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Fuerst Park plans revealed

Public input meeting
Parks, Recreation and Forestry Commission public input meeting regarding Fuerst Park concept plans: 7:30 p.m. Oct. 9. Inside council chambers at the Novi Civic Center, 45174 W. 10 Mile Road.

By Kelly Murad
STAFF WRITER

Novi's City Council was pleased overall with the initial concepts and design elements for the Fuerst Park, presented at Monday's meeting.

"I was pleased with the way you used the land, very much like it is now," councilwoman Kathy Crawford said to Lori Singleton, lead site designer of Hamilton Anderson.

Hamilton Anderson Associates, Inc., is the firm who was awarded the \$31,350 contract for professional design services for the initial development of Fuerst Park at the Aug. 25 council meeting.

"During our conversations with you all, what we heard was pretty unified that the park should be more passive," Singleton said. The proposed plans include natural elements such as pathways, landscaping and seating that create an informal atmosphere.

"What really links the park together is a fluid path network," Singleton said, noting the pathways will connect the civic campus, library and high school, as well as amphitheater and relocated Township Hall.

"I think that this would be a very usable space for all ages," said Novi Mayor David Landry. The concept plans include an amphitheater seating up to 150 people, utilizing the Township Hall as a backdrop for performances.

Singleton said the corner of Taft and 10 Mile roads is a great place to create an identity not only for the park, but for the entire campus. Councilman Bob Gatt said he would like to see the addition of historical monuments or markers acknowledging the story of the property and the Fuerst Sisters.

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Shipwrecked



Photos by JOHN HEIDER/Novi News

Novi resident and author of "Alive on the Andrea Doria" Pierette Simpson was given an award from Wayne State University for her efforts in investigating and writing about the 1956 maritime disaster.

A story of survival

By Kelly Murad
STAFF WRITER

Pierette Simpson's memories of the night of July 25, 1956, are clearer than the fog-filled air that enveloped the Atlantic Ocean sky.

As a survivor of what is known as the greatest sea rescue in history, the Novi resident recounts her own experiences, as well as that of other survivors aboard the Andrea Doria, while investigating the cause of the controversial collision in her book "Alive on the Andrea Doria!"

"It was always in me to write about the Andrea Doria," said Simpson, 61. "I had made up my mind that I was going to write a collection of survivor stories. I wanted to leave a legacy of survival stories of courage."

While conducting interviews with survivors and their families in the United States and Italy, Simpson came across a captain and a scientist whose research compelled her to investigate the untold story of the collision that occurred off the "foggy shoals of Nantucket" with the Swedish



Artifacts recovered from the Andrea Doria's wreck include a small silver dish, utensils and a coffee cup with the Doria's line name: Italia.

American liner, Stockholm.

"Because of the Italian stereotypes at that time, things got twisted around and we (the Italians) got blamed for it (the collision)," she said. "It was important for me to write the truth. It was about setting the historical record straight."

Immigrating to America

Simpson, who was born Piera Domenica Burzio in Pranzalito, Italy, was 9 years old when she

stepped on board the almost 700-foot ocean liner, the Andrea Doria, with her grandparents Domenica and Pietro Burzio.

"That was my immigration," she said. "My mother preceded me to America eight years earlier. After World War II, Italy was in ashes. There was no real opportunity, so (she) came to America to start a new life."

As typical immigrants, Simpson said she and her grandparents traveled third class on the luxurious liner that set sail from Genoa, Italy.

"It was the most beautiful ship in the world," Simpson said of the ship whose final voyage was its 101st trip since its launch in 1953. "The end of the Andrea Doria, was also the end of an era."

Calamity collides

There were 1,706 people aboard the Andrea Doria when the Stockholm rammed into its starboard side at 11:10 p.m. that foggy summer night 52 years ago.

Please see Survivor, 5A



File photo by JOHN HEIDER/Novi News

Information tables from local businesses and social groups line the floor of the Novi Civic Center during last year's Fall for Novi event.

Annual event adds international flair

■ Fall for Novi 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday

By Kelly Murad
STAFF WRITER

For the first time, the City of Novi has combined two of its family-friendly events into one, offering community members Fall for Novi, with an International Flair, Sept. 27 at the Novi Civic Center.

"We wanted the events on one campus," said Novi Neighborhood and Small Business Manager Cindy Uglow. "This way, people can do both at the same time."

Fall for Novi is an annual event that provides residents an opportunity to gather information regarding city departments and community organizations.

"It's like a one-stop shop," Uglow said, noting the assessing department probably attracts the most residents.

While attending the city-wide open house from 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Saturday, community members can experience the International Festival, which was formerly held along Main and Market streets in downtown Novi.

Representatives from countries such as Taiwan, Japan, China, West Africa, Spain, Germany, India, the Korea, France and Mexico will introduce the Novi community to art, entertainment and cuisine, specific to their culture.

Other Fall for Novi happenings include the Novi Police

Department open house, fire safety demonstrations, the Fall Perennial Exchange, household hazardous waste disposal, kids games and a Classic Car Show.

"It's supposed to be a beautiful weekend and we have so much to offer all ages, inside and out," Uglow said, emphasizing children will especially have a good time in Kids' Village, which is bigger and better than before.

As long as no unforeseen emergencies occur, the University of Michigan Survival Flight will make a special appearance at about noon, Uglow said. This is the first time a Classic Car Show will be part of the Fall for Novi lineup.

"We wanted something to highlight the front of the building on the 10 Mile side," Uglow said.

Classic car lovers can register their vehicle on-site to compete for awards such as Mayor's Choice, City Manager's Choice, Police Chief's Choice and Fire Chief's Choice.

Uglow expects the household hazardous waste disposal will attract Novi's eco-friendly residents.

Novi's Infinity Health Care and Dr. Robert Burns of Doctors of Physical Therapy, will be on-site providing event-goers with free health screenings.

The Novi Civic Center is located at 45175 W. 10 Mile Road, between Novi and Taft roads.

For more information regarding the event, contact Uglow at (248) 347-0437 or visit the city Web site at www.cityofnovi.org.

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My Novi News

Paid-on-call firefighters file complaint against city

By Chris Jackett
STAFF WRITER

Novi's paid-on-call firefighters want justice.

The group filed an Unfair Labor Practice complaint with the Michigan Employment Relations Commission via the Michigan Association of Fire Fighters - the exclusive bargaining agent for Novi's paid-on-call firefighters - and attorney Catherine Farrell.

The complaint, filed against the City of Novi, states, "On May 14,

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2008, the fire chief, Frank Smith, failed/refused to sound out (call in) POC firefighters for a 'confined space' detail, which occurred from 11:30 p.m.-2:30 a.m. Instead of 'sounding out' the POC, the fire chief called the full-time firefighters back to work on overtime. That work was paid at time and one-half."

Novi's full-time firefighters respond to calls occurring 6 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday through Friday. The paid-on-call firefighters are responsible for calls 6 p.m.-6 a.m. Monday through Friday and all day Saturday and Sunday.

Since the complaint was filed, MAFF alleges Smith used full-time firefighters on at least two more overtime confined space details.

The union believes there is a concerted effort to force paid-on-call officers out of the department and replace them with full-time

firefighters.

"MAFF will not stand by and let any employer violate the law, the collective bargaining agreement or the rights of its members," said Ed Wertz, labor relations specialist for MAFF.

Smith said the city's stance will be discussed in court and he didn't want to go back and forth with the MAFF in the media prior to court discussion.

"Sometimes, these things happen between labor and management. We'll just have to do it there," he said. "There's much

more that needs to come out in relation to this thing. This will all come out in court."

Smith began his fire-fighting career as a paid-on-call firefighter for Farmington Hills in 1974.

"I started in that system and know how it works. I have a plaque in my office from Farmington Hills," he said. "It'll all be said in court and I'm not worried about it at all."

The case will be heard by an administrative law judge Oct. 1 at the Michigan Employment Relations Commission.

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Step inside the wardrobe to the magical land of Narnia with Novi Theatres and make the enchanted

fairly tale come alive. Auditions for "The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe" are 4:30-6:30 p.m. Monday and Tuesday, Sept. 29-30, at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. 10 Mile Road, between Taft and Novi roads.

"The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe" is set in the magical land of Narnia. The story centers around four children who wander into an old wardrobe and come out in the enchanted land.

They encounter Aslan, the great lion, the White Witch and many other magical creatures as they travel the countryside following their curiosity.

It's an unforgettable story of courage, love and friendship. Audition packets are available at cityofnovi.org or at the Novi Parks Office.

Rehearsals begin Oct. 1 and are 4:30-7 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. Performances are Dec. 10-14. For more information about auditions or the show, contact the Novi Theatres at (248) 735-5615 or visit cityofnovi.org.



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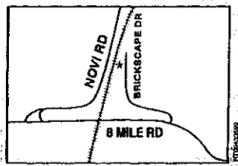
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Survivor

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"It's Murphy's Law at its finest. Everything that could have gone wrong, went wrong," Simpson said. "It was the most catastrophic collision among two ocean liners in history. There's no parallel."

At the time of the collision, Simpson and her grandmother were in the Social Hall with numerous other immigrants celebrating their last night on board, before arriving in New York.

"I remember when the collision happened. We were standing near the bar. I remember the bottles all falling to the floor, crashing and breaking. It was so loud, so frightening," she said. "I remember my grandfather coming up from his cabin down below. He dressed and grabbed his briefcase."

"He knew that everything important was in that briefcase to get us into America."

There were 46 casualties on the Andrea Doria, 43 of which were from the initial collision. Of the 500 or so people aboard the Stockholm, five crewmen stationed in the bow lost their lives.

"Lots of ships came to our rescue, but the majority of people were rescued by the Stockholm and the Ile de France," said Simpson, who estimates the French liner rescued her three to four hours later. "We just said the rosary for a long time, we just assumed we were dying."

Eleven hours after the collision, the Andrea Doria capsized and sank. It now sits on the Atlantic Ocean floor, about 250 feet deep.

'Alive on the Andrea Doria'

"Alive on the Andrea Doria" can be purchased online through Amazon.com; book store Web sites such as Borders.com; or by visiting www.pierettesimpson.com.

Surviving

Simpson spent the greater part of her life never talking about the tragedy taking place during her 4,000-mile journey to America.

"I really tried to put it out of my mind," she said. "We had survived the almost unsurvivable."

In 2003, she began writing her book and had it published in 2006, for the 50th anniversary of the sinking of the Andrea Doria.

Simpson also published an Italian version of her story, "L'Ultima Notte dell'Andrea Doria," which translates into "The Last Night on the Andrea Doria."

The book served as inspiration to a PBS documentary and Simpson recently sold the movie rights to a film producer in Rome.

Last week, Simpson was presented the Colagian Award by the Wayne State University College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, which recognizes outstanding alumni and community leaders for their individual achievements, contributions to their field and service to the community.

After 37 years of teaching foreign languages, Simpson retired and is currently involved in several writing and speaking projects, and has an idea in mind for another book which she said will be about the glorious days ahead the Italian line.



Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Novi News

Missing in Action

Tony Soma finishes placing 54 crosses in the lawn of Novi's Oakland Hills Memorial Cemetery on Sept. 19 prior to that evening's POW/MIA ceremony. Each cross represents one Michigan soldier or aviator lost in a war, with 53 from the Vietnam War and one from the Iraq War. Soma lost his cousin, Martin Massucci, on Oct. 1, 1965, when he was shot down over Vietnam. Massucci's remains have not yet been found.

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Fall 2008 Events at Schoolcraft College

Unless otherwise noted, events are at Schoolcraft College's Livonia campus, located at 18600 Haggerty Road, between Six and Seven Mile Roads. Maps and directions are available at www.schoolcraft.edu/maps/.

