

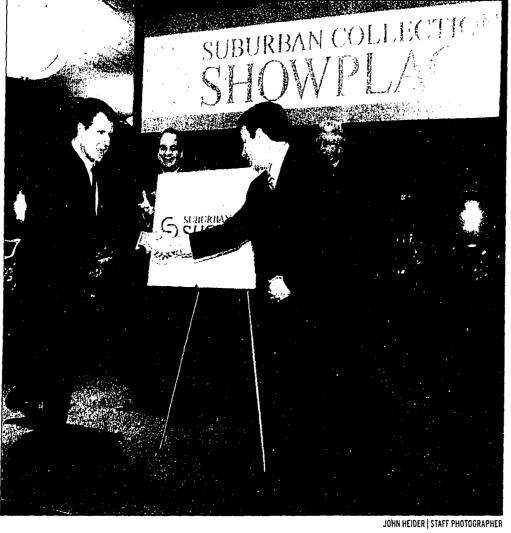
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The City of Novi in partnership with the Novi Chamber of Commerce invites you to join Mayor David Landry and Novi P City Council members for the State of the City address and luncheon from 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 20 at **Baronette Renaissance hotel** (27790 Novi Road). The cost is \$27 per person Reservations be made by

sending a check made payable to: City of Novi, attention Robin Working, 45175 West Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 Seating is limited to the first 230 attendees.

Fitness classes offered

As 2010 comes to a close, the tradition of setting a New Year's Resolution is upon us. Millions of New Year's Resolutions are made each year and some of the most common ones are to lose weight and improve overall physical health. The Novi Parks Department achieves its mission of Enriching Lives and Strengthening Community, In part, by offering a wide variety of programs which promote healthy and active lifestyles. Classes begin Jan. 22 and registration is going on now at cityofnovi.org and the Novi Parks office (45175 West Ten Mile Road). Online registrations receive a \$5 discount For a full



Showplace president and owner Blair Bowman, right, shakes hands with Suburban Collection CEO and President David Fischer Jr., after the two announced a multivear, multimillion-dollar partnership which calls for the renaming of Rock Financial Showplace to Suburban Collection Showplace.

Showplace unveils

Pair of married couples sworn into office

Kowalls are first married Michigan legislators in 25 years

BY NATHAN MUELLER STAFF WRITER

It was legislative couples night at the Novi Civic Center on Monday as the husband-and-wife combinations of Hugh and Kathy Crawford and Mike and Eileen Kowall were sworn into office.

The occasion for the Kowalls marks the first time in 25 years that a married couple will serve in the Legislature at the same time.

John Engler and Colleen House, who both served in the state House in 1985, got married in 1975 after they were elected. The two are now divorced.

The ceremony Monday made the Kowalls, who have been married 36

served from 1999 to 2002. Mike Kowall is starting his first term in the Senate, replacing 15th District Sen. Nancy Cassis. after working as the supervisor of White Lake Township for the last six years.

"Like any husband and wife we have differences of opinion but now they will be official differences," he said.

The other couple sworn in Monday, Hugh and Kathy Crawford, are lifelong residents of Novi and said having the ceremony in the city only made sense.

Rep. Crawford, who is entering his second term serving the 38th House District, has been married to Kathy for 46 years.

Kathy, who served on

the Novi City Council, is

beginning her first term

listing of classes, visit cityofnovi.org or see the January April edition of Engagel, which will be in Novi mailboxes this week. 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 "CornerStore", 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 RLH Talent); and Susan Frishman

(entertainment attorney). 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. For more information, visit www.mmdnewswire.com/

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new name, partner

Suburban Collection agrees to multiyear, multimillion-dollar partnership

BY NATHAN MUELLER STAFF WRITER

The Rock Financial Showplace name will soon be no more.

Starting in January, the state-of-the-art exposition. convention and conference center on Grand River Avenue in Novi will be called the Suburban Collection Showplace after the two sides announced a multiyear, multimillion dollar partnership Thursday.

Nether side would elaborate on exactly how much the deal is worth, but Blair Bowman, president and owner of the Showplace, said it was less than several of the 15 bids he received. "It wasn't about the money,"

Bowman said. "The cross-

promotional opportunities are truly limitless. You will be seeing and hearing a lot more from us with this new approach."

The showplace has been looking for a new name since Rock Financial changed to Quicken Loans and its advertising and marketing took on a more national focus.

Bowman said he was looking for a local company with a "good reputation" and a "good name," and believes he found it in Michigan's largest dealership group and the 13th largest dealer group in the country.

The Suburban Collection has been around since 1948, and David Fischer, chairman and CEO, said they are "having one of our best years in recent history." He said the partnership

made sense to him because it gives the Suburban Collection the ability to reach the 1.5 million visitors who attend the 200-plus events at the 320,000-square-foot

Showplace annually. "This will allow us to continue to grow our presence," Fischer said.

Throughout December, the five-year-old Showplace will undergo its brand change with new signs, colors and the addition of display vehicles inside and outside. Bowman also said the part-

nership is going to help with future endeavors such as a possible expansion and hotel development. "(The opportunities) are

almost endless," he said.

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Defendant in sister's death to get forensic exam

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Father prohibited from funding son's defense **BY STEVE KOWALSKI** STAFF WRITER A 59-year-old Novi man charged with first-degree murder in the death of

his sister, a 63-year-old Southfield resident, will receive a forensic examination to determine his competence to stand trial, a 46th district court judge ruled

Dec. 16. Judge Susan Moiseev adjourned Thursday's preexam conference for Marc

until 8:30 a.m. Jan. 20 to allow enough time for the defendant to receive an Marc Rosenthal

independent psychological examination, as requested by the defendant's attorney, Todd Koluzny.

The defendant is accused of killing his sister, Ilene Moore, after an argument involving a financial matter, according to Southfield Police Lt. Nick Loussia.

Moore had last been heard from on Dec. 3, and she was reported missing by friends and family on Dec. 7, according to Loussia. A police investigation led police to Kensington Metropark where the body was found Dec. 9 near a picnic area in the northeast section of the park, Loussia said.

a DVD of a confession the defendant allegedly gave police while in custody and another videotape of evidence supplied by police.

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vears, the first couple to go into the Legislature together.

"We live, eat and breathe this so we might as well do it together," said Rep. Kowall of the swearing-in ceremony. "We are still trying to figure out if we are going to see more of each other or less."

Eileen Kowall is in her second term in the House, serving District 44, the same one her husband

on the Oakland County **Board of Commissioners** serving the 9th district. "This is very natural," she said Monday night. "This is where it all started for us and really means a great deal to us to do this

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in Novi."



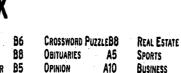
The husband and wife legislative teams of Mike and Eileen Kowall (left) and Hugh and Kathy Crawford were sworn in together Monday night in Novi by Oakland County Circuit Court Judge Wendy Potts (center).



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Koluzny said he reviewed

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thing carefully, because this is the most serious case you can have," Koluzny said after Thursday's hearing, "The consequences are so serious. We're exploring all our options at this time.

"Police allege my client made a confession, and I don't know if it is valid or not. I'm not a doctor and I don't rely on my unprofessional (medical) opinion. That's why I want a professional's opin-

The defendant, who entered the courtroom in handcuffs, wearing glasses and white socks in sandals with an orange jumpsuit over a white, long-sleeved shirt, was denied bond at his Dec. 12 arraignment

Following Thursday's hearing, he was escorted out of the courtroom and returned to the Oakland County Jail.

Koluzny said the defendant's wife was in the crowd at Thursday's hearing with several other family members. A man sitting with four other supporters of the defendant said the family has no comment on the trial.

Koluzny and the two assistant prosecuting attorneys, Jeff Hall and Sydney Turner, met with the judge privately at the front of the chambers for about 20 minutes before

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the rulings were announced. In addition to adjourning the pre-exam conference and permitting a forensic exam, Moiseev also ruled that the defendant may not receive any funding from his father for his defense.

Hall, speaking to the judge, said the defendant's father suffers "from forms of dementia and there are concerns that checks will be written" from the father on behalf of

the defendant. "One of the issues as far as the people are concerned is (the defendant's) motives," Hall told the judge, adding that the victim had accused

the defendant prior to her death of taking "money from the dad's account for 'things." The judge ruled that the defendant may not receive any financial assistance at this time from his father.

"No checks may be written from the father's account for anything other than his care, his rent, his Edison bill, food (and other necessities)," the judge said.

Koluzny questioned whether that determination should be left up to the probate court and added that it's unclear whether the defendant's

father is willing to help his son's defense fund. "We don't know if the father

wants to help him," Koluzny told the judge. The judge said she may be overruled by probate court,

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but at this time, her order stands. "The probate court can make that decision," Moiseev

said. "Any order can be modified, but at this point only, money disposed (from the father) is (not for the defendant)."

Koluzny didn't say how much the defendant paid initially for his services, bu indicated there was some money exchanged.

"I'm retained, what does that tell you?" Koluzny asked. "I've begun work on the case, I'm here for (Thursday's hearing) and the arraignment." Koluzny said the defendant

was married, unemployed and has no prior criminal history. "(The wife of the defendant and other extended family) are in shock," Koluzny said. "Nothing in the (defendant's)

past indicated he was capable of doing something he's accused of doing. The family is behind him and (the trial) is especially difficult for his

The victim was well known Kristin Wiley, employee at at the Michigan Humane Society's administrative office you in more of a Christmas and at the Detroit Zoo in Royal Oak, having actively served as a volunteer at both

locations. According to the Oakland **County Medical Examiner's** office, cause of death was due to "blunt and sharp trauma."

