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Novi pounds South Lyon 38-5 at The Jungle



### **NOVI** PNUTSHELL

### Holzer helping >Novi bands

Tom Holzer Ford and Novi Ligh 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 Art and enterplanment with the night as the Walled lake down-town 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 down-town Walled Lake. Local artists representing fine arts in photography, ceramics, glassware, m ted 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 per-form 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, danc-

ing and fun. Admission is free and everyone is welcome. For more information, call the 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

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

BY NATHAN MUELLER

One of the men, Donald Kevin Gregory, 53, of Flint, has an extensive criminal history dating back to 1974 and is currently on 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 inva-sions throughout Michigan in the last eight

Please see SUSPECTS, A6

#### **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 immedi-
- ately · 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 putter, Jelly and salt-free crack
- Dried foods such as beef or turkey
- Cereal, oatmeal and low fat grancia - Snack-sized canned goods with pull-off
- -Beverages in foil packets or boxes
- Household products (toilet paper, toothpaste, paper towels, etc.)

BY NATHAN MUELLER

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 com-

ing in soon, the nearly 40 families the program helps will be turned

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



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, locat-ed 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 amend-ment 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 approxi-mately \$1 million less than estimated.

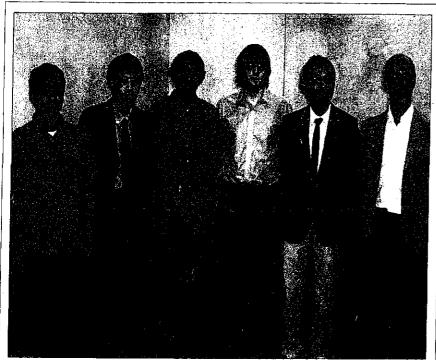
estmated.
The city is still waiting for an audited report.
"It's amazing," Mayor David Landry said. "We trust the

"It's amazing. We trust the administration, they give us numbers, and this is exactly what justifies that trust. ... In these economic times, that is something to truly be proud of. MAY LANGEY, mayor

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### 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."

### **Commission adopts** 2010 road budget

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 widen-ing 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 improvefuture road improvement projects. This budget represents compared to the \$98.2 mil lion 2009 budget adopted in September of last year.

RCOC's fiscal year runs Oct.

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

I to Sept. 30.

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

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

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 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 reduction fewer employees than virtually any time since the 1960s, whe tion it has today and when traffic volumes were dramatically less than they are today.



### Jazzercize

online at hometownlife.com

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

Javier Ramirez knows firsthand how tough it is to be unemployed and seemingly out

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

"It's very helpful because sometimes you don't under-stand how to start looking," he said. "When you are laid off or fired you are frustrated and nad and these types of organi zations 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 areer building, career coach

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 runnin

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 resi-dent, Mike Colaccino Colaccino said the mission of the group is to give people options and a place to be with

people who are in similar situ-"We want to provide ways we can help, ways they can help themselves and give them guid-ance in areas the group finds to

he successful." he said. The Career Transition Group is free to join and open to any-one 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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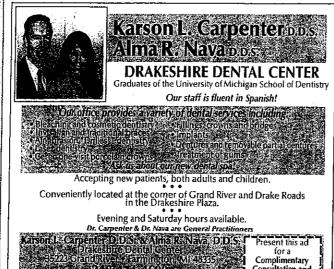




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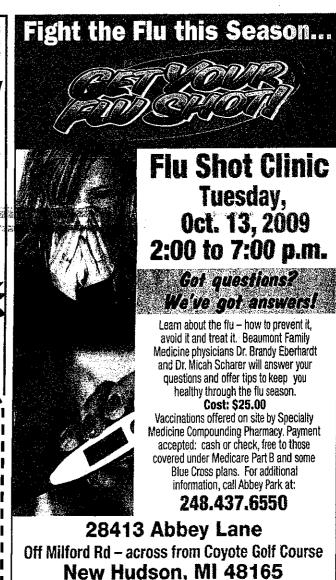








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# Waging a battle against hunger

### Annual CROP Walk to help people near and far

Betty Nick talks the talk years, she has been walking the walk at the annual Novio get involved and help thos ho are less fortunate," she

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

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 quarte staying locally. Some of the local organizations to benefit from the walk are Northville Civic Concern. Active Faith Lyon, the First Step sheler in Canton and the Novi

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Nick, who is the publicity coordinator for the event, said

"The event is very symbolic," Nick said. "We walk because so many people in the world have

from family members and register at the event. The wall is six miles long, but vans will said about 200 people came last year and expects a simila turnout again. "I think it shows (this com-

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**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 b completed the day of the event Donations will impact people locally and around the world.

get fresh water and we keep that in mind as we walk." All walkers solicit donations pick up people who do not want to complete the route. Nick

to walk miles each day just to

munity) is concerned abo their neighbors near and far," Nick said about the support

Our 35th Year! UNITED TEMPERATURE **Novi High School student** diagnosed with swine flu

online at hometownlife.com

School will remain open, cleaned thoroughly

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vho attended or worked at

the school can purchase a nameplate for \$90. Order forms can be picked up at Novi High School or by call-

ing (248) 449-1500.

STAFF WRITER

The student council at Novi High School had a

who came before them.

followed, the Novi High School Memorial Garder

finally blooming.
A plaque on the wal!

reads, "This Memorial Garden is a living tribute

to the students and staff

of Novi High School that

will never leave our hearts

dents 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

tion of what the high school

community is all about," she

The garden is located near nameler@cannett.com

left this earth too early but

nemories." Nicole Carter, dean of stu-

vision five years ago to create a garden to honor those

And this fall, thanks to

officials announced last
Thursday that a student at Novi High School has been sed with the H1N1 virus ommonly known as the swine

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 classrooms the student attended "will receive additional cleaning to disinfect and pre-vent further spread of the virus." Students and staff also are

until given notice by a doctor to being told to wash hands ofter avoid close contact with people who are sick, get plenty of sleep clean frequently touched surface

flu-like symptoms.
This is the third confirmed

case of the H1NI virus in the district dating back to last school year. The first was at School on June 3.

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October

Location

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Oktoberfest Tent

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Village Village Oktoberfest Tent

Friday 6 pm-10:30 pm and Saturday Noon-10:30 pm at Community Park

Oktoberfest Merchandise • Beer Ten Crafts . Music . Inflatables & Rides . Classic Car Show

Friday, October 9

6:30-10:00 pm

Time

Saturday, October 10 Throughout Day

Noon - 2:00 pm Noon - 3:00 pm Noon - 5:00 pm 2:30 - 3:00 pm 3:00 - 3:30 pm 3:30 - 5:30 pm

6:30 - 10:30 pm

Haybale Maze, Kids Rides, Inflatables, Arts and Craft Vendors Die Rheinlanders Petting Zoo & Pony Rides (Free)
Classic Car Show
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ated at 5 Mile and Beck Road. The Oktoberfest entrance is off 5 Mile (across from Home Depot), is free; Admission to Oktoberfest Tent \$5 for adults, 17 and older, free for children 16 and under, who must be accompanied by an adult to enter Oktoberfest Tent.



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**EDUCATION** 

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

### **HOYI STUDENTS ON CAMPUS**

Designed to assist McDonald's employees in southeast Michigan who are attending or wish to attend college, graduate or vocational school, the McDonel 2012. he McDonald's Employee Scholarship Program awards a

Michigan McDonald's Operators Association (S.E.M.M.O.A.), the tuition, books and housing in th employee's pursuit of a post-secondary degree or diploma This year, Mary Howell of

ships. Howell, a crew trainer at McDonald's in Farmingtor Hills, has been an employee at award can be applied to any edu-cation-related expense such as was involved in her High Scl was involved in her High School and Varsity Cheerleader and enjoys volunteering as a Bell Ringer for the Salvation Army and UNICEF.

### CHERYL-CSORDAS For Novi City Council

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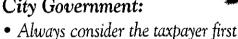
Fought Against Tax Increase for "Signature Park" Scheme

Long-time Novi Athletic Booster

Seven Year Homeowners Association Leader

Independent Thinker

### Cheryl's Philosophy for City Government:



- No new taxes or increase to the current city tax millage
- No surprise "special elections"
- Maintain a balanced budget
- Maintain existing parks before spending tax dollars for new parks
- Introduce fiscal responsibility to city government

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### **SUSPECTS**

He will be facing up to 40 years in the Michigan Department of Corrections

David Molloy said. Two other suspects, a 21-yearold Detroit man and a 18-yearold Pontiac man, are currently in the Wayne County Jail and the Novi Police Department is requesting they face charges of first-degree home invasion, a 20-year felony. The 21-year-old also

ncealing. The two were linked to home

invasions in the Jamestowne Green subdivision and on Ashford Circle after Novi and Troy detectives searched through

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. The woman was home when the men tried to enter her home, and of Five Mile Road and Sheldon

a 34-year-old Detroit man who has three prior felony convictions for dangerous drugs, weapons and assault. They will be facing phone calls the two men made. Police also believe they will be able to link a sixth person to the

> 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.

> type of thing because we wanted to catch these guys," he said. turned over to the Oakland County Prosecutor's Office for



### 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 West Elm Ave.

#### MARGARET CHARNLEY

Sept. 23, 2009, Age 92. Funeral held Sept. 25 at St. James Catholic Novi. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield. Donatlons: IHM, 610 W. Elm, Monroe, MF 48162. Condolences:

Service was held on Monday, September 28, 2009 at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, South Lyon. Online guestbook: www.phillipsfuneral.com



LOUIS F. FOREMAN

Formerly of Chelsea Michigan, the son of the late Ralph and Carrie (Johnson) Foreman of Northville, MI and Clermont, FL. He Normone, M. and Clermont, Ft. The will be deeply missed by the "love of his life" Dottle (Dorothy Blunk Foreman) formerly of Plymouth, Mi., daughter of the late William and Dagmar Blunk. He is also survived by his son Bounday Engergan of Conver his son Douglas Foreman of Clenver, CO, his daughter Kathy (Pat) Werner of Clermont, FL, grand-daughters Beth Wemer of Clermont, FL & Jonny Vershum of Milan, MI. Loule & Dottle celebrated their 60th anniversary last Celegrated their doint 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 (Jeane) Foreman of Ann Arbor, MIL as well as many lose friends

life together enjoying their many trav-els with their 2 children and travels to and 50th anniversaries, many California trips to be with Kathy and family and to Denver to visit thier son Cationnia trips to be with karny and family and to Denver to visit thier son Doug who truly admired his Dad and called him his "Hero". Louis retired after 30 years from Chrysler Proving Grounds in Chelsea, MI (1951-1985) and moved from their home at North ake to their home in Minneola, built y Louie's parents where they spent lany of their Christmas holidays at was a member in good standing of the Masonic Olive Lodge 156 in the Masonic Olive Lodge 135 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 Comerstone Hospice Care to maintainy off Joule Forman. are in memory of Louis Foreman. uneral arrangements were entrusted o Brewer and Sons Funeral Homes

### ARDYCE E. HILDEBRANT

ARBYCE E. HILDEBRANT

Age 92, a longtime resident of Morthville, passed away September 22, 2009. She was born December 22, 2009. She was born December 26, 2009. Beloved husband of the 16 foot 61 fig. 1916 to Charles and Meda (Bills and Fulford, Ardyce was a homemaker, and later worked as a cashler at the Schoolcraft College Cafeteria. Many will remember her as a friend to all the student's lives. She was a nature lide to ver, and an avid birdwatcher. She yallow of the collecting stones on the bach, Ardyce is survived by her lovation of the collecting stones on the bach, Ardyce is survived by her lovation of the collecting stones on the bach, Ardyce is survived by her lovation of the collecting stones on the bach, Ardyce is survived by her lovation of the collecting stones on the bach, Ardyce is survived by her lovation of the collecting stones on the bach, Ardyce is survived by her lovation of the collecting stones on the bach, Ardyce is survived by her lovation of the collecting stones on the bach, Ardyce is survived by her lovation of the late under the collecting stones on the bach, Ardyce is survived by her lovation of the late under the l

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.phillipstuneral.com

LAWRENCE E. DOMINE SR. Ane 85 passed away September 25, 48103 or The Nature Conservancy, 48103 or The A8103 or The Nature Conservancy, Michigan Field Office, 101 E. Grand River, Lansing, MI 48906. Arrangement entrusted to Casterline Funeral Home, Inc. of Northville.



#### **MARY JANE** (WILLIAMS) KELLEY

Sept. 14, 2009. Funeral: Sept. 29, St. Patrick Catholic Church, White Lake, MI 48386. Donations: St. Vincent de

MI 48386. Donations: St. Vincent de Paul Society – St. Patrick Conference (mail to church). Condolences: obriensullivantuneralhome.com.