Wednesday, October 1 College Night
Representatives from more than 80 colleges and universities will be on hand to answer questions and distribute informational literature.
6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
Physical Education Building
Admission: Free
Information: 734-462-4426 or admissions@schoolcraft.edu

Wednesday, October 8 Panayis Lyras, piano
Noon to 1 p.m.
The tradition of free lunchtime recitals at Schoolcraft continues.
Presentation Room inside VisiTech Center
Admission: Free
Information: 734-462-4403

Monday, October 13 Schoolcraft College Jazz Ensemble
The ensemble performs at the historic Penn Theatre in downtown Plymouth.
8:00 p.m.
Admission: \$3 donation to Friends of the Penn
Penn Theatre, 760 Perrinman Avenue, Plymouth
Information: 734-462-4403

Friday, October 24 WRC Luncheon Series "Hiking Michigan"
From Sleeping Bear Dunes to the Porcupine Mountains, authors Susan Wedzel and Roger Storm offer a "guided tour" of trails in some of the most scenic areas in both of Michigan's peninsulas.
11:45 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.
Diporia Room inside VisiTech Center
Admission: \$18 (prepaid, includes lunch)
Information: 734-462-4443

Friday and Saturdays October 24/25 and November 7/8, 14/15 Nell Simon's "Come Blow Your Horn"
Presented by the Schoolcraft College Theatre Department.
This delightful comedy about Harry Baker and the two sons who continually challenge his patience is full of richly comic complications that prove to be unfailingly inventive and delightful.
Dinner Theatre Performances: October 24/25 and November 7/8
6:30 p.m.
Admission: \$24
Theatre Performances Only: November 14/15
8:00 p.m.
Admission: \$12
Theatre (LA500) inside Liberal Arts Building
Information: 734-462-4596

Sunday, October 26 Halloween Concert
Schoolcraft College Wind Ensemble and Synthesizer Ensemble.
Seasonal favorites and a children's parade are highlights of this family-friendly concert. Costumes are encouraged.
Admission: Free; donations accepted at the door
Community Room (RC 115), Schoolcraft College Radcliff Center, 1751 Radcliff St., Garden City
Information: 734-462-4403

Save the date
November 8 (8:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.) and 9 (11 a.m. - 4 p.m.), Schoolcraft College Foundation Fall Craft Show (734-462-4518)
November 9 at 4 p.m., Schoolcraft College Choral Union Fall Concert (734-462-4403)
November 12 at noon, Logan Skelton, piano and Jennifer Goltz, soprano (734-462-4403)
November 14 at 8:00 p.m., James Tocco, piano (734-462-4403)
December 5 at 11:45 a.m., WRC Luncheon Series, "The Parade Company" (734-462-4443)
December 5 at 7:30 p.m., Schoolcraft College Wind and Artist Ensembles Winter Concert (734-462-4403)
December 12 at 7 p.m., Bach Piano Honors Recital (734-462-4403)
December 12 at 7:30 p.m., Schoolcraft College Jazz and Synthesizer Ensembles Winter Concert (734-462-4400, ext. 5217)
December 14 at 4 p.m., "A Winter's Tale" Schoolcraft College Choral Union Concert (734-462-4403)

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District looks to retain more property in city land swap

Novi Schools keeps eye on the future

By Chris Jackett
STAFF WRITER

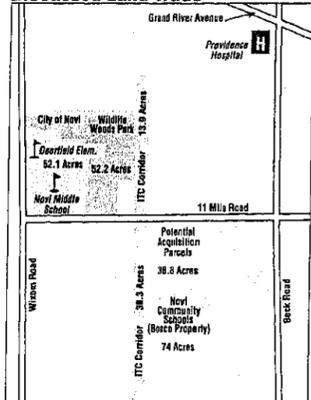
The Novi Community School District Board of Education had several concerns following the City of Novi's formal proposal regarding a land trade involving the Bosco Property at the southwest corner of 11 Mile and Beck roads.

Mayor David Landry spoke at the Sept. 4 Board of Education meeting, proposing several aspects of the potential land trade.

In exchange for receiving the bulk of the 73.88-acre school-owned Bosco Property, Landry offered the district:

- the Wildlife Woods property behind Novi Middle School and Deerfield Elementary, which is about 52 acres, 41.4 acres that is usable;
- the nearly 15-acre property south of Novi High School (currently housing a softball field and two soccer fields), which the district currently has a \$1-per-year 50-year lease on; and
- the school keep 7.2 acres of the Bosco Property, which is large enough for a Deerfield

Discussed Land Trade



SOURCE: City of Novi

Elementary-sized building. The city's proposal would provide the district with 63.6 usable acres of land instead of the current 42.2 usable acres it maintains.

Landry also said the city would pay a \$2 million development cost

property and a proposed city recreational center.

The city-owned portion of the property would include an 8.8-acre segment along 11 Mile Road for a community and recreational center, as well as several soccer and softball fields throughout the remainder of the property.

The district originally purchased the property with an \$8.5-million bond in 2001 with the intention of using it for a future school building, which has a need estimated as being a decade or more away from now.

"The original 2001 bond was used for many purposes besides the land purchase, such as technology, and expansion and/or remodeling of the High School, Novi Woods, Village Oaks, Orchard Hills and transportation/warehouse," said Gail Credit, assistant superintendent of business operations for the district.

If the city obtains the Bosco Property, it has already reached a \$1.45 million contingent agreement to purchase the 19.79-acre Katsuz Property on 11 Mile Road, along the eastern edge of the TTC Corridor.

Trade concern

Although board members are

generally open to a land trade, discussion at last Thursday's board meeting made it clear they will not rush to decision in order to keep the district's long-term interests in mind.

"I would like to retain 12 acres for whatever we would like to build, and I would like to retain ownership of that," trustee Julie Abrams said. "I want lots of room, lots of parking. Shared parking could be more of a problem at an elementary school where you have lots of activities going on. I don't want to have to settle for 7 acres."

The city set aside 7.2 acres for the district to retain along Beck Road, south of former property owner and current resident Paul Bosco's home. The city is a Deerfield Elementary-sized building would fit into the 7.2 acres despite a district estimation that 15 acres would be needed.

Novi City Manager Clay Pearson said the 4.4-acre shared parking lot was created based on the existing shared parking lot between Novi Middle School and Deerfield Elementary.

"We'd have to scale back our parking field," Pearson said of allocating a larger acreage for the district to retain. "I'm sure we could find a way to share parking."

Trustee George Kortland noted the preferred 15-acre site included 3.5 acres for parking and a bus drop, 2 acres for storm-water management and 5.5 acres for soccer and softball fields. He questioned whether several of the items were already taken care of, noting the fields, parking and storm-water system may already be included in the city's portion of the plan and are designed to be shared.

"In the spirit of cooperation and the fact that that is public land, I would love to share it," trustee Bobbie Murphy said. "I do have concern with not using it for what we went to the voters for."

The board gave Superintendent Peter Dian and his administration permission to discuss compromises and options with the city as district attorneys are already reviewing the original proposal.

"I share concerns about the size of retained property, building on leased land and the Fuester Property," President Jeff Nielson said. "There's a lot of moving parts here and it's a complex thing. We're not asking you to come back with a final consideration, but (to have a conversation)."

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Four items of interest from Novi City Council

MEETING NOTEBOOK

• Council approved, by a 6-1 vote, the second reading of a zoning ordinance text amendment regarding uses under the office, services, commercial district, Providence Park Hospital proposal. The ordinance amendments to allow the construction of the "Providence Village" concept plan, which includes 55,000 square feet of space on a 10-acre parcel of land. The changes permit one drive-through restaurant less than 4,000 square feet and would allow restaurants in the shopping center, as opposed to only allowing free-standing restaurants. Novi staff did not recommend the variance request because other developments were previously required to install sidewalks. Match, who dissented, said he would be willing to accept the applicant's request to post a bond since the timing isn't right to install the sidewalks.

• Mayor Pro Tem Kim Capello added the topic of a Downtown Development Authority to the Mayor and Council Issues.

• Council denied the request of a sidewalk variance for property owner Damon DiPonio, by a 6-1

vote. DiPonio, who is constructing a residence, was requesting a waiver of the required sidewalk along Nine Mile Road, between Beck and Napier roads because he said there are no existing sidewalks it would connect to. DiPonio also said Nine Mile Road is designated as a "Natural Beauty Road" and he wanted to preserve the natural vegetation along the roadways. City staff did not recommend the variance request because other developments were previously required to install sidewalks. Match, who dissented, said he would be willing to accept the applicant's request to post a bond since the timing isn't right to install the sidewalks.

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Hot stuff!
Beth Garvin, left, a dining room services manager at Fox Run, dishes out samples of chili during the community's first Chili Cook-off competition last Friday. Five different recipes were prepared, four by staff and one by a resident, and then the community taste-tested the batches and voted on their favorite.

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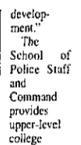
Novi Police Lt. Lauria, Sgt. Nelson graduate from EMU School of Police Staff and Command

The Novi Police Department announces the recent graduation of Lt. Victor Lauria and Sgt. John Nelson from the School of Police Staff and Command at Eastern Michigan University.



Victor Lauria

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John Nelson

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all attendees are senior command personnel within the State of Michigan. "It was a difficult assignment and arduous journey. The tasks given are not ones we encounter on a daily basis," Nelson said.

academic accomplishments. "The program provides them with the education and training needed to strengthen their capabilities with the Novi Police Department, but also offers enhanced resources to the citizens of Novi," Molloy said.

OBITUARIES



CLARA EMMA MURPHY

passed to her life on the other side on July 10, 2008. She was born in Detroit, Michigan, February 27, 1926, to Harry and Elsie Wood. Clara was 82. She was preceded by the love of her life Lloyd, husband and father to their children, Gary (Pamela) Murphy of Mayville, David (Barb) Murphy of Harrietta, and Marianne (James Cerv) Murphy of Milford. She had seven grandchildren, Rory Skrent of Ypsilanti, Christopher Murphy of Milwaukee, Jennifer Skrent of Milford, Anna Lisa Parrot of Mayville, Holly Murphy of Houghton Lake, Seana and Beatrice Skrent of Milford. She has one sibling still living, feisty and fun Ma Robertson of Garden City. Her brothers Harold, Harry and sister Isabelle all pre-deceased Clara in death. Our Mother was the original working woman fine tuning her career as an executive secretary for Ford Motor Company till her retirement in 1984. Clara had many wise sayings she lived by. One of those was "If you have a complaint, don't start at the bottom and work your way up, start at the top and work your way down." She loved God, her family and friends, she was a "friend of the library" supporter, flower gardener, great cook, loved music, and bird watching, she considered time to be the most precious gift you can give someone. A memorial service is scheduled for September 27 at 11:00 am at St. George Lutheran Church 803 W. Main St., Brighton. Clara will rest alongside her husband Lloyd in St. George Lutheran Cemetery in Brighton.

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING: 7 p.m. Oct. 2 inside the Educational Services Building on Taft Road

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MY EDUCATION

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New staff introduced, board wants more space

BOARD OF EDUCATION NOTEBOOK

Several new staff members were introduced by their building principals. Kristin Bakki, Katie Bontrisco, Patrick Delfever, Bree Jacobs, Michael Kowalski, Lori Utch and Tom Mitchell have joined the Novi High School staff. Alec Cooper and Angelita Kreger have joined Novi Middle School. Miranda Bodnovits will split her time between the two schools. Nicole Burns joined Parkview Elementary School and Kimberly Storm joined the Community Education Preschool.

Novi High School senior class President Danielle Falome made the first student board meeting report of the 2008-09 year. She noted a successful curriculum night and start to the fall sport seasons. She also said the 2008 yearbooks are expected to arrive at the high school by Sept. 25 and the student council is cleaning up the high school grounds.

Interscholastic Forensics Association Student Congress. The board also approved, by a 6-1 vote with trustee George Kortlandt dissenting, to name OBMN Group, Inc. as the third-party administrator for tax, student annuities, which are the 403b and 457 plans, similar to a 401k.

The board discussed the property trade options proposed by the City of Novi. A 4 meeting building, including the Washington Music Sales and Marshall Music for the purchase of musical instruments. Instruments for Village Oaks, Orchard Hills and Parkview elementary schools are budgeted as part of the 2007 Board Project and the high school, middle school and Novi Meadows Elementary instru-

ments are funded through the General Fund. A computer workstation bid was also recommended for Dell Computers to provide laptops to Novi Meadows and the Middle School for \$120,040. The district also plans to purchase five new school buses to replace nine old ones being sold. The district only has the need for 36 buses, rather than 40, and recommended the \$376,687 bid to Cardinal Bus Sales & Service, Inc.

During board communication, treasurer Ann Glubzinski said the Novi Education Foundation is holding the second annual Wildcat Fun Run and 5K on Oct. 18 at Providence Park's Ring Road. President Jeff Nelson also announced that secretary Katie Raean was recently named to the Oakland County Schools Board of Directors for a three-year term.

