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NOVI NOW Call to artists deadline

Go Figure, a fund-raiser for ArtsNovi, will be held from 7-9 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 2 at Gjetto's Salon at Twelve Mile Crossing in Novi. The evening includes dessert, wine, coffee and a silent auction. There is a \$5 donation requested at the door or an unwrapped toy for the Salvation Army Toy Shop. Food will be provided by Carrabba's; Gjetto's Salon will give away \$20 gift bags to the first 50 guests. ArtsNovi will supply artists with a 12" artist mannequin (pick up at Gjetto's) to design any way the artist wants. They must be returned by Nov. 19 to Gjetto's Salon. ArtsNovi will have them displayed at different local businesses to get the word out. The night of the event these wonderful creative unique pieces will be in a silent auction. The entry fee is \$10 (by cash or check, paid to ArtsNovi) and there will be two \$100 cash prizes for the following: One for a panel selected winner, and a second for the mannequin that gets the highest bid at the event. Artists get four free admissions - a \$20 value - to offset the entry fee. Funds will go to artist displays and other things helping and promoting local artists and art. Artists must e-mail their name, phone and e-mail address to artsnovi@yahoo.com.

'Potter' food drive
 Novi orthodontists Larry Spillane and Jamie Reynolds are sponsoring their second annual canned food drive/movie premiere for their patients. The doctors have rented an entire theater at the Emagine Theater Novi for an Exclusive Premiere of "Harry Potter 7" at 7 p.m. Nov. 18 - five hours before anyone else sees the film. In exchange for two tickets to the premiere, Spillane Reynolds are asking patients to donate a minimum of 10 canned goods to local food banks. For more information, call (248) 344-8400.

Charging for emergency response?

Council agrees language must be changed prior to approval

BY NATHAN MUELLER
 STAFF WRITER

A vocal Novi City Council voiced its displeasure last Monday with the language of several proposed ordinance amendments designed to help the city recover costs related to extraordinary emergency situations. The tone at the meeting was one of concern, but council still moved forward with approval of the first reading, expecting changes to come the second time they see them. The amendments were requested to update the ordinances to make them consistent with state law and mutual aid agreements as well as include additional types of emergency response costs that could be recovered, said Director of Public Safety/Chief of Police David Molloy.

"The intent is not to generate revenue, the intent is not to go after our residents, not to bill people for ordinary run of the mill traffic crashes or normal complaints," he said at the meeting. Molloy said Tuesday he took the feedback from that meeting and incorporated a lot of the changes suggested to narrow the scope. An appeal process also was included for the second reading. The broad language in the first reading caught the ire of several council members who viewed this as possibly an additional tax on residents. Mayor Pro-tem Bob Gatt said he understands the intent is not to charge normal citizens for normal public service delivery, but the way the ordinance is written did not say that. "I think we are on the verge of a slippery slope and I just want to be very cautious before we start approving amendments to these ordinances," he said at the meeting. "I would never as a

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High school's IB program drawing rave reviews



Novi High School students (from left) Danielle Bain, Shrivya Muskuir, Yamini Raja, and Addison Notarantonio work on a chemistry experiment. All four juniors are part of the school's new International Baccalaureate Program that is said to better prepare students for college and is the only high school diploma recognized internationally.

Teachers, students energized by curriculum

BY NATHAN MUELLER
 STAFF WRITER

The excitement level for Novi High School's International Baccalaureate program is spanning the entire district. Parents of students in the elementary schools and middle school are eager to get their children involved, teachers are re-energized by the unique teaching methods and students are enthused by the idea that they can control how they learn. Those reactions are exactly what Superintendent Peter Dion envisioned when he pushed the Board of Education to fund the program, and he is confident Novi is going to be rewarded for its investment. "When I first came into the district I thought there should be no reason why we shouldn't have this at the high school considering the quality of our staff and students and what our parents are expecting," he said. "One of the benefits to this curriculum is it stresses higher level thinking skills and that will be one of the critical skills for students in their

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Chamber giving shoppers jump start on holiday season

More than 40 vendors expected at Rock Financial today

BY NATHAN MUELLER
 STAFF WRITER

Holiday gift buying help is on the way once again as the Novi Chamber of Commerce is rolling out its Holiday Shopping Bazaar for a second consecutive year. The chamber is well represented at the event as several members are involved in today's

shopping extravaganza at the Rock Financial Showplace. More than 40 vendor booths will be set up to help make the event a one-stop shop for customers looking to get a start on the shopping season, or even finish it. "Last year's event was great and over 500

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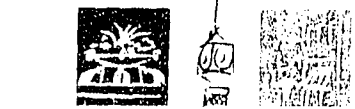
Job Fair

Kimberly Greer, right, interviews with Payroll It's Jennifer Vesnaugh at the Nov. 4. "Hired My Way" job fair at Novi's Rock Financial Showplace. Technology firms, banks, restaurant supply systems and the Customs and Border Patrol Agency were just some of those in Novi that day to talk to prospective employees.

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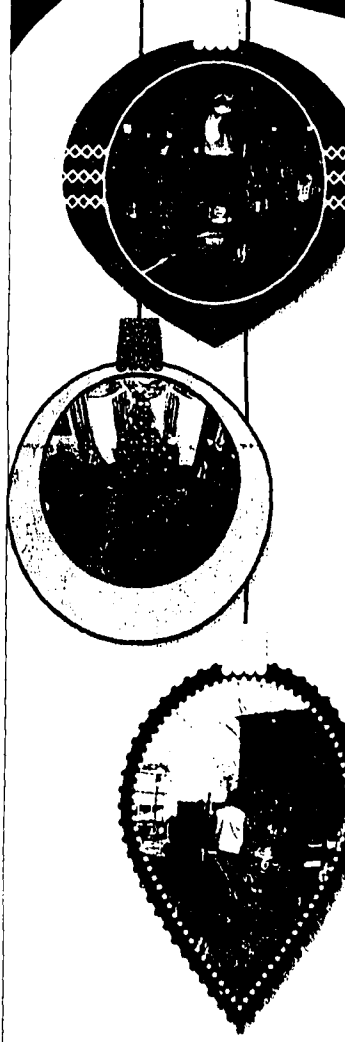
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Holiday Lighted Parade, 6:30 p.m. Friday, Nov. 19:

Santa's arrival at 6:30 Friday night heralds the arrival of Northville's Hometown Holidays. Get in the spirit as the lighted parade sets downtown all aglow.

Northville Community Foundation's Holiday Home Tour, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Nov. 19-20:

Don't shop for holiday décor until you attend this spectacular annual tour. For tickets, \$20 in advance, \$23 at the door, call (248) 374-0200.

Northville Christmas Market, Nov. 19-21:

Shop local for everyone on your list as retailers and restaurants offer exceptional selection and service - all weekend long. Come see why Northville is an unparalleled shopping experience.

Northville Movies at the Marquis, 7:30 p.m. Saturday, November 20th:

Frank Capra's Holiday Classic - It's a Wonderful Life. Tickets available at ReMax Dream Properties, 130 MainCenter, check out downtownnorthville.com for more information.



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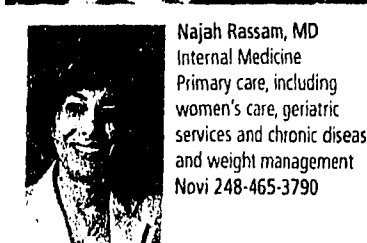


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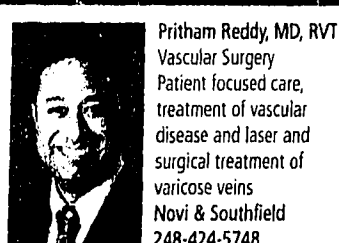
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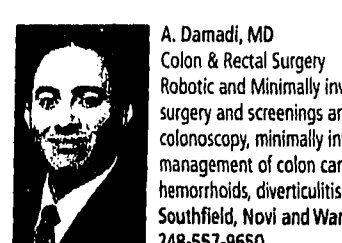
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Drunken driving arrest

A 21-year-old man was arrested at 11 p.m. Nov. 10 near Main Street and Novi Road for drunken driving after police were called by a driver in the area who was following the man and reportedly observed his car swerving all over the road.

When police arrived to the area, they reportedly saw the same thing and initiated a traffic stop on the vehicle.

When the approached the car, police reportedly smelled a strong odor of intoxicants and said the man admitted to drinking "about six beers."

He failed field sobriety tests and a preliminary breath test registered a blood alcohol content of .16 percent, police said. The legal limit for adult drivers in Michigan is .08 percent.

The man was arrested and transported to the Novi Police Department where his BAC was then .17 percent, police said. He was kept until sober, police said. The case is being forwarded to the prosecutor for high BAC.

Report: Drunken driver hits car

A West Bloomfield woman's vehicle was reportedly rear-ended by a 75-year-old drunken driver at 6:11 p.m. Nov. 9 while she was traveling east on 14 Mile Road west of Haggerty Road.

When police arrived they saw extensive damage to the rear

passenger side of the vehicle, and upon contact with the driver, could tell he had been drinking, police said.

The man said he had three beers at the bar and knows he

hit the car, but was unsure how it happened, police said.

He failed field sobriety tests and a preliminary breath test registered a BAC of .096 percent, police said. The legal limit

for adult drivers in Michigan is .08 percent.

He was transported to the department and was released when sober, police said. The case has been forwarded to the

prosecutor's office awaiting the results of the blood alcohol content test.

Window smashed, items missing

A 52-year-old woman had her Ford Escape broken into and more than \$1,000 worth of items stolen from it between 6:30-8:20 p.m. Nov. 9 while it was parked in the parking lot of Bally's.

The woman told police she touched her laptop bag and Coach bag under the passenger seat when she went inside to work out, and when she returned the passenger side window was broken and they were missing.

Reportedly stolen were a laptop and bag, a Coach messenger bag and reading glasses. Police have no suspects at this time.

Bikes taken from library

Police are investigating the theft of two bikes from the Novi Public Library.

Surveillance footage reportedly shows two subjects entering the library with a third female subject before leaving and taking the unsecured bikes from the bike rack. The video also shows that it appears the subjects were coming from the sidewalk coming from the high school.

Both subjects are believed to be teenagers and the case has been forwarded to the detective's bureau for further investigation.