R. DUANE LAMOREAUX
Born March 22, 1936. Died September 25, 2009. A Memorial Services will be held October 11. Services will be held October 11. When the Company of the C



### **GUY ALBERT MEYERS**

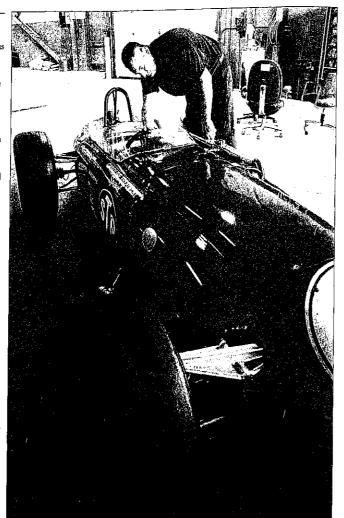
formerly from Novi, Ml., passed formerly from Novi, MI., passed away surrounded by his family and loved ones on August 1st, 2009 at the age of 47, in Seattle, WA, Born in Kirkland, WA, on March 3, 1982, he graduated from Lake Washington-High School and Weber State University with a degree in Manufacturing Engineering and spent his career in the automotive flusters. (We loved working on cars industry. Guy loved working on cars and motors of all kinds. He was always the envy of every man in the 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, Goy, Nick, Austin and Alec, as well as his mother. Kathle Mevers are listed in the property of the propert four sons, Guy, Nick, Austin and Alec, as well as his mother, Kathle Meyers Nielson, and nine siblings. We love you Dad; gone but not forgotten. We will all see you soon. Pleass say 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 Fango bank. The account to titled You Mayor Memoral Fund.

is titled 'Guy Meyers Memorial Fund'

and ends in the numbers 120.

lems may be included at no

Obitnaries received after these deadling



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

# Race car to highlight youth section at new library

Novi Special driven by Unser at Indianapolis

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Age 81, of Novi, passed away Sept 22, 2009. A tuneral service was heli

last Sunday at Casterline Funera Home, Inc. of Northville Contributions to American Cance

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Together Ethel and Farrell had 2 chil

logether Ethel and Farrell had 2 chit-dren, Farrell Wayne, Jr. and Robin Buckingham: six grandchildren, Shelby Wayne, Samantha Wayne, Heather Coffey, Holly Russell, Darren Schultz, and Lindsey Buckingham; and four great grandchildern, Ciera, Christopher, Kaden and Kyla. Thei Funeral will be held by Brather Robby.

funeral will be held by Brother Bobb Conner with the Bernard Funeral Home Chapel (367 N. Main St., PO 80x 308, Russell Springs, KY; 270-866-3110) on Monday, September 28, 2009 at 10:00AM. CST.

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The Novi Special race car has finally found a permanent

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.

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 Economi elopment Corporation. It will be on an elevated display, which is being designed to show the car crossing the fin-

that any person of any age, background or culture will be driven to that area and enjoy seeing it," said library director Julie Farkas. The race car was named in 1946 by Lew Welch, who had

it's very diverse in the fact

"What I love about it is that

a home and business in Novi. The Novi V-8 engine was built by Ed and Bud Winfield, and for more than 20 years was the most powerful engine that ran at Indianapolis. However, for as powerful as it was — some claim it had

800 horsepower - the Novi Special never won a race. The EDC purchased the car in 1982 and used it as a

"It's a proud piece of Novi's history and by putting it in the library it can be seen by a wide variety of people," said Ara Topouzian, economic develop-ment director. "This gives it a much better home than sitting at DPS." The car will be located on

the first floor of the library next to the story time room Its room will race-themed, including a puppet theater interactive children's games. "It's a large imagin piece for the kids," Farkas

nmueller@gannett.com years. Recently, it hasn't got-(248) 437-2011 ext. 255

### Auto show poster contest offers cash prizes

International Auto Show 2010 NAIAS.
(NAIAS), sponsored by NAIAS "We hope that this helps LLC, announced the launch of its annual poster contest in connection with the January

The 22nd Annual High School Poster Contest is open to all Michigan residents enrolled in grades 10-12. An independent panel of repre-sentatives from the local art community will judge the contest. This year, the NAIAS will choose winners in 16 cat-

egories.
"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

The 2010 North American said Doug Fox, chairman of the tive design while recognizing encourage a lifetime interest in artwork, 25" x 21" in siz not only the automotive indus-

try but the art community as Winning posters will be displayed at the 2010 NAIAS and reproduced in the official NAIAS program, which is available to the public, corporate executives and automotive suppliers. Winning posters may also be displayed on the

official NAIAS web site, www. naias.com. In 2009, the NAIAS had a record breaking 660 entries from 64 Michigan high schools The contest was established to engage the creative minds of Michigan's students and

encourage careers in automo-

ready. The poster theme must mixed media suitable for reproduction as a poster is allowed including computer-generated graphics. All subject matter

must be in good taste.
Posters must contain all of
the following copy: "North
American International Auto Center." The entry deadline is Nov. 18.

To view official rules or gain more information, visit www.naias.com. Additional Sandy Herp at 248.283.5138 or sherp@dada.org.



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DETAILS: All women seeking to strengthen their faith and connect with other women are invited to attend, irrespective CONTACT: For more information or to register call (248) 912of church affiliation.

Crafters and Vendors are needed TIME/DATE: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 24 DETAILS: Studying the book "Surviving a Spiritual Mismatch"

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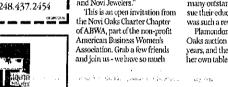
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Chapter President Chris Struw said, "We've received donations from many wonderful local businers who have supported our efforts more than once - such as Artisan Jewelers, Gina Agosta Salon, Larson Jewelry Design, Diamond Jim Brady's restaurant. The Second City theater Carrabba's Italian Grill, Cold Stone Creamery, Diane Lang of Neuromuscular Wellness Oakland County Parks, Famous Dave's, Starbucks, the DoubleTree Hotel, Cathy Tyler of Arbonne,

(cowboy hat and all). You will find a festive room with tables decorated in many different themes

breakfast/brunch buffet.

"When I first moved to Michigan, 21 years ago, I was invited to attend a meeting of the American Rusiness Women Plamondon. "I was a member for over 10-plus years. Although I am no longer a member, 1 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 commit-tee and interviewed candidates,

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Arts. Beats & Eats in Pontiac

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site, www.ArtFairCalendar.

com, has been ranked #1 by

"The timing has been

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Great Lakes Art Fairs," said

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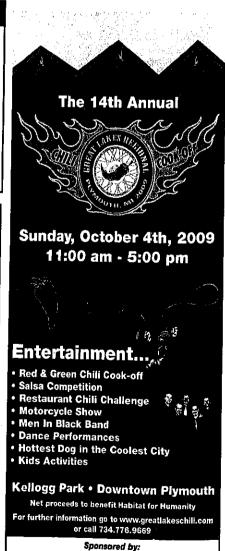
River Ave in Novi. The cost is \$7 for adults: free for children 12 and under; free parking.
The Fair is open from
10 a.m.-6 p.m. Friday and

Saturday and 10-5 Sunday The Fall Great Lakes Art debut Spring GLAF, combin and national artists with a charming village marketpla setting, beautiful seasonal landscape display, and café with delicious fare provided by Epoch Catering. Groups are welcome, special discount coupons and other offers are available at www.greatlake-

sartfair.com. The Great Lakes Art Fair replaces the successful touring Sugarloaf Art Fair, which risited the area bi-annually for the past 10 years.

"We were very pleased with the enthusiastic response from artists, sponsors and patrons to the Spring Fair said Blair Bowman, owner of Rock Financial Showplace, "We had very positive feed back from all involved and we fully expect the Fall Great Lakes Art Fair to expand on

the GLAF is now one of the handful of annual events that are produced internally by the Rock Financial Showplace.



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Improvement Expert. Q. What is the origin of this amazing heating element

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

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causes the heat to travel rapidly and evenly through-In actual studies, photos using infrared lighting demonstrated that the heat was almost perfectly even from floor-to-ceiling and wall-towall. The EdenPURE® Quartz Infrared efficiency is based on the distribution of energized

air, not on just fan movement. This heat is coined as "soft heat" due to how comfortable it is. Customers call it "heavenly heat" Q. What are the other disadvantages of combus-

is my interview with Bob Vila, tion heat sources? America's Favorite TV Home A. Heat sources that are above the burning level have

many unhealthy side effects. dry, irritating indoor air, It also burns a great deal of oxyber, when you sit in front of a fireplace or a portable heater or close to a heat source, you will remember yawning. This is because you are not getting enough oxygen. This dry irritating heat and

lack of oxygen dries out sinuses and mucus in the throat, and makes people susceptible to disease. The lack of oxyger causes fatigue. Also, many combustible

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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., Binghampton, 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, M.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

guarantee - we pay the return Model 500 which heats a keep a great deal of extra

This product has been listed and the GEN3 Model 1000 by Underwriters Laboratories. End of interview. The EdenPURE® GEN3

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### Senate approves strict oversight and transparency for MEGA tax credits

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE WITH STATE SEN. MANCY CASSIS

For as long as I have been a legislator, I have fully support-ed economic development to revitalize Michigan and create sustainable jobs in our state. It s our responsibility to ensure that taxpayer dollars are spent

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 touted its

benefits and 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 ques-tions about how effectively the MEDC manages granting credits and how discriminator and thorough it is in awarding

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 prom years, only 29 arrived. Even now, legislators don't

know the effectiveness of the MEGA credits, their cost or if the money might be bet-ter spent on broad-based tax relief. Reforming the MEGA credit process to bring trans-parency and accountability to the system will help ensure we are making good use of our tax

Therefore, my bill, SB 773 includes transparency language that would require the MEDC

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 sin 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 deserv accurate information to make key decisions; and everyone ate state programs. None of those can be achieved without

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.

### Wixom's Ford plant redevelopment is on

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

SB 777 that allows for the transformation of the closed alternative energy park. This 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 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 leg-islation. It has been a long process, but well worth all the hard work.

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A select number of homeowners in Novi and the

### 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 II 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, otentially less expensive form of gravel road paving would be a viable option for other gravel road paving proj-

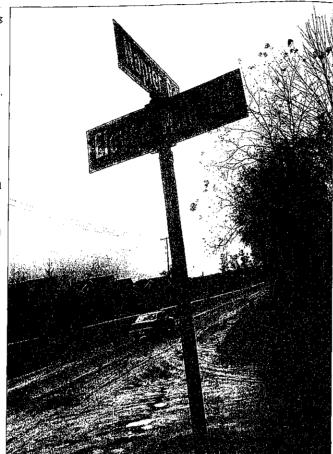
The new form of gravel road paving involves the use of slag — the by-product of steel production - as a base matemixed with the existing grave on the road to create an slag base. This will then be covered with two inches of

The paving method has the potential to be far less expen-sive than traditional paving methods, while also being environmentally beneficial b disposing of slag. It typically costs RCOC about \$1.5 million to pave a mile of primary

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.

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

nity." stated RCOC Managing Director Brent Bair. "We are



The Road Commission for Dakland County will begin work Oct. 12 op an experimental method to have Nanier Road

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

ing method is successful, it's possible this method could be used on other roads in the with funding available to pave about one mile per year). However, he noted it will take future, which could allow RCOC to pave more miles of several years to determine if the paving method holds up

### **HOVI POLICE BRIEFS**

Police catch drunk driver

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

Twelve Mile Road after almost ing the curb. He told the officer he had two drinks, but failed field sobriety tests.

content of .16 percent. The legal limit for adult drivers in

The driver was arrested for and transported to the Novi

night on Sept. 21 while it was

According to the report, the car that night, but police found

\$250. Police have no suspects at

20 while it was parked on

and there was no sign of forced entry on the vehicle. The wal-let that was taken contained miscellaneous credit cards and

Beck Road.

A preliminary breath test registered a blood alcohol

Michigan is .08 percent.

GPS stolen from vehicle 2A Garmin Nuvi GPS was

GPS has an estimated value of

Man's wallet swiped from

3A Novi man had his wallet stolen from his car in the Sandpoint Way.

The driver said he left his vehicle unlocked overnight There are no suspects at this

Man arrested for drinking and driving, open intox

A Novi police officer on patrol arrested a driver

14 Mile Rd. of Novi 12 Mile Rd. 12 Mile Rd: 11 Mile Rd. 10 Mile Rd. 8 Mile Rd. 8 Mile Rd.

at 1:56 a.m. on Sept. 23 for operating while intoxicated and open intoxicants 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 mpl zone. The officer stopped the man on Fourteen Mile Road and could detect a strong odos

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

no suspects and taken to the Novi Police Items taken from SUV

5A Chrysler Town and Country van was found on

four milk crates at 7:15 a.m. or Sept. 23 on Cabot Drive after the tires and rims were taken off of it overnight.

report, the man arrived at the business to find the car with taken. There also was another vehicle that had been broker into within 50 feet of this lar-

ceny.
Police were unable to find

Department where he was released when sober. A credit card, two debit

cards, driver's license and an Van found on crates iPod nano were stolen from a Chevrolet Tahoe over the week

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

There was no damage to the vehicle and there are no sus-

any physical evidence and have Compiled by stall writer Nathan Mueller

# **NEIGHBORS**

### Families share memories at Angela Hospice Walk

harpist Chuck Walker at

the Greenwood Ensemble

online at hometownlife.com

Center for Science and Media at Madonna University, as they prepared to begin the Second Annual Angela Hospice Walk of Remembrance. Over 500 people were in attendance to walk the 3K and 5K routes. loved ones they have lost.