Unknown suspect targets vehicles at Novi restaurants

According to recent police reports, an employee of the Melting Pot on Novi Road, just south of Interstate 96, had a purse stolen from her vehicle between 3:30-7:30 p.m. Sept. 14. At about 7:30 p.m. the victim was advised by a co-worker that her and another employee's vehicles, which were parked in the rear lot, had their windows smashed. The purse was purple with a snakeskin print and contained a black wallet with the victim's driver's license, social security card, birth certificate, two Visa credit cards and \$150-200. According to the victim, the purse was located underneath the passenger seat. At about 7 p.m. another larceny from automobile complaint was made at Carrabba's Italian Grill, which is located off Novi Road, just north of I-96. The incident was reported by management, but by the time the officer arrived on scene, the victim had already left, reports said.

POLICE BRIEFS

Two navigation systems stolen from one vehicle. Two personal navigation devices were stolen from a vehicle parked in the driveway of a residence on Camborne Place, off 10 Mile Road, east of Meadowbrook Road, between 3:30 a.m. and Sept. 13, reports said. The two navigation systems were installed as test systems prior to the victim purchasing the vehicle, reports said. According to the report, the front passenger window was broken for the suspect to gain entry to the vehicle. One of the units, worth \$250, was mounted on top of the instrument panel on the left side. The other system, worth \$700, was mounted next to the factory radio. Police said it appeared as though the suspect attempted to take the radio too, but fled the area.

Woman arrested for driving drunk. Police received a call in reference to a possible drunk driver in the area of Meadowbrook and 10 Mile roads at about 10 p.m. Sept. 16, reports said. According to reports, the female driver, who was in a white Jeep, was driving slow and swerving all over the road. The officer, who observed the Jeep cross the center line, activated the patrol lights and attempted to conduct a traffic stop, but the suspect continued driving, reports said. The driver stopped the vehicle once the officer yelled over the PA system. According to reports, the driver was visibly intoxicated. The officer asked her how many drinks she had and she said two, then later she said five.

The woman participated in a number of field sobriety tests and agreed to a preliminary breath test, which registered her blood alcohol concentration at 2 percent. She was arrested for operating while intoxicated. Lost bike. At about 9 p.m. Sept. 13, police were called to the clubhouse of Old Orchard Condominiums off 10 Mile Road, just west of Haggerty Road, regarding a suspicious circumstance, reports said. The president of the association saw a man standing near the pool pump with a bike and when she asked him what he was doing, he said he was bored, reports said. According to reports, by the time the officer arrived at the clubhouse, the woman did not know where the man went. The officer found the bike, but was unable to locate the suspicious person.

tire was punctured. The victim has had previous problems with the known suspect. Officers attempted to contact him via phone, but he had not returned their calls, reports said. OBITUARY POLICY. The first seven lines of an obituary are published free of charge. After that, there is a fee of \$3 a line. Pictures may be published for \$25. *Deadline for obituaries is Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. for publication in Thursday's newspaper. For more information, contact Lynda Favorite at lyndafav@aol.com or Kara Mandaville at yoga3@aol.com. *Holiday deadlines are subject to change.

Novi High School Wildcat Tastefest Friday

Back by popular demand, the Novi High School Wildcat Tastefest will be held Friday during the Novi versus South Lyon football game. The Tastefest starts at 5 p.m. and runs until the end of the game. Participating restaurants include: bd's Mongolian Grill, Buffalo Wild Wings, Pizza Marvoulos, Famous Dave's, Subway and Cold Stone Creamery. Food will also be available at the NHS Convent in the Student Services Center. Christina's Face Painting will also be at the event. For more information, contact Lynda Favorite at lyndafav@aol.com or Kara Mandaville at yoga3@aol.com.

Class NOTES

Fireup Fest at about 9:30 p.m. after the Novi High School football game. The event will be held at the Elia Mae Power Park, will run until 11:45 p.m. and will be open to high school students only for an admission price of \$5. The event will feature food, giveaways, a battle of the bands, inflatable attractions, a bounce and more. Parents are welcome and encouraged to attend by volunteering. If you would like to volunteer, call Mallery Weathers at the Parks office, (248) 349-0400.

On-site college admissions. The following schools have agreed to send an admission counselor to Novi High School this fall. Representatives will sit down with students to review applications, transcripts and test scores to provide an immediate admissions decision. To sign up for on-site admissions, see Michael Zelinski in the Student Services Center. Students must sign up at least one week prior to scheduled on-site meetings. On-site admission appointments are limited and available on a first come, first served basis. Once an appointment is scheduled, students are responsible for turning in their completed paper application and fee (if applicable) to their counselor a minimum of three school days prior to their

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MY RECREATION



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B52-1 Bombers dominate Mighty 5-0 in softball showdown

By Chris Jackett STAFF WRITER

Following a convincing 19-7 win over the Fighting 46th last month, the Mighty 5-0 were confident going into last Wednesday's softball matchup with the B52-1 Bombers.



Alexandra Black manages the B52-1 Bombers softball team.

"It was a lot of fun. It was different than last time. They pounded us. It was 23-7," said Judith Gracy, shortstop and court administrator for the 50th District Court.

Leading up to the game, Gracy and Joyce Renfrow, court administrator for the 52-1 District Court, said the softball games helped bring their offices together.



Novi's 52-1 District Court Judge Dennis Powers prepares to throw with teammate Sue Garrett at his side.

"The best part is the camaraderie with the employees. It's good exercise. You see your employees in a work setting."

"It's really brought a lot of people together. A lot of camaraderie. We have a lot of people here who love softball," Renfrow said.

"We're going to get serious. Fun, but serious," she said. jkackett@gannett.com (248) 349-1700, ext. 122

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by Dennis Engerer, P.T.

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Novi residents debut in Hollywood film

By Kelly Murad STAFF WRITER

When Drew Barrymore's upcoming film "Whip It!" debuts, Novi residents might recognize the familiar faces of fellow community members Paul and Sharon Thal on the big screen.

Novi residents of 35 years, the couple recently spent a Saturday afternoon working as extras on the set of Barrymore's movie, centered around roller derby, which was filmed in Michigan.

Thanks to the Michigan Film Incentive, which went into effect in April, more and more projects are choosing the Great Lakes State for filming their productions.

Paul feels it is too soon to tell if the tax incentive is benefiting the state's economy, but said, in the meantime, why not have people enjoy Hollywood coming to Michigan.

"That's said Barrymore, who stars in and directs the film, was very nice and considerate."

"Drew Barrymore is a hard worker. She threw her whole heart and soul into every scene," Sharon said.

"After they get you all ready to go, they get you in a bus and shuttle you to the set, which was in downtown Ypsilanti," Sharon said.

"Without revealing too much detail, Paul and Sharon said their scene involves Ellen Page ("Juno") and, as long as it doesn't get out, their presence will be noticeable."

"Our scene is a main scene," Paul said. "Ellen Page is the one we are intercut with, and Drew Barrymore directs us."

The couple said the scene took about an hour-and-a-half to shoot, but they worked almost a full day for minimum wage.

"It gives you a great appreciation of what goes on in a movie, behind the scenes," Paul said.

"They do this by the seat of their pants. They keep doing it until they get what they want."

Sharon said her favorite part of the whole experience was when they were actually shooting the scene and taking direction from Barrymore.

"There were different angles of the same shot," she said. "They said talk, but don't make a sound, because the microphones pick up everything."

As a retiree, Sharon said she would love to fill in as an extra again, but Paul still works full-time as an engineer.

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Want to be an extra?

The passing of the 2008 Michigan Filming Incentive in April is attracting production companies to the Great Lakes state to film their television and movie projects alike.

With the increasing number of productions taking place, men, women and children throughout the state of Michigan are aspiring to be cast in the locally filmed projects.

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Novi residents Paul and Sharon Thal take a break on the set of the movie "Whip It!" to take a photo with actress and director Drew Barrymore, center.

and at the end of the day. "They feed you well," Sharon said. "And the cast and crew were very friendly."

Although the majority of the editing was done on scene, the Thal's said the filming wrapped up in Michigan a couple of weeks ago and the final editing would be done in Hollywood.

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Our opinion: Register to vote

If you pay any attention to the national news — through newspapers, radio or television — you know there's a big election coming up.

Sens. Barack Obama and John McCain are battling it out with ads attacking one another's records and vision for the country.

Local residents also face residents including Oakland county commissioner, state representative and three community members facing off for two open seats on the Novi Community Schools board of education.

It's up to us, as members of the Novi community, to sift through all the information before making a decision on who's the best candidate.

Michigan has been struggling for some time, and different candidates have varying views on how to solve these problems.

Throughout October, the Novi News will be examining the various local races and ballot issues in print and online at www.hometownlife.com, giving readers a better insight on the candidates looking to lead our city, county and state in the future.

A little bit of studying on your end will help get the best candidates in office and, hopefully, get Michigan back on the road to recovery.

But your first step, if you haven't already taken it, needs to happen now.

The deadline to register to vote in the Nov. 4 election is Oct. 6, a little more than a week away.

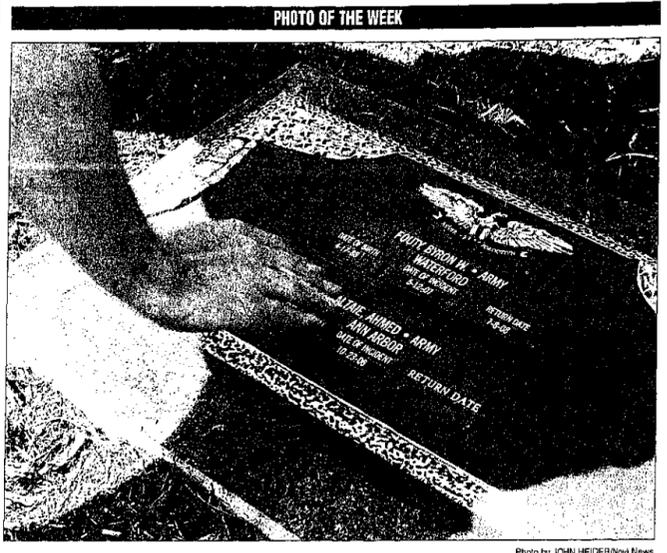
You have to register soon if you want a say in who runs the various levels of government.

It's easy for someone to sit back and complain about the economy, spending problems and a lack of vision.

Those who vote in local and national elections have decided they want to be part of the solution. Voting is the first step.

So, if you haven't registered to vote, do it now. If you aren't sure whether or not you are registered, visit www.michigan.gov and access the Michigan Voter Information Center to find out.

Just remember, you have to register soon. And that's the first step in helping to find a solution.



Grave remembrance
Debbie Piepsney, vice president of the POW/MIA Committee for Michigan, cleans up the plaque honoring Michigan soldiers Byron Fouty and Ahmed Altaje, who were both prisoners of war in Iraq. The plaque was to be unveiled during the annual POW/MIA ceremony at Novi's Oakland Hill Cemetery on Sept. 19.

LETTERS

Thank You

The Novi High School Band Boosters and the students of the Novi High School marching band would like to thank the Novi community for their generous support during the fall and winter drive held Sept. 20. The drive was a great success and the funds earned will help with the Novi High School band program all year long.

Cheryl Crist
Publicly, NHBSS

per in the coming decades, embracing new technology and energy self-sufficiency, or are we poised to suffer the fallout of the last eight years? McCain/Palin talk about change, yet they sound exactly like George Bush in that they are both willing to give a blank check to military efforts, they ignore the hard truths facing us about the national debt, and they put priority on preserving the interests of the ultra-rich. When you listen to them, what they're saying is things you've heard before, from George Bush. We cannot afford to make the same mistake again.

Angela Bruder
Novi

National debt is ticking time bomb

For all the talk about being fiscally conservative and cutting taxes, the Republican party has done nothing but spend, spend, spend. Our national debt is a ticking time bomb, much like the subprime mortgage banking practices were. And how has the average person benefited from all this spending? Has health care in this country improved? Are we more able to afford the things we need? Is America poised to pro-

duce pain, stiffness, trouble sleeping and suffer from extreme fatigue. Fibromyalgia should be treated like any other chronic disorder where symptomatic relief, improved function and overall sense of well being is the goal.

Take time to focus on pain

As a woman who has struggled with the pain of fibromyalgia for decades now, I know all too well the challenges this condition poses on a daily basis. As a metro Detroit area nutritionist, I see patients struggling to manage their pain with this condition.