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Holiday makeover

Clients, employees from Novi salon make Christmas wishes come true

BY NATHAN MUELLER STAFF WRITER

Customers and employees struggled to move around inside Pamela's Salon the past few weeks as toys and clothes

covered the floors. But no one was complaining because the congestion was for a good cause - helping kids at the Ennis Center for Children. For the fifth consecutive year, the Novi salon has asked its employees and clients to bring in gifts from 100 wish lists, and once again they exceeded their goal by collecting presents for 150 children. "It was unbelievable," said Pamela's Salon. "Nothing put

spirit, especially at the end when you walked into the salon and it was totally overwhelming.'

The Ennis Center for Children is a non-profit organization that works with abused or neglected children and includes a foster care program and support services. Salon Owner Pamela Yagiela said she views her business as a "vehicle to reach a lot of people," and says it's fun to see how excited people are when

they bring in their gifts. "It's so awesome," she said. 'A lot of these kids don't have a prayer in their lives and this is one day that gives them hope." Throughout the last few months, people have been dropping off their gifts to the

bag and he wasn't going to get tributor to the Ennis Center them so the man went out and for Children, and she owes came back an hour later with accomplishment that to every-

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Pamela's Salon in Novi was packed full of presents for kids at the Ennis Center for Children as a result of another successful gift drive.







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Artist hopes to inspire others through his work Picasso Cafe displays Livonia man's art

BY NATHAN MUELLER STAFF WRITER

PJ Freer had a choice to make when he was laid off from his job roughly one year

He could bang down doors trying to search for new work, or go back to school, with the help of a Pell Grant, and pursue something he loved - art.

Freer chose the latter, and the 59-year-old Livonia resident is glad he did. Not only will he receive a degree in graphic art when he is finished, but the time off from work has given him more time to work on his own "It's tough being unem-

ployed," he said. "But school has stimulated me into doing art more. I do this because I want someone to look at my art and hopefully it takes them to a different place." People can get an up close look at Freer's art as it is on display at Picasso Cafe in Novi. The family-owned cafe on Grand River Avenue

regularly displays works from local artists, and about six of Freer's pieces are on the walls and available for purchase. Freer, who is self-taught and been doing art his entire life, creates collages with clip art, abstract enamel

paintings and works in other genres as well. His most recent piece called "Abstract Lyrics; The Beatles" was created on the computer.

"Hopefully my work captures people's imagination and makes them want to be creative," he said. "If it brings someone joy that is a good thing."

Freer also has an underlying motive behind selling some of his art - he needs money to pay the bills. "At this point I'm trying to get heat for the winter," he

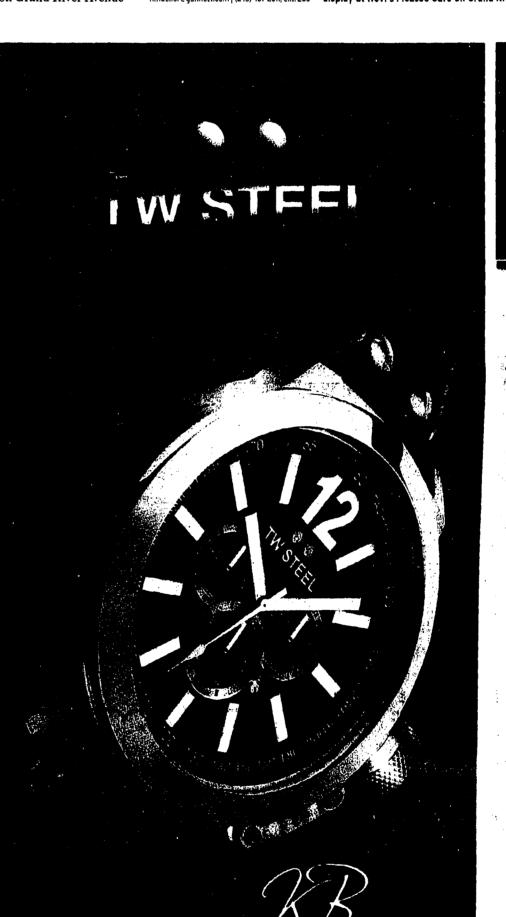
said. "I want to sell a couple to survive." Freer can be reached by e-mail at artiship22@yahoo



Artist PJ Freer displays his recently completed graphic piece consisting of images of the Beatles and the lyrics to their song "The Word." Freer's art is on nmueller@gannett.com | (248) 437-2011, ext. 255 display at Novi's Picasso Cafe on Grand River Avenue.

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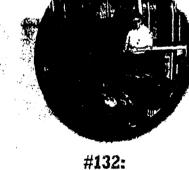
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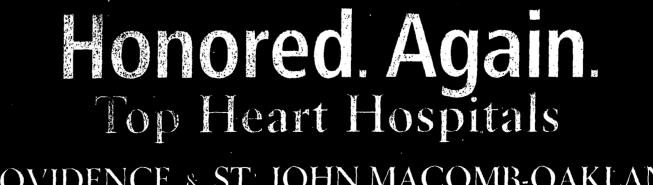
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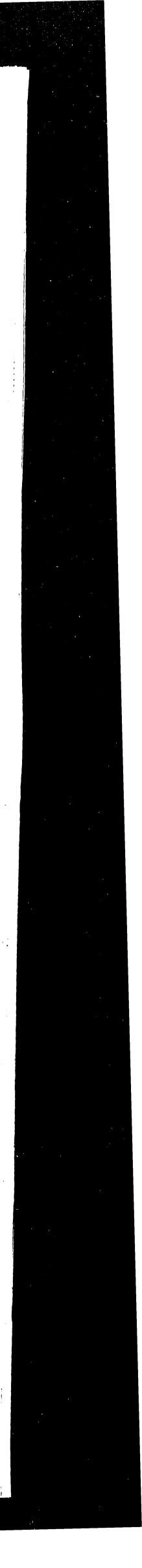
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and ability to instill operational excellence across all of our manufacturing facilities helped Cooper Standard become a leading global supplier," McElya said. "At the same time, I look forward to working with Keith in his new post as COO, as he will bring a great mix of international experience, industry expertise and product knowledge to the position. Additionally, as part of the company's succession planning, Keith has assembled a strong global team, ensuring experienced leadership across all our operations."

As president of Cooper Standard's International Division, a position he had held since March 2009, Stephenson had responsibility for all of Cooper Standard's manufacturing and commercial activities in Europe, Asia and South America. From 2007 until March 2009 when the company reorganized its operations into geographic units, he served as president of Cooper Standard's Body and

Chassis Division. Before joining Cooper Standard in 2007, Stephenson was chief development officer at Boler Company from 2004 to 2006. From 1985 to 2004, he held various senior positions at Hendrickson, a division of Boler Company, including president of International Operations, senior vice resident of Global Business Operations and president of the Truck Systems Group. Stephenson earned his bachelor of arts degree in business administration at North Central College in Naperville, Ill.

demonstrate 4,500 hours of experience leading and directing projects, possess a four-year degree, receive formal project management education, and successfully complete an examination. As the City of Novi's GIS Manager, within the

The City of Novi announced Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Manager Christopher Blough has earned a Project Management Professional Credential (PMP) from the Project Management

credential a candidate must

Information Technology Department, Blough is responsible for the centralized GIS application and providing project management leadership for City-wide programs and systems. His roles encompass the City of Novi's online map delivery systems, infrastructure management programs, public safety response and prepared-

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improvement planning, and exhibit delivery for City Council and City administra tion "The knowledge gained through the PMP credentialing will support Chris in identifying, scoping, and leading projects for the City of Novi,' said Rob Petty, City of Novi Chief Information Officer. In addition to the Project Management Professional

credential, Blough holds a bachelor of science degree from Central Michigan University and a master of public administration from Eastern Michigan University. He is currently working toward a master's certificate in IT/IS project management at Villanova University.

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held by Edward Hasler, the

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has announced his retirement

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Location: Meet at the Visitor's Center of Heritage Park (Farmington Road between 10 and 11 Mile roads) Details: Group meet for lunch afterwards. Contact: Sue (734) 459-0016

Single Place Ministries

Time/Date: 7:30 p.m. social time; 7:45 p.m. opening; 8-9 p.m. program, every Thursday. Details: Informative and entertaining programs of interest to singles; \$5 per person. Check Web site for details singleplace.org.

First United Methodist

Church of Northville

A Stephen Ministry Church

Location: 777 W. 8 Mile Road at Taft Rd. Contact: (248) 349-1144 or www.fumcnorthville.org

Sunday worship: Times: 8:30 and 10 a.m. (Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend); 8, 9:15 and 11 a.m. (Sept.-May)

Pastors: Rev. Dr. Steven J. Buck, senior pastor and Rev. Jeff Sturgeon, associate pastor Coffee Hour: 9:30 a.m. Sunday ((Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day weekend); 10:15 a.m. Sundays (Sept.

