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Tiptoe Through the Tulips!

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A group of Deerfield Elementary students gathers around a bunch of flowering tulips. The flowers' bulbs were planted in the school's courtyard last fail and popped up in the last few weeks. More will be added later as the squirrels ate some of the bulbs this past winter. From left: Emmi Casalou, Ben Howarth, Alex Gamm, Jackson Peurach, Loren Talaga, Ashiey Tesoreo and Samantha Kasanic.

-ls Making Caitlin's dreams come true

By Chris Jackett STAFF WRITER

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Caitlin Fokken was excited to begin, kindergarten jast fall at Parkview. Elementäry School, but a rate occurrence last spring

suddenly halted her plan. Fokken, 6, suffered four strokes in May 2007 after receiv-

strokes in May 2007 after receiv-ing a chicken pox vaccination. As a result of the strokes and complications, she was not able to use her right arm or leg, and could not speak or swallow. Eligible for a wish through the Make-A-Wish Foundation, Fokken requested to swim with dolphins. When 11 fourth-grade students from Parkview and Deerfield ele-mentary schools learned of her dream they banded together for eight weeks to help make Fokken's wish come true. "We wanted to learn to be

"We wanted to learn to be leaders and wanted to help my friend's sister," said 10-year-old Deerfield student Morgan Geeriesa student Morgan Krupic, one of the 11 TeamKAL

TeamKAL, which stands for Team Kids Action Learning, is a first-time spin-off of a leadership program for business executives conducted PARAGON by Novi-based Leadership International. "TeamKAL is an offering we

"TeamKAL is an offering we offer to executives and corpora-tions. We thought this was something we could bring to the younger levels," said Janice Krupic, PARAGON's owner and Morgan's mom. "They learned a lot about leadership. We (alked about leadership) We talked about creating a

vision." The fundraising efforts earned more than \$5,500 for Fokken, a process that collected several donations from schools, busi-nesses and individuals. The main event planned by the

TeamKAL members was a screening of "Nim's Island" April 26 at Emagine Theater in

April to a temperature of the second second

together." TeamKAL consists of Sydney Cantin, Lauren Fokken (Caitlin's

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Novi News

entary student-to-be Caltlin Fokken Parkview Elem smiles as she sits on her mother Trish's lap during a Make-A-Wish Foundation presentation last Wednesday. Parkview and Deerfield students teamed up and helped Please see CATTLIN 3A to raise money and understanding for Califin.

Taxpayers enticed by stimulating spending offers



Kroger employee Rob Relly displays incentives the store is offering customers to spend their incentive checks.

By Kelly Murad

Adrienne Pass of Novi is using her newfourid economic stimulus windfall to pay off a portion of her Ford Focus auto loan debt.

"We hafta have a cool car to cover with Ron Paul swag, after all?" she blogged on the Web site www.how-

blogged on the Web site www.how-ispentmystimuluscheck.com. But while some residents are opting for the conservative roule, others are ready to spend. And local stores are prepared to cash in. Many businesses are offering tax payers incentives to make the most of the money they will recieve as the Internal Revenue Service begins sending out eco-nomic stimulus checks this week. "We thought Uncle Sam had We thought Uncle Sam had started a great plan to stimulate the economy, and we thought we could contribute and make it more

valuable to our customers," said Dale Hollandsworth, spokesman for Michigan Kroger stores. From May 2-July 31 all Kroger

stores nationwide are giving cus-tomers a 10 percent bonus when they purchase gift cards in \$300, \$600 and \$1,200 increments.

"They do like that we're giving them free money, every bit helps," said Jennifer Robinson, co-nan-ager of the Kroger store at Grand River Avenue and Beck Road.

All customers are eligible to purchase a gift card and receive the additional \$30, \$60 or \$120 even if they aren't one of the 130 million households to receive the rebate. Technically, they don't have to

use money from the check, it's just timed with the tax stimulus bonus-es to try to help things along." Hollandsworth said. "It's a great way to say to our regular cus-tomers. "Thank you, we know what you're anime thermah "!"

you're going through." Other Novi stores including Sears and ABC Warehouse are advertising

and ADC Waterloss are diversing similar incentive programs. Sears, like Kroger, is offering 10 percent when shoppers use their stim-ulus checks to purchase a gift card. The gift card may also be used at Kmart and Lands, End. The stim start and Other stores such as Best Buy.

Staples and the Apple Storie start they do not have economic stimu-lus promotions in place.

economy, the government is giving eligible individuals who filed a 2007 federal tax return between \$300-\$600; those who filed a joint return will receive a total of \$600-\$1,200; and those who have chil-

\$1,200; and those who have chil-dren will get an additional \$300 for each qualifying child. "It was the right thing to do, the economy needs help." Hollandsworth said. "Michigan could use a shot in the arm." According to the IRS, beginning May 2, the government began elec-tronically transmitting stimulus

hay 2, do government regarence tronically transmitting stimulus payments into some taxpayers' accounts, those who opted to have the money direct deposited. For those expecting a check in the mail, the IRS will begin send-ing them out to more row.

ing them out tomorrow. To find out eligibility, a tenta-tive payment schedule or for more information, visit www.irs.gov.



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Educational summer programs seek motivated kids

GOT A STORY IDEA? Contact the Novi News to spread the word about what's going on in Novi

By Chris Jackett STAFF WRITER

With just a few weeks until the semester erids. Novi students and, parents have a few options to keep the educational flow going after school lets out for the summer. The Jeanne Clark Sommer Teen Center has been around for a quarter of a century, offering sixth-through-ninth graders the chance to hang out in a safe place and go on field trips together. The Teen Center, which Novi Youth Assistance runs non-5:30 p.m. June 23-July 31, will hold registration at the Novi Civic Cetter 9 a.m.-noon Saturday, Chaudia Walter, a NYA case method will the method bed for the second vorker, said the program had 90-

100 kids registered last year and expects an increase this year. "I think we re-evaluated some

allowing students to use the gym and pool. They will also have the opportunity to play games, ping pong, air hockey, watch PG and PG-13 movies, among other activities, Field trips will include aunts to Waterford Oaks, the Holocaust Center, Zap Zone, Cedar Pointe, a Detroit Tigers game and helping at Providence Park and When the

Convalescence Home. "We are trying a couple new things this year. Whitehall is new. Everything is added to or the ame as last year." Walter soid Teen Center registration costs \$80 and will make the five-week camp an option for the children to attend any and all days throughduring and have and have compared by the second child be and the second child tor his third consecutive summernext month and wants to attend math and science and we wanted "I went there in fifth grade and "I went there in fifth grade and its was really fun. ICs still fun every as possible. More than anything

٢ Summer Camps K The Novi Parks, Recreation and - Sha Forestry Department has added 24 new summer camps to its 2008 lineup. Registration is now open for all 32 summer programs Receive a \$5 discount for registering online at <u>www.cityofnovi.org</u>. The Novi Parks office is located inside the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. 10 Mile Road, (248) 347-0400. O O J.

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time. I just like how it is," Gow else though we want each of the of the activities and games the stid. "My favorite part is the Teen kids like. We honed and pro-gressed with the kids' interest. Every week it's a combination of educational activities and speak-tory week it's a combination of educational activities and speak-rest week it is a combination of educational activities and speak-rest week it's a combination of educational activities and speak-rest week it's a combination of educational activities and speak-rest week it's a combination of educational activities and speak-rest week it's a combination of educational activities and speak-rest week it's a combination of the camp will be run daily by ers," she said. The kils will also receive their Share of lim, as the camp is held at Novi High School's cafeteria, kids attend the camp each day. the invention process is all about. He said, typically, the pro-grams have volunteers from Ford

who work with intellectual prop-erty come in to help with the invention process and explain New experiences ow it works it real life. The deadline to register for the Novi Middle School will host the district's first Camp lovention program June 23-27. The \$220 camp for first-through-sixth grade students runs similar to a high school classroom Novi camp is May 31. There is a 110-student limit and Furlow said 97 had registered by May 9. Call (800) 968-4332 for more information or to register. "I came to Novi in 2004 and with a rotating course schedule The hour-long lessons teach stu-

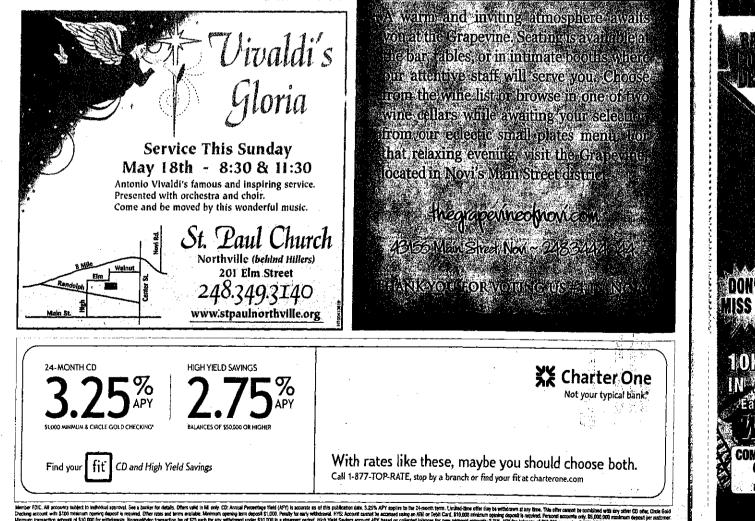
tried immediately to get either a camp or club (after school version of camp) invention program going. It is still the single best dents about science, teamwork, creativity and inventive-thinking skills. Students will learn about the physics and engineering behind building a roller coaster, improving transportation and working together to solve several educational experience I have been a part of for young students interested in math and science. I've always felt a Novi camp would be really successful." Furlow said, "There will only be one session here at Novi Middle School, but there are other camps Middle School teacher Seth all over Michigan that take place throughout the whole sumr Seven certified teachers, 10 high school and college student-coun-sclors, and a handful or junior counselors will run the camps daily. "Novi has a great reputation for Novi News staff writer Chris. Jackett can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 122 or cjackett@gannett.com,

Dunkin' Donuts restaurants offer free iced coffee today

Dunkin' Donuts wants to celebrate the customers who keep Michlgan running as part of its nationwide Free Iced Coffee Day Promotion. On Thursday, May 15, Dunkin' Donuts restaurants will participate in Dunkin' Donuts' second annual Free Iced Coffee Day.

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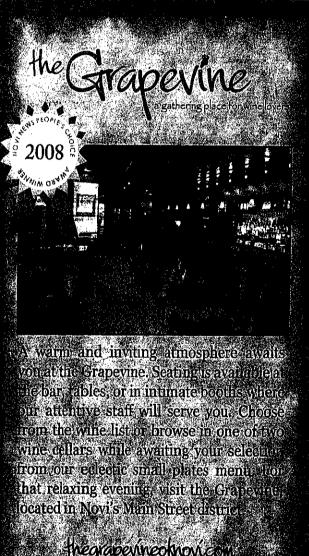
From 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. on May 15, customers can visit any participating Dunkin' Donuts restaurant in Michigan and receive a free small 16 oz. cup of Dunkin' Donuts' original or flavored load coffee.





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Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Nov Nov! Middle School student Colton Gow hung out last summer at the Nov! Youth Assistance's Summer Teen Center at the high school. He plans on attending again.





Holding up the letters "T E A M," Parkview and Deerlield Elementary School students team up to show what they've learned to help Parkvlew student-to-be Caltlin Fokken.

Interested in participating munity pride showcasing co The parade will begin at 10 Mile Road and Karim Boulevard, in a Memorial Day Parade? Show your community spirit nd appreciation for local vets. oin Novi's annual Memorial and travel west along 10 Mile to the Novi Civic Center At the conclusion of the parade, there will be a ceremonial presen-Day Parade as a participant or tation honoring local veterans. spectator. All veterans, bands, scouts, kids, businesses and other civic All entry forms for parade participants must be returned to the Novi Parks Department by May organizations are invited to be a part of the event. Form a group or create a float to march proudly through Novi, For more information or entry

forms, visit www.cityofnovi.org



Saturday, May 17th & Sunday, May 18th

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(Leadership) is about making CAITLIN a positive difference and encour aging others (to do the same)," Susan Lerch, chief executive officer and "fairy god mother" of Make-A-Wish Foundation of

sister). Sai Gotur, Kian Halim, Michigan, told the gymnasium full of Deerfield students. Ashna Jain, Ram Kapistalam, Ryan Katulski, Morgan Krupic, Ryan Rabinowitz, Samantha Stipe Caitlin, who, for the past year, has spent five days a week in therapy working to regain the abilities damaged by the strokes, was able to and Nithin Vedamuthu. The six Parkview students and five Deerfield students were select-ed from an essay contest where they had to respond to "How am I a leader and what strengths will I walk up the two steps to the stage with only the aid of an ankle brace and her mother's hand. She uttered a single sentence to the TearnKAL members and Deerfield audience. "Thank you for working so hard," she said. TeamKAL members wrapped up the assembly by handing out about two dozen pink, streamerlaced wands to students in the

tiple fourth-grade classrooms, The Fokken family and Make-A-Wish Foundation were present last Wednesday to accept the check for SS,511.34 after a two-minute slide show of the "Nin" sland" tune of Rascal Flatts "My Wish." have a status of the school year.

"Thank you for working so hard."

Caillin Fokken Six-year-old stroke victim



bring to the project?³ The group was also selected to bring as diverse a background together as possible, including an even split of genders and a variety of ethnicities, all taken from multiple fourth-grade classrooms. The Fokken family and Make-

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Fuerst Farm Family Days

Sunday By Kelly Murad STAFF WRITER

If the Fuerst Farmstead facilities go down, it won't be without a figĥt.

Local community members ave rallied together to form an have rallied together to form an official organization dedicated to Friends of the Fuerst Farm is in the process of registering with the state of Michigan as a non-profit organization and is undergoing the application process to receive

Tax-exempt status from the Internal Revenue Service. "We have four guiding princi-ples," said Sherrie Konkus, secre-

torical park, • To support efforts to preserve historical resources in Novi, To raise funds to implement coordination committee. preservation efforts

preservation efforts. "This is a key historical site we with a plan to save the Fuerst Novi News staff writer neuvy have in the city," Konkus said. "I Farm, the organization is holding Murad can be reached at (248) think we need to have the city weekly meetings and has formed 349-1700, ext 103 or various committees including a knurad@gunnett.com. On April 7, Novi's City Council approved, by a 5-2 vote, a plan for the city-owned property that

TAX PROBLEMS includes demolition of the existing buildings on the site, unless a group or individual can come up Never Talk to The IRS... Talk to TRSI ith the funding to restore the buildings in 90 days.

buildings in 90 days. "Currently, raising money is difficult, because we, as a group, do not own that property." Konkus said. "It's reatly an outreach effort. I'm hoping to work with conneil and be a point of commu-nication with them." Along with Konkus, the other officers of the newly formed orreatization include President

organization include President Kathy Mutch, Vice President Roy Prentice and Treasurer Steve Babinchak.

Konkus, who is a Novi resident of more than 20 years, serves on the Housing and Community Development Committee and has participated in various volunteer efforts throughout the city before getting involved with Friends of the Fuerst Farm.

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Fuerst Form Family Day Sunday, May 18 + 1:00 - 4:00 PM Held at the Fuerst Fermitead, located at the conser of Tail and 10 Mile reads. The free event will include five movie, farm asimals, wagon rides, quitting, craits, face painting, sce cream and jemonada. Special appearances by Farmer John Beemer and Farm Ledy Margarel Schmidt. For more information regarding the annual family event contact Historical Commission chair Kathy Netch at (248) 224-4211. Docations am accepted.

"I consider myself more of an environmental activist," she said. "I have a master's in social juspetition and ballot initiative com mittee.

The petition ultimately supptex, said sherrie controls, sector tary of the recently formed organ-ization. involved in the things I think *To preserve the historic Fuerst Tarting and the program tice, so I find myself getting involved in the things I think would benefit the community. Tarting and the presented by the analyse of the presented by the presented by the control of the presented by the analyse of the presented by the presented by the analyse of the presented by To develop a preservation plan
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 from a positive perspective and for the Fuerst Farmstead as a his work with the city to find a com For more information re For more information rework with the city to find a com-nion ground." For more information regard-ing Friends of the Fuerst Farm, Konkus is also serving as chair of the networking and volunteer coordination committee. 224-4211.