Sharon Ostalecki, PhD
Novi

HOT TICKET: Grapes and Grooves 6:30-10 p.m. Friday inside the Atrium of Novi at MainStreet

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EVENTS

World's Largest Ice Cream Social
TIME/DATE: 5-9 p.m. Today
LOCATION: All Cold Stone Creamery Stores in Michigan
DETAILS: This nationwide fundraising event benefits the Make-A-Wish Foundation. Choose between two three-ounce Creations developed by two wish children. Ice cream is free, donations appreciated.

Fall Home Design Classes
TIME/DATE: 6:30 p.m.
Thursday through Oct. 2
LOCATION: Art Van Furniture
DETAILS: Free classes will be offered as follows: Tonight Furniture Placement, Oct. 2. Accessorizing. Guests can attend all or just the ones that interest them. The Kids Castle will be available for a free supervised children's play area. Refreshments and gifts provided at each class. Registration requested by calling (888) 619-2199

Novi High School Wildcat Tasterfest
TIME/DATE: 5 p.m., Friday
LOCATION: Novi High School Football Stadium
DETAILS: This is the second year for this fund-raising event that takes place during the Novi-South Lyon football game. Participating restaurants include: b.d.'s Mongolian Grill, Buffalo Wild Wings, Pizazz Marvellous, Famous Dave's, Subway and Cold Stone Creamery. Food also available at the Wildcat Concession Stand. Christina's face painting will be available.
CONTACT: Lynda at llynda@novi.com

Novi Theaters Audition
TIME/DATE: 4:30-6:30 p.m.
Monday and Tuesday
LOCATION: Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. 10 Mile between Tall and Novi Roads
DETAILS: Auditions for the upcoming production of the Lion the Witch and the Wardrobe. Audition packets are available at www.cityofnovi.org or at the Parks office.
CONTACT: Debbie Lannen, performing arts coordinator, (248) 735-5615 or www.cityofnovi.org

Novi Chamber of Commerce
LOCATION: 41875 W. 11 Mile Road, Suite 201
The Novi Chamber of Commerce is an active, progressive chamber offering a variety of events, educational programs, an enhanced Web site and involvement with local charities.
CONTACT: Call for membership information, (248) 349-3743. Register for all events online at www.novichamber.com. E-mail to info@novichamber.com.

Life Story Writing Workshop
TIME/DATE: Oct. 2 and 20, Nov. 5 and 17, and Dec. 4 and 15
LOCATION: Novi Public Library, 45245 W. 10 Mile Road
DETAILS: This six-session workshop is for those who wish to reminisce and reflect on their life, and put on paper (scrapbook or journal) their best memories and lessons learned in life. Author and writing coach Rose Tutay shows how you can gather and write your favorite memories and events from your life and make a lasting gift to your children and grandchildren. Class size limited to 15. Please register online at www.novilibrary.org or call (248) 349-0720.

Oakland Conservation Fall Tree Sale
DETAILS: The Oakland Conservation District, a non-profit natural resource agency is holding its annual fall tree sale fund-raiser. Varieties of Michigan native plants and large deciduous trees are available for low cost planting. Orders are due Sept. 20 and trees are available to pick up Oct. 3 at the Michigan State University Tillgate Farm, 12 Mile and Meadowbrook Roads, in Novi. Proceeds from the sale support conservation projects and workshops throughout Oakland County. Order forms are available at www.oaklandconservationdistrict.org or by calling (248) 328-0594

Friends of Rouge Park 5K Run/Walk
TIME/DATE: 8 a.m. registration, 9 a.m. start, Sunday, Oct. 5
LOCATION: Breunlin Road parking lot, Plymouth Road
DETAILS: Families are encouraged to participate and kids under age 8 are invited to join a

free 100 yard Kids Race at 10 a.m. Registration information and forms available at rougepark.org or (313) 590-0268. Proceeds benefit improvements to the park.

City of Novi Fire Department Open House
TIME/DATE: 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 11
LOCATION: Independence Village, 935 Union Lake Road, White Lake
DETAILS: A complimentary continental breakfast will be available. Reservations requested by Friday, Oct. 3 by calling (248) 624-2826

Gardeners of Northville and Novi "Culinary Gifts from the Garden"
TIME/DATE: 6:30 Social, 7 p.m. Program Monday, Oct. 13
LOCATION: Novi Civic Center
DETAILS: Speaker is Mary Spencer. Public welcome.
CONTACT: Marcia at (248) 349-2352 or gardenersnorthville-novi.org

Farmers Market - Walled Lake
TIME/DATE: 7 a.m. - 1 p.m.
every Wednesday through end of Oct.
LOCATION: Walled Lake City Event Field on E. West Maple Road between Decker Road and Pontiac Trail, Walled Lake
DETAILS: Some of the items available at the market this year include: Fresh vegetables, eggs, honey, jams, jelly, fruits, animal and perennial flowers and garden accessories.
CONTACT: Janell at the City of Walled Lake, 1498 E. West Maple Road, Walled Lake or call (248) 624-4847.

Developing a Winning Marketing Plan
TIME/DATE: 9 a.m.-noon
Thursday, Oct. 15
DETAILS: Marketing is an essential of business success. All products/services must be sold to well-targeted audiences with a wide-ranging marketing mix. Our staff/SCORE counselors can guide you through successful techniques and marketing principles helping you to promote your products and services to the most promising customers - your target audience. Presented by the Michigan Small Business and Technology Development. Cost is \$40.00, make checks payable to E.M.U. Pre-registration required.

Seventh Annual Bid and Brunch Matchmaking Event
TIME/DATE: 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Wednesday, Oct. 22
LOCATION: Sherrandolph Country Club, 5600 Walnut Lake Road, West Bloomfield
DETAILS: Identify sourcing opportunities through a matching process where participants can meet one-on-one with representatives from a variety of corporate, federal, state, county, municipal and institutional purchasing departments. Sponsored by Oakland County Business Services and Southern Oakland County Chapter NAWIP. \$50 per person until Oct. 15. \$75 per person at the door. Online registration can be done at www.oakgov.com/prds/calendar/bidandbrunchmatchmaking.html. For more information (248) 658-0783

Walsh College, Business Leadership Institute
LOCATION: 41500 Gardenbrook Road, near 11 Mile and Meadowbrook roads
CONTACT: (248) 823-1392

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; novirotary.org.

Females in the Family Business Affinity Group
TIME/DATE: 8-9:30 a.m.
third Thursday of every month
LOCATION: Walsh College Troy Campus
DETAILS: Walsh Business Leadership Institute invites women who own, are partners in or work for family businesses. Items discussed will be common issues; and women can share solutions in

to the needs of the communities we serve.
LOCATION: 305 N. Pontiac Trail, Ste. B, Walled Lake
CONTACT: For more information, visit lakesareachamber.com or (248) 624-2826.

4th Annual Autumn Auction and Brunch
TIME/DATE: 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 18
LOCATION: Doubletree Hotel, Novi
DETAILS: Many great items will be available for a fun and entertaining raffle, silent auction, live auction, and a delicious lunch brunch. The cost is \$20 before Oct. 1, \$25 after. The event will benefit education and scholarships for women. Pre-registration is required. Go to www.abwa-novi.org to register using PayPal, get mail-in registration information or contact ABWA.

Business Workshops offered by Oakland County Executive Office Building Conference Center, 2100 Pontiac Lake Road, west of Telegraph Road, Waterford
CONTACT: For location specifics and pre-registration please call (248) 858-0763
Pre-Business Research
TIME/DATE: 6-9:30 p.m.
Thursday, Oct. 9
DETAILS: Are you thinking of starting your own business and want to research your business idea? Are you a business owner who wants to understand which research sources to use for your business plan and where to find the information you need? This workshop is free, pre-registration required.

Novi City Council Meeting
TIME/DATE: 7 p.m., first and third Monday of month (Oct. 6)
LOCATION: Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. 10 Mile Road
CONTACT: (248) 347-0470

Novi Youth Assistance General Citizens Meeting
TIME/DATE: 6 p.m., first Tuesday of each month (Oct. 7)
LOCATION: Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. 10 Mile Road
CONTACT: (248) 347-0410

Novi Community Education
CONTACT: To register, call (248) 448-1206 or visit novi.k12.mi.us/district/communityeducation

Improving Conversational Speech
TIME/DATE: 6-7:15 p.m., every Thursday, Sept. 25-Nov. 6, no class Oct. 9 (6 weeks)
LOCATION: Novi Meadows Sixth Grade House
DETAILS: This class focuses on helping the ESL student be more comfortable in all types of speaking situations. English pronunciation rules and correct stress will be emphasized in various activities. Units include general, social, and work related vocabulary and idioms with conversational practice in class. Students gain self confidence in speaking in both social and work settings. Foreign Accent Reduction for Individuals Using English as a Second Language class is helpful but not required. Fee is \$110 with a \$10 material fee payable to instructor at class.

Foreign Accent Reduction
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LOCATION: Novi Meadows Sixth Grade House
DETAILS: For those wishing to reduce the accent from their speech, included will be a brief analysis of each student's speech, an overview of the English sound system, with emphasis on some specific sounds, and an awareness of the effect that rhythm, phrasing and voice projection have on the English language. Fee is \$130 with a \$10 material fee payable to instructor at class.

Sign Language
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LOCATION: Novi Meadows

a non-threatening, noncompetitive, non-sales roundtable. Registration is required.
CONTACT: Jan Hubbard, jhubbard@walshcollege.edu

American Business Women's Association Meetings
TIME/DATE: 6:15 p.m., second Wednesday of every month
LOCATION: Crowns Plaza Hotel, 27000 Sheraton Dr. (west of Novi Road, north of I-96)
DETAILS: Local chapter provides many advantages to today's working women and offers a strong community service program which includes raising money for scholarships.
CONTACT: awwa-novi.org
4th Annual Autumn Auction and Brunch
TIME/DATE: 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 18
LOCATION: Doubletree Hotel, Novi
DETAILS: Many great items will be available for a fun and entertaining raffle, silent auction, live auction, and a delicious lunch brunch. The cost is \$20 before Oct. 1, \$25 after. The event will benefit education and scholarships for women. Pre-registration is required. Go to www.abwa-novi.org to register using PayPal, get mail-in registration information or contact ABWA.

Novi City Council Meeting
TIME/DATE: 7 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 2
LOCATION: Educational Services Building, 25345 Taft Road
CONTACT: (248) 449-1204

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Fifth Grade House
DETAILS: Have fun while you learn the fourth most used language in the U.S.! Students will learn the alphabet, numbers and basic conversation with interactive lessons, skits, and songs. This basic class teaches you culture and history, and is for personal enrichment. Fee is \$70 with a \$10 material fee payable to instructor at the class.
CONTACT: (248) 349-0720 or novilibrary.org

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Library Board Meeting
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LOCATION: Novi Civic Center, City Council Chambers
DETAILS: General meeting of the entire Library Board.
Broadcast live on cable channel 13.

English Conversation Group
TIME/DATE: Noon-1 p.m.
Tuesday, Sept. 30 and Oct. 21
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DETAILS: Provide an inspirational enrichment for writers to collaborate, critique and create with other writers. Facilitated by local writer Kathy Mutch. Writers of all genres are encouraged to participate. 18 years and older. Please register online or call the library.

Lego Club
TIME/DATE: 6-7 p.m., Monday
DETAILS: Kids in grades K-4 join us for Lego show-and-tell and building activities. No registration.
Could I, Should I Start a Business?
TIME/DATE: 7-8 p.m., Tuesday
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Chef Mary Brady: Alaskan culinary adventure equals an experience worth sharing

I was approached last year by Jim Ebelhart, owner of Brookside Travel in Northville, to host an Alaskan Culinary Cruise. The group would consist of guests from our restaurant, Diamond Jim Brady's Bistro, and new friends who wanted to join our voyage to Alaska, Aug. 29 thru Sept. 7. Of course, I agreed to my first culinary cruise experience. Who wouldn't want to do cooking classes on an Alaskan cruise? So the adventure set sail that included 28 Michigan residents, and one person from Hawaii.

The first two days were spent in Seattle, Pike's Market, one of the largest outdoor food markets in the world, was a highlight. I spent hours browsing, and was amazed at the variety of seafood, vegetables and flowers available. Oh, the flowers, rows and rows of beautiful cut blooms.

