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Holzer helping Novi bands

Tom Holzer Ford and Novi High School Band Boosters are teaming up for the Drive One 4 UR School program from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. on Sunday.

Participants will have the opportunity to raise money by test-driving an all new 2010 Taurus, and other new Fords at Novi High School to help raise money for Novi High School Band Boosters. For each participant that test-drives a qualifying vehicle, Ford Motor Company and Tom Holzer Ford will donate \$20. The community can raise as much as \$6,000, which will be used for Novi High School Band Boosters.

Participants must be 18 or older and have a valid driver's license. Limit one test-drive per household.

Walled Lake Art Fest and Oktoberfest

Art and entertainment will fill the day and continue into the night as the Walled Lake downtown Development Authority sponsors the 2009 Walled Lake Art Festival along with the Lakes Area Rotary's Oktoberfest Saturday.

The activities will kick off with a juried art show at 11 a.m. at the Walled Lake Commons Shopping Center; Pontiac Trail and West Maple Road in downtown Walled Lake. Local artists representing fine arts in photography, ceramics, glassware, matted prints and jewelry will be among the exhibitors. Bring the kids and enjoy the family fun. There will be chalk artists, face painting, a children's pumpkin patch and traditional fall foods for sale until 6 p.m. In the afternoon, join the fun and listen as Ann Arbor's own Avienne perform live in the Commons.

From 7:30 until midnight, lift a stein and polka the night away under the beer tent as the Lakes Area Rotary hosts The Kielbasa Kings and a night of Oktoberfest food, music, dancing and fun.

Admission is free and everyone is welcome. For more information, call the Walled Lake Downtown Development Authority at 248-926-9004 or go to www.DowntownWalledLake.com.

'All hands on deck' effort helps police nab home invasion suspects

Chief believes they have arrested crews working in Novi



Donald Kevin Gregory

BY NATHAN MUELLER
STAFF WRITER

Novi police have arrested five men they believe to be responsible for a string of nine home invasions that have taken place in Novi since July 30.

One of the men, Donald Kevin Gregory, 53, of Flint, has an extensive criminal history dating back to 1974 and is currently on parole.

Gregory, who is linked to a home invasion on Buckminster Drive, was arrested by a Novi sergeant because of suspicious behavior on Clark Street. During the interview with the officer, he admitted to doing multiple home invasions in the area, and indicated he has done between 60 to 90 home invasions throughout Michigan in the last eight months.

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HOME PROTECTION TIPS

- Lock doors and windows and put a bar across the doorwall
 - Keep bushes and shrubs cut around windows
 - Shut garage doors
 - Report any suspicious vehicles or people to police immediately
 - Take advantage of the Home Watch program through the Novi PD
 - Don't let mail or papers pile up
 - Let neighbors know you will be gone
- Source: Novi Police Department

Food program comes on hard times

Co-chairs concerned supplies may run out

ITEMS NEEDED

- Canned fruits and vegetables
- Canned juice and milk
- Canned soups
- Various other canned foods
- Peanut butter, jelly and salt-free crackers
- Dried foods such as beef or turkey jerky
- Cereal, oatmeal and low-fat granola
- Snack-sized canned goods with pull-off lids
- Beverages in foil packets or boxes
- Household products (toilet paper, toothpaste, paper towels, etc.)

BY NATHAN MUELLER
STAFF WRITER

It's been at least 12 years since the shelves at the Novi Community Food Program have been this bare.

And if donations don't start coming in soon, the nearly 40 families the program helps will be turned away.

Kay Hendricksen, co-chair of the program, said the program had enough food and supplies for Monday's distribution, but might not have much for Oct. 12.

"This is the worst it's been," Hendricksen said. "We are getting low on food because of the economy and people out of work and we don't have a food drive scheduled until November."

The program, which operates out of Faith Community Presbyterian Church, has been able to get by in



JOHN HEIDER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Kay Hendricksen, co-chair of the Faith Community Presbyterian Church's Emergency Food Program, is hoping to significantly re-stock the shelves of the pantry so that they can continue to provide food to needy people in the months to come.

the past on two food drives — the postal carriers drive in May and the Boy Scouts drive in November. This year, those aren't enough.

Jim Ernst, co-chair, said in the summer the numbers usually drop off to less than 20 families, but this time the program saw more than 30.

"We have a basic group of people that come time and time again and most are older and on a fixed

income, but now we are getting new people that are younger and coming in with kids," he said.

The program also has money it uses to buy food and supplies, but that too is running out.

Currently food is distributed every other Monday for residents living in Novi, Wixom and New Hudson. The individuals and families commonly receive non-perishable foods, household items and

hygiene products.

Ernst said the Novi community has always been generous, and the program will still open Oct. 12 and hand out what it has.

Donations of money or food can be dropped off at the church, located at 44400 W. 10 Mile Road. For more information about the program, call (248) 349-2345.

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City fund balance \$1.4 million better than estimated

BY NATHAN MUELLER
STAFF WRITER

The Novi City Council approved a budget amendment Monday that will boost the general fund balance from the previous fiscal year by \$1.4 million.

Of that \$1.4 million, the revenue is approximately \$400,000 more than what was estimated during the budget process and the expenditures were approximately \$1 million less than estimated.

The city is still waiting for an audited report.

"It's amazing," Mayor David Landry said. "We trust the

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DAVID LANDRY, mayor

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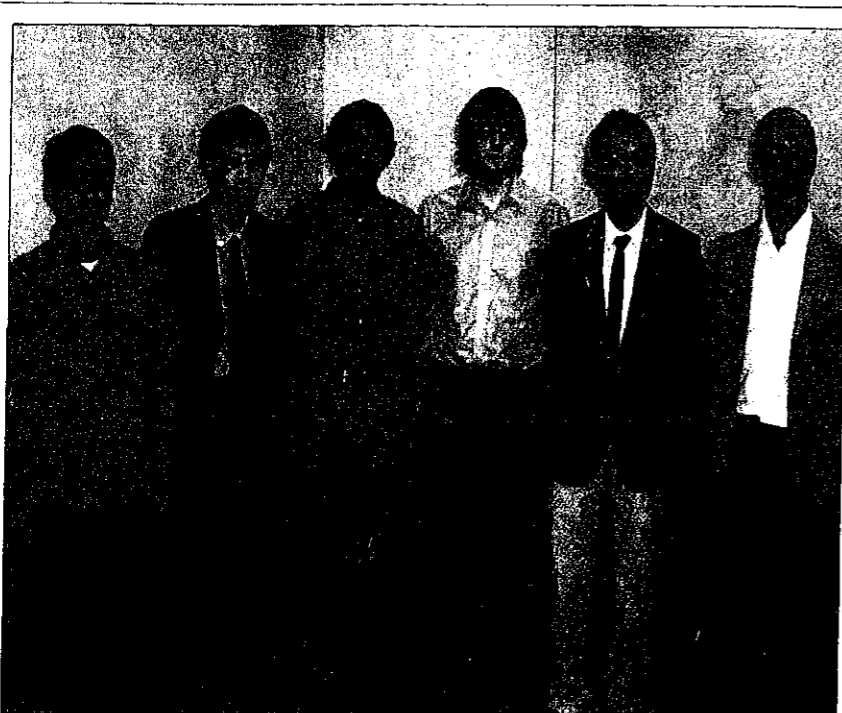
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Commission adopts 2010 road budget

The Road Commission for Oakland County (RCOC) Board of Road Commissioners last week adopted the agency's 2010 budget at its regularly scheduled meeting.

Among the road projects included in the 2010 budget is the long-anticipated widening of Novi Road between 10 Mile and Grand River in Novi, which includes building a bridge over the railroad tracks.

The 2010 budget, at \$105.15 million, includes \$31.1 million worth of road improvement projects or work toward future road improvement projects. This budget represents an increase of \$6.9 million compared to the \$98.2 million 2009 budget adopted in September of last year.

RCOC's fiscal year runs Oct. 1 to Sept. 30.

The 2010 budget is greater than the 2009 budget because of an increase in federally funded road projects planned for 2010, including some projects paid for with American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) or federal "stimulus" dollars.

While project-specific federal funds coming to RCOC are expected to increase in 2010, this budget anticipates less state revenue than any budget since fiscal year 2000.

The state revenues, which are the main funding source for RCOC's operations, consist primarily of the agency's share of state-collected fuel tax and vehicle-registration-fee dollars. In 2010, these revenues will have been declining for four years, after having been flat for nearly 10 years.

RCOC Managing Director Brent Bair noted that federal funding, which is generally tied to specific road construction projects and cannot be used for routine maintenance operations, tends to fluctuate considerably from year to year.

"We're pleased we will receive federal funding for more road projects in 2010 than in 2009, but that will not help us with routine road maintenance activities such as patching potholes, plowing snow or grading gravel roads," Bair said. He added RCOC currently has 72 fewer staff members than in 2007, a reduction of nearly 13 percent.

"Many of those positions are truck drivers, who won't be available to plow snow and salt the roads this winter," he observed. The staff reductions put the RCOC workforce at fewer employees than virtually any time since the 1960s, when the county had half the population it has today and when traffic volumes were dramatically less than they are today.

OU program for high schoolers

Since 1996 Oakland University has offered a summer program that offers 36 gifted math students the opportunity to take two college math classes over the summer - for free - thanks to an anonymous donation from a man who went through a program similar to the Oakland University Summer Mathematics Institute (OUSMI). The application consists of a letter of recommendation, a short essay from the student, a completed problem set, and a transcript proving their academic drive.

This summer, four Novi High School students - Harsha Gotur, Spencer Kim, Sachin Padmanabhan and Gavin Patient - spent six weeks of their summer driving every day to and from the campus. They all earned eight college credits for their hard work. Professors Eddie Cheng said, "It is challenging to teach a group of highly gifted students but it is also fun especially I know many of them are smarter than I am. The difficulty is to find something that will challenge them and stimulate them. This year I gave them an open problem and it kept them busy."



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Jazzercise

The founder of Jazzercise, Judi Sheppard Missett, greeted 195 instructors from the Michigan/Northwest Ohio area on Sept. 27. Jazzercise is celebrating 40 years of continued success in the fitness industry. Shown are Novi instructors Chris Widner, Michiko Spielman and Jackie Glebe with Judi at a local meeting.

