: 7:30-9 p.m. \$15 for adults, \$10 for seniors Wednesday evenings and \$5 for students 12-18 years DETAILS: Minimum of 10 peoold, free for under 11 years old; ple required to attend every sespurchase in advance at the church office during business CONTACT: Elizabeth Wilhelm hours, after Shunday services (734) 953-0190 ext. 10 and at the door. **Red Cross Blood Drive** CONTACT: Darlene Kuperus, Music Director at (248) 349-0911 TIME/DATE: 2-8 p.m. Monday, Nov. 12 ext. 206 DETAILS: Call Carolyn Libeau (734) 455-5395 to make an appointment or drop in. St. John Lutheran LOCATION: 23225 Gill Road, Farmington Hills HEALTH CONTACT: (248) 474-0584 or visit www.stjohn-lutheran.com Saturday Worship Dinner with a Doctor TIME: 5:30 p.m. LOCATION: St. John Sunday Worship Providence Park Hospital, Grand TIME: 9, 11:15 a.m. River and Beck roads (use Beck Sunday School Road entrance), Conference TIME: 10:15 a.m. Rooms A, B and C. Take Charge of Your Health Univeralist Unitarian Church During Menopause TIME/DATE: 6:30-8:30 p.m. of Farmington LOCATION: 25301 Halsted Thursday, Nov. 15 DETAILS: Dr. Lakshmi Gavini Road, Farmington Hills CONTACT: (248) 318-8044 or www.uufarmigton.org **Oakland Physical Therapy** LOCATION: 47601 Grand River Falth Community Ave., Suite B124, Providence Presbyterian Park Medical Center LOCATION: 44400 W. 10 Mile CONTACT: 248-380-3550 Introduction to Pilates TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Thursday, CONTACT: (248) 349-2345 or visit www.faithcommunity-Nov. 8 DETAILS: Basic Pilates philosnovi.oro Sunday Worship ophy and principles. TIME: 9, 10:30 a.m. Your Career as a Physical New Member Class Therapist TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Thursday, TIME/DATE: Noon, Sunday, Nov. 11 Nov. 29 Bullying Seminar. TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Monday, DETAILS: For high school and college students and parents to Nov. 12 learn about a career as a physical Night Out for Parents of therapist Young Children Get Conditioned for Skiing TIME/DATE: 5:30 p.m. Friday, TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 16 Dec. 6 Thanksgiving Potluck DETAILS: Emphasis on TIME/DĂTE: 5 p.m. Sunday, stretching and strengthening Nov. 18 exercises Advent Workshop TIME/DATE: 2:30 p.m. Sunday, **DMC Huron Valley-Sinai** Dec. 2 Hospitai LOCATION: 1 William Carls Dr.,

GracePointe Presbyterian

CONTACT: Rev. Brian C.

Sleeth, Pastor (248) 497-3178;

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TIME/DATE: 6 p.m. Sunday

LOCATION: Crown Plaza Hotel,

Orchard Hills Baptist Church

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TIME/DATE: 7-8:15 p.m. every

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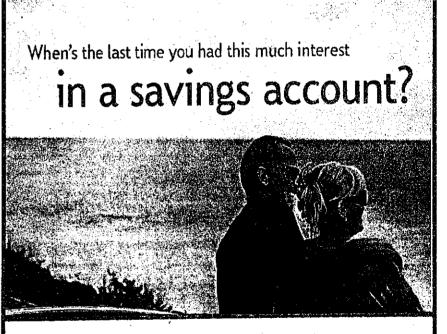
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"Get On The Bus" **Fundraising Campaign** DETAILS: Goodwill Industries of Great Detroit, in partnership with DDOT, WJR-AM and Fox 2, is sponsoring a campaign called "Get on the Bus"; the public can donate towards the purchase of bus passes so that needy metro Detroiters can get to work; campaign runs until Nov. 15; donate by going to www.giveabuspass.org or calling (866) 593-9675. CONTACT: www.goodwilldetroit.org

Student Music Recitals TIME/DATE: 6-8 p.m. Friday, Nov. 9 and 2-7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 10 LOCATION: Music Advantage LLC, 1044 E. West Maple, Walled Lake DETAILS: Ongoing music recitals in honor or the 2007 Open House, all welcome, no charge. CONTACT: (248) 960-4088

Humane Society Giving **Back to Animals** 

TIME/DATE: 3-7 p.m. Saturday, Orive Nov. 10 LOCATION: Oak Park Community Center, 14300 Oak Park Blvd., Oak Park DETAILS: Come join the Michigan Humane Society volunteers as they celebrate the holidays by building dog houses, making kitty forts and blankets for the 100,000 animals the society cares for each year; items will help animals in all three adoption centers in southeast Michigan. For more information or to donate materials, contact Ciridy Scheuer at (248) 283-1000 ext. 136 or csheuer@michiganhuman Livonia Youth Philharmonic

of Michigan DETAILS: Regional orchestra

advanced orchestras, also sax choir, for interested student musicians. Rehearsals take place at Churchill High School Saturday mornings. Contact Kathy Bilger at (734) 464-8704 or auditions@LYPM.org for more information.

Northville Library Foreign Film Series TIME/DATE: 6:30 p.m.

Monday, Nov. 19 and Dec. 17 LOCATION: 212 W. Cady St., Northville, (248) 349-3020 DETAILS: Nov. 19 "Salaam Bombay," Hindi; and Dec. 17 'The Sea Inside," Spanish. All films are free, ethnic treats provided; call library to make reservations. **City of Wixom** CONTACT: Community

Services Programs, 49045 Pontiac Trail, Wixom, (248) 624-2850 Senior Ongoing Programs Some of these activities have a

Monday: 10-11 a.m. Exercise Class Tuesday: 10 a.m.-noon Knit/Crochet and Sew Group; noon-2:30 p.m. Line Dancing Wednesday: 10-11 a.m. Exercise Class Second Monday: 11:30 a.m. Lunch Bunch

Second Tuesday: 10 a.m. Senior Commission Second Thursday: 11:30 a.m. Bingo Fourth Thursday: 10-11:30

a.m. Blood Pressure

**Community Mitten & Hat** 

DETAILS: Public can drop off hats, mittens, gloves at Wixom Parks and Rec. counter by Dec. 13; benefits less fortunate people this winter season; sponsored by Wixom Teen Advisory Committee. Tree Lighting TIME/DATE: 6:30-8 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 28 DETAILS: Watch the municipal

complex light up, sing carols for the holidays and welcome Santa; light refreshments. Breakfast with Santa TIME/DATE: 8-11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 15 LOCATION: Wixom Community Center DETAILS: Fee for this event is

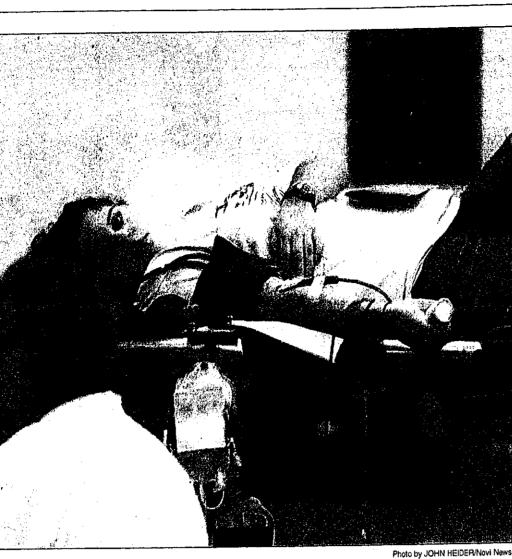
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One Pint at a Time Novi High School student Rachel Winagar donates a pint of blood last Friday in the school's gymnasium. The Red Cross sponsored blood drives at both Novi and Northville High schools.