Then it was on to our cruise ship, the highlight. Our group of 29 arrived at the Western, a Holland America ship, with 1,800 other

passengers. Amazingly we were in our stateroom in less than an hour.

What a sight to sail out of a harbor that is a major world port. Cargo containers from every corner of the planet stacked 10 high, huge cranes loading and unloading ships and, best of all, the open ocean ahead in full view.

The first night and day were at sea, so there was lots of time to explore the ship, which included five restaurants, eight bars, two pools, hot tubs, a spa, casino, shops and an art gallery. Lots of entertainment and ship tours. My favorite time was spent walking the promenade deck. Three times around equals a mile. Nine was my daily goal. The exercise paid off. No extra weight when I came home and what scenery to boot.

My first cooking demonstration was set for 9:30 a.m. on Monday, day two. After setting in, I met with the sous chef, Brad, to arrange for my ingre-

dients and to get a feel for the "kitchen" which was really just three sections of counters on wheels. My assistant, Nick Laylow, a friend and former employee, and I were assured that we'd be set and ready to go by 7:30 the next morning. Our demo went wonderfully and even though it was "really" only 6:30 a.m., Detroit time, we enjoyed our feast of potato crusted halibut, along with crab and lobster cakes, Nick and his wife Dawn were celebrating their 45th wedding anniversary and I was thankful that he spent some of his vacation time helping me. It is never easy going into a strange kitchen.

Our biggest obstacle cooking on the cruise ship was the induction stove. With induction cooking — the burners do not get hot but generate heat through molecular movement. Special pans are required and there is a definite learning curve. I would compare it to going from gas to electric or vice versa.

During another session we cooked a beautiful Alaskan salmon bake and cod en papillote. All of the fish was fantastic. Alaska is truly a marvel. My favorite was Glacier Bay National Park. If there was an eighth wonder of the world this would be it. In Sitka, the first port, my husband and co-owner of Diamond Jim Brady's Bistro Tom and I took a float plane tour of the glaciers. They were as spectacular from the air as by the sea.

Every person in our group had a superlative time. We all enjoyed each other's company immensely. I was fortunate to have traveled with Tom, my parents, Bud and Mary Smith, sister-in-law Joyce and her son, Kevin — my nephew from Honolulu.

Jim at Brookside Travel made my first culinary cruise so enjoyable. He not only is a great tour director but is very personable and fun. Jim and the gang are already planning a 2009 European or Mediterranean cruise, so I'm getting my next set of recipes ready to go.

Novi chef Mary Brady of Diamond Jim Brady's Bistro aboard an Alaskan culinary cruise.

Mary Brady is a certified executive chef and co-owner of Diamond Jim Brady's Bistro in Novi. If you have culinary questions or comments for Mary Brady, you can contact her via e-mail at djbistro@aol.com.

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Northville resident brings women's event to Sheraton

Three to speak Sunday in Novi

By Pam Fleming
STAFF WRITER

V. Healy Basoukas knows women have come a long way in our society. But progress often comes with a price. She believes women are so driven today that they have moved somewhat away from the essence of womanhood — from who they really are — and she's on a mission to change this current state of affairs. The creator of V's Red Tent, she will have an event next for women from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Sunday at the Sheraton Hotel in Novi, located on Haggerty Road north of Eight Mile Road. Admission is \$5, and coffee and tea will be provided.

Based on historical novel

V's Red Tent is based on the historical novel "The Red Tent" by Anita Diamant, published in 1997. The first-person narrative tells the story of Dinah, a talented midwife and feminist who is the daughter of Jacob and sister of Joseph. The book's title refers to the tent in which women of Jacob's tribe met, according to ancient law, to take refuge while menstruating or giving birth, and in which they find mutual support and encouragement from their mothers, sisters and aunts. "Women were considered unclean and possibly diseased

when they were on their periods," Basoukas said. "They had to leave their home tent to one far away from the village, usually near water. There, women rubbed each other's backs, drank wine and vented. After their 'time' was over, they would jump in the river to freshen up and head back home all rested and ready for hubby and the kiddies."

A native of Michigan, Basoukas and her husband, Nonda, have lived in Northville for 15 years and have two children — a son, Georgios, 16, and a daughter, Kaliana, 15. "The mission of V's Red Tent is to inspire personal growth, provide a means to empower oneself and others and motivate creative thinking," she said. "Since we became 'liberated,' we seem to have lost that gathering time with each other. We no longer have our mothers living with us or even near us. Our daughters go off to college and start their own lives away from

home. We no longer hang our laundry out on a line while visiting with our neighbors. Heck, I don't think half of us even know our neighbors. Slowly, we have eliminated all communication with women around us. That is why I feel these gatherings are so important. I see the world changing and how it is affecting my daughter, and it scares me to death. So, let's all get together and vent, listen and give words of wisdom to each other."

Studied cosmetology

Basoukas studied cosmetology and opened her first salon shortly after graduation. After six years she sold her business to start a family. While a stay-at-home mom, she carpooled to many of her children's events, volunteered for committees on her children's sports teams, was president of her homeowners association, taught Sunday School, led the Parent

Teachers Organization at her church, chaired the sponsorship committee for her church festival, was involved in endless PTA committees and co-founded the Northville High School dance company.

She continues to be the high school representative of the Legislative Action Network, an organization that informs parents of legislative issues which affect their schools and children. She is also employed part-time as an account manager for www.OfficeStar247.com, an office supply company.

Through all her endeavors, Basoukas has come to realize women's need for each other's support, inspiration and motivation. V's Red Tent aims to educate, motivate, inspire and empower women of all ages through support groups, seminars and hands-on workshops.

"I think young women today have become somewhat desensitized," Basoukas said. "They need someone to tell them it's OK to be a woman, to be sensitive and have feelings. Women shouldn't strive to be like men. In fact, they should realize that being a woman can help them succeed in our society."

"Women need to get together like our ancestors did and strengthen themselves. We don't do that anymore. We all need to know it's OK to be who we are."

Basoukas says people have the same issues even though they may not have the same education, upbringing or values. "The goal of these gatherings is to provide a forum in which women can share, teach and learn," she said. "Opinions are welcome; judgments are not."

For more information about Sunday's event, go to www.vredtent.com, call (248) 974-7654 or send an e-mail to vredtent@www.way.com.

ffleming@gannett.com (248) 349-1700, ext. 105

Women's Fourth Annual Autumn Auction event



Submitted photo

Novi Chapter American Business Women's Association President Chris Struwe featured with auction items.

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Northville resident brings women's event to Sheraton

Three to speak Sunday in Novi

By Pam Fleming
STAFF WRITER

V. Betsy Basoukas knows women have come a long way in our society. But progress often comes with a price. She believes women are so driven today that they have moved somewhat away from the essence of womanhood - from who they really are - and she's on a mission to change this current state of affairs.

The creator of V's Red Tent, she will have an event just for women from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Sunday at the Sheraton Hotel in Novi, located on Haggerty Road north of Eight Mile Road.

Admission is \$5, and coffee and tea will be provided.

The event, which includes three guest speakers, is a gathering during which women can learn and talk about their problems and concerns in a safe and nurturing environment.

Based on historical novel

V's Red Tent is based on the historical novel "The Red Tent" by Anita Diamant, published in 1997.

The first-person narrative tells the story of Dinah, a talented midwife and feminist who is the daughter of Jacob and sister of Joseph.

The book's title refers to the tent in which women of Jacob's tribe met, according to ancient law, take refuge while menstruating or giving birth, and in which they find mutual support and encouragement from their mothers, sisters and aunts.

"Women were considered unclean and possibly diseased when they were on their periods," Basoukas said. "They had to leave their home tent to one far away from the village, usually near water. There, women rubbed each other's backs, drank wine and vented. After their time was over, they would jump in the river to freshen up and head back home all rested and ready for hubby and the kiddies."

A native of Northville, Basoukas and her husband, Nanda, have lived in Northville for 15 years and have two children - a son, Georgios, 16, and a daughter, Kalliana, 15.

"The mission of V's Red Tent is to inspire personal growth, provide a means to empower oneself and others, and cultivate creative thinking," she said.

"Since we became 'liberated,' we seem to have lost that gathering time with each other. We no longer have our mothers living with us or even near us. Our daughters go off to college and start their own lives away from home. We no longer hang our laundry out on a line while visiting with our neighbors. Heck, I don't think half of us even know our neighbors. Slowly, we have eliminated all communication with women around us. That is why I feel these gatherings are so important. I see the world changing and how it is affecting my daughter, and it scares me to death. So, let's all get together and vent, listen and give words of wisdom to each other."

Studied cosmetology

Basoukas studied cosmetology and opened her first salon shortly after graduation. After six years she sold her business to start a family. While a stay-at-home mom, she carpooled to many of her children's events, volunteered for committees on her children's sports teams, was president of her homeowners' association, taught Sunday School, led the Parent Teachers Organization at her church, chaired the sponsorship committee for her church festival, was involved in endless PTA committees and co-founded the Northville High School dance company.

She continues to be the high school representative of the Legislative Action Network, an organization that informs parents of legislative issues which affect their schools and children. She is also employed part-time as an account manager for www.OfficeStar247.com, an office supply company.

Through all her endeavors, Basoukas has come to realize women's need for each other's support, inspiration and motivation. "Opinions are welcome, judgments are not."

V's Red Tent aims to educate, motivate, inspire and empower women of all ages through support groups, seminars and hands-on workshops.

"I think young women today have become somewhat desensitized," Basoukas said. "They need someone to tell them it's OK to be a woman, to be sensitive and have feelings. Women shouldn't strive to be like men. In fact, they should realize that being a woman can help them succeed in our society."

"Women need to get together like our ancestors did and strengthen themselves. We don't do that anymore. We all need to know it's OK to be who we are."

Basoukas says people have the same issues even though they may not have the same education, upbringing or values.

"The goal of these gatherings is to provide a forum in which women can share, teach and learn," she said. "Opinions are welcome, judgments are not."

For more information about Sunday's event, go to www.vredtent.com, call (248) 974-7654 or send an e-mail to vreden@wayway.com.

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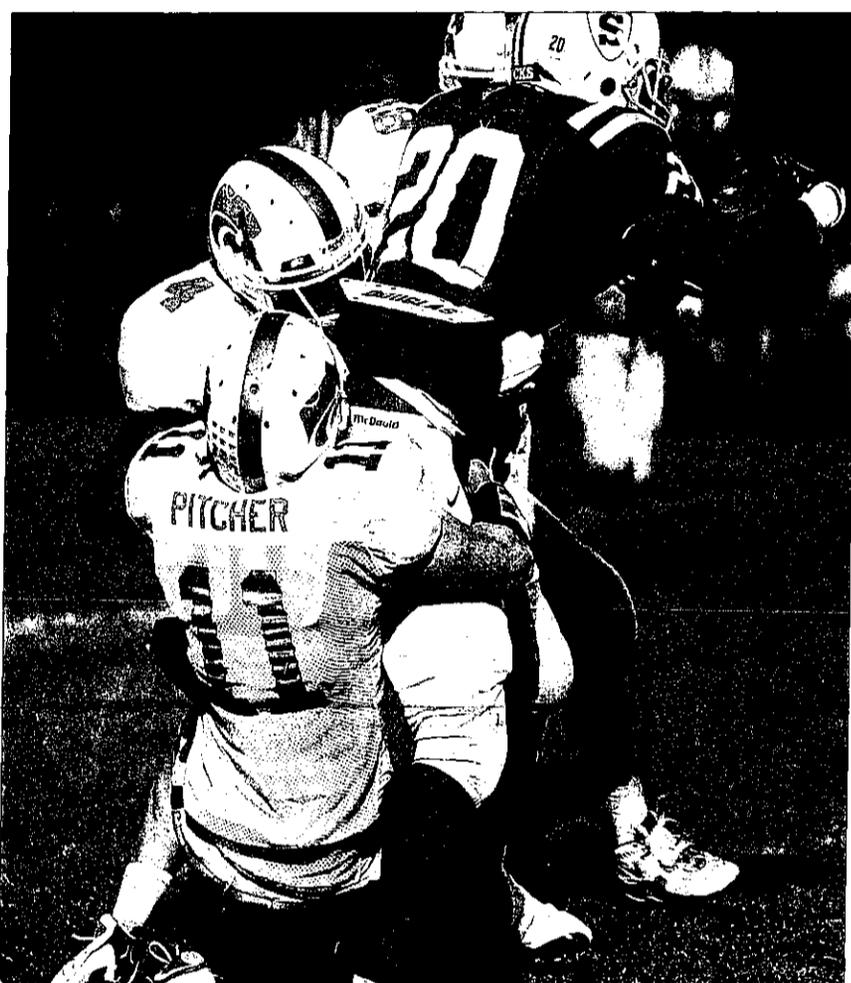
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ROCKY ROAD



Jimmy Pitcher and Brandon Bryant team up to take down Salem running back Anthony Mullins.