"When the sun began to nine 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

memories together."
Weaving through the serene grounds of the Felician Sisters, the route features included eled grotto, and music from

get an up-close look at the con-struction 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 Hospice's memorial garden "It was a morning of heal-

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 near Ladywood High School. Walkers also had the chance to

nemory." Proceeds for this event will be used to fund Angela Hospice's non-profit programs including free grief cou and support groups which are open to anyone in the community. For more information about all Angela Hospico (734) 464-7810, or visit www



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

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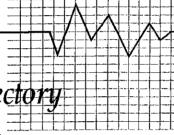
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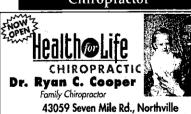
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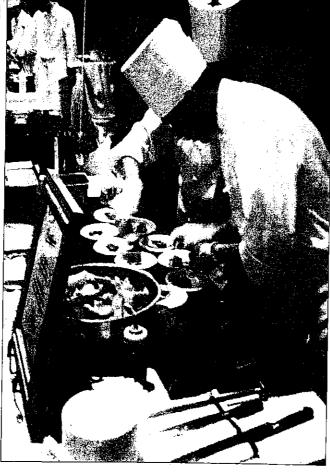
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# A Culinary Extravaganza



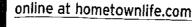




Chefs from Portofino Restaurant in Wyandotte plate lamb for Culinary Extravaganza attendees.

Schoolcraft College's
18th Annual Culinary
Extravaganza drew approximately 600 attendees Sunday, mately 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 Schooleraft College Foundation, which helps students pay for classes and improvements to the college. Photos by Cal Stone.

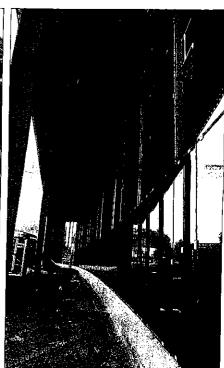






# New library construction on schedule





Director excited for community to see finished product The West-Facing, two-story glass wall of the new Novi Public Library building.

Walker Novi Public Librar

when library director was as if there were already books on the shelves and peo-

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 fastforward 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 and existing library's collection space and the story of the sto

Julie Farkas took some library
board members and staff
inside for a tour last week, it

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 dow 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 cate, a Friends of the Novi Public Library used book store, con-

veniently 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 con-structed 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



A tour of Novi 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

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### Community Ed fundraiser

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ayground equipment i fant toddle program. Tables are \$20 per round and \$10 per space for sellers who provide their own racks. All baby and toddler items will be accepted, including large items such as cribs high chairs, swings and large toys. Admissions is adults \$1 and children ages 15 and under are free.

For more information contact mmunity Education - Child Care Services at (248) 449-1713.

#### CC sale

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 school is located on the west · side of Wixom Road, just south of Grand River Avenue. Weinstein golf outing

#### The Weinstein Theatre Enrichment Fund First Golf Extravaganza will be held at 11:

Oct. 3 at The Links of Novi. Since its inception, the WTEF scholarships to 65 kids in the past four years. To register, go to www.wte-

fund.com. Cost is \$100 per

#### Happy Meals exhibit Since 1979, McDonald's

Happy Meals have changed the way families enjoy lunch and linner out together. To celebrat the 30th birthday of the Happy Meal, the Southeast Michigan McDonald's Operators Association presents an exhibit showcasing a collection of different U.S. and international Happy Meal toys and artifacts for children and

families to tour and enjoy. The visual traveling exhibit which will be open to the public Novi Public Library (45245 W. 10 Mile Road) Oct. 7-31 the Happy Meal and contains many of the different specialt included in the Happy Meal since its introduc

#### The Mobfather: A Murder Mystery

The Novi Theatres is thrilled to announce that it has partnered with Andiano Restaurant and Theatre for a night of dinner, laughs and intrigue with The Mobfather – a murder mystery dinner theatre Performances are Friday, Nov. in Texas, and in his absence the unpredictable Monica Convers has become President of the City Council. Kwame A River

and show, with a cash bar avail-Tickets can be purchased tenure as head of Council and online at cityofnovi.org or comically displays everything at the Novi Parks office. All performances will be held at the Andiamo Restaurant and Theatre, located at 42705 Grand River Avenue, Novi MI 48375 For more information about The Mobfather, visit cityofnov org or contact Nancy Hayden, Cultural Arts Coordinator at

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The deadline at filing an application (available at the City Glable of the City Glable of the standard October 1, 2009 at the him All applicants will be required to be present at 7:00 µm as Monday, October 12, 2009 in the Council Chambers to be interviewed by City Council. All City Council meetings are ablanticed.

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of Conyers has been extended through Dec. 27 due to popular demand at the Andiamo Novi Audiences will witness

Sept. 20) - \$15 Tickets are available at the heater's box office located at 42705 Grand River Avenue, Novi, Michigan, by phone at 1-800-745-3000 or on-line at ww.ticketmaster.com. Dinner and show packages are also available. For more information on Kwarne A River 2: The Wrath of Convers, cali he Andiamo Novi Theatre at 248-348-4448. Visit www.

#### KwameARiver.blogspot.com Charity hoop game to benefit Paralyzed Veterans of America

The Council of Orthodox Metropolitan Detroit (COCC) and Wright & Filippis, Inc. will sponsor a charity basketball ne Thursday, Oct. 8 to benefit the Michigan Chapter of the Paralyzed Veterans of America (MPVA), based in Novi.

Teams will be the AmouTean Spartans sponsored by Wright & Filippis and the All-Star consored by the COCC. School, 3500 W. 13th Mile Road, Royal Oak, Doors will open at 5 p.m.

and the game will start at 6. Halftime activities will include a 50/50 drawing and a silent auction. Tickets can be purchased at the door. Su onations are \$10 for adults and \$5 for seniors and children and youth ages 11-18. Children 10 and under are free. For advance tickets or further

nformation contact Richard 422-0278 or paschaboo ohal net, or Brad Shehi Plante & (Sac) of

Two haz waste days scheduled

Two remaining fall Household Inc Hazardous Waste Drop-Off

and Community" service project last spring. Deerfield kids also contributed funds by doing extra chores at home or through their savings. Deerfield art teacher Johnne North, left, helped to organize the donation that's being presented by Lauryn Love, Gabriel Young, Sumeeha Vadlapudi and Gary Dai. The Ann Arbor Ronald McDonald House was chosen because of its importance to Ken and Michelle Kolbusz whose son Logar spent a lot of time at U-M and sadly passed away last year at the age of nine after a long battle with kidney disease. Michelle Kolbusz is the daughter of Deerfield secretary Andrea Timreck. Days will be held on Saturday, Sept. 26 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center at 45175 West 10 Mile in Novi; 2: The Wrath of Convers also and on Saturday, Oct. 3 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Recycling

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

Authority headquarters located at 20000 West Eight Mile, one block east of Evergreen, in Council wars, Cobo contracts, Residents of Farmington and feuds with 8th graders - and everything that you didn't know happened, like Monica's Hills, Farmington, Novi, South Lyon, Southfield, Walled secret therapy session with Dr. Phil, her unlikely and passiona Lake, and Wixom are all eli gible to attend the Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off affair with Ken Cockrel Jr, and her wacky plans to turn Metro Days with proof of residency. Acceptable items include co mon household products such as Show times and prices for Kwame A River 2: The Wrath of cleaners, oil-based paints, herbieides, insecticides, and solvents Conyers are:
• Wednesday at 8 p.m. - \$15 These materials can be safely

· Friday at 8 p.m. and 10 p.m.

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#### RRRASOC.org. Campuer & RV Show coming to Rock

The Michigan Association of Recreation Vehicles and Campgrounds (MARVAC) is ring the 20th Annua Sept. 30-Oct. 4 at the Rock Financial Showplace in Novi (located on Grand River, just

one mile west of Novi Road) Over 200 new recreation including folding campers mes, travel trailer truck campers and fifth wheel travel trailers. Special discounts include folding campers from and motorhomes from \$49,999. Plus, manufacturer rebates or select RVs. Booths featuring

also feature an outdoor displ of new RVs for an even bigge

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For more information about auditions, or the show, please contact the Novi Theatres at (248) 735-5615 or visit cityof novi.org. parts and accessories, can ound information, on site RV ancing and RV rentals make this the complete RV show experience. This year's show will also testure an outdoor display:

Dec. 11-20.

Wixom bond refinancing saves over \$167,200

The City of Wisom today anniounced that through refinancing of \$3,265,000 of bonded indebtedness, the City will realize a net savings of over \$167,200 in the next 5.5 years. The new bonds were pur-

banking firm of Fifth Third

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

JOHN HEIDER I STAFF PHOTOGRAPHE

4.69% According to City Manager is just one tool in our financial nanagement toolbox. We are constantly seeking ways and opportunities to reduce our inancial liabilities while deliv ering services to the public at a lower cost".

Kevin Brady the City's Finance Director indicated "It's nice to be able to take advantage of today's very low interest rates tial amount of money." During the process of issuing

rating was reviewed by Moody's show visitors can purchase a hot nationally recognized rating firm. The rating agencies confirmed the strong rating grade marvac.org for additional inforof A1 by Moody's, The rating analysts were very com tary of Wixom citing the City's tax base, sound financial opera tions, and prudent fiscal management. This includes the sucsful implementation of th life. Auditions are open to chil-dren ages 7-15 and will be held Monday, Oct. 5 and Wednesday, Oct. 7 from 4:30-7:30 p.m. at City's Five-Year Fiscal Plan and associated Budget Stabilization

#### Social Security planning for boomers

"What Everyone Needs to Know" is a free educational workshop designed to answer from 6:30-7:30 on Oct. 14 at the Wixom Library, 49105 Pontiac refreshments will be served. For more information ple call Sovran & Dillaman, LLC at (810) 220-4900 or email bridge et@SovranDillaman.com.

### Free Whirlyball

Whirlyball is hosting a free Audition packets are available party on Oct. 11 from 5-10 at cityofnovi.org or at the Parks p.m., so come and enjoy free Whirlyball play as well as free food and snacks. Kids must be 54" tall to play. WhirlyballN 0400. Rehearsals begin Oct. 12 and run Monday, Wednesday is located at 41550 Grand River Avenue, Call (248) 788-8900 for

#### Free varicose vein screening

Providence Park (southwest corner of Beck Road and Grand River Avenue) will hold a free ose vein screening from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. on Saturda The screening will take place in the Outpatient Center that faces Grand River Avenue.

There is easy in/out access to

s building and ample park-Please call (248) 424-5748 to schedule the time of your screening. Registration is

For a complete listing of local and region rents, see the Novi Calendar online at

#### on Monday to be included in Thursday' newspape

Local events

INTERUTES & JAZZ OTHE CRAPTVIN TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. Thursdays; 9 p.m. ridays and Saturdays

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to Novi News, 101 N. Lafayette, South Lyon

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LOCATION: The Grapevine of Novi, 43155 Market Street DETAILS: Live music on the patio on Thursdays, inside on weekends; no cove Schedule includes Thursday, Bill Heid with

RJSparigler & Ralph Tope; Friday, Doug Horn Trio; and Saturday, Bon Temp Roule CONTACT: (248) 344-4044

#### MON-2-MON SALE TIME/DATE: 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Saturday,

LOCATION: Orchard Grove Community Church, 850 Ladd Road, Building C, Walled Lake (off Maple between Pontiac Trail &

Ladd Road) **DETAILS:** Sponsored by Orchard Grove Community Church MOPS, Department store layout with over 40 sellers of infant and children's toys, books, CDs, efectronics, clothing (infant to size 14), outerwear and boots, maternity, baby equipment, furniture and large play toys. Admission is St half price sale at noon **CONTACT**: Keri Cleasby at (248) 926-6584 X222

### AUTHOR MARIA DISMONDY BOOK SIGNENSS

TIME/DATE: 9-11 a.m. Oct. 11 LOCATION: Barnes and Noble Bookse 17111 Haggerty Rd., Northville TIME/DATE: 6:30-7:30 p.m. Nov. 10 LOCATION: Walled Lake Public Library, 1499 E West Maple Rd., Walled Lake TIME/DATE: 10:30-11:30 a.m. Nov. 21 LOCATION: Wixom Public Library, 4908 Pontiac Trail Wixon

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DATE: Oct. 9-11

Fall Home Remodeling Show

**DETAILS:** The Building Industry

education; www.builders.org.

DATE: Oct. 16-18

lakesartfair.com

çleswap.com.

