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Novi teen continues the fight

By Holly Bowne SPECIAL WRITER

When 42-year-old Mary Sekuloski ultimately lost her bat-tle against cancer April 28, her daughter, Lainy, initially felt like giving up her fight as well. The 17-year-old Novi High School senior is team captain of the

the Pavement



Chairperson for the upcoming American Cancer Society's Relay

For Life of Novi event. "When my morn first died, I didn't want to think about Relay For Life at all," Sekuloski said.

"But now, 'Id say that I'm more driven than ever to find a cure." The 24-hour event will take place Saturday at Novi Middle School, starting at 10 a.m. Sckuloski has been an active

member of Relay For Life for sev-

eral years. While Sekuloski and her fami-

While Sekuloski and her fami-ly have struggled to accept the loss of a lowing mother, wile, sis-ter and friend, extended family and friends have stepped up to help in any way they can. "People have come out of the woodwork," Sekuloski said. "And my team totally picked up the work on Relay For Life. They organized so many fundraisers that f didn't even know about, they did i all by themselves." The 21-member team is really one over the 20-member maxi-mum for their age group; bar

mum for their age group; but Sekutoski was given an exception.

Members of the Pavemet Pounders will support founding member Lainy Sekuloski (top,left) as she remembers her mother during this weekend's Novi Relay for Life event. Sekuloski's mother passed away in April.

The Pavement Pounders team is moving steadily closer to its ambitious goal of raising \$10,000. "We have about \$6,000 or so (that has been committed) online, and a lot of my team members have received cash donations that haven't been added in yet. So I'd say we're at around \$7,000-8,000

so far," Sekuloski said. Many may recall the story about Sekuloski and her mother, Mary, in the April 17 issue of the Novi News. The story detailed Sekuloski's tireless work for the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life of Novi event.

Some positive results arose fol-lowing that initial publication. Inspired by Sekuloski's story, a

former Novi High Schoel student contacted her via Facebook, and told her he is establishing a summer house-painting business to He now plans to donate a per-centage of his sales to the cause. In addition, Sekuloski received

several requests for her unique "You've Been Flocked By Relay

For Life" fundraising campaign. A typical "flocking" occurs when, for a \$10 donation, somewhen for a \$70 contains, some-one arranges for Sekuloski to fill a friend's or neighbor's yard with 50 pink plastic flamingos during the night. It then costs the person \$5 to make the flamingos fly

away. Before she passed away, Mary

Sekuloski arranged for her employer, Speedway, located at 14 Mile and Haggerty roads, to be "flocked." She set up some unique requirements, however, for the flamingoes to be removed. She requested the manager donate 50 cents for every sandwich sold by the Speedway store that day. Between customer donations and sandwiches sold, we raised about \$314," said Speedway Manager Linda Grammar.

Staff and customers of Speedway were so inspired, they went on to form a brand new Relay For Life team called Mary's

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Novi student Eric Mazza, boltom, prepares to pass on... a large ball during a relay rice at last week's elemen-tary school field day activities.

InvestNovi Web site provides central hub for businesses



Novi Economic Development Manager Ara Topouzian checks out the Web site he helped to create: InvestNovi.org.

By Chris Jackett STAFF WRITER

Novi Economic Development

Manager Ara Topouzian believes the City of Novi Web site has everything business owners need, but they are spending too much time looking for it. So, in the spirit of maintaining to either or believe a moustone the city's priority to encourage a stronger business community, www.investaovi.org was created. "The city site has so much information, we wanted to pull out all the business information," he said. "It gives them, really, one Web site to get all their info from. We wanted to make it easier for businesses and site selectors to

look at it. We want it to become a

one-stop source for the business community." The InvestNovi site is a gate-

way to information about the city for businesses looking at moving to Novi. It has several facts and

business demographics featured while also highlighting some of the city's finest businesses, both large and small. "If you're a business looking to

come into the city, you want to know what kind of businesses are already there. It gives the businesses a chance to see what exactly are the city policies." Topouzian said, "They can take a look at the different avenues, the different key ingredients of why people come here. This Web site will give the user a greater under give the user a greater understanding of the market and business community. The Internet's a powerful tool."

Realtors can also list non-resi-dential properties for sale or lease under the "Available Sites" tab.

ander the "Available Siles" tab. Aside from profiling Novi and providing business resources, the site is also a forum for key devel-opments within the city. "We wanted to use the site to

promote our local businesses. This all goes toward our continual promotion of our business com-munity," Topouzian said. "The idea is to promote businesses that may not get that recognition easi-

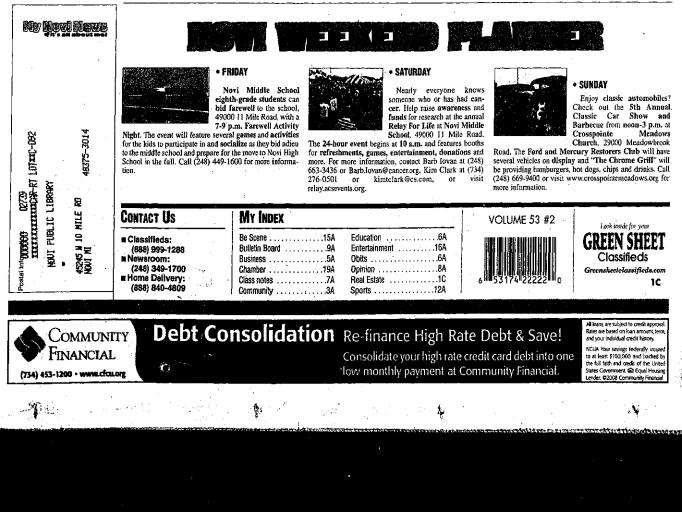
Web visitors will also have the opportunity to subscribe to e-Biz, newsletter sent out via e-mail every two months with updates on

every two months with updates on business developments in the city, "It gives residents an idea of what we're doing in the business economy," Topouzian said of the site and newsletter. "It's an educa-tional component for them. It gives them an idea of new busi-nesses coming here." Although the site just launched, Topouzian said businesses have already give nhim positive reac-

already given him positive reac-"I think we're all very excited,

It's gotten great response and it's only been launched for a little over a week. I'm looking forward to it growing," he said.

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so far," Sekuloski said

NOVI NEWS-Thursday, June 5, 200 Wixom girl ready for relay



Hope Drogmiller and Don Loussia, owner of Benito's Pizza in Wixom, help raise money for this weekend's Relay for Life event.

Wixom resident Hope "f am really proud of our Loussia of Benito's Pizza of Drogmiller, 9, will walk in the daughter, Hope', said Curtis Manefcan Cancer Society Novi Drogmiller, Hope's dad, "She is a do my best to get involved in the Relay For Life event with her great kid trying to help others. great kid trying to help others. She truly does think, about the other person. She realizes the mom, Kathy, this Saturday. The event takes place at Novi Middle School on June 7-8. harm cancer can do. Mathy is an eight-year breast cancer survivor and is one of the want captains for the CVS distri-tion greats in Mard. Hope's mommy had breast cancer, a couple years ago (we) tost Hope's grandma to lung cancer. Hope bution center in Novi. "The moment Hope knew (Kathy) was going to be a part of the CVS team as a captain. Hope immediately asked if she could be currently knows several peopl battling cancer right now. Hope's simply a good kid making a difa team member," Kathy said. "Of ference In an additional money-raising course, I said yes, and let her raise effort. Hope contacted several business owners and asked if she her own money for this great In an effort to raise money, could place coin cans at their businesses in an effort to raise Hope and her more will be makng either necklaces or bracelets noney. One business was Paradise Park sell at the event as well as a few other items to raise money that in Novi. "At Paradise Park, we really Hope always says, "Kids can o make a difference." enjoy our fun and games, but when it comes to cancer, we join With a little help form her dad. Hope Drogmiller and her effort to she mailed out post cards to support this cause," said owner friends and family members ask- Jeffrey Wainwright. Another business ing for a donation

those facing what Sekuloski's family is currently braving, she advised, "To anyone out there who is fighting, don't give up Don't ever give up. Keep fight-ing because you never know when a cure wilt come." Loussia of Benito's Pizza of Wixom and Walled Lake, said "I Hope Drogmiller is trying to do some good. We support good kids Log onto making a difference in our comhometswnlife.com for munity more storles and photos. - Submitted to the Novi News American Clean Water Systems Aqua. American Aqua is your best choice for the cleanest wate DETENER RENTAL SPECIAL FREE STANDARD INSTALLATION 1" 3 months 99¢ 8

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On behalf of the Novi HS Class of 2008 students and parents, we wish to gratefully acknowledge all those who generously contributed to making this a memorable Senior All Night Party! Without their tremendous support this event would not be possible. Once again the business community of Novi has shown that they are second to none in giving back to the local community.

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Speedway Friends, and have already raised \$1,700. "Mary was a great person, To volunteer with the Relay For Life of Novi event, such a strong woman. She was really special," Grammar said. Sekuloski is reflective when contact Barb Lovan, commu nity representative for the discussing this year's Relay For Life of Novi event. American Cancer Society, at (248) 663-3436, or e-mail her "At the other Relays, it was at Barh lovan@cancer ont. and she could be there with me to give support. Now it's more bers her mother, Mary. Photo by Holly Bown Lainy Sekuloski rememof a remembrance thing for me, and it's a way for me to 3-R POOLS, INC. grieve, and kind of remember her - honor her." During the day, the event is open to the public. Sekulosk encourages people to come to Novi Middle School and visit, maybe even walk a couple of laps on the track. Crafts and food will be sold; people can visit and purchase items. It's another way to help raise monetary support for the American Cancer Society. Visitors are welcome to stay until the end of the evening Luminaria Ceremony. The ceremony pays tribute to those who have faced or are currently facing cancer. When offering advice to doughbou 5 in stock Pools expires 6-15-08

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Novi author pens book to help bi-racial kids By Wensdy Von Buskirk and I am blessed," the book says Throughout the book, Janelle realizes she is smart, short for her **Book signings** What: Tara Michener

Tara Michener never though age, loves ice cream and is good having bi-racial children would be a problem, but people around her did. "Me and my husband, before at ice skating. "I am more than just a color or two," Janelle conclud we were married, certain people would ask about what we were going to do with our children," the Michener's story is brou life with illustrations by Jessica Angergstein, also of Novi. Michener grew up in Pontiac and lived in Livonia before mov-ing to Novi in 2005. She earned a Novi resident explained. With her sunny disposition. Michener didn't let the questions bother her, but she did start lookbachelor's degree in journalism ing for answers - and soon realand public relations from Madonna University, and worked at the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers before getting hired at Valassis. There, she helps scout ized it was hard to find books dealing with the subject of bi-racial kids. So, she decided to write one. 'We didn't find a whole lot for new talent and serves as recruit ment chair with the company's Diversity Council. a child who would be like ours," Michener said. "I wanted to write a book anyway, and thought this She feels educating people in the workplace about diversity is was a great subject to start with." aportant, yet even more crucial starting with kids. The result is "Who I Am. Not What I Am!" (AuthorHou \$12.49) a colorful 28-page story "In the corporate world we have teach adults to unlearn," aimed at children 4-8. The book's main character is Michener said. "If we can train Janelle, a six-year-old girl whose mother is black and father is white. children early that people are peo-ple, we'll have a different America. But it's up to us to teach them." At school Janelle is asked by other children 'what' she is. Michener said she has strug-"I went home that day and talked to my mom. I asked her what am I. She said I am beautigled herself with issues of race. especially since she met her husband, Jason, who is white The

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but hope to someday but hope to someday. "Once we stated dating, people who I thought were open-minded and accepting would make com-ments that were derogatory and insensitive. When we went out in public people would stare," she said. "At this point, since I'm so confi-date to are relationshin and who we dent in our relationship and who we are, I don't notice as much

Michener is staging book sign-ings and readings, and hopes to do speaking engagements at schools to promote her message. to promote her message. Meanwhile, her book is res-

onating with a wider ful, I am God's child, I am unique couple doesn't have children yet,

signs copies of her new book "Who I Am Not What I When: Noon-3 p.m. June



Novi resident Tara Michener wrote the children's book, "Who I Am, Not What I Am." The book is about growing up bi-racial. Michener is pictured with her husband, Jason.

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she said. "It's just kind of opened Borders, Barnes & Noble and "I've met anazing people since "I've met anazing people since mixed race and mothers who have adopted children of a different race."
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An enormous thank you to the parents of the Class of 2008 who volunteered their time for the preparation, fundraising, committee assistance, setting up and working the night of the party. Thank you to Michelle Sankovic, Gerry Quinn and all

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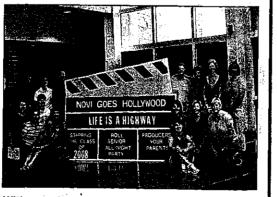
the junior parents who volunteered and took over managing tasks while we were attending the commencement ceremony A special thanks to Officer Wilson who staved with us the whole night. To Tom Marcus and the NHS custodial staff, we appreciate all their hard work. For our Audio/Visual needs, we would like to thank Nick Thornton and his team. Thanks to Lynn Kachalla and the kitchen staff for their

assistance. Thank you to Cheryl Barcomb for maintaining the web-site for us, she did a wonderful job!

We would like to acknowledge Mr. Lawrence and the entire administrative staff at Novi High School for their support of this event

Special thanks to Mr. James Clear and the Novi Town Center management for giving us ample space to work on decorations

Through the activism and generosity of this wonderful community, our graduating seniors had an outstanding celebration with food, fun and friends, a time they will always remember.