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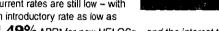
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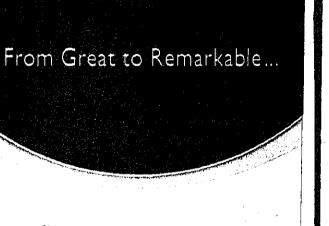
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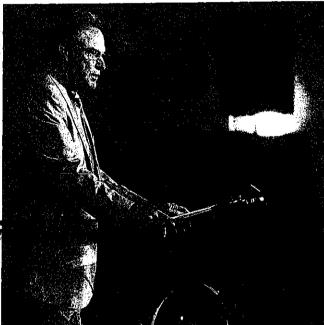
ITC hosts grand opening celebration of new headquarters

ITC Holdings Corp., the largest independent electricity transmis-sion company in the country. hosted a grand opening event Monday to celebrate its new office headquarters in Novi, "This building remessive a cut, dring window states of a twee prominently boilter system that provides head provides headquarters and compare the provides head provides head the provides head to be provided head to be provided head provides head to be provided head to be provided head to be provided head provides head to be provided head to be provided head to be provided head provides head to be provided head head to be provided head to be provided head to be prov Monday to celebrate its new office headquarters in Novi, "This building represents a cul-mination of much hard work and moving forward. ITC Holdings Corp. (NYSE: during winter months, Dry cooler that allows for use of outside cold air when A/C is needed to cool down computer server rooms on cold days, and • Recycling bins on each floor dedication," said Joseph Welch, president and CEO of ITC, "Dedication to being the premier electric transmission system commarkets and lower the overall cost of delivered energy. It is the largest independent electricity transmission company in the country. Through its subsidiaries, ITCTransmission, Michigan Electric Transmission, Company, LLC and ITC Midwest LLC, ITC operates regulated, high-voltage transmission systems in The event was emceed by Paul pany. Dedication to serving cus tomers efficiently and reliably. Dedication to providing open and equal access to the grid for all gen-W. Smith of WIR-AM (News/Talk 760) and featured a ribbon-cutting ceremony and speakers including Welch: City of Novi Mayor David erators. Dedication to integrating renewables into the grid efficiently and the dedication of our employ-ees to make this vision a reality. Landry: State Sen, Nancy Cassis; State Rep, Craig DeRoche; Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson; Commissioner Monica Martinez of the Michigan "ITC has grown from 38 transmission systems in Michigan's Lower Peninsula and employees in March 2003 to more than 320 employees in 2008, and 1 would like to thank all our employees and contractors who Public Service Commission; Commissioner Philip D. Moeller of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission; Richard Mata, vice portions of Iowa, Minnesota, Illinois and Missouri, serving a combined peak load in excess of helped make ITC what it is today." president, Local 223; State Sen. 25,000 megawatts. Bruce Patterson; and James ITC is also focused on new Epolito, president and CEO. Michigan Economic Development sion system improvements are significant transmis-sion system improvements are development. The brand new 188,000-square-foot facility sits on 85 acres of land. The new building is environ-
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Joseph L. Weich, president and CEO, speaks at the grand opening of ITC's new Novi headquarters at 12 Mile Road. Guests Included the nation's Federal Energy Regulatory Commissioner Phillip D. Moeller, Oakland County Executive L Brooks Patterson and Novi Mayor David

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Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson, center, and Novi Mayor David Landry, right, were in attendance at last Monday's grand opening of Novi's ITC headquarters.



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Novi hosts first Office Safety Seminar

By Kelly Murad

About 45 local business people gathered together at the Novi Civic Center last Thursday for the City of Novi's first Office Safety

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The seminar, which was presented by Detective Kristie Gruenwald of the Novi Police Department, included topics such as crime prevention, violence in the workplace, evacuation proce res and emergency prepared-

'You work in a beautiful com-"You work in a beautiful com-munity, but educating people up from can do a,lot for us as firr as preventing crimes from occur-ring," said Novi Deputy Police Chief Thomas Lindberg. The overall seminar was intended to provide local employ-ers with the information neces-sary to handle situations in the worknlace.

'If the employer knows what's

going on, they can be better equipped for a potential problem," Gruenwald: said, "Sometimes, when we go to work, we become complacent because it's such a safe, routine part of our life. But

businesses and stealing laptop trust that gut feeling or intuition, it's usually pretty accurate." Gruenwald discussed real-life scenarios of violence and crime computers. "I feel they are being very proactive," said Eloina Miranda. human resources manager for in the work place, such as the

person stole three paintball guns, three 20-ounce carbon dioxide tanks, a Craftsman Mechanics socket set and a flashlight for a

paintball gun from the bed of his

truck, reports said. According to the victim, between the two dates he was

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Members of the business community attend a lecture on office safety. The seminar

wanted for breaking into local been more aware." In December, the Japanese ing curve. company had six laptop comput-ers stolen from its West Park Drive offices. "We've had an incident of theft Toyota Boshoku, one of the local in our building," said Kenneth Anthony LaCalamita III shoot-ing in Troy, April 2007 and Smith's crimes. "Had we been Toyota Boshoka, "We've gone Jason Arthur Smith, the suspect proactive, maybe we would have through a lot of implementing

from them. "Practicing will give you the survival mind-set. That's why we Novi News staff writer Kelly Murad can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext 103 or kmurad@gannett.com. ecommend you practice an evacation rout Gruenwald even suggested

evacuation plans, controlled access through the building and

an take the opportunity away



was run by the Novi Police Department.

what's going on." Many of the security measures Gruenwald suggested and dis-

since then, it's been a huge learn-"I've worked for the City of Troy, Madison Heights, Fenton ... The City of Novi is the first I've scen where they've sent ou (crime) bulletins to let us know

Wheelchair Getaways brightens lives, provides service

By Chris Jackett STAFF WRITER Gayle said. "When I look back, provider in Michigan. when your family members "If someone needs one, we sim-become ill, sometimes you're at a "ply take one over there. We're simbecome III, somenines you can do." Idar to Hertz or Avis, except every-Gayle said she called several services before a car dealership obstance dealership When Kirk Rosey was first restricted to a wheelchair a few years ago, it was a struggle just to leave the house. His wheelchair services before a car dealership recommended the Highland-Anticoagulation Department at St. John Hospital in Detroit, Gayle deals with health care had become the largest hurdle preventing travel. When he couldn't move from his wheelchair to the passenger seat in his sister's vehicle, she couldn't find wheelchair-accessible transpatients and their needs daily, but had never heard of the service. "The ambulance costs are so portation to get him to appoint-ments. Then the pair discovered Wheelchair Getaways, a van rental vays, a van rental expensive, so this was very reaservice for people in wheelchairs. sonable. I could always go with him," she said. "It put some joy back into his life that he just would not have had. If it hadn't "The really first experience I had was I needed to get him to some physician appointments. Medicare and insurance wouldn't

cover it unless he was bed-

bound," said Kirk's sister, Novi

resident Gayle Rosey. "It was just like driving a van or SUV. I just

don't know what I would've done

Kirk, 51, was diagnosed with

progressive frontal lobe dementia six years ago. The neurological

degeneration took away his abili-

for ill people to begin with,"

to walk and speak before it took s life March 30.

without them, frankly."

two months. "Our fleet of 50 vans, we run in the mid-to-low 90 percentile all the time. Only two or three are not rented out on any given day," Platt said, noting that people have a been for this van it would've been real hard. Kirk and I enjoyed so better chance of securing a rental many things. They changed Kirk's life. I took him out to Kensington. if they call weeks in advance. "We've tried to keep it affordable. In 16 years, we've only raised I was able to take him out to movies and dinner. I took him to rates \$15 and everything with gas the Woodward Cruise. It was a joy because, otherwise, he'd just be bound at the nursing home." Hugh Platt statted Wheelchair prices, vehicle maintenance and everything has increased more." Van rental for one day is \$99 plus tax and gas, although the vehi-

standing and mude you feel very welcome. It was a great experi-ence all the way around," Gayle ele starts with a full tank. Cost per Getaways 16 years ago in Highland day rates are cheaper for longer rentals. The vans can be picked up in Highland or delivered. A few variations of vans are said. "When Kirk died, they sent the a sympathy card and it was the little things like that that meant a lot." me a sympathy card and it was the

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milted photo Gayle Rosey stands lakeside with her brother, Kirk Rosey, a few years ago. He died in March.



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Journalism roars at Novi High School

By Chris Jackett

The Novi High School newspaper can report it's one of the best in the state after last month's Michigan Interscholastic Press Association journalism awards conference at the Lansing Center. The Wildcat Roar captured 35 individual awards and the Spartan Award at the MIPA conference in Division I, which is made up of 19 high schools with enrollment

etween 1,778 and 2,600 Their names were called more than any other Division I school. They had more first places (nine) than any other school. I think South Lyon was second with six first places. We had awards in lished," Cadena said. writing, photo and design," said Lydia Cadena, Novi High School newspaper advisor and journalism eacher. "This is the most winning staff I've ever had. The editors made a conscious decision. I asked them at the beginning of the year if they want to have a good paper or a great paper. They said they wanted to have a great paper, Chief Christy Duan earned six and they did."

The 19 students carned 35 individual awards of the 56 or so

Good earned six awards, includ-ing first place for news page 'Everyone has to be on point. The Spartan Award is truly an ensemble award," Cadena said.

The Spartan Award is an overall newspaper award determined by the coverage; writing and editing; about people being a triple threat in theater with song, dance and acting, those two are a triple threat in journalism," Cadena said of Good and Duan's awards for photography and graphics; edito rial content; and design of three consecutive issues. The Roar needed 900 of a possible 1,000 points to earn the Spartan Award, writing, photography and design. Matt Evans was one of two stuand the Novi students earned 930. "There is an expectation of greatness, of 'the best ever,' and it dents, along with Good, to carn two first place awards - for sports

staff. They don't want dead weight. With such a small staff, there's no room for error. Everyone's expected to be pubcolumn and portrait. He also took a third-place win for best sports column. "We put forth a lot of effort, a lot of late nights, here 'til 9 or 10. When you hear our names called, The 35 individual awards the 35 times, it makes it all worth it," young journalists earned were spread among 13 different stu-dents, with many of the editors Evans said. Cadena said the newspaper really is a student-run publication. leading the way. Editor in Chief Lillian Xiao The students determine stories as a group before writing and photocarned five individual awards, including first place for alterna-tive story form. Former Editor in graphing on their own. The sec-tion editors, who proofread their peers' stories and write their own, then design the pages.

Individual newspaper design and sports news story. "She just rocked. She won awards in all three (aspect cate-gories) and so did Christy. We talk **MIPA** award winnners First place (9) Matt Evans (2), Alli Good (2), Christy Duan, Scot

> Second place (6) Alli Good, Andrew Haggerty, Ryan Ridenour Dana Santure, Lillian Xiao, Alli Good/Ryan Ridenour

Xiao, Matt Varady/Ben Foerg, Christy Duan/Lilllan

Christy Duan (3), Mike Symanski (3), Samantha Bourque (2), Alli Good (2), Ben Foerg, Ryan Ridenou Matt Varady, Lillian Xiao

awards, including first place for personality profile. Xiao and Duan also worked together to edit "I think it's that the students are well-rounded here in journalism We don't have a staff photogra entries sent in, but the Spartan the entertainment and feature see- other or staff designers, we have Award displayed the group's true tion. News and Design Editor Alli journalists," Cadena said

Kelber, Dana Santure, Lillian Xiao, Ryan Ridenour/Vidhi Barnzal

Third place (6) Christy Duan, Matt Evans Alli Good, Lillian

Honorable mention (14)

The newspaper wasn't the only journalism program to earn awards last month.

School-wide talent

awards last month. Last year's yearbook, "Reflections," also gained some recogni-tion, earning second place awards for Kelly Hogan and Steffi Min for their sports spread, and Joe Xu for academic photo. Melanie Morrison, Kristyn Crofoot, Min, Emily Stark and Morrison also carned honorable mentions at the MIPA conference.

The Cat's Eye, the high school's radio and television program, earned first place at the MIPA conference while individuals also earned high awards. Sara Snyder earned second place for her "Life, Love, Home"

short feature program. She also look home first place for best stu-dio talent in the state. Sandon Voelker won first place for his open-er production and third place for the talk show opener for "Outside the Bubble." Heather Donohue won third place for best news anchor and Christopher Gray won second place in news fea-

"Aside from their shirts being different colors, you wouldn't now who was with who based on the cheering," said Lydia Cadena, newspaper and ycarbook advisor, about the three pro-grams' intermingled seating at the MIPA conference. "It didn't matter which team they were from, they were all Wildatts three". The Cat's Eye also earned first place from the Michigan Association of Broadcasters Foundation while Snyder took home first tales for the feature noncerna and the steff was reasoning for first place for her feature program and the staff was recognized for nunity activit

The Michigan Association of Educational Broadcasters also handed out awards recently to Mike Marsoupian, Matt Schaffer, Collin Hinman, Rob Low, Melissa Clay and Andrea Prince.

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Former Mr. Universe talks fitness with elementary students

By Chris Jacket

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Peter Nielsen may have reigned as Mr. America and Mr. Universe in the past, but he was Mr. Orchard Hills last Friday moraing as a school full of excited studen gathered in the gym. Nielsen, a Commerce resident originally from Brooklyn, N.Y., travels the country to speak about the importance of personal health the importance of personal health and fitness. He was at Orchard Hills Elementary School May 9 to

teach the staff and students what they could do to be healthier. "We wanted to make sure our kids had good knowledge (to take care of themselves). Being fit is so

much more than what they learn in the classroom. They have to work at it like reading, writing or and a half of intestine removed. "They said I would never gain weight and my life would be shortened by this disease. I made that doctor eat his words," he told math," said organizer and physical education teacher Peggy Wickman. "I'm hoping they pick up how important it is to keep exercising. They need something the students. Nearly two million people have besides organized sports to work Crohn's disease, but Nielsen suid

on. When they're watching TV, they can do push-ups during comsurvival is all about making a positive effort. Nielsen makes about 25-30 "The message is all about hope. ppearances at schools through the country each year and was rought to Orchard Hills by unth words Wilchell Marker some kind of health problem in their life and they've got to be prepared for it. I brought to fourth-grader Mitchell Mason. wouldn't wish a dog to live the "My dad just called him up one childhood I lived," he said. day, My dai's danc a lot of work "Nothing is impossible. Here's a for him, He's fixed his cars," the 10-year-old said, who also had to traded profit for purpose 25 years

write an essay. I did a lot to get ago. It starts with grass-rooting him to come. We're just thankful with the kids. Elementary and grade school, they're like sponges." To help the kids learn a better The renowned fitness guru lifestyle, Nielsen used student kicked off the assembly by telling the kids about the troubles he had volunteers to help him show the proper methods for a variety of bicep curls, sit-ups, push-ups and growing up and how it got him to where he is today. An 86-pound

Nielsen was diagnosed with jumping rope. "Always make sure you use Crohn's disease at 15. He spent 70

NORTHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED 2008/09 BUDGET

Please take notice that on May 27, 2008 at 7:30 o'clock p.m. al Amerman School, 847 N. Cenler St., Northville, Michigan, the Board of Education of the Northville Public Schools will hold public hearings to consider the districts proposed 200809 budget. The Board may not adopt its proposed 2008/09 budget until after the public hearings. A copy of the proposed 2008/09 budget until after the public hearings. A copy of the proposed 2008/09 budget the proposed property tax millage, rate is evaluable for multic inspection during normal business flows after May. s available for public inspection during normal business h 20, 2008, at the Business Office, 501 W. Main St., Northvi The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a

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guru Peter Nielsen, who visited their school last week to talk about the importance of working out and proper diet. days in the hospital and had a foot proper form and treat your body as

a tool, not a weapon," Niels "Weights develop muscle. Never use more than 15 percent of your body weight (for bicep curls)." Nielsen said the abdominal, butt and triceps (under-arm) muscles

are the top three groups people want in shape; and all three, along with the cardiovascular activity for the heart, can be done at home Wickman said. "You can burn 12 calories per

initute and 720 calories per hour jumping rope. You can't buy that an q elliprical machine at the to Nielsen's visit. gym," he said, adding that it's "About health and stuff and gym," he said, adding that it's good for both leg and heart mus-bor to exercise the right way and not to hurt ourselves," he said. "At going to lose it." Wickman said she wants stu-learning about body parts. They

dents to learn life-long lessons separate the boys and the girls for and activities they can do at home or with family members. Nielsen and Wickman said a

or wini tamity memoers. "You can educate parents and you can educate kids, but, if they're not on the same page, it never gets taiked about at home," Netern and Wickman said a good diet is also important to being healthy. Nielsen said one 12-ounce can of soda pop per day for a year would result in a 16-

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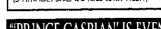
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Photos by JOHN HEIDER/Novi New Peter Nielsen shows a group of Orchard Hills Elementary School students how they can do a simple abdominal exercise in their chairs during his recent visit to promote fitness.

pound weight gain. "Besides exercise, nutrition is Mason said students have been so important. You exercise *til you're blue in the face and it won't matter if you're not disci-plined at the breakfast, lunch and dinner table. You are what you

eat," Nielsen said. "Our kids are our tomorrow. If we don't enable them to have the right tools to succeed, shame on us."