Unemployed are not alone

Group helping people get back on their feet

BY NATHAN MUELLER
STAFF WRITER

Javier Ramirez knows first-hand how tough it is to be unemployed and seemingly out of answers.

The 42-year-old Novi resident has been out of work for about seven months, but he got a moral boost in June by starting the Career Transition Group at St. James Catholic Church to help people like himself.

"It's very helpful because sometimes you don't understand how to start looking," he said. "When you are laid off or fired you are frustrated and mad and these types of organizations help you understand it's not your fault, it's the economy."

The group at St. James has about 150 members, and about 30-to-60 meet every Monday to listen to a guest speaker, ask questions of each other and network. The speakers that have come to the meetings are experts in everything from career building, career coaching, franchises and financial planning to human resource representatives who help with resumes and cover letters.

Ramirez said even though he doesn't have a job he is happy to be helping others find one. About 10-to-15 of the group's members have found work, and Ramirez himself has received several job leads from running the group.

"With this type of economy, networking is the best tool to find a job," he said.

Helping him start the group was a fellow unemployed resident, Mike Colacino.

Colacino said the mission of the group is to give people options and a place to be with people who are in similar situations.

"We want to provide ways we can help, ways they can help themselves and give them guidance in areas the group finds to be successful," he said.

The Career Transition Group is free to join and open to anyone searching for a job or looking for a career change. It meets from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at St. James Catholic Church, 46325 Ten Mile Road.

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Waging a battle against hunger

Annual CROP Walk to help people near and far

BY NATHAN MUELLER
STAFF WRITER

Betty Nick talks the talk. And for at least the last 20 years, she has been walking the walk at the annual Novi-Northville CROP Hunger Walk.

"I am heavily involved with world mission work and this is a nice way to do it locally so people can see we all need to get involved and help those who are less fortunate," she said.

The CROP Hunger Walk this year takes place at 2 p.m. on Sunday, starting at St. James Catholic Church.

EVENT DETAILS

What: Novi-Northville CROP Hunger Walk
Where: St. James Catholic Church, 46325 Ten Mile Road
When: 2 p.m. Sunday
Other: Registration can still be completed the day of the event. Donations will impact people locally and around the world.

Nick, who is the publicity coordinator for the event, said the idea behind the walk is to help feed the hungry all over the world. The money raised from the event is going to Church World Service, with three-quarters of it going around the world and a quarter staying locally. Some of the local organizations to benefit from the walk are Northville Civic Concern, Active Faith Community Services in South Lyon, the First Step shelter in Canton and the Novi Community Food Bank.

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EDUCATION

High school creates garden to honor former students, staff

Nameplates available for purchase

BY NATHAN MUELLER
STAFF WRITER

The student council at Novi High School had a vision five years ago to create a garden to honor those who came before them.

And this fall, thanks to the student councils that followed, the Novi High School Memorial Garden is finally blooming.

A plaque on the wall reads, "This Memorial Garden is a living tribute to the students and staff of Novi High School that left this earth too early but will never leave our hearts memories."

Nicole Carter, dean of students at Novi High School, said the garden "speaks volumes" about the student body at the high school.

"When you attend Novi High School you become part of a family, and this garden is a nice culmination of what the high school community is all about," she said.

The garden is located near the center of the high school

HONORING A LOVED ONE

Anyone who wants to memorialize a former student or staff member at Novi High School can do so by filling out an order form at the school. Cost of a nameplate is \$90.

and can only be accessed through the school. Doors open on either side of it so students can cut through the area to get to class.

Carter also said tables are set up so teachers can use the area for instruction.

The budget for the project was \$6,000, with funds raised from donations as well as a charity basketball game.

People who wish to memorialize a loved one who attended or worked at the school can purchase a nameplate for \$90. Order forms can be picked up at Novi High School or by calling (248) 449-1500.

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Student councils over the past five years helped create the Novi High School Memorial Garden to memorialize staff and students who have passed away. Current student council members Haley Prasad, left, Tiger Bourke and Sarah Burman take a seat in the garden which lies between the two main school buildings.

Novi High School student diagnosed with swine flu

School will remain open, cleaned thoroughly

BY NATHAN MUELLER
STAFF WRITER

Novi Community Schools officials announced last Thursday that a student at Novi High School has been diagnosed with the H1N1 virus, commonly known as the swine flu.

The student, whose name is not being released, is not in school and will remain at home

until given notice by a doctor to return.

Novi High School will remain open as the Center for Disease Control does not recommend closing schools in the event of a confirmed case.

Officials said in a statement the classroom's student attended "will receive additional cleaning to disinfect and prevent further spread of the virus." Students and staff also are

being told to wash hands often, avoid close contact with people who are sick, get plenty of sleep, clean frequently touched surfaces and stay home if experiencing flu-like symptoms.

This is the third confirmed case of the H1N1 virus in the district dating back to last school year. The first was at the high school on May 26 and the second was at Novi Middle School on June 3.

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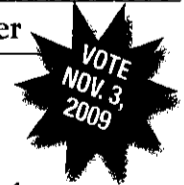
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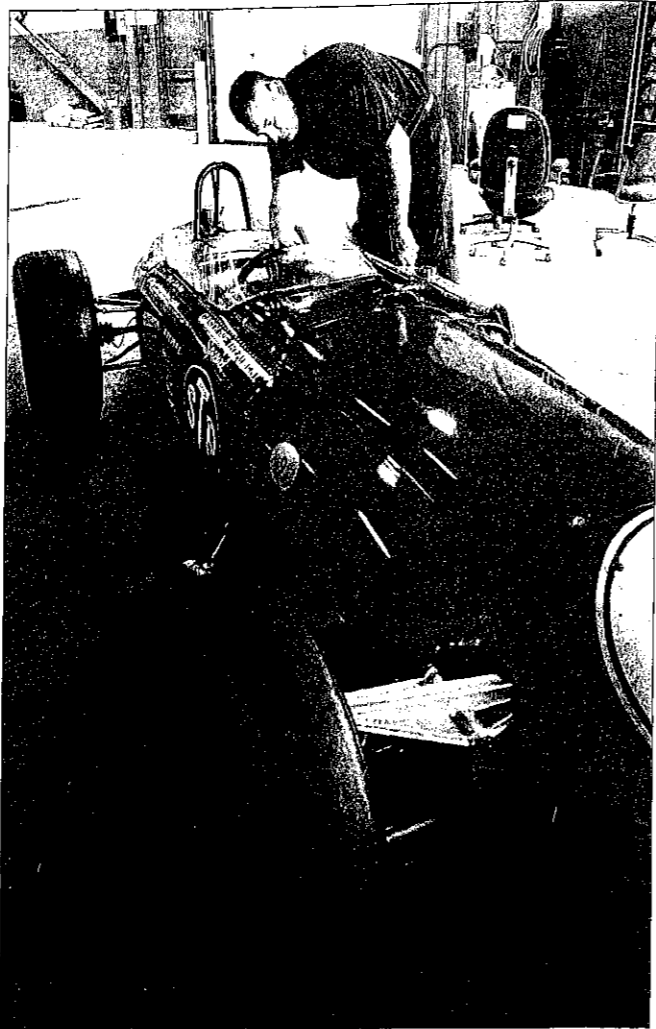
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SUSPECTS

He will be facing up to 40 years in the Michigan Department of Corrections. This is a good guy to get off the streets, Novi Police Chief David Molloy said.

invasions in the Jamestown Green subdivision and on Ashford Circle after Novi and Troy detectives searched through phone calls to a woman named Most recently, two men police think were involved with home invasions that occurred on Cider Mill Drive on Sept. 16 and Chase Drive on Sept. 17 were arrested after a resident in Northville Township called police and gave them a license plate number.

a prior history, and the other is a 34-year-old Detroit man who has three prior felony convictions for dangerous drugs, weapons and assault. They will be facing two counts of home invasion. Police also believe they will be able to link a sixth person to the crimes. Molloy said the reason they were so successful in arresting the men was because they were "saturating neighborhoods" with marked and unmarked vehicles and officers.



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Matt Wiktorowski, Field Operations Senior Manager for the City of Novi, checks out the Novi Special Indy race car which is currently being stored at Novi's DPW yard. The car, once raced by Bobby Unser, will be displayed at the new Novi Public Library, once opened.

Race car to highlight youth section at new library

Novi Special driven by Unser at Indianapolis

Novi Special race car has finally found a permanent home. After spending years on a trailer in the Novi Department of Public Services yard, the car will headline a display in the youth section of the new Novi Public Library. The No. 9 car, which was driven to a 19th place finish at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway by Bobby Unser in 1965, was leased to the library for free by the Novi Economic Development Corporation. It will be on an elevated display, which is being designed to show the car crossing the finish line.

Auto show poster contest offers cash prizes

The 2010 North American International Auto Show (NAIAS), sponsored by NAIAS LLC, announced the launch of its annual poster contest in connection with the January show. The 22nd Annual High School Poster Contest is open to all Michigan residents enrolled in grades 10-12. An independent panel of representatives from the local art community will judge the contest. This year, the NAIAS will choose winners in 16 categories. The poster contest is always a fun way to involve the next generation of automotive enthusiasts in our community and never fails to amaze us with the incredible young talent that comes from Michigan.

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ELIZABETH "BETTY" BRENNAN. Age 95, Sept. 23, 2009. Funeral held Sept. 26 at Our Lady of Victory Church, Northville. Donations can be made to IHM, 610 W. Elm Ave., Monroe, MI 48162. Condolences: obituaries@hometownlife.com.

MARGARET CHARNEY. Sept. 23, 2009. Age 92. Funeral held Sept. 26 at St. James Catholic Church, Novi. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield. Donations: IHM, 610 W. Elm, Monroe, MI 48162. Condolences: obituaries@hometownlife.com.