Women's Resource Center

TIME/DATE: 11:45 a.m.-1:30

LOCATION: Schoolcraft

College, VisTaTech Center

DETAILS: On Friday Bill

Peterson will presents "Dancing

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College, 18600 Haggerty Road call (248) 624-1055 to register. CONTACT: For more information and to register call (734) "My Home-My Future" 462-4438. **Divorce Support Group** TIME/DATE: 6:30 -8:45 p.m. TIME/DATE: 7-9 p.m. second Wednesday, Jan. 16, 2008 and fourth Tuesday of month LOCATION: Baldwin Public LOCATION: Women's Library, 300 W. Merrill. Resource Center, Room 225 AcDowell Center DETAILS: The Oakland County DETAILS: Open to anyone Board of Commissioners is hostcontemplating, in the process ing a series of free seminars to of or having difficulty adjusting help residents save homes from to divorce; first meeting is foreclosure; information presentgroup discussion, next meeting ed by housing industry profesfeatures speaker Cynthia sionals and agencies; contact Koppin, MA, LPC, LLP; no fee Oakland County Housing or registration required. Counseling at (888) 350-0900,



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Submitted photo All dressed as witches, Novi Woods Elementary fourthgrade students Grace Yang (left), Rachel Cho, Mariam Ahmad and Sarah Fujioka parade around the school on Halloween.



Novi Woods Elementary School second graders Andrew Serkalan (left), Bella Khatib-Shahidi, Leticla Clementi and Jihoon Lee show off their Halloween best.

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A group of Novi Woods Elementary School students in Jodi Balconi's class celebrate their zest for books after reading "Henry and the Bucaneer Bunnies," a story about a pirate who loved books and preferred to read rather than fulfill his duties as a pirate.



The Novi Woods specials teachers, Libby Crawford (left), Julia Saeli, Isolde Sarneckl and Kerry Marroni get into the spirit by dressing up for Halloween.

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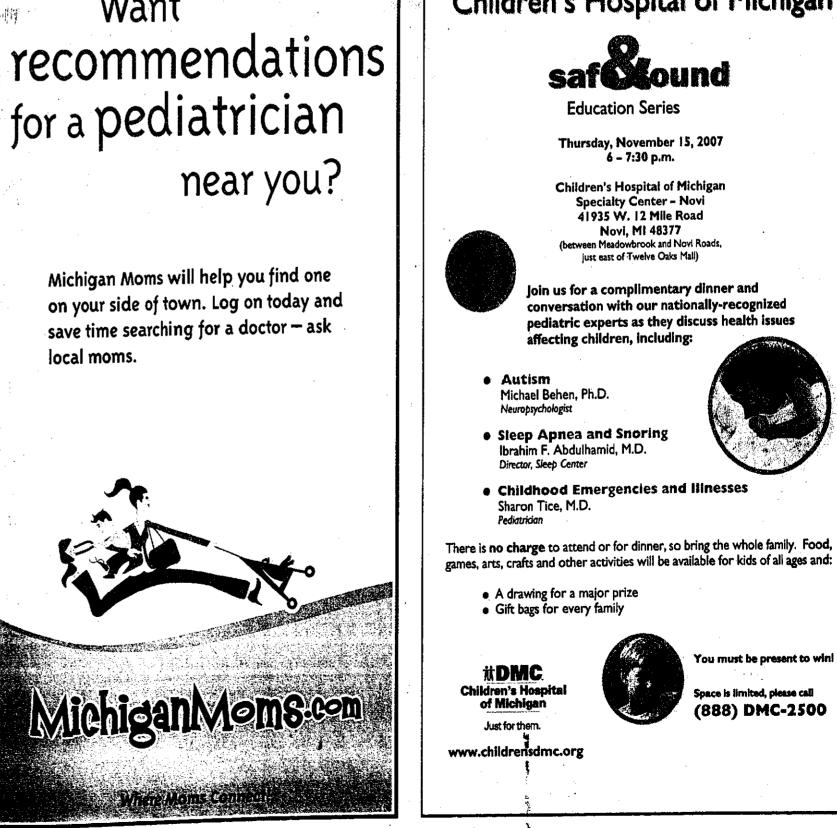
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By Jeff Theisen SPORTS WRITER

Novi volleyball knocked off Salem and rival Northville on Saturday to capture the Northville district title.

It's the second-strait district title for the Wildcats, who now hope to extend on last year's run to the sweet 16.

"It was nice, back-to-back," Novi head coach Julie Fisette said. 'We're looking forward to getting into the regionals.

Wit was nice to be able to capture it and get in another week of practice." The Wildcats started with an

unusual 4 p.m. contest with Salem.

the first two gat Novi



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Novi News As Tyler Hoover, left, races ahead on a blocking assignment, QB Mark Heard pitches out to a Wildcat runningback during Novi's playoff game Friday night.



Stevenson brother combo combines for 5 touchdowns

By Jeff Theisen SPORTS WRITER

said. "Stevenson is very well coached and a very good squad. We hope the best for them. The Wildcats stayed in the game early thanks to their passing attack. Mark Heard connected with Brandon Bradford on two long passes that set up touchdowns. The first, a 64-yard pass that set up a 4-yard score to Bradford, tied the score at seven in the first quarter. The second, an 81-yard bomb, where Bradford was tackled at the Spartan 2. Arshaun Hall scored from there to tie the score at 14.

25-15, 25-17 before falling 25-20. in the third. The Wildcats quickly regained their composure and closed out the match with a 25-20 win.

They got the job done," Fisette said. "I have to say that playing at four o'clock in the afternoon is a little bit different.

'The girls pulled together."

Stephanie Cripps led the way with 15 kills and eight blocks. Paige Janer was next with 14 kills. Kim Hildreth had a strong overall game with nine kills, 34 assists and a pair of aces.

Northville used home-court

### See VOLLEYBALL, 4B





Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Novi Naws

Wildcat Stephanie Cripps goes up high to block a shot against Salem's Jill Slabey during last Friday night's playoff game hosted by Northville High School. Novi advanced that night to this Satuday's regional playoffs noon at Novi High School.

Livonia Stevenson pulled away from a 14-all tie with 21 unanswered points to end Novi's eight-game winning streak and season Friday.