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sending an e-mail. Nine kids cluster around a play mat in 10-year Amerman kinder-garten teacher Julie Colter's room, curling their fingers, tapping their forcarms and waving their hands. They're learning American Sign Language. The American Sign Language Club was begun by Colter more than a year ago in anticipation of her daughter, Jane, attending the Northville School, also attended by Novi students. Colter's daughter, an outgoing, smiling first grader with inquisitive eyes, has apraxia of speech. Pointing to her mouth, Julie Colter explains apraxia. "It's just a neurological speech disorder -

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through sign and it's just been great. The kids here are awe-

some; they're so interested and involved and don't see it as unusual at all." then finally signs for banana by raising a thumb from a fist and "pecis" it with the other hand. Colter keeps her sign language class fun and informative. As the kids nosh on their lunches, she quizzes them on objects, signing the words for "soup" and "cup." After passing from one studen to the next, with a lot of giggling and quizzical looks, the young-ster at the end of the line signs "l The kids, sitting in a circle around Coller, stare at her flutter like apples." ing hands. If they know the cor-rect translation for the words signed, they scribble it down on a small chalkboard. Colter moves on to numbers and signs for "17" and "8" which the students sture at, ask for a repeat, and then write down their answers. Toward the end of the halfhour class, Colter begins a sign language version of the "tele-phone" game. It's where a word or phrase is passed from person to person down a line. Students stand in a single-life line and Colter begins the game by signing the phrase "I like bananas." For this, Colter points

t just doesn't allow the brain to one hand to her chest, then with one hand brings the thumb and

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Colter says that her daughter's apraxia is getting better and she's able to use speech more and more every day, but, for now, signing is still a valuable way for Jane to communicate with her "Last weekend she was at a birthday party, and she'll sign 'happy birthday' as they're singing it and then they'll sign it too," Colter said. As her sign language students file out of her a.m. kindergarten class, Colter talks about how

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forefinger together and moves

them forward near the chest, and

what she's saying." One of the kids leaving Colter's room is Jane's fri Leah Purkiss. Jane and Leah sat side-by-side that day and signed the answers to Julie's questions together and smiled at each other when they got the answers right. Cotter thinks it's valuable for her daughter to have a buddy who can learn her new language and has seen a definite impact of the club outside its lunch hour "Leah is her very best friend." said Colter. "What's really inter-

esting is that producing sign is pretty hard for them – fine motor skill-wise, but Leah knows what Jane is saying. Her receptive skills are really good. And Jane will sign something like 'let's play on the monkey bars' and Leah will say 'OK' and off they

or writing tablet," said Colter "She can just move around th

classroom and sign away, and the interpreter can just tell the others

this Saturday By Pam Fleming FWRITER Seventeen-year-old Neil Pichan wondered what was wrong with him about a year ago when he felt tired and started losing weight. "I didn't know what was going

can still eat tacos. He also misses

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it's important for other people to learn about it. He has become nvolved with the Crohn's & Colitis on," he said. Finally diagnosed with Crohn's disease, a condition that affects the gastrointestinal tract, the Northville Township resident and junior at Foundation of America, Michigan Chapter. Because he knows how important it is to set a good example, he will also be in Leadership in Training for CCFA's Camp Oasis this year. Catholic Central High School in Novi is now committed to increas-ing awareness about the ailment. He's collecting money for the May He will serve as a volunteer at the camp, which will be held at Camp Copneconic in Fenton, so that he can be a role model for chil-dren to show them they can deal 17 'Take Steps for Crohn's & Colitis Walk' at Camp Dearborn in Milford, This is the second year he's raised money through his team, "Neil's People," and he's already collected with their illnesses and still strive for success. He has been inspired by a famous football player, his physician and other sports figures who suffer from Crohn's disease or \$1,575 for this year's event. When this chronic digestive disorder periodically flares up, he will lose tremendous amounts of ulcerative colitis. weight. At 5-feet, 9-inches, his When not in school, Pichan, who loves history, enjoys football and playing golf, and even works at the weight dropped to 112 pounds at one point and he acquired sores in his mouth. He can't eat corn, pop-corn and sometimes lettuce, but he St. John's Golf and Conference Center in Plymouth Township. Although he won't be able to

lots of school and sees Dr. Jeremy Adler at the University of Michigan Medical Center.

Currently, however, he appears to be in remission from its symptoms and is back up to about 140 pounds. There's no cure for the disease, and

he'll have to take medication to treat the disease the rest of his life. Pichan doesn't hide the fact that

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family has a prior commitment, Pichan has been encouraging peo ple to donate to the cause Known collectively as inflamma ease and ulcerative colitis are chronic digestive disorders the tory bowel diseases. Crohn's disdigestive disorders that affect as many as one million Americans, Crohn's disease mos commonly affects the small intes and colon However, it can affect any part of the digestive tract. There are a variety of symptoms of gastrointestinal distress. The three classic (though not specific) symp-toms of inflammatory bowel discase are persistent or recurrent diar-rhea, abdominal pain and fever. Crohn's and colitis patients report missing an average of 25 days per year from school or work due to their illness. The typical Croin's or colitis patient reports spending 38 days in the hospital per year. Despite the fact that he is recov-ering from this serious illness. Pichan is a member of the National

Honor Society. "So, despite missing school, he really works hard, and his teachers are very committed to helping him so that he can keep his grades up," said his mother, Barbara.

participate in the walk at Comp Dearborn this year because his

Catholic Central teenager supports research on Crohns

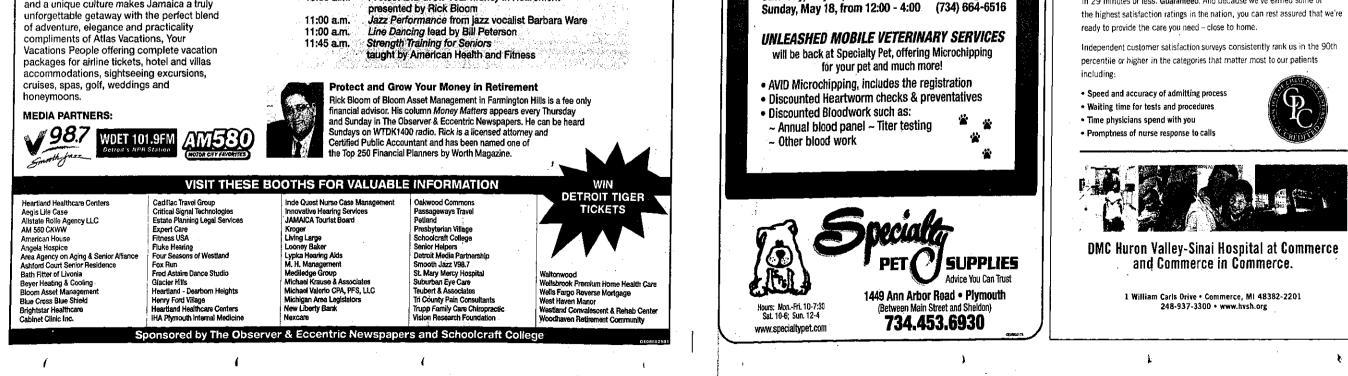


Catholic Central High School student Neil Pichan has been helping to raise money for the Crohn's & Colitis Foundation of America and its "Take Steps for Crohn's & Colitis Walk" on May 17. Pichan was diagnosed with Crohn's about a year ago, but is now in

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Nakhari Barkley, Allie Farris, Brenna Crawford, Dakota St. John, Nakul Vadlamudi and Mark VanWiemeersch stand by a fur trader from the Michigan Historical Museum.



Grace Yang, Ashley Darling, Ivan McCall, Mariam Ahmad and Akshay Raman look on as Narayan Maniyannan hits el in State Rep. Craig DeRoche's office.





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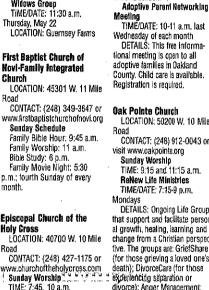
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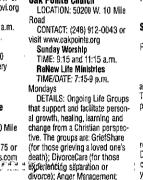
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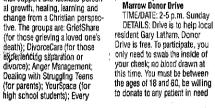
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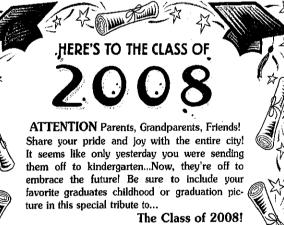
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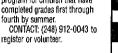
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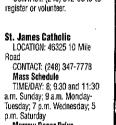
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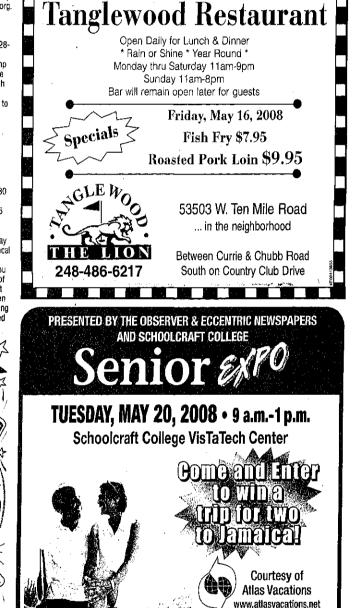
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MY OPINION

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Suspending gas tax is bad idea, no matter how you look at it

that people can save 18.4

Much of the money generat-

ed by the state gas tax funds

Any solution to the gas

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crunch has to include saving

You want an example of lion in highway funds to be political pandering at its lost nationwide. Roads will most basic? Look no further get worse and many road than the ridiculous gas tax workers will suffer - all so holiday" idea being promot-that people can save 18.4 ed by two of the remaining cents a gallon this summer. three major-party candidates for president: Sen. John McCain (R-Ariz.) and Sen. Hillary Rodham Clinton (D-N.Y.).

A similar measure is being gas by driving less, driving considered in Michigan's more efficiently and driving legislature, too. McCain and Clinton are more fuel-efficient cars Having the federal both strongly supporting the ment step in with this gas idea of suspending the federal gas tax (18.4 cents a galless incentive to embrace lon] over the summer. With these measures. gas approaching \$4 a gallon. Gas tax holidays don'i they apparently feel the votwork. States have tried them ers will strongly embrace the in the past and, in every case, the reduction in the price of gas for drivers was-n't consistent with the idea. Of the presidential candidates only Sen. Barack Obania (D-III.) opposes the idea, correctly amount of tax suspended instead, the average calling it a "political gimnilck. only saved about half of the This "gas tax holiday" idea amount of the tax suspen is bad policy and bad eco-nomics and, despite the fact sion because retailers are not required to pass the sav ings onto their customers. If the tax goes down 18 cents, that virtually every economist in the country opposes it, McCain and Clinton are there's nothing stopping steadfast in their support. Speaking to a group in Ohio last week, McCain said, retailer from adding that 18 cents right back to the cos Tillke to see, AcCain said, of the gas — and pocketing Tillke to see, families in the additional money. America have arrelief from • With gas nearing \$4 a ever-increasing costs of gallon, a savings of 10 a gasoline, so maybe at the end of the summer after this enough to outweigh all the tax holiday they could buy problems a tax holiday school supplies for their would cause. children as school year." they start the McCain and Clinton are chool year." obviously pushing this idea Clinton, meanwhile, was to curry favor with voters asked by ABC's George who are weary of paying so much for gas. This pander Stephanopoulos to name "a credible economist who sup- ing is incredibly transparent norts the suspension," and and, thankfully, it appears she responded that she the voters are smart enough

doesn't really care what to see this gimmick for what economists think. "We've got to get out of this mindset it is. Some pundits are arguing where somehow elite opinion that it's no coincidence that s always on the side of Clinton's support of a gas doing things that really distax holiday was followed by her less-than-spectacular advantage the vast majority showings in the Indiana and North Carolina primaries. of Americans," Clinton said This suspension of the federal gas tax is a bad idea Clearly, the voters weren't w levels, it's hard swayed by her support of to know where to begin. But this plan. the arguments against it

We're hoping that McCain and Clinton drop their vocal support of this idea. As include these: The money raised by the federal gas tax helps fund they're discovering, the idea badly-needed highway proj-ects throughout the country. of a gas tax holiday is not just bad policy and bad eco-It's estimated that the tax nomics - it's bad politics. holiday will cause \$8.5 bil



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You might say the new

Michigan Business Tax

was born under a cloud and with an unnecessary

"birth defect" that now has

the state's business com-

munity up in arms. So how did we get here?

First, a quick recap: Last year, faced with a bil-

lion-dollar deficit and

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TOM WATKINS:

Myanmar, also known as crops have been wiped Burma. The recent cyclone out. Flooding and road

that has smashed into this damage have cut off food

With the economic devas-

tation that surrounds many in Michigan it may be diffi-

cult to hear the cries for help

half way around the world in

Burma. The recent cyclone

country and its aftermath

may have claimed as many

as 100,000 lives. I has been

reported that nearly 40 per-

cent of the dead are chil-

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Singing for a cause Novi High students listen to the band Shirock at Novi High School last Tuesday morning in a concert for pupils involved in Students Against Destructive Decisions.

LETTERS Exorbitant Water Kudos to city Furthermore, some of our a business or company moves to neighbors, when compared with Novi's \$25.14/1000 cubic feet Wixom their water and sewer rate management Rates would only be about 56 percent of (after a 23.8 percent increase), what they would pay in Novi enjoyed relatively small increases Recently, the press is showing the fiscal scorecards of so many cities in metropolitan area which On May 7, the "Detroit Free This form of financial rape and Press" published an article about the new Detroit City Council reductions. For example, xom's \$13.85/1000 cubic feet ruin has to stop or the City of Novi will soon find itself priced outside of what the surrounding (after a 12.9 percent reduction), Walled Lake's \$15,74/1000 cubic. indicate fiscal distress, falling approving water rates for the communities within the metropolponulations, shrinking tax bases communities can offer to potentia and declining fund balances. We the citizens of Novi are itan Detroit area, When I scanned feet (after a 3.4 percent increase); businesses and to retaining curthe listing. I was surprised and deeply troubled that the City of Farmington Hill's \$17.63/1000 cubic feet (after a 9.6 percent increase) and Farmington's rent business enterprises. I stronsuggest that the Novi City fortunate that our city is in very ncil explore the following; good shape fiscally and com-Novi now has received the second 1. Take a strong, vocal and \$12.7/1000 cubic feet (after a 0.4 mands respect. We have excellent highest rate, Commerce Township city administration, the best school system and, next year, will percent increase). ras the highest. legal position against this type of While I recognize that a rate increase may have been neces-sary. I do think a 23.8 percent increase is exorbitant and may be The almost 24-percent increase r rate increases 2. Consider a Plan B. Perhap n water and sewer rates (so far) have a state-of-the-art city library. I applaud the work by the for Novi residents is very bad now is the time for Oakland mayor and councilmen and the administration under the leaderespecially for those on fixed County communities and Oakland increase is exorbitant and may be somewhat political, it seems all of the relatively prosperous commu-ntics; i. e., Bioamfield Hills, Bioamfield Township, Commerce Township, City of Northville, Northville Township, City of Novi, Plymouth Township, Pachester, Hills, Washington incomes and those who have County to consider its own water received no significant raises or salary reductions. But there are pipeline from Lake Huron (via a Bond Issue). ship of the city manager. Keep it up and make us all 3. Consider a Plan C. Run water proud also other serious ramifications pipes to Farmington Hills, Livonia, Walled Lake and Wixom and purthat will impact our tax base. Many small and large commercial and industrial operations use large Ramesh Verma Commissioner, OSA, State of Michigan chase their water at 10 percent ove Rochester Hills, Washington Township and West Bloomfield quantities of water in their daily what they pay for bulk water. operation and the higher cost of water and sewer is an added expense. Consider, for example, if Joseph G. Toth Township received exceptionally Novi Resident high rates

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PHIL POWER: Business tax latest evidence of Michigan's political incompetence

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threat of a state governvaluable insights. Bottom line: "The service tax was ment shutdown, the legislature passed and Gov the direct result of the Jennifer Granholm signed brinksmanship of the GOP a new Michigan Business leadership in negotiations and (the) lack of GOP The tax won wide spread praise — at first. But weeks later, the members (in) responding to the requests of their tra deficit-fighting legislature business community." tacked on an incompre-That's pretty stunning hensible, inexplicable and - and here's my attempt to put this all into context: unenforceable tax on a bizarre assortment of serv-Leading up to the critical increase in the income tax; votes, both the Michigan one for a service tax (that ices, such as fortunetellers and baby-shoe Chamber of Commerce and the Detroit Chamber The business commutried hard to persuade legnity rose in wrath. What islators to pass an income they most worried about tax increase big enough to was that once there was a cover the entire deficit. tax on any services, there Why? Simple: To avoid soon might be a tax on all additional business taxes. services. So at the last The House of thanks to Representative figured it But that was the political Chamber of Commerce out. There, Democratic Speaker of the House pressure, the service tax was repealed. Andy Dilion and other To make up the lost leaders tried repeatedly to ter brew. evenue, a 20 percent sur pass a 4.7 percent income tax that would have charge was then hastilv tacked on top of the resolved the budget crisis Michigan Business Tax, which took effect Jan. 1 without resorting to the 2008. Now tax bills are service tax. But neither of the Republican leaders in the finally going out, and there's lots of howling legislature --Senate going on - much of it legitimate. Some business. Majority Leader Mike Bishop nor House es are bitterly complaining Minority Leader Craig their tax bills are double or triple what they used to be under the old Single DeRoche - was willing to step forward. They urged their members to hold Business Tax back and let the Lawmakers. How did this train wreck happen? A few days ago, I Democrats take the politi-Republicans Democrats, had to make cal hit for a vote for more taxes. At one point, it three tough tax votes looked as though there when one would have sufreceived a lengthy e-mail from a lawmaker (who were as many as 10 Republican representaas many as 10 ficed. blican representa- Businesses are now wishes to remain anony-

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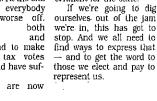
mous) but who offers some tives ready to vote for an struggling with a 20 per adequate income tax hike, but DeRoche wouldn't cent surcharge on the new MBT. And the state still faces chronic structural budge. That was too bad for all

budget deficits - deficits concerned. In the end, the the present tax structure attempt to construct only make virtually inevitable. one difficult vote for legis And the anti-tax fringe. lators - an income namely the folks who are ditional supporters in the increase sufficient to now trying to recall Dillon. got a new lease on life. Remember, they started makers with three tough out by going after any lawvotes: One for a smaller makers who supported any tax increase, whether Republican or Democrat one for a service tax (that was repealed before it took Once they discovered effect); and one for a 20 there was limited suppor percent surcharge on the new business tax. all the other efforts and Since no lawmaker only went after Dillon. The hotiom line: Basing wants to cast difficult and

risky votes, it's hard to see a policy for governing on how forcing three tough votes was better than one. political turned out to be the worst possible outcome. Worst not only for legislators who "new math" calculus in Lansing at the time. are now regarded as nin-And it produced a bit-

compoops by their con-stituents and the news My legislative source concludes, "The media but also for the state as a whole. This sorry tale illus-trates all too well one of brinkmanship game of the leaders led to a much worse result for the state. the worst aspects of our Republicans need to dysfunctional political sys know that the negotiation tem namely, a wholesale preference by both parties and political games led to for scoring political points higher taxes and more rev enue to grow state government. Pretty high price. on rational, long-term gov High indeed. At the end ernment for the state. of the day, everybody wound up worse off. both

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entries. Growing up, you always hear about "the real world." While you are there, check out blogs and Not the MTV show, but the life of a full-time job, several bills and eventually starting a other thoughts by our entire staff. Although I may be a few years off from the latter, Ive just finished soaking up my first full year of "the real world." I graduated from And don't forget to join in the fun too while on the. Web site. Create your own blog, weich-in on our comuniforums and even post Michigan State University on May 3, 2007, just one day after l interviewed for this job. photos of your favorite community events. You can post upcom-Some could say I was fortuing events, rally resinate to get a job so quickly, but it did take some work, as dents for a common. I applied at several newspa-pers since the March '07 cause or write your own story about a Novi hap-

spring break. Not wanting to be forced ining. Visit www.bornetowaout of, or to the other side of, the state, I was glad to get a life.com for a one-stop place for community 😂 👾 job covering Novi, a commu-nity i've always enjoyed and had previously worked in for Information.