ALICIA DALTON. Age 67, passed away September 25, 2009. A private service was held. Arrangements were entrusted to PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, South Lyon, Online guestbook at: www.phillipsfuneral.com

LAWRENCE E. DOMINE SR. Age 85, passed away September 25, 2009. Visitation and a Funeral Service was held on Monday, September 28, 2009 at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, South Lyon, Online guestbook: www.phillipsfuneral.com

LOUIS F. FOREMAN. 86 of Clermont, FL, passed away Sept. 21, 2009. Formerly of Chelsea Michigan, the son of the late Ralph and Carrie Johnson Foreman of Northville, MI and Clermont, FL. He will be deeply missed by the love of his life, Dottie (Dorothy Blunk Foreman) formerly of Plymouth, MI, daughter of the late William and Dagmar Blunk. He is also survived by his son Douglas Foreman of Denver, CO, his daughter Kathy (Pat) Werner of Clermont, FL, grand-daughters Beth Werner of Clermont, FL & Nancy Ventum of Milton, MA. Louis & Dottie celebrated their 60th anniversary last Oct. 9th. They met the day after he returned from 2 years of service in the U.S. Army in Europe during WW II. He is also survived by his brother Ralph (Leslie) Foreman of Ann Arbor, MI, as well as many close friends and family. They lived a happy, full life together enjoying their many travels with their 2 children and travels to Europe to celebrate their 25th, 35th and 50th anniversaries, many California trips to be with Kathy and family and to Denver to visit their son Doug who truly admired his Dad and called him "Big Hero". Louis retired after 30 years from Chrysler Promote Grounds in Chelsea, MI (1951-1985) and moved from their home at North Lake to their home in Minnesota, built by Louis's parents where they spent many of their Christmas holidays at Grandma and Grandpa's who preceded him in death along with his sister Pauline and her husband Melvin Mitchell. Louis and Dorothy are members of the First United Methodist Church of Clermont and he was a member in good standing of the Masonic Olive Lodge 156 in Chelsea, MI. The family would like to thank Pastor Gary Edwards of FUMC, friends and neighbors for their love and support. Memorial Service was held Saturday, Sept. 26, 2009 at First United Methodist Church in Clermont. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to Comprehensive Hospice Care in memory of Louis Foreman. Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Brewer and Sons Funeral Homes and Cremation Services, 1018 West Avenue, Clermont, FL 34711, (352) 384-3500. www.brewerandsons.com

May You Find Comfort in Family & Friends

MARY JANE (WILLIAMS) KELLEY. Sept. 14, 2009. Funeral: Sept. 29, St. Patrick Catholic Church, White Lake, MI 48386. Donations: St. Vincent de Paul Society - St. Patrick Conference (mail to church) Condolences: obituaries@hometownlife.com.

R. DUANE LAMOREAUX. Born March 22, 1936. Died September 25, 2009. A Memorial Service will be held October 17, 2009, 10AM at St. George's Episcopal Church, Milford, MI. Please see obituary.com.

GUY ALBERT MEYERS. Formerly from Novi, MI, passed away surrounded by his family and loved ones on August 1st, 2009 at the age of 47, in Seattle, WA. Born in Kirkland, WA, on March 3, 1952, he graduated from Lake Washington High School and Weber State University with a degree in Manufacturing Engineering and spent his career in the automotive industry. Guy loved working cars and motors of all kinds. He was always the envy of every man in the neighborhood because his garage was filled with tools and toys. He was a much-loved and generous man, and will live on in the memories and hearts of many. He was an active member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints. He is survived by his college sweetheart and wife of 25 years, Linda, and his four sons, Guy, Nick, Austin and Alys, as well as his mother, Kathleen Meyer, and nine siblings. We love you Dad, gone but not forgotten. We will all see you soon. Please stay out of trouble in heaven. A College Fund has been set up for Guy's sons in his memory. Contributions can be made at any Wells Fargo bank. The account is titled "Guy Meyers Memorial Fund" and ends in the numbers 120.

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NORTHVILLE / NOVI CHURCH EVENTS

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The Fifth Annual Autumn Brunch With Auction will be 10 a.m.-1 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 17 with a raffle, a silent auction, and a fast-paced and fun live auction hosted by the Novi Oaks Charter Chapter of ABWA. Shown is Chris Struwe, ABWA - Novi Chapter president.

Novi's ABWA presents auction on Oct. 17

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fun for only \$20 (early registration before October 1). Pre-registration is required. Visit www.abwa-novi.org to register using PayPal, to get mail-in registration information, or to contact us. Visa and MasterCard will be accepted at the auction! All proceeds go to scholarships and education for women, including Madonna University and the national ABWA grants and tuition reim-

bursement programs to support students and women returning to the workforce. You'll find holiday toys and gifts, a weekend get-away, many restaurant gift certificates, assorted gift baskets (chocolate, cat-lovers, beauty - to name a few), hour-long massages, jewelry from Novi area jewelers, and much more.

Chapter President Chris Struwe said, "We've received donations from many wonderful local business owners who have supported our efforts more than once - such as Artisan Jewelers, Gina Agosta Salon, Larson Jewelry Design, Diamond Jim Brady's restaurant, Carrabba's Italian Grill, Coki Stone Creamery, Diane Lang of NeuroMuscular Wellness, Oakland County Parks, Renous Dave's, Starbucks, the DoubleTree Hotel, Cathy Tyler of Arbonne, and Novi Jewelers."

This is an open invitation from the Novi Oaks Charter Chapter of ABWA, part of the non-profit American Business Women's Association. Grab a few friends and join us - we have so much fun with auctioneer Coy Dockery (cowboy hat and all). You will find a festive room with tables decorated in many different themes, and you'll enjoy a delicious full breakfast/brunch buffet.

"When I first moved to Michigan, 21 years ago, I was invited to attend a meeting of the American Business Women's Association (ABWA)," said Pat Plamondon. "I was a member for over 10-plus years. Although I am no longer a member, I have stayed connected with a number of the members of the Novi chapter and still support their fundraising events, which are held to raise money to help women pursue their college education. When I was a member, I served for many years on the scholarship committee and interviewed candidates, worked on the selection process, and awarded scholarships to many outstanding women to pursue their education and dreams. It was such a rewarding experience!"

Plamondon attended the Novi Oaks auction for the first two years, and then started hosting her own table at the event.

Great Lakes Art Fair comes to Rock Oct. 16-18

The Great Lakes Art Fair at the Rock Financial Showplace offers fine artists and craft-people and their patrons an expansive regional marketplace, as well as an early launch to the traditional holiday shopping season. The fall GLAF will take place Oct. 16-18 inside Rock Financial Showplace, 46100 Grand River Ave in Novi.

Connie Mettler, a veteran of the art fair community since 1979, consults the development of the Great Lakes Art Fair. Mettler's career covers all facets of the industry, including artist management, exhibiting at over 400 art fairs, developing and supervising multiple events including small community art fairs, the Greektown Art Festival, the art component of Arts, Beats & Eats in Pontiac, and production manager for Motown Winter Blast Marketplace during the Super Bowl in Detroit. Her website, www.ArtFairCalendar.com, has been ranked #1 by Google.

"The timing has been ideal for the introduction of the new spring and fall Great Lakes Art Fairs," said Mettler. "Over the past several years there has been a sizable reduction of large scale opportunities for artists in the region to showcase their work. The Great Lakes Art Fair represents a strong addition to the art fair schedule that helps to fill that void, and we hope patrons of the arts will come enjoy the unique opportunity to see and shop all these works in one easily accessible location."

The Great Lakes Art Fair is presented in part by Dwyer and Sons Volvo-Sabaru, the Detroit News Homestyle section, Epoch Catering, Visions Spa and Salon, Andiamo Italia, Bishop Design and Display and the Landscape Group.

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For more details on the amazing EdenPURE® GEN3 Quartz Infrared Portable Heater, here is my interview with Bob Vila, America's Favorite TV Home Improvement Expert.

Q. What is the origin of this amazing heating element in the EdenPURE®?

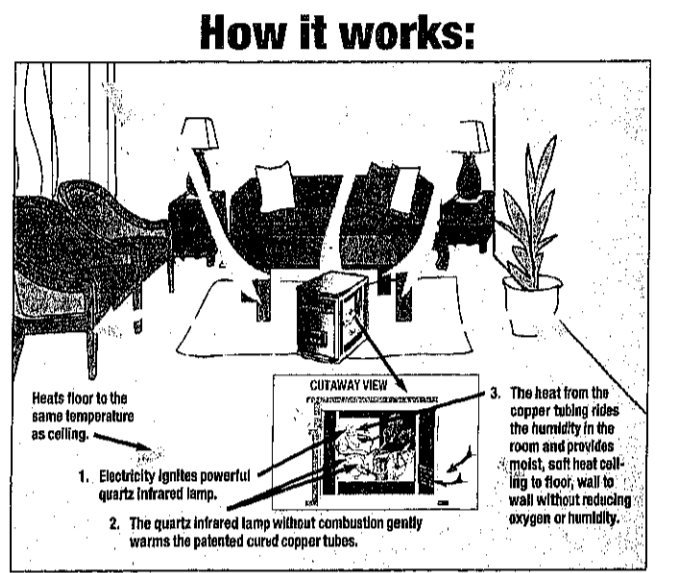
A. This advanced heating technology was discovered accidentally by a man named John Jones. Jones found that a stack of a certain type of copper stored by his coal furnace kept his whole house warm long after the coal fire went out.

Through a great deal of research and development he came up with safe quartz infrared lamps to heat treated copper. This and other technology produced the EdenPURE® infrared portable heater.

This infrared heating process was designed around the three most important consumer benefits: economy, comfort, and safety.

Q. Why is it that this quartz infrared heating source uses less energy to create heat than other sources?

A. Actually, there is more than one reason. One of the primary reasons is that heat at combustion level, which is



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Pictured above is Bob Vila demonstrating the famous EdenPURE® GEN3 Model 1000 heater with a family. It saves big money on your heating bill while keeping you toasty warm with "heavenly heat".