DATE: Nov. 6-8

Association of Southeastern Michigan

offers a wide variety of home improve

will affer works in the mediums of oil

Glant Motorcycle Swap Meet

**DETAILS:** The largest Swap Meet in

ments ideas, project advice, products and

Michigan Antique Arms Show **DETAILS:** Maria Dismondy will be on tour DATE: Nov. 28-29 at local facilities, reading, selling and signing her book, "Spaphetti In A Hot Doo Bun." In today's society, it's important to remind children that, although we are different on the outside, we are very

much alike on the inside. Unfortunately, North American Horse Fest bullying has become a major problem in DATE: Dec. 4-6 the United States, it's not only painful for **DETAILS**: Everything Equestrian! Horses, children, but occurring at an increasingly tack, training, breed clubs, trailers. young age. Her book empowers children

stables, riding exhibitions, nutrition and much more; www.northamericanhorsefest.com. Great American Train Show

DATE: Dec. 12-13 **DETAILS:** America's favorite traveling other show. Show features operating model railroads, train dealers, collec-

### Business

The Novi Chamber of Commerce is an active, progressive chamber offering a variety of events, educational programs an enhanced Web site, and involvement

**DETAILS:** Artists from across the region watercolor, class, photography, jewetry, CONTACT: For more information, call fiber, sculpture and mixed media, along (248) 349-3743 or www.novichamber.co with select epicurean items; www.great-Vetworking Luncheon

the Midwest is the Detroit Area Giant Motorcycle Swap Meet! Thousands of bil ers will be buving, selling, and swapping. bikes, frames, motors, touring accessories, seats, wheels, tires, front ends, tanks Business to Business Breakfast shocks, fenders, gauges, MX stuff, basket cases and take-offs, Every Known Brand! Every Hard to Find Part! Harley, Honda, 45200 Grand River, Novi

Norton, BMW and Guzzi: www.motorcyworking; \$5 payable at door Grapes & Grooves Wine Tasting Snowmobile Show and Sal Cocktall Party TIME/DATE: 6:30-10 p.m. Friday, Oct. 23 **DETAILS**: This show offers all the latest in LOCATION: The Atrium of Novi, Main sleds, gear, clothing, accessories, perfor-

### 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 Hoomaian. Gentlemen seniors are Ricky Enright (to the Jeft rear of Milon), Jon Bauer, Kevin Zak and Evan Lian, Junior representatives are Kaley Bowles and Tiger Bourque (at left). Sophomore representatives are Logan Chio and Frankie Mastrangelo (second from right) and representing the freshmen class are Jacqueline Mullins and Harrison Halley - at far right.

open to the public: \$30 early-bird registra-

Relations at greenspace@mi.m.com or

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TIME/DATE: Noon every Thursday

welcome. Check Web site for speaker

information; novirotary.org.

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Tuesday

mance products, trailers and equipment - Street Shopping Center for the new season; www.snowmobileusa. DETAILS; Join us for a dazzling event fea-

Michigan Gun and Knife Show **DATE:** Nov. 14-16 DETAILS: One of the best and larg-

est Gun & Knife Shows in Michigan Shotours, Rifles, Handours, Scopes, Knives, Shooting Supplies, Ammunition, Reloading Equipment, Gun Cases, Pistol & Rifle Magazines, Military Surolus, Collector Items, Archery, Fishing Supplies, Safes, Custom hand made gun cabinets, Wild Game Jerky, and much more: www.

migunshows.com. Michigan Family Pet Expo DATE: Nov. 20-22 **DETAILS:** The Michigan Family Pet Expo

will showcase more than 150 exhibits of pet-related products and services; www petmichigan.com.

DETAILS: Antique and modern arms and accoutrements, part and accessories, as well as other related merchandise. The show also feature historical displays and

train show serving more states than any tors, hands on exhibits, demonstrations. workshops, and much more; www.great trainexoo.com.

MOVI CHANGER OF COMMERCE

with local charities. LOCATION: 41875 1) Mile Road, #201, Novi TIME/DATE: 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 7

LOCATION: Fox Run, 41000 13 Mile Rd., DETAILS: Join us for networking and a

delicious kunch. Speaker Kathy Tosoian, Dale Carpecie Training, will talk with us about "Dealing With Difficult People" \$20 TIME/DATE: 8-9 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 14 LOCATION: Corrigan Record Storage,

Yamaha, Kawasaki, Suzuki, Triumph, BSA. DETAILS: Join us for breakfast and net-

Registration required Monday Evening Book Discussion DATE: Monday, Oct. 5 turing wine tasting, strolling appetizers, TIME:7-8 p.m live lazz and a silent auction. This event is

DETAILS: Join your Novi neighbors in a

great discussion of The Story of Edgar Sawtelle by Deborah Wroblewski, Pleas register. Limited to 20 participants. NOVI TOASTINASTERS CLUB Parent-Child Book Discussion TIME/DATE: 7-9 p.m., every first and third DATE: Tuesday, Oct. 6 TIME:78 p.m.

**LOCATION:** Novi Civic Center, Activities DETAILS: Join a group of readers going Room, 45175 West 10 Mile Road, Novi, into 2nd-4th grades and their parents Michigan 48375 or other significant adults to discuss the DETAILS: Novi Toastmasters is a combook Nim's Island by Wendy Orr, There munity-based club which is part of will also be a snack and a craft or game Toastmasters International, Our diverse Registration Required. group provides a mutually supportive Tech Time atmosphere in which all can develop and DATE: Tuesday, Oct. 6 refine their public speaking and leader

TIME: 7 p.m., 7:30 p.m. ship skills. Our members also have fun **DETAILS**: One-on-one tutoring with either while building confidence in day to-day a librarian or computer tech on a topic communications and mentoring toward of your choice. Investigating your family professional and personal excellence. tree? Microsoft Word have you stumped? Guests are welcome - and bring a friend We have the tools to help. Registration Visit www.novi.freetoathost.us required.

CONTACT: Paulette Alioa, V.P. of Public Navigating Market Volatility DATE: Tuesday, Oct. 6 TIME: 7-8:15 p.m.

**DETAILS:** Given substantial declines in asset values over the past year, and continued volatility on a daily basis, you LOCATION: Novi Methodist Church, 41671 may be wondering how this impacts your goals and what to do next regarding your portfolio. Please join us when Financial **DETAILS:** Lunch is \$10 at meeting. Visitors Advisors, Ronald E. Breaugh and Thom

wisely, Registration Required. **English Conversation Group** DATE: Wednesdays, Oct. 7 and 14 TFME:1-2 p.m. DETAILS: Make friends while you practice

Folino, describe methods for investing

your English pronunciation and conversa tion skills. Intro to the Internet for Seniors DATE: Wednesday, Oct. 7

TIME:13 p.m. **DETAILS**: Learn the basics of the Internet in a relaxed, supportive environment. You will discover how the Internet works, practice using a web browser, and learn about using search engines to find informatio Register online, by calling 248-349-0720

or stop by our welcome desk. Plate Day for Kids of All Ages DATE: Wednesday, Oct. 7 TIME: 4-8 p.m. DETAILS: Unleash your creative self! Create a one-of-a-kind dishwasher safe

plate to keep for yourself or give as a gift. Special paper and markers will be provided. Scout leaders, please call ahead to make arrangements for your troop. A fee will be charged for each plate. Kiddie Crafts

DATE: Saturday, Oct. 10 TIME: 10:30-11 a.m. **DETAILS:** Toddlers and preschoolers will have the opportunity to create a work of art using their imaginations and the supplies that we will provide. Each child must be accompanied by an adult helper.

Grandparent-Grandchild Interviews DATE: Sunday, Oct. 11 TIME: 10 a.m.-4 p.m. DETAILS: An opportunity for a Grandparent and Grandchild to share their memories of growing up; capturing an interview on video discussing a variety topics. Make an appointment for your 15-minute interview, \$10 per couple, which includes 2 copies of the interview on DVD. Dan Brown's The Lost Symbo

Registration is required.

DATE: Monday, Oct. 12

TIME: 7-8:30 p.m. DETAILS: Can Dan Brown recapture the success of Da Vinci Code? Come discuss this quest to decode religious, artistic, and historical clues in Washington, D.C.

Registration required Booked for Lunch DATE: Wednesday, Oct. 14

**TIME: 12:1** p.m. **DETAILS**: Join your neighbors in a lively book discussion during your lunch hour. Bring your lunch and the library will provide a beverage. No registration Discussing The Book Thief by Markus

Diarry of a Wimpy Kid Party for Grades

DATE: Wednesday, Oct. 14 TIME: 5-6 p.m. DETAILS: Join with other fans to celebrate the newest in the Wimpy Kid series. There will be games, trivia, and create your own diary (we mean journal) craft Registration required. Friends Board Meeting DATE: Wednesday Oct 1/ TIME: 7-8:30 p.m.

**DETAILS:** Join the Friends monthly board meeting to share ideas that will continue to ephance the Novi Library

WIXOM PUBLIC LIBRARY LOCATION: 49015 Pontiac Trail, Wixer HOURS: 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday Saturday: and 1-5 p.m. Sunday CONTACT: (248) 624-2512 or visit wixom library.org

Museum Adventure Pass DETAILS: Card holders can check out free passes, for two to four people, to many area museums, cultural centers and historical sites. See detroitadventurepass. org for more information. ESI. Cafe

TIME/DATE: 3:30 p.m. every Thursday DETAILS: Coffee and conversation. Improve your English speaking skills by tries trying to improve their English. No tests: instructor help: free CONTACT: Karin at the Information Desk

### It's Your Business ...

Key Elements of a Sales Representative Agreement NOVI PUBLIC LIBRARY LINES LOCATION: 45245 W. Ten Mile Road

HOURS; Monday-Thursday, 10 a.m.-9 p.m Friday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.: Sunday, 1 a.m.-5: p.m. (September-May) DETAILS: Linless noted below, all pro grams take place at the Library. CONTACT: (248) 349-0720

WEBSITE: www.novilibrary.or Story Times: Please see the Library website or story time brochure for details. Oct. is Family History Month, Come celebrate your family with our fall amily programs at the Novi Public

Library Favorite Characters Story Time for DATE: Saturday, Oct. 3

TIME: 10:30-11 p.m. **DETAILS:** Share some of your Saturday morning with favorite characters Clifford Curious George, and Kipper, We'll read some stories, watch a short video, and take some coloring sheets home. Join us for a lot of fun - and bring your siblings.

Genealogy 101 DATE: Saturday, Oct. 3 DETAILS: An introduction to genealogical research including basic techniques. reference tools, and strategies. Instructor, fryin Rabideau, has been involved in all

phases of genealogy for 40 years includ-

ing personal and professional research.

of a business is sales. A business may solicit sales through employees or independent representatives. In either sares representative, it is essential to enter into a contract that motivates the therwise, even for a national market, epresentative while protecting the smaller territories or non-exclusive Some of the key issues to address erritories may make sense.

in a sales representative agreement are the commission structure, the territory whether it is exclusive as to either o with parties, the term of the agreement and termination provisions.

The commission structure is ypically a percentage of sales, and the

ate is usually determined by industry custom. Depending on the product, enewals may earn a lower commission rate than an initial sale. The ssion is typically due after the Exclusivity provisions are important poth parties. The company will want

to make sure that the representative is not selling competing products. If the representative does carry competing provisions under which the representative will first present the company's products before showing competing products. The representative, on the other hand, will want to ensure allowed to solicit its accounts or solicit or sell in its territory.

An appropriate territory will depend upon the nature of the market for the market may be more local (e.g. printing services) or national or

local market suggests a corresponding local sales territory, whereas a national market suggests a national territory. But the sales representative must have the personnel and resources to adequately develop and serve the territory.

The agreement should specify a term, and should include termin erritory, but not too long so that the

underperforming representative. A term A party should be able to terminate the agreement prior to the end of its term under certain circumstances. For example, a party should be able to terminate if the other party breaches the agreement and fails to cure the breach within an appropriate period of time.

representative fails to meet the targets. subject. They protect the company, but the representative may feel at risk, as there are many reasons beyond its Performance targets may need to be revised each year, which can raise difficult issues such as how they are set, whether by the company unitaterally or by the mutual agreement of the parties, and what happens if the company sets arbitrary, unreasonable targets, or the

overlooked or not clearly addressed is

One of the most important functions international (e.g. automotive supply). A the commission formula following the termination of the agreement. In many industries, once an account has been account may not have the same tendency to continue. Therefore, it is

appropriate in some cases for commissions to continue for a numbe of years following termination of the ons. The term should be sufficien representative relationship, either properly, a sales representative

agreement must be fair and reasonable to both parties. The agreement must provide sufficient incentive for the entative to sell and penetrate th market, or the company won't be able t attract the most effective sales representative who fails to produce targets, and the company should be able Bruce W. Haffey is a business and

tax lawyer, has represented small businesses for nearly 30 years, and has negotiated and drafted many sales 414 resident of Novi, and is a shareholder and membe of the Board of Directors of Giarmarco Mullins & Horton, P.C. in Troy. If you hav a legal muestion, feel free to contact hi at (248) 457-7073 o

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Our fundamental purposes are to enhance the lives of our readers, nurture the hometowns we serve and contribute to the business success of our customers.

### **OUR VIEWS**

### Schoolcraft throws a true Extravaganza

It was an afternoon of great food and wine fabulous auction items and a celebration of one of this area's crown jewels — Schoolcraft College. About 600 people attended Sunday's 18th annu al Culinary Extravaganza at the college. Not bad,

considering the current economy. Although the final numbers have yet to be tallied, Marjoric Lynch, coordinator of special events and fund-raisers for Schoolcraft, said they're feel-

ing pretty good Yes, sponsorships were a little down this year. as were auction donations. But compared to other events in our area, some of which have been can-

celled altogether, the Extravaganza has to be considered a success. The majority of the proceeds from this, the institution's largest fund-raiser, go to the Schoolcraft College Foundation. It's been around for more than 40 years working with local communities to help make a college education a reality for many who otherwise couldn't afford it, and providing

funds to continually improve the college.

The students take that sense of contributing with them when they graduate, returning to the college to participate in the Extravaganza.