To the starting gates for the race to the real world

of work and a few student loans toward the end. returned home for summer, I time, money and food manof work and a few student loans toward the end. A year out of the starting gate, I'm happy with where I'm at. Two things I have learned though is that things aren't handed to you and pro-crastination is not an option. I have several friends who graduated before me and are still without a full-time job. More often than not, it was you if you'd like to be talking to them five years from now. because they didn't get the necessary experience while in hard work will inevitably be recognized and you'll get where you want eventually. The most important lesson: Don't cruise. If you don't get bine of the youngest auss ton, shore of the youngest auss 2003 and one of the first to graduate college. I've always the game. In four years, I earned two associates degrees at Scholorraft College and a bachelor's degree from Michigan State University - a trifecta process that took about 150 credit hours, a lot college or they took too long to involved with student groups and nab yourself some internships or career-related jobs, college is just a lazy social event with a piece of paper at the end. If l be as worthwhile as you make it, and the more worthwhile you make it the better chappes

beginning to recede but under military rule since other pro-decomeracy the problems facing the 1962. Myammar has been advocates. Yet, this story survivors are just begin-ning to surface. Fights and West for years for sup-the 24 hour news cycle pressing pro-democracy was off chasing the latest parties such as the one led news. The basic necessity mini riots have broken out 94119-3223 in desperation for food and water. There is great need by Aung San Suu Kyi, a of life are front and center 3336 Nobel Peace Prize laureate for humanitarian efforts for tens of thousands of that cover the basic neces-sities of life including: arrest off and on for the bury their dead, seek shel-8863www.give2asia.org American Red Cross sities of life including: arrest off and on for the buy their dead, seek shel-food, water, cooking uten- past 18 years. This is just food, water, cooking utenaperate food, water, and medical Aung attention to survive the going to make a desperate sils, charcoal, medical situation worse. Aung San Suu Kyi, like South African leader Nelson 2018 supplies, sanitation items storm that has changed their landscape and and hygiene kits, clothing. 800-257-7575 water purification tablets, nosquito nets, plastic Mandela, has become the Asian symbol of peaceful The short-term relief and www.redcross.org Asian symbol of peaceful sheeting and tents. The United Nations resistance in the face of longer-term rebuilding as many as I million ugly oppression. efforts are going to me ple have been made Myanmar last splashed monumental. As the flood lems here in Michigan said as many as 1 million but nothing like the people have been made bomeless. What is taking place far away from our homes is a major disaster and human misery on a killed, and thousands that struggled with the manual struggled with the survivors and human misery on a killed, and thousands that struggled with the manual struggled with the survivors and human misery on a killed, and thousands that struggled with the survivors and human misery on a killed, and thousands that struggled with the survivors and human misery on a survivors and human misery ery that has swamped the

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The people of Myanmar are swamped – help

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🖊 SUNNY OAK Disaster Recovery Fund Francisco, CA FARM USA Phone (415) 743-392-Unique Hanging Ф. Con the second Des Moines, IA 50340-**Baskets** 1-800-HELP NOW or 1-Yes, we have our prob-~ NOW OPEN ~ Also • Bedding Plants • Perennials Geraniums • Proven Winners and Shrubs You can help. Please All Plant Material Grown on Premises 2777 Wixom Trail, Milford (Between Duck Lk. & Burns Rd.) (248) 766-5484 **OPEN DAILY AT 9:00AM**

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HOT TICKET: Novi Lions Club Trash in Treasure Garage Sale 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday at Novi High School Thursday, May 15, 2008 MY BULLETIN BOARD Victoria Mitchell, editor \bigvee www.hometownlife.com (248) 349-1700, ext. 102 fax: (248) 349-9832 /emitchell@gannett.com

EVENTS

Wines You Must Trv TIME/DATE: 6 p.m.-8:30 p.m., toniaht LOCATION: Mezza Mediterranean Grille, 42050 Grand River, Novi DETAILS: Presenting 50 wines form the area's smaller, more selective distributors. Ticket price tion, call Kim at (248) 349-4600 includes Mediterranean buffet. Event wines can be ordered at special prices. Tickets are avail able at By the Bottle, 25875 Novi Road, Novi CONTACT: (248) 344-8992

Passoort Fair IME/DATE: 11 a.m.-3 p.m Saturday

LOCATION: Novi Post Office, 24875 Novi Road DETAILS: Passport photos taken during the fair, or you can bring your own. For more information, contact the Novi Pos Office at (248) 349-3152 or visit www.usps.com/passport

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Jeanne Clarke Teen Center
   TIME/DATE: Registration is 9
a.m.-noon Saturday. Teen Center
is noon-5:30 p.m. Monday
 Thursday, June 23-July 31
   LOCATION: Novi High School
Cafeteria
  DETAILS: Looking for some
fun this summer? For kids going
into grades 6-9. Activities include
movies, wave pool, bowling,
music, video games, laser tao
 field trips, tournaments, sports
lock-in, Detroit Tigers, and Cedar
Point, Register at the Novi Civic
Center.
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Lakes Area Garden Club Novi Woods Montessori Plant Exchange

Goen House IME/DATE: 1-3 p.m. Saturday Saturday LOCATION: 42800 W. 13 Mile Road, Novi DETAILS: Come and observe this dynamic school in action This is an accredited year round Montessori school dedicated to academic excellence. Infant to it's time for you to get out there kinderoarten programs are offered along with elementary programs during the summer Math, science, languages and that bare spot left by those myscultural studies are featured. the early morning to snack in CONTACT: (248) 624-2211

Novi Lions Club Trash 'n Treasures Garage Sale TIME/DATE: 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday LOCATION: Novi High School, 10 Mile Road parking lot DETAILS: Items are welcome

for donation. Sludent and parent volunteers are needed to set up and sell. This garage sale benefits e many local projects of the Novi Lions Club CONTACT: Lion Fred al (248) 305-9557

Providence Park Job Fair TIME/DATE: 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Saturda Stuffed with Hugs; Your LOCATION: Providence Park Medical Building, Conference Rooms A, B and C, 47601 Grand River Ave., Novi DETAILS: The Job Fair is to

LOCATION: Build-A-Bear Workshop, Twelve Oaks Mall, 27400 Novi Road recruit new employees for its DETAILS: The first 150 guests upcoming hospital that is curare invited to participate. Make a rently under construction.

at the Novi Parks office in th Wednesday, June 18 Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. 10 Mile Road CONTACT: For more information, call (248) 347-0400. Marrow Donor Drive TIME/DATE: 2-5 p.m. Sunday + OCATION: St. James Catholic Church, 46325 W. 10 Mile Road, See store for rules. Novi DETAILS: Drive is to help local resident Gary Latham. Donor Saturday, June 14 Drive is free. To narticipate, you only need to swab the inside of your cheek: no blood drawn at this time. You must be between the ages of 18 and 60, be willing to donale to any patient in need supplies last. and meet the health ouidelines. CONTACT: For more informa tion, call Karen Welch at (248) Friday, July 4 596-0789. (800) Marrow-2, or visit www.marrow.org. Kids Castle will receive an American Flag in honor or Founders Day Festival plies last TIME/DATE: 1-4 p.m. Sunday LOCATION: Gibson Park 49805 Pontiac Tail, Wixom DETAILS: City of Wixom TIME/DATE: 6:30 p.m. Community Services and the Wednesday, May 28 Wixom Historical Society team LOCATION: Better Health up for a good old-fashioned Wixom day. Bring your family Novi and friends and enjoy entertain ment and activities for all ages film documents the saga of related to the 1800-1950s eras. No cost. Featuring entertaine Amazing Clark and the band "The world for 30 years until the **BelAi** Andean Trade Preference Act Chili Cook-Off DETAILS: Teams must pre-register. Entry fee is \$20 per team of up to six people. Guest pay \$3 onsite to sample the chili. fce Cream Social LOCATION: Wixom Wire House, corner of Wixom and bankruptcy. Introduction by Maple roa Melinda Curtis of Select DETAILS: Features ice cream Michigan, Light refreshments. specials penny candy, games, Seating is limited and reservations are succested by calling tours of the museum and Wixom Cemetery and more. Free admis-(248) 735-8100 sion. For more information, con tact Bertha King at (248) 684-Mom 2 Mom Sale 2442 CONTACT: City of Wixom at Friday, May 30 LOCATION: Wixom (248) 624-2850 10.001 Community Center Democrats of West Oakland the slightly used baby and chil-County TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Tuesday dren's items. Strollers allowed after 11 a.m. Cost at the door is LOCATION: Maple Restaurant and Golf, 31260 Wakefield Dr., on \$2 per person. Sellers keep their own profits. Registration to 14 Mile Road between Novi Road reserve space is required before and M-5 sale. Fee is \$20 per table and DETAILS: The speaker is Andy includes one eight foot table in a Dillon, Speaker of the Michigan 10x5 foot space. Sign up begins House, Bring a can of food to at 8:30 a.m. support the local food bank CONTACT: To register, cal. CONTACT: Jim at (248) 624-(248) 624-2850, fax to (248) 7228 960-8873 or pay in person at 49015 Pontiac Trail Second City Theatricals "Sex and The Second City" ovi Parks Department TIME/DATE: 8 p.m. Wednesdays and Thursdays; 8 Summer Camps DETAILS: The Novi Parks Department is offering over 15 new camps this summer with

and 10 p.m. Fridays: 7 and 9 p.m. Saturdays; 8 p.m. Sundays LOCATION: Second City Comedy Club, 42705 Grand River, Novi DETAILS: The Second City Theartricals, a division of the world famous Second City comedy theatre presents this fast naced musical comedy men. women, love and marriage and everything in hetween. Tickets are \$15 and can be purchased directly through The Second City box office by calling (248) 348-

DETAILS: Enter to win a trip to List your event in Las Vegas from the Next Food our calendar! Network Star. One winner will be chosen to receive a trip for two To be included in My including alrfare, accommoda Bulletin Board, please send tions at Caesar's Palace, dinner event name, date, time, locacertificate, spa certificates, a tion, details and contact. Kitchenaid (r) Stand Mixer and Mail: Novi News, My \$1,000. One entry per person Bulletin Board, 104 W. Main Street Suite 101 Northville **Father's Day Giveaway** MI 48167. DATE: Saturday, June 7 Fax: (248) 349-9832 E-mall: vemitchell@ DETAILS: Children visiting the nannett.com Kids Castle will receive a special ft to give to dad for Father's Day, Kids Castles are supervised CHAMBERS play areas for children. While OF Kids Castle Flag Giveaway COMMERCE DATE: Saturday, June 28-DETAILS: Children visiting the Greater Novi Chamber of Commerce Independence Day. While sup-We're about business. We're about networking. We're about creating excitement in busi ness and networking! "Asparagus" Film Screening Everyone is welcome to attend any of our events. For more information call Whitney: exec utive director at (248) 347 Market, 42875 Grand River Ave., 4622 or whitnev@oreaternovichamber.com. Also visit DETAILS: This controversial www.oreaternovichamber.com es Leads Group Oceana County, Michigan which TIME/DATE: 8:30-9:30 a.m. was the asparaous capital of the second and fourth Thursday of each month LOCATION: Hooter's of Novi gave Peru the right to export its DETAILS: Serious networking fresh asparagus into the U.S. tax will happen on a bi-weekly basis free as in incentive to discourance No cost drug production and trafficking Arts Round Table Peru is now the world leader in TIME/DATE: 5:30 p.m. first the asparagus industry and the Tuesday of every month farmers of Michigan are facing LOCATION: Grapevine, Main Street DETAILS: Come and discuss art and network with local artists. No cost TIME/DATE: 10 a.m.-7 p.m Road, Suite 201, Novi DETAILS: Come and browse

Novi Chamber of Commerce LOCATION: 41875 W. 11 Mile The chamber is celebrating 40 years of business, representing Walled Lake over 500 members. Our mission is to be a responsible; proactiv advocate of business interests in the greater Novi area. We are business and professional peop working together to enhance the life of our community and the businesses in it. For more information; visit www.novichamber.com or conact the chamber office at (248) 349-3743. Viva Las Vegas Casino Night TIME/DATE: 6-10 p.m. May 22 Saturday LOCATION: Lucky Strike Lanes, 44325 12 Mile Road After Hours Wine Tasting and Strolling Appetizers TIME/DATE: 5 p.m Wednesday, May 28 LOCATION: Fleming's Prime Steakhouse and Wine Bar, 17400 at 8 a.m. followed by the prosomething for everyone. New Haggerty, Livonia camps include: Farm Camp gram at 8:30 a.m. featuring Paul McKenney from Varnum, Mountain Biking Camp, Sporties Riddering, Schmidt and Howlett: Lakes Area Chamber of for shorties - preschool sports Jennifer Sanderson from The camp. Sports Camps - crickets. Commerce bowling, cheer, football and ten-Rehmann Group and Linda Since 1963, the Lakes Area Hagan, PhD, from Walsh College nis, Crazy Science Camp, Lego Chamber of Commerce has proudly served as West Oakland's Call the college for more informa-Camp, Dance Camp - ballet and HIp-Hop, Painting Camp, and Regional Chamber; servicing the Circus Camp, Camp Lakeshore communities of Commerce returns this summer with field Township, Union Lake, Walled Mergers and Acquisitions trips to Pump It Up, Detroit Lake, Waterford, Wixom, Conference



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   Recommended CPE Credit Hour:
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   Auditing), MACPA Members
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   at www.michopa.org. course
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   code: MAC, or (888) 877-4273
     CONTACT: For more informa-
   tion, contact the Michigan
   Association of CPA's CPE
   Department at (888) 877-4273 or
   cpe@michcpa.org
   Novi Rotary Club
     TIME/DATE: Noon every
    LOCATION: Novi Methodist
   Church. 41671 W. 10 Mile Road
    DETAILS: Lunch is $10 at
   meeting. Visitors welcome. Check
   Web site for speaker information;
   www.novirotary.org.
  Females in the Family
  Business Affinity Group
     TIME/DATE: 8-9:30 a.m.
  third Thursday of every month
    LOCATION: Walsh College
  Troy Campus
DETAILS: Walsh Business
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  Leadership Institute invites
  women who own, are partners
  in or work for family bus-
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 nesses. Items discussed will
  be common issues and
 women can share solutions in
  a nonthreatening, noncompeti
 tive, non-sales roundtable.
  Registration is regulred
    CONTACT: Jan Hubbard
 ihubbard@walshcollege.edu
 American Business
 Women's Association
   Acetings
TIME/DATE: 6:15 p.m. second
  Wednesday of every month
   LOCATION: DoubleTree Hotel.
 42100 Crescent Blvd. (formerly
 the Wyndham Garden Hotel)
   DETAILS: Local chapter pro-
 vides many advantages to today's
 working women and offers a
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 strong community service pro-
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   CONTACT: www.abwa-novi.org
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 Providence Center for the
 Healing Arts
   LOCATION: Assarian Cancer
 Center: 47601 Grand River
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  or email
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   Wanted: One-time Art
 Warkshap Instructors
   DETAILS: We are looking to
people who have an art or craft
    t they would like to share in
our series of one-time work-
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   Colored Pencil Workshop
   TIME/DATE: 1-3 p.m.; sec
ond Tuesday of every month
  DETAILS: Beginners wel-
  Ceramics Class
   TIME/DATE: 10 a.m.-3 p.m
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  DETAILS: Explore the Art of
playing with clay. Express
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sional art form. $10 lab fee.
Call to verify class times
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he used at home or on the job
                                   CONTACT: (248) 349-0720
to help reduce stress; class
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treatment should bring physician's referral; \$50/50-min-Create with Kathy TIME/DATE: 10 a.m. - noon DETAILS: An opportunity to express vourself artistically in our peaceful and Inspirational creative arts studio. Kathy provides quid-Monday arice in a variety of techniques and projects. \$5 suggested per Perspectives on Health Photography Exhibit TIME/DATE: 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Friday, May 1 LOCATION: Nancy A. Fox Art each month Gallery DETAILS: This show features Click, a club of amateur and advanced photographers. This exhibit is a delightful offering of pictures that explore the photographers' unique and personal erspectives on health and wellness. This exhibit expounds on the virtues of healthy living through intelligent and creative Know Before You Go CONTACT: Call (248) 465-4488 for a recording of the latest in Registration requested of the Books Line Dancing DATE: Monday and Friday TIME: 6:30-7:30 p.m. begin-Wednesday, May 28 ners: 7:30-9:30 p.m. intermediate LOCATION: Novi Civic Center. 45175 W. 10 Mile Road DETAILS: No partner needed pay-as-you-go. Novi residents \$5, non-residents \$6. SCHOOL & GOVERNMENT needed. Novi Community School **District Board of Education** TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Today a.m.-5 p.m. Wednesday and LOCATION: Educational Services Saturday: 1-5 p.m. Sunday; Building, 25345 Taft Road closed Friday. CONTACT: (248) 624-3772 or CONTACT: (248) 449-1204 e-mail to admin@walledlakeI Novi City Council Meeting brary.org TIME/DATE 7 o m first and Classical Music Series third Monday of month (May 19) TIME/DATE: 2 p.m. first LOCATION: Novi Civic Center Tuesday of each month 45175 W 10 Mile Boa Friends of the Library CONTACT: (248) 347-0470 Meetina TIME/DATE: 1 p.m. second Novi Youth Assistance Tuesday of month. Book Discussion Group General Citizens Meeting. TIME/DATE: 12:30 p.m. third TIME/DATE: 6 p.m. Tuesday, Tuesday of each month DETAILS: Drop in for informa LOCATION: Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. 10 Mile Road CONTACT: (248) 347-0410 discussion. Bring a bag lunch. check library for current book selection. Preschool Story Time **Novi Community Education** TIME/DATE: 11 a.m. every Tuesdav CONTACT: (248) 449-1206 DETAILS: For ages 2-4. Novi Community Education's Registration required. Spring and Summer Brochure is Story & Snacks Family Time now available. Sign up today for TIME/DAY: 6:30 every adult and youth classes, camps Thursday and summer programs. Onlin DETAILS: Drop-In program registration is available 24/7 at designed for the independent lisw.novi.k12.ml.us/District/co ter ages 2-6. munityEducation. For more infor-Library Board of Trustees mation, please call the Community Education office at TIME/DATE: 1 p.m. second Friday of every month Storytellers Connection Volunteers DETAILS: Volunteer readers LIBRARY are needed to read to children in a classroom setting. Contact the library for more information. Novi Public Library Wixom Public Library LOCATION: 45245 W. 10 Mile LOCATION: 49015 Pontiac Trall: Wixom