Testimonials from a few of the millions of satisfied EdenPURE® customers

The EdenPURE® has cut my gas bill to a third of what it was last year. *Leslie Wilson, Vancouver, WA*

I recently had an addition that was over 800 square feet added to my home. When it was completed we had to consider a heat source. We investigated everything from upgrading our current furnace, and duct work, to a vent less fireplace. Then I heard about the EdenPURE®. I must admit I was a bit skeptical, however I decided to place one in the room and give it a test. I can't tell you how pleasantly surprised I was. The EdenPURE® heater is our exclusive heat source and is comfortably heating our room at a cost of under \$15.00 per month. It is certainly refreshing to find a product that surpasses its performance claims. *D. Capps, Vancouver, WA*

With our EdenPURE® heater our gas bill dropped so much that the gas company called us and said our gas meter must be broken and they wanted to replace it. *John and Sandy Hopkins, Elyria, OH*

It's working great and heats the house well. I was so glad to find a company that stands behind their products and cares about customer concerns. I am now recommending the heater to family and friends. *Lyn Royer, Sterling, VA*

The EdenPURE® #1000 has saved 40% on our heating bill! My 18 month old daughter sits on it, that's how safe it is. The heater is also very mobile. *Steve G., Binghamton, N.Y.*

I must say I am well pleased with my new heater. So far it is working just like I had expected. We have a small home, slightly less than 1,000 square feet, so it should be sufficient for our needs. I like the quiet operation of the heater, because one gets tired of hearing the blower or a fan going on a gas furnace constantly. *Edna M., Forest Park, GA*

The EdenPURE® really puts out the heat like a little solar furnace. It's below freezing outside and cozy warm in the rather over large living room area where I'm using it. I have already noticed a 40 to 60% drop in the cost of my heating bills. *George B., Triangle, N.Y.*

I turned my thermostat down to 60. I have 2 dogs and 3 cats and all 5 laid down in front of it and were fast asleep. My chair is 1 foot away and it is like being in front of a fireplace. *Carl Cormier, Jerome, ID*

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End of interview.

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LEGISLATIVE UPDATE WITH STATE SEN. NANCY CASSIS

Senate approves strict oversight and transparency for MEGA tax credits

For as long as I have been a legislator, I have fully supported economic development to revitalize Michigan and create sustainable jobs in our state. It is our responsibility to ensure that taxpayer dollars are spent wisely to produce measurable results, especially actual jobs.

Legislators can not do their job if important information is not available or not given to them. Public scrutiny is vital and can only occur when there is transparency in the process.

President Obama has embraced transparency at the federal level and touted its benefits and Michigan's Attorney General Mike Cox has taken the lead by disclosing his own finances online.

Recently, our economic development program known as the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) has been the subject of the need for transparency. Case in point, the MEDC started out 2009 with a year's worth of dollars in MEGA credits in their pocket, and they gave them all away in seven months. They then had to come back to ask us for more money, which raises questions about how effectively the MEDC manages granting credits and how discriminatory and thorough it is in awarding credits.

Additionally, The Wall Street Journal recently wrote an editorial titled "The Michigan Example: How government investment in business failed to create jobs." It cited a finding that for every 100 jobs promised with tax credits over 14 years, only 29 arrived.

Even now, legislators don't know the actual cost of the MEGA credits, their cost or if the money might be better spent on broad-based tax relief. Reforming the MEGA credit process to bring transparency and accountability to the system will help ensure we are making good use of our tax dollar investments.

Therefore, my bill, SB 773 includes transparency language that would require the MEDC to include in its annual report

actual amounts for the number of jobs created or retained and the actual value of the MEGA tax credits claimed.

This bill passed the senate on September 10 and is tied to two other transparency bills that have sat in the House since Feb. 12, 2009.

SB 773 was approved by 23-13 in the Michigan State Senate. 13 no votes on this transparency measure came from Senate Democrats.

"The public has a right to know how their tax dollars are being spent; legislators deserve accurate information to make key decisions; and everyone must have the means to evaluate state programs. None of those can be achieved without real transparency."

"That is why I am proud that the Senate approved SB 773 to add openness, transparency and accountability to the Michigan Economic Growth Authority (MEGA) tax credits."

I urge my House colleagues support transparency and swiftly approve Senate Bills 773, 774 and 70.

Thousands of potential new jobs for our area could result from the recent passage of a bill that I supported.

Last week the Senate passed SB 777 that allows for the transformation of the closed Ford Wixom facility into an alternative energy park. This re-invention of a mothballed plant will help revitalize our state as a hub for battery and alternative energy production.

This large-scale economic development is exactly the type of project for which MEGA was created.

Senate Bill 777 allows the redevelopment of the Ford Wixom plant by bringing the project to Michigan generating sustainable jobs and putting people back to work.

I am extremely grateful to my colleagues who helped on this important piece of legislation. It has been a long process, but well worth all the hard work.

For more information, visit my Web site at www.SenatorNancyCassis.com.

RCOC, Levy Co. test new paving process

The Road Commission for Oakland County is partnering with the Edward C. Levy Co. paving contractor to test an experimental form of gravel road paving on Napier Road between 10 Mile and 11 Mile roads along the Lyon-Novi border. Work will begin the week of Oct. 12 on the project.

The cost of the effort is being shared by Levy and RCOC. The project is intended to help determine if a new, potentially less expensive form of gravel road paving would be a viable option for other gravel road paving projects in the future.

The new form of gravel road paving involves the use of slag — the by-product of steel production — as a base material. Six inches of slag will be mixed with the existing gravel on the road to create an approximately 10-inch gravel/slag base. This will then be covered with two inches of new asphalt.

The paving method has the potential to be far less expensive than traditional paving methods, while also being environmentally beneficial by providing a useful means of disposing of slag. It typically costs RCOC about \$1.5 million to pave a mile of primary road.

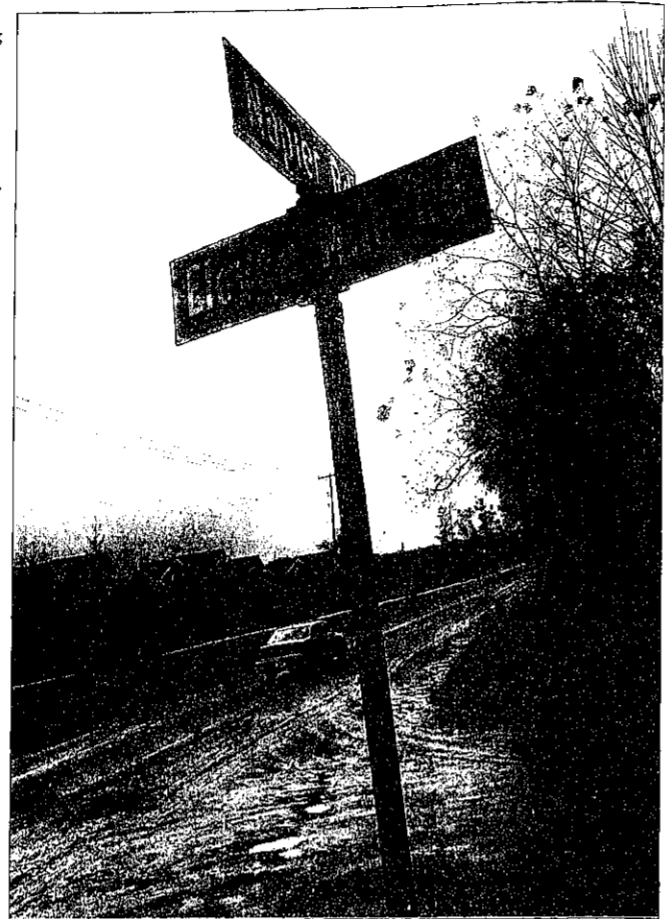
For this test project, the Levy Company is providing the slag and most of the labor for the project at no cost.

RCOC will pay approximately \$80,000 to \$90,000 for the cost of the asphalt.

The project is expected to take approximately three weeks to complete, with completion expected around the first week in November.

During construction, traffic will be reduced to one lane with flaggers directing traffic. Motorists should expect delays.

"This is a great opportunity," stated RCOC Managing Director Brent Bair. "We are able to test a promising new



The Road Commission for Oakland County will begin work Oct. 12 on an experimental method to pave Napier Road between 10 and 11 Mile roads. The new method would save the RCOC a significant amount of money.

means of gravel-road paving at a very affordable cost. Without this effort, it would likely have been years before we could get this section of Napier paved."

Bair added if the new paving method is successful, it's possible this method could be used on other roads in the future, which could allow RCOC to pave more miles of gravel road than previously anticipated (RCOC currently

has 777 miles of gravel roads, with funding available to pave about one mile per year). However, he noted it will take several years to determine if the paving method holds up over time.



Nancy Cassis

NEIGHBORS

Families share memories at Angela Hospice Walk

Sunny skies greeted walkers on Saturday, Sept. 12, in front of the new Franciscan Center for Science and Media at Madonna University, as they prepared to begin the Second Annual Angela Hospice Walk of Remembrance. Over 300 people were in attendance to walk the 3K and 5K routes, and to celebrate the lives of the loved ones they have lost.

"When the sun began to shine and reflect over the pond at Madonna, I think it lifted everyone's heart," said Sister Mary Giovanni, Angela Hospice president and CEO. "It was such a beautiful day for families to come together and think about memories of their

loved ones, while making new memories together."

Weaving through the serene grounds of the Felician Sisters, the route features included harpist Chuck Walker at the Sisters' newly remodeled grotto, and music from the Greenwood Ensemble near Ladywood High School. Walkers also had the chance to get an up-close look at the construction of Angela Hospice's new Care Center wing.

Along with refreshments after the walk, participants had the opportunity to paint a rock in memory of their loved one and place it in Angela Hospice's memorial garden. "It was a morning of heal-

ing," said social work and bereavement manager Rebecca DeRaud. "The journey began with a cathartic opening ceremony and dove release, continued with quiet moments of reflection, and the tangible expression of painting a rock in their loved one's memory."

Proceeds for this event will be used to fund Angela Hospice's non-profit programs, including free grief counseling and support groups which are open to anyone in the community. For more information about all Angela Hospice services and events, call (248) 464-7610, or visit www.AskforAngela.com.



Dyan, Crystal and Dave Janowitz of Novi hold the rocks they painted in memory of their loved ones.

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NOVI POLICE BRIEFS

Police catch drunk driver
1 Novi police arrested a drunk driver at 12:36 a.m. on Sept. 27 after an officer observed the driver speeding on Grand River Avenue and swerving across fog line several times while on Beck Road.

The man was stopped by the officer on Beck Road south of Twelve Mile Road after almost hitting the curb. He told the officer he had two drinks, but failed field sobriety tests.

A preliminary breath test registered a blood alcohol content of .16 percent. The legal limit for adult drivers in Michigan is .08 percent.