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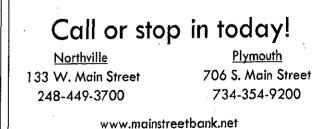
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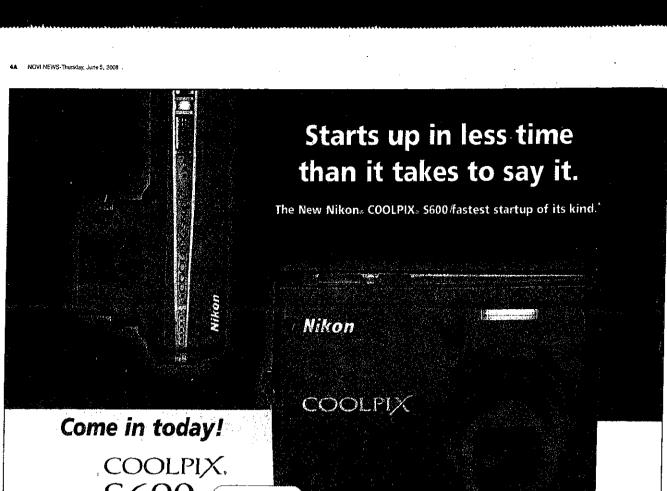


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Lotus Bank celebrates Novi grand opening

By Kelly Murad

STAFF WRITER Lotus Bank celebrated the grand opening of its Novi headquarters last Thursday with an open house and ribbon cutting We are the only community Novi location for his banking bank of Novi," said Lotus Bank President and co-founder Satish Jasti. "Novi doesn't have a bank headquartered (here)." call me times the president will something has changed," Thacker said. Novi City Councilman David The full-service community bank, which is located on 12 Mile Road, west of Novi Road, has been operating out of a temporary Staudt said he chose to invest in

been operating out of a temporary facility on Grand River Aveaue since its inception February of last year. 'It's wonderful to have a finan-cial institution here," said Ara cial institution here," said Ara topouzian, economic develop-ment manager for the City of Novi, "It's a local bank, heatd-"Our customers can use any Novi, "It's a nich bank is known for Novi, "It's a local bank, heatd-"Our customers can use any National develop-ment manager for the City of Novi, "It's a local bank, heatd-"Our customers can use any National develop-ment manager for the City of Novi, "It's a local bank, heatd-"Our customers can use any National develop-ment manager for the City of Novi, "It's a local bank heatd-"Our customers can use any National develop-ment manager for the City of Novi, "It's a local bank heatd-"Our customers can use any National develop-ment manager for the City of Novi, "It's a local bank heatd-"Our customers can use any National develop-ment manager for the City of Novi, "It's a local bank heatd-"Our customers can use any National develop-ment manager for the City of Novi, "It's a local bank heatd-"Our customers can use any National develop-ment manager for the City of Novi, "It's a local bank heatd-"Our customers can use any National develop-ment manager for the City of Novi, "It's a local bank heatd-"Our customers can use any National develop-ment manager for the City of National develop-ment develop-neurial spirit." ment manager for the Orty of year or two. Novi, "It's a local bank, head-quartered here, It's a unique basi-ATM in the world for free," Jasti ness and I think that's what Novi's said. "We reimburse them." Another way Lolus tries to make banking easier for its cus-tomers is by offering businesses Lotus Bank strives to provide customers a more personalized

"We're not like every bank on every corner, we want to build relationships with the customers," Instant Deposit through Remote Check Scanning. "It allows customers to make deposits from their office." Burley said Jennifer Burley, Lotus Bank said Vice President

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interest rate," said Novi

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"Customers are more loyal when they have that recognition, when they walk in here and everyone currently there are 39 scianners in haves who here and everyone currently mere are by standards in the and everyone currently mere are by standards in the customer service received by Lotus Bank employees is one of the reasons Farmington Hills resident Bharat Thacker chose the the only bricks and mortar," Novi location for his banking fasti said. "We have customers from Grosse Ile, Grosse Pointe ... they never have to come to the bank."

Aside from the services provided, Burley said Lotus Bank offers competitive rates for accounts such as money markets and certificate of deposits.

filling a niche for the Asian-

Indian community, Jasti said Lotus is a bank for everybody. "They're looking to reach out to the international community,"

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Satish Jastl, president and CEO of Novi's Lotus Bank, stands in the lobby of the bank's 12 Mile Road branch. The bank held a grand opening last week.

City of Novi receives high quality bond ratings from Standard and Poor's and Moody's

status. continues to enjoy its status as a Moody's cites Novi's diverse tax major center for retail trade, high-

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from the Government Finance Officers Association of the United States and Canada demonstrates the city's strong fiscal manage-

The GFOA has also awarded The City of Novi recently became a 12-line reciment of the Certificate of Achievement for the city's finance department with the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for the past 10

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Cultures unite at Novi Meadows' ELL celebration

By Chris Jackett TAFE WRITER

Moving from one country to another can be a tough adjust ment at a young age, but 60 stu-dents at Novi Meadows are mak-ing the switch with success

hanks to the English Language Learners program and Cultural Leadership Group at the school. Students, their families trict administrators gathered at

Meadows' ITC Forum last Friday norning to celebrate the success of the ELL program with student presentations and displays. "When I moved here to Novi, I didn't know any English. I was Nakashima heads, cared when I came to the chools," said Violeta Cortes, a 10-year-old fifth grader who came to the United States from excited to show their English Mexico three years ago.

she gave earlier that morning "We helped make a map of the fifth-grade house in Japanese for fourth graders on visitation day." she said. "I got to learn some stuff about Japan. I like sharing about Mexican things. The ELL program pairs new students with other students from

the group that have been in the United States for a longer period of time. Cortes is paired with Yoko Kanno, an H-year-old lifth grader who came to the United states from Japan 10 months ago, n Japan, since the school year tarts in April, Kanno and other

lapanese students would be considered the next grade up. "She didn't have any friends," Cortes interpreted for Kanno, adding that being friends with third language - Japanese - to Cortes' repertoire alongside Spanish and English.

grader who came to the United States from Japan four years ago, said the partnership has gained her a Kunizawa, a 12-year-old sixth grader who came over from Japan, learn the language and culture. Both girls said the transition was hard, but they enjoy teaching others about the difveen the two countries. ces bety It was hard when I came here because I didn't want to leave my family in Japan." It said. "I found use I didn't want to more differences between Japan and America. I was in Englishclass in Japan, so I knew a little.

before moving to Spanish-speak-ing Panama for four years and then spending four years in Novi. "I think it helps them realize different. Even

hough there's differences in

ings are the same," said Novi Board of Education Trustee Bobbie Murphy, who attended the event. "They obviously put a lot of effort into their presentations and lots of practice because it was all in English. It was really neat to see. Growing culture

Counselors Gail Jiskra and Darby Jones, along with teachers Sue Vanlinthart, Sue Frank and Emiko Nakashima, were iastrumental in the organization of the program and the daily operations of the ELL program, as well as the Cultural Leadership Group "The students were so proud of their ability to share how far they've come. They were so skills and presentations said

neluding her group presentation years. Just three years ago, it was he gave earlier that moming. like 80 percent Caucasians and now we're down in the 60s." An estimated 25.3 percent of Novi Meadows students were Asian-American in 2006-07 and about 200 students spoke a non-English language at home. The school has seen an increase in diversity as businesses move into The area Victor Leon de Carvelho, an

11-year-old sixth grader who moved from Brazil last September, said he moved to Novi because his father works for Nissan in Farmington Hills. "(The transition has) been very

good, it's a little different because kids (in Brazil) used to swear a lot and the teachers didn't care. When I got here, first I was scared because I didn't know a fot of English," he her has helped add portions of a said of his Spanish and Portugues speaking background. "I've got a lot of Indian friends. They're very

friendly. They're like me - they Nanami Ji, a 12-year-old sixth have glasses. The ELL program at Novi Meadows has grown by leaps and bounds in recent years to accomriend while helping Asuka modate the increased number of foreign students. "Most of the students are Japanese. There also is some

Portuguese, Chinese, Spanish Korean and Indian," Vanlinthar said. The ones presenting receive direct ELL services, where they're pulled out of class for 45-90 minutes a day for English instruction in groups of six to 12. As we're getting more and more ELL students, it's makli fived in Japan for four years

ing our program grow." Jiskra said Meadows' ELL students have been in the United States anywhere from one month to four years. "When I came here 13 years ago,

there was two Japanese students appearance and language, the feel- and no ELL program," she said,

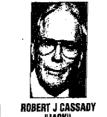




Novi Meadows' sixth-grade students Asuka Kunizawa. left, and Nanami II smile and flash peace symbols as their photo's taken during last week's English Language Learners open house.



A sign lists some of Novi Meadows' Japanese students' concerns about adjusting to the American educational system and their school in particular. The sign, posted at last week's ELL program open house, lists, in English and Kangi, among others: "I get lost because the building is too large.



"JACK" Age 87. May 25, 2008, a 21-year res-Ident of Novi, Michigan. Beloved hus-band for 65 years of Frances. Loving

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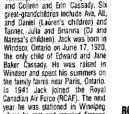
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Thompson was a vietnam veterar who served with the United States Marine Corp. He was an avid fly

fisherman and hunter. Visitation wa

at the O'Brien/Sullivan Funeral Home, 41555 Grand River, Novi

(248) 348-1800, Saturday June 1 2008 from 3-9 and Sunday June 3, 2008 from 12 noon until time of funeral service at 2:00. Donations in



where he met and married Frances Weiss. The next three years he was where he met and married Frances Weiss. The next three years he was Age 42, of Novi, passed away in Europe assigned as an RCAF air craft mechanic reaching the rank of AZ. He died suddenly of natural caus-corporal. After the war Jack and Fran lived in Manicoka and Saskatchevan survived by children Kayla and and resettled in Windsor in 1950. In Brianna Koch of Novi, parents Ron 1951 Jack was awarded a BS, in and Marilyan Koch of Loraine, OH, Chemistry (com Assumption College, sisters Sue Santon et Al.

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miss this kind and gentle man. Please sign the online guestbook at ww.cremationmichigan.com

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Novi High bands wrap up successful year

MY EDUCATION



Nov! Woods student Mary Grace Sinkovich rolls a Hula Hoop during last week's Novi's elementary school field day. All of Novi's elementary schools gathered on Wednesday at Novi Woods to enjoy some fun outdoor sports activities.

. The Festival of the Arts Band the entire Novi High School band the Concert Band received a "split Concert was recently held at Novi for the Festival of Music held at 1 and II" rating in performance and High School, It featured some the Alden Performing Arts Center in sight reading for an overall outstanding young musicians per-forming in solo and ensemble for-mat. Many of these students are ratings in Jazz Ensemble, and for year. onsidered to be among the best the best Rhythm section. Also, at ight scholo trusicians in the state, the Bestival of Music, the Wind of Michigan, and many will con-fine on in college with the hope of making music their profession, cading, as well as winning Novi and Detroit Catholic of making music their profession. • The Novi High School Marching Band marched for the reading, as well as winning the William D. Revelli award as last time this school year in the Memorial Day parade. It was the last time seniors donned the Novi Wildcat Marching uniform before they graduate. A picnic followed place in Class A and the for fifth-place in the entire nation high school Symphony Band received a 2nd following a first-place individual in Class AA, respectively. Also, the Symphony Band the all-star pla · Following up the succ

Wind Ensemble recently per-formed at the Novi High School Boston trip, the Novi High School Graduation at Eastern Michigan University Convocation Center. • The award- winning, Novi bands hosted the MSBOA State University Convocation Center. • The award- winning, Novi High School Jazz Ensemble Bands received straight I's in peratly traveled to Boston with formance and in sight reading and

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Droge, Although no individuals Schools' made the all-star team from the (Children's Activities in a attending preschool. Space is three Novi teams, state champions Responsible Environment) pro-three Novi teams, state champions Responsible Environment) pro-CC finished in a 10-way tie for gram for preschool to middle rates and availability. Toth and state ranners-up Novi A-school aged children. Team finished in a 15-way tie for 27th, the second and third best Michigan finishes, respectively. No other Michigan teams, including Novi's B-Team, placed in the top 58 of the 176 teams listed. White Cloud and Kent City high schools both tied for ninth-place in the Small School Playoffs. East tion are 7 a.m.-6 p.m. The location Lansing had placed third at the of C.A.R.E. will be at the Instructional Technology Center on Taft Road.

Rollercoasters highlight **Camp Invention**

Registration packets, with fees and scheduling information, can be found on the Web site at Children will have the opportunity to design miniature amusement park rides, create safe vehicles and brainstorm on Planet www.novi.k12.mi.us. Registration for June is closed. ZAK when the Camp Invention

program arrives in Novi for the first time this summer. Open to children entering first through now open sixth grades, the program is scheduled for June 23-27 at Novi Middle School. Throughout each day, children Class programs focus on social, will participate in hands-on, interemotional, physical and cognitive active activities that encourage cre-ativity and inventive solutions. Seth development. The program fol-lows the State of Michigan Standards and Bench Marks for Furlow, science teacher at Novi preschool or pre-kindergatten. Curriculum includes Language Arts, social studies, science, math, music and movements. Children are provided with expe-Middle School, will direct a staff of local instructors and counselors The \$220 registration fee includes daily snacks and a T-shirt. A discount of \$20 per child is offered with the bring-a-friend program. There is also an additional \$5 dis-count for online registrants. Employees of Novi Community

riences and opportunities allow ing them to meet the State Early Learning Expectations for 3s, 4s, and young 5s, Children must be 3, 4 or 5 by Dec. 1, Children also Schools can also receive a discount. Registrations received after May 31 require a \$20 late process-ing fee. Each program is limited to 10 objects must be completely toilet trained. Preschool classes follow the Novi Community School District 110 children so sign up today. For more information, or to

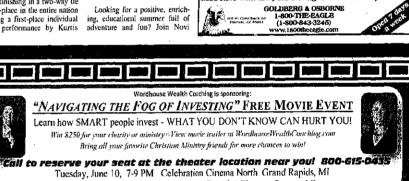
calendar, running from August to June. To secure a spot in this fall's 2008-09 session, parents must register their child at the Child Care Services office in the Instructional Technology Center, 25345 Tafi Road, between 10 school year. Mile and 11 Mile roads. Child

High School students Novi High School students only have a few weeks until sum-mer vacation. Make sure the following dates are on your calen

register, visit www.campinyea-

tion.org or call (800) 968-4332.