May Flowers TIME/DATE: 1 p.m. Saturday DETAILS: Get a jump start on your garden. Hear some stories, about plants and make a craft, Registration required, Lego Club TIME/DATE: 6-6:45 p.m. DETAILS: Kids in grades K-4 join us once a month for Lego show-and-tell and building activi ties. We supply the Legos, you Library Board Meeting TIME/DATE: 7-9 p.m Wednesday (third Wednesday of LOCATION: Novi Civic Center, City Council Chambers DETAILS: General meeting of the entire Library Board. Broadcast live on cable channel Life and Culture in the Great TIME/DATE: 7-9 p.m. Thursday, May 22 DETAILS: Joel Stone, maritime artist, book illustrator and curato for the Dossin Great Lakes Museum will speak and present some of his own works. Reading Manlacs, Mini Battle TIME/DATE: 6:30-7:30 p.m. Today TIME/DATE; 5-5;45 p.m. DETAILS: The Oregon Trail was the largest migration in our coun-DETAILS: For grades 3-4. try's history Shirley Welnreich Read these four books and will speak about this exciting and answer questions as a team. demanding time using slides and Teams crewated on day of battle artifacts. She will also describe Books are: "Ramona and Her her own reenactment, walking Father" by Beverly Cleary, beside the wagons and sleeping "Frindle" by Andrew Clements, under the stars. Please register Kensuke's Kinodom" by Michae Morpurgo and "Bunnicula" by Deborah Howe, No registration NOVI SENIORS Walled Lake City Library LOCATION: 1499 E. West Novi Senior Activities Maple Board, Wallert Lake Center HOURS: 10 a.m.-8 p.m. LOCATION: Located in the Monday, Tuesday, Thursday; 10 Meadowbrook Commons Senior

Complex; 25075 Meadowbrook

CONTACT: (248) 347-0414

4 n m Tuesday-Friday and 9

League 11:15 a.m.; Line Dance-Beg.

12:15 p.m.: Contract Bridge

1-2 p.m.: Chair Yoga

2:30 p.m.: Line Dance

10 a.m.: Body Recall

9 a.m.: Stretch & Strength

12:30 p.m.: Duplicate Bridge

9 a.m.: Stretch and Strength

10 a.m.: Body Recall

12:30 p.m.: Pinochle

4-5 p.m.: Bereavement

Support Group with Dr. Michael

6 p.m.: Pilates Mat Work

8:30 a.m.: Panera Bread

9 a.m.: Line Dance-Int.

10 a.m.: Asian Pacific

10 a.m.-neon: Arthritis

Foundation Self-Help program

1:30-3 p.m.; Computer Lab

9 a.m.: Stretch and Strength

9:15 a.m. Women's Golf

10 a.m.: Body Recal

a.m.-noon Saturday

Noon: Lunch

Friday

Noon: Lunch

1 p.m.: Bingo

Noon: Lunch

Tuesday

(reg. required)

Open

League

HOURS: 10 a.m.-8 p.m

Monday-Thursday; 10 a.m.-5

p.m. Friday-Saturday; 1-5 p.m.

Sunday CONTACT: (248) 624-2512

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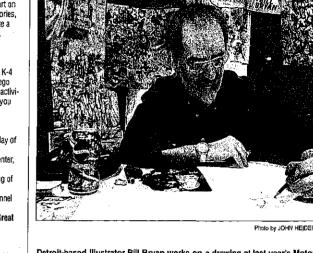
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Breast Cancer Support Group

Detroit-based Illustrator Bill Bryan works on a drawing at last year's Motor City Comic Con at the Novi Rock Financial Showplace. Atte dees perused acres of comics and figurines and shook hands with celebrities of TV shows and movies like Lou Gossett Jr. and the Incredible Hulk - Lou Ferigno, This year's show will take place from May 16-18 at the Rock Financial Showplace.

available; registration

required TIME/DATE: 10-11:30 a.m. CONTACT: Lisa Molloy (248) second and fourth Thursday of 334-3595 every month LOCATION: Sinal Center for Bereavement Support Group Women; next to the hospital's DATE: Third Tuesday of each South Garden entrance month DETAILS: This support aroup TIME: 7:30-9 p.m. is for any woman diagnosed with LOCATION: Novi Civic Center: 45175 W. 10 Mile Road CONTACT: (248) 937-5163 DETAILS: The meeting proeather's Club Support vides the opportunity for those Group in grief to share their story and TIME/DATE: Noon the third rn about the phases Wednesday of the month tasks of grief. All are welcome; DFTAILS: Free year-round pro no fee gram for persons afflicted with CONTACT: Michael M. Meyer, uno disease. Provides support Doctorate of Ministry and information. Pre-registratio no required. For information call. Angela Hospice Groups DETAILS: Grief support (248) 937-3314 H.U.G.S. Group for Parents groups include general grief, TIME/DATE: 7-9 p.m. third loss of a spouse, women's grief, Thursday of each month parents who have lost a child DETAILS: Support and counand a grief support quilters Massage by appointment: 1seling to parents who have sufgroup. All groups are led by fered a pregnancy or newborn bereavement professionals and oss; no pre-registration required. trained volunteers. CONTACT: (248) 937-4847 for LOCATION: Angela Hospice 9 a.m.: Line Dance; Mixed Golf more informa Care Center: 14100 Newburgh **Journeys Cancer Support** Road; Livonia CONTACT: Joan Lee (734) TIME/DATE: 7-8:30 p.m. first 953-6012 and third Monday of every month General Grief Support LOCATION: Lobby of the Groupsy endnord Strength TIME/DATE: 1 p.m. and 6:30 1:30 o.m.: Computer Lab Open Charach Oarloer Treatment Oenter DETAILS: Support group for p.m. second and fourth Tuesday those with cancer or who are of month related to or know someone liv-DETAILS: Open to all losses. ng with cancer. CONTACT: (248) 937-5163 Loss of Spouse/Significant New Parents Support Group TIME/DATE: 10 a.m. second TIME/DATE: 6:30-8 p.m. first Tuesday of month and fourth Wednesday of each Men in Grief 8:45 a.m.: Men's Golf League month TIME/DATE: 6:30-8 p.m. LOCATION: Hospital fourth Monday of month Conference Center Suicide Loss Support DETAILS: A supportive envi Services ment for families to share DETAILS: Individual and famitheir struggles: learn how to services offered free for those resolve issues after the birth of a who have lost a loved one child; discuss concerns such as through suicide; call (734) 464-7810 for more information. sleep deprivation and coping with the emotions of parenting. Heartstrings: Parents Who CONTACT: (248) 858-7766 Have Lost a Child Postpartum Depression TIME/DATE: 7-8:30 p.m. first Support Group TIME/DATE: 6:45 p.m. every Grief Support Quilter's Group Thursday TIME/DATE: 1-3 p.m. first and DETAILS: Postpartum depresthird Wednesday of month 10:30 -11:30 a.m.: Bookmobile sion can happen anytime within DETAILS: Register by calling the first year after childbirth. (734) 953-6012 nptoms include sadness, lack of energy, trouble concentrating anxiety and feelings of guilt and **DMC Huron Valley-Sinai** Hospital Support Groups worthlessness. CONTACT: (248) 937-5220 LOCATION: William Carls Drive, Commerce Township Support for Smokers CONTACT: (248) 937-3314 DATE: First and third Tuesday 11 a.m.: TOPS, Blood Pressure of each month Alcoholics Anonymous Support Group DETAILS: Provides education TIME/DATE: 10 a.m. every and support to quit smoking; no



p.m. or e-mail sbnoviinfo@hiscore.com. Information about Give Kids the World is available at www.gktw.org.

Auto Wash, next to Valero gas

station on the corner of Grand

DETAILS: Staybridge Suites is

River Ave. and Wixom Road

participating in this annual car

wash to benefit Give Kids the

World, a 70-acre, non-profit

threatening illnesses who wish to

visit Central Florida's best loved

CONTACT: For more informa

Monday-Friday, from 7 a.m.-3

Chocolate Jazz Concert

LOCATION: Crosspointe

Meadows Church 29000

Meadowbrook Road, Nov

and scrumptious desserts.

Fitness Jam for a Cure

ness iam will benefit the

DATE: Saturday LOCATION: Lifetime Fitness

40000 High Points Blvd., Novi

DETAILS: This 1st annual fit-

Muscular Dystrophy Association

through the Augies's Quest for a

Cure Campaion, Lifetime Fitness

is helping raise money to wipe

out ALS (Lou Genriq's disease).

by donating all proceeds raised

from this event to the ALS pro-

gram. To participate in this life

saving event, please call Dena

TIME/DATE: 12 p.m. - 4 p.m

Wolverine Lake Offices Parking

Lot, 625 Glenoary Road, between

DETAILS: Fellow Gardening

Friends and Neighbors, You know

and split those overgrown plants

terious critters that come out in

Bring your plants to the annual

Spring Plant Exchange and trade

them for some new varieties. The

bloom time, soil type, etc. There

will be some plants available for

ourchase if you do not have any

Master Gardeners will also be

available to answer questions and

a variety of garden items will be

available for purchase. Entrance

CONTACT: Sandi Barnes at

sbarnes@talkamerica.net for fur-

TIME/DATE: 10 a.m. Saturday

and labeled with plant name.

Light requirements, height,

plants you bring should be potted

your garden

to exchange.

Donation \$2.00.

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| rently under construction. Recruiting for RNs, CRNAs, Pharmacists, Cardiac Sonographers, Respiratory Therapists, Radiology Technicians, CT Technicians, Uitrasound Technicians, Physical Therapists, Physical Therapist Assistants, Speech Language Pathologists, Occupational Therapists, Environmental Services, Food and Nutrition Services and more. Full-time, part-time and contingent posi- tions are available on all shifts. There will be on-site interviews. Please bring your resume. Presentations about the hospital and small tour groups also avail- able. For a complete listing of open positions, visit www.stjotn.org/obopenings. For more information on the Providence Park Job Fair, please call Work Life Services at (248) 465-4570. Bive Klds the World Car Wash Day Benefit TIME/DATE: 8 a.m3 p.m. Saturday LOCATION: Wixom' Finest | are invited to participate. Make a white flutfy puppy for free and stuff it with extra hugs and love. It will be donated to one of three causes; children's health and wellness; literacy; and humane education programs. Choose where your puppy will be donat- ed. CONTACT: (248) 374-8987 "Kokonut Kapers" TIME/DATE: 7:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Also, 2 p.m. Saturday. Also, 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. LOCATION: Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. 10 Mile Road DETAILS: The Novi Theatres presents this buoyant musical comedy that features fast-paced action, a treasure chest of Jokes, high school antics, pirates and a lot that moves as swiftly as a hurricane. Fifty-two young actors, several from Novi and Northville, star in the show which is directed by Harry Wetzel from the Detroit Repertory Theatre. Ticket are \$15 for adults and \$12 for students and seniors. All sears are reserved. Tickets are on sale online at www.cityofnovi.org and | box office by calling (248) 348- 4448, or going to http://www.secondcity.com Art Van Furniture Store Events LOCATION: 27775 Novi Road; Novi CONTACT: (248) 348-8922 Race For the Care Entries DATE: Through Friday, May 16 DETAILS: Ant Van is pleased to be a sponsor of the 17th Annual Susan G. Komen Detroit Race for the Cure, May 31 at Comerica Park. Those interested in partici- pating in the race can pick up entry forms in the store. Win a Family Membership to the YMCA DATE: Now through Sunday, June 1 DETAILS: To register, stop by the store and receive a free pro- tile from Kingsdown's BodyDiagnostics (tm) technology which determines a body's profile and specifies and the sleep sys- tem to suit that body. This takes just two minutes. Next Food Network Star Sweepstakes DATE: Sunday, June 1- | trips to Pump It Up. Detroit Science Center, Red Oaks Wave Pool and the Detroit Zoo. Registration is now open. For more information or to register, visit cityofnovi.org. There is a \$5 discount when registering online. CONTACT: (248) 347-0400 Farmers Market - Walled Lake TIME/DATE: 7 a.m 1 p.m. every Wednesday LOCATION: Walled Lake City Event Field on E. West Maple Road between Decker Road and Pontiac Trail, Walled Lake DETAILS: The Farmers Market begins in May and runs through the end of October. Some of the items available at the market this year include: Fresh vegetables, eggs, honey, jams, jelly, fruits, annual and perennial flowers and garden accessories. Vender space is still available. CONTACT: Janell at The City of Walled Lake, 1499 E. West Maple Road, Walled Lake or call (248) 624-4847. | Lake, Waterford, Wixom, Wolverine Lake and White Lake. Our purpose is to improve the quality of life for businesses and residents in the Lakes area. We act as a unified voice on behalf of the business community, provide a forum to discuss and review topics of inferest, serve as a source of information and devel- op programs that are responsive to the needs of the communities we serve. LOCATION: 305 N. Pontiac Trail, Ste. B, Walled Lake CONTACT: For more 31st Annual Spring Golf Scamble TIME/DATE: 11 a.m. Monday LOCATION: Edgewood Country Club, 8399 Commerce Road, Commerce DETAILS: Lunch and registra- tion at 11 a.m. Shotgun start at 12:30 p.m. Cost is \$110 per golfer before May 14, \$120 per golfer after May 14, Four-some and T-sign paid by May 14 is \$500, after May 14 is \$540. Includes 18 holes of golf with car, lunch, buffet dinner, con- tests, awards and prizes. Commerce Township | Conference Presented by the Michigan Association of Cartified Public Accountants TIME/DATE: 8:30 a.m4:50 p.m., (registration at 8 a.m.), Monday, June 16 LOCATION: Crowne Plaza Hotel, 27000 Sheraton Drive DETAILS: Get the latest on all topics relating to mergers and acquisitions: The life cycle of the deal: post acquisition accounting issues; legal and tax due dili- gence issues and more. M&A Marketplace developments will be discussed with Scott A. Eisenberg, managing partner of Amherst Capital Partners in Birmingham. Southeast Michigan's Road to Renaissance will be led by Doug Rothwell, president of Detroit Renaissance in Detroit. An expert panel dis- cussion, Unique Experiences in Bringing International Companies to Michigan, will feature Wayne County Executive Robert A. Ficano, Maureen D. Krauss, deputy director for the Oakland County Department of Economic Development & Community Affairs and Mark McGewan, | to help reduce stress; class held in reliection space; Cancer Center. Therapeutic Yoga TIMEDATE: 10-11 a.m. Monday - Yoga for Kids with Parents; 12:30-1:30 p.m. Monday - Yoga for Backs; 6-7 p.m. Tuesday - Mixed Level; 11 a.m noon Wednesday - Meditative Yoga; 12:15-1:15 p.m. Wednesday Mixed Level; 5:30- 6:30 p.m. Thursday - Prenatal Yoga; 6:45-7:45 p.m. Thursday - Yoga for Backs; 12:30-1:30 p.m. Friday - Beginner/Intermediate; 9:30-10:30 a.m. Saturday - Mixed Level; 10:45-11:45 a.m. Saturday - Yoga for Backs: DETAILS; \$10/waik-in, \$80/10- class card, \$45/5-class card. Lunch and Learn Yoga 7-week session is \$60. Registration required. Classes also held at Providence Hospital, Southfield. Cail for details. Massage Therapy TIME/DATE: By appointment DETAILS; Therapeutic mas- sage is effective for stress and tension; chronic fatigue; pain and headaches. Everyone is welcome. Patients undergoing | CONTACT: (248) 349-0720 Unless noted below; all pro- grams take place at the library. The Library will be closed on Sunday, May 25 and Monday, May 26. On-Going Used Book Sale DETAILS: The Friends of Novi Library sponsors an on-going used book sale in the library meeting room every day during library hours. \$6 for a big bag of books. Knitters and Knetters TIME/DATE: 6:30-8 p.m. sec- ond and fourth Monday of each month DETAILS: Drop in for informal needlework group in Youth Area; all fevels welcome. Senior Book Discussion TIME/DATE: Noon-1:30 p.m. second Thursday of each month DETAILS: Book discussion group for older adults facilitated by librarian, please call to join. English Conversation Group TIME/DATE: 11 a.mnoon every Tuesday; 1-2 p.m. every Wednesday DETAILS: For ages 18 and older; practice your English while you make friends; no registration | CONTACT: (248) 624-2512 ESL Cafe TIME/DATE: 3:30 p.m. every Thursday DETAILS: Coffee and conver- sation. Improve your English speaking skills by speaking with people from other countries try- ing to improve their English. No tests; instructor heip; free. CONTACT: Karin at the Information Desk. Fantastit Erlfdays DETAILS: For children ages 2- 6, with a Carégiver. Programs are a combination of food and friends, stories, songs and crafts. Register now. TIME/DATE: 10:30 a.m. Friday. May 16 - "May is Maisy Month" Moonlight Story Time TIME/DATE: 10:30 a.m. Friday. May 16 - "May is Maisy Month" Moonlight Story Time TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Wednesday - "May Flowers" DETAILS: For children ages 2- 6 with an aduit. Stories, songs, crafts and fun. Register now. Slaves of Suspense Afternoon Book Club TIME/DATE: 2-3 p.m. Wednesday, May 28 - "Bubbles Unbound" by Sarah Strohmeyer. Walking with the Wagons: Life on the Oregon Trafi | Noon: Lunch 12:30 p.m.: Club Clogging; Pen Pal Meet and Greet 6:30 p.m.: Beg/nt. Clogging 7:30 p.m.: Club Clogging Waltonwood at Twelve Caks Retirement Community Independent Living Residence; Licensed Assisted Living; Licensed Memory Care LOCATION: 27475 Huron Circle (adjacent to Twelve Oaks Mail) CONTACT: (248) 735-1500 SUPPORT GROUPS DATE: Last Wednesday of each month TiME: 10-11 a.m. LOCATION: Holy Family Catholic Church; 24505 Meadowbrook Read DETAILS: This informational meeting is Open to all adoptive families in Oakkand County. There is no charge. Child care is | Support Group TIME/DATE: 10 a.m. every Sunday DETAILS: No pre-registration required. For information, call (248) 937-3314. Al-Anon Support Group TIME/DATE: 10 a.m. every Sunday DETAILS: For family and friends of someone with an alco- hol problem. No preregistration required. For information, call (248) 706-1020. Alateen Support Group TIME/DATE: 10 a.m. every Sunday DETAILS: Intended for teens dealing with someone with an alcohol problem. No preregistra- tion required. For information; call (248) 706-1020. Alzhelmer's Caregiver Support Group TIME/DATE: 2-3:30 p.m. the fourth Monday of each month LOCATION: Krieger Center (South Garden Entrance) DETAILS: Designed to allow caregivers to share tips and offer support to each other; for ques- tions or directions call (248) 937- 3314. | DEFAILS: Provides education and support to quil smoking: no charge; no pre-registration. CONTACT: Call (248) 937-3314 for more information. Mattional Council of Jewish Women Adult Bereavement Support Group. Thursday, through May 31 LOCATION: Birmingham Temple, 28611 W. 12 Mile Road, between Inkster and Middlebelt roads. DETAILS: This bereavement group, led by a trained facilitator, is intended for adults who have lost a parent. Registration is required and attendance at all six sessions is requested. No drop- ins please. There is no charge, but donations are appreciated. CONTACT: For more informa- tion or to register, call (248) 355- 9386 or (248) 253-2580 MEIGNDONCOM BEADY-Sitting Cong. DETAILS: Using the co-op; | |
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LOCATION: Meadowbrook