The driver was arrested for operating while intoxicated and transported to the Novi Police Department.

GPS stolen from vehicle
2 A Garmin Nuvi GPS was stolen from vehicle overnight on Sept. 21 while it was parked in front of a home on Irvine Drive.

According to the report, the owner believes he locked his car that night, but police found no signs of forced entry. The GPS has an estimated value of \$250.

Police have no suspects at this time.

Man's wallet swiped from car
3 A Novi man had his wallet stolen from his car in the early morning hours of Sept. 20 while it was parked on Sandpoint Way.

The driver said he left his vehicle unlocked overnight and there was no sign of forced entry on the vehicle. The wallet that was taken contained miscellaneous credit cards and other personal information.

There are no suspects at this time.

Man arrested for drinking and driving, open intoxication
4 A Novi police officer on patrol arrested a driver at 1:56 a.m. on Sept. 23 for operating while intoxicated and open intoxication after observing the vehicle speeding on northbound M-5, south of Fourteen Mile Road.

According to the police report, the car was traveling 69 miles per hour in a 55 mph zone. The officer stopped the man on Fourteen Mile Road and could detect a strong odor of intoxicants coming off him.

The driver said he had some drinks at a bar earlier in the night and failed field sobriety tests. A preliminary breath test registered a BAC of .14 percent. Also found inside the vehicle was a bottle of Rich and Rare Canadian Whiskey that was two-thirds full.

The man was arrested and taken to the Novi Police Department where he was released when sober.

Van found on crates
5 A Chrysler Town and Country van was found on four milk crates at 7:15 a.m. on Sept. 23 on Cabot Drive after the tires and rims were taken off it overnight.

According to the police report, the man arrived at the business to find the car without tires, but nothing else was taken. There also was another vehicle that had been broken into within 50 feet of this scenery.

Police were unable to find any physical evidence and have no suspects.

Items taken from SUV
A credit card, two debit cards, driver's license and an iPod nano were stolen from a Chevrolet Tahoe over the weekend of Sept. 25-27.

The owner of the vehicle said he parked his car in front of his home on Carlton Way when it was broken into. He said he found several items behind some trees near his home, but not everything, and said he must have left the car unlocked.

There was no damage to the vehicle and there are no suspects at this time.

Compiled by staff writer Nathan Mueller

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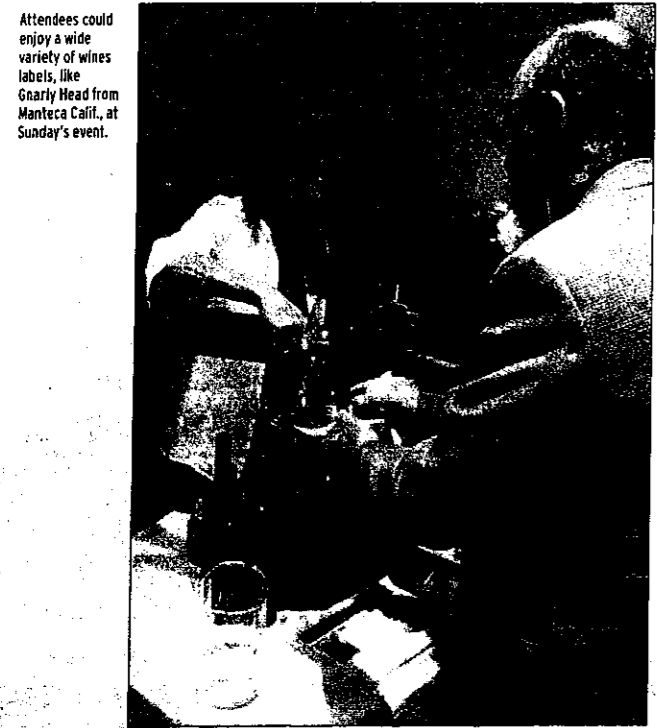


Chef Bob Kurzmann plates mouth-watering offerings in the V.I.P. reception area.

A Culinary Extravaganza



Attendees weren't the only ones who enjoyed the food. Chefs from Schoolcraft College sample a dish and share their thoughts.



Attendees could enjoy a wide variety of wines labels, like Gnarly Head from Manteca Calif., at Sunday's event.



Chefs from Portofino Restaurant in Wyandotte plate lamb for Culinary Extravaganza attendees.

Schoolcraft College's 18th Annual Culinary Extravaganza drew approximately 600 attendees Sunday, enjoying a wide variety of fine wine and food from all over the state. About 50 items were auctioned off as part of the institution's fundraiser. Proceeds go to the Schoolcraft College Foundation, which helps students pay for classes and improvements to the college. Photos by Cal Stone.



Sive Restaurant's shrimp cocktail was big hit among Culinary Extravaganza attendees Sunday.

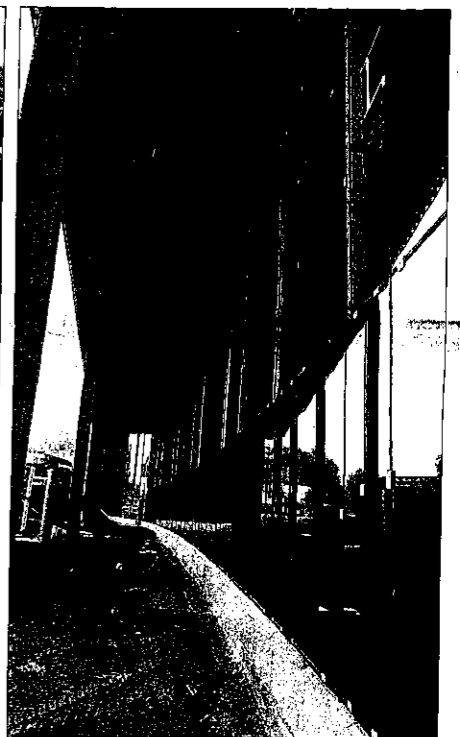


Novii Public Library Director Julie Farkas leads a tour on Sept. 25 through the library's new building being constructed next door. The much larger facility is scheduled to open in June of 2010 and will necessitate closing the current library for the months of April and May to move its collections.

New library construction on schedule



Novii Public Library Director Julie Farkas stands inside the new building with Novii's current library seen in the background in October, 2009.



The west-facing, two-story glass wall of the new Novii Public Library building.

Director excited for community to see finished product

BY NATHAN MUELLER
STAFF WRITER

The Charles and Myrtle Walker Novii Public Library is in the skeleton stages as its tentative opening is still nine months away.

But when library director Julie Farkas took some library board members and staff inside for a tour last week, it was as if there were already books on the shelves and people inside.

She pointed out every detail the new facility will have — even as electrical wires hung from the ceiling and open walls still let in outside air — highlighting the children's area, the expansive meeting rooms, a cafe and drive-thru window among other new enhancements.

If Farkas could press fast-forward and get the project done now, she would.

"I just cannot wait for this community to see what we have built for them," she said. "We are trying to give them great amenities for coming and staying here, and the opportunities are so great for what we can bring into this building."

The two-story 57,000-square-foot facility, which includes a 2,000-square-foot patio will double the existing library's collection space and increase user and staff work-

space. In the adult section, 72 computers are available for public use, triple what is offered now.

A \$16 million bond proposal is funding the new facility, and the project is estimated to cost just over \$10 million. Farkas said since the bids came in low they are going to use some of the extra money to add more "wow" factors that previously were left out of the plans.

Some of the new comforts include the drive-thru window for people to pick up or drop off books, lockers for after-hours pick ups, a large children's area with story time room, a full-service cafe, a Friends of the Novii Public Library used book store, conveniently located reference desks and much more.

Farkas said the first floor of the library will be busy and active with the children's activities, while the second floor will be much more quiet.

The building is being constructed west of the existing library on Ten Mile Road. The current library, which will be torn down and turned into a parking lot, is expected to close in April or May while everything is moved to the new library. During that time patrons can use other local libraries.

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A tour of Novii Public Library staff, members of its board and the press takes a look through the new building's west-facing glass wall during a tour of the facility on Sept. 25.

PHOTOS BY STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER JOHN HEIDER

Community Ed fundraiser

Novi Community Education's Infant Toddler program is hosting its first annual Mom to Mom Sale on Saturday, Oct. 10 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Novi High School in the Atrium.

The Mother's Club of Catholic Central High School will be holding its annual Rummage & Bake Sale from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 27. There will be a \$1 bag sale at noon.

The Weinstein Theatre Enrichment Fund First Golf Extravaganza will be held at 11:30 a.m. (check-in on Saturday, Oct. 3 at The Links of Novi.

Since its inception, the WTFE has awarded over \$22,000 in scholarships to 65 kids in the past four years.

Happy Meals exhibit Since 1979, McDonald's Happy Meals have changed the way families enjoy lunch and dinner out together.

Performances are Friday, Nov. 20, 7 p.m., \$35; and Saturday, Nov. 21, 6 and 9 p.m., \$35

Tickets can be purchased online at cityofnovi.org or at the Novi Parks office.

The Novi Theatres is thrilled to announce that it has partnered with Andiamo Restaurant and Theatre for a night of dinner, laughs and intrigue with The Mobfather - a murder mystery dinner theatre performance.

Charity hoop game to benefit Paralyzed Veterans of America

The Michigan Association of Recreation Vehicles and Campgrounds (MARVAC) is sponsoring the 20th Annual Fall Detail Camp & RV Show.

Free Whirllyball Whirllyball is hosting a free party on Oct. 11 from 5-10 p.m.

Free varicose vein screening Providence Park (southwest corner of Beck Road and Grand River Avenue) will hold a free varicose vein screening from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. on Saturday.

Wixom bond refinancing saves over \$167,200 The City of Wixom today announced that through refinancing of \$9,265,000 of bonded indebtedness, the City will realize a net savings of over \$167,200 in the next 5 years.

Two hazwaste days scheduled Two remaining fall Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off

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The deadline for filing applications (available on the website at www.cityofnovi.org) is Wednesday, October 7, 2009. Applications will be reviewed on Monday, October 12, 2009 in the Council Chambers.