The Spartans won the district title with a 42-21 victory to stay unbeaten at 11-0. The Wildcats finish 9-2.

"This is a great group of young men," Novi head coach Kellepourey said. Tab "Everything that they have done, all season long, has been done with great character.

'We're just extremely proud of these young men for all that they've done.'

Stevenson's White brothers accounted for four of the five touchdowns for the Spartans.

Quarterback Mitchell White threw two touchdown passes to Austin White and another to Myles White. Austin White also scored the final touchdown on a run. Myles and Mitchell are senior twins. Autin is a sophomore.

"Congratulations to Livonia Stevenson today," Kellepourey

#### Spartans race away

From there, it was all Spartans. Austin White hauled in his second touchdown, an 11yarder, for the final points of the first half and a 21-14 lead.

Stevenson received the kickoff to start the second half and scored on an 11-yard pass to Myles White.

#### See FOOTBALL, 2B

### Catholic Central pushes into final eight

### Shamrocks defense comes up big again

#### By Jeff Theisen SPORTS WRITER

Catholic Central head coach Tom Mach said, "It's win or collect equipment" before Friday's

game. Equipment check-in will have to wait.

The Shamrocks went on the road and knocked off Lansing Everett 21-7 Friday to capture the district title.

"We're real happy for the kids," Shamrock head coach Tom Mach said. "I think we're improving each week, which is a sign of a good team at this point in the year.'

Joe Kinville scored all three

touchdowns for the Shamrocks (9-2) - one each in the first, third and fourth quarters.

Kinville's 1-yard run with 5:42 left in the first started the scoring. A Chris Singer extra point put CC up 7-0, which stood into halftime.

Cory Amble popped of a big return on the opening kickoff of the second half, giving the offense good field position. Amble led the Shamrocks with 73 yards rushing on 16 attempts.

The Shamrocks took more than half the quarter to punch home their second touchdown, a 7yarder by Kinville with 5:56 left in third for a 14-0 lead.

Catholic Central's final score came in the opening moments of the fourth quarter. Kinville punched home a run from the 5 with 11:29 left.

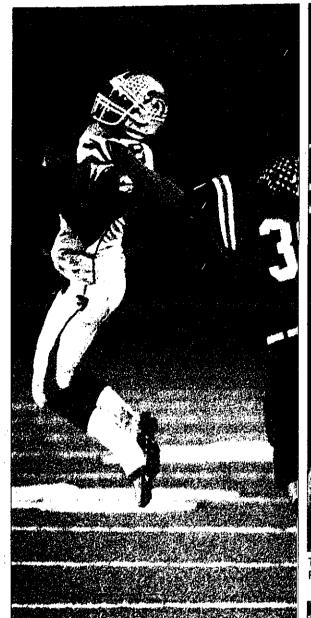
See SHAMROCKS, 3B The Shamrocks hold up the district champion trophy.



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Novi's Brandon Bradford leaps up and snags a long reception during the first half of the Wildcat's playoff game against Livonia Stevenson. Bradford raced down-field and was caught just short of the end zone.

### FOOTBALL: Wildcat streak ends

0 7-21

Second quarter

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S-8:09 Myles White 11

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"After starting with an 0-2 start,

"This senior group ... they real-

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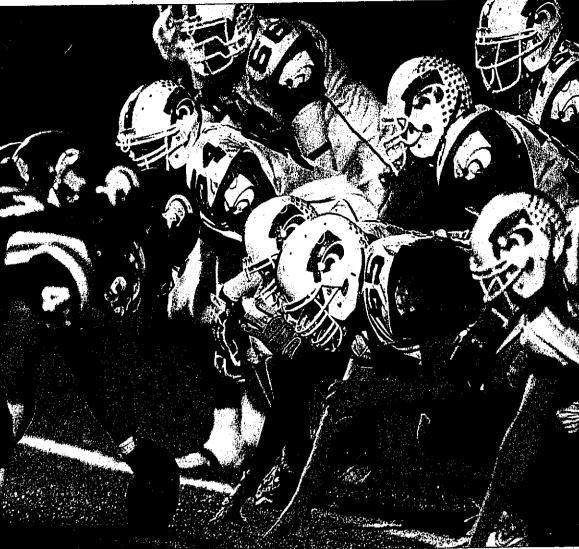
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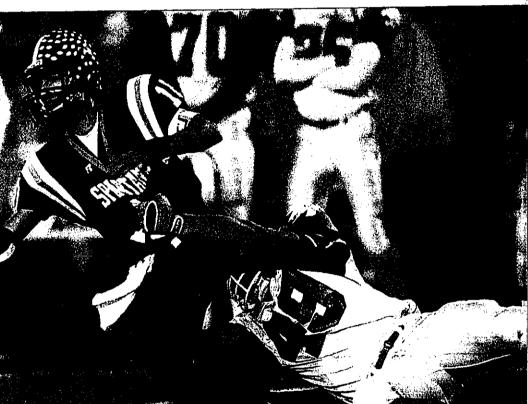
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pass from Mitchell White, Myshock kick away with a 13-yard scoring run N — 7:54 Arshaun Hall 2 run with 2:58 left to play.

"They were able to put the ball Masserant kick S--- 3:22 A. White 11 Dass in the air and put it in the end zone at times on some broken coverfrom M. White, Myshock kick ages that we had," Kellepourey Third on



The Novi Wildcats stack in tight near their endzone in an attempt to keep Livonia Stevenson from scoring last Friday night



Holt next for CC

Photos submitted by Dennis Barne

is playing tight end sometimes,

and sometimes we put him in our

heavy backfield. He does a great

the hole a little bit quicker. He's

able to give us that explosiveness

'Mach said Morris is the best

"He's a two-way player that

Capatina has the ability to run

But paving the way for the

"They have been doing a very

Jeff Theisen can be reached at

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backs are the big boys up front.

consistent job for us this year,"

Mach said. "We hope for more of

the same in the games to come."

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blocking back in the backfield.

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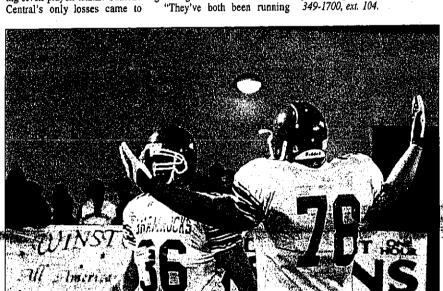
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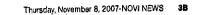
Shamrocks make another playoff trip to Lansing area

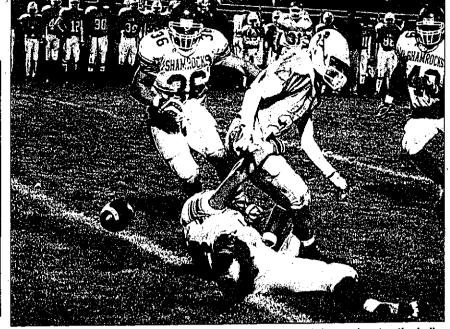
By Jeff Theisen SPORTS WRITER And then there were eight. Catholic Central will try to continue its path to the state finals Friday night at Holt.