Important dates for Novi



Thursday, June 12, 7-9 PM Canton Emagine Theater Canton, MI

C.A.R.E. care is also available for student When registering a child (or Activities are age appropriate for children), a parent needs to bring the development of the students. Activities will include field trips, the following: • A completed registration packet, available on the district's crafts, science experiments, sports, games and more. Lunch and snacks are included in the daily fee. Web site, www.novi.k12.mi.us · Child's birth certificate or Summer C.A.R.E. starts June 18 and ends Aug. 20. Hours of opera-

passport, and • Non-refundable registration fee payment (\$45 for school district residents, \$50 for non-residents) The all-day preschool classes meet 9 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Parents are Register at Child Care Services located in the Community Education Office in the ITC. responsible for providing transportation. Tuition can be paid in full: \$6.393.36, or in nine pay

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ments of \$710.38 (August through April). Many options are available for the district's half-day program, ranging from five to two day

options. Child Care (C.A.R.E.) is avail-**Novi Preschool Registration** able for parents needing assis-tance before or after preschool classes, Registration information Preschool registration for the 2008-09 school year is now open.

and prices are posted on the district's trict's Web site at www.novi.k12.mi.us. C.A.R.E. is also available at all elementary schools for kindergarten through eighth-grade students. For more information, call Child Care Services at (248) 449-1713.

Full-day, everyday kindergarten

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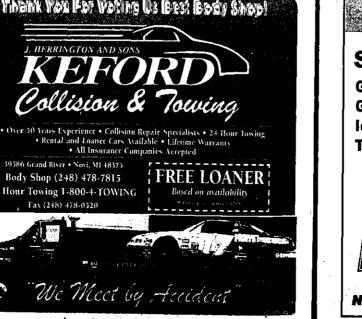
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ROBERT JOSEPH KOCH

Chemistry from Assumption College sisters Sue Santoro of Novi, Chris (now the University of Windsor). In (Mike) Colombo of Tucson, Pam (now the University of Windsor) in (Mike) Colombo of Tucson, Pan 1953 he joined Ford Motor Company (Lee) Belanger of Northville, Jenniter in Highland Park and in 1955 moved (Steve) Wilk of Canton, OH, and his family of five to Detroit. In 1960 Laura (Greg) Colucci of Saline, Rob Jack became a U.S. citizen, Jack adored his two daughters and loved retired from Ford (Body Engineering to do activities with them. He was a in Dearborn) in 1980. He and Fran wonderful broller who was always enjoyed an active and rewarding ready to help his five sisters when retirement incluging in travel, read-called upon. He was also an avia





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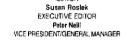
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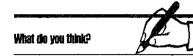
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Photo by JOHN HEIDER School's Out for the Summer! Novi High School student Abarles Farhad laughs as she twirls around a swing during last Thursday's senior picnic. The picnic, which featured a barbeque and lots of sports, was held at Novi's North Lakeshore Park.

Graduating is a milestone, don't celebrate with alcohol

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GUEST COLUMN

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Graduating from high school is a milestone in one's life and signifies a major step toward the privi- leges and responsibilities of adulthood. All of us at the Novi Police Department and through- out city government realize this is a joyous time and want it to be the happiest occasion possible. Too often, however, one bad decision results in a tragedy for not only one young person, but their family, friends and an entire community. It is unfortunate that some of our youth under the age of 21 are making he unsafe and illegal deci- ion to drink. Aided and abetted by the erry adults charged with notsication, leaving them ti risk for sections conse- quences associated with onsuming alcohol. It is important that par- nits and young people understand the ramifica- ions and deadly conse- quences which can result rom underage alcohol rinking.	The Novi Police Department strongly dis- courages this unlawful activity and will remain proactive in the illegal use of alcohol by our young peo- ple. Research conducted for The Century Council by Teenage Research Unlimited (TRU) reveals 65 percent of individuals between 10 and 18 who had consumed alcohol in the past year report obtaining alcohol from family and friends. A separate survey con- ducted by Withlin Worldwide revealed a major- ity of parents [53 percent) also believe family and source of alcohol for chil- dren between 10 and 18. At the same time as both parents and kids identify family and friends as the primary source of beverage alcohol, research also shows that parents are the most important influence in a child's decision whether or not to drink beverage alcohol. Still, a plethora of house parties reveal a commonly held view among adults that	allowing te private ho them safe. Individua report theli ing at lar report the ing at lar re

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enabling people under 21 to charge of any party your violate the law, but they are teen attends. Make sure them • Help your child feel good about him or her self and also violating the law themyou are in agreement about what the adult supervision develop strong values. Tell them you place high value Novi Police will be. · As an adult role model if on their special qualities Department takes pride in proactive partnerships h several community you drink, consider making low-risk drinking choices, will destroy those qualities. organizations, including the only 1 drink per hour and Discuss core values such as no more than 3 drinks per honesty and responsibility hools, municipal court and local health care organ-The best way to honor occasion. Never drink and izations, and has long been drive. Your actions speak teens at graduation is to help them safely celebrate their achievement. Hosting alcohol-free parties cearly a proponent of the public louder than words. · Talk to your teen about awareness campaign "Parents Who Host Lose the how to say no to risky situcommunicating expecta-tions for personal behavior, ations involving alcohol or drugs and still save face Most - Don't Be a Party to Teenage Drinking. We urge you to join us in with their friends. Report and enforcing conse strongly supporting zero tolerance for underage underage drinking to your quences for violating the rules are just a few good local law enforcement drinking and illegal drug ways to start. The graduates have done Tell your teen that they can call you at any time they are in a risky situation. Here's what you can do: their work. Now it is time to · Keep an open line of No questions asked do ours. As parents and communication with your teen, but be firm in the "no Team up and talk with responsible other parents. members, let's work togeth alcohol use before age 21' Provide opportunities for er to ensure this is one of your student to host safe message you give your stuthe happiest memories of your child's life and not a alcohol-free parties, and · Never host or provide activities. memory, which could easily • If you suspect your stu-dent has an alcohol or drug end with tragic results. alcohol to anyone under 21. If I or any member of the It's illegal, unsafe, unhealthy and it can have Novi Police Department can problem, seek help. Contact ever assist you, please do our school counseling office or your local youth · Don't allow your student hesitate to contact me are these parents to host or attend a party assistance office. that is unsupervised by • Remember to adults. Call the adult in student know at (248) 347-0504 or via e-· Remember to let your mail at dmolloy@city student know you love ofnovi.org.

PHIL POWER: Mackinac's results a disappointment to Michigan

MACKINAC ISLAND --- If you've never attended the Detroit Regional Chamber of done. Commerce's annual policy conerence on Mackinac Island know that the first — and over-

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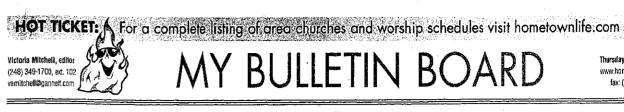
Executive L. Brooks Patterson?

Blah. Blah. Blah. My first reaction was anger.

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Phil Power is a longtime observer of politics, economics and education issues in Michigan, and was a regent of the University of Michigan



DETAILS: Enter to win a trip to

Las Vegas from the Next Food Network Star. One winner will be

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<u>EVENTS</u> from Novi, Peggy Kerwan of Novi

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and Jeff Cancelos1 of Northville among others. The public will Rouge River Day TIME/DATE: 9 a.m.-noon enjoy seeing the variety of approaches to the same subject This group will also be drawing Saturday, LOCATION: Rotary Park models outside, next to the Northville Art House, during the DETAILS: Every year on the first Saturday in June, volunteers July Garden Walk. CONTACT: Picasso Cafe at converge on various sites. throughout the Rouge River (248) 427-0600 watershed and plant flowers place wood chips, pick-up litter Second City Theatricais "Songs of The Second City" TIME/DATE: 8 p.m. and clear the walking trail. All yolunteers receive a free picnic lunch at noon. Call the Novi Wednesdays and Thursdays: 8 Parks office for more information and 10 p.m. Fridays; 7 and 9 or to register at (248) 347-0400. p.m. Saturdays; 8 p.m. Sundays LOCATION: Second City Comedy Club, 42705 Grand River ITC Community Sports Park Dedication DETAILS: Second City TIME/DATE: 10 a.m.-noor Theatricals presents this journey through some of the most hilari-Saturday (unveiling at 10:15 a.m.) LOCATION: 51000 Eight Mile ous musical moments in their storied history. Tickets are \$15 for Road, east of Napier Road DETAILS: Come join the fun at Wednesday, Thursday and Sunday shows and \$20 for Friday and the grand dedication celebration Saturday shows and can be pur-ITC Community Sports Park. chased from the Second City box TC's generous contribution to office by calling (248) 348-4448, the Novi Parks Foundation will be or going to www.secondcity.com recognized with the unveiling of the new park entryway signs. Enjoy family-friendly activities White Pine Glee Club including inflatable bouncers, Concert face painting, eco-friendly crafts, TIME/DATE: 1:30 p.m. Sunday, sport demonstrations, live kid's June 15 performances, free refreshments, LOCATION: Novi Middle giveaways and more! CONTACT: For more informa-School Auditorium, 49000 West 11 Mile Road ion please call Novi Parks at DETAILS: The City of Novi, in (248) 347-0400 or visit partnership with the Novi www.citvofnavi.org. Community School District, will host the 10th anniversary concert **MSU Tolligate Education** of this local Jananese male cho-Center Spring Plant Sales rus. Tickets for the performance TIME/DATE: 9 a.m.-2 p.m. are free, but required and are vailable at the Novi Parks Office LOCATION: Tollgate Farm, 12 in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 Mile and Meadowbrook roads West Ten Mile Road, or at the DETAILS: Cheap perenniais. Novi Middle School main office. CONTACT: For more information please call the Novi Middle

Daughter of the American School at (248)449-1600 or the Revolution City of Novi Community Relation TIME/DATE: Noon Monday Office at (248)735-5628, or visit LOCATION: Greenmead, he city web site at www.cityofnovilorg Alexander Blue House, Livonia Cochrane Chapter of the DAR, Democrats of West Oakland County Monthly Meeting serving Livonia, Northville, Plymouth, Canton, Redford South Lyon and Nevi, is hosting t's annual Potluck Picnic and TIME/DATE: 6 p.m. dinner, 7 p.m. meeting Tuesday, June 17 LOCATION: The Maples CONTACT: (734) 459-4764 Restaurant, off 14 Mile Road between Novi Road and M-5. **Real Estate Resource** DETAILS: The guest speaker will be Andy Meisner, Democratic TIME/DATE: 7 p.m.-10 p.m. candidate for Oakland County Freasurer. LOCATION: Novi Sheraton, Summer Picalc Haggerty Road, between 8 Mile DATE: Sunday, July 13 and 9 Mile roads LOCATION: Home of Jim and DETAILS: Featuring expert Gall Gualdon speakers who will give 10-15 minute lectures in the fields of foreclosures and short sales: Gardeners of Northville and mortgages and investment prop-Novi erties: real estate agent represen-Garden Walk Adventure III tation; appraisals; credit repair, and real estate taxes. All speakers

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TIME/DATE: 10 a.m.-4 p.m. aturday, June 28 DETAILS: Visit six homeowner will have a table to meet and greet patrons during the event. Local businesses will be offering oardens in Novi and Northville and learn ideas for container garinformation, products and service dening, ponds, garden art and es at a discount. Refreshments even a condomi available, the event is free. Tickets are available at Dinsers CONTACT: Seating is limited enhouse in Novi, Gardenv Please RSVP by June 8 at (248) in Northville and Backyard Birds in Plymouth. For-more information, go to www.gardener-

ding airfare, accommoda tions at Caesar's Palace, dinne certificate, spa certificates, a Kitchenaid (r) Stand Mixer and Lakes Area Chamber of \$1,000. One entry per person. Commerce Since 1963, the Lakes Area See store for ru Father's Day Giveaway Chamber of Commerce has DATE: Saturday, June Saturday, June 14 proudly served as West Oakland's Regional Chamber; servicing the communities of Commerce DETAILS: Children visiting the Township, Union Lake, Walled Kids Castle will receive a special gift to give to dad for Father's Lake, Waterford, Wixorn, Day, Kids Castles are supervise Wolverine Lake and White Lake. play areas for children. While Our purpose is to improve the quality of life for businesses and Kids Castle Flag Giveaway residents in the Lakes area. We DATE: Saturday, June 28act as a unified voice on behalf of Friday, July 4 the business community, provide DETAILS: Children visiting the a forum to discuss and review Kids Castle will receive an topics of interest, serve as a American Flag in honor of source of information and devel-Independence Day. While supop programs that are responsive to the needs of the communities we serve. LOCATION: 305 N. Pontiac Novi Parks Department Trail, Ste. B, Walled Lake

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Summer Camps DETAILS: The Novi Parks CONTACT: For more informa tion, visit www.lakesareacham Department is offering over 15 ber.com or (248) 624-2826. new carnos this summer with Spotlight Lunch TIME/DATE: 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. something for everyone. New camps include: Farm Camp, Wednesdav

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Mountain Biking Camp, Sporties LOCATION: Hospitality House, for Shortles - preschool sports 1600 W. West Maple, Suite C. camp, Sports Camps - crickets. Walled Lake bowting, cheer, football and te Annual Membershi nis, Crazy Science Camp, Lego Breakfast and Awards Ceremony Camp, Dance Camp - balle DATE: 7:30-9 a.m. Tuesday, Hip-Hop, Painting Camp, and June 17 Circus Camp. Camp Lakeshore returns this summer with field LOCATION: Edgewood Country Club, 8339 Commerce Road, just trips to Pump It Up. Detroit west of Union Lake Road cience Center, Red Oaks Wav DETAILS: Tickets are \$15 if Pool and the Detroit Zoo. pre-paid by Friday, June 13 or \$25 at the door. Call the chamber Registration is now open. For more information or to register for reservations Spotlight Lunch TIME/DATE: 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m. visit cityofnovi.org. There is a \$5 discount when registering online CONTACT: (248) 347-0400 Tuesday, June 24 LOCATION: Honey Tree Restaurant, 674 N. Pontiac Trail, Farmers Market - Walled Walled Lake

Lake TIME/DATE: 7 a.m. - 1 p.m.

every Wednesday 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 Walsh College, Business the end of October. Some of the Leadership Institute items available at the market this year include: Fresh vegetables Gardenbrook Road, near 11 Mile eggs, honey, jams, jelly, fruits, and Meadowbrook roads. Novi annual and perennial flowers and garden accessories. Vendor space is still available.