Healing Service: 4 p.m. first Monday of every month Logo Youth Club: 5 p.m. Wednesdays for fourth-12th

graders (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@fumcnorthville. DIO

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

Location: 41415 Nine Mile Road, corner of Meadowbrook Road, Novi Contact: (248) 349-0565

Sundays Time: 8:45 a.m. Sunday School and Bible Study; 10 am. 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**

Time/Date: 6 p.m. Sundays Asking Questions adult education class

.Time/Date: 10 a.m. Tuesdays

Time/Date: 7:30 p.m. Details: This traditional-contemporary service is led by Reverend Ritter with musical accompaniment of guitar

and piano. Northville Christian Assembly Location: 41355 Six Mile Road

Contact: (248) 348-9030

9-10 a.m.: Sunday School for Adults / Youth / Children 9 a.m.: Contemporary service in multi-purpose gymna-

10:15 a.m. Contemporary service in worship center; children's super church on the second level (208/210) **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

Novi - Northville Center for Jewish Life Details: A Jewish center with events, programs and activities for all ages throughout the year - children's programs. Sunday school, adult Jewish classes, youth clubs, holiday services and programs, community social

events. Contact: Rabbi Avrohhom & Leah Susskind at (248) 790-6075 or rabbi@noviiewishcenter.com; www.novijewishcenter.com

Novi United Methodist Location: 41671 W. 10 Mile Road Contact: (248) 349-2652 or visit umcnovi.com Sunday Worship Time: 9:45 a.m. Healing Service and Holy Communion Time/Date: 9:45 a.m. first Sunday of every month

Peace Vigil Time/Date: Noon, first Sunday of every month

Location: In front of the church Details: Members of the congregation and the community will stand united in prayer for peace.

Advent Service Time/Date: 9:45 a.m. Sunday

Dak Pointe Church

Location: 50200 W. 10 Mile Road, Novi Contact: (248) 912-0043 or visit oakpointe.org Worship Services: 5:15 p.m. Saturday; 9:15 and 11:15 a.m.

ReNew Life Group Ministries Time/Date: 7:15-9 p.m. every Monday Details: Ongoing Life Groups that support and facilitate personal growth, healing, learning, change from a Christian perspective. Women's Life Groups Ministries Time/Date: 7 p.m. every Tuesday 9:30 a.m. every

LOCAL NEWS

Men's Life Groups Ministries Time/Date: 6 a.m. every Friday morning at various locations For both Women's and Men's Life Groups Ministries, please contact the church office. 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. Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church Location: 47650 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth

Contact: (734) 453-0326, Ext. 221 Our Lady of Victory **Catholic Church** Location: 770 Thayer, Northville Contact: (248) 349-2621 or olynorthyille.org Saturday Worship Time: 5 p.m. Sunday Worship Time: 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 a.m. Our Shepherd Presbyterian Church Location: 1200 S. Sheldon Road, Plymouth

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DONALD J. DUNLOP

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Age 67, passed away December 13, Visitation was held on Dec. 17th at 2010. He was born on January 30, PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, South 1943 in Detroit, son of the late Lyon. Online guestbook Geraid & Marjorie Duntop. Don loved being outdoors and was an avid golfer. He is survived by his beloved wife Sandy, his son Michael (Lisa); his daughter Kathy; his stepsons: Lon Roarty (Cindy), Shon Roarty (Tracy); 11 grandchildren Age 85, Dec. 15, 2010. Funeral Ser- during World War II, received and his sister Char (Earl) Koops. A vice was Dec. 20th at the O'Brien degree in Education from Eastern memorial service was held on /Sullivan Funeral Home, Novi. Mem- Michigan University and a Master's Friday, December 17, 2010 at orial donations may be made to the degree from Columbia University in 5:00pm at the Upper Peninsula Capuchins, 1820 Mt. Elliott St., New York. He studied as a Fulbright Club, Whitmore Lake, MI. Memorial Detroit, MI 48207. Online condo- Scholar at the University of contributions may be made to the lences:

guestbook www.phillipsfuneral.com

Age 67, passed away December 19. 2010. She was born on March 29, 1943, in Detroit, daughter of the late Edward and Bessie Florence. Sue was a very loving, kind and selfless woman. She touched many lives throughout her life and will be remembered as a woman who always put others before herself. She is survived by her former husband. Francis Hett: her beloved children: John (Christine Lalinsky) Glenna Bryan, Stephen (Pamela) Christopher (Vanessa Kirchoff) Matthew (Bridget), and Theresa Hett. She is also survived by her orandchildren: Austin. Colin. Warren, Leah, Jessica, Brianna, Jared, Dillian, Chloe, Alexandria, Thomas, Aidan, Savanna and Cassandra; her siblings: Edward Florence, James Florence and Carole Lawton. She was preceded in death by her sister Mary Ann Analia. Visitation was held on Wednesday December 22nd from 3 – 8 p.m with Rosary at 7:00 p.m. at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, South Lyon. Funeral Mass will be held on Thursday, December 23rd at 10:30 a.m. at St. James Catholic Church, 46325 W. Ten Mile Rd., Novi.

Memorial contributions may be made to Active Faith Community Services, P.O. Box 188, South Lyon, VI 48178. Online guestbook www.phillipsfuneral.comm

DEBRA L. HOFFMAN Age 54, passed away December 12, 2010. A private family service was held. Arrangements entrusted to

PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, South Lvon. Online questbook www.phillipsfuneral.com

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DONALD LEE RIDDERING Age 23, passed away Dec. 13, 2010. Age 88, died peacefully on December 7, 2010 of ALS (Lou Gehrig's) with Ali, the www.phillipsfuneral.com love of his life by his side. A resident of Ionia MI, formerly of Salem, MI, Don was a lifelong teacher and historian, father, and friend. Born in CARMEL MARIE POTTER Marysville, MI on February 28

Amsterdam in The Netherland

in Den Hoorn, on the island of Texe

in The Netherlands on December 19

1950. He started teaching in Garden

was the head of Foreign Language

at Cooley High School in Detroit, MI

for over 30 years. Always active in

community organizations, he served

as Treasurer of the South Lyon Mi

School Board, Supervisor of Salem

Township, served on the Washtenaw

Historic

Commission, and was the President

of the Salem Area Historical Society.

He is the author of numerous histor

ical monographs and enjoyed

researching and documenting family

history. He is survived by his wife

Ali (Drijver) Riddering; daughters

Martha (Brad) Segura of Breaux

Bridge LA, Julie (Dave) Worthingto

Mattran of Chanhassen MN, an

Hannah Riddering of Austin TX

grandchildren Alison Segura, Tim

(Katie) Mattran, Kelly Mattran, Kate

(Kevin) McCarthy, Andrew (Jen)

Tavis; great-grandchildren Ava

McCarthy and Maggie Tavis; sister

Mary (Chuck) Bevette of Cass Cit

MI: brother Albert Riddering of San

Juan PR; sister-in-law Alice Drijver

Kamp of Schoorl The Netherlands

and many nieces, nephews, cousing

and friends, both in the U.S and

The Netherlands. He was preceded

in death by his parents, brother and

sister-in-law Kirk and Phylli

Riddering, sister-in-law Clarice

Riddering, and brother-in-law Dirl

Drijver. A memorial service will be

planned at a later date. Donations i

his name may be made to the Saler

Area Historical Society, P.O. Box

75011, Salem, MI 48175 or Ionia

Area Hospice, 601 E. Washington

Ionia MI 48846. The family would

like to thank the staff of Green Acres

Assisted Living and Ionia Area

Hospice for the loving care they pro-

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Dona Nobis Pacem (give us peace)

vided during his illness.

Portland MI, Emily (Randy

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(NEE WHELAN) 1922, he served in the U.S. Navy

American Cancer Society. Online www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com where he met Ali. They were married

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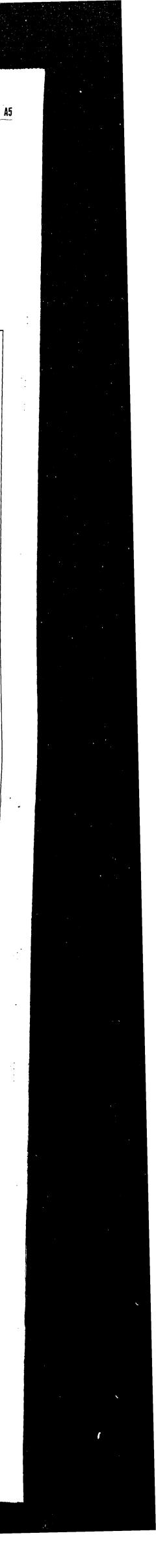
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Contact: Pastor Bill Burke at (734) 927-0891 Wednesday Bible Study: 7 p.m. Sunday Bible Study: 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m. with fellowship and food

Plymouth-St. John's Episcopal Church Location: 574 S. Sheldon Road in Plymouth

Location: 46325 10 Mile Road, Novi

Contact: (248) 347-7778

Mass Schedule TIME/DAY: 8, 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. Monday-

- Sunday School Time: 10:15 a.m. St. Paul's Lutheran Church Location: 201 Elm St., Northville Contact: (248) 349-3140 Sunday Worship: 8:30 a.m. Blended: 11 a.m. Contemporary
- Tuesday; 7 p.m. Wednesday; 5 p.m. Saturday

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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 inclusion, compassion and peace and provides the environment to live and learn in a culturally diverse community. Classes are grouped into grades K-5, 6-8 and 9-12 with age specific education materials for all. Contact: Jennifer Teed at 248/478-7272 or dre@uufarmington.org

Lifelong Learning Forum

Time/Date: 7:30-9:30 p.m. Thursdays Details: Six weeks exploring different topics like religion, philosophy, science, health, social and political issues. No advance registration necessary; a \$5 donation suggested.

online at hometownlife.com

Drop in and pick the class that interests you most. Contact: (248) 478-7272 or uufarmington.org/uucf/re-

lifespan Multi-Generational Services Time/Date: 6:45 p.m. Fridays Details: Family members of all ages can gather for drumming, chanting, and meditation followed by a brief partici 🖲 patory worship service which could include stories, songs and sharing. A religious education activity will follow, such as an art project, music, dance, game or theater. The evening will close with a light snack and a short time to socialize, ending at 8:30 p.m.