"All the teams that are in the playoffs at this point are good," Shamrock head coach Mach said. "We're expecting a real hard football game." The combatants had a common opponent in Lansing Everett. The

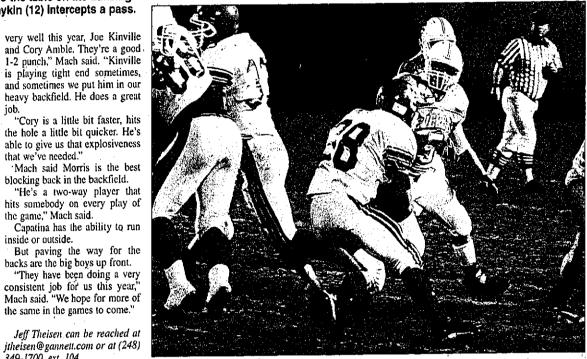
Shamrocks won 21-7 last week. The Shamrocks defense turns the table on the Lansing The Rams won their closest game Everett offense after Jack Daykin (12) intercepts a pass. of the regular season, 28-21 against Everett on Oct. 5. Holt (11-0) has put up consistent offensive numbers all year. Regionals An 18-10 win at East Lansing was the lowest-scoring output of the Who: Catholic Central (9-2) year. But a 36-14 win against vs. Holt (11-0) Okemos was the highest. Where: Holt The Rams fought through five When: 7 p.m. Friday automatic playoff teams during the regular season. With two more wins in the playoffs, they've faced seven playoff teams in 11 wins. Brother Rice and De La Salle in "Holt, they have a very good weeks four and five. Since then, the Shamrock football team," Mach said. defense has stood tall during the "They're very big up front. six game winning streak. Divine They've got three guys over 260 Child's 14 points have been the the game," Mach said. (pounds). They come at you. most scored against them during "They do a lot of different things offensively. They throw the the streak. The running back by committee ball quite effectively, and they approach has paid big dividends also run it very well. for the Shamrocks. Any of the "They put a lot of pressure on three, Joe Kinville, Cory Amble your defense. Anybody that's still or Anthony Capatina could be the left in the playoffs is playing good hero on any given night. Shane defensively The Shamrocks (9-2) have also Morris and quarterback Ryan played a tough schedule, also fac- Houska have also helped with the ing seven playoff teams. Catholic ground game.







Joe Kinville jars a ball loose against Lansing Everett as Paul Kanaan locates the ball.



Anthony Capatina looks for running room against Lansing Everett.



said. "We couldn't get our offense (to put) enough points on the hoard to secure some things. "We put the ball on the field a little too much, too."

#### Grounded game

N ---- 10:58 Aaron Pugh 12 The Wildcats were unable to pass from Heard, Masserant run the ball against the Spartans, kin finishing with three total yards on S - 2:58 A. White 13 run, 28 attempts. Stevenson finished Myshock kick with 146 yards on 36 attempts. Hall was held to 11 yards on nine memories.

carries. Novi had to rely on passing. they went on an eight game winwhich allowed the Spartans to ning streak," he said. "They were concentrate on rushing the passer and knocked several yards off the able to secure a league championship when that league is at the rushing totals with sacks. end of its time.

Heard did have a big game passing, connecting on 11 of 24 ize they were involved in a great passes for 230 yards and a pair of situation. We know that our senscores with one interception. He was sacked six times and finished - iors are going to be very successwith minus-16 yards on nine ful men. We're proud of them, and we expect them to be tremendous attempts Bradford was the main weapon,

alumni in the future." collecting five catches for 172 Jeff Theisen can be reached at

yards. Kellepourey wanted to thank jtheisen@gannett.com or at (248) 349-1700, ext. 104. his seniors for a season full of



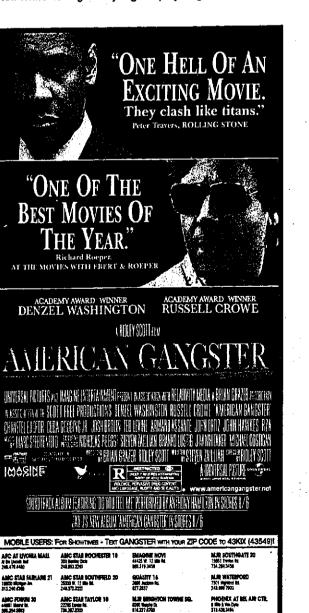
Photos by JOHN HEIDER/Novi News Wildcat fans toss a fellow student in the air 14 times,

one for each point Novi High School scored up to that point in the Friday night playoff game.



Wildcat Jason Jankowski sacks Livonia Stevenson QB Mitchell White during Friday night's playoff game.





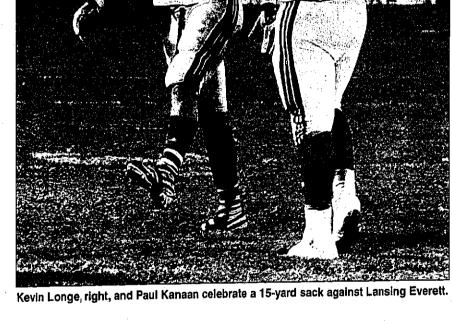
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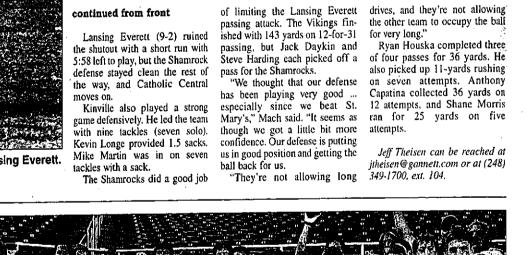
### Shamrocks place 10th at state meet

state meet at Michigan International Speeday in Jackson. Zachary Oleski led Catholic Oleski leads Catholic Central Central with a 43rd-place team runners at MIS finish and 65th overeall. Alex Toloff was next in 16:29.4 (50th, 76th overall), followed by By Jeff Theisen

Austin Zeobrowski in 16:36 (65th, 99th), John-Paul Zebrowski in 16:48.7 (85th, 127th) and Scott Hoffman in The Shamrock cross country team placed 10th at Saturday's 16:58.1 (99th, 147th).



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The Catholic Central offense awaits the snap call from quarterback Ryan Houska.

SHAMROCKS: CC runs past Lansing Everett



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### Rock solid!

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The St. William Crusaders varsity football team with an 8-1 record completed their season by defeating St. Francis Cabrini 22-0 in a game at Ford Fleld. The Crusaders qualified to participate in the Annual Prep Bowl by finishing second in their division. Their only loss was to first place Our Lady of Refuge. The St. William team is made up of players from Novi, South Lyon and Walled Lake, representing the catholic parishes of Holy Family, St. James, St. Joseph and St William. Varsity players from Novi included Jake Bates, Chris Diacono, Josh Feight, Brad Harris, Zach Johnson, Justin Michael, Nathan Peters, Derek Poppenger, offensive MVP – Alex Kozlowski and defensive MVP - Derek Cingel.