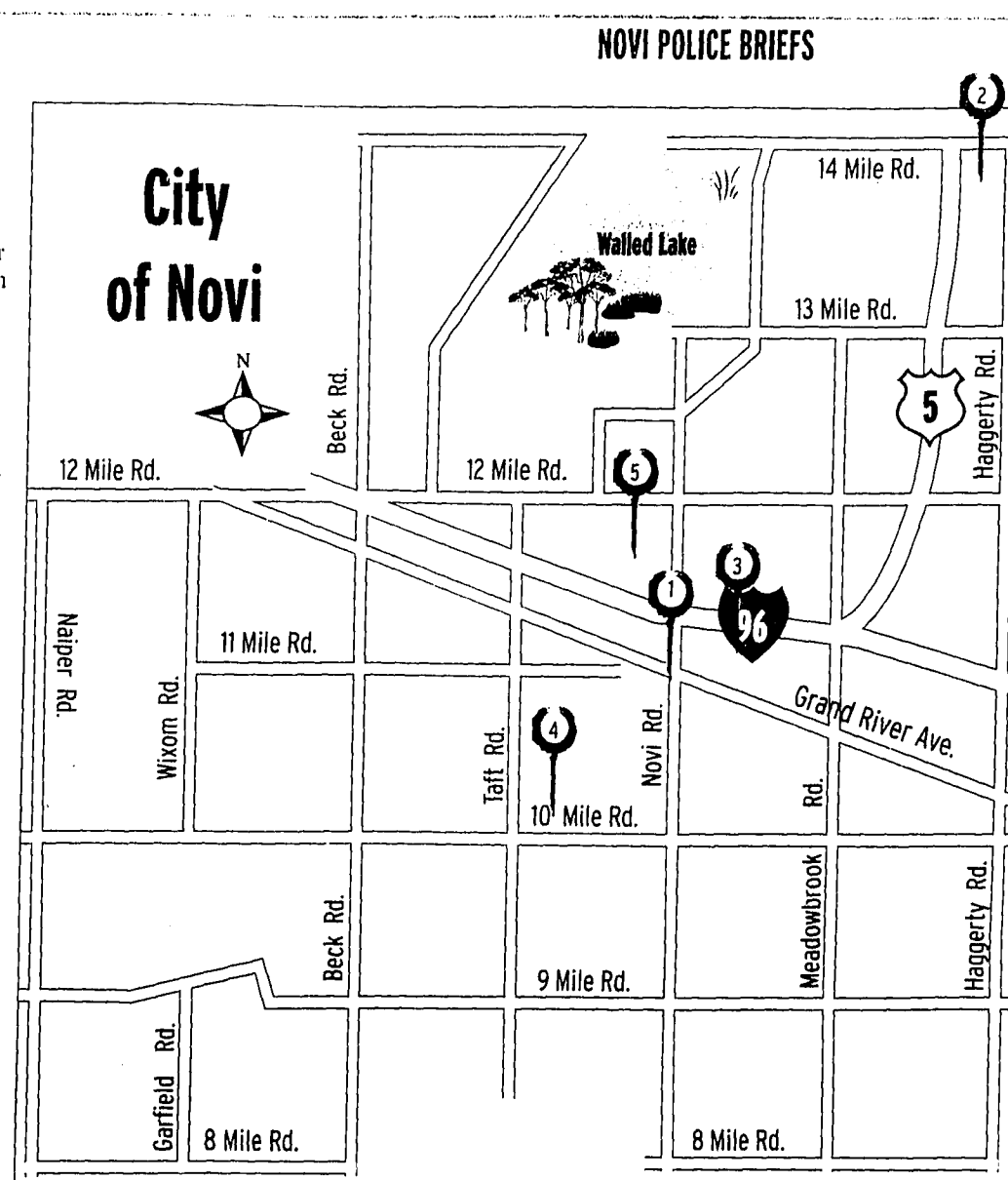
Purse stolen from car

A 44-year-old woman had her purse stolen from her locked car while it was parked at Carrabbas Italian Grill around 8:30 p.m. Nov. 13.

The woman said she placed her purse on the floor around 6 p.m., and when she returned a couple hours later her window was broken and the purse was gone.

The purse contained several credit cards. Police have no suspects at this time.

Compiled by staff writer Nathan Mueller.



Milford cops nab teens for Novi theft

Milford police responded to a "be on the lookout" bulletin from Novi police for a teen suspected of stealing from a Novi store Nov. 10. Ultimately they received confessions from the teen and his friend, police said.

According to reports, the car involved in the theft was registered to a Milford

address. Milford police went to the home and spoke with the teen driver who said he didn't take anything but had been at the store with two friends, police said.

A friend matching the description of the theft suspect eventually admitted stealing headphones from the store, police said.

The other teen also confessed to hiding headphones in his clothes and walking out of the store, police said.

The alleged thieves are 16 and 19, and live in Milford. Milford police reportedly recovered a set of headphones from each of them.

Novi police are following up on the case.

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Location: 2900 Meadowbrook Road, South of 13 Mile Road. Contact: (248) 669-9400, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday-Thursday or visit www.crosspointemeadows.org. Sunday Worship: 11:15 a.m. Bible study classes: 10 a.m. for all ages. Details: Nursery and older children programs available. Worship blends traditional and contemporary elements resulting in a multi-sensory worship experience.



Equestrian show

Above, Jimmy Buchanan gets some help from Jackie Damesworth in tying his neckerchief as he prepares to ride "Sarge" along with other Buffalo Soldier re-enactors from Detroit at the Novi Equestrian Show at Rock Financial on Nov. 12. Below, Sgt. Erik Eide of the Detroit Mounted Police rides "Big Baby" at Friday, Nov. 12th's Novi Equestrian Expo.



(Sept-April) Men's Club: 8 a.m. second Saturdays. Contact: Heather J. Wallas, communications director, (248) 349-1144, Ext. 26, or e-mail hwallas@luncc-northville.org. Good Shepherd Lutheran Church: Location: 4145 Nine Mile Road, corner of Meadowbrook Road, Novi. Contact: (248) 349-0565. Sundays: Time: 8:45 a.m. Sunday School and Bible Study; 10 a.m. Worship. Lakes Baptist Church: Location: 309 Decker Road, Walled Lake. Livonia Church of Christ: Location: 15431 Merriman Road, Livonia. Contact: 734-427-8743 or visit www.livoniachurch.net. Sunday Worship: 11 a.m. Bible School: Sunday 10 a.m.; Wednesday 7 p.m.

Meadowbrook Congregational: Location: 21355 Meadowbrook Road, between Eight and Nine Mile roads. Contact: Rev. Arthur P. Ritter, Senior Minister (248) 348-7757, visit mbccc.org or e-mail to office@mbccc.org. Sunday Worship: 10 a.m. Sermon, Better Than You Church School: 10-11 a.m. Fellowship Hour: 11 a.m. Merry Widows Luncheon: Time/Date: 11:30 a.m. fourth Thursday of each month. Pilgrim Fellowship: 10 a.m. Worship Service. Asking Questions: adult education class. Time/Date: 10 a.m. Tuesdays. Vespers: Time/Date: 7:30 p.m. Details: This traditional-contemporary service is led by Reverend Ritter with musical accompaniment of guitar and piano. All That Jazz Auction: Time/Date: 7 p.m. Nov. 13. Details: open to the public. Cookie Walk: Time/Date: 9 a.m. Dec. 11. Details: open to the public. Northville Christian Assembly: Location: 41355 Six Mile Road. Contact: (248) 348-9030. Sundays: 9-10 a.m.; Sunday School for Adults / Youth / Children. 9 a.m.; Contemporary service in multi-purpose gymnasium. 10:15 a.m.; Contemporary service in worship center; children's special church on the second level (2008/2010). Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Study: 8:45-10:30 a.m. (café). Wednesday Family Night: 7 p.m.; Adult elective classes; jr. and sr. high student ministries; children's programs (M-Pact Girls Club & Royal Rangers Boys Club) Nursery and Preschool Program on Sundays and Wednesdays Home of Northville Christian School (day care; preschool through eighth grade) - contact (248) 348-9031.

Episcopal Church of the Holy Cross: Location: 40700 W. 10 Mile Road. Contact: (248) 427-1175 or churchoftheholycross.com. Sunday Worship: 7:45 a.m., 10 a.m. Sunday School and Nursery Care: 10 a.m. Worship Service. Alzheimer's Support Group: Time/Date: 10 a.m. second Saturday of month. Faith Community Presbyterian: Location: 44400 W. 10 Mile Road. Contact: (248) 349-2345 or visit faithcommunity-novi.org. Genesis Class: Time/Date: 7 p.m. Tuesdays, through Nov. 9. First Baptist Church of Northville: Location: 217 N. Wing. Contact: (248) 348-1020. Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m. and 5:45 p.m. Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesdays. Men's Bible Study: 9 a.m. first Saturday of every month. First Baptist Church of Novi-Family Integrated Church: Location: 45301 W. 11 Mile Road. Contact: (248) 349-3647 or firstbaptistchurchofnovi.org. Family Bible Hour: 9:45 a.m. Family Worship: 11 a.m. Bible Study: 6 p.m. Family Movie Night: 5:30 p.m.; Sunday, November 14th at Phillips Funeral Home, 122 W. Lake Street, South Lyon, 48178. Funeral services took place on Monday, November 15th at South Lyon First United Methodist Church, 640 S. Lafayette. The Reverend Sandra Wilhoite officiated. Donations in her memory may be directed to the South Lyon First United Methodist Church or the South Lyon Senior Care and Rehabilitation Center, 700 Reynold Sweet Parkway, South Lyon, MI 48178. An on-line guest book can be found at philipsfuneral.com. TIMOTHY DAVID NABOZNY: Age 49, of Belleville & formerly of Morley, Nov. 9, 2010. Funeral Liturgy was held at St. Mary Catholic Church, Nov. 13, 2010. Burial Milford Memorial Cemetery. For info contact Lynch & Sons, Milford or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com.

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HELEN J. MYERS: Age 90, a longtime resident of Northville, passed away on November 10, 2010. She was born on November 4, 1920 to Leonard J. and Edith I. (Alden) Cox. Helen was united in marriage to Albert F. Myers on August 23, 1947 and they spent 55 loving years together until his death in 2002. Mrs. Myers was a homemaker for most of her life until her children left home and she went to work as a tax preparer with H&R Block. She was an active member of the First Presbyterian Church for many years; she was Treasurer of the Church's nursery school and a member of the Presbyterian Women's Association. When her children were younger, she was the President of the PTA and involved with both Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts. She was also a lifetime member of the Northville Women's Club. Helen enjoyed knitting, decoupage, and playing bridge. She is survived by her loving children, Brian (Kim) Myers and Denise Jo Myers; her sister, Eileen Faust; her son, Derek, George, Jr. and Brandon and five great-grandchildren: Kayla, Zoe, Tyler, Noelle, and Emma; sister Ellen (Bud) Matthews, of Charlotte, MI. She enjoyed traveling; playing cards; sewing and being with family. Visitation was held on Sunday, November 14th at Phillips Funeral Home, 122 W. Lake Street, South Lyon, 48178. Funeral services took place on Monday, November 15th at South Lyon First United Methodist Church, 640 S. Lafayette. The Reverend Sandra Wilhoite officiated. Donations in her memory may be directed to the South Lyon First United Methodist Church or the South Lyon Senior Care and Rehabilitation Center, 700 Reynold Sweet Parkway, South Lyon, MI 48178. An on-line guest book can be found at philipsfuneral.com.

RAMONA M. FOX: Peacefully entered into eternal rest on November 9, 2010. Ramona was born in Royal Oak, MI on July 11, 1921 to Albert and Anna Washburn. She is preceded in death by her loving husband of 70 years, William H. Fox, Jr.; her parents; sisters Laurel Roote and Kathleen Muired. She is survived by a caring family: Daughters April (Ron) Pastor, of Frisco, TX; Holly (George) Lukes, of South Lyon; Robin (Tim) Harrower, of Sherwood, OR; and Lori (Doug) Robinson of Simpsonville, SC. She leaves five grandchildren: Mark, Tonya, Derek, George, Jr. and Brandon and five great-grandchildren: Kayla, Zoe, Tyler, Noelle, and Emma; sister Ellen (Bud) Matthews, of Charlotte, MI. She enjoyed traveling; playing cards; sewing and being with family. Visitation was held on Sunday, November 14th at Phillips Funeral Home, 122 W. Lake Street, South Lyon, 48178. Funeral services took place on Monday, November 15th at South Lyon First United Methodist Church, 640 S. Lafayette. The Reverend Sandra Wilhoite officiated. Donations in her memory may be directed to the South Lyon First United Methodist Church or the South Lyon Senior Care and Rehabilitation Center, 700 Reynold Sweet Parkway, South Lyon, MI 48178. An on-line guest book can be found at philipsfuneral.com.

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IN MEMORY OF CHARLES "BUD" MARTIN APR 3, 1935-NOV 17, 2003. We thank God for every precious moment we spent with you. You are in our thoughts every day. Thank you for every life lesson, every warm hug and every encouraging word. We love you. We miss you. NINA ROSE WENKER MCPARTLIN MILLER: Age 88, of Fowlerville, died at Home Away From Home AFD home on Nov. 11, 2010. She was born at Williamsfield Twp., Ohio to Fred & Edith (Bush) Wenker at 2AM July 13, 1922 in a bad storm, her grandfather Bush put her in a shoe box next to the woodstove to keep her warm. Nina was a 1940 graduate of Northville High School and a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Northville and St. John's Lutheran Church in Fowlerville. She was an avid crocheter and knitter, having many beautiful alphans and Christmas ornaments. She married Arthur P. McPartlin on Sept. 20, 1942, he preceded her in death June 26, 1946. She married Victor L. Miller on June 14, 1947 in Northville, where they lived until 1956. They moved to Pinckney and in the early '70s moved to Fowlerville. Victor preceded her in death on May 13, 1984. Nina is survived by her brother, Fredrick (Joyce) Wenker of Sun City, AZ, 6 nephews and 2 nieces. She was preceded in death by her sister and brother-in-law, Evelyn & Russell Bergerson. Visitation 2-5 & 8-8 Monday at Niblack Funeral Home, Dillingham Litaner Chapel with services 11AM Tues. at St. John's Lutheran Church with Pastor Michael Knowl officiating. Interment in Glen Eden Cemetery, Livonia, www.niblackfuneralhome.com.