Ward Evangelical Presbyterian Church

Location: 40000 Six Mile Road Contact: (248) 374-7400 or (248) 374-5978

Sunday Worship Time: 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. Traditional; 9:30 and 11 a.m. Contemporary. Nursery and Sunday School during

the 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. services.

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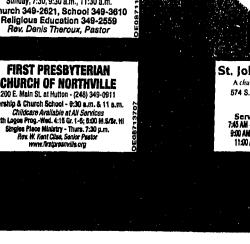
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Novi. negotiations with the Novi Community Schools district, the Japanese Saturday school decided to leave its roots in Birmingham, where it has been for more than 30 years, to agree to a 10-year contract with Novi. The school, which has more than 700 students from kindergarten to high school and is one of the largest of its kind in the nation, will use classrooms on Saturday and office space in Novi Meadows Tuesday through Friday starting next school year. "It's huge," said Novi Mayor David Landry. "It's an outstanding development to the city, and speaks a lot about the community that we embrace different cultures and have an openness to diversity and an openness to international businesses and residents." The Japanese School of Detroit was founded in 1973 by local Japanese companies

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Japanese school to call Novi home

Students will use Novi Meadows for Saturday classes

to give children of transfer

employees the opportunity

BY NATHAN MUELLER STAFF WRITER

Holiday delivery

to attend Japanese school The Japanese School of and not be behind when they Detroit is finally coming to returned home. After three years of

It is a supplementary school operated by the Detroit Ringo Kai, and the academic instruction, which takes place on 42 Saturdays a year, comes from principals and locally

employed instructors. "Considering the fact the majority of Japanese families reside in close proximity to Novi, we believe moving to Novi is a mutual benefit for both the Japanese community and the city of Novi," said Manabu Sato, president of the Japanese School of Detroit in a press release.

Novi Superintendent Pete Dion said 70 percent of Japanese families in the state live in the greater Novi area, and the city and schools have plenty to offer.

Some of the things he noted are the many Japanese markets and restaurants in the city, a Japanese health care clinic and health care classes at Providence Park Hospital, Japanese festivals in the city. English as a Second Language classes and an ideal location off major freeways. Dion sees many positives for Novi as well.

"The benefit for us is the rental revenue and continuing our relationship with this particular population," he said. "It's important for us to look at other ways we can generate revenue in the district, and it behooves us to make use of our state of the art facilities to do that."

The revenue the school district will gain from the agreement was not released, but it is believed to be more than \$150,000 annually. Sheryl Walsh, director of

communications for the city of Novi, called the partnership a "big coup" for the school district and the city.

"Future Japanese nationals who come to southeast Michigan to work will take a stronger look at Novi which is huge for our community because they will look at relocating and living and buying homes here," she said. "It's a great testament to our support of cultural diversity."



Warming heads, warming hearts

A group of six Novi High School students volunteered their time and money to make turbans and scarves for cancer patients at St. Joseph Hospital's Cancer Center in Brighton. A total of 92 turbans were donated. This is the eighth year students have helped chemotherapy cancer patients. (Pictured back from left) Jason Leung, Felix Zhu and Steven Meadows. (Front from left) Melanie Murphy, Brianna Griesinger and Gabriel Marderosian.

SCHOOL BRIEFS

Donations needed for Senior All Night Party Organizers for the Novi High School Senior All Night Party are hard at work planning for the nmueller@gannett.com | (248) 437-2011, ext. 255 2011 event and are requesting donations from parents, businesses and community members to make this year's event the best one yet. The annual Senior All Night Party, scheduled for June

4 at Novi High School, offers food, activities and prizes, allowing graduating seniors to celebrate in a safe, supervised environment. The SANP Donations Committee is seeking raffle prize and monetary donations to cover the cost of decorations, entertainment and additional raffle prizes. Organizers encourage

possible so the committee can plan a budget. Checks may be made payable to NHS Senior All Night Party and should be sent to: NHS Senior All Night Party, C/O Dana Nussio, 22041 Shadybrook Drive, Novi, MI

48375. Information may be obtained by contacting Dana Nussio at those planning to make financial nussio@earthlink.net or Anne contributions to do so as soon as Lewis at alewis13@mm.rr.com.

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The Novi School Employees Against Hunger donated an estimated 1,000 pounds of food, including 150 pounds of venison, to the Capuchin Soup Kitchen in Detroit for the holidays. This is the third consecutive year the

employees in the district collected food items to donate to the kitchen.

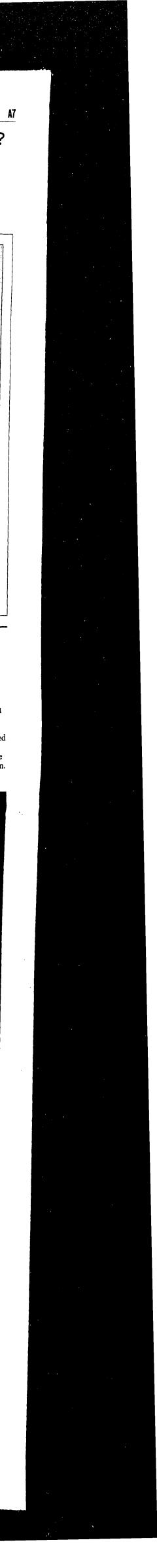


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Holiday closures

The offices of the Northville Record and Novi news will be closed Fridays, Dec. 24 and 31; however, readers can look for their local newspapers as

usual on Thursdays. Also, Secretary of State Terri Lynn Land reminds customers that all branch offices and the Office of the Great Seal will be closed in observance of Christmas and New Year's holidays.

The closures are: • Thursday, Dec. 23 and

Friday, Dec. 24 for Christmas. SUPER!Centers will be closed on Saturday, Dec. 25. • Thursday, Dec. 30 and Friday, Dec. 31 for New Year's

SUPER!Centers will be closed on Saturday, Jan. 1. The Department of State mails notices to motorists

45 days before their driver's license or license plates expire to give them ample time to renew. Licenses and plates that expire on a day when state offices are closed, such as a holiday or weekend, can be renewed the following day without penalty.

Motorists renewing license plates can "skip the trip" to the branch office and do business by mail, or if eligible, by Internet. Easy to follow instructions can be found with the renewal notice. License plate tabs will arrive by mail within seven business days. License plate tabs can also be renewed at Self-Service Stations, many of which are available 24/7. Visit the Branch Office Locator at www.Michigan.gov/sos to find a Self-Service Station near

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for seniors. The program is open to its residents and The Manor of Novi, one of

seniors in the community. With the help of Ernie Clark, a former Detroit Lions football player and founder of Life Long Fitness, participants can "sit and get fit" and learn about improving their health

"This free program is an pportunity for our residents and area seniors to socialize and get involved in physical activities to heal and maintain a healthy mind and body," said Lisa Berthold, administrator, The Manor of Novi.

The exercise program will take place on the second and admissions@cienafacilities.

favorite holiday photo (or pho- work to sustain healthy ecotos) with a short caption, then encourage friends and family to vote by clicking recommend under the photo. The top vote-getter will receive tickets for two to Emagine Theater (Canton or Novi). The second and third place winners will receive a coupon for a free four-square cheese and onetopping Buddy's pizza. Contest ends midnight Dec.

with others! Go to hometownlife.com. MSU Extension offers Michigan Conservation

31. Share your holiday spirit

A group of singers, organized by Carole Morgan of The Fort Street Chorale, perform 'The Hallelujah Chorus' from Handel's Messiah at Novi's 12 Oaks Mall.

systems across Michigan. This 10-week program consists of nine Monday evening classes (6-9 p.m.) and three Saturday field sessions (9 a.m.-4 p.m.) from Feb. 26 through April 25. Monday evening sessions are held at the Oakland County Executive Office Building Conference Center, 2100 Pontiac Lake Road, Waterford. Saturday sessions will be held at the MSU Tollgate Education Center, Indian Springs Metropark, and Independence Oaks County Park. Registration fee is \$275.

Obtain an application packet online at http://www. oakgov.com/msu/ or call (248) 858-0887 to request an application by mail. The deadline to arranged. submit applications is Feb. 4. Please call (248) 858-0887 for more information