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CONTACT: Rebecca Boyke

LOCATION: Visiting Nurse

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continued from 17A you and your children can make friends and get what you need accomplished without the little ones in tow. Also enjoy a mom? night out and other social events CONTACT: Sue Tracz (248) 380-0998.

Friendshin Circle

TIME/DATE: 1 p.m. second Thursday of each month OCATION: St. James Catholic Church, 46325 10 Mile Road, between Taft and Beck

Heartland Hospice DETAILS: Social group for all Volunteers Needed widows and widowers. CONTACT: Norbert Monson classes LOCATION: 28588 (248) 851-6730. Florence Voinht (248) 477-3032, Joy Northwestern Hwy.; Suite 475; ldi (248) 348-9138 or joyio-Southfield valdi@earthlink.net DETAILS: Caring and com-

Kensington Valley Mothers of Multiples TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. second individuals and their families Thursday of each month LOCATION: Witch's Ha in the Tri-County area. Office support is also needed. Depot: 300 Dorothy St.; South

DETAILS: This group provides 9859 information; support and social activities for mothers of multiple Novi Toastmasters birth children and their families. Mothers of multiples living in and third Tuesday of each and around the Kensington month Valley school conference are all welcome

CONTACT: (248) 437-5496 for more information **MOMS Club of Novi East**

TIME/DATE: 10 a m. first Monday of every month LOCATION: Novi Civic Center DETAILS: Moms Offering Moms Support (MOMS) is a non-profit support group for mothers who choose to stay at home with their children or worl out of their homes. CONTACT: Stacey at (248) 504-7826 0 stacey@uvevents.com

membershin: includes hand-**Breast Cancer Support** book; \$1 per meeting. New Group DATES: Second and fourth members welcome Tuesday of each month (248) 305-8646 LOCATION: Huron Valley Sinai Hospital (Classroom C Commerce Visiting Nurse Association TIME: 10-11:30 a.m.

DETAILS: No registration needed CONTACT: (248) 937-5017



LOCATION: Providence Park during day time hours; there is a Hospital and Medical Center oreat need for male volunteers to support male hospice patients through southeast entrance Meeting in Conference Room A an interview and attendance at or visit http://rockfinancialshowthree training sessions is place.com/for more information required. Call (800) 882-5720; CONTACT: AI Biggs (313) Motor City Comic Con ext. 8361, (248) 967-8361 or 805-7605 or Crohn's & Coliti TIME/DATE: 1:30-8 p.m. visit www.vna.org. Foundation of America (888) Friday; 10:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday; and 10:30 a.m.-5 p.m Widowed Friends Support Sunday DETAILS: This multi-media Group DETAILS: Widowed Friends of event showcases over 1 million the Archdiocese of Detroit is a comics and collectibles for sale TIME/DATE: Day and evening peer support group. CONTACT: For more informaand trade, \$5 parking. ITEC Show tion, call Marilyn at (586) 739-9406 p.m. Thursday, May 22 <u>HEALTH</u> passionate individuals needed to tional conference series, dedicatregister for Heartland Hospice ed to showing you the hottest Volunteer Training. We serve new technologies your business St. John Providence needs to understand now to suc Hospital LOCATION: Grand River and during their end of life journey ceed in the coming year. Register online. \$5 parking. Beck Roads, use Beck Road CONTACT: Mary at (800) 770entrance Dinner with a Doctor CLASS TIME/DATE: 6:30-8:30 p.m., Tuesday, May 27 (usually last REUNIONS ursday of month) LOCATION: Conference Rooms Thursday of m TIME/DATE: 7-8:45 p.m. first A. B and C. DETAILS: This month's topic is Northville High School Class LOCATION: Novi Civic Center of 1968 "Stroke Symptoms, Treatments Activities Room: 45175 W. 10 and Prevention", presented y Dr. 40th reunion for the Class of Bruce Silverman, Neurologist, DETAILS: Toastmasters will CONTACT: Free registration for 1968, please contact Ron help you improve your commu-Barnum at (248) 347-8808. lecture and dinner by calling nication skills: voice your opin-(888) 440-7325 ion; polish your presentations Northville High School Class CONTACT: Amy (248) 752-ONGOING of 1978 DETAILS: The 30-year reunion is scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 2, **SWOCC Studio Tours** Take Off Pounds Sensibly 2008 at the Radisson Livonia. LOCATION: 33300 Nine Mile The cost is \$75 per person Road, Farmington. TIME/DATE: 11 a.m. weigh in "Crasher" tickets are available for DETAILS: Come in for an upand 11:30 a.m. meeting every the classes of 1976, 1977, and close look at the Southwest 979 for \$25. A pre-party will be Oakland Cable Commission held Friday, Aug. 1 at The Chase Bar & Grill, Northville. Contact Studios local community television studio. Janet Eisele Junca by e-mall at CONTACT: Melissa Cohn (248) ncaj@sbcglobal.ne 473-2840 Northville High School Class **Gardeners of Northville and** of 1988 Novi DETAILS: The Class of 1988 is TIME/DATE: 6:30 p.m. second planning a 20th reunion for the Monday of month through May weekend of July 26, 2008. For I OCATION: Rotates between **Hospice Volunteers Needed** Novi Civic Center and the Northville Library DETAILS: Visitors welcome. CONTACT: (248) 231-2334 or www.gardenersnorthville-novi.org Now Offering Early Morning.

DETAILS: Looking for kind:

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teers two to four hours per week

in the tri-county area; volunteers

needed Monday through Friday

further information, please con-ROCK tact Jennifer Clarkson at jclark-FINANCIAL son2004@vahoo.com SHOWPLACE Plymouth High School Class of 1968 DETAILS: The Class of 1968 is 46100 Grand River Ave., Nov ooking for classmates for their CONTACT: Call (248) 348-5600 40th Class Reunion to be held July 19, 2008 in Livonia. For more information, contact Janet (Sheedy) Johnston at (734) 437 3534 or e-mail to phs40threunion@charter.net. South Lyon High School Class of 1963 DETAILS: The Class of 1963 is sting a 45 year reunion on August 10, 2008 at Baker's of TIME/DATE: 8:15 a.m.-5 p.m. Milford, For more information Wednesday, May 21 and 9 a.m.-2 call Barb Cook at (248) 349-DETAILS: A regional IT educa-Dearborn and Edsei Ford High School Class of 1958 DETAILS: The 1958 January and June Classes of Dearborn and Edsel Ford High Schools are having a combined 50-Year Reunion to be held on Saturday August 2, 2008 at the Dearborn Country Club, Judy Richards Goerke 313-562-9031, ludygoerke@vahoo.com o Shirley Chiado Peters 248-348-9443, Shirley.peters@villageford.net may be contacted for further information. DETAILS: Anyone interested in Walled Lake Western High School Multi Class of 1970-1979 DETAILS: The second Multi Class Reunion will be held August 15-16, 2008. On August 15 the classes will meet at Walled Lake Western High School, 600 Beck Road, Walnut Lake, at 1 for a walk-through of the school (tentative). Meet at Big Boy Restaurant in Walled Lake al 4 p.m. for dinner and then at Al' Cooner Mun in Walled Lake at 8 p.m. On August 16 the reunion will continue at the V.F.W. Post 2269, 2652 Loon Lake Road, Wixom, MI 48393, Arrival time is 4:30 p.m., dinner is at 5:30 p.m. cash bar. Attire is dressy. Tickets are \$55 per person or \$65 per couple. Personal checks, money orders or cashiers checks may be

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casstech58.com.

Golf Outings

Botsford Center for Health

May 31

Golf Outing

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Golf Course, Howell

Oakland County Parks Free Leonard; Highland Oaks in Highland: Independence Oaks in Clarkston; Lyon Oaks in Wixom Orion Oaks in Orion Township and Rose Oaks in Rose township **DETAILS: Oakland County** Parks is celebrating Family, Appreciation Day by offering fre entry at these six locations. Enjoy spring at the parks. The new r Loop Trail at Independence Oaks Park is perfect for bike rides, hikes, stroller walks and workouts, it has an asphalt sur face. 1.060 feet of timbered walk way and a 50-foot bridge that crosses the Clinton River CONTACT: For more informa tion and maps visit www.oakgov.com/parksred 7th Annual Founders Day

Festival-Wixom TIME/DATE: 1-4 p.m. Sunday LOCATION: Gibson Park, 49805 Pontiac Trail **DETAILS: Entertainment and** activities for all ages related to the 1800-1950's era including vintage tractors, cars, blacksmith woodcarving, petting farm, crafts and games, and much more. No admission fee. Parking is off Old Wixom Road.

Italian Language Classes I OCATION: The Italian American Club, 39200 Five Mile Road, Livonia TIME/DATE: 6:30-8 p.m. and 8-

9:30 p.m. every Wednesday,

noon-2:30 p.m. Line Dancing a.m.-3 p.m. June 23-27 at the Wednesday: 10-11 a.m. Farm Center, Explorer's Day Exercise Class Camp is 10 a.m.-3 p.m. July 8 Second Monday: 11:30 a.m. 11 at the Nature Center, Junio Lunch Bunch Explorer's Day Camp is 10 Second Tuesday: 10 a.m. a.m.-1 p.m. July 24-27 at the Senior Commission Nature Center. Fish Camp is Second Thursday: 11:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m.-noon July 22-25 at Bingo Fourth Thursday: 10-11:30 the Nature Center. Call for information and fees. a.m. Blood Pressure 2008 Junior Golf Tournaments DETAILS: Boys and girls Kensington Metro Park LOCATION: 2240 West 8und Road, Milford, (248) 685-1561 or (800) 477-3178 Nature Center Programs DETAILS: Please pre-register. There is a cost for most proorams, Call (248) 685-0603 SCHEDULE: 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday - Heren Fest; 2 -4 p.m. Saturday, May 24 - Heron Watch; 1 p.m. Sunday, May 25 - Searching Safari: 2-4 p.m. Monday, May 26 - Heron Watch: 1 p.m. Saturday, May 31 462-4443 wers of Forest and Field. Farm Learning Center DETAILS: Please pre-register.

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Day Camps at Kensington DETAILS: Farm Camp is 9

DETAILS: Cost is \$25 for the

class and books. CONTACT: For more informa-

tion, call (734) 421-3460 ext. 2

Walk for Children's

Saturday, June 14

Milford

Leukemia Foundation

TIME/DATE: 9:30 a.m.

LOCATION: Kensington

Walk will raise money for

Michigan families affected by

disorders. The Walk is a non-

leukemia, lymphoma and related

competitive, scenic 4-mile route

Lunch provided to participants.

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FM). No walk fee, but there is a

fee to enter the park. For infor-

personal fundraising page on-

line, go to www.leukemiamichi-

gan.org or call the CLF office at (248) 353-8222.

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Knit/Crochet and Sew Group;

A program featuring art and photos that present life in leagues start July 21. the Great Lakes region, the unique culture of this area. Kensington Golf works with Carl's Golfland. For informa At the Novi Public Library in the meeting room tion, call (800) 23-GOLF-4 or the Kensington Golf Course at (248) 685-9332. Schoolcraft College Women's Resource Center LOCATION: Schoolcraft College, 18600 Haggerty Road CONTACT: For more information and to register call (734) Divorce Support Group TIME/DATE: 7-9 p.m. second and fourth Tuesday of month Sept.-Mav LOCATION: Women's Resource Center: Room 225 McDowell Cente

rce: Friends of the Novi Library divorce; first meeting group discussion with facilitator Cynthia Kippin; MA; LPD; LLP; second each month meeting features a speaker; no fee or registration required. Ask An Attorney the financial concerns related to DATE: 5-7 p.m. second and divorce; walk-in; no fee; sign-in third Monday of each month, begins at 4:30 p.m. DETAILS: Ask an attorney about divorce and family law first come, first served; sign-in

begins at 4:30 p.m.: no fee.

Send your calendar items to Novi News; 104 W. Main Street; ville: MI 48167:

Money Matters in Divorce

DATE: 5-7 p.m. first Monday of

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The hearing will be held at 1:30 p.m. on June 10, 2008 at the Maplewood Community Center, 31735 Maplewood, Garden City, Michigan 18135-1709.

The proposed project consists of short term corrective action plan improvements that will reduce infiltration and inflaw into the interceptor system and correct structural deficiencies visually identified during save releavising. Improvements include rehabilitation of portions of the interceptors, overflow regulator structures and upgrades to the manhole structures.

If the SRF application is successful, the County plans to begin construction of the above noted improvements in 2009. Sanitary sever service for customers will be unaffected by the proposed improvements. Construction activities will be localized to the subject facilities, with little or no impact to

The estimated annual cost per household, for residents of the service area, is presented below:

| Community | Annual Cost per Household | Community | Annual Cost per Household | Community | AnnualCost Cost per Household |
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| Canton | \$1.57 | Dearborn Hgts | \$2.97 | Garden City | \$4.08 |
| Inkster | \$5.06 | Livonia | \$6.14 | Northville | \$5,83 |
| Northville Twp | \$2.08 | Plymouth | \$5.12 | Plymouth Twp | \$1.70 |
| Redford Twp | \$5.28 | Romulus | \$0.66 | Van Buren Twp | \$1.06 |
| Wayne | \$7.83 | Westland | \$4.35 | Oakland City (Novi) | \$3.05 |

Executive summaries of the plan detailing the proposed project are available for inspection at the Clerk's Office for the following communities: Canton, Dearborn Heights, Garden City, Inkster, Livonia, Northville, Northville Township, Plymouth, Plymouth Township, Redford Township, Romulus, Nan Buren Township, Wayne, Westland and Novi The complete project plan is available for inspection at OHM -34000 Plymouth Road, Livonia, MI and Wayne County Department of Environment - 415 Clifford, 7th Floor, Detroit, MI, beginning on May 9, 2008.