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OUR VIEWS

Bell ringers
 Volunteers define true meaning of holiday

Every year around this time you can hear the unmistakable ringing of a handbell. Yes, the Salvation Army Red Kettles are out throughout metropolitan Detroit, collecting coins and currency to help the less fortunate.

The sound of the handbells marks the official kickoff of fund-raising for the holiday season. Granted, it's only been 18 days since Halloween, and already the stores are parading out holiday decorations and gift ideas — some are even offering day after-Thanksgiving pricing now — and some enthusiastic residents already have their homes decorated and the lights turned on.

For some, that transition from one holiday season to the next may be a bit drastic, but it's not too early to start making a pitch for a holiday item for the Salvation Army. This organization is synonymous with helping needy families at the holidays and it relies on the support of all of us, both monetarily and as volunteers.

Volunteers are the spirit of the holiday season. Without them, much of the charitable giving that is done during the holidays would not happen. The ability of charities to provide Christmas for needy families depends on volunteers from the Salvation Army's bell ringers.

This is the 119th year the Salvation Army has conducted its Red Kettle Campaign. The campaign first started in San Francisco in 1891 and has traditionally been The Salvation Army's most prominent fund-raiser. The money raised helps support the many millions of people in poverty who turn to the Army for food and toys at Christmas, utility and homeless assistance, senior and child care, drug abuse treatment and many other social service needs.

In Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties, the goal is to raise \$7.8 million to sustain those vital social services. Through Dec. 24, bell ringers will collect donations at red kettle located at businesses in downtown Northville and at major retailers such as Kroger, Wal-Mart, Macy's, Sam's Club, J.C. Penney and Walgreens. New this year, supporters may also give at all ACO Hardware locations in Michigan.

Most importantly, all money raised at red kettle sites stays in the community in which it is given.

There are still plenty of time slots available for bell ringers. You can pick your time and your place online at www.ringbell.org.

We urge residents to help the less fortunate by donating two hours of their time to the Red Kettle Campaign. Make it part of your holiday plans. Help the Salvation Army make Christmas merry for those in need.

For those who already committed themselves to helping — you know who you are — we say thank you. In these tough economic times, it's great to see the concern and caring you have for your fellow residents.

COMMUNITY VOICE

What are your plans for Thanksgiving?



"We're having family come in to town from out west. We'll spend the day eating, playing games and talking."

Shirley George
Novi



"I may have won a contest to spend the weekend in Las Vegas for a girls' weekend. So, I may leave the kids with my husband. Otherwise it'll be turkey and the usual stuff."

Sharita Humphrey
Novi



"We're hoping to go up North to our cottage and have a peaceful weekend with our family."

Julie Netter
Novi



"I'm having Thanksgiving at my house, and my kids have already planned the menu: two 20-pound turkeys. Love the leftovers."

Christina Fadanelli
Novi

GUEST COLUMNS

Film incentives will help Michigan flourish, create jobs for residents

Ever since Gov. John Engler asked me in 2002 to serve on the Michigan Film Advisory Commission, my position has been unequivocal that there would be no meaningful film production in this state unless we gave production companies a reason to come here in the form of an incentive. My message since day one has been simple: "If We Build It, They Will Come."

In April 2008, under the leadership of Gov. Jennifer Granholm and now Congressman-elect Bill Huizenga, among others, we saw our best in the nation incentive package for film, television and video game production become a reality. Certainly we can all agree that once this law took effect, "they" did indeed come.

In 2007, before this legislation was passed, we had three films shot in Michigan with a total of \$2 million in production spent here. But in the last nine months of 2008 alone, we had 38 projects spend \$125 million. In 2009, there were 43 projects that spent \$223.6 million in Michigan. This year, we will surpass \$300 million in production.

The question, of course is: Is it worth it? The Senate Fiscal Agency report would suggest that so far it is not. The figure in the report that captured attention was that the estimated additional tax revenue to that state in 2009 was roughly 10 cents on every dollar spent on film subsidies.

This interpretation was news to Advisory Council members, as we took more of a Ronald Reagan approach that the purpose of this legislation was to make the people, not the government, rich.

We don't have to be economists to recognize the incentive's ripple effect because the people of Michigan have lived it in reverse. We have seen what happens to suppliers and small businesses when auto production shuts down and people are laid off. So we get it when thanks to increased movie productions, Chow Catering builds a commissary in Madison Heights, purchases a second 30-foot truck and rents a long-vacant property. We see the ripple when the company pumps \$400,000 back into the economy, purchasing propane, supplies and groceries from local businesses and hiring up to 25 workers who in turn have money to spend. And so it goes for all those restaurants, hotels, rental car agencies, accountants, security guard companies, party rental businesses, dry cleaners, florists, gas stations, hardware stores, vintage clothing shops, trash haulers, even portapotty providers, who are not just surviving, but thriving, thanks to our incentives.

Yet perhaps the most beneficial impact of the incentives has been on the future of our young people. For years have I watched my students at the University of Michigan leave for Los Angeles or New York as soon as they possibly could upon graduating. Virtually none of them were inspired by my example that you could live and work here, including my own son.

But over the past two and a half years, I have seen students from around the state get real world production experience, training and a healthy paycheck here in Michigan from almost the day they graduate.

Who of these young people will be the next Bob Shaye, founder of New Line Cinema, who gave the world movies like *Lord of the Rings*, or Bill Mechanic, former chief of Fox Studios Worldwide whose credits include *Titanic* and *Brokeback*, or Jerry Bruckheimer, who thanks us *Pirates of the Caribbean* and *CSI*, or Bobby Kotick, the CEO of Activision/Blizzard who gave us *Guitar Hero*, or even Larry Page, the co-founder of Google?

We educated all of these individuals in Michigan and lost them. How many jobs did they create, and how many tax dollars went with them? We simply cannot afford to export our creative class any longer.

In December 2008, the lowest point in our history since the Great Depression, after witnessing the spectacle of our auto giants getting hammered before Congress, along came Clint Eastwood's *Gran Torino*. When the last credit rolled and it said, "Made in Michigan," the audience all applauded. This was an emotional tipping point, an occasion where people felt proud and free to cheer again for the place they loved. Please tell me how you put a price tag on hope?

Jim Burnstein of Plymouth Township is vice chairman of the Michigan Film Office Advisory Council and head of the screenwriting program at University of Michigan.

Global exports — another way to grow Michigan's jobs

Fresh off the embarrassing mid-term election, President Obama, along with 250 business executives, flew off to Asia in search of political agreements and jobs.

Say, what? Yes, the president is off to the land of "outsourcing" in search of American jobs.

President Obama said, "For America, this is a jobs strategy."

It is expected that the executives along for the ride will ink \$10 billion in deals for U.S. companies on this excursion and support 54,000 U.S. jobs.

Exporting Michigan products and services is a sensible way to grow our state's economy. Metro Detroit, driven by the auto industry, currently ranks ninth on the list of top 100 metro areas for dollar volume of exports, according to *Craigslist Detroit Business*. We need to set a goal to move rapidly up this list.

The president is on the right track,

and Gov.-elect Snyder should be looking to follow in his footsteps. China, India and other Asian nations, with billions of potential new consumers, can be fertile ground to grow Michigan jobs.

In a world where ideas and jobs can and do move around the globe effortlessly, the president understands that our foreign policy goals are inextricably linked to job creation goals right here at home.

With populations of 1.2 and 1.3 billion people respectively, a surging middle class and annual economic growth rates of 9 percent and 10+ percent, India and China are ripe for the picking. They want and need American technology and products that have the ability to put OUR people to work!

Furthermore, with the increasing weakness of the dollar and dramatic improvements in Michigan's manufacturing productivity, the potential for the export of manufactured goods has rarely been better," according to David E. Cole, chairman emeritus at the Ann Arbor-based Center for Automotive Research.

From apples, berries and corn to cars, hybrid technology and higher education, Michigan has much to sell in the world marketplace.

The Economist, in a recent magazine article, points out the continued rise of the Chinese economy and increased pay for Chinese workers, likely to benefit the world economy: "A 20-percent rise in Chinese consumption might well lead to an extra \$25 billion of American exports. That could create 200,000 American jobs."

President Obama has called for the doubling of U.S. exports in the next five years. Is Michigan ready to capture its fair share of this surge? How can we do better? These are the questions that our new governor's economic team must be burning the midnight oil to answer.

Michigan's current governor had avoided traveling to the China, the second largest world economy, for political reasons, thereby missing the opportunity to attract Chinese investment and job creation in Michigan.

In a 2009 *Dome Magazine* essay, I laid out how the governor, with the help of Michigan's Chinese/American business and academic community, might tap China's rise for our gain. (See *China Bridge — Michigan/Step* whining and start building — <http://dome-magazine.com/blogs/cov0908>). The ideas await our new governor's action.

Smart, thoughtful visionary leaders will stop the political pandering, and China/India bashing that have become part and parcel of Michigan's election cycle. Far better to find ways to make the East's rise help manufacturing jobs here at home.

The International District Export Council recently held its conference in Detroit and Windsor, making urgent calls for tapping into the expanding export market for growing jobs here in Michigan. Speakers explained how public-private partnerships, university research, tax and regulatory changes can grease the wheels for expanding jobs and profits.

GM is touting its growth in China as a selling point in its upcoming IPO and Ford found a buyer there for

Volvo as well. China's Pacific Century Motors recently purchased Nexteer Automotive in Saginaw from GM, thereby saving 4,000 high paying jobs. Singapore-based Tata Technologies in Novi is currently seeking to fill over 200 positions across North America.

Global trade can and is lifting all boats. David Cote, chairman and CEO of Honeywell and traveling with the president, captures the attitude we need to adopt in Michigan: "Job creation in the age of globalization is not a zero-sum game."

Michigan business leaders, with the help of our state and national political leaders, CAN collaborate and create jobs for the home team.

Remember — the American people sent a very clear message during the elections: It's all about jobs, jobs, jobs and more jobs!

Tom Watkins is a business and educational consultant. He served as Michigan's state superintendent of schools, 2001-05 and president and CEO of the economic council of Palm Beach County, Fla., 1996 to 2001. He can be reached at: twatkins@aol.com.

PROGRAM

learning environment in the 21st century."

The IB program is for juniors and seniors who are interested in a rigorous, internationally focused curriculum that allows them to have a hand in their learning.

It is similar to an Advanced Placement course, but the IB program has a broader range and can lead students to an IB diploma that is recognized all over the world, unlike a regular high school diploma that is only recognized in the United States.

Students must pass six exams, complete an extended essay related to one of their subjects, take a Theory of Knowledge course designed to get them to critically examine their ways of learning and knowledge and complete CAS (Creativity, Action, Service) hours to extend their learning beyond the classroom to receive the diploma.

Sadh Furlow, one of the IB teachers, said he loves the program because it "gives students a different perspective outside of their comfort zones."

"Everything I have learned from this feels like this is the way we should be teaching," he said. "It is developing these students so they are truly independent."

Jennifer Harvey, who teaches art, said it is producing competition in her classroom and the students are becoming teachers as well.

"Students are emotionally buying in because it's their ideas and their exploration," she said. "There is a huge pride in it."

There are about 20 students in the diploma program at the high school. Currently, but IB courses are not just for diploma students. Any student in the high school can take one or more of the classes, but will not receive the diploma.

About 300 students are taking at least one IB course.



International Baccalaureate Program diploma student Yamin Raja, a junior, works on a chemistry experiment.

"Even if a student takes just one IB course it speaks more favorably toward college admissions," Dion said.

Mike Ziegler, who teaches the Theory of Knowledge course, said the acceptance rates for diploma students skyrocket and they tend to perform better on the SAT and ACT tests than their peers.