CONTACT: Janell at the City of Mergers and Acquisitions Conference Presented by the Michigan Walled Lake, 1499 E. West Maple Rnad, Walled Lake or call (248) 624-4847. Association of Certified Public

p.m., (registration at 8 a.m.), CHAMBERS Monday, June 16 OF **COMMERCE**

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TIME/DATE: 8:30 a.m.-4:50

June 27

TIME/DATE: 9:15 a.m. Friday,

LOCATION: Chamber office

event name, date, time, loca tion, details and contact. Mail: Novi News, My Bulletin Board, 104 W. Main Street, Suite 101, Northville, MI 48167. Fax: (248) 349-9832 E-mail: vemitchell@ gannett.com Tax Professionals and the IRS: Succesfully Working Together TIME/DATE: 8 a.m. registration, 8:30 a.m.-4:55 p.m. Friday, June 13 DETAILS: This program will provide all the updates you need from the IRS and the latest information from the Michigan Department of Treasury. Gain a better understanding of employee benefit plans and learn what will work for you and your clients. Recommended CPE credit is eight hours. The cost is \$99 for MACPA members and non-mem bers. To register, go to www.michopa.org and use course code JRS, or call (888) 877-4273. State Tax Forum TIME/DATE: 8 a.m. registra tion, 8:30 a.m.-4:25 p.m. Thursday, June 19 DETAILS: Updates on state tax ssues and initiatives and the status of the Michigan Business Tax

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our calendar!

Providence Center for the Healing Arts LOCATION: Assarian Cancer Center: 47601 Grand River CONTACT: (248) 465-5455 or email James.Tester@stjohn.org Wanted: One-time Art

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DETAILS: We are looking for people who have an art or craft that they would like to share in our series of one-time workshops Colored Pencil Workshop

ond Tuesday of every month DETAILS: Beginners wel-Ceramics Class TIME/DATE: 10 8 m.-3 p.m./, Monday-Thursday DETAILS: Explore the Art of plavino with clay. Express yourself in this three-dimen sional art form. \$10 lab fee. Call to verify class times. hianning, practice management, TIME/DATE: 1-3 p.m. Nednesday DETAILS: Join others and create hats and shawls for thosé in need. Meditation FIME/DATE: Meditation for individuals or groups by appointment. DETAILS: Learn proper breathing techniques that can be used at home or on the job to help reduce stress; class held in reflection space; Cancer Center Therapeutic Yoga TIME/DATE: 10-11 a.m. Monday - Yoga for Kids with Parents; 12:30-1:30 p.m. Monday Yoga for Backs; 6-7 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.

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Females in the Family **Business Affinity Group** TIME/DATE: 8-9:30 a.m. third Thursday of every mor LOCATION: Walsh College Troy Campus Michigan's Road to Renaissance DETAILS: Walsh Business

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LOCATION: Crowne Plaza Hotel, 27000 Sheraton Dr., Novi DETAILS: Kelli Marquette will share insights on strategies to keep our homes and famil healthy. She is a member of The MOM Team, a group of women educating people about the relationship between chemicals in our homes and chronic health issues in our families. Visit Kelli's website at www.HealthyMomKelli.com Tickets are \$16. Call (248) 330 6315 to RSVP or to purchase tickets by June 6. **CLASSES** will be discussed. Recommended CPE credit is 9 hours. The cost is \$215 for MACPA members, \$315 for non-members. To register, go to www.michopa.org and use course code STF, or call (888) 877-4273. Super Manager Information Show TIME/DATE: 7:30 a.m. registration, 8 a.m.-6 p.m. Wednesday, June 25 DETAILS: This trade show is the largest available to account-Michigan. It will feature exhibitors providing the latest information to enhance your practice, prizes and a variety of

Norkshop Instructors TIME/DATE: 1-3 p.m.; secveskout sessions in accounting and auditing, ethics, financial

tax and technology. Recommended CPE credit is 8 hours. The cost is \$159 for MACPA members, \$259 for non members. To register, go to www.michcpa.org and use course code: MIS2 or call (888) 877-4273. Novi Rotary Club TIME/DATE: Noon every Thursday 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. Tuesday - Mixed Level; 7:15-8:30 p.m. Tuesday - Night Light Yoga; 11 a.m.-noon Wednesday Meditative Yoga: 12:15-1:15 p.m

whelming --- impression is the imazing crush of people. This year's conference drew around 1,800 participants to the fantastically beautiful porch of the Grand Hotel. For three days I was one of them. The press of well-dressed people - talking, deal-making, business card exchanging, selling, buying and looking over shoulders for the next interest ing person — was remarkable. One friend called the event 'a world class political mo pit," but (fortunately) without the screaming teenagers a rock concert would bring. Ouite apart from the sessions, the Mackinac Conference is an extremely efficient way during three days to talk with a bunch of people you would normally have to wait three months to ee --- and even then would never see all in the same place. Everybody has an agenda or two, of course. But f you let yourself be bounced round like a molecule in olution, you're sure to run into people you've been want-

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policy talk and flesh-pressing o clear my head and come up with a few - hopefully useful - insights. Despite the intense social-izing, the conference is meant to be serious business with high-powered sessions devoted to finding solutions for statewide problems, And the overwhelming impression I took away from the island this year was the enormous gap between what the politicians bicker about and what the state really needs. That disconnect was the most obvious Thursday when House Speaker Andy Dillon, D-Redford, House Minority Leader Craig DeRoche, F Novi, Senate Majority Leader Mike Bishop, R-Rochester, and Senate Minority Leader Buzz Thomas, D-Detroit, gathered to be interviewed by TV and radio personality Tim Skubick. They were on the same stage — but there was utterly no interaction. Each stood behind his designated podium, putting out their own spin on events, never coming together

is the highest in the nation. and most folks think the polit. ical system is pretty much broken.

They argued over whether, for example, the legislation banning smoking in public Once again - they are places should or should not bickering over a deadline to get \$165 million for a state nclude the Detroit casinos. Publeeze! In a state where our dominant industry is facing whose budget is chronically and structurally out of bal the worst times since the ance, sometimes by a billion Great Depression, we're spending our time and energy dollars or more. When they got done worryvorrying about whether gaming those bones, it was on to: blers should be allowed to smoke in casinos Should a state constitutional They argued over whether amendment to provide health care for all be put on the bal-lot? Was it insulting to the the state should meet a capital outlay deadline from the fede Evidently, federal law allo-House for the Senate to send bill back? (Or was it insult cates to states a certain amount of money for airport construction, but the states ing to the Senate for the House to send a bill back? mehow I couldn't remem have to file a plan with the Department of Transportatio ber - or care.) by a certain date in order to Would Detroit Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick be well et the money. Republican

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1987.10 1999. He is also pres nt and founder of The Michloan, a moderate think-and-do tank. These opinions and expressed in his columns are his own and do not in any way official policy positions of The Center for Michigan. Phil would pleased to hear from readers at ppower@hcnnet.com.

ness. These leaders are able president at DTE people. They work very, very hard. They ran for their Both were though lenging, serious, But in the back offices intending to do the right thing, to help a state in leaders of both po terrible jam. But somehow, they've found themselves were cracking jok scant attention to trapped in a system that measures at issue requires them to play tit for of a dysfunctional system that is serv of Michigan citize tat, and score political points rather than govern the state thoughtfully and seriously. What's needed is planning for the long put badly, they should The unintended for the long run. Many of the programs at quence of this year Mackinac conference the conference were thought reveal in full and ful, far-seeing, appropriate to the need for bipartisan comthe yawning disco between what the mon ground to get Michigan chatter about and ing again. My own panel, Michigan really no for example, included Lou Glazer, President of Michigan sure that's not what izers intended, but Future, Inc., and Paul emerged. And if y Hillegonds, the near-legbit, it will tell you endary former Speaker of the very important abo of our state today. House and now a senior vice

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about the state ay.	Murphy of Northville, Mary Siep from Northville/Novi, Daria Fileta	Sweepstakes DATE: Through Wednesday,	working together to enhance the	Ave., Novi	Wednesday	Please see 10A

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Continued from 9A ance in a variety of techniques and projects. \$5 suggested per Explore Art and Color with Darcy

TIME/DATE: 1-3 p.m., the fourth Tuesday of every month DETAILS: Join volunteer artist Darcel as she guides you in transforming an ordinary block of wood into a multi-dimensional work of art. Cost is \$5 per ses-

mation, please call the

(248) 449-1206

LIBRARY

Unless noted below; all pro-

grams take place at the library. Summer Reading programs

June 16th. For more informa-

tion, oo to www.novilibrary.org

DETAILS: Card holders can

check out free passes, for two to

four people, to many area muse-

ums, cultural centers and histori-

cal sites. See www.detroitadven

turepass.org for more informa-

On-Going Used Book Sale

Library sponsors an on-going

books

Story Time

and details.

DETAILS: Go to

all levels welcome.

(June 12)

Senior Book Discussion

DETAILS: Book discussion

group for older adults facilitated

English Conversation Group

DETAILS: For ages 18 and

Knitters and Knotters

DETAILS: The Friends of Novi

um Adventure Pass

for adults and children begin

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sion. Look Good...Feel Better TIME/DATE: 1-3 p.m. Monday. June 23, Aug. 18, Sept. 15, Oct. 13, Nov. 10

DETAILS: Sponsored by the Road1-5 p.m. Sunday American Cancer Society, this is HOURS: 10 a.m.-9 p.m. a free program which helps Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m.-5 women who are currently underp.m. Friday and Saturday. Closed going cancer treatment cope with on Sunday until Sept. 7. opearance related side effects. CONTACT: (248) 349-0720 Lead by a licensed cosmetolo-WEB SITE: ww.novilibrary.org CONTACT: Call (248) 465-5466

to register for the program. Food for Life TIME/DATE: 6:30-8:30 p.m. Thursdays, June 23-August 28 (Note: no class July 3 and 31) DETAILS: A four week series of classes about cancer related nutrition topics and cooking demonstrations. Sponsored by the Cancer Project. Onen to those nterested in surviving and preventing cancer. A \$10 donation is suggested. CONTACT: (248) 465-5455 to

register for the program Perspectives on Health Photography Exhibit TIME/DATE: 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday through Friday, through

June 30 LOCATION: Nancy A. Fox Art Gallery DETAILS: This show features Click, a club of amateur and advanced photographers. This exhibit is a delightful offering of pictures that explore the photogranhers' unique and nersonal perspectives on health and wellness. This exhibit expounds on the virtues of healthy living through intelligent and creative

photography. Know Before You Go CONTACT: Call (248) 465-4488 for a recording of the latest in

class changes. by librarian; pfease call to join. Line Dancing DATE: Monday and Friday TIME: 6:30-7:30 p.m. begin-Tuesday (June and July) ters: 7:30-9:30 p.m. intermediate LOCATION: Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. 10 Mile Road DETAILS: No partner needed;

SCHOOL & GOVERNMENT

Novi Community School **District Board of Education** Meeting TIME/DATE: 7:30 n m Tonight and 7 p.m. Thursday, June 19 LOCATION: Educational Services Building, 25345 Taft Road CONTACT: (248) 449-1204

Novi City Council Meeting TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. first and third Monday of month (June 9) LOCATION: Novi Civic Center 45175 W. 10 Mile Road

IME/DATE: 6 p.m. Tuesday

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Novi Community Education's Walled Lake City Library Spring and Summer Brochure in LOCATION: 1499 E. West now available. Sign up today for Maple Road, Walled Lake HOURS: 10 a.m.-8 p.m adult and youth classes, camp and summer programs. Online Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: 10 registration is available 24/7 at a m -5 n m Wednesday and w.novi.k12.mi.us/District/cor Saturday; 1-5 p.m. Sunday; munityEducation. For more inforclosed Friday CONTACT: (248) 624-3772 or Community Education office at e-mail to admin@walledlakelirary.org Classical Music Series TIME/DATE: 2 p.m. first Tuesday of each month Friends of the Library TIME/DATE: 1 p.m. second Tuesday of month. Novi Public Library LOCATION: 45245 W. 10 Mile **Book Discussion Group** TIME/DATE: 12:30 p.m. third

Tuesday of each month DETAILS: Drop in for informal discussion. Bring a bag lunch, check library for current book selection. Preschool Story Time

TIME/DATE: 11 a.m. every Tuesday DETAILS: For ages 2-4. Registration required. Story & Snacks Family Time TIME/DAY: 6:30 every Thursday DETAILS: Drop-in program designed for the independent listener ages 2-6. Library Board of Trustees Meetina TIME/DATE: 1 p.m. second Friday of every month Storytellers Connection Volunteers DETAILS: Volunteer readers are needed to read to children in a classroom setting. Contact the

UP Theatre Company

Fantastic Fridays

TIME: 10:30 a.m

beginning, June 10. TIME/DATE: 6:30 p.m.