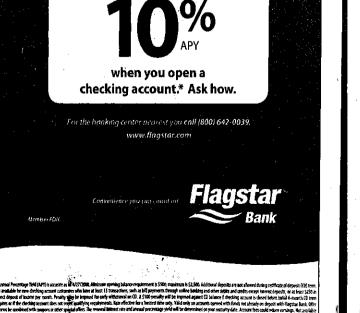
Written comments received before the hearing record is closed on June 10, 2008 will receive responses in the final project plan. Written questions should be sent to:

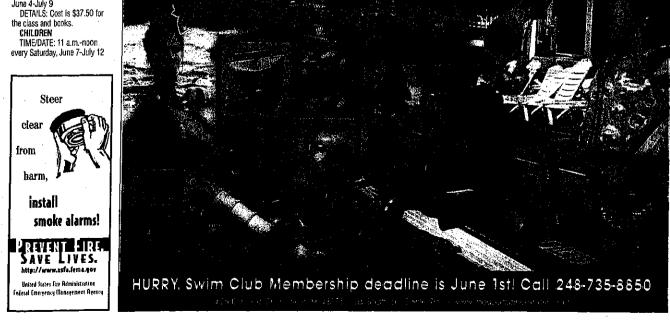
North Huron Valley/Rouge Valley SRF Project Plan r/o Wayne County Departm 415 Clifford, 7th Floor Detroit, MI 48226 Attention: Sue Ann Hanson

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Another special feature of the

owner of Dog's Best Friend dog

training and obedience, who is a

store is Jerry Mike of Novi

PAWS TOTAL PET STUDIO Novi graduate opens dream shop for animals, features local trainer showed, in America, people spend more on their pet's health than their own health.

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tion, "We're looking forward to getting to know the community and hopefully will become Northville homeowners some dog-gone friendly By Pam Fleming STAFF WRITER

day," Lindsey said. The Champines acquired the space from Alexandra Northville has literally gone to Papasifakis and Nicole the dogs ... and the cats ... with the Jaskulka, former owners of opening of Paws Total Pet Studio ia downtowa Northville. The family-owned business at 102 E. Main St. at Center Street Ducto, a women's clothing store that closed recently. "We literally walked in and talked to Nikki and Alex." Lindsey said. "They said that their space was for rent and that they would be happy to sub-lease it to us." is run by newlyweds Bob and Lindsey Champine, and Bob's mother, Carol Ann Champine. "We got into the business because we had such had experi-The 1,380-square-foot ground ences with other pet stores in the area," Lindsey said. "We were level space houses retail and grooming salon and the 280square-foot basement is

tired of seeing animals that we felt were being mistreated. Plus, reserved for a pet day care servit's hard to find the best treats. food, clothes, and other items for your pets these days." Bob and Lindsey, who just The Champines wanted a family-oriented, inviting store where the owners are knowl-

married last October, love aniedgeable and take a personal interest in the pets. The store carries such pre-mier brands as Sojos, an organmals and have a British short haired cat, Princess; an English bulldog, Mambo; and a Pekingese puppy, Gizmo. The two, who met through ic, completely natural line of foods and treats, and Royal mutual friends, are Michiga We cater to animals with natives and grew up in the area. Lindsey studied business admin-

allergies and special dietary needs," Lindsey said. "Today's istration at Eastern Michigan University and Bob graduated from Novi High School. veterinarians suggest feeding pets a variety of different foods Before deciding to open a pet in order to treat and prevent store, Lindsey was a corporate many allergies," She noted that she recently

trainer for a cosmetic company and Bob worked in construcread online about a study that

every puppy is mine and my hus-band's dog. All of our puppies are raised with the best of care, we are with them nearly 24 hours a day, and we visit all of the ken-blowhere they care from " Doggie, handmade in Australia, and Ruff Ruff Couture of Beverly Hills is also available. The store also features a dog walking service. nels where they come from. Bob said he and Lindsey just watched the recent "Oprah" episode about puppy mills The Champines have attended many trade shows and visit local breeders to glean ideas about the latest pet products. "We were just shocked," he "We stay on the cutting edge of today's pel industry," Lindsey said.

said. "In some states, puppies are treated like livestock. We under-stand that a lot of people associ-ate all pet stores with these oper-The store has a special section for cats, as well as petthemed greeting cards. ations, but that's just not the case." The store also doesn't focus

only on obtaining expensive American Kennel Club breeds. "We're looking at offering ani-mals from rescue groups, too," Lindsey said.

dog consultant, trainer, handler and former breeder. People love their pets Mike offers an eight-week series that allows owners to over-come tough dog training issues. The series includes both indoor The Champines understand that, even in a down economy

people don't mind spending "They often receive more unconditional love from their pets than they do their own amily members," Lindsey said. "With this being such a scary world, I think our pets offer comfort. It's a proven fact The Champines are quick to dispel rumors that their dogs that owning a pet helps lower screening process involved with every animal we take aboard," blood pressure and can allevi-ate depression, stress and anxi-

"In fact, we like to say that we adopt out our puppies, because

In downtown Northville. Pictured with the store's trainer, Jerry Mike, front, holding a clumber spanlel, are owners, from left, Lindsey Champine, holding their Pekingese Gizmo; her husband Bob Champine; and his mother, Carol Ann Champine. The Champines' English buildog and store mascot, Mambo, is pictured by Mike

"This is definitely a very pet-friendly community," Bob said. ety." The family originally planned to open a pet store in the Saxton building in Plymouth but decided not to when the building's owner wasn't interested in them making a bet of resourcines to the struc-"We see how many people interact with their dogs in the downtown area." Shoppers are even encouraged to bring their pets into the store a lot of renovations to the structure. Now they're excited about their Northville location.

Optimists of Northville-Novi plan night at improv meetings the club has, which Back Pack Program, annual schol-stands for Need Optimists Now. "We'd like for people to come Optimist International is a ceramics shop at 141 E. Main St. The club supports a reading Walkins soid Novi hasn't partie-

Ciub seeks new members "We'd like for people to come see what the Optimists are all about as well as the improv night at - the - Tipping ... Point," . said By Pam Fleming -at - the - Tipping....Point," Watkins, club president. STAFF WRITER

The event is free and will include Kareu Watkins knows trying to find people to join a civic organi-zation is no laughing matter. With people's schedules so full wine with hors d'oeuvres from Edward's Cafe & Caterer in down-town Northville. The membership reception will begin at 7 p.m., with the context starting at 8 p.m. "Normally, improv night at the Tipping Point costs \$8 per per-son," said Anne Jardon, Optimist Club board member, "But, we're in our fast-paced, mobile society, it's hard to convince people to take time out of their busy lives to get involved in local groups, no natter how worthy their cause or

causes might be. Northville-Novi Optimist Club members have decided to try a litpicking up the cost of the comedy for our guests at this special event with the hope that they will join

the concel yo attract new mem-bers with Optimist Night at the Inuprov, a membership drive at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, May 20, at the Tipping Point Theatre, 361 E., Rospice for Children, Cooke Cady SL, in downtown Northville. The event is one of two NOW

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speakers are often invited to the club's second monthly meeting. The club plans three major friendship. Last September, the club hon-ored Chuck Gaidica of Northville, WDIV-TV (Channel 4) meteorolfundraisers a year - a golf outing ogist, and Joan Wadsworth, presi-dent of the Northville Board of in the summer, which has been very successful; the Charity Ball in the fall; and a Christmas tree t of the Northville Board of Education at its Charity Ball at the Sheraton Hotel in Novi. The two

sale in the winter. Even though it's small, the group received the club's Exemplary ment Honor Roll Award.

arships and other programs. each month at the Bee's Knees charitable causes. Optimist International is a ceramics shop at 141 E. Main St. The club supports a reading volunter, organization, that proc. In devy study at PT L, man St. The close stopped at close of the study of

scholarships have to overcome lenge of reading a certain number of books. By doing so, they earn the right to select books to give away to needy children. The Optimists also paid for a climbsome sort of adversity The club currently has about 20, members. We're small, but mighty," ing wall for students at Old Village School and supports Arbor Hospice's grief counseling May 20 memb For more information about the

May 20 membership drive event, contact Anne Jardon at (248) 924-3198. For general club information, call Jennifer Weiler at (313) 595J program. The club invites counselors at the two local high schools to select 7833.

has done well with its fundraisers. The club meets at 7:30 p.m. on with about \$10,000 currently in its a student who might be overlooked AND AND A 248-662-3030 CORE 734-266-6700 IlleGey University Bar Stops ETHRED EL Heating & Cooling STORE 3 Cut High Heat Bills, SALE PRICES Install a Heat Pump CLOSING SALE Z EVERYDAY A Heat Pump will Air Condition your 7 Mile Location • 29598 Seven Mile < home in the summer as well as heat it Recalled in Linuxia Malli in the winter months when running Michigan's Largest REAL DISCOUNTS ON ALL with'a furnace or air handling unit. IN STOCK MERCHANDISE **Selection of Dinettes**

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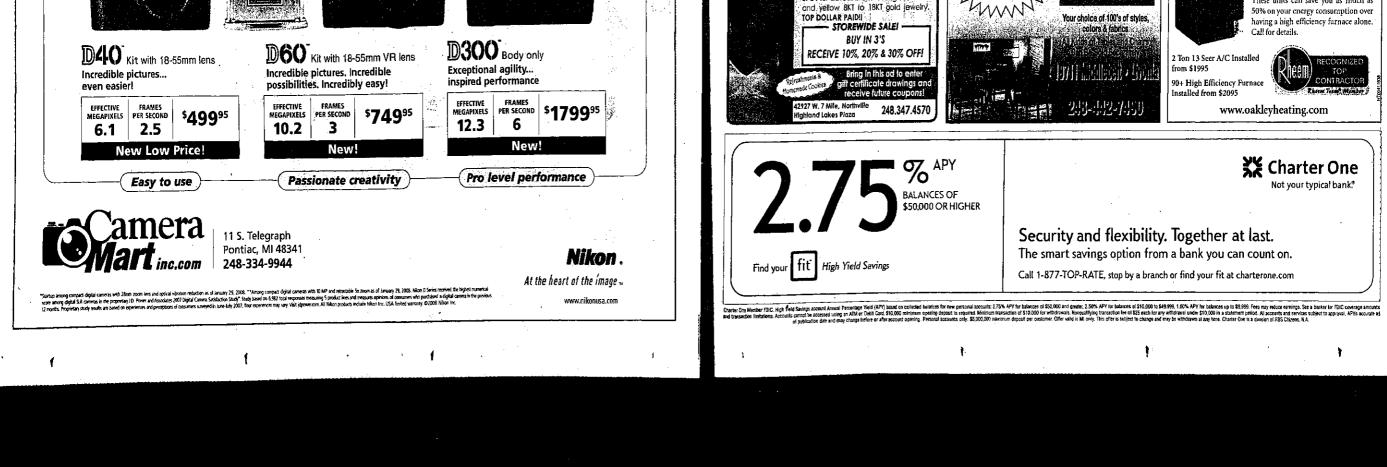


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<u>SPORTS SPOTLIGHT:</u> <u>GIRLS TRACK</u> STORY CHAT: WHAT DO YOU THINK? TELL US AT WWW.HOMETOWNUFE.COM

Track teams rally around Sekuloski

Senior deals with tragedy, keeps running

By Jeff Theisen

Being part of a team is sometimes referred to as being part of a team is sometimes territed to as being part of a second family. Never was this more evident than what happened after Lainy Sekoloski lost her mother after a long battle with cancer April 28.

Novi track coach Marsha Reid couldn't believe it when both the boys and girls showed up wearing pink in support of Sekuloski.

"To a degree, our team was trying to find some identity before everything started going on with her mon," Reid said. "I saw a team for the first day the day after her mom passed away. Every single person on my team had

pink on. "Breathtaking. It made me extremely proud of my team."

Growing up quick

Dealing with a terminally ill relative of any-kind can be extremely difficult to deal with. Trying to deal with it as a senior in high school is a completely different set of issues. Reid said being around the track team is something that can just let Sekuloski be a kid, if only for a titta while

if only for a little while. if only for a hitle while. "She is a person who's had to grow up quickly because of the circumstances," Reid said, "But because of that, she has a lot of leadership. She is a strong person both men-tilizend devine the

tally and physically. "She's very team and family oriented." Sekuloski was a captain for cross country and is again for track. Even though she doesn't compete with the team at events because of other things that she's committed to, she still puts in the work at practice and helps make other runners better. "She felt that it was part of her responsibil-ity," Reid said. "She could're very easily not

come out for track because of everything that was going on at home. The only reason that she didn't compete was because it took too

She durin tompte was occurs to send as much iong. "She wanted the time to spend as much time with her family as possible." But it's not like Sckuloski wouldn't be a point-scoring competitor. Reid compares her the obbits of theme numers. Elle Poblisson

to two other distance runners, Elle Robinson and Lauren Sheeran, two runners that have scored all season for the Wildrate In fact, she is a good enough runner to get

hata by JOHN HEIDER/N See RUNNING, 2B Novi High School track team member Elaina Sekuloski.



Novi's Jennifer Felcher serves against Northville.

Novi roundup: **Tennis wins KVC title again**

By Jeff Thelsen SPORTS WRITER

The Wildcats wrapped up the final KVC title by winning seven of nine flights at the KVC tournament on Saturday.

Brighton, which finished run-Brighton, which finished run-ner-up, won the No. 1 singles and doubles titles. Novi won everything else. The Wildcats and Buildogs were first or sec-ond in every flight. Capturing singles titles were Jackie Wang at No. 2, Sara Carlson at No. 3 and Jennifer Falcher at No. 4

Felcher at No. 4.

Doubles titles went to Amy Chiang and Lauren Felcher at No. 2, Teodora Gavric and Kellie Whalen at No. 3, Jenna Snyder and Julia Thomas at No. 4 and Andrea Lollo and Claudia Miculici at No. 5.

Saturday's win, combined with a 7-0 dual meet record, gives the Wildcats thee final league title. "It's kind of special," Novi head coach Jim Hanson said.

sad to see (the league) end. "Our goals are to be the best team we can be, win the KVC, which we did, and then on to the regionals." The Wildcats also won a trio

The Wildcats also won a troo of dual meets during the week, blanking South Lyon and Hartland 9-0 and edging out West Bloomfield 5-3. Novi swept singles play against West Bloomfield and got a win from No. I doubles for the victory. Novi hosts the regional tour-

Novi hosts the regional tour-nament Friday with play begin-ning at 8 a.m. Eleven teams will

play at the high school and the middle school (principle site). The top two advance and any other team with 18 points also advances.

Lacrosse

The Novi lacrosse team (12-1) knocked off KVC foe Brighton 9-6 Thursday.

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C roundup: Baseball beats Brother Rice, track wins big

Janer signs with UDM to play lacrosse

By Jeff Thelsen

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Catholic Central baseball (1)-II) earned a split with Brother Rice last Thursday. The Shamrocks lost the opener

7-2 before knocking off their rivals 4-3 in the nightcap.

Brother Rice broke open a 3-2 ame with a bases-clearing dougame with a bases-clearing dou-ble in the fourth inning of game

one. In the second game, Jack Nelson went 6 2/3 innings, allow-ing four hits with four strikeouts to get the win. John Firek got the one stranding the tying run on third.

Track

The Shamrocks edged Livonia Stevenson 175.5-173.5 to win the Stevenson Twilight Invitational on Friday. Mike Martin led a 1-3-4 finish

in the shot put with a throw of 55-10.25. He also led a 1-4-6 finish in the discus with a launch of 157-

The 3,200 relay team of Alex Toloff. Brandon Schneider

Toloff, Brandon Schneider, Spencer Hall and Zach Oleski placed first (8:17.2). Other highlights included Brandan Curran winning the 200 meters (22.6); a second-place finish by the 800 relay team of Curran, Ronnie Kadykowski, Mel Farr and Jack Daykin; a 1-2-finish to the 1600 metare, lad 3 finish in the 1,600 meters, led by Scott Hoffman (4:41.4); a sec-Ъγ by Scott Hoffman (4:41,4); a sec-ond-place finish by the 400 relay team of Curran, Farr, Jake Spullar and Daykin (45.2); a sec-ond-place finish by Harrison Hall



See SHAMROCKS, 3B Catholic Central's Cory Amble in a recent baseball game.

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Roundup: Boys Track gets dual win

The No. 6 ranked Wildcats trailed 4-3 at the half, but turned up the offense and applied a suf-focating defense in the final two quarters, improving to 11-1. Paul Favorite racked up four goals and two assists to lead the offense. Matt Mandeville provided two goals and two helpers, and Craig Howell had a goal and an assist. Sean Murphy and Erik Aepelbacher scored the other

Kyle Simone started in net, but had to leave after taking a big hit. Kody Tipton finished the game in goal for the Wildcats. Novi also beat Ann Arbor Huron 13-9 Saturday, winning on

senior day. Senior Craig Howell started the coring in the first quarter. Mat Mandeville got in the act, putting the Wildcats up 2-0, heading into the second

Huron managed to tie the score before the Wildeats took control by ripping off the next four goals Nathan Haynes, Mandeville and Howell found the back of the net four times each on the night Alex Willer had the other goal. Kody Tipton got the win in

Baseball

The Wildcats (16-8, 11-4) thumped Pinckney 13-2 in five innings May 7. Mike Place went the distance

for the win, allowing four hits with three strikeouts Ric Geiger put the game away by knocking in a pair of runs in the third inning to provide enough cushion for the mercy. Other top performers included Tyler Scott (2 hits, 2 RBt) and Dra Kilver (2 hits, 2 RBt)

Dan Kilger (2 hits, 3 RBI). Novi split a doubleheader with Howell, winning the opener 8-2 and dropping the nightcap 7-1. In game one, Scott went the distance for the win, striking out 14 and allowing just four hits. Kilger (2 hits, 3 RBI) and Garrett Green (2 hits, RBI) helped lead

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Brighton Hartland the offense. Howell pulled away early in the Novi second game, pushing across four runs in the first and never giving up the lead. Novi was limited to Howell South Lyon Pinckney four hits. Miltord

Saturday, the Wildcats split Saturday, the Wildcats spin with Detroit Country Day win-ning the first game 13-3 and drop-ping the second 14-4. In the win, Matt Blabunka (4 Howell

In the win, Matti Bianunka 14 innings pitched, 4 hits, 2 rous allowed) and Justin Eid (1 inning, 1 ron) combined to get the win, Green's grand slam was the big lift of the game. Phil Cecksi fin-ished off the mercy with a two-run homer in the fifth. Zach back of early filth and was

Brighton Hartland Danks, Scott and Kilger each provided two hits to the cause. In the second game, Country Day went up 4-0 in the first inning and never tooked back. Green and Schlenke homered for the

Wildcats On Monday, Novi swept a doubleheader from Milford, 13-1 and rebounded for a 94-43 win against Jake Walker picked up wins in both games, and Pat Schlenke went 4-for-6 with five RBI and a

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home run in the games.