True, Schoolcraft is located in Livonia, but it's a orce in Novi, Northville and much, much farther A look at the Extravaganza's participating food and drink suppliers confirms support from locals like The Grapevine and Steve & Rocky's in Novi, as well as Table 5 and Vine2Wine Custom Winery of Northville, But you'll also see businesses from Troy, Royal Oak, Detroit, South Lyon, Milford, Dearborn and even Petoskey and Suttons Bay.

Of course, an event like this doesn't happen in a week or even a few months. The numerous committees that work to make the Culinary Extravaganza a success will no doubt take a wel earned, short pause and then start working on 2010's event. Here's a tip of the hat to those who made this year's a truly wonderful event. We can't wait to see what's on the menu next year

### TANGULAN CONTRACTOR VOICES & VIEWS

The following are excerpts from readers participating in our online forum for discussing issues, In Your Voices, on the Web at hometow life.com.

#### School district decides against broadcasting Obama's speech

The school district used good judgment and common sense in their approach to this issue. The president's address was well done and teachers should use it at their professional judgment to discuss the various issues he spoke of. As a father of two Novi High School students I was pleased to be informed by the district of their decisions prior to the address. I would have supported my children seeing the address live, but have no problem with the decisions of the district. Job well done, Mr. Dion.

DavidStaudt

#### Letters to the Editor: Pitch the Constitution

Mr. Downey, after your laundry list of item that the government can't manage, why would you want to entrust health care to them? That just doesn't make sense. Each of the items in your list will require years of effort to change. Just the first on your list, the Electoral College will require a cons super majority of states. It will never happen 1) that takes away power from the majority of states and 2) persons in both parties have made that a real political football. Our own governor, Jennifer Granholm, weighed in in Colorado pressing for a "proportional" allocation of votes via an initiative in that state in 2004. Photogenic Jennifer did TV ads, the whole bit turns into a one-vote state. Politicians would then ignore Colorado. Of course, Jenny doesn't Dems benefit from winner-take-all. It's that Red / Blue state thing. That's just one on your list.
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Susan Roslek

Executive Editor Director of Advertising

### **COMMUNITY VOICE**

"Are you concerned about swine flu and thinking about getting a shot?"



Yes and no. I had pneumonia and a blood clot on my lungs a couple of months ago. And I had a flu shot years ago and I still caught pneumonia. I have mixed feelings about it.

Sophie Dami



Yes. I haven't (gotten the shot) yet, but I really should because I work at the schools (in Huron Valley).

Elaine Salk

Yes, we are. I have to preeemie twins born at 29 weeks, and I'm trying to

decide if the vaccine is safe to give them or not.

Leanne Cue



I'm worried about it a little bit. My dad told me I should

Jennifer Budd

### LETTERS

### President's school speech was not political

In the Community Voice section of the Sept 17 edition of the Novi News, I was dis-mayed by Thelma Wolf's comment about showing the president's address to the students in America; "I think it was a political

Thelma, did you think it was a political ploy when President Reagan made basi cally the same speech to our nations school kids? Or when the first President Bush made a similar speech? You clearly never saw the speech nor read the transcript of it. If you had actually seen it or read it, you would have agreed with one of the paper's other interviewees, Virgil Lewis, who summed up many people's reactions by say-ing, in part, "What's wrong with a message that says stay in school and do good?"

Thelma, in his speech the president also said that the kids should get a flu shot Maybe I shouldn't let my kids get one this year. You know how political those flu shots

**Home Tour thanks** 

The American Association of University

Women, Northville-Novi Branch, thanks everyone who made the 14th annual Home Tour a success Sept. 19. Someone arranged for the beautiful Victorian Festival weather, many others volunteered to serve as a hostess, or joined with AAUW members to help in a variety of ways. The funds raised from the home tour go toward the AAUW mission to advance equity for women and girls through advocacy, education, philanthropy

I would like to especially thank Heather

Audette and Kenner Wicke, Annette Masson and Scott Craig, Jennifer and Robert Mihalich, and Pam and Don Unsworth, who so graciously opened their homes to our guests. Thank you also to Kelly & Kelly. PC who contributed the printing of our tickets; to Uniquely Yours Flower Shop for the beautiful flower arrangements in each home; and to Joe Gagnon, the Appliance Doctor, who patiently answer visitors' questions and offered many tips for

Most of all, a huge thank you to those who purchased tickets to tour our homes, joined in the Remember the Ladies book donation program to Northville and Novi elementary schools, and entered the gift basket drawing Without your participation, all of our efforts

Dianne McCulloch

A voice for animals

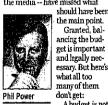
Finally, animals have a political voice in Michigan. Humane Voters of Michigan (HVM), a nonprofit organization formed as a political action committee, works to support pending humane legislation in Michigan and supports humane candidates for public office. To be effective, HVM has to have a large voter base who are willing to vote for zood candidates and write their rep-on candidates' voting records on animal

HVM encourages Michiganians to write to their senators and representatives to support a bill to stop cruel gas chambers as a way of euthanizing shelter animals (HB 4263), support a bill to end the practice of selling shelter animals to testing labs (HB 4663), support a bill to allow animals on factory farms enough room to turn around in their cages (HB 5127), and oppose a bill to allow factory farms to police themselves (HB 5128/SB

Those who want to get involved or sign an online petition to ban the chaining of dogs can go to humanevoters-mi.org. William McMullin

### Solid financial plan, not a balanced budget, is the main issue

or weeks, news from the state capital has been dominated by our lawmakers' battles to alance the state's budget before a threatened government shutdown, Unfortunately, they -- and



and legally nec-essary. But here's what all too A budget is not the same thing

as a solid financial plan. Sure, the Michigan Constitution requires that the Legislature pass a balanced budget by the start of the fiscal year on October I. And getting there has been tougher than ever this

What they now call the "Great ession" meant lawmakers faced a staggering task. When they began, they were staring at a projected General and School Aid projected General and Sanda ...
fund deficit of nearly \$3 billion. Recessions come and go. But for Michigan, this is a problem

that is no longer cyclical and by no means temporary. Our state is certain to face a budget crisis every year or so unless we adopt a solid, long term financial plan that gets our financial house in That will have to be a plan that

nomic troubles, likely population losses and reduced state tax reve-

In the short run, we'll have another bad budget problem next year. This may be cushioned a little, since \$510 million in federal stimulus money may still be avail-

able to help out. But the year after that, we will be facing the mother of all budget crises, if nothing cha Whiskers will all be gone by October 2011. When that happens, Michigan's budget is then projected to "fall off the cliff," ording to Mitch Bean, dire of the House Fiscal Agency.

The fact of the matter, as experts ranging from the Citizens mist Charles Ballard keep pointing out, is that Michigan has been li ing for yearly a decade with a bud get that is structurally unbalanced by at least \$1 billion each year.

"Structurally unbalanced means simply that the programs now embedded in state spending will continue to always cost mo than foresécable tax revenue. Left intouched, this structural deficit could zoom as high as \$50 billion in less than two decades, according to calculations and estimate

from The Center for Michigan. What the state badly needs then is a solid financial plan, or which takes account of structural budget deficits — and over the long term, puts into place the kinds of reforms in the structure and cost of state and local govern-ment to bring annual budgets into

Simply put, if we do not adopt far-reaching reforms in how our

state takes in and spends money, we will continue to be doomed to have budget crises year after year

So our leaders in Lansing may for having finally gotten to a bal-Well, that's better than not hav-

But the sobering reality is that just balancing the budget doesn't eally solve anything, unless the deeper causes of the deficit are addressed. Now, for contrast, con sider Oakland County. It's one of the country's wealthiest, but over the next three years officials then are predicting up to a 50% drop in the value of commercial and

industrial property and a 25% decline in residential values. That means an enormous hole in the tax base. But Oakland County officials adopted a two-year budgeting model several years ago. Now, they have decided to push their financial planning out further. A new three-year financial plan will give them time to design and

county government to bring it into balance with reduced tax revenues. Meanwhile, Michigan still budgets one year at a time. Sadly, it is clear that all the energy now going into fighting over a balanced budget would be far better spent in thinking hard about what the state's going to look like in the future, and adopt-

adopt reforms to cut the cost of

ing a series of reforms that bring spending into line with income. There's not much appetite for that kind of hard-headed think-

ing in the corridors of our state capital. Many say it's just too tough. But groups ranging from Business Leaders for Michigan, Citizens Research Council, the Detroit Chamber of Commerce and the Center for Michigan have already published lists of far-

billions each year. Last week, I was on a panel the publisher of Crain's Detroit Business. The goal was to considhealth. I spent 15 minutes at home jotting down some of the reform proposals that have been floating around for years. By the time I had to leave to get to Novi for the debate, I had noted 14 proposals that in total, cut \$2.6 billion each

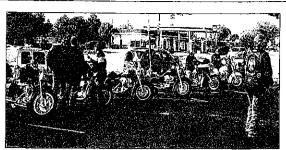
Pie in the sky? If so, it is necessary pie. Without changes of this magnitude in the structure, workment, our state will never be able

So, balanced budgets are necessary, yes. But they are hardly sufficient for a financially stable state. Our leaders now need to turn from balancing one year's

Phil Power is the founder and president of The Center for Michigan, a binartisan centrist think and do tank. Contact him at power@thecenterformichigan.net.

### Riding for a cause

The Northville American Legion Post 147 recently held a motorcycle improvements to the legion hal! and other charitable contributions About 70 riders started from Stuart's of Novi and made stops at four legion halls in the area - Milford, Brighton, Howell and Wixom. The event raised about \$300 for the post



### **Videophones: A simple way to see** your elderly loved ones from afar

What can you tell me about video-phones for seniors? I recently moved to a new city about 500 miles from elderly parents, and I still want But the problem is, they dou't have a home computer for video chatting an hey're terrible with technology. Youngest Child

Dear Youngest

Videophones can be a great way to tay connected and get face-to-face me with your aging parents when ou can't be there. Here are some good products to consider for computer-less eniors with technology limitations.

For those who aren't familiar with "videophones," they're like a telephon with a built-in camera and video creen that gives you the ability to see e person you're talking to in real me. All you need is a high speed DSL or Cable) Internet connection and you're ready to go.

While there are lots of great vid-

orthones on the market today, a top option to consider is the brand new "ASUS Videophone Touch" that works with Skype – a popular software ser-vice that enables its users to make free hone and video calls via the Internet More than 400 million people around the globe currently use Skype. (You can subscribe to this free service at

SAVVY SENIOR

Skype.com.)
The main reason I like the ASUS Videophone for seniors is simplicity It's a compact, all-in-one device that comes with a large 7-inch video screen a built-in webcam, microphone. speakerphone and simple touch-screen controls that makes it very easy to see, hear and use. It also offers a wireless nection and built-in rechargeable attery, giving your parents the freedom to chat anywhere in the house. Another great advantage is afford-ability. While the ASUS Videophone will cost you around \$270 (available at Amazon.com), Skype-to-Skype video calls are completely free, and if you have a webcam, you can use your computer to video call your parent's videophone (and vise versa), which means you don't have to buy a second videophone to converse with them like you do with other services. This videophone will also let your parents make unlimited calls to other landlines and model phones in the U.S. and Canada for only \$3 per month.

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Other Options If you don't want to use Skype or don't like the ASUS Videophone, there are a plenty of other videophones on

you'll have to buy two (one for them and one for you) in order to converse with each other, which doubles your costs. Here are your options:

 ACN (www.myaen.com, 877-226-1010): A digital phone service company that makes and sells the IRIS 3000 videophone for \$100 with a two-year agreement, plus a \$12 monthly fee for ACN-to-ACN users. They also offer an unlimited calling plan to landline and cell phones in the U.S., Canada, or Puerto Rico for \$30 per month.

\* 8x8, Inc.(www.8x8.com, 866-879-8647): Developers of the Tango videophone, it sells for \$200 plus a \$25 per onth unlimited calling plan. Vidtel (www.vidtel.com, 877

698-4383): Offers the Grandstream GVX 3000 videophone for \$200, with monthly voice/video calling plans starting at \$15 per month. Grandstream also offers two other models – the GVX 3005 and 3140 that you can see at www.grandstream Ojo (www.ojophone.com, 877-367-

6965): They offer two videophones, the PVP 1000 for \$450 and the PVP 900 for \$350, plus \$10 per month for Ojo-Send your senior questions to: Savvy Senior, P.O. Box 5443, Norman,

OK 73070, or visit www.savvysenio

org. Jim Miller is a contributor to the NBC Today show and author of "The

last one to end the conversation? "Thanks." "No problem." "OK." "Anytime." "Great." "Sounds good prompt an action from a col-

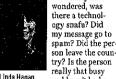
Since there are no real rules,

wolf one too many times or like

For information that warrants or requires an answer, be sure to flag that in the subject line and the first line of the message. Some

### Who is responsible for follow-up e-mail?

ave you ever sent a business colleague an e-mail that you expected to receive a reply, or even needed an answer, only to ge no response?



try? Is the person really that busy and hasn't had a chance to read the

message? Or, does the person just not care? Conversely, have you ever sent an e-mail just for information that didn't necessitate any response, only to be caught in almost a proverbial bowing back and forth to each other not wanting to be the

You may have

Who is responsible for the follow-up in business e-mails that are meant to elicit feedback or league? Is it the sender or the

just netiquette, the answer is both. It is the sender's responsibility to make it clear in the message that a response is needed. And, it's pro-fessional courtesy for the receiver to respond in some way in a timely

the organization or externally, the writer needs to make it clear that a response is needed and by when Some people have begun using the "!" or "high importance" signal to indicate that the message necessitates attention. However, overuse of that is similar to the boy crying "breaking news" used by television

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more straightforward, "Answer required." Business people who read most of their e-mail via cel

Of course, the tone of the request should depend on the relationship the sender has with the receiver. Sending an e-mail be appropriate for a note sent to a supervisor.