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Novi Senior Activities

Wednesday, June 18 -

Library

used book sale in the library library for more information. meeting room every day during library hours. \$6 for a big bag of Wixom Public Library LOCATION: 49015 Pontiac Trail: Wixon HOURS: 10 a.m.-8 p.m. www.novi.lib.mi.us for schedule Monday-Thursday; 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Friday-Saturday; 1-5 p.m. TIME/DATE: 6:30-8 p.m. sec-Sunday CONTACT: (248) 624-2512 or ond and fourth Monday of each visit www.wixomlibrary.org DETAILS: Drop in for informal Museum Adventure Pass DETAILS: Card holders can needlework group in Youth Area; check out free passes, for two to four people, to many area muse-TIME/DATE: Noon-1:30 p.m. ums, cultural centers and historical sites. See www.detroitadven second Thursday of each month

turepass.org for, more informa ESL Cafe TIME/DATE: 3:30 p.m. every Thursday DETAILS: Coffee and conver TIME/DATE: noon-1 p.m. every sation. Improve your English speaking skills by speaking with people from other countries try-

older. Practice your English while ing to improve their English. No ests; instructor helo: free CONTACT: Karin at the Information Desk. Adult Summer Reading: Polilinate Your Mind DATE: June 16-Aug. 2 DETAILS: See website for more details. Read Something Different TIME/DATE: 6:30 p.m. Thursday, June 12 by William Faulkner. Slaves of Suspense Book Club TIME/DATE: 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, July 30 DETAILS: "The Accidental Florist" by Jill Churchill. Read-To-Me and Sum

Reading Clubs DATE: Registration begins Tuesday, June 10 register in person. Read eight

Tuesday Programs for Club Members Onl TIME: 10:30-11:30 a.m. every Tuesday

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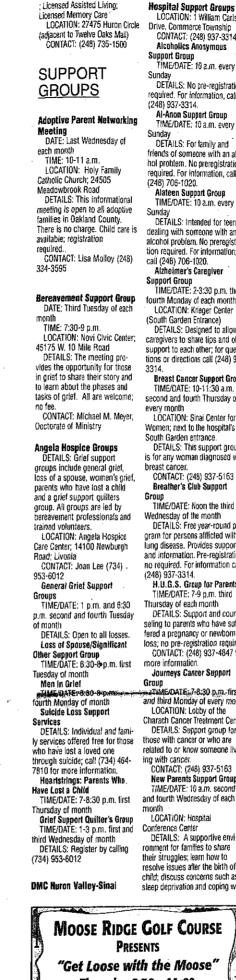
Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Novi New:

Strike! A bowler winds up at Novi's Lucky Strike lanes at Twelve Mile Crossing at Fountain Walk.

1 p.m.: "Scarlet Ladies" Red DATE: June 10 (10 a m -8 Center Hat Group LOCATION: Located in the p.m.) - Registration kick-off. 6 p.m.: Pilates Mat Work DATE: June 17 - "Stop Buggin Meadowbrook Commons Senior Complex; 25075 Meadowbrook Tuesday Me, I'm Readin'!" by the Acting 8:30 a.m.: Panera Bread Road CONTACT: (248) 347-0414 9 a.m.: Line Dance-Int. 10 a.m.: Asian Pacific Massage by appointment: 1 4 p.m. Tuesday-Friday and 9 DETAILS: For ages 2-6 with an 10 a.m.-noon: Arthritis Foundation Self-help program a.m.-noon Saturday adult: stories, songs, crafts and fun. All "Catch The Reading Bug" Thursday (reg. required) 9 a.m.: Line Dance; Mixed Golf Noon: Lunch members are welcome to attend 12:30-3 p.m.: Focus Hope and DATE: June 20 - Fly Away 1 eagu Melamorphosis @ Your 10 a.m.: Planning for the TEFAP Distribution p.m.: Bingo canceled Future with Terry Hall DETAILS: Summer Reading 11:15 a.m.: Line Dance-Beg 1-3 p.m.: "Ask the Lawver" by appt. 1:30-3 p.m.: Computer Lab Club for teens in grades 6-12. Noon: Lunch Register at the Information Desk 12:15 p.m.: Contract Bridge Open 1-2 p.m.: Chair Yoga 1:30 p.m.: Computer Lab Open Wednesday 9 a.m.: Stretch and Strength 2:30 p.m.; Line Dance Demonstration by Brian Haves of Friday 9:15 a.m. Women's Golf 9 a.m.: Stretch & Strength the Flying Aces Pro Frisbee Team. 10 a.m.: Body Recall 10 a.m.: Body Recall canceled Surrounding Long Term Care TIME/DATE: 6:30 p.m. 11 a.m.: Medicare with Jack 10:30 a.m.: Quilting 11 a.m.: TOPS, Blood Pressure Main Noon: Lunch Noon: Lunch 12:30 p.m.: Duplicate Bridge: 12:30 p.m.: Club Clogging DETAILS: Susan Poppert will provide objective advice. Register Body Recall Picnic in Activities 1:30-3 p.m.: Sing-A-Lond 2-4 p.m.: Estate Planning by Room 1 p.m.: Bingo appt 6:30 p.m.: Beg/int. Clogging Monday 8:45 a m : Men's Golf League 7:30 p.m.: Club Clogging 9 a.m.: Stretch and Strength 10 a.m.: Body Recall; Walk Waltonwood at Twelve Michigan **Daks Retirement Community** Noon: Lunch 12:30 p.m.: Pinochle Independent Living Residence

FATHER'S DAY IS JUNE 15TH!





imory care N: 27475 Huron Circle	LOCATION: 1 William Carls	CONTACT: (248) 858-7766
Twelve Oaks Mail)	Drive, Commerce Township CONTACT: (248) 937-3314	Postpartum Depression Support Group
: (248) 735-1500	Alcoholics Anonymous	TIME/DATE: 6:45 p.m. every
	Support Group TIME/DATE: 10 a.m. every	Thursday DETAILS: Postpartum depres-
ORT	Sunday	sion can happen anytime within
JPS	DETAILS: No pre-registration	the first year after childbirth.
<u> </u>	required. For information, call (248) 937-3314.	Symptoms include sadness, lack of energy, trouble concentrating,
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	alcohol problem. No preregistra- tion required. For information;	Counseling Services
: Lisa Molloy (248)	call (248) 706-1020.	Northville Counseling Center Anxiety/Agoraphobla/Panic
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nt Support Group rd Tuesday of each	fourth Monday of each month	Wednesday of each month DETAILS: Call (734) 420-8175
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I: Novi Clvic Center; Mile Road	caregivers to share tips and offer	Neighborhood Baby-sitting
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	every month	ones in tow. Also enjoy a mom's night out and other social
Michael M. Meyer, Ministry	LOCATION: Sinai Center for	events.
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pice Groups	DETAILS: This support group	380-0998.
Grief support	is for any woman diagnosed with	Friendship Circle
de general grief, use, women's grief,	breast cancer. CONTACT: (248) 937-5163	TIME/DATE: 1 p.m. second
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: Angela Hospice	gram for persons afflicted with lung disease. Provides support	widows and widowers.
14100 Newburgh i	and information. Pre-registration	CONTACT: Norbert Monson
Joan Lee (734) .	no required. For information call,	(248) 851-6730, Florence Voight (248) 477-3032, Joy
rief Support	(248) 937-3314. H.U.G.S. Group for Parents	lovaldi (248) 348-9138 or joyio-
ner output	TIME/DATE: 7-9 p.m. third	valdi@earthlink.net
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and fourth Tuesday	DETAILS: Support and coun- seling to parents who have suf-	of Multiples
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t a loved one de; call (734) 464-	related to or know someone liv- ing with cancer.	welcome. CONTACT: (248) 437-5496
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	An advance	vulnerable to muscle tears. Tight hamstrings can also lead to postural
OSE RIDGE	GOLF COURSE	problems and back pain because they tend to pull the pelvis out of its
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et Loose wit	h the Moose"	Generally speaking, women's and children's hamstring muscles tend to
	:30 - 11:00 ~	be more supple than men's. However, even if you do not have
-	1933	tight hamstrings, you can improve your flexibility by stretching. When
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for more information. Perspectives on Health

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

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NOVI BASEBALL WINS DISTRICTS



Wildcat pitcher Mark Heard threw five scoreless innings in the first game of districts.

after Novi

after Rice, Lakeland game

Heard, Scott pitch Wildcats to district title

By Jeff Theisen SPORTS WRITER

Novi head coach Rick Green went into Saturday's district semifinals and finals with a plan. He was going to save ace Tyler Scott ville, and throw Mark Heard in the a.m. semis against Farmington. The move paid off big time.

Heard delivered a gem in a 10-0 win eainst Farmington, and Scott had a monster game in a 7-4 win against rival Northville to claim the district title at home in front of a huge crowd.

"I had a good feeling the whole day." Green said. "The first game, Mark Heard was unbelievable. We needed a 1-2 punch and we got it today." "We didn't come here to win one game, we but a lot of credit went to centerfielder

Masuru Nogami. His diving catch on Ross Richl's low liner saved a potential big wanted to win two." Mission accomplished.

District final

Scott did some heavy damage in the finals of the catch, "That was huge," before ever taking the mound. He custof a Bur Northville came firing back with three two-out, two-run homer well past the right runs in the second inning to take its only lead

Regionals back in favor of the Wildcats with a four-run fourth introduction of the which as which to be the scott, Dan Kilger and Justin Eid chased Northville statter David Uberti with three At Birmingham Seakolm Novi (21-14) vs. Canton (21-10) 10 straight doubles for a pair of runs and a 4-3

With runners on first and third, Andrew Brother Rice vs. Lakeland, 25 minutes Harrington hit a run-scoring double off reliever Kevin Uetz. Garrett Green capped off Regional finals will follow 25 minutes the inning with a two-out single that pushed

the lead to 6-3. wille's final run came in the bottom half of the inning. Steve Anderson doubled in "He's the hottest hitter on the team right a run with two outs. Novi scored its final run in the seventh. Phil

The momentum of the game swung wildly

Celeski hit a deep sacrifice fly to plate Green. Scott took the hill in the seventh, knowing full well what was on the line. "At the end of the sixth inning. I was thinking, 'Man, if we could get those three more outs ... if we get this it's huge,'" Scott said. "I'll think about this forever, Every time f

inning. "I looked back at that and I thought this could be bad news or great news," Scott said come back to Novi, 1'll think about it, Northville and us." But the inning started off with a pair of

Novi's title-run ends at three

Northville wins 2-1 in regionals By Jeff Theiser District Northville ended Novi's reign games of soccer dominance Tuesday night with a 2-1 win in regional play at Livonia St Theresa Yankovich scored off Novi 4. Stevenson 0 a defender's leg with 13:47 remaining to break a 1-1 tie. After siniggling to score During a scrum out front, goals in the first half a day earlier, Novi had no trouble Yankovich turned and put a low shot on net. Novi goalkeeper Erin Zerio reacted to the shot and ainst Stevenson in winning the district title. Morgan Haffey started the would've easily made the save. but just as Yankovich shot it, the ball bounced off a defender and scoring with a shot out of mid-air for the opening goal less than eight minutes in. Alyssa Fraser added the inced off a defender and went the opposite way of Zerio The Novi keeper made a diving attempt at the ball, but it trickled by her for the game-winning second goal with 28:25 left in the half. She knocked home a ow shot during a scrum in goal. "That's been a long time comfront of the Spartan net. ing," Northville head coach Ron Meteyer said after beating Novi for the second time this year. " Novi head coach Brian Jenna Carosic scored the third goal, the result of three perfectly placed passes that perfectly placed passes that sent her in free for the goal with 25:04 left in the half. O'Leary has won enough close games to know how the Wildcats came up on the short end The final goal came off an own goal late in the second half. Nikki Greehalgh sent a hard cross that a Spartan Tuesday. "When two great teams play, you're going to get maybe four chances to score," he said. "You capitalize on more of them, you defender tried to knock down to control but, instead, fired in nto the net with 4:51 left are going to win. It went the play, other way. Novi 5. Groves C Novi soccer continued it playoff run with a 5-0 shutout Rain and quality play were the of Birmingham Groves on two constants during the game. The start of the game saw rela-tively light rain, and Northville last Thursday. Jenna Carosio scored a pair, with single goals com-ing from Katie Chaklos, Jamie Fratto and Alyssa scoring within the first minute. The rain would turn to hard showers less than five minutes Fraser, Earning assists were mon Cody, Chakl os (2), Ši See SOCCER, 13A

SOCCER continued from front

n, and would change from light to ownpour throughout the contest. A shot came in low on Zerio. and she tried to play the shot off her legs. Unfortunately for her, the rebound weat right to Sarah Stern for a wide-open goal from point-blank range not even a ninute in. O'Leary's game plan was to have Yankovich and Stern marked the entire game, but that harked the entire game, but that plan fell apart early, and Northville took advantage. "I thought the first five minutes was painful because we played terrible," he said. "After that, I benefit us blowd forther."

thought we played fantastic." Meteyer said getting an early goal can sometimes backfire on a "When you have that happen they sit back and think have to do is protect this lead and go into halftime with a 1-0 lead.