Novi holds on against winless Salem, 14-10

By Jeff Thelsen
 SPORTS WRITER

Novi head coach Tab Kellepourey knew Friday's game was going to be a lot tougher than people thought against the winless Salem Rocks, and he was right.

The Wildcats were badly outgained in total yardage, yet still managed to escape with a 17-14 victory.

"We went over and scouted them last year and we saw they only had six seniors playing," Kellepourey said of Salem. "When you come back with a dominant-senior squad, he's going to win some games with that group."

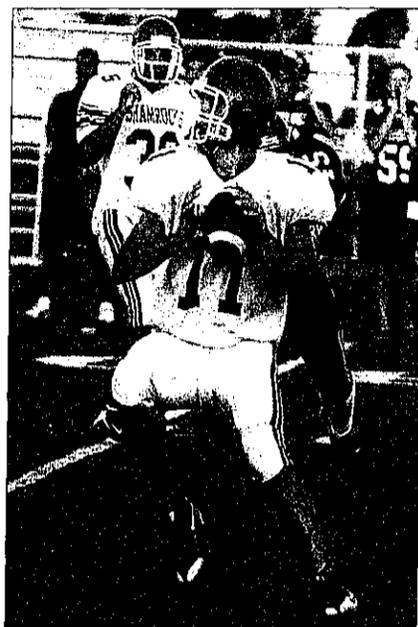
"They forced our defense to really hang on and fight as hard as they can all night long."

The key play came from kick returner Paul Favorite. The Rocks had just plowed down

the field to cut the lead to 10-7 before Favorite took the ensuing kickoff to the house.

He caught the ball at the 4 and headed up the right side of the field, breaking through the first wave of defenders. But Favorite ran into his own blocker before spinning to his

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Photos submitted by Dennis Barnes
 Catholic Central quarterback Sam Landry looks downfield against Brother Rice.

CC suffers heartbreaker

Brother Rice kicks 50-yd FG as time expires, win 27-24

By Jeff Thelsen
 SPORTS WRITER

Catholic Central head coach Tom Mach has seen a lot during his long tenure with the Shamrocks, but Saturday's loss ranks up there as one of the toughest.

Holding a 24-10 lead midway through the fourth quarter, Brother Rice stormed back and won on a 50-yard field goal as time expired.

"I wish we would've finished it off, but you can't give good teams an opportunity in the fourth quarter," Mach said. "Finish. We did everything in our capabilities except that."

"I felt bad that the kids didn't get the opportunity to rejoice over the way they played the game. They played a really hard-hitting football game."

The crazy comeback started after Catholic Central just missed what could have been their fourth touchdown, but

instead became a field goal.

Sam Landry couldn't connect with an open receiver that would've been a sure touchdown, but the incompletion forced a 27-yard field goal by Justin D'Agostino with 6:08 left.

"We knew there was a lot of game left and we were still in a battle," Mach said. "We had a couple of opportunities in the fourth quarter and earlier to end the game in our favor, but we failed to do it. We gave them the opportunity to come back, and they made the most of it."

The Warriors cut the lead to seven with an 8-yard touchdown pass and forced a three-and-out.

The ensuing punt led to a big return, and the Warriors quickly tied the game on another short pass with 2:45 left.

The Shamrocks again were unable to get the offense going and had to punt the ball back.

See **SHAMROCKS, 3B**



Wildcat Mani Mahadevan in action.

Wildcat Roundup: Novi tennis shines, boys cross country wins two invites

By Jeff Thelsen
 SPORTS WRITER

The Shamrocks disposed of two KLA Central opponents before placing second in a very tough Ann Arbor quad.

Novi knocked off Stevenson and South Lyon 9-0 with all Wildcats winning in straight sets in both.

At the Invite, the Shamrocks placed second with Detroit Country Day taking the top spot with 17 points. Novi was one point back and Ann Arbor Pioneer in third (13) and Bloomfield Hills Labser in fourth (2).

The Wildcats claimed three first-place finishes with Mani Mahadevan claiming the No. 1 sin-

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gles title, Carson Crandell winning at No. 4 singles and the No. 4 doubles team of Nathan Ferooq and Nikhil Devarakonda finished on top.

The No. 1 doubles team of Justin Ferooq and Ameyaa Sohani and the No. 2 team of Greg Richard and Peter Zhang each won two matches to finish second.

"I thought we played some of our best tennis of the year at the quad," Novi head coach Jim

Hanson said. "Country Day is very strong, and Pioneer has won the state title for several years."

Novi is hosting an invite Saturday, with the main site being at the Novi Middle School and some matches will be played at the high school. The competition includes Division 1 No. 1 Ann Arbor Huron, No. 2 Brother Rice and No. 5 Novi. Also in the field is Division 2 No. 2 Seaholm. Play begins at 8:30 a.m.

Monday, the Wildcats beat Northville for the second time this year, 7-2. Northville got wins at No. 1 and No. 2 singles, but Novi won the rest of the matches, including sweeping doubles play.

Novi improves to 8-0 overall and 7-0 in league play.

Boys Cross Country

The Novi boys cross country team is hitting its stride with wins at the Anchor Bay and Spartan invites. The Wildcats also knocked off rival Northville in a dual meet.

At the Anchor Bay Invite, the Wildcats dominated the field, finishing first with 25 points. Macomb Dakota was next with 77 in a nine-team field.

Mike Blaszczyk finished first in 16:59. Dan Egner was next across the line in 17:12 for second place.

Completing the scoring for Novi were TJ Butler in fifth

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Wildcats look to feast on Lions

By Jeff Theisen
SPORTS WRITER

While TasteFest is going on before and during the Novi football game, head coach Tab Kellepporey hopes it's a hunger to keep winning that the players are worried about.

Novi improved to 3-1, 2-0 with a tough victory last week against a powerful ground attack against South Lyon.

South Lyon expects to bring much of the same to the field this week. They feature a big line that likes to pound away at defenses, something that could spell trouble for Novi's quick, but mostly understated defense.

"South Lyon is a border school district with us. We have a lot of history with them," Kellepporey said. "We know we're going to have to play a great game to have a chance to win."

The Lions enter 1-3, 2-0, but have two common opponents in Walled Lake Central. Both teams beat Central handily and did the reverse in losses to Milford.

Livonia Stevenson hammered the Lions 51-15 last week.

The Lions schedule has been considerably harder than Novi's so far. The Wildcat opponents have a combined 4-12 record.

Friday

Who: South Lyon (1-3, 0-2) vs. Novi (3-1, 2-0)
Where: Novi
When: 7 p.m. Friday

with Milford claiming three of the four wins.

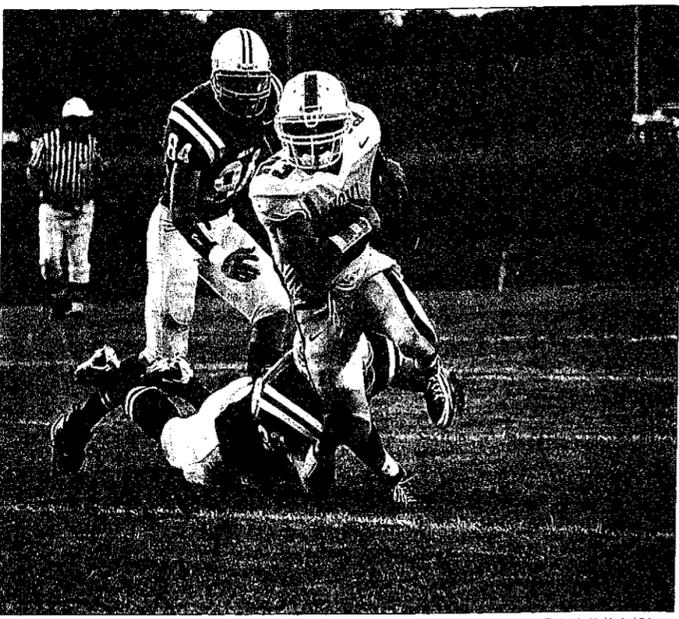
South Lyon's opponents are a combined 10-4, with all of the losses coming to 3-1 teams.

But Kellepporey doesn't worry about records this early in the year. He just wants to see continual improvement as the year goes on, and things will take care of themselves.

"We know we've got to get better and better to compete against our divisional schools," he said. "We feel good right now because we've won the first two games in our division."

The TasteFest begins before the game. Several local restaurants and other booths will be open before and during the game. Tickets for food and beverage purchases will be available by the booths.

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Paul Favorite sheds a tackler and looks for more yardage against Salem.

WILDCATS

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right and finding daylight.

The score left Novi up 17-7 with 8:42 left in the fourth.

"I got some great blocks," Favorite said. "I hit someone, spun off and then there was just green grass. I just took off."

"We really needed that spark, and I'm just glad that I could give it."

Salem came down and scored again against a Wildcat defense that spent almost the entire second half on the field.

But the offense successfully gained three first downs to kill the clock. The biggest play came on an 8-yard leaping reception by Will Mikkelsen that was just inches past the first down marker to start the final drive.

"Will Mikkelsen is a tremendous athlete," Kellepporey said. "We felt we needed to throw the ball on third and long. Bellamy did a great job rolling out and throwing it. It was a little high, but the great thing about Mikkelsen is he's also a high jumper in track. He looked like he was going over a six-foot bar on that one."

Novi was first on the board when Chris Bellamy ran in an 8-yard keeper with 4:51 left in the first half. The score was set up by Kyle Tipton intercepting a ball near midfield and bringing it back 37 yards, deep into Salem territory.

"They ran a screen that I just happened to read," Tipton said. "I just happened to be at the right place at the right time. We worked on it all week in practice. Good coaching."

Regular Kicker Dan Kilger

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| First Downs | 9 | 22 |
| Rushes-yards | 97 | 252 |
| Comp-Att-Int | 6-9-0 | 5-11-1 |
| Passing yards | 31 | 83 |
| Fumbles-lost | 0-0 | 1-1 |
| Penalties-yards | 6-38 | 2-22 |

Rushing - Novi: C. Bellamy 9-52, P. Favorite 12-40, B. Kobylo 1-4, R. Moore 1-3; Salem: A. Mullins 25-149, E. Pardo 12-63, Z. Sporseller 7-32, H. Poiring 7-8

Passing - Novi: C. Bellamy 6-9-0-31; Salem: H. Parling 5-11-1-83

Receiving - Novi: P. Favorite 1-11, J. Picher 1-10, W. Mikkelsen 1-8, G. Green 1-2; Salem: J. Bashi 2-46, S. Lyons 2-30, A. Mullins 1-7

was at a Novi soccer game, leaving sophomore Scott Stanford to man the duties. He responded perfectly with a 35-yard field goal as time ran out in the first half, and the Wildcats holding a 10-0 lead.

"We pulled a sophomore up to kick the ball and he steps up and kicks a 35-yarder," Kellepporey said. "Those three points wound up being the difference in the game. He did a tremendous job."

The Wildcats finished with just 31 yards passing and 97 on the ground for nine first downs (three of which came in the closing moments).

The Rocks churned out 252 yards rushing and 83 through the air for 22 first downs. They also ruled time of possession - 29:10 to Novi's 18:50.