"I've never been involved in something like this that really engages the students," he said.

It didn't take much to sell junior Addison Notarantonio on the program when the high school began to offer it. She had already taken prep courses when she was in Germany and wants to attend college internationally.

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"The teachers are not just spoon feeding us information," Dion said.

Fellow classmate Yamin Raja said the program has improved her work ethic and is better preparing her for college.

"It will help a great deal when colleges look at our application and it will give us an edge," she said.

Dion, who is retiring at the end of the school year, said "this is a program that will stand the test of time," and "it won't be cut, I can tell you that."

He also has been in discussions with Northville Public Schools about having their students come to Novi for the program.

"We are very fortunate to have this program," he said. "It is one of the best things we have done."

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BAZAAR

people attended, even with bad weather that day," said Linda Daly, executive director of the chamber. "With shopping, great food and music, we expect a great turnout again this year."

The Holiday Shopping Bazaar starts at 1 p.m. and complimentary

tary appetizers will be offered from 4 p.m. until close (8 p.m.) from several local restaurants including The Melting Pot, Carrabba's Italian Grill, Bucca di Beppo, Bar Louie, Organic Coffee and Tea and more.

There also will be complimentary massages from Elements Therapeutic Massage, a cash bar and live Jazz music by Tola Lewis.

Daly said shoppers should expect a "premiere shopping experience" from a variety of vendors offering everything from jewelry, clothing and home accessories to children's gifts, books, handmade crafts and more.

Vendors also will be offering special deals at the event.

There is an entry fee of \$4, but shoppers can print off a coupon on the chamber's website (www.novichamber.com) to get \$2 off admission.

COUNCIL

council person start charging our citizens for normal public safety delivery. They already pay for that."

Molloy said there have been cost recovery ordinances on the books for several years and this is will just update them.

Some situations in which the ordinance would be applied would be a unusual disasters such as a tanker blowing up

a bridge in the city, a resident running a drug lab in their house requiring hazardous material clean up and firefighters standing by at down power lines for an extended period of time before the utility company arrives.

It is not to be used for common emergency calls such as traffic crashes or accidental fires.

Council member Terry Margolis also disagreed with the wording but did agree the amendments were needed, barring proper language.

"I see this as protecting our taxpayers," she said. "What these ordinances do is deal with unusual circumstances with an unusual disaster. We would want to protect our taxpayers against paying for that kind of damage."

Mayor David Landry agreed, saying he looked at it like a "stop-loss insurance policy."

A second reading is expected to come before council on Monday.

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Dan and Denise Polasky of New Hudson announce the engagement of their daughter, Sarah Lynn to Gregory Brian Conley of Wixom. The bride-to-be, a graduate of Madonna University in Livonia, is an administrative assistant at General Medicine in Novi. Her fiancé is the son of Carolyn Conley of Whitmore Lake and Brian and Tina Conley of Wixom. He is employed as a mortgage banker in Southfield. A fall 2011 wedding is planned.



Polasky-Conley

'Cinderella'

Tickets are now on sale for Rodgers and Hammerstein's 'Cinderella' presented by The Novi Civic Theatre. Tickets may be purchased online at cityofnovi.org or at the Novi Civic Center (45175 West Ten Mile) from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday. The timeless enchantment of a magical fairy tale is reborn with the Rodgers & Hammerstein hallmarks of originality, charm and elegance. With more than a touch of hilarity, the hearts of children and adults alike still soar when the slipper fits. Starring Novi residents Brianna Blossfeld and Joey Leppke, this production is sure to touch your heart. Over 50 actors from Novi and the neighboring communities of Northville, Walled Lake, Commerce Township, Redford, Livonia, and Wixom will grace the stage.

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NOVI COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Tickets are \$15 for adults; \$12 for children and seniors. All seats are reserved. The under-studies will be performing Nov. 21. For more information, please call the Novi Parks office at (248) 347-0400.

Performance dates and times are 7:30 p.m. Nov. 19; 2 p.m. Nov. 20 and 21.

Local senior communities collecting food for the hungry

Local Brookdale Senior Living communities invite those in the greater Detroit area to help them collect food to help feed the hungry. From now until Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 25, all non-perishable food items dropped off at any of the nine Brookdale communities in the Detroit Metropolitan area will be given to Gleaners Food Bank. More than 40 soup kitchens, food pantries, shelters, disaster relief agencies, and other nonprofit organizations in Southeast Michigan rely on food from Gleaners to meet their clients' needs.

• Grand Court Novi, 45182 West Park Drive in Novi.
• Wynwood Northville, 40405 Six Mile Road in Northville.

Michigan Film Gala

Global Pictures and Michigan Movie Magazine and Specs Howard present the first-ever Michigan Film Gala on Dec. 31 at Sheraton Novi Hotel. The Michigan Film Gala will include a showcase of Michigan films starting with "Corner Store", a Red Carpet, meet and greet, a dinner, special guest speakers and countdown to New Year's.

Brandon T. Jackson (Tropic Thunder, Roll Bounce and Big Momma's House 3) will be hosting the event. Special guest speakers include Tanya Ryno (producer of SNL); Rod Harrell (CEO of R.L.H. Talent); and Susan Frishman (entertainment attorney).

To date, over 90 movies have been made in Michigan. The Michigan Film Gala celebrates

this fact and encourages future Michigan filmmaking.

The event is open to actors, directors, producers aspiring film-makers and fans.

The showcase begins at 9 a.m. there will be a Red Carpet event beginning at 7 p.m. followed by a meet-and-greet. The evening will conclude with a dinner, special guest speakers and the ringing in of the New Year with a champagne toast at midnight Jan. 1.

Light Up the Night, Novi!

The City of Novi, together with ITC and Providence Park Hospital, is eager to share holiday fun and festivity with a new, family-friendly event, Light Up the Night in Novi on the Novi Civic Center Campus, Friday, Dec. 3 from 6-9 p.m. Mayor David B. Landry and a special visitor from the North Pole will light the magnificent new tree at 6:30 p.m., marking the beginning of the holiday season in Novi. Brightly-lit luminaries, made by Novi school children in kindergarten through sixth grades, will guide you through the excitement, merriment and fun of the holiday season.

The fun will be held indoors and out and includes a bake sale and craft show, Santa photos, live holiday performances, kids' activities,

marshmallow roasting, hockey skills competition, ice carving demonstrations, miniature train rides, and the opportunity to explore City and specialty vehicles at the Tons of Trucks interactive display. Enjoy face painting and John the Magician performances (7 and 8 p.m.) at the library.

This event provides a unique opportunity for the community to explore the Civic Center Campus and enjoy the holiday spirit. It is great to have many community businesses, schools, and civic groups involved. Their participation enhances the sense of community we all enjoy," said Nancy Cowan, acting director, Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services. Samplings from a number

of local restaurants and markets including Biggy Coffee, Bagger Dave's, Buffalo Wild Wings, BD's Mongolian Grill, Dale & Thomas Popcorn, Max & Erma's, Nick's Concessions, Starbucks Coffee, Vitamin Coffee, Busch's Fresh Food Market, On the Border, Caribou Coffee and more will keep you warm all evening long.

The event offers the opportunity to create plenty of new family traditions including the annual selection of your Christmas tree and wreaths. The City has partnered with Glenda's Garden Center and Trees for Troops to bring a tree lot to the Novi Civic Center, Dec. 3-5 (Friday 5-9 p.m., Saturday and Sunday 10 a.m.-6 p.m.). Novi Boy Scout Troops will have wreaths and garland roping available for purchase.

Community members are encouraged to bring canned goods and new hats and mittens to be distributed to needy Novi families by Novi Youth Assistance.

For more information about Light Up the Night in Novi, visit cityofnovi.org or call Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services at (248) 347-0400.

Potters Market
The 35th annual Potters Market will take place Dec. 3-5 in Madison Heights. Presented by the advanced ceramic students of Oakland Community College Royal Oak campus and guest potters, this annual event will take place at the UF & CW (United Food and Commercial Workers) Union Hall at 876 Horace Brown Drive, one block south of Thirteen Mile, between I-75 and John R. Admission is free and parking is free. Jo Sheibels of Novi is a veteran of the Potters Market. Known for her craftsmanship at the potters wheel, she is also instrumental at the organization of the Potters Market. She is a driving force behind a favorite section mugs and the bulk area of the Potters Market.



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Food supplies

Jan McAlpine helps to prepare boxes of food for needy Novi citizens during the monthly Focus Hope distribution at the Novi Senior Center on Nov. 9. Novi residents, who need extra food help to meet their needs, can contact McAlpine at 248-347-0421 to see if they qualify for the assistance.

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LOCAL EVENTS

White Pine Glee Club Concert

Time/Date: 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 5
Location: Novi Middle School
Details: Concert with instrumental and women's chorus; admission is free.

Contact: eiko@suzukimyers.com or (248)344-0909

Sun, Water & Seeds 4-H Club

Time/Date: 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays
Location: Tollgate Education Center, 2815 Meadowbrook Road, Novi
Details: A 4-H youth garden and farm stand where kids learn about plant

science, nutrition and entrepreneurship by raising produce for sale. The Club is seeking new members to join in the planting, planning and more.

Contact: sunwaterseeds@gmail.com or (248) 956-0029

Borders Events

Location: Borders Books & Music, 43075 Crescent Boulevard, Novi (Novi Town Center)
Contact: (248) 347-0780

Book Signings

Lynette Toma, author of I Can Dance, Too!
Time/Date: 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 4
Diane Dignan, author of Bartholomew's Gift
Time/Date: 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 11

American Legion Post 19 Monthly Meeting

Time/Date: 7:30 p.m. third Tuesdays
Location: Rock Financial Showplace, Grand River Avenue between Taft and Beck roads
Details: Comrades and fellow veterans, please join these monthly

meetings; attendance is needed to maintain and grow the Post.

Contact: Commander Dennis Strikulis; (248) 378-7841 or dstrikulis@twmlr.com or Service Officer Paul Erickson; (248) 344-7193 or pernick@sol.com.

MSU Extension

Location: MSU Extension Tollgate Education Center, 28115 Meadowbrook Rd, Novi
Contact: (248) 858-0887; smithlin@oakgov.com; www.msue.msu.edu/oakland

Rock Financial Showplace

Location: 46100 Grand River Avenue, Novi
Contact: (248) 348-5600

Holiday Shopping Bazaar

Time/Date: 1-8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 18
Details: The Novi Chamber of Commerce and Rock Financial Showplace invite all in the community to join in for a festive Holiday Shopping Bazaar. Enjoy free appetizers, holiday music, cash bar, complimentary chair massages. Stroll

through 50+ vendor booths to find the perfect holiday gift. Admission is \$5.

Contact: www.novitchamber.com
Event: Metro Detroit Pet Expo
Time/Date: Nov. 19-21, noon - 7 p.m. Friday; 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday; 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday

Details: The new Metro Detroit Pet Expo offers pet lovers from across the region the opportunity to interact with adoptable animals and learn more about the responsibilities of pet ownership, training and health care. There will also be hilarious pet contests and dazzling feats of dog-daring dock jumping, and extreme pet makeovers, as well as a large shopping area for fans of pets who run, jump, fly and swim. The Metro Detroit Pet Expo will be a weekend filled with fun for the whole family.