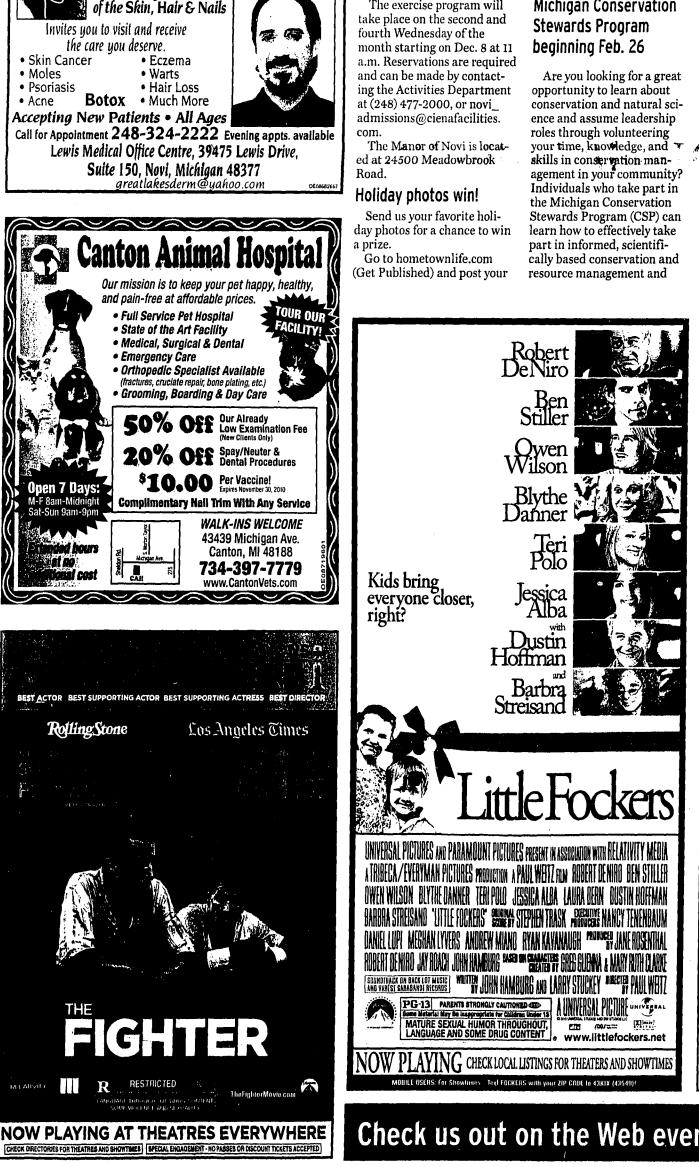
Intern for Kowall State Senator-elect Mike Kowall (R-White Lake) is offering several internship positions effective Jan. 1. The positions are for his Senate office in Lansing. Interns will provide assistance to Senator-Elect Kowall and the people of the

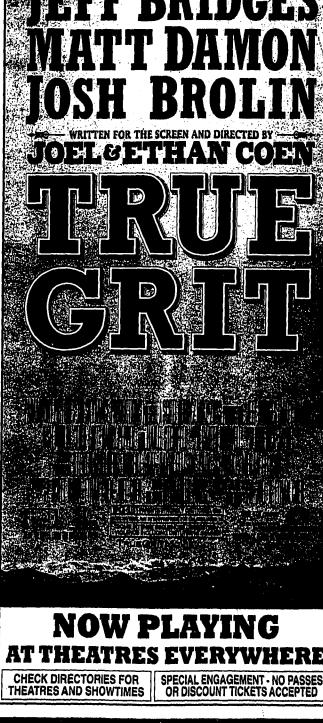
15th State Senate district. Responsibilities will include but are not limited to: answering phones, drafting written correspondence to groups and individuals, monitoring legislation, attending meetings, and conducting research. Additional responsibilities may be assigned, as warranted. Candidates for these posi-

tions should possess excellent communications skills, specifically writing and telephone skills. Legislative experience and a basic understanding of computer office programs, such as Microsoft Word and

Excel, are helpful. This is an unpaid position. Hours are negotiable and school credit can be "This is an excellent opportunity for a young person to get an

of the Legislature and the leg-islative process," Kowallisaid Interested individuals are encouraged to send a resume and writing sample to: State Senator-elect Mike Kowall; Attn: Mike Murray, Chief of Staff; P.O. Box 30036; Lansing, MI 48909; or b email to contact@murrcomm net.





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Drunk driver caught by

police Novi police arrested a 32-year-old man at 10:06 a.m. on Dec. 15 for drunk driving near Ten Mile and Haggerty roads after the officer observed his vehicle swerving in its lane and driving too close to the car in front of it.

According to the report, the driver did not initially pull over but when he did and the officer approached, he could smell a strong odor of intoxicants coming from

inside. The man admitted to drinking at a work party and later admitted to taking prescribed medication for anxiety.

He failed field sobriety tests and a preliminary breath test registered a blood alcohol content of .14 percent. The legal limit for adult drivers in Michigan is .08 percent. Police also found a nearly

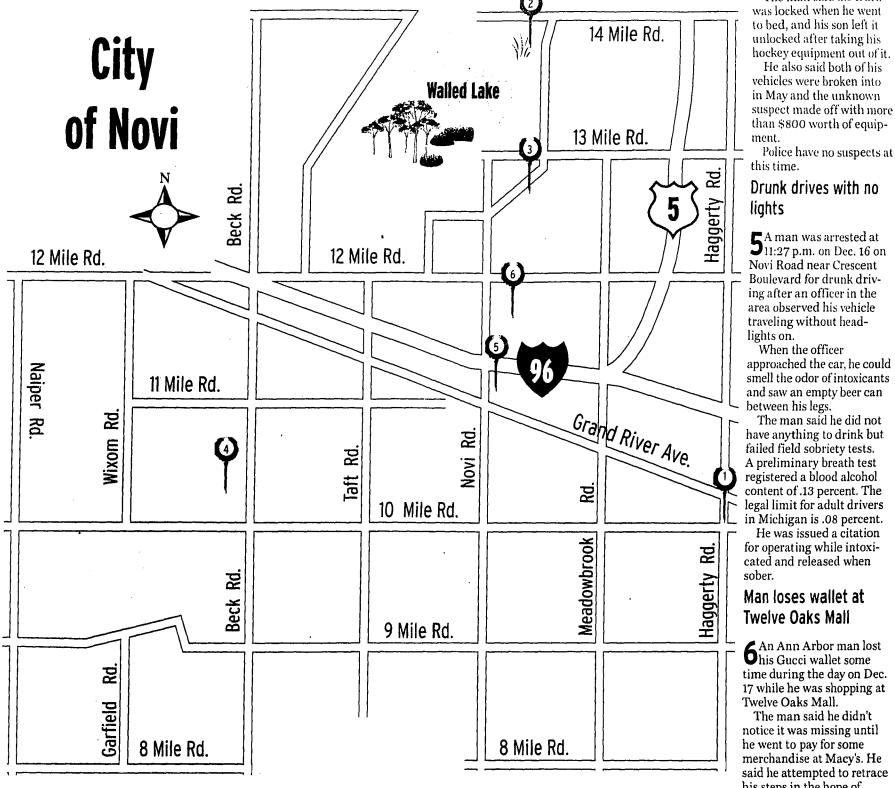
empty bottle of vodka in the trunk during the impound process. The man was issued a

citation for operating while intoxicated and released when sober.

Tools jacked from truck **7**A 26-year-old Novi man La had more than \$1,000 worth of tools taken from his work truck sometime between Dec. 11 and Dec. 14 while it was parked on Beachwalk Drive. The victim said there were a few scratches on the rear door and the unknown suspect used a screwdriver

to pry open the rear door. Police have no suspects. Speeding drunk driver gets stopped

2 Novi police caught a drunk driver at 2:42 Ja.m. on Dec. 12 at Novi Road and Ledgeview Drive after the officer observed the Cadillac speeding on Novi Road in snowy conditions. The driver failed to stop the vehicle at first and got into the center lane before being told to move to the right side of the road. When he



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moved to the right he kept driving until the officer activated his siren.

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for operating while intoxicated and released The man said he was coming from a bar in when sober. Novi and only had one beer three hours ago. Cell phone taken out of truck He failed field sobriety tests and breath test at the Novi Police Department registered a

4 A Novi man had his work cell phone and sto-len from his truck overnight on Dec. 3 while it was parked on Salem Court.

The driver was arrested and issued a citation

The man said his truck was locked when he went to bed, and his son left it unlocked after taking his hockey equipment out of it. He also said both of his vehicles were broken into in May and the unknown suspect made off with more than \$800 worth of equip-

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Drunk drives with no

5^A man was arrested at **5**^{11:27} p.m. on Dec. 16 on Novi Road near Crescent Boulevard for drunk driving after an officer in the area observed his vehicle traveling without headlights on.

approached the car, he could smell the odor of intoxicants and saw an empty beer can between his legs.

The man said he did not have anything to drink but failed field sobriety tests. A preliminary breath test (1) registered a blood alcohol content of .13 percent. The legal limit for adult drivers in Michigan is .08 percent. He was issued a citation for operating while intoxi-

> Man loses wallet at Twelve Oaks Mali

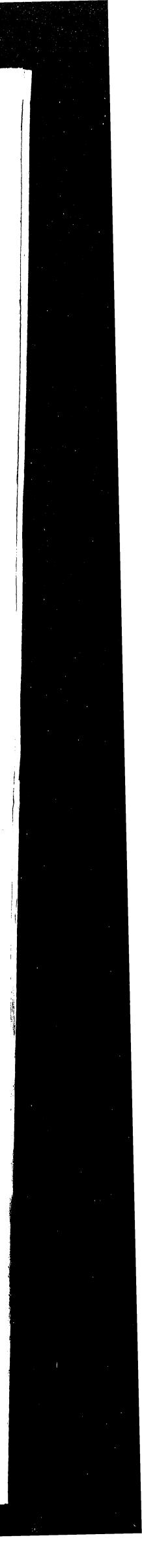
6 An Ann Arbor man lost his Gucci wallet some time during the day on Dec. 17 while he was shopping at Twelve Oaks Mall. The man said he didn't notice it was missing until he went to pay for some merchandise at Macy's. He said he attempted to retrace his steps in the hope of

finding it but was unsuccessful. Mall security officials also said no one has turned in a wallet. The wallet was worth roughly \$270 and contained \$100 cash, several credit cards and his

- Compiled by staff writer Nathan Mueller



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NEXT PERFORMANCE The Metropolitan Youth symphony.org.