Girls Track

Top Honors

Girts Track an the long jump (15-0) and the S2,000 meters and a win The Wildcats finished off a husy week with a loss to Harginon, and bowont win equations South Lyon and a second-place South Lyon and South Lyon All Sou

Caleb Dean, a 6-9 senior center, a.m. July 21-24

Tyler Scott brings the heat against Brighton.

Phote by JOHN HEIDER/Novi News

(13.1) and Marie Ross in the 800 (2:33.2). (28-3.75), Tia Faraon in the 100 dles Golf The Novi golfers beat Hartland 149-154 May 6. Tyler Manning shot a season-low 35 to lead the Boys Track The Wildcats won its first dual meet 73,5-63.5 last Thursday way. Alex Lyall (37), Brent Womack (38, another season-low) against South Lyon. 8 10 4 15 6 17 Highlights included a win from the 4x800 relay team of Josh Lumley, Dan Egner, TJ Butler and Nick Prokop (39) were close behind. 3 13 and Aaron Croad (9:08.9), a JV Golf sweep in both hurdle events with Mark Zheng, Sarvana Lakshumana, Joe McNamara, Evan VanBuhler and Nikko The JV golfers were spread out May 6, competing in three match-es, JV 1 lost to Hartland 160-J76. Evan variounter and variounter and various $E_{\rm res}$ and $E_{\rm res}$ with a win in the 800 (2:03.9), a win from the 4x200 of Matt Thompson, Tyler Barnes, Matt Evans and Kevin Kerwan, Mike 12 3 11 4 12 8 10 9 7 14 Steve Rajkovich was Novi's low score with a 41. JV 2 played a tri-match with Milford and Hartland. The Wildcats won with a 164. Torony Goers was low with a Blaszczyk with a win in the 1,600 meters (4:39) and Croad with a win in the 3,200 meters, Novi came up just shy, 71-66. 7 18 in a loss May 6 to Brighton. finish at the freshman/sophomore Righlights included a sweep in Seftball meet. Against Brighton, Novi lost 100-37 on May 6. the long jump, Tyler Mouch with a win in the shot put and the dis-The Wildcats knocked off cus, a win by the 4x100 relay Pinckney 2-0 May 7. Paige Henley allowed just two hits and a walk with five strike-Two days later, the Wildcats team, and Blaszczyk winning the 3,200 meters. The freshmen and sophomores competed in the Sunshine Invite the Lions. At the Sunshine meet for freshouts to get the win. Jessica Salley led the offense man and sophomores, the Wildcats finished one point on Saturday, placing second. Highlights came from Mark with two hits. On Friday, Howell swept a dou behind Brighton to place second. Winning events were Katlyn Shelar in the pote vault (10-2) and Zheng with a win in the 300 hur-dles and Blaszczyk with a win in the 3,200 meters. Egner with a bleheader from Novi 11-3 and 8-Novi hurt its own chances to win with 11 errors on the day from the 4x400 team of Brian Herron, Dane Foster, Zheng and Egner and Derek Kim with a sec-Jeff Theisen can be reached a jtheisen@gannett.com or at (248) 349-1700, ext. 104.

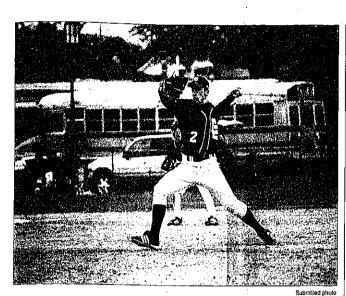
Running: Sekuloski sets an amazing example for everyone

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| continued from front a full-ride scholarship to St.' Francis. Reid said Sckuloski is fighting with the idea of going away because she has been used to taking care of her younger broth- ers with ber father, but Reid hopes she takes the opportunity to run at St. Francis. "Her mom wanted her to go away to college, so she's try- ing to fulfill that, but at the same time she's trying to bal- ance being the oldest." Reid said. "She is definitely a kid that can run at the collegiate level and help contribute to the team. "She is a huge competitor. She doesn't like to lose." That's Sckuloski has been motivated by her mother's death to try and raise \$10,000 for the Relay for Life program. She also is the student body representative for the Relay for Life. Kids from the track program have been bringing in donations as well as filting a donation jar passed around at meets. "That's a big goal for her, to find a cure for this awful dis- case," Reid said. Sekuloski has also memorial- ized her mom with a tattoo on her back that says mother with a heart and her birthday and day of passing. "Her mom was an unbeliev- ably strong-willed woman," Reid said. "Lainy loves her fam- iy more than anything. I have never seen a bond like she had with her mon." | Time is precious for second programs and trying teach keep anything of a social ble can be very challenging. But comparing that with deal- ing with what Sckutoski has deal with makes all the can- be very challenging. Social ble can several senior girls that could've contributed to the team because they used their after-school time to contributed to the team because they used their after-school time to contributed to the team because they used their after-school time to contributed to the team because they used their after-school time to the team because they used their after-school time to the team because they used their after-school time to the team out for the team, even the set. We cally had six seniors return this year," Reid said. "A tot of it was just because this is a high-achieving group and they had too many other things and they couldn't make the commitment. I can respect that. Then you have Lainy who sell of these commitments as workel, but to top of it has her not being terminally ill and still comes out and is able to comparise about it. That's that's the kind of kid coaches and they realize how much of nimpact hey's had on other genet." They is the side work of the doesn't realize how much of nimpact hey's had on on the stan |
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Catholic Central left-handed pitcher Jack Nelson delivers against Brother Rice.

Shamroćks

continued from front in the 400 maters (51.7); a see ond-place finish by Scott Sansovich in the 300 hurdles (41.3); a win by Oleski in the 800 (1:59.9); another 1-2-3 finish in the 3,200, led by JP Zebrowski (10:00.3); and a win by the 1,600 relay team of Schneider, Kadykowski, Oleski and Hall (3:35.2). CC also dominated Divine

Child in a 111-17 victory May 6. The Shanrocks won every event except the high jump, and swept the 110 hurdles, the 1,600 meters, the 800 meters and all the relays. On Monday, the Shamrocks defeated DeLaSalle 87-41. Wins came from Bill Riga in

the long jmp (19-10), Martin in the shot put (55-10) and in the discus (157-4), the 4x800 relay team (8:11), Sansovich in the 110 hurdles (15.4) and 300 hurdles (41.2), Daykin in the 100 meters (11.3), the 4x200 relay (1:33.0), Oleski in the 800 (2:00.8), Curran Cam Innis brings the ball upfield

Golf

led the Shamrocks with a 72. He Lacrosse in the 200 (22.9), Ricardo was followed by Alex Kolpackr Galindo in the 3,200 (9:56.6) and with a 73, Joe Fransted with a 75 and Steve LaRouere with a 77. the 4x400 relay (3:34.4). The other tournament took its first ever lacrosse team place at Fox Hills, Mike Panek ed with a 78. Kolpacke was next suid, "Brad Janer is the consu-with au 80, and Franste, mate athlete. He is aggressive, LaRouere and Szmadzinski each strong and very physical." The Shamrocks placed fourth in a pair of tournaments. On May 2, CC played at the

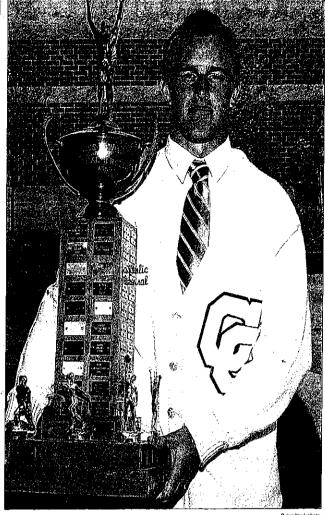


Shamrock Alumni

Catholic Central baseball alumni gathered for the inaugural CC Baseball Alumni Appreciation Event at the CC vs DeLasalle doubleheader. The event was held to thank baseball alumni who generously helped with a fund-raising effort to improve th baseball facilities at CC, specifically to build cubbles inside the dug outs to hold the players' gear during the games.

players' gear during the games. The alumni were presented during the in-between game break. From left to right are: Doug Raymond (2007), Tommy Leedle (1977), Ed Hammacher (1961 and Coach from 1992-2000), Dan Swabon (1952), Jerry Dietz (1950), Jerry Schypinski (1950), Ed Trojniak (1950), Stan Wilkins (1942), John Salter (Coach 1980-2005), Frank Corej (Coach 1970-80) and Bob Naru (1949).





Ryan Houska stands with the Whelan Award. Whelan Winner

Brad Janer signed with University of Detroit Mercy for Submitted by CC

Photo by Dennis Barne

UDM head coach Matt Holtz

Ryan Houska was captain of the orball basketball and baseball The Father James Wheian the current year. It is given to a football, basketball and baseball tootou, baskettail and, basebali teams. He was president of the Student council, salutatorian and a student council, salutatorian and a Realso earned a 4.2 G.P.A. and was a formier principal of as a Christian gentleman. Will be attending Cornell University to play football.

All of these attributes con-tribute to Houska being named letic teams, The award is voted

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Basketball Coaches Association a.m.-2 p.m. July 21-24 Basketball Coaches Association a.m.-2 p.m. July 21-25 8:30 a.m.-noon, and grades sixth- ketball player. Cost for all camps of Michigan as one of the top Setters Camp ninth will go 1-4:30 p.m. class A players in the State. Dean was nominated by coach Cory Heitsch other area coaches and Grades seventh-ninth - 9-10:30 Grades seventh-ninth - 11 a.m.then selected to the 20-member 12:30 n.m. June 23-25 team which is comprised of class A players from across the state Libero (Defensive Camp) Grades seventh-ninth - 5-7 p.m. June 23-25 Dean helped lead the Wildcats to the final KVC championship by averaging 15.2 points a game and 12.5 rebounds. Those interested can register through Community Education. Wildcat sophomore Caroline Johnson received honorable men-tion from the Basketball Coaches Novi Wildcat Boys Basketball Camp Novi boys basketball coach Association. She was voted the Novi boys basketball coach Cory Heitsch is hosting a boys basketball camp June 16-20 at Novi Middle School for boys entering second-ninth grades in the fall. Grades second-fifth will top player in the KVC and helped the Wildcats become cochamps of the league CC's Westside Football go from 8:30 a.m.-noon and grades sixth-ninth will follow Camp from 1-4:30 p.m. The cost of the camp is \$140 Detroit Catholic Central i hosting a non-contact football and will include a week of camp for kids entering grades 5-9 June 16-19. The car гuns 9 instruction, an outdoor basketball a.m.-3 p.m. each day and costs \$185. and T-shirt. Awards and trophies will also be presented. For more information or regis-tration, call (248) 449-1206. Call (248) 596-3829 for registration

Novi Lady Wildcat

All Skills Camp

Grades third-sixth - 9-11:30

Novi Volleyball Camp

The Novi volleyball coaching staff is hosting a summer volley-**Basketball Camp** Novi girls basketball head coach Bill Kelp is hosting a basball camp at the high school.

The cost of the camp is \$140 and includes a week of instruc-tion, an outdoor basketball and T-The boys camp runs July 7-11. and the girls will be July 14-18. For the boys, grades fourth-sixth is 8:30 a.m.-noon, and shirt. Awards and trophics will grades seventh-ninth will be from 1-4:30 p.m. at South Lyon High also be presented. For more information or regisration, cali (248) 449-1206. Schluter's Hoop Camps Former Novi boys basketball several basketball camps this summer at the St. James Catholic Church. Novi camp.com for more information. Checks for all camps should be A boys basketball camp for made payable to All Area 4 Star Basketball Camp and mailed to Pat Schluter at 24781 Nottingham, Novi, Mi, 48374. kids in grades fourth through sev-enth will run June 16-20, Grades four and five will run 8:30 a.m.noon and grades six and seven will run 1-4:30 p.m. Cost of the camp is \$130 and includes a week of instruction, T-Shirt and outdoor basketball. Softball For more information, call (248) 388-6514. A boys and girls basketball camp for boys and girls from grades K-ninth will take place July 21-25. The fee is \$65. Shamrock Lacrosse Camp CC lacrosse head coach Dave camp for boys and girls from grades K-ninth will take place July 21-25. The fee is 565. A shooting camp for kids in second-fifth grades runs 12:30-2 p.m. and for grades sixth-ainth, the camp runs 2:15-3:45 p.m. A basics camp for grades sixth-ainth, the second-fifth grades runs 12:30-2 p.m. and for grades sixth-ainth, the second-fifth grades runs 12:30-2 p.m. and for grades sixth-ainth, the second-fifth grades runs 12:30-2 p.m. and for grades sixth-ainth, the second-fifth will run 10:30 a.m. Second-third will run 10:30 a.m. Track Lacrosse DOOR. wilson@vahoo.com. Schluter will also be hosting

ketball camp June 16-20 at Novi the All Area 4 Start Basketbal Recard camp with South Lyon head second-ninth grades next year. Grades second-fifth will run is for the more experienced bas-

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Champs

The Club Extreme ASICS U16 volleyball team won the gold May 4 at the Lakeshore Regional Championships in Lansing. The team practices out of the Novi/Northville area and is made up of 12 girls from Novi, Northville, Farmington Hills, Plymouth and Canton. They are all high school sophomores. Front Row, left to right: Michelle Franklin (Farmington), Kelly Maise (Northville),

Front How, left to right: Michelle Franklin (Farmington), Kelly Malse (Northville), Christy Mueller (Northville), Lauren Dworzanin (Salem), Jasmine McBryde (Harrison); Back Row: Coach Peter Lau, Britany Docley (Mercy), Palge Ince (Novi), Lauren Vance (Novi), Madison Owen (Northville), Coach Ted Mech, Candice McKenzie (Farmington), Morgan Hawkins (Salem) and Christine Mech (Novi).

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Maria Mizera, a physical therapist at Northville Physical Rehabilitation, helps Megan Jamieson during her routine physical therapy treatment.

Room to stretch Rehabilitation space doubles for the health of it

By John R. Hall SPECIAL WRITER

Northville Physical Rehabilitation, which is celebrating more than 23 years of growth in downtown Northville, is about to experience another growth spurt.

growth spurt. This summer they will double their office space at 215 East Main Street. The physical rehabilitation provider will be occupying the entire first floor (6,000 square feet) of the two-story medical office building, located across the street from Starbucks.

EXPANDED SERVICES

"We are excited about our continued growth in Northville," said Dennis Engerer, physical therapist. "The addi-tional space will give us the opportunity to expand all of our services. We have needed additional treatment rooms, as

well as a larger gym area, for some time. "In addition to providing traditional physical rehab services, we have also offered a supervised fitness program for our discharged patients that may want to continue beyond their initial care."

A CLINICAL FITNESS CENTER

According to Engerer, there are lots of people in the community that have the need to improve their strength, endurance, or function, and would like to endurance, or function, and would have a attend a facility where they can get a structured and supervised fitness program esigned with the ir ability or di itv in mind.

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that we want to provide is a clinical fitthat we want to provide is a clinical fit-ness center for the person that would not go to a traditional health club because of their injury or illness, or they may simply be looking for a more personal and pro-fessional approach. This new space will enable us to add new equipment, addi-tional staff, and new programs." The current staff of 22 employees at Northville Physical Rehabilitation con-

Northville Physical Rehabilitation consists of physical and occupational thera-pists, physical therapy and occupational therapy assistants, personal trainers, and exercise physiologists.

REFERRAL-FREE VISITS

"People are traditionally referred to us by their personal physicians or surgeons, but they are also welcome to come in without referral or consultation." said Engerer. "We can recommend a treatment plan to their physician or help them set up a personal fitness program if they would like to join our fitness program.



Sandy Strong, physical therapy technician, monitors the exercise routine of patient Ronald Sekerchak.

"We have the staff, expense, and experience to treat a broad scope of diagnosis from simple sports-related orthopedic sprains/strains and joint replacements to long-term neurological disorders, such as multiple sclerosis or traumatic brain inim

centers, physician's offices, and fitness centers

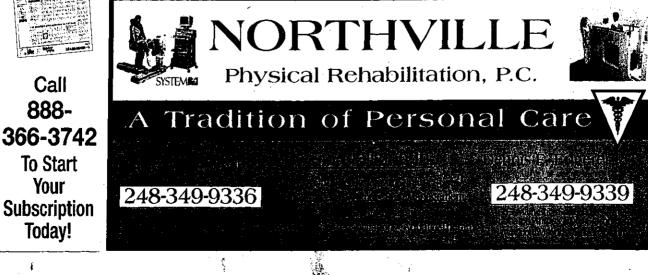
"We have always wanted to provide Northville with first class and convenient physical rehab services," he added. "We even provide transportation for our clients in Northville and communities



"We are not trying to replace the local gym or health club, they certainly have their place," added Engerer. "The place

Engerer noted that over the years, der Northville. Northville Physical Rehabilitation has attempted to cultivate a strong working relationship with local hospitals, medical

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