Contact: www.metrodetroitpetexpo.com

Giant Motorcycle Swap Meet

Time/Date: 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 21
Details: Thousands of bikers will be buying, selling, and swapping bikes, frames, motors, touring accessories, seats, wheels, tires, front ends, tanks, shocks, fenders, gauges, MX stuff, basket cases and take-offs. \$10 for adults; \$3 for children 6-12

Contact: www.motorcycleswap.com

Antique Arms Show

Time/Date: Nov. 27-28; 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday; 9-3 Sunday
Details: Featuring antique and collectible firearms from the Revolutionary War to modern times. Show offers 500 tables with some of the finest antique arms, swords, knives and accoutrements in the Midwest. Buy, sell and trade. Appraisals are available. \$6.00 Adults. Free to Members and Children 12 & under are free

Contact: www.michiganantiquearms.com

Holiday Craft Extravaganza

Time/Date: Dec. 4-5; 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday; 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday
Details: The Holiday Craft Extravaganza promises to be a shopping treasure trove of one-of-a-kind gifts, fine jewelry, gourmet treats,

holiday décor and more. \$5 per car admission

Contact: www.holidaycraftextravaganza.com
Great Train Expo
Time/Date: 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Dec. 11-12
Details: The Great Train Expo is a national, traveling show that caters to the model railroad enthusiast. The show offers a variety of operating model railroad and toy layouts for the entire family to enjoy in many different scales and gauges. Check them out and get some great ideas for your own layout! If you're interested in joining a local model railroading club, the Great Train Expo is a great place to visit some of the different clubs in your area and learn more about them. If you're looking to sell an old toy train, this is the perfect place. \$7 for adults; free for children under 12; admission to the show is cash or check only. However, many exhibitors will gladly accept credit/debit cards for items purchased.

Contact: www.GreatTrainExpo.com

Novi Chamber of Commerce

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

Location: 41875 11 Mile Road, #201, Novi

Contact: For more information, call (248) 349-3743 or www.novitchamber.com.

2nd Annual Holiday Shopping Bazaar

Time/Date: 1-8 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 18
Location: Rock Financial Showplace, 46100 Grand River, Novi
Details: A festive night out of shopping, food and wine. \$4 entry fee includes appetizers and desserts from many local restaurants. Early bird specials, hourly door prizes, live music and cash bar. Entry fee coupon can be found at local Novi businesses.

After 5 Networking

Time/Date: 5-7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 2
Location: Buffalo Wild Wings, 44375 12 Mile, Novi
Details: Join us for networking and

appetizers; \$10 pre-registration; \$15 at the door

Novi Chamber Holiday Luncheon
Time/Date: 11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 8
Location: The Baronette Renaissance Hotel, 27790 Novi Rd., Novi
Details: A festive holiday luncheon collecting hats, gloves, socks and toys for the Detroit Wilkins Elementary and Middle School 4th Annual Warmth Drive. \$20 pre-registration required by noon Tuesday, Dec. 7.

Metro Novi BNI

Time/Date: 7-8:30 a.m. every Wednesday
Location: On the Border Restaurant, 21091 Haggerty Road (north of 8 Mile), Novi
Details: BNI is a structured networking environment for professionals. The Metro Novi BNI team members are committed to providing bona fide referrals to each other. Members learn how to create and refine an "elevator speech," develop a broad network of other business professionals in the community and receive training/education on networking more efficiently. Guests are invited to attend free of charge. Continental breakfast provided.

Contact: For more information, contact Julie Paquette at (248) 797-1665 or juliepaquette67@gmail.com; www.metrobninovi.com.

Novi Toastmasters Club

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m., every first and third Tuesday
Location: Novi Civic Center, Activities Room, 45175 West 10 Mile Road, Novi, Michigan 48375
Details: Novi Toastmasters is a community-based club which is part of Toastmasters International. Our diverse group provides a mutually supportive atmosphere in which all can develop and refine their public speaking and leadership skills. Our members also have fun while building confidence in day-to-day communications and mentoring toward professional and personal excellence. Guests are welcome - and bring a friend. Visit www.novifreetoasthus.com.

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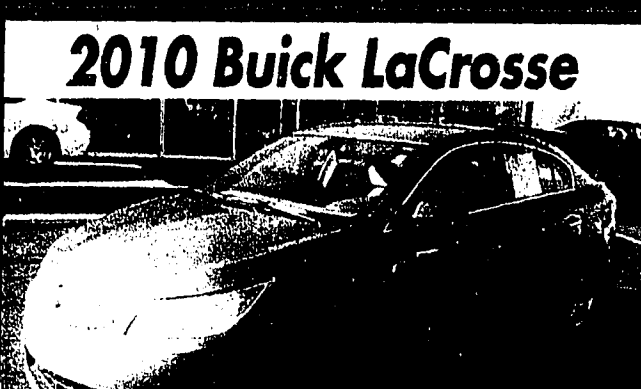


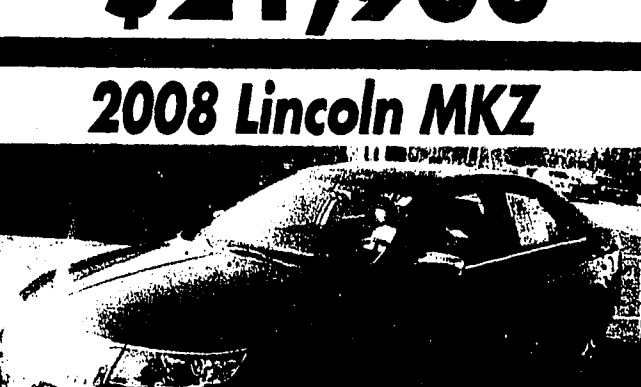


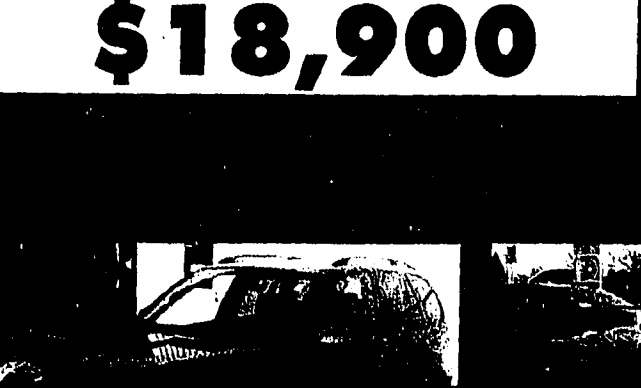
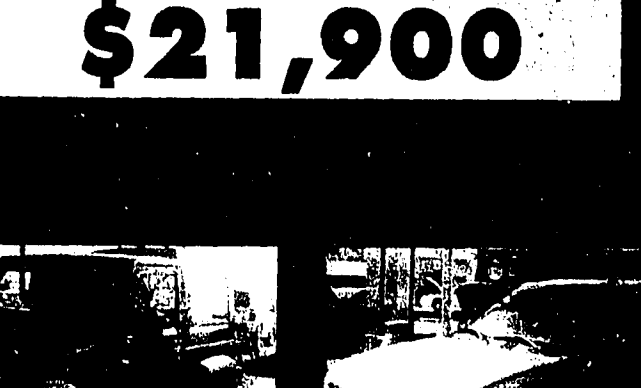
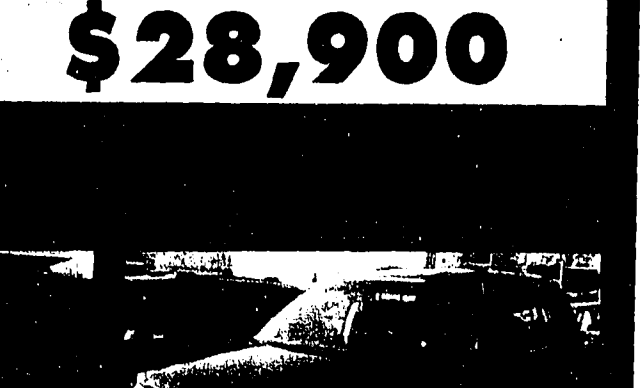

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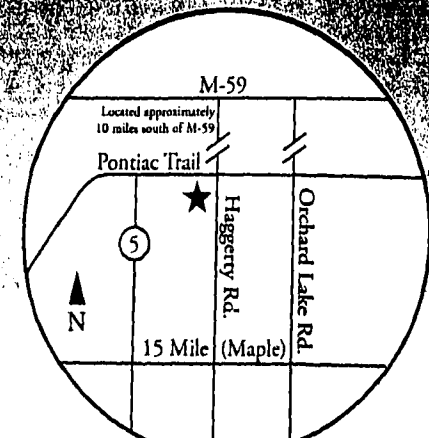
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Town & Country Eyecare has vision for 2011 and beyond

Novi optometry practice welcomes new doctor, celebrates 16 years in local community

By SALLY RUMMEL
ADVERTORIAL WRITER

Town & Country Eyecare in Novi wants to help you "see" into the new year of 2011 with the vision of a whole new decade.

"We are committed to continue our goal of quality care and a positive patient experience for each person who walks through our doors," said Timothy Kirk, O.D., who founded the practice 16 years ago to serve the vision needs of the Novi and Northville communities.

As the growth of the practice continued, he welcomed Amy Crissman Head, O.D. as a partner eight years ago, and together, they welcome Town & Country Eyecare's newest doctor, Jared T. Most, O.D.

Dr. Most comes into the practice with a specialized interest in using the latest technology to diagnose and treat eye disease, glaucoma and macular degeneration. He also has experience in the management of urgent eyecare issues.

"In addition to my work here at Town & Country Eyecare, I continue to practice at the John D. Dingell Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Detroit, where I completed my ocular disease residency," Dr. Most said.

He is pleased to work with Dr. Kirk and Dr. Crissman Head with the practice's newest diagnostic tool, an anterior segment camera, which takes a picture of the front surface of a patient's eye and documents scratches and infections and other contact lens-related issues.

"We can show our patients the problem and track their progress with this exciting new piece of equipment," Dr. Most said.

This trio of optometrists has created one of the area's largest and most personalized full-service eye care practices, dedicated to the health and vision of area residents. With nearly 800 glass frames on display and thousands of trial contact lenses, Town & Country Eyecare is fully



(From left) Dr. Amy Crissman Head, Dr. Jared Most and Dr. Timothy Kirk make up the staff at Town & Country Eyecare, utilizing the latest in new technology to diagnose eye diseases.

equipped to meet the vision needs of local families — from infants to grandparents and beyond.

"We are pleased to have Dr. Crissman Head provide low vision rehabilitation to our aging patients," Dr. Kirk said. "In

addition, and we're very supportive of these efforts."

Due to the growth and size of Town & Country Eyecare, the practice is six months ahead of other optometric offices in receiving the latest in new contact lens products from manufacturers. A whole new generation of high oxygen lenses that can make the wearing of contact lenses more comfortable than ever for longer periods of time and for harder-to-fit patients.

"As Northville and Novi have grown, so have we — but we remain committed to being a patient-centered practice that grows right along with the area. Every policy and procedure we put in place is done in the best interests of our patients. That's why we have committed to evening and Saturday appointments, because our patients need these extended hours."

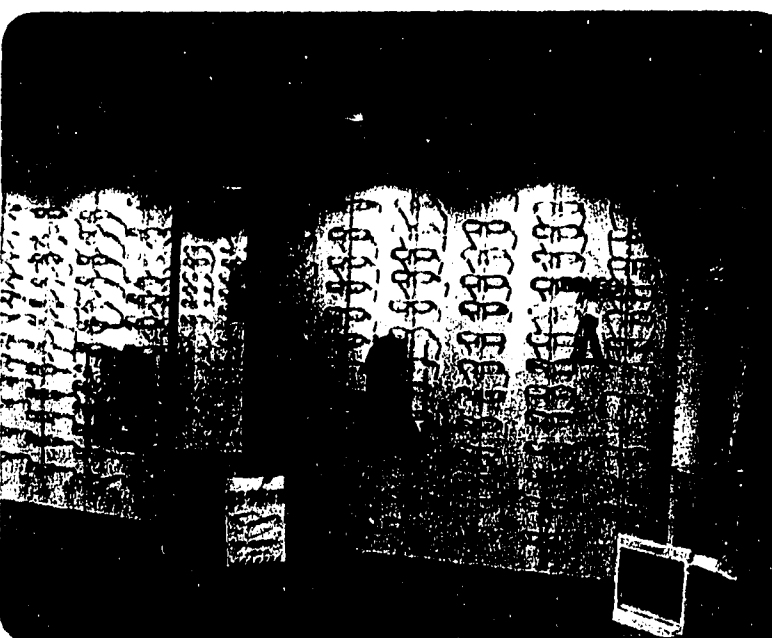
— DR. AMY CRISSMAN HEAD, TOWN & COUNTRY EYECARE

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The communities of Novi and Northville have responded warmly to the dedicated efforts of these knowledgeable, helpful doctors and their staff of 10.