Maryanne Cornelius, City Clerk



Deerfield kids make golden donation

In their first assembly of the new school year, Deerfield Elementary students got together on Sept. 11 to donate \$4,000 to U-M Hospital's Ronald McDonald House through their "Kids, Clay and Community" service project last spring.

Days will be held on Saturday, Sept. 26 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center located at 45175 West 10 Mile in Novi.

Securities at an average interest rate of 2.59% which will replace the old bonds which had an average interest rate of 4.69%.

During the process of issuing the new bonds, the City's credit rating was reviewed by Moody's nationally recognized rating firm.

Based on the popular Broadway musical, "Annie Jr.," tells the story of a spunky, Depression-era orphan who is determined to find her parents, who abandoned her on the doorstep of a New York City Orphanage run by the cruel Miss Hannigan.

Whirllyball is hosting a free party on Oct. 11 from 5-10 p.m., so come and enjoy free Whirllyball play as well as free food and snacks.

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For a complete listing of local and regional events, see the Novi Calendar online at www.hometownlife.com.

Live events

NOVI BLUES & JAZZ @ THE GRAPINE TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Thursdays, 9 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays

NOV 2-MON SALE

TIME/DATE: 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10

AUTUMN HARVEST BOOK SIGNINGS

TIME/DATE: 9-11 a.m. Oct. 11

ROCK FINANCIAL SHOWPLACE

LOCATION: 4800 Grand River Avenue, Novi

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Novi's royalty

Novi High School's 2009 Homecoming Court. Senior ladies members of the court are Courtney Milon (#88 Jersey), Haley Prasad and Ally Homalain.

NOVI TOASTMASTERS CLUB

TIME/DATE: 7-9 p.m., every first and third Tuesday

NOVI ROYALTY CLUB

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Sunday Worship
TIME: 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Traditional; 9:30 and 11 a.m. Contemporary. Nursery and Sunday School during the 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. services.
Service Broadcast
DETAILS: 11 a.m. every Sunday on WRDZ-AM 560, The WMUZ Word Station.

Single Point Ministries - 45 and older
TIME/DATE: 11 a.m. Sunday for fellowship and Bible study.
Single Focus Ministries - 35-50 years
TIME/DATE: 9:30 a.m. Sunday to deepen your personal relationship with Christ.
Single Purpose Connections - 20-30 years
TIME/DATE: 11 a.m. Sunday in the Chapel for singing, Bible study and fellowship.

DETAILS: For single adults. Active ministry offering various Bible study classes, volleyball, bicycling group, tennis group, support groups, support group for widowed over age 50, fellowship, friendships and more. Contact the number below for more information.
CONTACT: (248) 374-5920
Bible Studies and Prayer Nights
Learner's Bible Study
TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Mondays Room A01
Men's Bible Study
TIME/DATE: 6:30 a.m. Wednesday Single Adult Ministries office

Stogie's Bible Study
TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. second and fourth Mondays, Room C309
From Grief to New Hope
TIME/DATE: 7:45 p.m. on eight consecutive Mondays, beginning Sept. 14

DETAILS: This free workshop is open to the community and will be presented by Cathy Clough, Director of New Hope Center for Grief Support. Each session will begin with a presentation about one aspect of grief followed by small group participation led by trained facilitators. Attendees will be placed in groups with others who have had similar losses.
CONTACT: For registration information, call Barb at Ward Presbyterian Church at (248) 374-5943. For information about other age and loss specific grief support groups offered by New Hope Center for Grief Support, call (248) 348-0115 or visit our website www.newhopecenter.net.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY

LOCATION: 24505 Meadowbrook Road
CONTACT: (248) 349-8847 or visit holymfamilynovi.org
Schedule
TIME/DAY: 7:30, 9:10, 10:30 a.m. and 12:15 p.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday; 6:30 a.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, 7 p.m. Tuesday; 5 p.m. (English), 6:30 p.m. (Spanish) Saturday

Holy Days: 9 a.m., 5:30 and 7:30 p.m.
Reconciliation: beginning 9 a.m. Saturdays or by appointment
Adoptive Parent Networking Meeting
TIME/DATE: 10-11 a.m. last Wednesday of each month
DETAILS: Free, informational meeting open to all adoptive families in Oakland County. Child care is available. Registration is required.

DETROIT FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

LOCATION: 2260 Haggerty Road, north of Eight Mile Road
CONTACT: (248) 348-7600 or visit d1cnazarene.org
Sunday Schedule: 9:15 a.m. Worship service with Praise Band, children's Sunday School and Adult Bible Fellowship; 10:15 a.m. Fellowship and refreshments; 11 a.m. Traditional worship service, Children's Church, Youth Sunday School and Adult Bible Fellowship; 6 p.m. Evening Service, Children's program, Youth Worship Service
Tuesday Schedule: Tuesday 9:30-11:15 a.m. Women of the Word Bible Study with childcare available for through age 5; 6:45 p.m. Ladies Evening Bible Study; 7 p.m. Men's Evening Bible Study
Wednesday Schedule: 5:30 p.m. Family Meal, \$4 per person, \$12 per family; 7 p.m. Children's Caravan, Club 56, Bible Study, Quilting, Adult Classes, Youth Blast
Thursday Schedule: 6 a.m. Men of Purpose Prayer Group; 7 p.m. Tae Kwon Do
Women of the Word
TIME/DATE: 9:25-11:15 a.m.

DETAILS: The W.O.W. Tuesday Ladies Bible Study welcomes you to their study of the Book of Exodus. There is a \$15 registration fee, which includes interdenominational study materials. Childcare will be available in the morning for children through age 5.
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LOCATION: 46325 10 Mile Road, Novi
CONTACT: (248) 347-7778
Mass Schedule
TIME/DAY: 8, 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. Monday-Tuesday; 7 p.m. Wednesday; 5 p.m. Saturday
Mothers Group
TIME/DATE: 9:30-11 a.m.
Monthly, first and third Wednesday through May 19, 2010

LOCATION: St. James Parish Hall A
DETAILS: We provide mothers with fellowship, support and opportunities to grow their faith in order to nurture their children with confidence and Christian values. Through activities such as article discussion, crafts, and speakers, moms are given the opportunity to connect with other moms in support and friendship. Free childcare is available but children are also welcome to join their mothers during meetings.
CONTACT: Becky McKee (248) 305-9924 or Kris Endres (248) 946-4080

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LOCATION: 770 Thayer, Northville
CONTACT: (248) 349-2621 or olvnorthville.org
Saturday Worship
TIME: 5 p.m.
Sunday Worship
TIME: 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 a.m.

OUR SHEPHERD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

LOCATION: 140 N. Center, above Tuttle's in Old Church Square, Northville
CONTACT: Pastor Bill Burke at (248) 927-0851
Sunday Worship: 11:30 a.m. with fellowship and food after service

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF NOVI-FAMILY INTEGRATED CHURCH

LOCATION: 45301 W. 11 Mile Road
CONTACT: (248) 349-3647 or firstbaptistchurchofnovi.org
Family Bible Hour: 9:45 a.m.
Family Worship: 11 a.m.
Bible Study: 6 p.m.
Family Movie Night: 5:30 p.m., fourth Sunday of every month.

NOVIFAMILY CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY

LOCATION: 4355 Six Mile Road
CONTACT: (248) 348-9030

ORCHARD HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH

LOCATION: 23455 Novi Road
CONTACT: Pastor Jon Hix (248) 349-5665
Preschool/Kids Choir
TIME/DATE: 7-8:15 p.m. every Wednesday
DETAILS: For ages three to six; ongoing event; no need to pre-register; all are welcome.

CROSSPOINTE MEADOWS CHURCH

LOCATION: 29000 Meadowbrook Road, south of 13 Mile Road
CONTACT: (248) 669-9400, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday-Thursday or visit www.crosspointemeadows.org
Sunday Worship: 11:15 a.m.
Bible study classes: 10 a.m. for all ages
DETAILS: Nursery and older children programs available. Worship blends traditional and contemporary elements resulting in a multi-sensory worship experience.

EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS

LOCATION: 40700 W. 10 Mile Road
CONTACT: (248) 427-1175 or churchoftheholycross.com
Sunday Worship: 7:45 a.m., 10 a.m.
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TIME/DATE: 10 a.m. second Saturday of month

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LOCATION: 21355 Meadowbrook Road, between Eight and Nine Mile roads
CONTACT: Rev. Arthur P. Ritter, Senior Minister (248) 348-7757, visit mbccc.org or e-mail to office@mbccc.org
Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.
Sermon: Having a Plan
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Fellowship Hour: 11 a.m.
Yoga/FIT Classes
TIME/DATE: 7:30 p.m. every Monday
DETAILS: Eight weeks, \$55 continuous or \$8 per drop in session.
Merry Widows Luncheon
TIME/DATE: 11:30 a.m. fourth Thursday of each month
Evening Vespers
TIME/DATE: 7:30 p.m. Oct. 4
Runnagae Sale
TIME/DATE: 9 a.m. Oct. 9-10
Blood Drive
TIME/DATE: 1-7 p.m. Oct. 12