The responsibility for message understanding and clarity is on the sender who should think about the audience and tailor the mes-

sage appropriately.

On the other side of the screen though is where professional courtesy comes in. For receivers, it is unprofessional, disrespectful, and even bad manners, not to respond to e-mails from colleagues in a timely manner. The reply could be simply, "Yes" "Nope" "2MOR" (texting for tomorrow) or "I'll get back to you in a few days once I have the opportunity to read your proposal thoroughly." If you really are going to be out of the country set your "out of office" response Nevertheless, respond.

If no feedback comes, it is manner. appropriate for the sender to fol-When sending an e-mail, wheth-er vertically or horizontally within see this, I am waiting for your

> Linda Hagan, Ph.D., is a professor of business communication and the director of the Doctor of Management in Executive Leadership program at Walsh College. She teaches courses in the bachelor's master's and doctoral programs, and consults on management/organiza-tional communication issues. Hagan is an accredited member of the Public Relations Society of America and a mer ber of the Board of Directors of the PRS Detroit Chapter. She can be reached at

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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: II a.m. every Sunday on WROT-AM 560, The WMUZ

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 ConneXions - 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 AIOI

TIME/DATE: 6:30 a.m. Wednesday Single Adult Ministries Single's Bible Study

TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. second and fourth Mondays, Room C309 From Grief to New Hope

TIME/DATE: 7-8:45 p.m. on eight consecutive Mondays, 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 orief 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 holyfamilynovi.orgMass

TIME/DAY: 7:30, 9, 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. tion: beginning 9 a.m. Saturdays or by appoint-

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.

#### DETROIT FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

LOCATION: 21260 Haggerty Road, north of Eight Mile Road CONTACT: (248) 348-7600 or visit dfcnazarene.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

Wednesday Schedule: 5:30 p.m. Family Meai, \$4 per persor \$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.

#### ST. JAMES CATHOLIC

LOCATION: 4632510 Mile Road, Novi CONTACT: (248) 347-7778 Mass Schedul 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: Monthly, first and third Wednesday through May 19,

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

CONTACT: Becky McKee (248) 305-5924 or Kris Endreszl

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LOCATION: 44400 W, 10 Mile Road CONTACT: (248) 349-2345 or visit faithcommunity-novi.org Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.

ST, PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH LOCATION: 201 Elm St., Northville CONTACT: (248) 349-3140 Sunday Worship: 8:30 a.m. 8lended; 11 a.m. Contemporary;

11:30 a.m. Traditional

### MEADOWBROOK CONGREGATIONAL

LOCATION: 21355 Meadowbrook Road, between Eight and CONTACT Rev. Arthur P. Ritter, Senior Minister (248) 348-7757, visit mbccc.org or e-mail to office@mbccc.org. Sermon: Having a Plan Church School: 10-11 a.m

Yona Fit Classes TIME/DATE: 7:30 p.m. every Monday DETAILS; Eight weeks, \$55 continuous or \$8 per drop in Merry Widows Luncheon

TIME/DATE: 11:30 a.m. fourth Thursday of each month Frening Vespers TIME/DATE: 7:30 p.m. Oct. 4 TIME/DATE: 9 a.m. Oct. 9:10 Blood Drive TIME/DATE: 1-7 p.m. Oct. 12

#### OUR LADY OF VICTORY CATHOLIC CHURCH

LOCATION: 770 Thaver, Northville CONTACT: (248) 349-2621 or olynorthyllie.org TIME: 5 p.m. Sunday Worship

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LOCATION: 140 N. Center, above Tutto's in Old Church Square, Northville CONTACT: Pastor Bill Burke at (734) 927-0891 Sunday Worship: 11:30 a.m. with fellowship and food after

#### FIRST IMPTIST CHURCH OF HOWI-FAMILY INTEGRATED CHURCH

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

MORTHWELE CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY

LOCATION: 41355 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.

#### CROSSPONITE MEADOWS CHORCH LOCATION: 29000 Meadowbrook Road, south of 13 Mile

CONTACT: (248) 669-9400, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday-Thursday or visit www.crosspointemeadows.org. Bible study classes: 10 a.m. for all ages DETAILS: Nursery and older children programs available. Worship blends traditional and contemporary elements

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online at hometownlife.com

#### ST. JOHN LUTHERAN

LOCATION: 23225 Gill Road, Farmington Hills CONTACT: (248) 474-0584 or visit stjohn-lutheran.com Saturday Worship TIME: 5:30 p.m. TIME: 9, 11:15 a.m. Sunday School

TIME: 10:15 a.m.

#### MOVE-MORTHVALLE CENTER FOR JEWISH LIFE

LOCATION: Novi CONTACT: www.novijewishcenter.com e-mail: rabbi@novi lewishcenter.com or call (248) 790-6075.

#### IBMITARIAN UNIVERSALIST CHURCH OF FARMINGTON

LOCATION: 25301 Halstead 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 compliments the mission of UUCF Religious Education of teaching youth inclu sion, 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 CONTACT: Jennifer Teed at 248/478-7272 or dre@uufarm: Liberty - What Does She Demand?

TIME/DATE: 7-9:30 n.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 presenta tion, 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 fisting by visiting http://uufarmington.org/uucf/re-

CONTACT: For reservations (call 248/478-7272)

### ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

LOCATION: 574 S. Sheldon Road, Plymouth CONTACT: (734) 453-0190 Resounding Art in a Sacred Space: Piano Prodig Anastasia Rizikov In Concert TIME/DATE: 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 27 **DETAILS:** St. John's will present in concert the world renowned 10-year-old piano prodigy Anastasia Rizikov. This amazing young lady did not begin her lessons until she was five years old and by the time she was seven became a First-Place winner at The Vladimir Horowitz International Young Pianists Competition in Kiev, Ukraine, where she represented Canada, Born in Toronto, Canada, Anastasia has in five short years accomplished what many planists never accomplish. She has been awarded First Place in over 10 Canadian music competitions, such as the Markham Yips, NYCO, Peel, Davenport Music Festivals, the Toronto Festival and the Canadian Music Competition, Concert is free - a free-will offering will be gladly accepted to support St.

end calendar submissions via e-mail to news@northyi lerecord; by fax to (248) 349-9832; or by mail to Church Events/Northville-Novi, 101 N. Lafavette, South Lynn, MI 48178. Items must be received by noon on Monday to be

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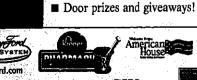
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Details: We all want to keep our memory as functional as possible. Learn ways to keep our brain healthy, active and fit through un and interesting brain teasers that will help to keep our memory sharp. Presented by Susan horpe. Please RSVP by calling 248.347.0414. No charge. Financial Series - "What is your plan for when your health

TIME/DATES: 1-2:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 7

Details: We will discuss Long Term Care Planning and the notions available to individuals Many people have a misconcep tion that Medicare will pay the hill. Not true. People are living longer and demanding a better quality of life. We will introduce concepts and planning ideas to help maintain dignity and preserve assets. Presented by Reid Associates. Please RSVP by calling

TIME/DATES: 1-3 p.m. Thursdays Details: Nintendo Wii is here! Using special motion-sensitive controllers your team can drive a race car, bowl a strike, hit a home run or serve up an ace in tennis with a Hick of the wrist. What a great way to spend time

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with friends and have lots of good conversation while being active. Blood Pressure Checks

> Details: Every Wednesday blood pressure checks are offered. Check yourself regularly and stay healthy. Your blood pressure record will be on file at the Senior Center so you can track your health. No charge.

TIME/DATES: 11-11:45 a.m.

Panera Bread TIME/DATES: 8:15-9:30 a.m. Details: With thanks to Panera for a great partnership, every Tuesday

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TIME/DATES: 1-3 p.m. Tuesdays

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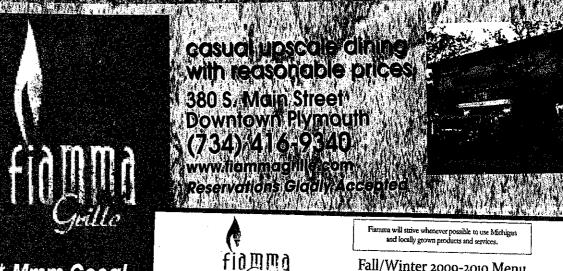
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to consider a gift beyond the ticket price.) CONTACT: Mary at (248) 756-6270; Yvonne at ywybornyB71@comcast. net; Lester at (734) 663-7493; or Susan at susanlbeckett@gmail TIME/DATE: 6 p.m. first Tuesday of com.



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### **Novi spikers** get win vs. **Northville**

### Skill and error mix for intense match

BY CHRIS JACKETT

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

mistake was a costly one and each game was neck-in-neck until the end. Novi prevailed with a fourgame match victory. "It was a

It was a great match. It was really exciting. They have just really gotten better," said Novi coach Julie Fisette 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 KLAA Central) behind a 25-13, 21-25, 25-14, 25-23 match.

The Wildcats got strong perfor-mances 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 how ever, 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," Fisette 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.

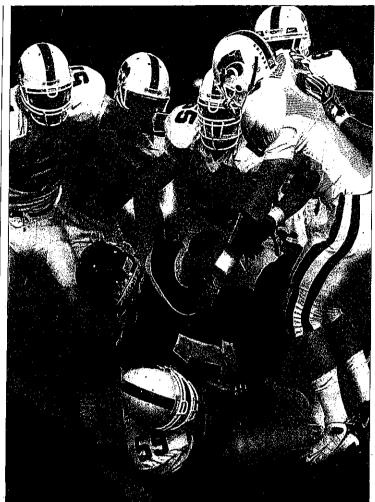
"She really played a nice, consistent game for us," Fisette said.

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

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



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

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.

ond quarter.
Novi (3-2, 3-0 KLAA 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 tor 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 Cur."

"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

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 Mins 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 past day who had buyen

the next play, who had broken free on a run up the right side-line 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 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

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



lor a ball between South Lyon defenders Elliott (No.

### 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 Shanrocks 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 show-

coven.
"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 Shannocks 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 consistogether a first half that was more consis-tent than the's 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 defease. 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 lead 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 The Sharmocks 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.

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, toppling a very good DeLaSalle, 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 Eaglets 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." 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

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 22-33.

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 comiess, 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 'The Mustangs' push wasn't enough Sept. 22, as fresh-man Jackie Mullins led Novi



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

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. 18 in East Lansing, fin-ishing 20th of 30 teams in the

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

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A Novi Wildcat runs at Cass Benton

it put a different focus into

Mullins led the way for Novi with a 30th overall finish in 19:32. McMahan followed in 100th at 21:05, Hodge in 105th (21:13), Murray 127th (21:33) and Myers 131st (21:39).

"The girls are just not show-ing 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 t's now in full swing.

Although the team was 20th in the Elite Division, their imes would have placed them third in the Green Division, the same position they finished last season en route to a 10th place
Sept. 23.

Chris Jackett is a freelance writer nd former Novi News staff writer

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later, Gurney hit Hopton with a 35-yard heave up the left side, which Hopton caught barely in bounds at the two-yard line and tip toed past the end zone pylon as he was pushed out of bound by a Lions defender. The ensuing point-after kick was good by senior RB Brett Kuhn, put ting Novi shead 22-0 in the first quarter.