### VOLLEYBALL: Novi captures district championship

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advantage and knocked off nament play. Canton in three games, setting up a rivalry finish for the district title. Lauren Farley started the first game with seven aces, and the Wildcats never looked back in a 25-15, 25-19, 25-18 victory. Hildreth had six kills and 16 assists, and Haley Miller provided 31 digs to lead the charge. "The girls played all-together, and they played well. It was a funvictory," Fisette said. "We got a KVC. lot of girls in.

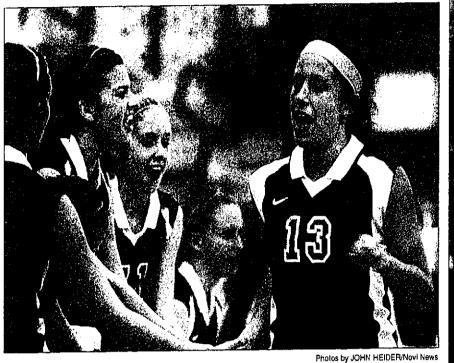
Mercy, a team the Wildcats have Fisette said. "This team could definitely do it. They've got everytied and beaten this year in tourthing that it takes." "We're definitely not looking Churchill and Milford will past Mercy, because I think that is open the play at 10 a.m. an awful thing to do," Fisette said. Saturday. Novi and Mercy will follow, with the championship "I know they have the capability, and I know they've got some pretgame after that. After last week's games were ty good players." Should Novi get past Mercy, paired up on Friday, the same night as football playoffs, Fisette the second round holds a pair of hoping to gain an advantage heavyweights. Last year's state champion Livonia Churchill with a large home crowd squares off with Milford, a team Saturday "I prefer playing at home. We'll that finished second to Novi in the definitely get more fans because

The Chargers of Churchill of it," she said. "I'm pretty exciteliminated the Wildcats on their ed.' way to the state title last year. Jeff Theisen can be reached at "Getting past regionals has itheisen@gannett.com or at (248)

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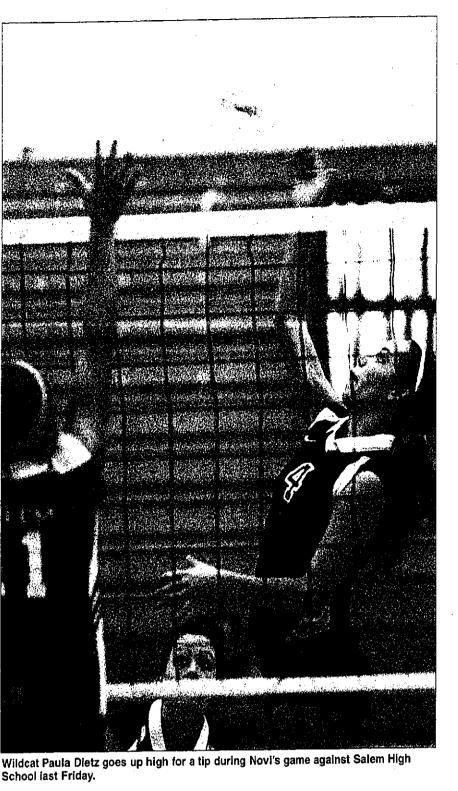
The Wildcats (34-3-3) will have home-court advantage throughout been our main goal since we've Saturday's regional. They face never achieved that milestone,"

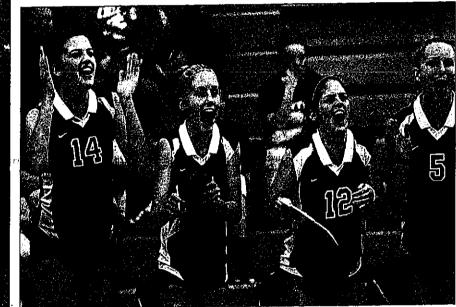
Regionals



Novi's Jacqui Longe gets a hand from her teammates as she heads to the bench for a quick rest during Friday night's playoff game.







### Novi roundup: Swim wins KVC; cross country competes at State

Submitted to the Novi News The Novi girls swim and dive team upset 2006 defending league and 2007 dual meet champion South Lyon on Saturday. With the league meet chamnionship. Novi also earned the title of conference co-champions Novi won with 471 points. South Lyon finished second with 454, followed by Brighton (272), Milford (222), Hartland (220).

events.

Pinckney (192), Howell (179) and Lakeland (93). Saturday's performance saw new league records in 8-of-12 The stage was set for a close and exciting final Saturday with Novi's outstanding effort in Friday's preliminaries, leading to 22 girls returning with 36 individual entries, plus three relays. On Friday, Novi's top swimmers, to a person, met expectations but the team needed more to conend with South Lyon's talent. Six lower seeded Novi girls came through to make the finals or move up to the championship heat. Nina Abboud dropped 5 seconds in the 200 free, moving from 20th to 13th and 13 seconds in the 500 free to move up to 10th from 18th. Heather Schramm dropped almost 3 seconds in the 100 back to place 14th, up from

her 22nd seed position. Ashley Bush improved almost a full second in the 50 free to end the day at 14th, up from 23rd. Madalyn Buha's 50 free was one of three Novi swimmers that moved from the consolation heat seeding to the championship heat. improving from 13th to eighth Stella Chung dropped a second in the 100 back to improve to seventh from 10th. Sarah Berman's 10-second drop in the 500 free moved her from 14th to eighth. Novi's Friday success brought

them into contention but it was Photos by JOHN HEIDER/Novi News going to take more to win the meet. Wildcat Hailey Nault dives as Novi takes on South Saturday's tone was set with the very first event, the 200-med-Lvon. ley relay, with three teams con-57.74 came up 0.18 seconds short. ors, Rebecca Berman (third) and tending for first place. The lead Novi had five returnees in both Meredith Cote (second). changed at the end of each leg but the 500 free and the 100 back. In Novi's 1:51.29 (league and In the 50 free consolation heat school record) bested South Ashley Bush placed 15th. Novi's the 500 free, consolation swimmers included Abboud (12th) and

two championship entrants took Lyon's 1:51.42 and Milford's seventh (Madalyn Buha) and fifth Zerkich (10th). 1.51.82. All three times rank among the fastest in the state this (Dana Hapanowicz). Later in the meet, in the 100 free, the same placed eighth (Sarah Berman), year. Novi swimmers were fifth (Jacque Carless) and fourth two swimmers placed 11th Ashley Bush (back), Meredith (Buha) and fourth (Hapanowicz). (Rebecca Berman). Consolation Cote (breast), Kerry Abel (fly) winners in the 100 back were Hapanowicz's 100 free time and Dana Hapanowicz (free). carned her a state cut. Mary Anolick (16th) and Heather Novi had five returnees in the Schramm (11th versus original Not to be outdone by the swim-200 free and the 200 IM. The 200 seeding of 22nd). mers the divers put on an impresfree consolation heat included sive show in both numbers and Michele Zerkich (16th), Nina ed Stella Chung (eighth), placement. Joycln Odom topped Abboud (14th), Jacque Carless Novi's six returning divers with Annalisa Morgan (seventh) and (10th) and Stella Chung (ninth). 5th place followed by Valerie Ashley Bush (fourth). Bush's pre-The championship heat matched

sisters, Rachael. The two went Rachel Waranawicz (10th) and

stroke for stroke but in the end Sarah Masson (15th).