Metever said, "You can't do that The Novi bench, drenched from the downpour, watches against a team like Novi. They're as its team bows out of the playoffs Wednesday night, going to come at you." Play went back and forth with losing 2-1 to Northville. each team having quality chances, but unable to cash in, right with 5:03 left in the half. Late in the first half, the vildcats held the pressure and Novi came close to taking the lead a couple of times, with Katie drew a penalty shot after the referee went over to discuss the play with the linesman

qualify any individuals, ending the season for Novi.

"It's obviously disappointing, but what can you do?" Novi head coach Brad Huss said. "The guys

tried their best and did their best.

It's a one-day thing, and the guys

didn't have a good day. "It could've finished a little

better in success on the golf

plishments along the way. The Wildcats wrapped up the final KVC title with a win at the

post-league meet and went 5-2 in

The end of the year also marks

the end of the careers for Novi's top players Alex Lyall and Nick Prokop.

BASEBALL

loop singles to right before a per-

fectly executed double play, third to second to first to essentially kill

the rally. Scott got the final out with a strikeout, and the Novi

party was on. "This is a great feeling," coach

Green said. "I'm glad these guys

got to feel it."

continued from front

Chaklos knocking a tough-angle shot off the side post and Ryznar making a diving punch save on a Mary Reid header off a cross, but gone all the way to the back of the net, but it went far enough Jenna Carosio took the shot and buried it to Elana Ryznar's the Wildcats couldn't find the Northville then went into a defen-ROUNDUP for those guys. At least out of this continued from front

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Prokop and Lyall also shared Prokop and Lyall also shared medalist honors at the KVC where he wanted to, we (coaches) know this is only a stepping stone to where he is about to meet. Graham Smith also pulled off a rare feet this year, making First-Team All-KVC in football and g0. then Second Team All-KVC in **Girls Track** golf. "Graham Smith was a very, very pleasant surprise," Huss said. "I'll bet nobody has ever The Wildcats did not score any points as a team, but they had several girls compete at the states course, but, in the big picture, they have a lot to be proud of." The season didn't end the way the coach or the team wated, but they still had some major accommost prestigious met. Katelyn Shelar finished 12th in the pole vault. She just missed a jump of 11-0 that would've shot her up the charts. Other state performances included Elle Robinson finishing the 3,200 meters in 11:50, Mike Blaszczyk was the lone representative for Novi at the state meet. He finished 30th in the 3,200 meters, finishing in 9:58.3.

back to tie the game, sending it Monica Barlage completing the into overtime Both teams had chances to 100 meters in 12.82 and Emily "He was our only guy to quali-fy and he represented Novi well," Novi head coach Chris Payton said. "He is only a sophomore so score the sudden-death goal, but Hall finishing the 800 in 2:26. The 4x100 team of Lauren Forche, Brittany Davis, Shamita the Red Hawks finally cashed in with one minute left. Novi (15-3) ends its season Kandru and Tia Faraon ran well "Those two, they had great in essence, he was tops in the according to head coach Marsha careers," Huss said. "I feel bad state amongst his class if you are about it, It should've ended better comparing apples to apples. with a KVC title and as runnerups in the regional

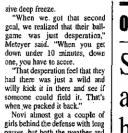
Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Novi News

Yankovich's shot may not have

"It was inspiring to see him

back of the net

Defensive clamps



there. They went at each other

No. 1 ranked and undefeated Northville (20-0-2) extends its

season to 6 p.m. tonight agains

Ann Arbor Huron for the region-

al title. "The girls all know that the

winner of this game has gone on to win the state championship," Meteyer said. "It's a little prema-ture to be talking about that, but we've got four games under our halt out in the state of the state

belt and we've got three more to

The Wildcats' playoff run came to a close with a 7-6 over-time loss to Troy Athens on

Novi came roaring out of the

gate with goals from Tom Machisak and Paul Favorite (7

seconds left in the quarter) for a

A goal by Craig Howell put the Wildcats up 3-0, but the Red Hawks cut the lead to 3-2 by the

half. Both team managed a pair of goals in the third, leaving Novi up 5-4 heading into the fourth. Howell scored both in the

Machisak gave the Wildcats a

two-goal cushion to open the fourth, but the Red Hawks battled

go, all against tough teams."

Lacrosse

2-0 lead.

third.

Friday at Troy High.

Novi almost gol a couple of girls behind the defense with long passes, but both the weather and defensive provess helped keep the Wildcats off the board and off the chase for a fourth-consecutiv state title The Wildcats finish 15-4-3 Despite the loss, O'Leary was proud of his team and happy to be "I said to my IV coach, "This is a fun game," he said. "Those are two very talented teams right

There was a lot of coaching going

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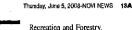


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Upcoming Events A couple of local favorites will take place in June. • June 15: The Plymouth YMCA Father's Day Run is an excellent choice for both seriou ruppers and families One car choose from the 1 Mile Run/Walk a 5K Run/Walk or the 10K Run or do all three. (ymcadetroit.org) • June 21: The Solstice Run in Northville offers a challenging 10K Run, a 5K Run/Walk through historic areas, and a Kids Fur

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Running Websites

The laternet is an excellen

resource for runners - both experi-enced and new. I have mentioned a number of my favorite Web sites in the past and I continue to find

new ones that are both interesting and informative. Here are a few

you may want to review: • RunMichigan.com - This is

the most comprehensive site for Michigan race events and results. • Running in the usa.com - If you're interested in running a race

in another state during your travels, this site offers an extensive listing of events and results. • Athlinks.com - If you have run

races in the USA, your results are

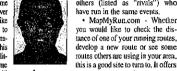
probably listed on this site. It

On the Move Save gas

and be healthy

Whith the price of gas approaching \$4 per gal-looking for ways to cut back on your driving and save some money. While the high cost of fuel is painful to the pocketbook, it does present opportunities for a healthier lifestyle. This is an excellent time to con-

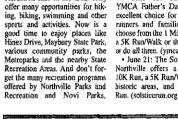
describes itself as "the largest and most complete results database for endurance races (all distances) on the planet." That is a pretty big boast but it is probably true. An interesting feature of the site is the



tle extra time but you will feel better and Jerry Mittmar there is no need to fall up at the oump. And

can be great family activities Instead of that long trip up North on the weekend, why not check out some of the outdoor

recreation sites in the area. They



field fence for a 2-0 lead in the top of the of the game. Ryan Mullen started the innin first off with a long home run to right.

See BASEBALL, 13A

Tennis fourth at state

By Jeff Theisen SPORTS WRITER

Novi tennis finished higher bles and Jenny Snyder and Julia Thomas at No. 4 doubles. than any previous team at states Friday and Saturday in Midland. Jackie Wang lost in the second round, and Amy Chiang and The Wildcats tied with three Lauren Felcher lost in the opening other teams to place fourth. "I thought the kids played extremely well," Novi head coach Jim Hanson said. "We had some round. Weather forced the tournament inside and caused some major backups in the scheduling. Some good wins. When we got beat, we or heat by a better learn of the Novi girls didn't play their we did a nice job as a team from top to bottom." The Wildcats scored points in seven of the eight flights, with No. 3 singles Sara Carlson and No. 4 singles lennifer Felcher No. 4 singles to the source of the sou ro. 5 singles sara Larison and excelled on the court. No. 4 singles lennifer Felcher "Every year, one of our goals is leading the way with runs to the scrifinals. Several girls made runs to the

quarterfinals, including Amanda Border at No. 1 singles, Lauren McCloskey and Megan Wenzl at No. 1 doubles, Teodora Gavric and Kellie Wallon at No. 3 dou-Novi finishes the season with a KVC title, a regional title and a fourth-place showing at states. "If you would've said that's what we would've done at the start of the year, I would've taken it in a heartbeat," Hanson said. The Wildcats will lose four players from the state roster, but that means they will have eight back, including three of the four (c) singles that all made it to the quar-terfinals or better. Golf The Novi golf team finished fifth at the regional meet, two spots away from qualifying for

the state meet.

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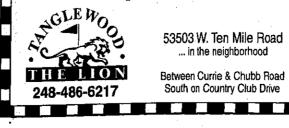


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The Wildcats were unable to Novi tennis had several girls with finishes in the final eight at the state meet, includ-Ing, from left: Sara Carlson (singles semifinals), Teodora Gavric (doubles quarterfi-nals), Jennifer Felcher (singles semifinals), Jenny Snyder (doubles quarterfinals) and See ROUNDUP, 13A Megan Wenzl (doubles quarterfinals). Tanglewood Restaurant Weekend Specials

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CC roundup: Martin defends shot put title, sets state record

By Jeff Theiser ITS WRITER

Mike Martin did it again, only, this time, in the grandest fashion Martin defended his state title in the shot put, breaking the Division 1 record with a heave of 63-9, shattering the record of 64-11 set in 2000).

"He is an athlete who responds well to a challenge and has his best performances when the chips are down," CC assistant coach Engene Grewe said, "From the beginning of the season he knew he would need to throw 63+ at the state meet and trained according-

Murtin was also named team MVP at its banquet. His highlights included leading

the team in scoring, staying unde-feated in the shot put this year, breaking the school record twice and setting the Catholic League record, the field records at Mifford and Farmington and the Division team more surged. Division 1 state meet record,

The 3,200 relay team of Alex Toloff, Brandon Schneider, Spencer Hall and Zach Oleski finished fourth in 7:58.4, carning

All-State status. The All-State finishes left the Shanrocks with 15 points and in a tie for 14th place

"All in all, we had a great seaa new state record. son with three new school records in the three relays, and of course, Martin's new school record." playing well at this time and, even Grewe said, "We won our Central though there are many good team Orivision championship, and the we will be competing against, we Catholic League Championship and were second at the regional and county meets." Joe Fransted led the Shanrocks with a 71, followed by Steve Larouere (75), Zach Feher (76) and Alex Kolpacke (79) for a team The Shanurock golfers finished total of 301. runner-up at regionals, advancing

to the state finals. Brighton shot one stroke better and Fin very proud of our team and what we accomplished thus far." Hayes said. "We are where we than the Shamrocks, but both teams move on. want to be at this time, and hope-"It would have been nice to fully we will continue to play well Friday and Saturday at the finals." The Division 1 finals are at win, but we are headed to the state finals and that's great," CC head

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PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Mike Martin gets ready to release the shot put at the state meet. His throw of 63-9 set coach Bill Hayes said. "We are - Grand Valley State University. good-hye to this group of seniors They were a great group of hard working young men who showed Baseball good leadership both on and off the field." The five Shanrock seniors -Mike McCann, Jake Hansen, The CC baseball team wa knocked out of district play. 6-3 by Lakeland. Tim Dezelski provided two Ryan Houska, Cory Amble and hits, and Eric Becker knocked out Drew Walters - combined for a two-run homer, but it wasn't 3.5 grade point average. enough for the Shamrocks. The Shamrocks finish 15-19. Lacrosse "All in all we had a great year "Although we did not finish where we expected to with regard to our record, the more important The Shamrock Jacrosse tear

lost 17-8 in the regional final to fellow league for U-D Jesuit. thing is that I had a team full of The loss came after CC han championship-type people." CC head coach Kevin Walters said. "I mored Walled Lake Northern 20-3 in the regional semis had a very difficult time saying

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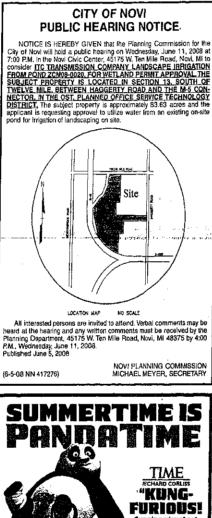
and includes a week of instruc-Hole in One tion, an outdoor basketball and T-shirt. Awards and trophics will Novi freshman Alex Willson acé occurred on Hole 8, a par 3, at Links of Novi. Alex was on tration, call (248) 449-1206. For more information or regis the JV golf team at Novi.