"Our patients are impressed and appreciative of being able to see their eye exams clearly and carefully documented," Dr. Crissman Head said. "While it has been a daunting task, we are pleased with the way our staff has responded to the challenge and excited about the possibilities in the future for our patients."

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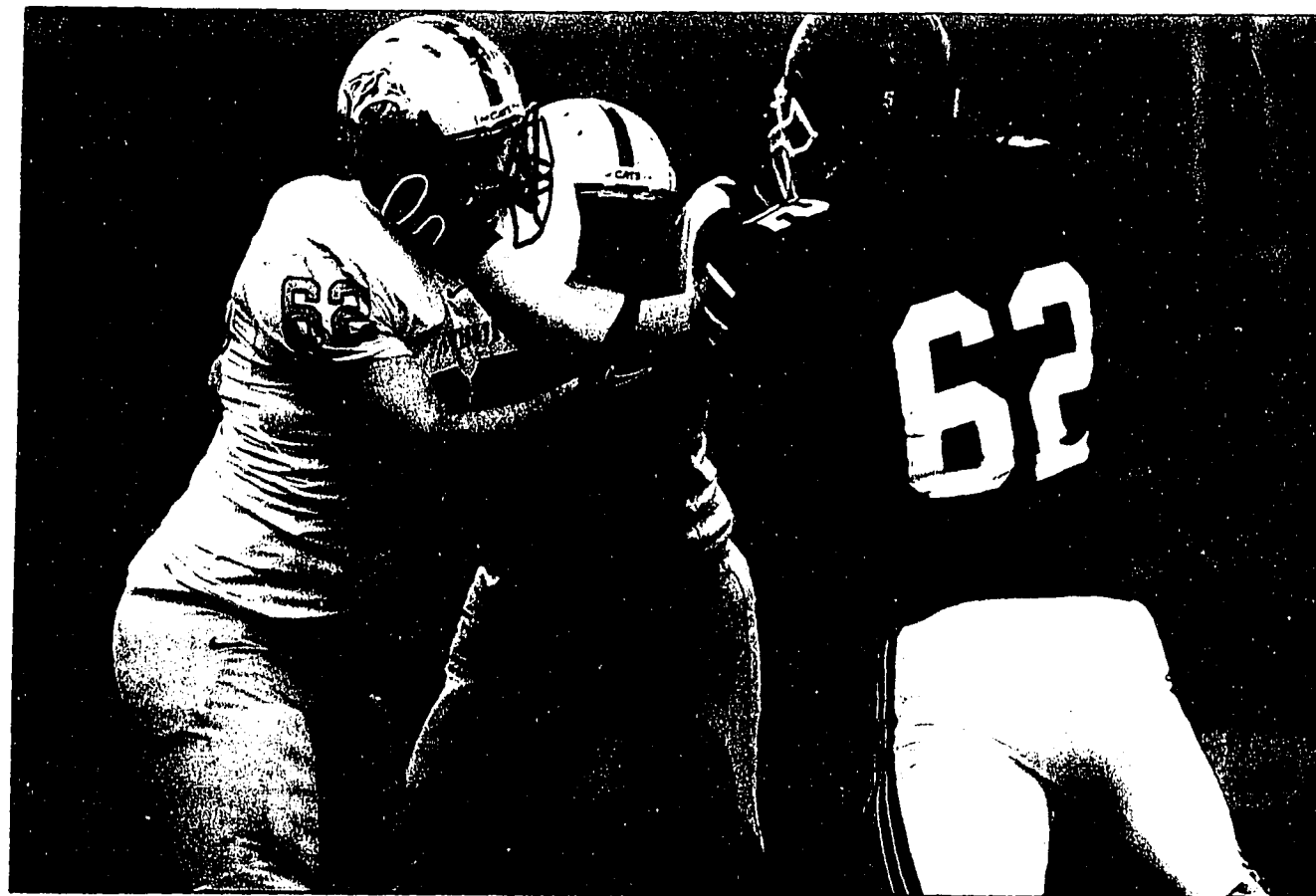
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Wildcat linemen Cody Iagnanni and Mark Wallath team up to try to stop CC's Matthew Godin who's listed at 6'5" and 270 pounds.

Catholic Central gridders end season against Plymouth

Shamrocks keeps fans on edge of seat right to the end

By SAM EGGLESTON
CORRESPONDENT

No team wants to lose, especially the Detroit Catholic Central Shamrocks football team.

But someone has to, and if you do it's always important to leave with your head up, your pride intact and making sure you've given your fans something to talk about.

The Shamrocks did all of the above as they ended their season in the final seconds of a playoff game against Plymouth, 9-7.

After holding each other to a 7-7 game throughout almost four full quarters, the two teams made it real interesting. Plymouth earned the win with a 24-yard field goal by University of Notre Dame-bound kicker Kyle Brindza with just 35 seconds remaining in the game.

The Shamrocks let the ensuing kickoff from Brindza be downed in the end zone for a touch back and took over on offense with 35 seconds left and standing on their own 20



Wildcat Anthony Rhodes stops CC's Anthony Darkangelo.

yard line. And they looked like they were going to come back and win.

Unfortunately, a pass from senior quarterback Mike Birney that wasn't stopped until inside the Plymouth 10 yard line was nullified by a holding call.

The next pass was snagged for an interception by a Plymouth defender, but a

far short of its target, sending the Plymouth sidelines and stands into a frenzy.

Tom Mach, Catholic Central's head coach for over three decades, said the ending of the game was exciting, especially the way his team was committed to moving the ball into Plymouth territory for a field goal—until the penalty was called.

"It shows great heart with that amount of time on the clock, we moved it right down to where we could actually get a chance to kick a field goal and win the game," Mach said. "But another holding penalty, we had quite a few holding penalties hurt us. Different things hurt us today, we didn't make plays when we had to."

It was a strange game for the Shamrocks, who had their offense held to just 174 yards and lost despite only giving up field goals.

Plymouth's Brindza also hit field goals from 52 and 49 yards during the contest.

Please see FOOTBALL, B3

Wildcats flounder against Marlins in regional

Mercy defeats Novi in Sweet 16 five-setter

By CHRIS JACKETT
CORRESPONDENT

The date was 11/11 and Farmington Hills Mercy's volleyball squad needed the extra luck as they came from behind to defeat Novi in five sets for a regional championship and Elite Eight berth.

Ranked third in Class A, Mercy (53-7-2), was two points away from losing the match in the fourth set when the team rallied to force a fifth set that led to a 12-25, 25-23, 25-23, 17-15 victory over the No. 7 Wildcats (43-5-1).

"I think these are the ones we should retire with. What a game. Everyone got their moneys worth," Mercy coach Loretta Vogel said.

Novi came out strong early as the Marlins looked frantic and clustered. Novi junior Aly Ryan (10 kills) and senior Savannah Green (five kills, 10 digs, 19 receptions) played key roles

Please see VOLLEYBALL, B3



After Novi won a point, Erin Hoomalan, right, raises her arms and coach Julie Fiset, left, comes out to praise her kids.



Wildcat Andrea VanderMey took first place in this women's 200 yard individual medley race on Oct. 14.

Nine 'Cats prepare for state swim meet

Novi tankers hope to improve on last year's fifth-place finish

By CHRIS JACKETT
CORRESPONDENT

The Wildcats will have at least nine girls competing at this weekend's Division I girls swim and dive state meet.

Several Novi swimmers qualified for States throughout the season in multiple events, but the Wildcats' top divers were scheduled to compete at a regional meet Tuesday at Ann Arbor Huron for a place in the state meet. Sophomores Rachel Aepelbacher (season best 325.00 points) and Jillian Odom (310.35) are both hoping to put Novi on the map in the diving competition, as the team has been known solely for its swimmers in recent years.

Leading Novi's swimmers is sophomore Andrea VanderMey, who is the defending state champion in the 100-yard backstroke after finishing in 56.12 seconds at last year's state meet. This season, VanderMey is the lone Wildcat qualifier in the event with a season-best of 59.99 seconds. Sophomore Dana Morgan missed the state cut in the event by 0.3 seconds at 1:03.49.

VanderMey also qualified for several other events, including the 200 freestyle (2:01.05), 200 individual medley (2:13.17) and 100 fly (1:00.85). The only one of 11 swimming events the Wildcats did not have a qualifier for was the 100 breaststroke, but VanderMey came closest, falling 0.06 seconds short at 1:12.45.

Also a part of two qualifying relay teams, VanderMey combined with seniors Sarah

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Novi's diving tandem competed Tuesday in Regionals at Ann Arbor Huron. Any qualifiers from that meet will join nine other Wildcats Friday and Saturday at Oakland University for the Division I state meet. Competition begins at noon both days, but the Wildcats will have to get past tomorrow's preliminary cuts before they can compete for a state title Saturday. Novi tied for fifth place in Division I last year, while Saline won the state title, breaking a nine-year winning streak by Ann Arbor Pioneer, who finished fourth.

Also a part of two qualifying relay teams, VanderMey combined with seniors Sarah

Please see SWIM, B2



NOVI SPORTS BRIEFS

Jones completes first season with Marietta soccer

Marietta College freshman midfielder Emily Jones, of Novi, recently completed her first season with the Pioneer women's soccer team.

Jones, who played in 18 games, finished the season with 1 goal and 0 assists.

First-year Head Coach Jen Simonetti's young Marietta squad finished the year with an overall record of 2-14-3 and went 0-7-2 in the Ohio Athletic Conference standings.

SWIM

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Sultana, Madalyn Buha and sophomore Maranda Buha in the 200 medley relay (1:52.29) and with senior Becca Berman, junior Abby Hall and sophomore Kara Berg in the 400 free relay (3:43.63).

"They all have worked real hard and their accomplishments are what I've expected all season," Novi coach Eric Lynn said.

The Wildcats also qualified in individual events. The elder Madalyn qualified for the 50 free (25.28) and 100 fly (1:01.71), while the younger Maranda qualified for the 50 free (24.77), 100 fly (1:00.38) and 100 free (54.34), while also finishing 0.65 seconds short of the cut in the 200 free in 2:01.84.

Berman brings a core of senior leadership to the squad. In addition to her role in the qualifying 400 free relay team, Berman qualified individually in the 200 free (1:58.80), 100 fly (1:00.42) and 500 free (5:11.23).

Seniors Jacque Carlless (2:24.48) and Abby Glenn (2:25.05) both qualified in the 500 free, the lone event each made the cut in. Sophomore Kelsey Shurmur nearly made the 500 free cut as well, falling 1.23 seconds short in 5:27.52.

Hall, who helped the two freestyle relay teams make state cuts, also made individual cuts in the 50 free (25.44) and 100 free (55.62).

Wrapping up the collection of state meet-bound Wildcats is Sultana, who helped the 200 medley relay qualify, but also made the cut in the 200 individual medley in 2:17.35.

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

VOLLEYBALL

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early as the Wildcats built a 7-0 run into a 15-6 lead. Mercy couldn't come back from the deficit, dropping the first set 25-17 when Novi senior Erica Robb (23 kills, 12 digs, 31 receptions) tapped a ball over some outstretched Marlin defenders at the net.

"We knew their first game was always big. They played with a lot of outward emotion and we anticipated that," Vogel said. "Novi served stronger than I anticipated."

The second set went the opposite direction, as Mercy rolled out to a 6-1 lead behind a handful of Wildcat errors and Marlin junior Maddy Doyle (25 kills) picked up her pace. The Big Fish kept riding the wave behind Doyle's fierce offense and great two-sided play from junior Lindsey Lerg (17 kills), returning the favor with a 25-17 victory in the second set.

"We went in strong and took the first game. We lost our focus in the second game and went to their tipping game," Novi coach Julie Fissette said.

"I think we just got off our game plan. We're a traditional hitting team. When you don't give them a hard ball, they're all over it."

Mercy looked to repeat the feat in the third game, jumping out to a 7-1 lead and riding it to a 14-8 advantage, but the Wildcats battled back. Junior Katie Enright (10 kills) made a kill and set up another kill by Robb, shifting momentum to Novi's favor. The Marlins began to crumble under pressure as Novi tied the contest at 21 after a Mercy time out.