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LOCATION: 25301 Halslead Road, Farmington Hills
CONTACT: www.uufarmington.org
Youth Interfaith Journey
TIME/DATE: 9:30 and 11 a.m. Sundays
DETAILS: This religious education program is open to the public and currently enrolling new students. The UUCF Interfaith Journey curriculum encompasses the Unitarian Universalism philosophy of individual worth and the power of community with a study of the World Religions that are practiced around the globe. This program complements the mission of UUCF Religious Education of teaching youth inclusion, compassion and peace and provides the environment to live and learn in a culturally diverse community. Classes are grouped into grades K-5, 6-8 and 9-12 with age specific education materials for all.
CONTACT: Jennifer Teed at (248) 478-7272 or je@uufarmington.org
Liberty - What Does She Demand?
TIME/DATE: 7-9:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 10
DETAILS: The church is kicking off their popular Lifelong Learning Forum (LLF) with this thought-provoking event. This presentation will point to the questions and obscurities surrounding 9/11 in an attempt to argue that a responsible middle ground can be struck from which to challenge the accepted story, until that story is complete. "Liberty - What Does She Demand?" will be presented by Reverend Alexander Riegel. The evening will include Reverend Riegel's presentation, refreshments, and group reflection. There is a \$10 fee; \$12 at the door. Free childcare will be provided. LLF is a six-week, Thursday night series that is open to the public. Future classes will be held on Oct. 15, 22 and 29 as well as Nov. 5, 12 and 19 with three different topics offered weekly. Topics include religion, philosophy, science, health, social and political issues. Join us for refreshments at 7 p.m., with forums from 7:30 - 9 p.m. No advance registration is necessary. A \$5 donation is suggested. Drop in and pick the class that interests you most! See the full class listing by visiting <http://uufarmington.org/llf/freespan.html>.
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TIME/DATES: 12 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 7
Details: We all want to keep our memory as functional as possible. Learn ways to keep our brain healthy, active and fit through fun and interesting brain teasers that will help to keep our memory sharp. Presented by Susan Thorpe. Please RSVP by calling 248.347.0414. No charge.
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TIME/DATES: 1:20-3:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 7
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TIME/DATES: 11:15-11:45 a.m. Wednesdays
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TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. first and third Monday of month
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
LOCATION: Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. 10 Mile Road
CONTACT: (248) 347-0410
MARIANNE WILLIAMSON: AN AFTERNOON TO BENEFIT RESULTS
TIME/DATE: 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 4
LOCATION: Birmingham Unitarian Church, 38651 Woodward Avenue, Bloomfield Hills
DETAILS: RESULTS is a citizens' lobby for the end of poverty; book signing to follow; tickets are \$25; \$10 for students (Guests will be asked to consider a gift beyond the ticket price.)
CONTACT: Mary at (248) 756-6270; Yvonne at ywborny87@comcast.net; Lester at (734) 663-7493; or Susan at susanbeckett@gmail.com.

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Wildcats three-peat
Spartan Invite, B5



Novi spikers get win vs. Northville

Skill and error mix for intense match

BY CHRIS JACKETT
CORRESPONDENT

Point by point, the Novi and Northville volleyball squads battled through an intense series of games last Thursday.

ON TAP

Novi will look to put a spike in Livonia Stevenson, as the Spartans visit 7 p.m. Tuesday and South Lyon comes to town 7 p.m. Oct. 8.

Where every mistake was a costly one and each game was neck-in-neck until the end, Novi prevailed with a four-game match victory.

"It was a great match.

It was really exciting. They have just really gotten better," said Novi coach Julie Fisetle of Northville's squad. "It's definitely going to set up to be a great competition in the conference."

Novi improved to 18-4 (3-0 KLA Central) behind a 25-13, 21-25, 25-14, 25-23 match.

The Wildcats got strong performances from juniors Laura Subject and Erica Robb, who were continually vital in nearly every point Novi won.

With the first game still close, Novi went on a five-point run to go up 17-9 and a three-point run to take a 22-11 lead Northville couldn't recover from, as Novi took the first game 25-13.

The Mustangs were charged and ready to go for the second game however, getting their 13th point to break a 12-12 tie. Northville capitalized on a series of mis-hit spikes by the Wildcats to edge past Novi for a 25-21 win to tie the match at one game apiece.

"The second game out for us is just momentum," Fisetle said. "If we drop one, it's usually the second one. Digging a hole is never a good thing."

Up 14-9 in the third game, Novi went on a series of runs to use an 11-4 streak to secure the win, 25-14, capped with a serve by Robb that Northville was unable to return.

Robb had 12 kills, 16 digs and four aces throughout the match.

"She really played a nice, consistent game for us," Fisetle said.

The Mustangs wouldn't go out without a fight though, as senior Kelly Maise, junior Megan Gurtley and

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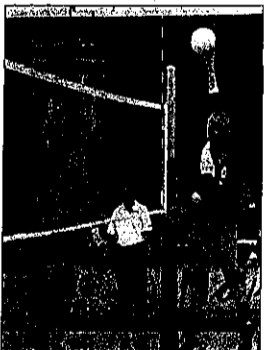
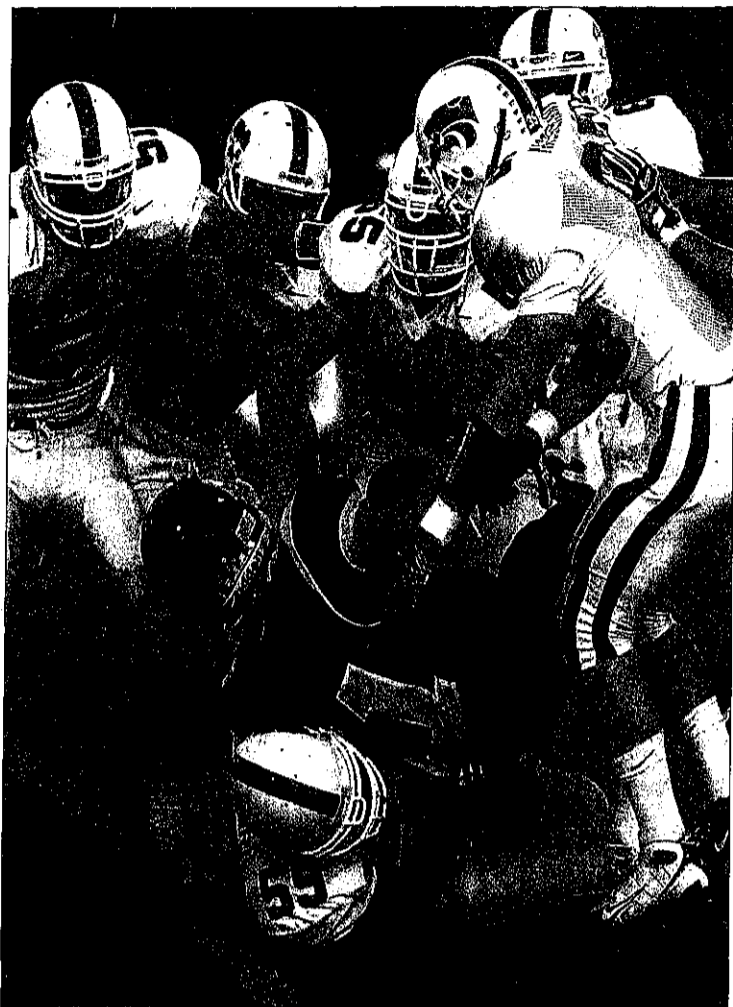


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Novi sophomore Katie Enright goes up for one of her many kills against Northville.



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The Novi High School defense was tough against South Lyon.

Wildcats roar through Lions

Novi pounds South Lyon 38-5 at The Jungle; Gurney injured

BY CHRIS JACKETT
CORRESPONDENT

The Wildcats went to The Jungle at South Lyon expecting a tight game, but Novi senior QB Jimmy Gurney wasted no time in putting his team well ahead of the Lions before a helmet-to-knee tackle prematurely ended Gurney's night in the second quarter.

Novi (3-2, 3-0 KLA Central) struck first, recovering a fumble by the Lions on the first play and roaring 37 yards down field for a touchdown less than three minutes into the game. Gurney hit senior WR Justin Hopton with a 16-yard pass to the one-yard line and Hopton turned and dove into the end zone as two Lion defenders tackled him.

"We got off to a fast start. Our defense forced a fumble and we were able to capitalize on that. We were able to get that quick turnover in our possession and

a short field," Novi coach Tab Kellepourey said.

South Lyon (0-5, 0-3 Central) couldn't hold onto the ball, as Novi senior DB Jeremy Mims intercepted a pass up the Wildcats' left side just 14 seconds later, giving Novi field position with 48 yards to go.

Junior RB Mike Brant heaved a 48-yard bomb to Gurney on the next play, who had broken free on a run up the right sideline and had nothing but empty space after making the catch inside the red zone. Following a two-point conversion by Brant, Novi held a 15-0 lead just 3:06 into the game.

Novi's defense kept South Lyon at bay and the Wildcats' offense didn't back down, as Gurney hit sophomore WR Mike Jocz with a 36-yard heave up the side to South Lyon's 16-yard line. Just one minute

Please see WILDCATS, B4



Justin Hopton pulls in a touchdown pass during Novi's 38-5 rout of South Lyon.



Mike Jocz battles for a ball between South Lyon defenders Jared Elliott (No. 3) and Ron Slaven.

Shamrocks keep rolling

One more win for guarantee into playoffs

BY SAM EGGLESTON
CORRESPONDENT

The first half of football against Divine Child wasn't the type of game the Detroit Catholic Central Shamrocks have come to be known to play this season.

Fumbles. Mistakes. Miscues.

But then, at halftime, something clicked and the Shamrocks came out of the locker room like the team their coach, Tom Mach, has come to expect. The end result was an unsurprising 39-6 victory over the Falcons in a Catholic League Central Division showdown.

"We weren't happy with the first half, not at all," said Mach. "We mentioned some of the mistakes during halftime and the players recognized those mistakes. They came out and corrected them in the second half."

The victory propelled the Shamrocks to a 5-0 standing on the season. One more win and the Shamrocks are guaranteed a berth into the state playoffs. The victory could potentially come during Catholic Central's showdown against a 3-2, yet very dangerous, Orchard Lake St. Mary's squad.

But there's no pressure.

"We don't see it as stress," said Mach. "We see it as an opportunity. If we win, we make the playoffs. But our first and foremost goal is to win the Central Division, then the Catholic League. Everything else just falls into place."

The Shamrocks will likely have to put together a first half that was more consistent than their showing against the Falcons. Divine Child wasn't able to score, but they held the Catholic Central gridders to just 11 points in the first half—four of which came off of safeties recorded by the Shamrock defense. Sam Landry added the lone touchdown in the first half, jaunting 35 yards for the score.

That didn't erase the mistakes. A fumbled transition from center to quarterback was one. A fumble inside the five-yard line was another. Not waving for a fair catch on a punt that led to a brutal hit on John Jakubik, which was fortunate not to lead to a serious injury on his part.

But, like the Shamrocks the pundits have come to expect, the defense held strong and kept Divine Child out of the end zone throughout the first three quarters.

The Shamrocks came out in the second half and kicked the ball, only to stop Divine Child, receive the punt and then run the first play from scrimmage into the end zone from 60 yards out on a play by Anthony Capatina. The score put Catholic Central up 18-0 and they didn't look back.