CC's Westside Football Second Annual Shamrock Camp Detroit Catholic Central is The Shanrock Lacrosse Camp will be conducted by CC coaches, with special help com-ing from two players from the 2008 Synause NCAA champi-conship team and others from Notre Dame and Michigan (MCLA National Champions). Coaches from Michigan State, Brighton, Northville, Cranbrook Lacrosse Camp **Basketball Camp** Walled Lake Northern will Novi boys basketball coach Cory Heitsch is hosting a boys basketball camp June 16-20 at Novi Middle School for boys also help. Session 1-Grades 6-8 (entering) 6-9:30 p.m. June 16-19 Session II-Grades 9-12, 6-

entering second-ninth grades in the fall. Grades second-fifth will 9:30 p.m. June 23-26 Interested parties may contact go from 8:30 a.m.-noon and grades sixth-ninth will follow coachdwilson@yahoo.com. from 1-4:30 p.m. Novi Lady Wildcat The cost of the camp is \$140 and will include a week of instruction, an outdoor basket Basketball Camp Novi girls basketball head

coach Bill Kelp is hosting a bas-ketball camp June 16-20 at Novi High School for girls entering second-ninth grades rution, cafl (248) 449-1206. next year. Grades second-fifth will run More sports shorts can be online

8:30 a.m.-noon, and grades sixth-ninth will go 1-4:30 p.m. hometownlife.com. The cost of the camp is \$140



Novi High School graduates walk the stage in Ypsilanti, prepare for next step in life

By Chris Jackett

On a warm and windy Saturday afternoon in Ypsilanti, 473 sen-iors gathered for the final stage of their carcer as students with Novi Community Schools. The Class of 2008 commence ment ceremony took place at Eastern Michigan University's Convocation Center before a crowd of family, friends, parents and district administrators "It really hasn't set in yet. I'm kind of nervous, but I don't know why." said 18-year-old Eric Baumgarten before the ceremony Fellow senior Aaron Letzei 18, said he expects the post-high school feeling to kick in soon,

DePaul University in Chicago thi "It's surreal. It won't really set in 'til next week when I wake up and realize I don't have to go to school." he said.

before he departs for college at

Novi High School seniors gather at Eastern Michigan University's Convocation Center Many of the seniors were ready before graduation last Saturday. From left: Rohith Ravi is going to the University of Michigan and will major in engineering, Colin Woods will attend Central Michigan University and will major in broadcast and cinematic arts and Ryan Ridenour is going to the University of Michigan and will major in education. to walk the stage and move on to the next step in their life, admit

inc increases and the set in as the end of the school year approached. "(My best memory is) probably this because I'm getting out of high school. I'm glad to get out of school," said Jordan Burns, 17, who plans to attend Schoolcraft College in the fall. Class Treasurer Madelyn Gardner, 18, said not seeing the same faces every day will be a big "It's just sad. We've beer together since fifth grade -because the way it's set up with

Novi Meadows - and now we're all going to separate places," she Gardner and class Secretary Melissa Moss presented the class gifts to the school during the commencement ceremony. A new Wildcat Willy mascot costume and a memorial bench for Nathan

Michael Bonner were donated. Heading into the future

The ceremony also featured speeches from class co-vice pres-idents Aditya Sathi and Vidhi Bamzai, as well as the commencement address delivered by senior Stephanie Raymundo, who drew a comparison between life-and the 1980s "Frogger" video

Stephanie Song (right) lets her mom adjust her cap and tassel before graduation. Song will be attending the Rhode Island School of Design in the fall. Raymundo, 17, compared her daily walk to school across Taft Road to hopping across a high-way as a frog in the video game. "Opportunity can be a nice, uates that, "In 'Frogger,' it's plus students, but by parents, faculty 1,000 points if you can get to your and staff, could not be ignored in goa! Superintendent Peter Dioa slow-moving car or a car that stops to let you cross," she said. "Opportunity presents itself in life beyond jaywalking. Opportunity is the means to achieving your

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and staff, could not be ignored in contributing to the educational

process and graduation, which he

have will live on forever." Sathi

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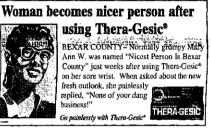
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Aaron Pugh, Jr. waves to his family and friends as his name is called to receive his diploma.

Novi High School Class of 2008 by the numbers

- 473 graduating seniors 165 Four-Year Honor Roll 120 - Detroit of Association of Phi Beta Kappa (3.75-4.00)
- 234 honors:
- 52 Summa Cum Laude (3.95-4.00 GPA)
 98 Magna Cum Laude (3.75-3.94 GPA)
- 84 Cum Laude (3.50-3.74 GPA)

Novi High School seniors were offered more than \$8 million in scholarships, similar to the \$8 million earned by the Class of 2007. Counselor Kathy Scullen said the final tally could reach \$9 million by the end of June. About 171 seniors applied for 779 scholarships. Source: Newt Schoole







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First Friday event to feature

By Pam Fleming

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STAFF WRITER it's First Friday time again in downtown Northville tomorrow with some rather unique events planned for this month's art and shion walk. Sherrus Gallery of Fine Art in Northville Square at 133 W.

media artist Danna Harvey. The gallery will launch a unique con cept in fine art shopping ---Artaissance (www.sherrus.ArtMyStyle.com)

6-9 p.m., guests will have an opportunity to meet Harvey, a nationally-known mixed-media artist, and view her works through two venues at the galler

of Houston

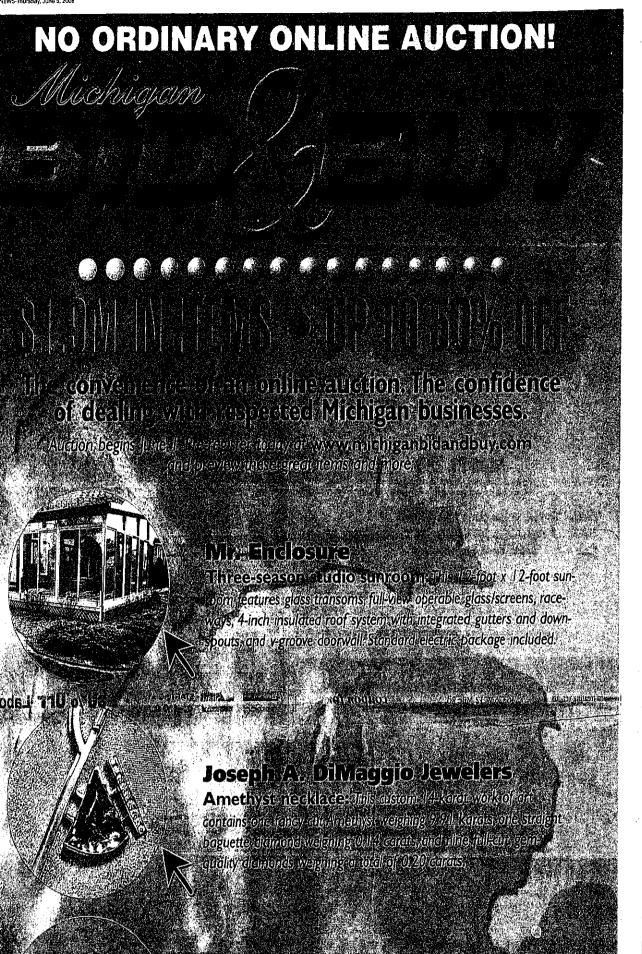
an extensive floor exhibit and online at www.sherrus.ArtMvStyle.com This is a relatively new, fine-art buying experience available to art

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and, more recently, the horizo line, to evoke calmness. Harvey work has been shown at the Chase Gallery for the on Art Dealers Association for years. Curated by Larson-Juhl, www.sherrus.ArtMyStyle.com features Harvey's work along with more than 100 artists, sho casing an exclusive collection of 2,000-plus selections that represent 18 genres of art, including still life, Americana, modern abstract, landscapes, objects, contemporary and nature. Other artists commissioned by Artaissance include Atlanta favorite Rodney White, Mary Margaret Briggs, David Tupper and several artists with northeast ern U.S. roots, such as Kathy Kennedy, the late TL Lange. Maeve Harris, Soraya Chemnaly Elizabeth Horning and Kathryn Heuzey "We were very pleased when one of our premier frame design companies, Larson-Juhl, invited us to participate as a select retail er in this phenomenal online gallery that features a whole new orld for art lovers," said Sherri Mewha, owner of Sherrus

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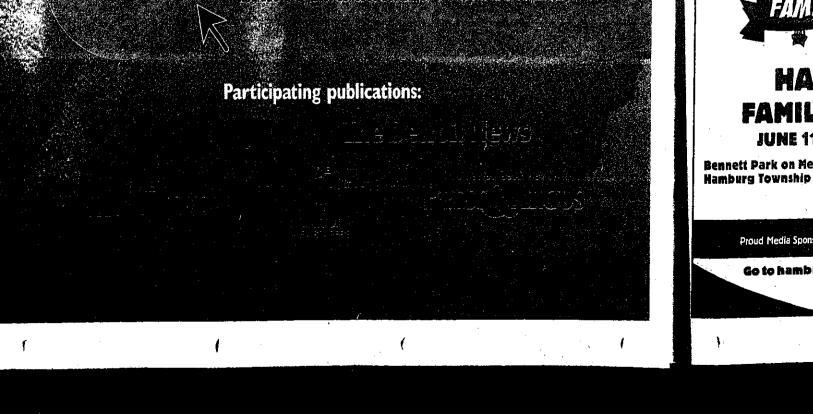
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ITC Community Sports Park family fun event

In recognition of ITC Holdings Corp., the City of Novi Parks, Recreation and Forestry Department will celebrate the ages, including inflatable bounc-ers, face painting, eco-friendly crafts, sports demonstrations, live kid's performances, free rofreshdedication of the ITC Community Sports Park 10 a.m. Saturday. The unveiling of ITC Community Sports Park will occur promptly at 10:15 a.m. ITC Community ments, giveaways and much more. The roots of this occasion reach back to November 2007 when ITC announced they were making New York Statistics Transport Statistics Transp Sports Park is located at 51000 Eight Mile Road, just east of Napier Road

The ITC Community Sports Park Dedication is open to all community members and will offer activities for children of all and recreation programs in the Parks Foundation to support development of parks, facilities and recreation programs in the city. The generous donation will be used to pursue the Novi Parks Foundation long-term strategie recreation vision in Novi.









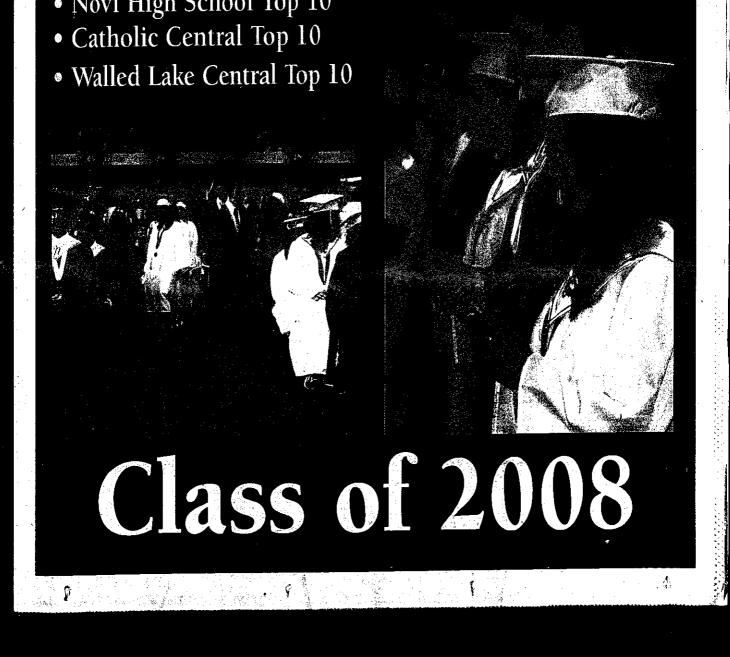
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Inside:

- Novi High School Top 10



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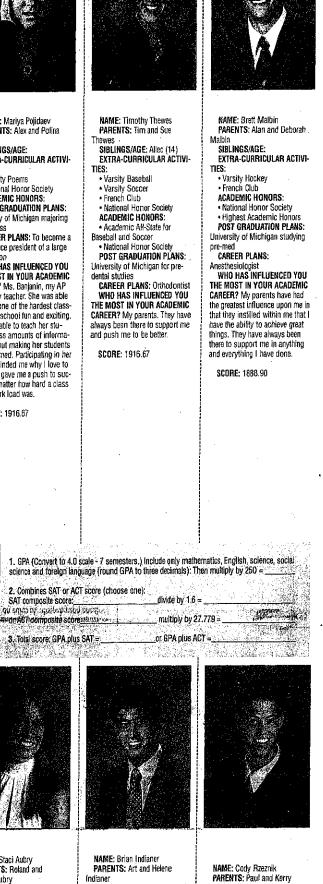




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NAME: Sami Khan PARENTS: Muhammed and Raushan Khan SIBLINGS/AGE: Farah EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVI- TIES: Ouiz Bowl Oditar Science Olympiad captain • Novi Youth Council • French Club ACABEMIC HONORS: • USA Biology Olympiad semi- tinalist • National Meril Scholarship finalist • Alst Graduation PLANS: Harvard CAREER PLANS: Medicine WHO HAS INFLUENCED YOU THE MSST IN YOUR ACADEMIC CAREER? My parents have taught me to be inguisitive and love learning. SCORE: 2000	TIES: TIES: TIES: TIES: Forensics public speaking • Varsity Tennis captain • Japanese Club president • Wim Team • Forensics public speaking • Science Club secretary • Ouiz Bowl vice president • Cross Country Team • Science Club vice president • Interact Club • Art and science Club • Model UN • Track Team • Ouiz Bowl • Interact Club • Model UN • Interact Club • Novi Beautification • AcADEMIC HONORS: • National Honor Society • Teack Team • Ouiz Bowl • National Merit finalisit • Japanese Duiz Bowl • Track Team • Novi Beautification • National Merit finalisit • Japanese Duiz Bowl • Teack Team • Novi Beautification • Robert C. Byrd Honors • Cross Country • National Henor Society • Teack Team	CAREER? Ms. Brady, She THE MOST IN YOUR ACADEMIC She was able to teach her stu-	NAME: Timothy Thewes PARENTS: Tim and Sue Thewes SIBLINOS/AGE: Allec (14) EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVI- TIES: • Varsity Baseball • Varsity Soccer • French Club • National Honor Society ACADEMIC HONORS: • Academic All-State for Baseball and Soccer • National Honor Society POST GRADUATION PLANS: University of Michigan for pre- dental studies CAREER PLANS: Orthodontist WHO HAS INFLUENCED YOU THE MOST IN YOUR ACADEMIC CAREER? My parents. They have always been there to support me and push me to be better. SCORE: 1916.67 NATION PLANS: CORE: 1916.67 NATION PLANS: CORE: 1888.90
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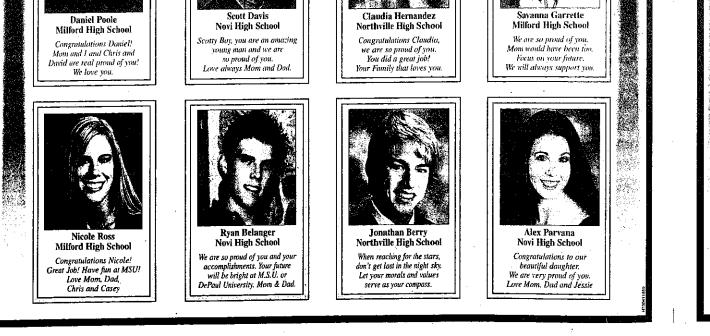
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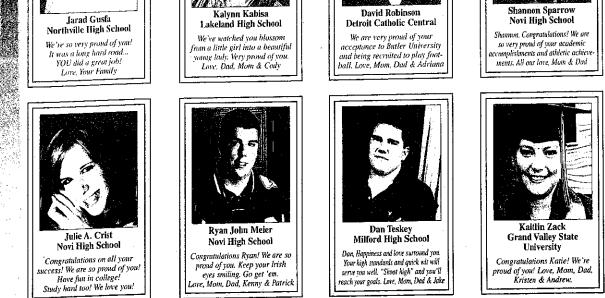