With a commanding lead, Novi's footwork continued racking up yards, as Gurney hit Brant with a short pass and Brant ran up the right side for a 36-yard gain to South Lyon's

32-yard line.
"Mike Brant is a developing young running back. He's running plays just the ways he's sed to," Kellepourey said supposed to," Kellepourey said "The offensive line does a tre-

Brant was hit for a five-yard loss on the very next play, fum-bling and losing the ball; one of Novi's three lost fumbles on the night. This inevitably set South Lyon up for a 35-yard field goal by senior Ben Rhoad early in the second quarter, cutting

The Wildcats also continued to struggle with penalties, get-ting called 12 times for a loss of

"You're supposed to produce at a higher level. You hope that it sinks in after awhile. We talked about holding onto a footproblem if you're not holding onto the football," Kellepoure said. "It's on that individual to get better in those areas in order for our team to be better

After hitting junior WR Alex Willson with a 14-yard pass and Hopton with 16- and eight-yard passes, Gurney avoided a sack with a run toward the right side on second and two with 5:19 remaining in the half. As he tried to avoid a diving tackle from the front, he was caught from behind and the diving defender's helmet connected with Gurney's right knee, side lining him for the rest of the

game. South Lyon senior Jared Elliott and junior Ian Herman combined for the stop. "He took a pretty hard hit on

Novi (3-2) hosts Livonia Stevenson 7 p.m. tomorrow during the homecoming celebration Novi will host Northville (3-2) 7 p.m. Oct. 9.

obviously. They made it to the finals at Ford Field last year. They're a big team. We expect a physical game both offensively and defensively," Novi coach Tab Kellepourey said. "It's going to he homecoming and that's the time the student body gets very to get it done on the field. This is a big game to guarantee a share Novi's three victories have all come against previously winless KLAA Central opponents, whereas Stevenson and Northville were both 2-0 in the division

until they played each other last week. Stevenson won 31-0. in division games against Northville, South Lyon and Salen the nast three weeks. Stevenson has outscored opponents 102-7. Salem and South Lyon East by a total of 75-15.

what happens if you don't keep

your feet up."
Gurney finished with 161 yards passing (7-for-14) and three touchdowns in less than half a game. Powered by seniors QB

Tim Hartland and RB Ton kept pressure on the Lions in second half, as South Lyon ed to get through a strong Novi defensive line led by seniors Tim Kolis (seven tack-Nick Litteleton (five tackles

some really good tackles that night. I was real impressed with his tenacity," Kellepourey said. "Our defense is a pretty sound group of guys. We're going to be ready to tackle our

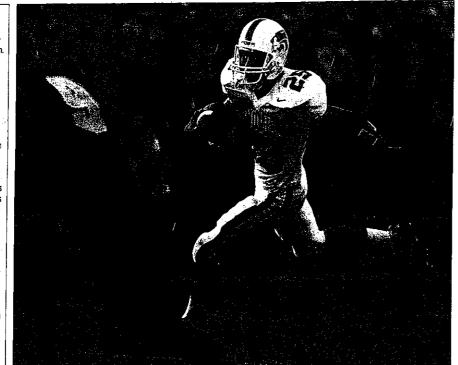
opponent." On defense, senior Jordan Jabbori, juniors Jonathan Robinson, Austin Wertheimer Ryan Crodes and sonhomo Alex King each had five tackles, while two of junior Joe

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Mike Brant takes off down the field during the Wildcats' 38-5 win.

Mikkelsen's four tackles were

The Wildcats had one big offensive push left in them, starting with a safety forced by Novi's defense when a snap for a punt at South Lyon's 31 went chased down by the Wildcats. The Lions got there first though, slapping the pigskin out the back of the end zone as both players dove for the ball. The safety put Novi ahead 31-3.

On the next drive, Novi got a 19-yard rush up the left side up a 29-yard touchdown run up the right from Brant. Following the point after by junior Scott Stanford, Novi led 38-3. Both teams failed to generate

quarter, but South Lyon got some points by forcing a safety of their own with 4:36 remain-The Lions had the ball for

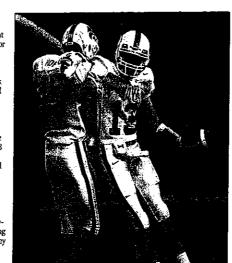
10:38 of the fourth quarter. After a failed fourth-and-

three attempt by the Lions came up one yard short, Novi gained possession on downs at their own five-vard line. Junio being tackled in the end zone by South Lyon senior DE Nick

down, cutting Novi's lead to

South Lyon's final drive got within scoring distance dur-ing the final minute, but came up short. The Lions' senior QE Aaron Shelp hit Evans with a 27-yard pass to Novi's six-yard line, but Robinson and junior CB Gage Liberati combined to make the tackle as time

Novi set a team record with four passing touchdowns, pow-ered by a 226.5 efficiency rating and 221 yards in the air. Gurne led the Wildcats with a 23.0 yards average per completion.



Novi High School's Justin Hopton (No. 15) and Jimmy Gurney celebrate after

### Shamrocks tie Ann Arbor Pioneer in tennis matchup

BY SAM EGGLESTON

Two more days of tennis no change in the state rank ings or in the ferocity at which the Detroit Catholic Central Shamrocks have been playing

The netters, coached by Joe Stafford, collected a tie against Ann Arbor Pioneer, 4-4, last Thursday before going on to win every flight in the o days later for their fifth

ournament title. The Shamrocks, which are Shamrocks' Nick Petrucci Division I, knotted up against third-ranked Ann Arbo Pioneer in a showdown that will likely give pundits a view at many of the match-ups that had their hands full against a

Arbor's Dan Jiang, 6-3, 6-1, help his team to the tie.

"We won four flights in

straight sets and the four victory, 6-1, 7-5. matches we lost were all close matches," said Stafford, "I expect Pioneer to be a seriou beat themselves and they

know how to win."
Joe Dube' continued his exceptional play at first singles, escaping a very good Ann Arbor Pioneer player in Garrett Halpert, 6-2, 6-3. while fourth singles player Eric Guindi defeated Ann

In the doubles flights, the and Robbie Guindi defeated Garrett Kessler and Zach Bayoff, 6-2, 6-4, at third Bowers and Ryan DeLacy and Mac Moore at fourth doubles, but pulled out the

"I am really proud of how this team is responding under pressure and how we are playing the big points," said Stafford. "We are consistently winning from behind and

that is a special quality that championship teams possess—never giving up and knowing how to finish." Catholic Central climbed to 7-0-2 on the year with the tie. In the Essexville Garber Invitational, the Shamrocks

won every flight without los ing a single match to domi-nate the field. Taking second in the tournament was Garber Many of the consolation rounds were not finished due to rain, so scores were not com-

and former staff sports writer for the

### **VOLLEYBALL**

freshman Rebecca Martin combined for several big plays to keep Northville in the game. Back and forth with impres-sive plays and sloppy mistakes on both sides of the net, the fourth game was tied at 21. Novi needed the win to close out the match and Northville needed it to force a decisive fifth game. Novi senior Allison

Hoomaian spiked one into a pair of Northville blockers who couldn't get it back over

next play, Northville's Martin position to set the ball up for was called for a lift during a recovery from a block that sophomore Katie Enright, who killed the set ball with a spike to the deep right corner, giving Novi the win. Subject finished with 24 didn't go back over the net. Northville called a time out

to get things back in order, blocking a spike back over the assists, while Enright had net for the next point. However, Novi got a clean Senior Julia Thomas had seven spike off to take a 24-22 lead, setting up match point. Northville spiked one home

"I thought it was a good match. The nice thing is that we have a lot of different play-ers with a lot of kills," Fisette said. "If you can master your

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as Hoomaian couldn't return

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### Wildcats three-peat at Spartan Invite

### Novi boys running over competition

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BY CHRIS JACKETT

In five years of competing at the Spartan Invitational in East Lansing, Novi's boy's cross country team has never finished worse than second place. Their most recen trip earned them a third straight title, their fourth in the five visits.

"We're firing on all cylinders right now, we're staying healthy and we're running well," said coach Robert Smith. "We're cruising through the season right now. Things are going smoothly, almost eerily smooth. The whole team is improving at the same rate."

The Wildcats outran 42 other teams in the Green Division on Sept. 18, finishing with 86 point

ON TAP Novi's runners now turn their eyes to Liyonia Stevenson on Tuesday and the **Caldand County** Invitational Oct. 10. which Smith said would pit the Wildcats against some of its toughest competition of the

The squad was led by senior Mike Blaszczyk, who finished in 16 minutes and 14 seconds His teammates weren't far behind, as

Forest Hills

best runners' times were within a 20-second window and each finished within the

"That's our style of running and it works out real well for us," Smith said of the pack strategy. "We have confidence in each other's abilities."

Following Blaszczyk was seniors Alex Minghine (16th, 16:59), Geoffrey Giese (17th, 17:01), junior Joe Schubring (23rd, 17:07), senior Dan Egner (28th, 17:11) and iunior Brett Giampa (36th, career best of

"(Giampa)'s really stepped up. He was barely varsity last year. He's really filling the holes well." Smith said. Following the Spartan Invitational, the Wildcats hosted Northville Sept. 22

at Cass Benton. The Mustangs, who also performed well at the Spartan Invitationa vith a fourth-place finish, were no match for Novi, as the Wildcats won 16-42.

I want to say how proud I am to come back and do well against Northville. A lot of times, you come back after a big win and get beat," Smith said. "Northvilles a good team, but we really came to play that day. Blaszczyk led the Wildcats with a

dominating 16:49 time, a personal course best. He was a full 39 seconds ahead of Egner, who finished second with a per-sonal course best of 17:28. Schubring (17:29), Giampa (17:30) and Giese (17:31) unded out Novi's five point earners as the Wildcats swept the top four spots and Giese took sixth in a decision against Northville's Frank Griffiths, who also ran a 17:31 race to take fifth place and prevent

the full sweep.
"We're in pretty good shape this year.
We're healthier this year," Smith said. We're undefeated no matter how you slice

Novi also won the Anchor Bay Invitational last Friday with 24 points. beating out Dakota (69 points) and seven other teams. Blaszczyk took first overall in a season-best 16:14, while Egner took fourth with a career-best 16:3 fifth with a career-best 16:34, Giese sixth with a career-best 16:38, Minghine eighth with a season-best 16:49, Giampa 10th with a career best 16:55 and Chase Conrad 15th with a career-best 17:18.

"If we continue to have confide continue to run well." Smith said. "This is a am that really clicks. They're going to do

Chris Jackett is a freelance writer and former Novi Wildcat Dan Egner finishes second overall in a cross country run at Cass



Wildcat Mike Blaszczyk finishes first in a cross



Wildcat Brett Giampa running at Cass Benton on Sepi



A Novi High cross country runner dashes up a hill at Northville's



Wildcat cross country runner

### Catholic Central earns tie against Warriors in soccer

the net for the early lead.

Detroit Catholic Central

a penalty kick was awarded. Josh Gatt, widely considered

It wasn't an eventful week for the Detroit Catholic Central

Shamrocks soccer team, but it was one that had an eventful The squad, coached by Joe Nora, found themselves all knotted up with Catholic

League Central Division rival Brother Rice last week in a defensive struggle that ended The Shamrocks found them-selves behind in the first half,

the goal off the penalty, knotplay remaining, neither team

Warriors got on the board on a long throw deflection that other and ended the contest with a tie. A strong showing by the Shamrocks with under found its way into the back of didn't give up, though, fighting back and pushing their offen-sive strategy into the Brother kick by Cole Borland nearly found its way home with time expiring, but rang off the cross-bar and was cleared away from Rice zone where Brandon Hess was taken down in the box and

was able to get the best of the

the goal to end the game.

Catholic Central is currently one of the best soccer players in the state of Michigan, notched 7-1-3 overall this year and 3-0-2 in Catholic League play.

> Sam Eggleston is a freelance writer and former staff sports writer for the Northville Record and Novi News.



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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 louchdown run. Austin Racicot carried 8 times for 16 yards and two touchdowns. Racicot also caught a sevenvard 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 Addison Lonergan completed his one pass attempt. Charlie

Ryan had a reception of 24 yards. Keith Pravato caught three passes for 39 yards. Josh Hefner led the tackles. Ethan Roy had four tackles. Jack Pinkerton had a big game with three pass breakups, four tackles and an onside kick recovery. Brett Guiboux had three tackles After the Bobcats' defense and a pass breakup. Mark Ryan had three tackles. Jalei

and Jack Twomey each had a The Bobcats next game is against the Livonia Falcons on Sunday at Novi Middle

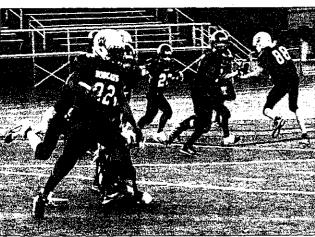
Ward had three tackles.

Jeff Baker had two tackles.

JV shuts out

Orioles, 22-0 The JV Bobcats (4-0) faced for a 43 yard touchdown the Livonia Orioles (3-1) on the lead to 22-0. The Saturday. After surrendering an on-side kick, the early forcing the Orioles to a three-and-out possession. After receiving the Orioles punt, the Bobcats' offense drove 66 yards on 11 plays, with Andrew Schroeder running three times for 20

vards. Rvan Moore scram-



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

Andy Mizerowski and Coltor Neisius earning tough first downs. Anthony D'Annibale punched the ball into the the PAT for a 8-0 lead. The covered 41 yards in three plays with D'Annibale breaking outside for a 27-yard touchdown, his second of the game. Fox kicked the PAT for

forced the Orioles to three possessions, on first down of the Orioles fourth pos-Billy Ulle, Austin Racicot, Charlie Ryan, Keith Pravato session, Christian Durhan jarred the ball loose and Joshua Metz recovered the fumble. On the ensu-ing drive, with the Bobcats facing 4th down and nine yards to go, Moore dropped back into the pocket cre By John Schiesler ated by excellent pass block ing from Ryan Watha, Ian Patterson, Ryan Rabinowitz, Paul O'Conner and Andrey Hixson and found Fox deep ehind the Orioles defense

> Bobcats' defense kept the Orioles scoreless with inter-ceptions from Michael Ulle and Conner Moore, with an awesome 40-yard return threatening to score as time expired in the first half. The Bobcats' depth was on

display with the top 8 play-



ers pulled from the second half due to the 22-point lead. The defense protected VanKirk, 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, VanKirk had our carries for 24 yards, and Mizerowski four carries for 17 yards to keep the ball away from the Orioles. Following an Orioles desensive timeout to preserve precious time late in the fourth quarter, Jaret Robson completed a 22-yard down allowing the Bobcats

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

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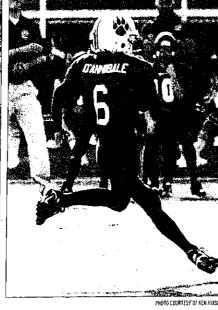


earning their third shutout of the season. VanKirk led all tacklers with six tackles and one assist followed by Lang and Neisius both with four tackles and 1 assist, The Bobcats' offense generated 10 first downs, gained 144 yards on the ground and 65 through the air. D'Annibale led all rushers with three carries for 36 yards and two touchdowns, followed by Schroeder with five carries for 35 yards. Ryan Moore was one for one passing fo 43 yards and a touchdown to

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

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

Freshmen top Livonia in times in a row only to be defensive battle, 6-0

ame on strong when Evar Barthiow, 44, ran for a 40yard 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 game that this was a defensive battle the Bobcats were

Early in the second quarter the Orioles were advancing down the field, but the Bobcat defense was on a mission and that mission was 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,

Trendon Hankerson, Joey Mascari and Parker Bohland. In the 3rd quarter it looked ir way down the field to

stopped short by the Bobcat The fourth quarter start-

ed with the Orioles deep in Bobcat territory when Trendon Hankerson had 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 hold them. It turned into a nail bitter 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

in action Oct. 4 at Novi Middle School vs. the
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1:10 left, Chad Howell had

a 15-yard run in attempt to

and the Bobcats defeated the

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with our readers? I am thankful for my initial clients that booked with me when I first opened my doors in 2001. They were

Do not feel guilty if you can travel as each and every one of us deserves to be happy. Vacations are a good thing so get out there and enjoy.