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The Shamrocks will be facing a very tough Orchard Lake St. Mary's team tomorrow at 7 p.m. to celebrate their "Boys Bowl," which is the school's version of a typical homecoming game. St. Mary's has been on a run as of late, topping a very good DeltaSalle, 25-16, two weeks ago and then beating University of Detroit Jesuit High School, 35-0, last week.

According to Catholic Central head coach Tom Mach, the Eagles are a very dangerous team to contend with. Their offensive strategy allows them to use some very talented running backs in association with a large and strong offensive line. In addition, their quarterback is capable of beating a team through the air.

"They are a problem for everybody," admitted Mach. "We're expecting a very good game." Catholic Central, 5-0, will have to defeat St. Mary's, 3-2, to guarantee a playoff berth this week. In addition, St. Mary's is the only other undefeated team in the Catholic League Central Division, the title of which Mach said is the Shamrocks' first and foremost goal this season.

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Novi not worried about slow start

Wildcats on course to repeat history, last season's success

BY CHRIS JACKETT
CORRESPONDENT

Early in the season and with a late start on competitive races was no excuse for Novi's girl's cross country team last week, as the Wildcats edged out Northville in a border

battle 22-23. Novi and Northville each had five runners in the meet's top 10, but taking four of the top six finishes gave the Wildcats the edge they needed to move to 2-0 in dual meets.

"Northville was a huge meet for us because it was close. If not for my third, fourth and fifth girls, it would have been a different result," said coach Marsha Reid. "The biggest thing I've seen is the competitiveness, that fire. We know that, last year, we were division champs and 10th in the state, but we know that those teams (Northville and Salem), part of their push is to get us at our dual meets."

The Mustangs' push wasn't enough Sept. 22, as freshman Jackie Mullins led Novi to victory with a 19-minute,

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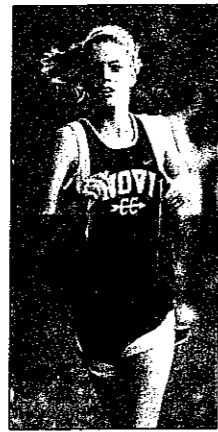
Novi will look to build on the success of the Northville meet when they travel to Livonia Stevenson 4:30 p.m. Tuesday.

47-second race time. She was followed by juniors Blake McMahan (third, 21:00), Alyssa Murray (fourth, 21:29), Bridget Myers (sixth, 21:38) and Kelsey Hodge (eighth, 21:55).

"We've been hurting a little bit with our depth," Reid said, noting some runners have stepped up. "Bridget Myers has been my ninth/10th girl the past two years and did conditioning over the summer and surprised us and is our number four runner."

The Wildcats also competed in the Spartan Invitational Sept. 16 in East Lansing, finishing 20th of 30 teams in the Elite Division.

"It was a really good experience for our girls as far as what we need to do," Reid said. "It was good for the girls because



A Novi Wildcat runs at Cass Benton Park on Sept. 23.

it put a different focus into them." Mullins led the way for Novi with a 30th overall finish in 19:32. McMahan followed in 19:32, Hodge in 19:38, Murray 21:13, Myers 21:33 and Myers 21:39.

"The girls are just not showing what I think they can. All of the other teams started a week or two ahead of us," Reid said. "We did this last year as well. The girls start out a little bit slower and are just now getting involved. They know that it's now in full swing."

Although the team was 20th in the Elite Division, their times would have placed them third in the Green Division, the same position they finished last season en route to a 10th place state ranking.

Chris Jackett is a freelance writer and former Novi News staff writer.



A couple of Wildcats and one Mustang run the course at Cass Benton Park on Sept. 23.

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A Novi Wildcat runs at Cass Benton Park on Sept. 23 against Northville.

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NOVI BOBCATS WRAPUP

Varsity falls to Livonia, 39-24

The Novi Bobcats varsity squad fell to 1-3 with a 39-24 loss to the Livonia Orioles Saturday evening at Livonia Churchill High School.

The offensive line of Charlie Ryan, Jack Twomey, Nick Meadors, Ethan Roy, Graham Gausden and Brett Guiboux and Mark Ryan paved the way for Jeff Baker to gain 147 yards on 19 carries, including a 48-yard touchdown run. Austin Racicot carried 8 times for 16 yards and two touchdowns. Racicot also caught a seven-yard touchdown pass. Jalen Ward added 23 yards on seven carries. Quarterback Josh Schiesler completed eight of 15 passes for 101 yards and a touchdown.

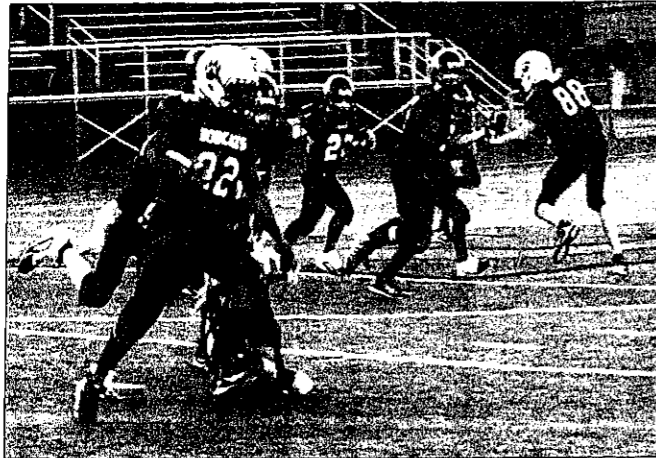
Billy Ulle completed two of two passes for five yards. Addison Lonergan completed his one pass attempt. Charlie Ryan had a reception of 24 yards. Keith Pravato caught three passes for 39 yards. Josh Heffner led the Bobcats on defense with six tackles. Ethan Roy had four tackles. Jack Pinkerton had a big game with three pass breakups, four tackles and an inside kick recovery. Brett Guiboux had three tackles and a pass breakup. Mark Ryan had three tackles. Jalen Ward had three tackles. Jeff Baker had two tackles. Billy Ulle, Austin Racicot, Charlie Ryan, Keith Pravato and Jack Twomey each had a tackle.

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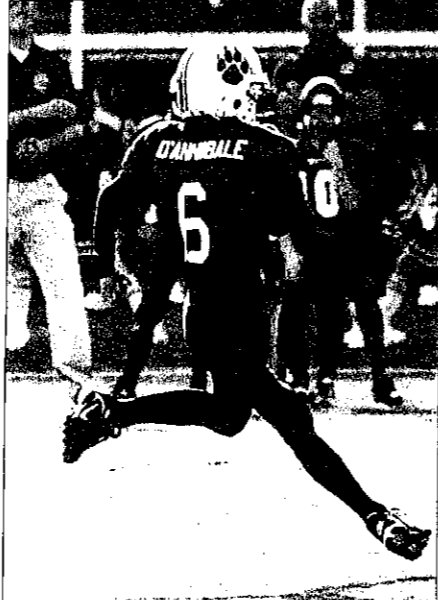
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Varsity Bobcat Jeff Baker looks for an opening in the Oriole defense.



Anthony D'Annibale cuts outside for touchdown for the JV Bobcats.

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Evan Barthlow runs against the Orioles for Novi's freshman Bobcats.

bled pulled from the second half due to the 22-point lead. The defense protected the shutout with Spencer Van Kirk, Mitchell Lang, and Noah Matthews as leading tacklers, while Mizerowski, Ulle, and Conner Moore defended against the Orioles passing attack. On offense, C. Moore had eight carries for 23 yards, Van Kirk had four carries for 24 yards, and Mizerowski four carries for 17 yards to keep the ball away from the Orioles. Following an Orioles defensive timeout to preserve precious time late in the fourth quarter, Jared Robson completed a 22-yard pass to Matthews for a first down allowing the Bobcats to punt on the clock.

The Bobcats' defense held the Orioles to two first downs and 54 total yards,

earning their third shutout of the season. Van Kirk led all tacklers with six tackles and one assist followed by Lang and Neisius both with four tackles and 1 assist. The Bobcats' offense generated 10 first downs, gained 144 yards on the ground and 65 through the air. D'Annibale led all rushers with three carries for 35 yards and two touchdowns, followed by Schroeder with five carries for 35 yards. Ryan Moore was one for one passing for 43 yards and a touchdown to Fox.

The Bobcats face their toughest challenge of the season next, hosting the undefeated Livonia Falcons (4-0) at Novi Middle School.

Submitted by Ken Hixson

Freshmen top Livonia in defensive battle, 6-0

The freshmen Bobcats came on strong when Evan Barthlow, 44, ran for a 40-yard touchdown only one and a half minutes into the first quarter giving the Bobcats an early lead of 6-0. The fans erupted in cheer and the energy ran high as the Bobcat defense continued to hold the Orioles. They battled back and forth, but it became clear early in the game that this was a defensive battle the Bobcats were not willing to lose.

Early in the second quarter the Orioles were advancing down the field, but the Bobcat defense was on a mission and that mission was lead by Drew O'Connor. He sacked the quarterback twice just before the end of the half leading to a fumble by the Orioles recovered by the Bobcats. Strong tackles were also made by Chad Howell, Tandon Hankerson, Joey Mascari and Parker Rohland.

In the 3rd quarter it looked as though the Orioles were going to score. They worked their way down the field to the Novi 10 yard line two

times in a row only to be stopped short by the Bobcat defense.

The fourth quarter started with the Orioles deep in Bobcat territory when Tandon Hankerson had a crucial tackle leading to an eight-yard loss for the Orioles. They were 2-16 when Drew O'Connor had another crucial tackle and then went on to intercept the pass on the next play. Hankerson had an impressive 38-yard run and it looked like they would score again but Orioles managed to nail a penalty when a face mask penalty was called against the Bobcats with three minutes 59 seconds to go and the Orioles were first-and-10 on the Bobcat 20-yard line. O'Connor was right, there for another big tackle on the fourth down to shut out the Orioles. With a 1:10 left, Chad Howell had a 16-yard run in attempt to score again, but clock ran out and the Bobcats defeated the Orioles 6-0.

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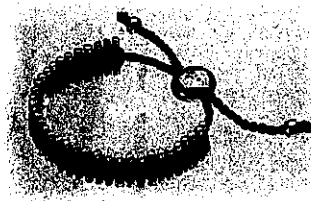
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