PHOTOS BY ANN ESPINOZA

Claire Petrak is MYS president and one of its biggest supporters. She is proud of the quality that distinguishes MYS.

these kids could do. QUALITY ORGANIZATION "First and foremost, MYS is quality, but there's a maturity issue as well. If they're not ready socially they're not ready to make friends and communicate to be able to

play music together," said Petrak. John Robertson loved playing with MYS so much he's back as conductor of the Symphony Orchestra after playing with MYS from 1987 to 1991. He earned a master's



the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, January 12, 2011 at 7:00 P.M. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider <u>JO DRIVE RENOVATION. SITE</u> PLAN NUMBER 10-46, FOR SPECIAL LAND USE PERMIT AND PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN APPROVAL. THE SUBJECT PROPERTY IS LOCATED AT 41107 JO DRIVE IN SECTION 24. ON THE SOUTH SIDE OF JO DRIVE. NORTH OF GRAND RIVER AVENUE AND EAST OF MEADOWBROOK ROAD, IN THE I-1, LIGHT INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT. The applicant is proposing to add automobile repair uses to the existing Cadillac vehicle preparation facility. ***IN ACCORDANCE WITH MCL 125.3103, THE MANAGER OR OWNER OF A SINGLE STRUCTURE CONTAINING MORE THAN 4 DWELLING UNITS OR OTHER DISTINCT SPATIAL AREAS OWNED OR LEASED BY DIFFERENT

PERSONS, IS HEREBY REQUESTED TO POST THE NOTICE AT A PRIMARY ENTRANCE TO THE STRUCTURE All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments may be heard at the hearing and any written comments must be

received by the Community Development Department, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 by 4:00 P.M., Wednesday, January 12, 2011. Published December 23, 2010

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Student musicians grow with symphony experience

LOCAL NEWS

BY LINDA ANN CHOMIN CORRESPONDENT

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It's break time. Before long the halls of North Farmington High School fill with laughter as members of the Metropolitan Youth Symphony rush to the snack

area. Welcome to Saturday morning rehearsal where students have the opportunity to play with the junior strings or advance ensembles including

the string, concert and symphony orchestras. The MYS program is designed to complement school music programs and provides rehearsal as well as performance opportunities. Now in its 28th season, MYS

draws 212 students from nearly four-dozen metro Detroit communities including a large contingent from Novi and Northville.

Students join for a variety of reasons. Gabrielle Wells plays vio-

lin in the sixth and seventh grade orchestra at Hillside Middle School in Northville. She practices at least 1¹/₂ hours every day.

CHALLENGING

"MYS is a lot more advanced than a regular school orchestra," said Wells, 13 of Novi. "I wanted to enhance my skills and get experience playing with a youth orchestra. I think it would be cool to play in an orchestra like the DSO. I'd also like to play Carnegie Hall one day."

Claire Petrak never had the opportunity to play music in school and applauds MYS for providing an ensemble experience for student musicians. She signed up her daughter, Victoria, with MYS in seventh grade. Today, the 15-year old North Farmington sophomore still enjoys rehearsing and performing. She told her mom it makes her "so happy to come here every Saturday. "I felt I missed out," said Claire Petrak, MYS president and one of its biggest support-

ers. "After seeing the first concert I was hooked as to what

Case No. 10-062 Weiss Project

Case No. 10-063 41325 Ten Mile Rd

Case No. 10-064 44050 Twelve Mile Rd

Case No. 10-065 41000 Bridge St

Mile Rd. and east of Meadowbrook Rd.

Case No. 10-066 Walmart

be demolished

proposed Walmart.

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frontage on Ten Mile Road.

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City of Novi

Public Hearing Notice

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Zoning Board of Appeals

for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, January 11, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers Novi

The petitioner is requesting variances to allow the land uses allowed currently under Section 1401 of the City of Novi Zoning

Ordinance for the B-2 zoning for portions of existing parcels 22-26

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NorthStar Signs Inc. is requesting an extension of variance ZBA09-021 for a 20 square foot real estate leasing sign located at 44050 Twelve Mile Road in the Stoneridge Office Plaza. The property is

zoned OS-1 and is north of Twelve Mile Road and west of Novi

NorthStar Signs Inc. is requesting an extension of variance ZBA08-

062 for a 63 square foot real estate leasing sign located at 41000 Bridge St. The property is zoned I-1 and located north of Eleven

Walmart is requesting variances for the construction of a 149,854 square foot Walmart supercenter in the existing Novi Town Center.

The applicant is requesting a 21 foot accessory structure (bale and

pallet storage area) setback variance and a variance to allow the

accessory structure to be located in an exterior side (eastern) yard,

a variance to allow the open air business use to project approximately 28 feet into the front yard, a variance to permit a 4 foot masonry screen wall for the open air business use, a 0 foot

front (western) yard parking setback variance, a 0 foot interior side

(northern) yard parking setback variance, 0 foot exterior side

(southern and eastern) yard parking setback variances, a variance

to allow a loading zone in the exterior side (eastern) yard, a

variance to allow a loading zone in the exterior side (southern)

yard, a variance to allow an accessory structure (trash compactor)

in the exterior side (eastern) yard, variances to allow maximum

illumination at the western, northern, southern and eastern property lines to exceed 1 foot candle. The property is zoned TC and located east of Novi Road and north of Grand River Avenue in the

existing Novi Town Center. The existing former Mervyn's store will

The applicant is requesting variances for the construction of a 17,442 square foot retail building in the existing Novi Town Center.

The applicant is requesting a 0 foot interior side (southern) yard

parking setback variance, a 0 foot exterior side (eastern) yard

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exterior side (eastern) yard, a variance to allow an accessory structure (dumpster) in the exterior side (eastern) yard, and

variances to allow maximum illumination at the western, southern and eastern property lines to exceed 1 foot candle. The property is

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Avenue in the existing Novi Town Center. The proposed Building

X.1 will connect the existing Novi Town Center buildings to th

The petitioner is requesting a variance to install an 18 SF ground

sign with a height of 8 FT at the PNC Bank located at 39465

Fourteen Mile Rd. The property is zoned OST and is located on the

The petitioner is requesting a variance from 2505.14.c(9) to allow

occupancy of an existing building for Mercantile use with reduced

parking provisions and installation of a 2nd wall sign and a ground

sign for this business. The ground sign and a smaller second wal sign were previously approved for Lazy Boy only.

Case No. 10-067 Novi Town Center Bldg X.1

Case No. 10-068 39465 Fourteen Mile Rd

Case No. 10-069 27754 Novi Rd

south of Fourteen Mile Rd and west of Haggerty Rd.

Civic Center 45175 W. Ten Mile Road to consider:

degree in orchestral conducting from Oakland University and is director of orchestras

He also is conductor of the **CITY OF NOVI** PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

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to pursue a career in music, gave me the love of playing, **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, January 12, 2011 at 7:00 P.M. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile

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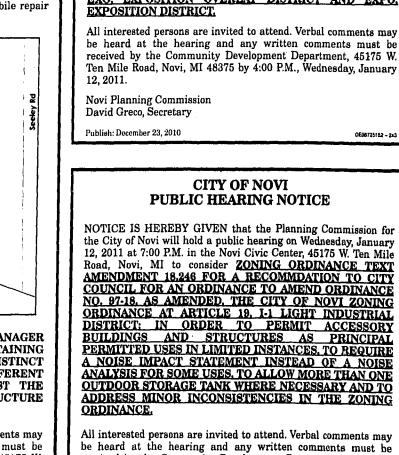
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Novi Planning Commission David Greco, Secretary

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Madison Heights. "It combines a high level of nstruction with a warm student environment. I want to provide that for other students and I love the environment of neeting other people interested in music."

CONDUCTORS ARE PROS The conductors are all professional musicians. Their experience adds another dimension to teaching students how to play with an

ensemble Victoria Haltom conducts the String Orchestra. She was concertmaster with the Livonia Symphony Orchestra in the 1990s and held the positions with the Michigan Opera Theater (MOT) Orchestra and as director in the Berkley Schools and Lahser High School in Bloomfield Hills. She regularly performs with

the Birmingham-Bloomfield Symphony Orchestra and LaCorda Ensemble. Geoffrey Benes leads the MYS Concert Orchestra. He began his teaching career in the Troy School District in 1988. Under his direction, the Athens High School Orchestras perform at Carnegie Hall in New York City March 2011.

Kathleen Grimes became the conductor for the newly formed Junior Strings in January 2009. The group is a stepping-stone for children ages 7-13. She plays with MOT and is principal viola with the Ann Arbor Symphony.

"I was the kid who would have fallen through the cracks if music hadn't been offered free in Ann Arbor Schools," said Grimes of Ypsilanti. "Being a professional musician adds a real world perspective," she added. One of the reasons Grace Choi, 11, and Daniel Shao. 12.

play with MYS is for enjoy-"It's fun yet very challenging," said Shao, a cellist and student at Novi Middle School and the Michigan New Century Chinese School at Schoolcraft College in Livonia "I appreciate the quality of music we make and commit-

ment to playing well," said Shao

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Symphony's next concert is Sunday, Feb. 6, at the Ford **Community & Performing Arts** Center. For more information, visit www.metropolitanyouth-

the first taste of playing in an orchestra," said Robertson of

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ON-STAGE EXPERIENCE "It's fun," said Choi of Novi, who plays violin with the String Orchestra. "You get to experience different music. For the concert you get to feel what it's like on stage. At first I felt scared but got used to it. Now I like it."

Erin Kim, 13, loves playing for audiences. The Northville girl plays cello with the concert orchestra. Her sister, Gina, 16, plays violin with the MYS Symphony.