Ziegler (sixth), Emily Dempsey

(seventh), Ali Thomas (ninth),

Novi had two swimmers in the

championship 100 fly heat, Kerry

Novi's Jocely Odom dives during the Wildcats' last home meet of the year against South Lyon.

Wildcat Dana Hapanowicz swims the 100 meter

the regional meet to secure his Hapanowicz-Meredith Cote-Kerry Abel took third. Novi's league championship record books." win in the final year of the old KVC is the culmination of four years of rebuilding that started 16:37.6 to place 106th. with the team's 5th place finish in 2004, fourth-place finish in 2005 and third-place finish in 2006. The climb started under coaches Larry Teahan, Ken Stark (both still associated with the team) and current assistant coach Bill McCord and ended under new head coach Scott Teeters and new diving coach

year, coach Mark Vandermay also selves after.' provided assistance. Novi will be sending five swimmers in individual events to the state meet in two weeks along with three relay teams state meet

Elle Robinson, a junior, crossed the line in 19:10.5 for

more problem at all levels of sport and while not serious injuries per se a large number of athletes are missing more time plays each year Dehydration is by far the most common cause of cramping. An electrolyte (sodium, potassium) imbalance as well as inadequateto cramping. If an athlete seems -: particularly prone to cramps, a visit to your doctor to check their 🔮 electrolytes or calcium intake may 💲 not be a bad idea but causes of

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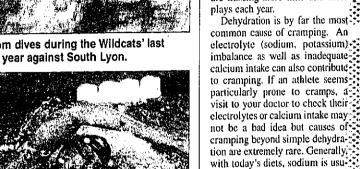
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Health





freestyle during Novi's home meet against South Lyon.

water, water, water, Gatorade was originally place on the starting line at MIS designed to provide a source of and into the Novi Cross Country hydration which included these Aaron Croad finished important electrolytes (except calcium) and it does a fine job for intense physical activity though "Aaron Croad gave our it's slightly high in sugar for the Wildcats a potent 1-2 punch with average person just out for a brisk his great times, fierce competitive nature, and outstanding tactical walk. Some of the alternatives (such as Powerade) not only conracing ability," Smith said. "Aaron could grind out a fantastic race on tain a higher sugar concentration but the main sugar they use is shear guts and determination. metabolized less efficiently by the "Aaron is an athlete that body-in other words it can slow would encourage all young cross down digestion and doesn't procountry runners to model them-Gretchen Plamondon. During the vide carbohydrates for continued performance at an ideal rate. Generally for those involved in 😴 Girls Cross Country "The Novi girls cross country

team placed two runners in the Novi Boys Cross Country

vigorous, high-sweat producing activities, Gatorade is a reasonable choice, for others involved in 🔄 lighter activities, a 50/50 blend of Gatorade and water is more appropriate. Even better would be just , water as the supar and

The Novi High School bench erupts after the Wildcats seal the victory against Salem High School in last Friday night's playoff game.

Koco McAboy prepares to serve for Novi High School.

Novi Bobcat JV, freshmen win championships

#### Submitted to the Novi News

The Novi Bohcats JV Football team completed a thrilling 2007 season in the WLIFL championship game held on Nov. 4 at Walled Lake Northern High School Novi won convincingly 24-6.

achieving every goal that the coaches had laid out for them at the start of the season. The Bobcats reached the final

against the unbeaten 9-0 Livonia Eagles following last week's guisy defensive playoff stand against the Falcons in Livonia. The Novi team started strong by scoring on their first possession. Phil Ritchie carried the ball up the right sideline for a 38-yard gain on the first play from scrim mage; finishing the drive off with an 8-yard touchdown a few min utes later. The Eagle's were

stopped on their first possession by a defensive line that refused to yield. The offense continued to back in the game. dominate physically with yet another clock-killing drive that lead to Novi's next score early in the 2nd quarter. Novi's Kyle Matel intercepted on the last play of the half to continue the

Bobcat's momentum, making the halftime score 16-0. The Livonia Eagle's team demonstrated its resolve by scoring on the first drive of the second half. The Bobcat's had blocked the extra point but ran afoul of the officials when they ran into the Eagle's kicker. A high snap on the re-try meant that the Eagle's were two scores behind - 16-6 with he finished the year with over 5:58 remaining in the third quar-1,000 yards rushing, thanks to ter. Matel carried the ball on the great teamwork demonstrated by ensuing drive with a long run of the offense's big hitters: Mitch 23 and a touchdown. Ritchie

nailed his third extra point of the

day to extend the lead to 18 points

with 9:42 remaining in the game.

The junior varsity Bobcats celebrate winning the title.

boom' Ryan sacked the Livonia quarterback late to effectively end any chance the Eagle's had to get

The Novi's defensive leaders, with five or more tackles in the championship game, were Alex Caprara, Jack Pinkerton, Brett the WLJFL Super Bowl, 14-13. Guiboux, Matel and Nick Meadors (nine tackles). Marko teams in the league battled fierce-Saicic and Mark Ryan recovered Eagle fumbles. Keith Pravato and Ritchie had touchdown-saving special team tackles. On offense. defending Super QB Billy Ulle capped off a great with a perfect 9-0 record. year leading the team by example, The Bobcats received the openshowing true grit under pressure. ing kickoff and the first-year Matel had 13 rushes for 60 yards freshman drove down to the 4and a touchdown. Ritchie carried yard line. Running behind the 24 times for 190 yards and 2 TD;

Calhoun,

Pinkerton, Jack Twomey, Ethan

Roy, Blake McCusker, Jeffrey

Defensive end Charlie 'boom Gausden and Mark Ryan.

Freshman Bobcats goalline stand wins championship

Freshman Bobcats avenged their only regular season loss to the Northville Colts to win It was only fitting that the best ly to the final second of the game. The well coached Northville Colts were the back-to-back Bowl Champions and entered the game

ered into the end zone on a four- was the momentum the Bobcats also scored the PAT for a 7-0 Bobcats lead. The Bobcats' defense forced the Colts drove 48 yards in seven plays to tie the score before halftime. right side of the offensive line of Ryan Welch, Travis Davis, Philip

The second half started with the down the sideline for another first and Mitchell McSweeney. Michael Ulle had first play of the Colts' second pos-

yard run for the touchdown and offense needed to spark a 10 play 60 vard drive. The drive looked like it was stalling until Neisius broke through a pile of Colts' Colts to four plays and out on their defenders on his way to a 17-yard first two possessions, but then the run on fourth down. Two plays later. Durham broke a tackle in the backfield and ran 14 yards

Colts receiving the kickoff and down. The third key play of the ried the ball 12 times for 18 yards, scoring on a 7-play, 59-yard drive. drive was Ryan Moore's electrify-The PAT attempt failed opening the door for the Bobcats. On the

ing 18-yard play action pass to Colton Neisius for a Bobcats' touchdown. On the PAT the record and Super Bowl two carries for 12 yards and Ryan session, Colton Neisius caused a Bobcats overcame a 5-yard delay Championship. Congratulations Conlon broke open a reverse for fumble, and Christian Durham of game penalty.