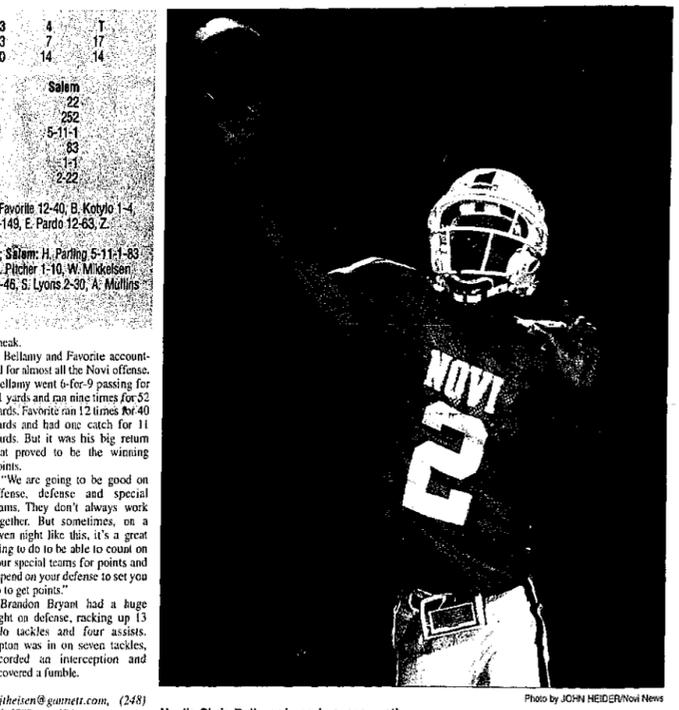
Salem's Anthony Mullins led all rushers with 149 yards on 25 carries with a touchdown. Quarterback Heath Parling scored the other touchdown on a short sneak.

Bellamy and Favorite accounted for almost all of the Novi offense. Bellamy went 6-for-9 passing for 31 yards and ran nine times for 52 yards. Favorite ran 12 times for 40 yards and had one catch for 11 yards. But it was his big return that proved to be the winning points.

"We are going to be good on offense, defense and special teams. They don't always work together. But sometimes, on a given night like this, it's a great thing to do to be able to count on your special teams for points and depend on your defense to set you up to get points."

Brandon Bryant had a huge night on defense, making up 13 solo tackles and four assists. Tipton was in on seven tackles, recorded an interception and recovered a fumble.

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Novi's Chris Bellamy in early season action.

Novi freshmen rock Salem 55-13, improving to 4-0

Submitted to the Novi News

Novi freshman football turned an early deficit into a blowout 55-13 win last week against Salem, improving to 4-0.

The Wildcat scored the first time they touched the ball on a 43-yard pass play from Brendan Watkins to Michael Jozz over the middle. But on the kick off, Salem returned the ball 94 yards and led 7-0.

The next Novi possession produced another long scoring run as Watkins broke loose from a roll-out pass play to dodge, cut and outrun the Rocks for 75 yards. Adam Hayes added the extra point.

The Novi defense proved to be a weapon again as they turned a would-be punt turned fake into an Alejandro Albuera interception, giving the offense possession on the Rock 40-yard line. After a 28-yard Watkins to Zach Masseran

pass, Tre Harlin muscled his way in the endzone from the 4-yard line. Hayes' kick made it 20-7.

Again, the defense held tight on the next Rock possession to get the ball back. This time it was Jimmy Eloff with a couple big runs and a Watkins to Hayes pass for 19 yards that set up a 1 yard Hayes run for the score and

Haynes PAT to close out the first half at 27-7.

The second half kickoff was received by Novi's Jozz, who nearly ran it back but booked up the ball back. This time it was four plays later with Derek Ince on a neatly executed 11-yard TD reception.

It was four and out for the Rocks again that produced a 63-

yard Watkins score, which was sprung by a Kyle Clements down-field block.

On the next four and out, Sam Buchin blocked the punt and Alex King recovered. This produced a 27-yard Andrew Bell touchdown.

As time was winding down, Novi struck for the last time with a 17-yard sprint around the end by Frankie Mastrangelo, capped off with a Masseran extra point.

It appeared that the game would lead to halftime tied until the Blue Jays scored on a long pass play for a touchdown with less than a minute to play in the half for 24-6 lead.

The second half opened with the Blue Jays driving down the field for a score and converted the extra point for a 20-6 lead.

The Bobcats had several extended drives that were unable to get points on the board, including one started by a Michael Metz interception.

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Boys' Bowl features undefeated DeLaSalle

By Jeff Theisen
SPORTS WRITER

Catholic Central won't have long to lick its wounds after suffering a heart-breaking loss to rival Brother Rice last week.

The Boys' Bowl is Sunday, with the Shamrocks hosting undefeated Warren DeLaSalle.

The Pilots strength is in their experience. DeLaSalle returns 14 starters, compared to just a couple for the Shamrocks.

"They return 14 starters from last year, probably the most of anybody in our league," Catholic Central head coach Tom Mach said. "Hopefully we grew from our experience with (Brother Rice). It's disappointing to lose, but it's also an eye opener in what you have to do to win the big game."

The Pilots can get it done on offense or defense. They have shut out two opponents and have not scored less than 34 points in any of the wins.

Boys' Bowl

Who: Warren DeLaSalle (4-0, 1-0) vs. CC (2-1, 0-1)
Where: Catholic Central
When: 1 p.m. Sunday

"They've got some quick people, good backs and their line is one of the best lines I've seen around," Mach said. "On defense, they give you a lot of problems because they're very physical and get after it real well."

The Shamrocks proved they belong with the big boys, but now it's just a matter of playing all four quarters.

"It's going to take a great effort to beat them," Mach said. "But I think that if we keep improving, we'll have that opportunity."

Game time is 1 p.m. Sunday at Catholic Central.

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CC Roundup: Soccer knocks off U-D, 2-1

By Jeff Theisen
SPORTS WRITER

The Shamrocks' cross country turned in a pair of strong performances against U-D and at the Holly Invite.

Against U-D, the Shamrocks placed in 11 of the top 12 finishes.

Alex Toloff and Ricardo Galindo led the charge, each finishing in 16:47.

U-D claimed the third spot, with Viktor Puskorius (16:58), John-Paul Zebrowski (17:06) and Austin Zebrowski and Andrew Garcia-Garrison each came in at 17:32 to close out the scoring in an 18-15 victory.

At the Holly Invite, CC placed second of 19 teams. Lake Orion won with 45 points, with the Shamrocks next at 81.

Galindo and Puskorius were first in seventh and eighth place respectively, both in 18:01.

Garcia-Garrison was next in at

12th in 18:09, followed by Toloff in 21st (18:33) and Austin Zebrowski in 33rd (18:58).

CC Soccer

The Shamrocks (6-3-3, 3-1-1) pulled off a comeback 2-1 victory Friday against Divine Child.

Catholic Central trailed 1-0 after Divine Child scored the lone goal of the first half 10 minutes in.

It took halfway through the second half for the Shamrocks to get the equalizer. Brandon Hess buried a cross from Joe Bellino to tie things up.

It remained 1-1 into the final minute when the Shamrocks scored the winner. Josh Goff crossed the ball in where Jon Malcek headed it in with 46 seconds left.

Wes Harding made a save in the closing seconds to secure the win.

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Brother Rice did just enough to get the ball within reach for Ryan Kelly to knock home the game-winner as time ran out.

The Shamrocks offense got things rolling after Brother Rice started the scoring with a field goal in the first quarter.

Anthony Capatina gave CC its first lead with a 15-yard run late in the first quarter.

Mach opened up the playbook, and Capatina threw a touchdown pass off a fake run turned pass to John Jakubik from 36 yards out with 6:59 left in the first half for a 14-3 lead.

"Capatina had a nice night. He had a lot of nice runs for us," Mach said. "Landry did a really

good job keeping them off balance."

The Warriors cut the lead to 14-10 with 1:12 left in the half.

The lead grew to 21-10 when Niko Palazeti scored on an 8-yard run for the only points of the third quarter. Steve Harding provided the big play on the drive with a 33-yard catch.

D'Agostina added the two-TD cushion, but it proved not enough on a wild Saturday night loss to Brother Rice.

"Overall, we were real proud of how our kids handled themselves," Mach said. "They came to play. There were a lot of pluses that we came away with. We were doing a lot of great things. Hopefully we can build on that."

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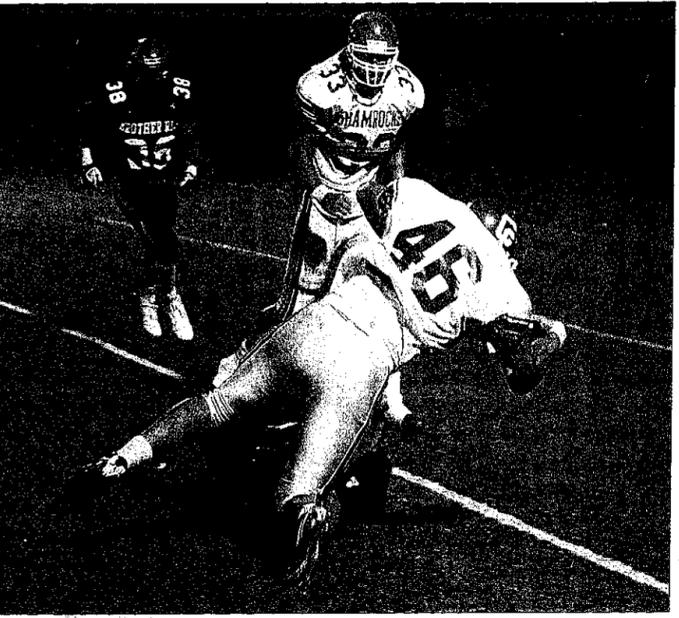
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| First Downs | 12 | 17 |
| Rushing yds. | 136 | 121 |
| Comp-Att-Int | 7-17-0 | 17-33-1 |
| Passing yds. | 141 | 177 |
| Punts-avg. | 6-36.2 | 4-34.5 |
| Fumbles-lost | 0-0 | 2-1 |
| Penalties-yds | 5-47 | 4-40 |

Rushing - CC: Capatina 20-71, Herzog 4-23, Palazeti 9-21, Landry 7-19, Savakus 1-2; Rice: Hennehan 16-75, DeClaire 6-23, Popp 5-9, Marshall 1-8, Martin-Manley 1-6

Passing - CC: Landry 6-16-0-105, Capatina 1-1-3-36; Rice Popp 17-33-1-177

Receiving - CC: Jakubik 2-84, Harding 3-57, Kinville 2-20; Rice Makoski 7-77, Martin-Manley 6-75, Saldival-Garcia 1-10, DeClaire 1-7, Marshall 1-5, Farny 1-3

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Niko Palazeti dives through a Brother Rice tackler and into the endzone.

Bobcats finally kickoff season against Livonia

Novi Varsity Bobcats fall to the Blue Jays

The Novi Varsity Bobcats saw their record fall to 1-1 in a 20-6 road defeat at the hands of the Livonia Blue Jays on Sunday.

The game started out on a positive note for the Bobcats as Mario Ferrini returned the opening kickoff 67 yards for a touchdown to give the Bobcats an early 6-0 lead.

The Bobcats defense led by the efforts of Matthew Mizerovich, Kyle Matel and Austin Racicot kept the Blue Jays off the scoreboard for the remainder of the first quarter.

Early in the second quarter the Blue Jays struck paydirt to tie the score 6-6 thanks to a blocked kick on the extra point attempt by the Bobcats.

It appeared that the game would lead to halftime tied until the Blue Jays scored on a long pass play for a touchdown with less than a minute to play in the half for 24-6 lead.

The second half opened with the Blue Jays driving down the field for a score and converted the extra point for a 20-6 lead.

The Bobcats had several extended drives that were unable to get points on the board, including one started by a Michael Metz interception.

The Bobcats face the Northville Stallions for their Homecoming

game Sunday at Novi Middle School.

Bobcats clip Blue Jays

A 19-0 victory for the defending Super Bowl Champion Novi Bobcats junior varsity football team made the late start to this 2008 season well worth the wait.

At Bentley Field against the Livonia Blue Jays, the Bobcats controlled their opponent from start to finish, dominating on both sides of the ball.

The game was good old fashion football won in the trenches behind lineman Jack Twomey, Ryan Turner, Graham Gausden, Ryan Rabnowitz, Paul O'Connor, Nick Meadors, and Connor Howell.

On offense, Jack Pinkerton scored on the Bobcats first possession from 2 yards out on an 11-play drive. Pinkerton finished with 42 yards and 12 carries. Quarterback Bill Ulje added the extra point for a Bobcat 7-0 first quarter lead. The quarterback rushed for 23 yards and passed for 46.

Jeffrey Baker added a touchdown in the second and third quarter from 1 and 2 yards out to cap the Bobcat scoring. Baker totaled 84 yards with 15 carries and a reception for 31 yards.

While the Bobcats offense could not be stopped, the defense was as sharp allowing only seven

yards in the first half and 42 total yards in the game.