"It's fun to perform those big places," said Kim. "It makes you feel, everything you've been doing is worth it. It makes you feel good about yourself." The interaction leads to

friendships inside MYS as well as school. Catherine Culkin, 18,

Christina Hui, 14, and Sandra Pui, 15, live in Novi and attend Northville High School where they play in the marching and symphonic bands. Culkir chose trumpet because she didn't want to carry a tuba. She loves big band jazz. "I love how MYS is cream

of the crop from all around Michigan. I have the chance to play with good players who make it sound so easy. Everyone's awesome," said Culkin who also accompanies the children's choir at St. James Catholic Church in

Novi. "My mom played bassoon and loved music. She always played clarinet music when I was small and started me on piano at age 5. I can't remember not playing music," added Culkin.

Like Culkin, Hui began playing piano at age 5, flute around age 8. She also is on the lacrosse team in school. "My teacher got me inter-

ested in orchestra," said Hui now in her second year with MYS. "Everyone tries really hard and the music is challenging. It's nice to share that with other people." "I thought it would be a

good way to increase my



Victoria Haltom conducts the String Orchestra at MYS. She was concertmaster with the Livonia Symphony Orchestra in the 1990s and held the positions with the Michigan Opera Theater (MOT) Orchestra and as director in the Berkley Schools and Lahser High School in Bloomfield Hills. She regularly performs with the Birmingham-Bloomfield Symphony Orchestra and LaCorda Ensemble.

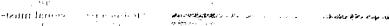
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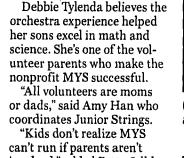
CATHERINE CULKIN, trumpet player skills," added Pui who's played clarinet since sixth grade and likes to listen to Korean pop music and run cross-country and track at Northville High School.

Several of the students are involved with extracurricular activities. Sarah Jylkka, 16 was leaving rehearsal to go home and take a nap before

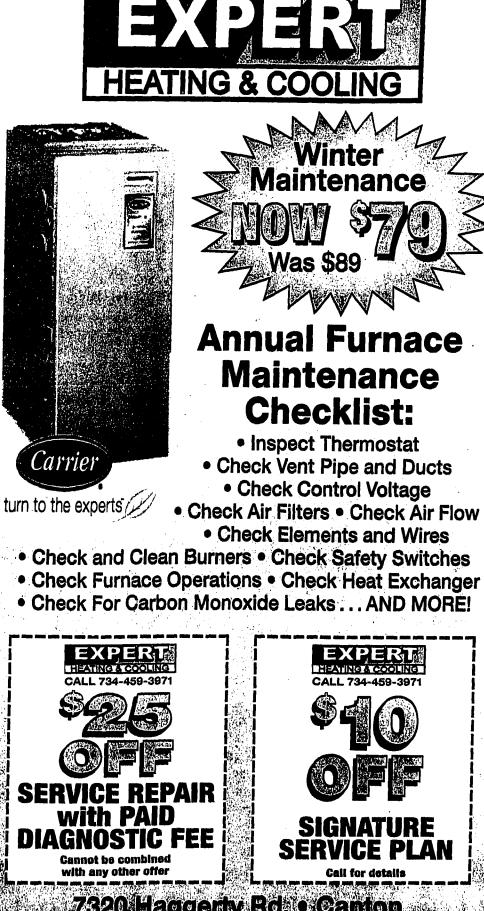
playing in the orchestra for the Walled Lake Western production of Hairspray. The Novi girl runs track as well.

"All volunteers are moms "Kids don't realize MYS involved," added Patty Jylkka



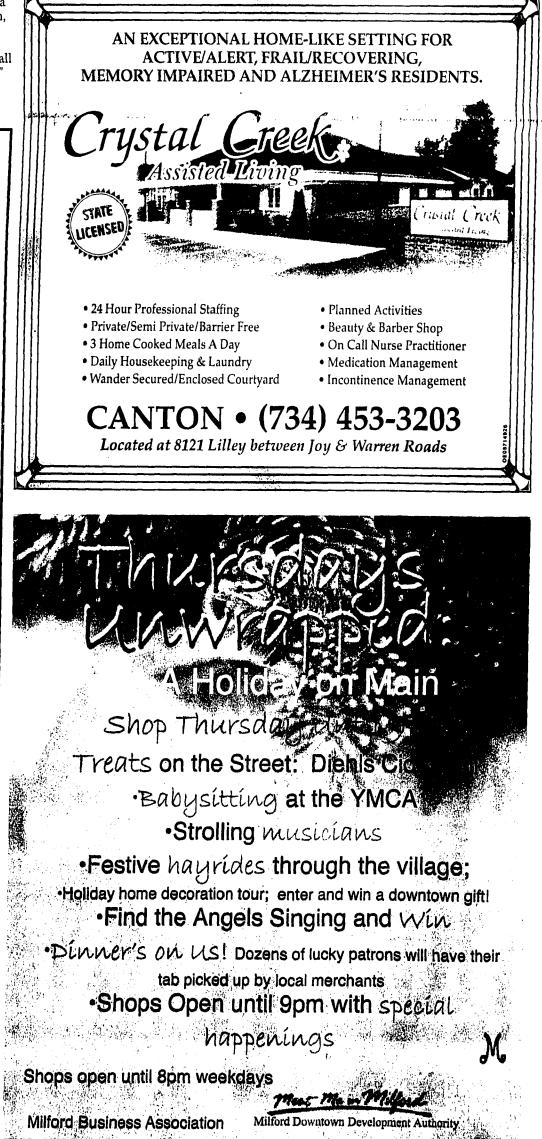


of Novi. Her daughter, Sarah, 16, is a violinist in the symphony. "I tell them if you're part of something give your all to make it the best it can be."



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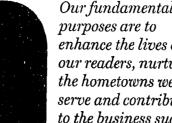
Gabrielle Wells of Novi plays violin in the sixth and seventh grade orchestra at Hillside Middle School in Northville and is a member of the Metropolitan Youth Symphony. She practices at least $1\!\!\frac{1}{2}$ hours every day.





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OUR VIEWS

Holiday season Bringing out the best in our communities

As we sit with our families and friends and celebrate another Christmas and holiday season, most of us can be thankful for the ability to enjoy the trappings of the season — the food, the presents, the family. It is our nature to want our families gathered around

us, like a warm blanket of love, especially at the holidays. However, not everyone has that luxury. Whether for medical reasons or through economic strife, many don't have families with whom to spend the holidays.

That's what makes people willing to share what they can - be it their money, their toys, their belongings, their homes, their businesses — to help others have a happy holiday season. There are many examples of which we know, including civic groups of all kinds, bell ringers at Salvation Army kettles, churches, volunteers who work the shelters and food lines, local Jewish and Muslim organizations uniting to relieve their Christian brethren on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Countless stories crop up every year of these good-

deed doers. And there are countless more about whom stories do not crop up, folks who help simply because they want to, and can. They host the homeless, donate anonymously to

charities, help charitable groups pack food packages. Those of us left to gather will do so with love and gratitude, as befits the season. Sure, there will be plenty of food and presents, as the commercialization of the season comes to a close, but that's not really the reason we get together. We do so in the spirit of love and togetherness.

It won't be that way for everyone, of course. Local charities again report a decline, for the most part, in giving, but an increase in requests for assistance. Everyone ives what they can, but with an economy still strugglin to show signs of recovering, that hasn't been easy.

Each year, we rouse ourselves during the holiday season to listen to the better angels of our nature. We reach out to others during this special time and promise to carry our concern forward into the new year.

Sometimes we do and sometimes we get too caught up in the frenzy of our own too-busy lives to make good on the promise. We do the best we can and then, when the season rolls around again, we make the promise one more time.

The commercial aspect is omnipresent, but once we get past that, the holiday season (Christmas, Hanukkah and Kwanzaa) are for most of us about home and hope, about family and love. We all long to be together, but in today's fast-paced, too-busy-to-take-the-time world, the fates don't always allow that.

Separations come, an assertion all too clear especially to the families of our servicemen and women serving in wars on two fronts — Afghanistan and Iraq — this holi-day season. Until we can have that perfect Christmas, we

will all simply have to muddle through, somehow. Sometimes merry little Christmases can be the best kind. We hope your holiday season fulfills your every hope and dream.

ONLINE VOICES & VIEWS

The following are excerpts from readers participating in our online forum for discussing issues, In Your Voices. Find more comments or join the discussion on the Web at hometownlife.com.

Dion shares plan for filling leadership vacancies So, we're hiring a new Superintendent by March 7th, and then we're going "with mid-March appointment" of the human resources superinten-

In essence, Dion's replacement will have about 7 days of input. It's obvious that this board is not serious about making sure new the superintendent "will have input into the new hires." I'm certain our current Superintendent already had folks picked for these positions. It's simply a matter of going through the motions to make it look legit. Board leadership at its finest. Thanks again, Mrs. Board President

rebeleightone

Walmart submits plans to join Novi Town Center We can't be isolationist. I believe Wal-Mart will increase business traffic in the area and who knows it just might be the catalyst to revitalize a downtown Novi. I don't think any mom & pop stores will be effected as usually is the case in a small community. NoviRonB

aaarrrggghhh!!! I do not live in Novi, but the first time the 96 exit is blocked up for all the sheep going to Wal-Mart, I will not be back to use the rest of the malls. analyticthinker

COMMUNITY VOICE

OPINION

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We asked Novi Middle School students: "What are you going to do during holiday vacation?"