Andy to the entire Bobcats' organiza-Baker, Charlie Ryan, Graham 28 yards Andrew Schroeder pow- recovered for the Bobcats. This Mizerowski took the handoff and tion.

KVC honors and was Novi's only Abel and Mary Anolick with non-relay league champion of the Anolick finishing eighth. Abel was involved in her second event against best in the state talent In the 200 IM, Amber Cathey (Mary Beth Hall of Brighton). The placed ninth in the consolation heat. Championship heat swim- race lived up to its billing going mers included Yukie Tamura stroke for stroke but at the end (eighth), Annalisa Morgan (sev- Abel's All-KVC, personal best final event, the All-KVC 400 free enth), and earning All-KVC hon- and Novi school record time of relay of Rebecca Berman-Dana Weber leads All-Area golfers

Novi's Kerry Abel against one of

Milford's very talented Johnson

Abel's victory earned her All-

Abel's 1:55.03 won by .08

By Jeff Theisen All-Area Golf SPORTS WRITER Northville's Alicia Weber could Player of the Year usually be found right near the top Alicia Weber, Northville junior of the leaderboard during Mustang matches. All-Area First Team She kept a 41.1 average for nine Natalie Krick, Novi junior holes and 79.3 average for 18. She Kirsten Friesen, Northville sr. won medalist at the Brighton Brianna Roberts, Northville Invite and at the regional meet. She was third at the Traverse City freshmen -Elena Thomas, Lakeland junior Fournament and at the WLAA Sami Grzeskowiak, South Lyon Conference Tournament. Weber finished off her season senior by making All-State with a ninthplace finish at the state meet. Second Team "All-State, that's pretty sweet Amy Bernstein, Northville for a junior," Northville head sophomore coach Mary Jane Ossola said. "Not only is she talented but she's got that drive and determination. 'You really can see the results Freisen. "She has the desire to be No. when you work hard and are ded-Ossola said. "Having Kirsten icated. The dedication and the taland Susan Snyder (last year) have ent, you put those together and pushed her. I think anyone, when you get an All-State golfer." they have quality people around Along with All-State honors, them, it helps them raise their Weber was named All-Conference and to the All-Tournament Team game." at the state meet. "Alicia is a wonderful role **First Team** model for our team because they Novi's Natalie Krick receives realize a great part of the success All-Area First Team honors. she has had is due to the time and

Krick missed making the state effort she puts into improving her cut by one stroke. She held a seagame." Ossola said. "I expect as does she - that she will be son average of 91 for 18 holes, with a season-low of 83. even better next year. I believe "Natalie is an awesome golfer Alicia has the talent to play who took 10th and 11th in region-Division 1 golf, and I know that is als the last two years respectiveher goal.'

Playing every day with great ly," Novi head coach Deb Harris teammates has also helped push said. "She is developing more Weber. Last year she played with shots for her game and will con-Susan Snyder, and this year she tinue to get better. senior teammate Kirsten be low three in the regional. She Lakeland's Lauren Ashburn, split team medalist honors with

Novi boys cross country sent a Brooke McMahan wasn't far pair of runners to the state meet In the last individual event of the day, the 100 breaststroke, bedhind in 66th place, hitting the Saturday in Jackson. Josh Lumley finished 57th in Novi's Yukie Tamura swam a life-16:23.1. time best placing fourth and "For the entire season, Meredith Cote third place finish assumed the role of our No. 1 earned her All-KVC honors. runner," Novi head coach Robert Novi' 200 free relay team of Smith said. "I consider Josh "an Madalyn Buha-Rebecca Bermanold-school runner" in the fact that Yalda Dastmalchi-Stella Chung he took his running and his earned All-KVC honors with a responsibilities with absolute third place finish. Similarly in the conviction. "Josh ran a 16:15 this year at

line at 19:16.7. It was a personal best for Brooke and only five seconds off of one for Elle," Novi head coach qualifying again next year. throughout the season.

Marsha Reid said. "It was a great learning experience for both and they are both looking forward to "I am very proud of the way they ran at the state meet and

of some of these drinks can actually increase the severity and frequency of muscle cramps not to mention potentially serious side & effects if used excessively. Most of these drinks are also "thermo-

genic" or heat-producing and may  $^{\prime\prime}$ cause intense sweating and loss of sodium and water. The caffeine in these drinks can lead to a chronic state of general dehydration and, on game day, also slows absorption in the stomach which can delay delivery of important minerals and water itself in the dehydrated athlete. These drinks are probably the single biggest cause of the sharp increase in muscle cramping seen in the last five vears. Treatment of cramping

stretch, rest, massage and gradual return to play. The best treatment for muscle cramps is prevention which starts well before game time and actually well before game day. If you are prone to cramping and you wait to start drinking until the game has started, it's often too late to complete- " ly prevent cramps. Begin drinking "" vater (not Gatorade) regularly the day of the event. Preferably this 35 would begin even in the days leading up to the event. Eight ounces of water every 10-15 minutes of vigorous exercise is the minimum recommended water intake for young, healthy athletes. Focus on drinking water and reserve the Gatorade for during and immediately following the game when sweating is high. Remember, although their marketers are happy to tell you it was scientifically formulated. Gatorade has never been scientifically proven.

Dr. Sean Bak is a Novi resident' and an orthopaedic surgeon who specializes in shoulder reconstruction and sports medicine. Dr. Bak takes care of the athletes of ed by their coaches with final decisions being made by sports writers Jeff Theisen and Patrick

several area universities and high schools. His practice, Porretta Center for Orthopedic Surgery, is based out of Providence Hospital.

Vergin, Lakeland's Elena Thomas and South Lyon's Sami Grzeskowiak. Second Team The All-Area Second Team includes Northville's Kelley Hill and Amy Bernstein, South Lyon's Christy Cooney and Lakeland's Natasha Thomas and Theresa

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Rounding out the rest of the

Northville's Kirsten Freisen and

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First Team are

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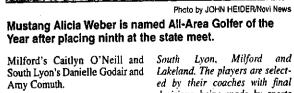
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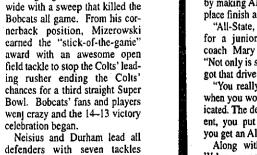
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Mention honors are Novi's Dana The All-Area teams combine "As an individual you have to Czekaj and Alex Palmer, players from Northville, Novi,



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beat the Colts defenders into the

corner of the end zone for a 14-13

With a little less than four min-

utes left in the game, the Bobcats

turned the ball over on downs at

their 42-yard line, setting up a

Colts' running game, and the

league leading defense. The Colts

penerated three first downs setting

up first down and goal at the eight

vard line with time running out.