Any advice for business owners?

I think many people work at a job that they may not like but have to make a living: This will pay the bills and you can do that job for a long time. If you are going to open your own business, it has to be some that you truly many long hours and many sleepless nights but if it is results are well worth it. What's in store for the future of

We will continue to focus our efforts and pursue appealing to our clients and ork with our travel partners that offer stability and good

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 Caribbean Vacation Get-Away at the Bak Bar at Poole's Tavern in Northville on Oct. Beaches Resorts, Everyone

### BUSINESS BRIEFS TO

Film tax credits may be on line Movie producers are watching anxiously to

see whether Michigan's generous tax subsidy for filmmakers will face big cuts as Lansing strug-gles to patch a \$2.8-billion budget hole. Gov. Jennifer Granholm, one of the most avid advocates for the film subsidy, has proposed trimming it 12.5% -- from a maximum of 42% to about 37% -- to help the state hold onto more

She has support among lawmakers to scale back the tax break, which is hailed by support-ers as a powerful lure for moviemakers — and jobs for Michiganders.

State Sen. Nancy Cassis, R-Novi, a leading critic of the movie incentives, said Granholm's proposal isn't enough.

All the talk in Lansing of tinkering with the on's most generous filmmaking tax break

"I don't like hearing about a reduction," said producer David Permut, who said Michigan's tax incentive was a reason he brought two proj-

ects here last year. By Chris Christoff & Julie Hinds, Detroit

### Bagger Dave's coming to Novi

Diversified Restaurant Holdings Inc. announced Sent. 22 that it has signed a lease for a new Bagger Dave's Legendary Burgers and Fries to be located in Novi. The store is scheduled to open in the first quarter of 2010. A unique feature of the Bagger Dave's concept is its local focus with the interior showcasing hisnostalgic images gathered from local museums and historical societies create a sense of community loyalty that sets Baggers apart from the typical franchise restaurant.

### SolidSignal.com launches upgraded

Electronics retailer SolidSignal.com. announced that it has launched an upgraded version of its Website featuring many new, user friendly, characteristics.

The website enhancements were imple-

mented because of our genuine commitment to providing stellar customer service," said Jerry Chapman, CEO of Novi-based Solid Signal. We have a very open dialogue with our cus-tomers; we actively listen and we value their feedback about their shopping experience on SolidSignal.com. In fact, many of our Web site's new features and upgrades were based on customer comments, and we're hopeful they'll be blessed.

About SolidSignal.com SolidSignal.com specializes in distributing the latest high-tech equipment and product research to professional media installers and the tech-savvy consumer. Items sold by the e-retailer include over 25 different models of ligital TV converter boxes, gaming accessories HDEV antennas, satellite equipment, cellular

gear and accessories, video security, Sirius satellite radios, LCD televisions, GPS navigation systems, cable and wire supplies, installation

#### **Oakland County offers business** workshops

Business owners and entrepreneurs who need assistance are invited to attend seminars n September, offered by the Oakland County are now offered in the evenings on alternatin

(AM) Morning Class 9 a.m. to 12/12:30 p.m. (PM) Evening Class 6 p.m. to 9/9:30 p.m.

1 - Team SBA Financing Roundtable 8 - Pre-Business Research Workshop (PM) 15 - How to Start a Business Workshop (PM) 20 - Legal & Financial Basics for Small

21 - 8th Annual Bid & Brunch Matchmaking

22 - How to Write a Business Plan Workshop

28 - Listening to Your Business 29 - How to Write a Marketing Plan

4 - Women's Rusiness Certification (WRF) 5 - Pre-Business Research Workshop (AM) 12 - How to Start a Business Workshop (AM) 19 - How to Write a Business Plan Workshop

The Web site address for Oakland County Planning & Economic Development Services Workshops is http://www.oakgov.com/peds/cal-endar/index.html.

### Toll Bros. offers 2.875% rate

Toll Brothers, America's Luxury Home Builder, is launching a 9-day national sales event that gives new home hingers every reason to capitalize on the buyer's market new home they've always wanted. e on the buyer's market and build the

Through Sunday, Oct. 4, new buyers that ring the event can lock in a 30-year fixed mortgage rate as low as 2.875% at no additional cost for up to 12 months prior to closing at any one of Toll Brothers' nine com-

munities across metro Detroit. The special mortgage rate begins at 2.875% for the first year, then moves to 3.875% in the second year, and remains at 4.875% for years

three through 30 (4.752% APR).\*
According to Toll Brothers, this mortgage incentive equates to real money in the buyer's tocket "At 2 875% during the first year a monthly principal and interest payment of about \$1,730," says Christina Griffin, Business Development Manager for TBI Mortgage, Toll Brothers mortgage subsidiary. This saves the buyer about \$475 per month, compared to Call 248-424-5748

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#### Firm extends offerings to including adoption law

ciate attorney Melissa Cox, who brings experience in family and invenile matters - including adop-

'I'm passionate about assisting clients with the adoption process," Cox said. "Adoption is a wonderful option for many families, as well as hirth parents, but the applicable laws are very complex. For the majority of adoptive and birth parents, adoption will be the most tant that they have an attorney who understands the legal process and can be an effective advocate for them with the

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### being granted. He's not a show-

Mark Mandell is a well-respected

ease clients through divorces with

A partner at Fausone Bohn, LLP, fandell is committed to providing quality legal representation in

He seeks professional input from therapists, psychologists, CPAs and financial planners to assist his

ible and are respected by the judg-es," Mandell said, "That makes a big

Mandell has recently hired asso-

Cox earned a bachelor's in psychology from the University of Michigan in 2004 and received her law degree from Ave Maria School of Law in 2008.

### solid experience

He makes realistic

requests of the court that

boat lawyer who makes wild demands on the other party that are sure to be denied by the court

and common sense to advocate ınd to get a good resolution." aren't fruitful, Mandell is not afraid to try a case in court

He's an experienced trial lawyer in both civil and criminal law. Mandell is a township prosecutor He earned awards for trial advocacy during his time at the Thomas Cooley Law School of Law and later became an adjunct professor in trial workshop.

In addition, the firm of Fausone Bohn, LLP can help clients with their overall legal needs. Mandell nies and traffic offenses in which they place a strong emphasize on their role as counselors and stress to their clients the importance of

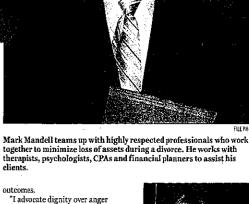
lifestyle changes. Mandell's partners can take care of other types of legal matters including environmental, corporate and

### Making divorce less painful

s committed to the total welfare of his clients. He operates according to a holistic phiosophy, taking care that his clients are served legally and financially, but also that he provides referrals for their physical and mental

"Going through a divorce is very stressful," he said: "I talk to my clients about seeking the help they need from counselors and doctors. It's all an important part of getting your life back together.' The experienced attorney tries

to make the unpredictable divorce process more predictable. He explains important concepts early accept the realities of the legal sys-



and batted that so often acco nies the divorce process," Mandell

Mandell has seen that there is nothing worse than couples bickering about every detail or fighting out unrealistic positions, some times for the sake of revenge at the children's expense. He helps clients to see the divorce from the perspec ing conflicts that can make things se for a family,

Cox is also passion

ate about resolving divorce and custody

"I consider myself an advocate for my clients' children. Cox said. "I remind clients that the chil dren are not possessions and ask them to think about how their actions affect their children's lives. We about what is best for the children

and I take that duty very seriously

During a divorce, high attorney fees can only exasperate financial stress. Mandell specifically works

with clients on keeping his fees low He encourages clients to go

instead of charging to prepare it as

through personal types of paper-

work on their own, if possible

Reducing attorney fees

### everyone to resolve things amica-

have found that Mark Mandell charges reasonable fees as he helps resolve a divorce with the least amount of financial and emotional

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In staying committed to the

community. Mandell has hired long-

Cox as his associate, who brings

experience in family and juvenile

matters - specializing in adoption

### Respected community

leaders Mark Mandell is respected in both the legal field and the commu-

nity at large.

After playing football at
Springfield College and graduating from James Madison College at Michigan State University, Mandell has turned around to help support the Northville football program. He is currently a JV football coach at

Republican Congressional Committee and is a local Don Knapp, Jr., another attorney of the firm was

Michigan House Representative John Walsh is also an attorney at Fausone Bohn. He represents the 19th

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other attorneys commonly do. He also gives couples an opportunity to what belongings each per will take from the home, instead of accumulating fees by disputing it in fees arguing about \$25 pots and Northville High School. In the past, Mandell served as chairman of the 13th

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Timeless, distinguished and fashionable, the Links of London jewelry line has made waves throughout Europe and is springing into popularity in the United States.

The selection mix of months

The eclectic mix of men's and women's jewelry in sterling silver and 18-carat gold has grown internationally from its roots in London, making numerous appearances in fashion magazines and on the arms and necks of

Rottermond Jewelers Livingston and Oakland county's leading, family-owned jeweler with locations in Brighton and downtown Milford, has just become the area's exclusive, authorized dealer Links of London, bringing interna-tional style right here to Michigan! "We are known for finding jewelry lines that are unique to

the area," said Cindi Rottermond, Vice President of Rottermond Jewelers. "The Links of London line is affordable, classic and time-less. If you don't know what to get someone for the holidays, this is something you can practically guarantee they won't have." Rottermond Jewelers in

Brighton will carry the lines both popular around the world and must-haves this fall. The "Iconic" Sweetie bracelet

Simple, sentimental and versatile, the Links of London Sweetie bracelet will be a hot item at Rottermond Jewelers in Brighton.

in Brighton. The idea for this sterling silver expandable charm bracelet

originated from candy bracelets sold in the "good old days." The bracelet features five small split rings where charms can be easily added and removed. Rottermond Jewelers' Brighton location offers 144 charm choices, from four leaf clovers and custom engraved hearts to rollerskates and diamond charms — all hallmarked for authenticity of the Links of

London brand "Because it's so elegant, this bracelet looks great even with just one charm on it," Cindi Rottermond said. "There are a lot of fun charms that you can make personal for you. Many of them mark special mile-stones, like 18th and 21st birthdays, a first child or memories from the past.

They are nostalgic yet modern at the same time." Autumn-Winter 2009 brings many new charms including a Sweets story,

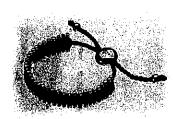
Fashion and Shopping, Make Up charms, the Links ID collection, Fruit Charm, Olympic Games

and more.
The Sweetie bracelet, starting at \$190, is available in Sterling Silver, 18K Gold, Rose Quartz, Rhodium, Turquoise and Marine Shell. Charms start as low as \$60.

### Fall's newest Friendship bracelet

A Links of London Friendship bracelet is the must-have accessor for fall — and it's also available at Rottermond Jewelers in Brighton.

Designed to reminisce cord bracelets that were made back in summer camp days and traded



available in 18 colors, including black and orange.

among friends, these handmade, unisex bracelets are a modern, high-end twist crafted from silk

lanyard and sterling silver bars.
"There are 18 different color options with new styles that appear every season," Cindi Rottermond said. "They also come in black and orange, the

come in black and orange, the color of our Brighton High School Bull Dogs!" In partnership with actor Matt Damon and music artist Wyclef Jean, Links of London donates proceeds of its red and black Friendship bracelets to ONEXONE, which funds and supports water, schools and supplies to villages in Africa. Friendship bracelets start

Links of London, established in 1990, is available in more than 60 stores in cities including London, New York, Dubai, Tokyo and Hong Kong. Links of London was named Jeweler of the Year consecutively in 2005, 2006 and 2007, with multiple other accreditations. Including Rottermond Jewelers in Brighton, Links of London is sold in fine jewelry stores around the world, includ-ing Harrods, Fenwick, Holt

on-to-be Neiman Marcus

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