The Wildcats finished the set on a 8-1 run, winning 25-22 after senior Laura Subject (57 assists, 22 digs) set up Robb for one of her many kills.

"Third game we started out slow again, but the girls turned it around. From there on out, it was neck and neck point for point," Fissette said.

"It was a crazy game. It was a lot of fun. It's a great sport." Entering the fourth set with a "win or go home" mentality, Mercy was unable to pull away from the Wildcats. The Marlins built a 13-7 lead after a kill by Lerg, but Novi tied the game at 16 on another kill by Robb.

Novi senior Erin Hoomaian (25 digs, 34 receptions) and Mercy senior Brooke Ruffolo both came up huge throughout the match, saving several near kills.

With the game tied at 22, Novi needed three points to advance to the Elite Eight of the state tournament, but it wasn't meant to be. Novi junior Lesley Harrington (five kills) took a 23-22 advantage with a kill off a Subject set, prompting a time out by Mercy. The next two points came off failed kill attempts by Harrington that went into the net, giving the Marlins a 24-23 edge. Doyle forced a fifth set with a commanding kill for the 25-23 victory.

"Lesley's a great athlete. She gets in there and gets the job done. I don't know if I'm going twice to the same girl was the smartest idea," Fissette said. "We struggled hitting out of the back row. I think all the girls contributed. The errors were just all in inconvenient spots."

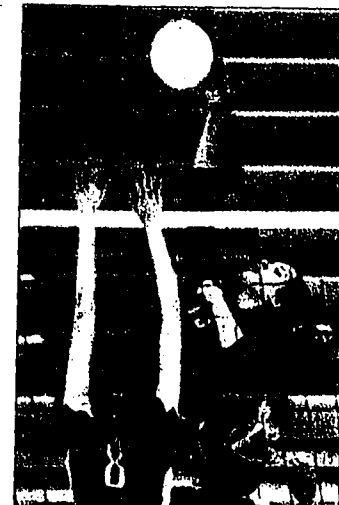
The teams stayed neck and neck again, trading points off kills. Mercy sophomore Amy Bodien (20 assists) would set the ball to Doyle or Lerg for a kill and Subject would return the favor by setting up Robb or one of her other Wildcat teammates.

The Marlins led 14-12 with a chance to put the match away, but Robb came up with a big kill to push the game to extra points. Lerg then attempted a baseline kill that went out wide left, tying the set at 14 apiece.

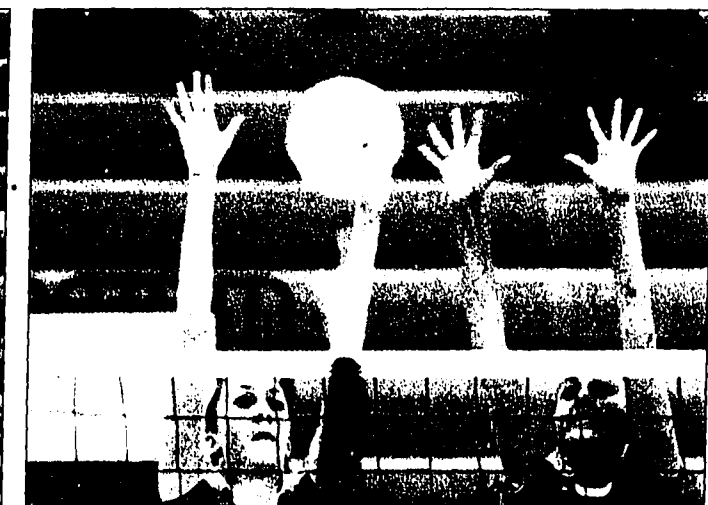
Novi junior Molly Marzonia (21 digs) was called for a lift, but Mercy senior Amy Bodien was then called for a lift on the next play, keeping the score tied.

Mercy junior Elena Lamping made a huge defensive stop blocking a kill attempt back at Novi junior Victoria Rose's (eight kills, four solo blocks) feet to give the Marlins a 16-15 edge.

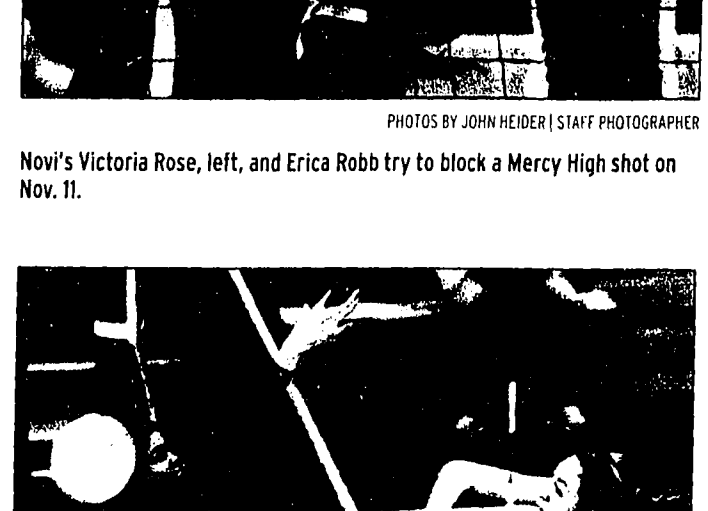
"The difference was defensive. The games were weren't successful, we were watching on defense," Vogel said. "Elena



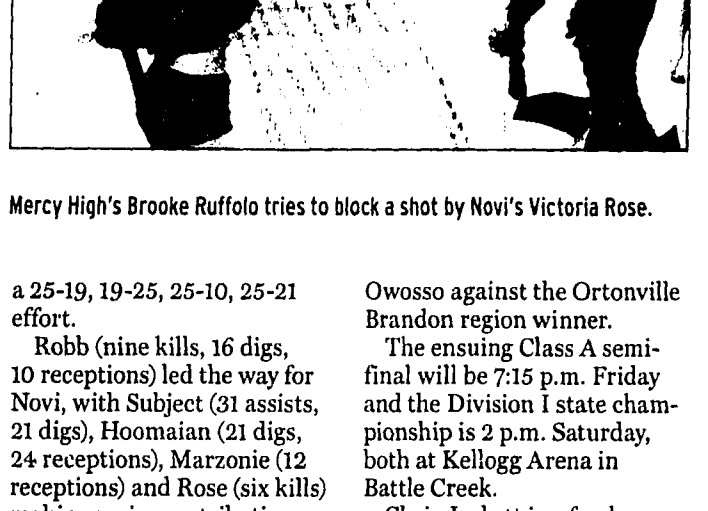
Mercy's Elena Lamping rises to nail a shot against Novi's Victoria Rose (8).



Mercy High's Brooke Ruffolo tries to block a shot by Novi's Victoria Rose.



Novi's Victoria Rose, left, and Erica Robb try to block a Mercy High shot on Nov. 11.



Mercy High's Erin Hoomaian blocks a shot by Novi's Victoria Rose.

Novi defeated KLA West Division champion Brighton (28-16) Nov. 9 in a regional semifinal at Hartland with

a 25-19, 19-25, 25-10, 25-21 effort.

Robb (nine kills, 16 digs, 10 receptions) led the way for Novi, with Subject (31 assists, 21 digs, Hoomaian (21 digs, 24 receptions), Marzonia (12 receptions) and Rose (six kills) making major contributions.

Mercy defeated No. 11 White Lake Lakeland (33-12-4) the same night in another five-set contest and, following the win against Novi last Thursday, advanced to the Nov. 16 state quarterfinal in

Wosso against the Ortonville Brandon region winner.

The ensuing Class A semifinal will be 7:15 p.m. Friday and the Division I state championship is 2 p.m. Saturday, both at Kellogg Arena in Battle Creek.

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FOOTBALL

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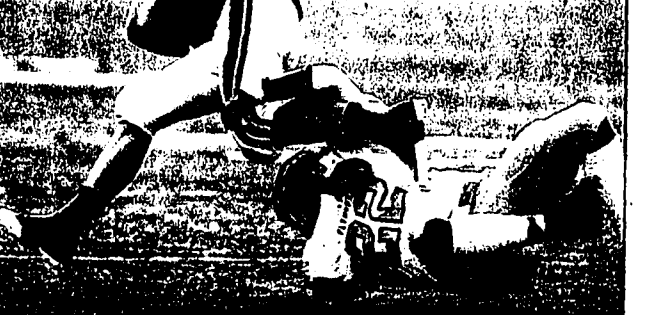
Catholic Central ended the year with a 9-3 record. Plymouth, which climbed to 10-2 on the year, continues its Cinderella season as it heads to play perennial powerhouse Rockford at Lansing Everett High School this Saturday.

Plymouth also upset No. 1-ranked Canton before beating Catholic Central.

Despite the loss, Mach took time to praise his team and the season they had.

"They're a great, great bunch of kids to coach, and they tough it out right to the end," Mach said. "It's always hard to lose, but I think I was really happy with the way they conducted themselves all year long."

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



Catholic Central running back Anthony Darkangelo is one-handed tackled by Plymouth's Phillip Emminger during last Saturday's dramatic 9-7 victory by the Wildcats.

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Catholic Central icers looking to continued success

Two-time defending state champs have tough schedule

BY SAM EGGLESTON
CORRESPONDENT

When you're the best and you want to stay that way, you have to load your schedule with the toughest opponents you can find.

Luckily for the Detroit Catholic Central Shamrocks hockey team, they don't have to look too far beyond their own league to find those kinds of foes.

"The schedule is very demanding with the MIHL looking stronger than ever, plus top competition in our non-league games," said Catholic Central coach Todd Johnson.

But that's the price you pay when you're the best, which is something few people would argue about with the Shamrocks as the season starts this weekend. The Catholic Central icers are two-time defending state champions, having finished with just one tie and one loss and 28 victories last year.

They did lose a slew of outstanding players, including six first-team All-State players, all of which are playing in the United States Hockey League this year, as well as four other players who are playing at the next level as well.

But there is a ton of talent back this year as well. On offense, Sean Gaffney, Ryan Keller and Charlie Green are expected to lead the way while the defense is anchored by the talented crew of Mitchell Gatt, Nolan Gluchowski, Steven Hayden and Robert Ault.

The key to the early games, however, will be the goaltending of Connor Pankow and Alex Nork.

"Our team will rely on our senior goaltending tandem

DETAILS

Coach: Todd Johnson
Last Year: State champions, 28-1 record, MIHL champs and CHSL champs

Key Returning Players: goalies Connor Pankow and Alex Nork, forwards Sean Gaffney, Ryan Keller, Charlie Green, defenseman Mitch Gatt, Nolan Gluchowski, Steven Hayden and Robert Ault

Biggest Challenge: Tough schedule and increased talent in MIHL
Quote: "Our staff is very encouraged by this team's attitude and work ethic in preparing for the season," Todd Johnson

to be strong as our young group of forwards and defense matures," Johnson said.

Key newcomers this year include sophomore Michael Downing and sophomore forward Michael Babcock, Jr. "Our staff is very encouraged by this team's attitude and work ethic in preparing for the season," said Johnson. "I believe that we will improve month by month in an effort to be ready for the state tournament."

Other players on this year's team include defensemen Ryan Wandzel, Carson Gatt and Nick Daigneau and forwards Nick Bowen, Pete Halash, Lucas Linville, Nock Montoni, Thomas Orr, Joe Steele, Connor Trombler, Tyler VanAcker and Tyler VanNorman.

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South Lyon's Colin Tittle works for the puck during a scrimmage against Novi.

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Core of Wildcat icers prepared for season

Three All-State players return

BY CHRIS JACKETT
CORRESPONDENT

After an impressive season ended in the Division 2 quarterfinals last season, Novi's ice hockey team is hungry this year.

Fifth-year coach Todd Krygier returns a strong core of players, including his starting netminder and two top point earners, all three of which earned All-State honors last season.

Senior co-captain Michael Pesendorfer will again be a force behind the pipes for Novi. He had a 2.39 GAA and 88.98 save percentage last season, including two shutouts, as Novi finished 20-6-2 and ranked No. 4 in Div. 2. Junior Spencer Peterson (90.48 save percentage) and the varsity squad's lone freshman, Austin Petty, will back Pesendorfer.