With the help of an unfortunate

false start penalty on the Colts,

the Bobcats forced a fourth down

and goal at the three yard line

with 20 seconds left. With the

crowd going wild, the Colts ran

les. Ryan Moore and Ian

Patterson both had five. The

Bobcats generated 187 yards of

total offense, with Neisius leading

all backs with 28 yards of rushing

on nine carries. 34 vards on two

pass receptions, and a touchdown.

Schroeder carried the ball 14

times for 34 yards, scored a

touchdown, and PAT. Moore car-

and was 2-for-3 passing for 34

yards and a touchdown. The

Bobcats season ends with a 9-1

showdown between the powerful

lead.

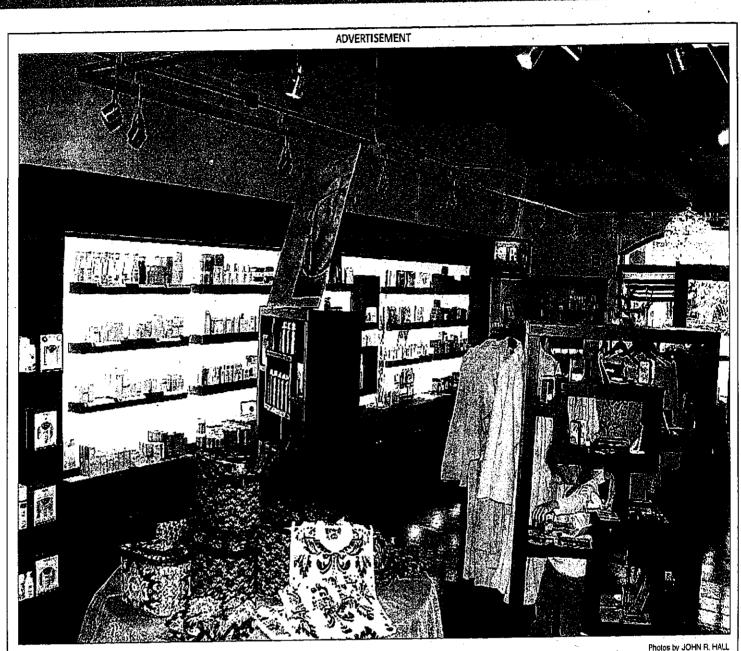
The Novi freshmen Bobcats hold their trophy after beating the Northville Colts 14-13. each, and Durham recovered a fumble. Schroeder had six tack-

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By John R. Hall SPECIAL WRITER

owntown Northville is home to a world class salon and spa where clients enjoy the best customer service from a business that has been nominated for one of the most prestigious awards in its industry.

Utopia Salon and Spa, at 170 E. Main, is quickly becoming the salon of choice for many people in Northville and ing areas because of its outstanding reputation for customer service and products and services it offers. It also helps to have a convenient location which has been updated to reflect today's fashion trends while preserving its historic significance in downtown Northville. "We take a different approach to our business," said owner Tita Daskal. "We have increased the size of our business while at the same time educating ourselves to be the best in the business." The hard work that Tita, co-owner Kelly Sesi, and their staff has put into the business was recently rewarded with the news that Utopia has been nominated for the internationally famous Global Salon Business Award, which will be presented in Hollywood in June 2008.



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"The award is very prestigious," Tita said. "It is based on how you grow your business and how you manage it. The award is also based on salon leadership/management, marketing/promotions, and most importantly — customer service."

Part of that good customer service goes out into the community, too. Utopia pays special attention to Northville schools. For example, the salon offers special promotions during high school proms and prices for makeup and hair styling are very reasonable.

Not only has Utopia stirred up a lot of local interest and brought more people to downtown Northville, it has attracted some

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very talented workers, too.

The salon has hired three new stylists in the last month — Timothy Jack, Julie Fox, and Kara Brown. Hair extensions are now available and Utopia has a new eyelash extension specialist to perform that very popular procedure.

"Eyelash extension is a great idea for the holidays," Tita said. "The extensions can last from three-to-nine weeks with normal maintenance, and they look very natural." Some of the other services at Utopia include massages, foot treatments, nails,

makeup (complimentary five minute touch-up with any service), and facials. Tita said that natural chemical peels named green peels are very popular facial treatments. She said one green peel is

equal to ten microderm treatments. "The ingredients are so natural you can

actually make tea from them," she noted. Of course, hair cutting and styling is the backbone of the business and Tita wants

backbone of the business and Tita wants everyone to know that the prices are reasonable, ranging from \$25 to \$70, depending on the level of expertise of each stylist. Besides all of the nopular services that

Besides all of the popular services that have made Utopia Salon and Spa a success, there are many products it sells, gaining a reputation for it one-stop shopping status.

As a Redken flagship salon, Utopia offers a complete line of Redken products (Redken also trains Utopia professionals,

Customers line up to purchase gifts, gift certificates and personal grooming products at Utopia Salon and Spa in Northville.

too). Its other main product line is Kerastase.

The retail section of the salon on the main floor includes products like clothing, underwear, makeup, facial products, jewelry, and men's products. All products can be gift-wrapped, too.

With the holiday season coming up, Utopia has assembled a number of different gift certificates, custom made for services like foot treatments or a full day at the

"Anything you need to buy is available here," she added. The list includes gifts for bridal party members, which is another service Utopia is involved in. The staff will arrange off-site bridal parties as well as

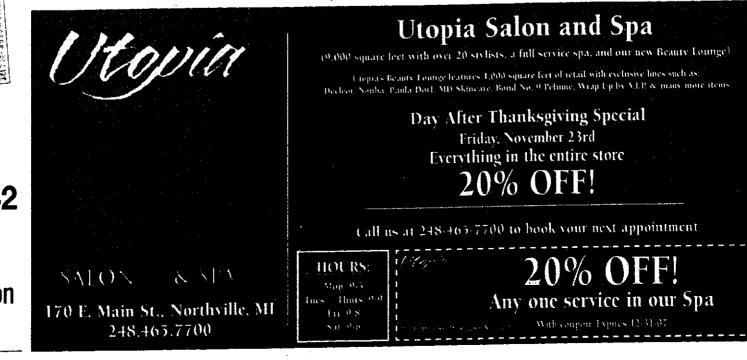
private on-site parties in a separate conference room.

And young children are a big part of the business, too. Utopia sponsors special partics for girls who want to be primped and pampered with the latest makeup tips and hairstyles — in a fun party-like setting.

Tita said that her staff is looking forward to seeing new faces — walk-ins are welcome. "We are not just a salon," she said. "Come in and visit with us."

For more information on Utopia Salon and Spa call (248) 465-7700 or visit them at 170 E. Main St., one building east of the downtown pavilion.

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