Presenting The Grads Class of 2008 Elijah Lee Filip Milford High School Jordan Ailouni Milford High School Northville High School Congratulations & Good Lack Bowling Congratulations Eli, "Education is the most powerful Way to go... We are so proud of you! apon which you can use to change the world" (Nelson Mandela). for Bellarmine University in Louisville KY. We are proud of you and your accom plishments, Love, Mom, Dad & Trey Love, Moin, Ken, Nate & Tess Love, Mom, Dad & Adam **Bridget Marie Lynch** Kristen Hanser Lakeland High School Novi High School Novi High School Your hard work and dedication paid off. Good luck at U of M. Chae, your achievements ama You've come far as a student. Best always in your dance and chorus ability. Love, Mom, us. Keep flying knowing we're ere to gas your plane, You make us proud. Love, Your Fam. Go Rhue! Love, Mom & Dad Dad, and Grandma Belger. **Rachelle Anne Lotrey** Marissa Thomas **Robert Bell** Novi High School Northville High School Novi High School May your future be filled with Marissa, your choices are end-less but some require hard work. Dear Robert, Thank you for happiness and success. Congrats m your graduation. Love always, filling our lives with joy! We are so proud of you. 2 Timothy 1:7 Love you, Mom & Dad on your graduation. Love alway. Dad, Mom, Kristen and Reanna We will always be there if you need us. Love, Your Family.

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	University of Michigan CAREER PLANS: Undecided	NAME: Anna Karpov PARENTS: Dmiltriy and Diana Karpov SIBLINGS/AGE: Natassia (2) EXTRA-CURRCULAR ACTIVI- TIES: • Rythmic gymnastics • Gymnastics camp counselor ACADEMIC HONORS: • Siver medal in 207 National Spanish Exam • Who's Who Honor Society • AP Scholar POST GRADUATION PLANS: University of Michigan Honors Program CAREER PLANS: Unsure at this time	NAME: Kelsey Heckert PARENTS: Matt and Dlana Heckert SIBLINGS/AGE: Holly (17) EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVI- TIES: • Varsity Soccer • National Honors Society ACADEMIC HONORS: POST GRADUATION PLANS: Four year university and graduate school CAREER PLANS: Law, busi- ness WHO HAS INFLUENCED YOU THE MOST IN YOUR ACADEMIC CAREER? My mother because of her multi-tasking abilities.	NAME: Kenyon Burke PARENTS: Steve and Susan Burke SIBLINGS/AGE: Shannon (16) EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVI- THES: • National Honor Society presi- dent • Varsity Ski Team ACADEMIC HONORS: • Bausch & Lomb Honorary Science Award • National Honor Society POST GRADUATION PLANS: University of Michigan College of Engineering CAREER PLANS: Study engi- neering and medicine to become	NAME: Whitney Smith PARENTS: Jack Smith, Tricia Smith SIBLINGS/AGE: EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVI- TIES: • Volunteering at Huron Valley- Sinai Hospital • Dance • Fund-raising ACADEMIC HUNORS: • Honor Roll • Nominated for and attended The National Youth Leadership Forum on Medicine POST GRADUATION PLANS: Attend medical school. CAREER PLANS: Enter in a					
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	NAME: Jaimie Lowen PARENTS: Barton and Gayl Lowen SIBLINGS/AGE: EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES: • Forensics • Mayor's Youth Council of Farmington and Farmington Hills • Hospitality House voluntee ACADEMIC HONORS: • National Merit Commende Student • Summa Cum Laude • National Merit Commende Student • Summa Cum Laude • National Honor Society • Honors English Award POST GRADUATION PLANS University of Michigan LSA Honors Program CAREER PLANS: Law with specialization in international law.	Doherty SIBLINGS/AGE: Kelly (17) EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES: • Cross Country (Co-Captali • Track • National Honors Society ACADEMIC HONDRS: • National Honors Society • Top 10 all four years POST GRADUATION PLANS University of Michigan CAREER PLANS: Business WHO HAS INFLUENCED YOU THE MOST IN YOUR ACE	Symphony Orchestra, Violin Metropolitan Youth Orchestra Safety Town volunteer ACADEMIC HONORS: National Honors Society Summa Cum Laude Leadership Team POST GRADUATION PLANS: Michigan State University Honors College, Lyman Briggs College of Natural Science CAREER PLANS: Major in Biology, minor in English WHO HAS INFLUENCED	NAME: Rhiannon Ross PARENTS: Ralph and Holiy Ross SIBLINGS/AGE: Jacquelyn (16), Lydia (12) EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES: • Student Council represen- tative • Spanish Club • JV Soccer • Orchestra Ouartet ACADEMIC HONORS: • Honor Roll (4 years) • Academic Latter • Academic Latter • Academic Pin POST GRADUATION PLANS: University of Michigan College of Engineering CAREER PLANS: Earn Aerospace Engineering degree, serve in the Navy, become a Navy pilot, then an astronaut.		 National Merit Finalist Gabriel Richard Club National Honor Society POST GRADUATION PLANS: Vanderbilt University CAREER PLANS: Engineering WHO HAS INFLUENCED YOU THE MOST IN YOUR ACADEMIC CAREER? My parents and my elementary and middle school education at New Morning School in Plymouth have had the most profound influence on my academic career. New Morning taught me that learning is following a passion, not ful- filling an obligation. My parents, as well as the faculty at Catholic Central, have reinforced this concept by allowing me to dis- cover and pursue aspects of education that reinforce the interests and aspirations I value 	Presidential Scholar Departmential Awards for New Testament and Honors English I National Latin Exam Silver Medalist AP Scholar POST GRADUATION PLANS: Oberlin College CAREER PLANS: Undecided WHO HAS INFLUENCED YOU THE MOST IN YOUR ACADEMIC CAREER? Mr. Scheuermann for making me a better writer and teaching me to ask questions. SCORE: 1931.00	Gabriel Richard Awards National Merit Scholar Semifinalist: National Honor Society POST GRADUATION PLANS: University of Michigan CAREEN PLANS: Computer Engineer WHO HAS INFLUENCED YOU THE MOST IN YOUR ACADEMIC CAREER? My parents have influe enced ma the most. As electrical engineers, they have been con- stantly preparing me with the motivation, insight and help that I have needed and will need throughout my academic career. SCORE: 1926.95	Hospital volunteer ACADEMIC HONORS: National Merit Commended Scholar Gabriel Richard Award National Honor Society AP Scholar with honor Numerous Departmental Awards Numerous Science and Math Competition Awards POST GRADUATION PLANS: Attend College CAREER PLANS: Medicine WHO HAS INFLUENCED YOU THE MOST IN YOUR ACADEMIC CAREERP Mr. Neal Alpiner and Mr. Carl Weiss because of their passion for the subjects they taught was contagious. SCORE: 1925.75	Gabriel Richard Club Awards for outstanding achievement in Chemistry and AP Statistics Admitted MSU Honors College National Honor Society POST GRADUATION PLANS: Michigan State University Honors College CAREER PLANS: Become a CPA WHD HAS INFLUENCED YOU THE MOST IN YOUR ACADEMIC CAREER? My parents. They have always been supportive, and by sending me to Catholic Central, put me in the best situation pos- sible for me to succeed. SCORE: 1905.92
	WHO HAS INFLUENCED YOU THE MDST IN YOUR ACA DEMIC CAREER7 Todd Lipa, b proving through government and public policy that ideas car become reality. SCORE: 1857.92	by an	YOU THE MOST IN YOUR ACA- DEMIC CAREER? Violin profes- sor Stephen Shipps at the University of Michigan. The les- sons I have learned from my time with Professor Shipps will never leave me. SCORE: 1833.34	<u>,,,</u>		SCORE: 1944.45	THE FORMULA Hera's how we pick the Top Ten school students. Using their office scripts; students can choose etha SAT or ACT score, combined with grade point average, to came up w score office score and statute the score office score and statute the shown at the bottom of sach stude	high science and foreign lang a tran- if their 2. Combines SAT or AC bear SAT combines SAT or AC SAT composite science with a science and science and science and bear science and science and science and science and science and science and science and science and science and science and science	civide by 1.6	nen muttoly by 250 = = 74779=
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All Area Academic Team



Alex Shashlo

SCHOOL: Northville High School EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVI-TIES: Varsity Tennis, Travel Baseball, Hope Lutheran Youth Group, Marching, Jazz Band, Orchestra, National Honors Society, German Club Vice President, Quiz Bowl Captain ACADEMIC HONORS: NCTE Writing Award, AP Scholar Magna Cum Lade, National Merit Finalist, Presidential Scholar POST GRADUATION PLANS:

Georgetown University CAREER PLANS: Become a Harver and enter into politics. WHO HAS INFLUENCED YOU THE MOST IN YOU ACADEMIC CAREER? Wy parents. They have always supported my every endeavor both in and out of school school.

Parents: Andrew and Donna Shashlo SIBLINGS: Leanne, 14



Max Kolasinski

SCHOOL: Lakeland High School

SURVUL: Lakeland High School Extra-curricular activities: LHS Marching Band, MITES ACADEMIC HONORS: Academic Excellence Award, Phi Beta Kappa, Michigan Technological University Presidential Excellence Scholarship MOST MEMORABLE HIGH SCHOOL MOMENT: Making waffles in the lunchroom with my friends POST GRADUATION PLANS: Attending the University of Michigan CAREEP PLANS: Undecided WHO HAS UPFUENCED VIII THE MOST IN YOU ACADEMIC ACADEMIC ADDRESS 400

WHICH PLANS: Undecided WHO HAS INFLUENCED YOU THE MOST IN YOU ACADEMIC CAREER? 11th grade math leacher, Mr. Michael Braden, Mr. Braden was such a fantaslic teacher that I went from disilking math to having it become one of my favorite subjects. It was a hard class, but it really paid off in the end, as it gave me the motivation to enroll in AP Calculus AB the next year. PARENTS: Roger and Suzanne Kolasinski SIBLING: Kevin Kolasinski, 24.

Sami Khan SCHOOL: Novi High

School EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES: Quiz Bowl Math Club president, Guitar, Science Club

Guitar, Science Club president, Nevi Youth Council ACADEMIC HONORS: USA Biology Olympiad semi-finalist, National Merit Scholarship final-iet. AP Scholar with disist. AP Scholar with dis-

POST GRADUATION PLANS: Harvard CAREER PLANS: Medicine WHO HAS INFLUENCED YOU THE MOST IN Your Academic CAREER? My parents have taught me to be inquisitive and love learning. PARENTS: Muhammed

and Raushan Khan SIBLINGS: Farah



lames Weaver

SCHOOL: Catholic Central ENTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVI-TIES: Marching/Symphonic Band, Varsity Ski Team, Spectrum school newspaper, church youth group, photogra-phy, woodworking, cycling ACADEMIC HONORS: National Merit Finalist, Gabriel Richard Club, National Honor Society Club, National Honor Society POST GRADUATION PLANS: Vanderbilt University CAREER PLANS: Engineering

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Weaver



Cody Grebe SCHOOL: Milford High School EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVI-VIEW HOLD DataBile TIES: HOT Robotics Team -Robot driver/Team Leader, marching band, National Honor Society, mountain bike racing, triathlons, Boy Scouts - Eagle

ACADEMIC HONORS:







Salutatorian, National Merit Commended Student, Board of Education Award Finalist MOST MEMORABLE HIGH SCHOOL MOMENT: Playing for the 2008 Robotics World Championship in Atlanta, Ga., in front of 25,000+ people. POST GRADUATION PLANS: Earn a mechanical engineering degree from Kettering. CAREER PLANS: Research and Development Engineer WHO HAS INFLUENCED YOU THE MOST IN YOU ACADEMIC CAREER? Ms. Gleason. As a teacher and a mentor of the HOT Team, she inspired me to always challenge myself and to get involved. PARENTS: Sam and Suzanne Grebe



EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVI-TIES: Soccer, swimming (cap-tain), marching band, National Honor society, Student Council

representative. HONORS: ACADEMIC Valedictorian, AP Scholar, All-State Academic for soccer, Academic All-American for swimming, 4 years Academic Varsity letter Varsity lefter. MOST MEMORABLE HIGH SCHOOL MOMENT: Be crowned Winterfest King, but all four years have had amazing momente

years have have entremy moments. POST GRADUATION PLANS: Attend the University of Michigan School of Engineering. CAREER PLANS; Biomedical

Engineer Engineer WHO HAS INFLUENCED YOU THE MOST IN YOUR ACADEMIC CAREER? My teachers. They have shared the wonderful gift of knowledge with me and always believed in me. PARENTS: William and Bethany Bohn SIBLINGS: Alex, 20 and Emily,

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