"We have a freshman goal-keeper and just think he has a lot of potential. We put him on the same path we put Michael Pesendorfer on. He's going to pay his dues and I think he can be an All-State goalie, too,"



Novi vs South Lyon hockey on Nov. 8.

Krygier said. "Michael's going to get most, if not all, of the games."

All three forwards on the first line return from last season, including All-State leading goal scorer and senior co-

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Novi opens the regular season by hosting the Metro Invite at Novi Ice Arena this weekend. The Wildcats face off with Rochester United 8:30 p.m. tomorrow and Clarkson 8:30 p.m. Saturday before opening KLA A play 6 p.m. Wednesday when Plymouth Salem comes to Novi Ice Arena.

who we have and who's in the school."

The team got a preview of how the new lineups would look last week with a pair of exhibition games and things were looking good for the Wildcats, who finished South Lyon 4-1 and Novi 5-2 last Saturday.

"The exhibition games went well. We actually look pretty decent," Todd Krygier said. "My optimism just comes from the guys working hard. We move the puck well. We have a lot of talent. We're taking less penalties this year."

Peterson were a big part of Novi's downfall last season. The Cats finished second in the Central Division, third in the Kensington Conference and eighth in the KLA A; despite being ranked No. 9 overall in the state.

"We kind of had an elephant on our back last year with people expecting us to accomplish things the program has never accomplished before, and we kind of did. We're just going to focus on the game in hand," Todd Krygier said.

And the game in hand has changed this season, as Brighton and Walled Lake Western traded divisions, which puts the Bulldogs into the Central Division alongside Novi, Northville, South Lyon and powerhouse and defending KLA A champion Livonia Stevenson. The Bulldogs upset the Wildcats in the association's seventh-place game last year.

"In the four years I've been here, we've never beaten Brighton," Todd Krygier said. "It is what it is."

Adding additional trouble to the Wildcats' post-season is their debut in Division I. Todd Krygier said Brighton, South Lyon and defending state champion Detroit Catholic Central are all in Novi's pre-region, and finals runner-up Howell is the most likely regional final foe.

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Award winners



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Ian Somerville, owner of Play It Again Sports, was presented with the Community Builder award by Novi Mayor David Landry.



Novi Mayor David Landry (left) presented the Mayor's Economic Ambassador Award to Baroque Renaissance General Manager Jim Mikula. Pictured accepting the award for Mikula is director of sales Mike Waun.

NOVI BUSINESS BRIEFS

Busch's hosting holiday food drive
Local grocer Busch's Fresh Food Market will host their annual Season of Sharing Food Drive through Nov. 24 to benefit local food rescue programs in the Greater Ann Arbor and Metro Detroit communities.

The Washtenaw County-based Food Gatherers, and Forgotten Harvest, which serves Wayne, Oakland and Macomb counties, will be the largest recipients of the Season of Sharing Food Drive. Additional groups receiving food are Pinckney Schools, Clinton and Carleton Schools, Goodfellows and Tecumseh Service Club.

"We look forward once again to helping our neighbors in need and remain thankful to the loyal and community-conscious shoppers at all 15 Busch's stores," said John Busch, co-owner and CEO of Busch's Fresh Food Market. Local stores include 41840 W. Ten Mile Road in Novi and 15185 Sheldon Road in Northville/Plymouth.

Last year's food drive raised a record high in terms of food and funds given by Busch's customers. The combined total of food and money raised was just under the equivalent of \$185,000, which the grocer hopes to build upon this year. In addition to two annual food drives, each Busch's store gives food to their local food rescue organization on a daily basis.

This year Busch's was acknowledged with the Gatherer of Plenty Award by Food Gatherers and the Harvey Award by Forgotten Harvest. Both awards recognize Busch's for its long-standing commitment to food rescue and leadership in the fight against hunger. Also participating this year are youth from more than 20 public and private schools in the neighborhoods surrounding Busch's stores. They are volunteering their time to help generate awareness of the food drive and raise community spirit. Participating schools include Northville High School and Novi High School.

Jazzercise collects for Hospitality House
Two things that don't normally go together are exercise and food, but in this case they are coming together for a great cause. Lakes Area Jazzercise is holding their third annual Thanksgiving Day benefit dance fitness class on Thursday, Nov. 25. Class owner and instructor Letha Martin says "Put your turkeys in the oven, bring your friends and family, and come get a great morning workout - erase the guilt for your Thanksgiving dinner later!"

Non-perishable food donations will be collected for Hospitality House Food Pantry located in Walled Lake. Hospitality House will use these donations to feed local area families in need during this holiday season. The benefit will be held at 8:30 a.m. at the Walled Lake United Methodist Church. The class is free in exchange for bringing at least one non-perishable breakfast food item to donate. The class will be a high-energy, fun event taught by Martin and two other instructors. Light refreshments will be served.

For more information on Jazzercise contact Letha Martin at (248)722-4095. For class information, go to jazzercise.com or call (800)FIT-IS-IT.

Bead Boutique launched
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**CITY OF NOVI
NOTICE OF ENACTMENT - ZONING MAP
AMENDMENT 18.694**

THE CITY OF NOVI ORDAINS:
Part I. That Ordinance No. 97-18, known as the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Novi is hereby amended as indicated on ZONING MAP NO. 18.694 attached hereto and made a part of this Ordinance.

Part II. CONFLICTING PROVISIONS REPEALED. Any Ordinance or parts of any Ordinance in conflict with any of the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed.

Part III. WHEN EFFECTIVE. The provisions of this ordinance are hereby declared to be necessary for the preservation of the public peace, health and safety and is hereby ordered to take effect fifteen (15) days after final enactment. The effective date of this Ordinance is November 23, 2010.

MADE AND PASSED by the City Council of the City of Novi, Michigan the 5th day of April, 2010. Copies of the Ordinance Amendment may be purchased or inspected at the Office of the City Clerk, Novi, Michigan, weekdays between 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM, local time.

**CITY OF NOVI
PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, December 8, 2010 at 7:00 P.M. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider **WALMART SUPERCENTER AND OPEN AIR BUSINESS USE, SPIC-12, FOR PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN, SPECIAL LAND USE PERMIT AND STORM WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN APPROVAL. THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IS LOCATED IN SECTION 14 AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF ELEVEN MILE ROAD AND TOWN CENTER DRIVE, IN THE TC TOWN CENTER DISTRICT.** The applicant is proposing to demolish portions of the Novi Town Center and construct a 149,000 square foot Walmart store to include an open air area for the sale of plant material and garden supplies.

ORDINANCE NO. 18.694
ZONING MAP AMENDMENT NO. 694
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DAVID B. LANDRY, Mayor
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CITY OF NOVI**

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Maryanne Cornelius, MMC
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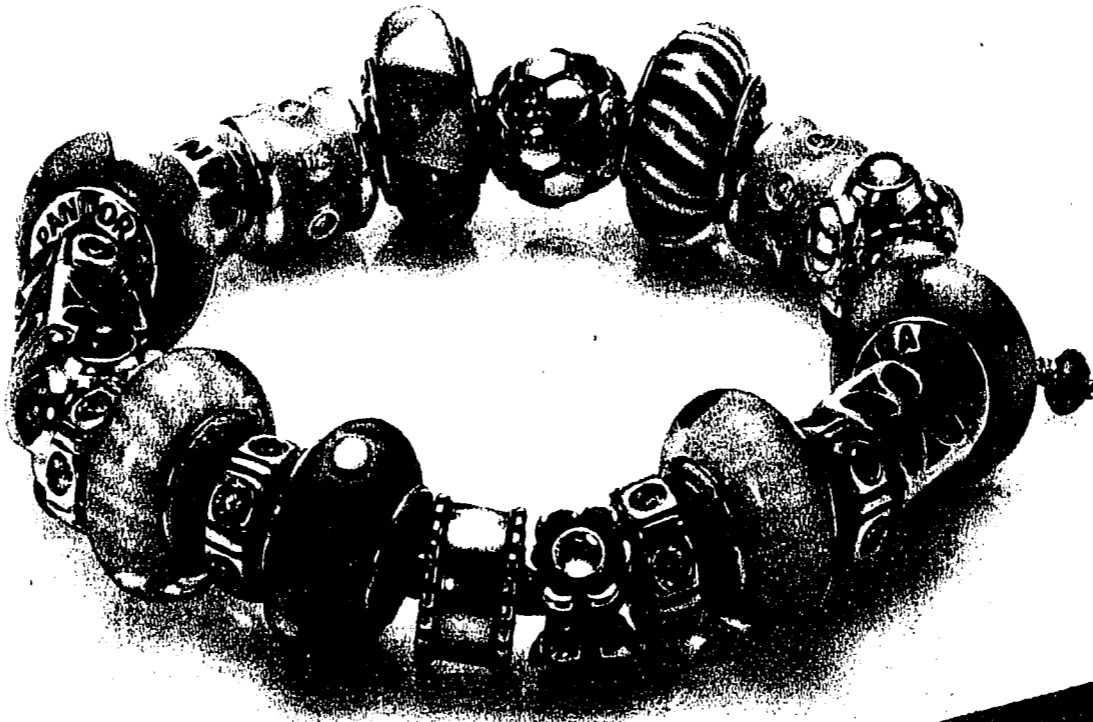
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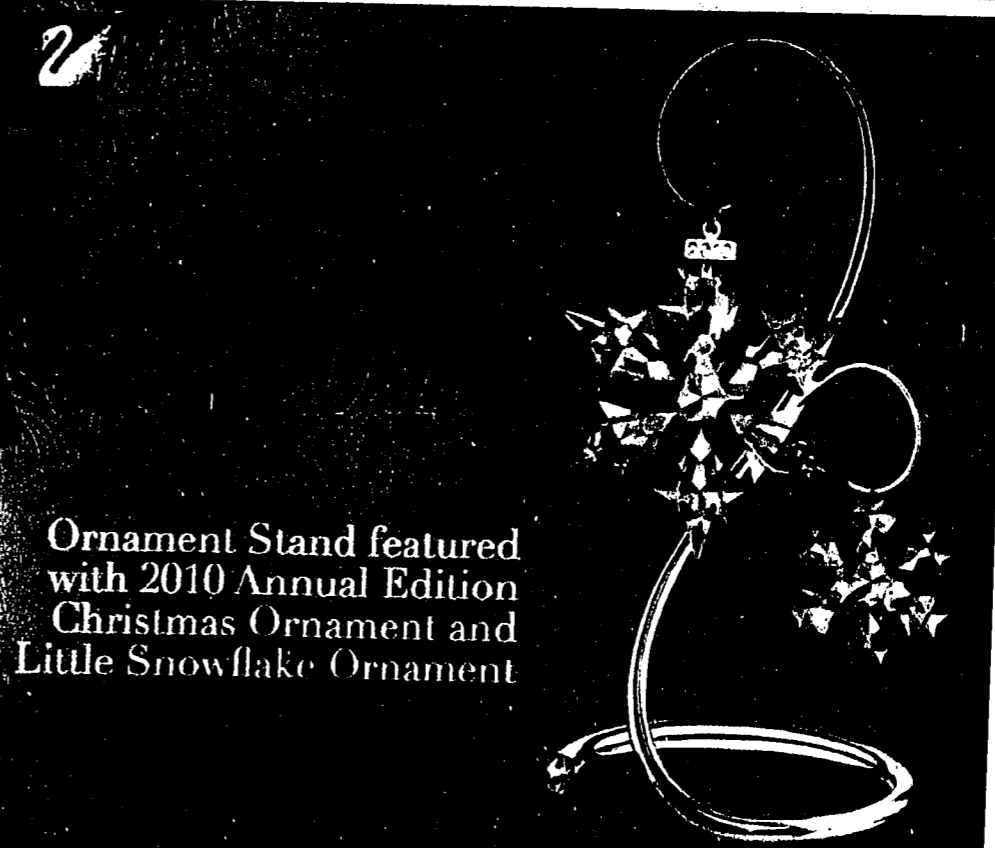
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