Andrew Schroeder led the team in tackles followed by Bobby Fox, Colton Neisus and a long list of Bobcat defenders. Michael Ninkovich and Ryan Moore each had an interception.

The Bobcats have a big week ahead with a game on tonight against Rochester and Homecoming on Sunday afternoon against the Northville Stallions.

Freshmen open with win

The Freshman Novi Bobcat Football Team opened their 2008 season with a big win in Livonia this past weekend by beating the Blue Jays 20-7.

Michael McSweeney started the season off with a touchdown in the first quarter. Anthony D'Annibale solidified the Bobcats lead with a second touchdown in the first quarter, followed by another touchdown in the third quarter.

The Blue Jays suffered numerous fumbles, which were recovered by Michael Leone and D'Annibale.

Bobcat quarterback Mitchell Ulje led a strong offense that started the season on a positive note for Novi.

Stories submitted to the Novi News



The Freshman Novi Bobcat Football Team calls for a pass against Livonia.

ROUNDUP

continued from front

(17:17), Alex Minghine in eighth (17:44) and Joe Schubring in ninth (17:45).

At the Spartan Invite, Novi topped a field of 36 teams to win with 100 points. Williamson (134) and Troy (159) were next. Northville tied East Kentwood for fifth with 160.

Blaszczek finished second overall in 16:13. The rest of Novi's scorers included Egnor (19th, 17:11), Minghine (21st, 17:13), Schubring (28th, 17:22) and Butler (30th, 17:23).

Against Northville, Novi ran to a 22-34 victory.

Blaszczek won the race in 16:20, more than 30 seconds ahead of second place.

Egnor finished third in 16:59, followed by teammates Minghine (fifth, 17:12), Butler (sixth, 17:21) and Andrew Burkhardt (seventh, 17:30).



Wildcat Ashley Bush swims the backstroke.

Novi Girls Golf

The Wildcats (3-2) thumped Stevenson 187-246 before playing in the Grosse Ile Invite.

Against Stevenson, Natalie Krick was low with a 43. She was followed by Brooke Collins (45, career low), Stephanie Hri (49) and Megan Henry (50).

The Novi JV also won, improving to 2-2.

At the Grosse Ile Invitational, Novi finished 21st of 24 teams. Krick led the Wildcats with a 94.

Novi Volleyball

The Wildcats are 16-4 after placing third at the U-M Dearborn Invite.

Novi faces Northville 7 p.m. tonight at home.

Swimming

The Wildcats host rival Northville tonight at 7 p.m.



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Standing on top

They Novi freshman volleyball team won first place at the John Glen Invitational on Saturday. The Wildcats won all matches in two games with the exception of the final match in three games.

Bottom row (from left), Abby Hall, Coach Southworth, Lauren Wingfield and Emily Sheeran.

Middle row: Kate Lynch (manager), Nicole Hill, Victoria Rose, Katie Rudzinski, Kim Kelzer, Becca Brockman, Marcella Capara, Andrea Rybicki and Aly Ryan.

Back row: Katie Robbins, Allie D'Annibale and Hannah Mouch.

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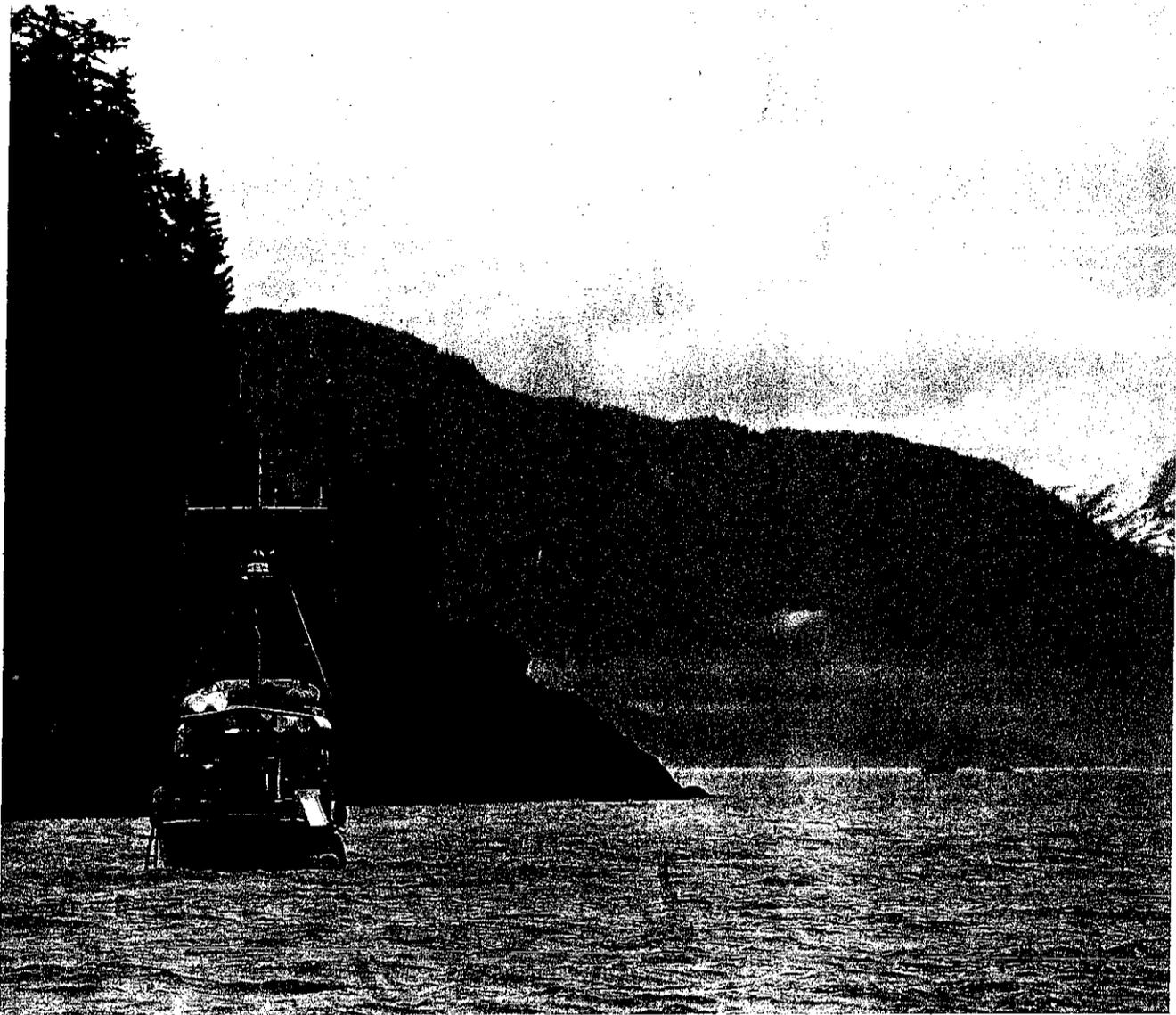


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Wild Harvest

Sustainable Seafood Choices for the Table

FAMILY FEATURES

Len Peterson surveys the vast silver ocean from his gillnet boat, *F/V Heather Anne*. Around him is Taku Inlet, 15 miles south of Juneau, Alaska, where the mighty Taku River spills into the Pacific Ocean after winding for miles through pristine wilderness. Snowcapped mountains soar in the distance, etched by fjords where glaciers crash into the sea and whales spout and feed. Ahead are the pristine waters of one of the earth's most unspoiled natural marine environments, home to a bounty of seafood, from wild salmon to cod and Alaska pollock, sole, black cod, halibut, weathervane scallops and the mighty king crab.

Len Peterson is typical of Alaska fishermen: Fully aware of the role conservation plays in creating the sustainable fisheries supporting their lifestyle and livelihood. They have built their businesses to reflect their beliefs and respect for the wild seafood they harvest.

"We will never catch the last fish," Len says. "We all understand fish are a finite resource. But there will always be fish in these waters for my daughter and son-in-law and our future grandchildren to catch. It's a choice, a responsibility, and a commitment far more important than a huge commercial harvest."

Sustainable living is about making choices that can be sustained within a limited amount of resources. More Americans today are making sustainable choices when it comes to transportation, housing, energy and even food.

Some industries, like the Alaska fishing industry, have been putting sustainability into practice for years, and that means that shoppers have more options when it comes to making food choices that are good not just for them, but for the future.

Maintaining a balance between harvested quantities and the number of fish required to maintain a long-term healthy population without compromising the ecosystem is the standard definition of sustainability. The State of Alaska's definition for its fishing industries goes farther by adding multiple proactive efforts.

Alaska's number one priority: Protecting future fish stocks and their habitat for future generations. In this effort, Alaska takes a precautionary approach to guarantee fishery stocks and ecosystem needs are met first and foremost.

Scientific research is the foundation of Alaska's fisheries management policies and is used to establish both the numbers and the health of each individual species. Unbreakable harvest limits are then set, and fishing completely stops when these harvest limits, or quotas, are reached.

Working with several different agencies of state, federal and international governments, Alaska has developed a variety of comprehensive management methods that are considered a model of sustainability for the entire world. No Alaska species has ever been listed as threatened or endangered. Salmon harvests in particular have risen significantly above historical levels.

What does this mean when you walk up to the fish counter in your supermarket and buy two pounds of Alaska cod for dinner? You can be assured the fish has been harvested with the future in mind. It's a top-quality product whether flash-frozen at sea or delivered fresh to the market. The wild Alaska seafood you eat tonight represents a dynamic fishing industry following the world's most rigorous management practices to ensure a sustainable food and protect its natural habitat. You're doing your part to support that commitment by making a responsible choice to purchase and eat sustainably harvested seafood.

To learn more about Alaska's fisheries management practices, visit alaskaseafood.org.



Make Mine Wild From Alaska

Believe it or not, your choices at the seafood counter will affect the future, and you have a choice about creating that future. By choosing wild, natural, sustainable seafood from Alaska, you help protect the environment and ensure there will be fish tomorrow and for future generations.

Alaska Seafood at a Glance

Alaska's clean, bountiful waters yield an abundance of both finfish and shellfish. All species are harvested following strict management practices that maintain the long-term health of both fish and the natural environment while allowing maximum yields. The result is delicious seafood ready for grilling, broiling, sautéing and poaching — and your dining pleasure. For more information about Alaska seafood, recipes and nutrition details, visit alaskaseafood.org.

Salmon

There are five wild Alaska salmon species: king (also called Chinook), coho, keta, pink and sockeye.

Whitefish Varieties

This group includes cod, Alaska pollock, halibut, black cod, rockfish and sole, which are harvested year-round.

Shellfish

Alaskan waters yield king crab and snow crab, harvested during winter, Dungeness crab, harvested from June until December, and Alaska weathervane scallops, harvested from July through December.

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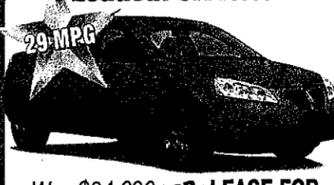
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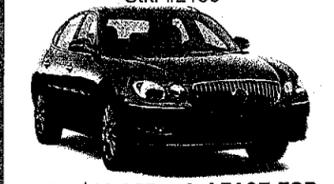
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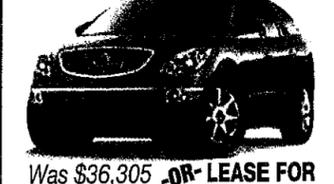
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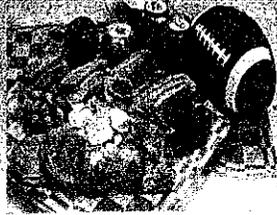
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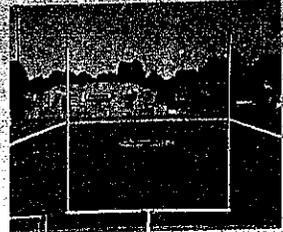
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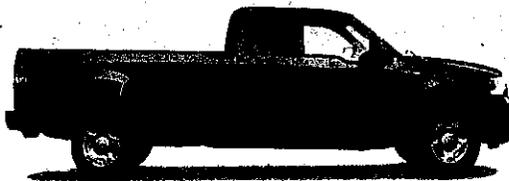


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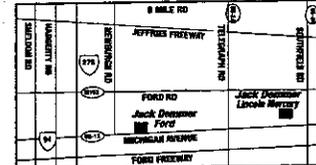
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