"I'm going to Orlando **Universal Studios and** hanging out with the

> Max Grove Seventh grade

LETTERS

Kudos for supporting wrestlers The first annual Pins 4 Pins Bowling

Fundraiser to support the Novi High School wrestling team was a huge success. Thirty lanes filled by wrestlers, coaches, alumni, family and friends made for a fun-filled afternoon on Nov. 21. We thank you for your support. The wrestlers and coaches would like to thank the following individuals and businesses that contributed to the success of the event by sponsoring a lane, providing donations for the raffle and/or for giving a monetary donation:

Eric Hansen; Herbert Elfring Jr., D.D.S.; Wallside Windows; Charles Satterwhite; Harman; Novi Dental; Patrice Caverly; Jeff Glover - Keller Williams Realty; Biggby Coffee; Elaine Yusko; Penn Station; Guidos Pizza; John and Sue Engebretson; Putting Edge; Ideal Fabricators Inc.; Virginia VanAssche; Famous Dave's; FDI Group; Nick Bush; Vogue Beauty and Nails; Mother's Pizza; Beverly Farley; Wildbirds Unlimited; Northville Cider Mill; Mike Farley; Subway; Faulkner Contracting, LLC; Sidhu Family; Boston Market; Franco Public Relations Group; Ridenours Family; Salem Hills Golf Club; Greg's Professional Painting; DeNova Family; John Lokar - Raymond James; Kroger; Dobras Family; JJ's Barbershop; Michael G. Thomas, CPA, PC; Michael Family; LaFontaine Automotive Group; Oakland Physical Therapy; Morris family; Bielski family; Roush family; Peggy Aoun; Joseph and Sandra Aoun; Aoun and Company, PC CPAs; Northville Barbers; Novi Liquor and Wine / Pizza Marvelous; Dan and Debbie Jilg; Dermatology Associates of Oakland and Macomb; Utopia; and Alexander, Eisenberg, and Spilman PLLC

A special thanks to Jerry Harris and his crew at Novi Bowl for their assistance with the event and to Tom Lunsford and his group at Graph-X for producing the lane

sponsorship signs. We welcome all of you to our wrestling family and thank you for kicking off the 2010-11 wrestling season.

Don and Chris Michael Pins 4 Pins Bowling Fundraiser coordina-

Six-hour schedule could work for students

tors

This letter is in response to Alyssa Yarrish's letter of Nov. 25 and Ed Roney's letter of Dec. 16.

I don't understand the issue with the new six-hour school schedule. When I went to school (many years ago) that was the norm: six classes in a day, 55 minutes per class. We had time to do sport activities, study and even work after school. It was tough but we did it, and it was always that way as

far as I know. I don't know when Novi started the fourblock schedule. How many years back does that go? Do the kids have to take a class all six hours? Can they not choose to have



"I'll be skiing and spending time with my friends and family hanging out and just getting together."

> Kate Mulder Eighth grade

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

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a study period (or "study hall" as we use to call it)? Could all of this lack of time and "extra work load" be caused by overuse of cell phones and texting? We didn't have cell phones when I was in school, so maybe that is part of the issue today. I cannot believe texting and using cell phones are even allowed in schools. Maybe if the kids put down their phones for a few hours a day there might not be an issue with the extra classes and perhaps their sleep would not be affected as Alyssa stated. Dave Brewer

Novi

Woes Walmart brings I think it's a little late to "somewhat maintain" Novi's "brand image." (What indeed is Novi's brand image?) Mr. Lynch, you gave Walmart the OK; you put out the welcome mat. As far as no one saying anything, what's to say? You can't fight city hall, not in Novi anyway.

While everyone is worrying about brick or aluminum, why don't you figure out how we are all going to get around. Have you driven on Grand River Avenue lately between Meadowbrook and Novi Road? It's falling apart now. How about Novi Road between 10 Mile Road and Twelve Oaks? It's already gridlock. If you are considering road improvements, who is going to pay for that? If Walmart wants to come to Novi so very badly, perhaps you should broach that subject with them.

Susan G. Utz

Was Scrooge a Republican?

Remember the Christmas story about Scrooge? He was a rich business owner who paid his employees starvation wages and didn't care that they were barely able to feed their families. He was only interested in making more money for himself. Many Republican members of Congress seem to have adopted Scrooge's philosophy. They are doing their best to deprive average Americans of fair tax rates, jobs and even Social Security. They are laughing all the way to the banks, most of which they own.

"On Christmas Eve, my "I'm going to Canada to see my cousins in Toronto grandmother comes over and we always watch and hang out." 'Miracle on 34th Street.' Other than that, just

> Allison Bailey Seventh grade

hanging out with the

family

Republicans want the super rich to keep the tax breaks they received from the Bush administration. These wealthy folks have so many homes, luxury cars, private jets and bulging bank accounts they can't keep track of them. Democrats want average Americans to have some well-deserved tax cuts, but Republicans insist there will be no

tax cuts for the little guys unless the superrich keep theirs. Democrats want to rebuild roads and bridges many of which are dangerously close to collapsing, like the one in

Minneapolis in 2007. This would provide jobs for thousands of Americans and make highway systems safer. But Scrooge says, "We can't afford that." These same congressmen remained silent when President Bush gave billions of dollars to Wall Street bankers with no strings attached.

If you have lost your job and depend on your unemployment check, you may be out of luck. Scrooge has voted to stop unemployment checks, too. 'Tis the season to be jolly, but a message of disapproval to Republicans in Congress might be in order, also.

Spirit's alive here On Dec. 9, students and families from

Novi hosted a holiday party for the children at Neinas Elementary School in Detroit as part of the Novi Community School's community service partnership with Bridgepointe, a nonprofit organization helping children in southwest Detroit. The party was a community-wide event. Students from Novi High School, Middle School and Meadows attended the party. Many Scout troops, sports teams and all Novi schools were involved in making and

collecting gift items, wrapping and preparing for the festivities. The party included a winter carnival, caroling, pizza lunch with ice cream sundaes for dessert, crafts and a visit with Santa. The hallways and classrooms at Neinas echoed with music, laughter and Santa's jolly "Ho Ho Ho!" Thanks to the generosity of local families and businesses, each of the 400 students received gift bags filled with hats, scarves, soap, shampoo, toothbrush and toothpaste. socks, coloring books and crayons, and a

fleece blanket. This effort would not have been possible without the support of several local business and organizations. We are grateful to the following for their generosity: Bailey Drabicki Insurance Agency; Berean Baptist Church; Busch's; Crescent Rose Photography; Goodman Orthodontics; Gordon Food Service; Polartec; Sam's Club; Toomajanian and Bowers, P.C.; and Dr. Toupin, D.D.S.

The spirit of the holiday season is alive and well in Novil The kindness and generosity of so many is deeply appreciated.

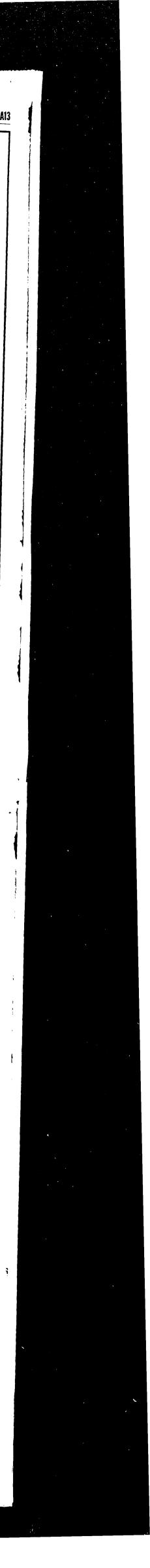
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More: For a complete listing of local and regional events, see the Novi Calendar online at www.home- (hotel just south of 12 Mile Road on

townlife.com Submit: Send calendar submissions Details: City of Novi Mayor David via e-mail to cstone@gannett.com: B. Landry will deliver the State of by fax to (248) 349-9832; or by mail to Novi News, 101 N. Lafayette, citizens and business partners South Lyon, MI 48178. Items must be an opportunity to reflect on 2010 received by noon on Monday to be accomplishments, as well as included in Thursday's newspaper.

LOCAL EVENTS

Weight Watchers Chef Jesse Time/Date: 10 a.m. Tuesday, Jan. 4 and 6 p.m. Monday, Jan. 31 Location: Novi Weight Watchers Center, Novi 10 Shopping Center at 41720 W. 10 Mile Road at -Meadowbrook

Details: Chef Jesse Gales will offer taste-testing at the Novi Weight Watchers' regular meetings; open and free to the public. Contact: (248) 479-1362 State of the City Address

Luncheon Time/Date: 11:30 a.m. Thursday,

Location: Baronette Renaissance the east side of Novi Road) the City Address, providing Novi learning about the goals Novi will strive towards in 2011. The State of the City Address (a partnership between the City of Novi and the Novi Chamber of Commerce) will be viewable on Novi Television (Bright House Channel 13 and AT&T U-Verse 99) and cityofnovi.org. Cost is \$27 per person; seating is limited to the first 230 attendees. Send a check payable to City of Novi, attention Robin Working. (45175 W. 10 Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375) Sun, Water & Seeds 4-H Club Time/Date: 6 p.m. Wednesdays Location: Tollgate Education Center, 28115 Meadowbrook Road, Novi

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The Club is seeking new members to join in the planting, planning and more Contact: sunwaterseeds@gmail. com or (248) 956-0029

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) Time/Date: 11 a.m.-noon every Wednesday Location: The group has moved from the Senior Center to the Belmont Clubhouse at Fox Run

on 13 Mile between M-5 and Meadowbrook Contact: Deloris Roman at (248) 668-8600 for additional information **Borders Events**

Location: Borders Books & Music, 43075 Crescent Boulevard, Novi (Novi Town Center) Contact: (248) 347-0780 American Legion Post 19 Monthly Meeting Time/Date: 7 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@twmi.rr.com or Service Officer Paul Erickson (248) 344-7193 orpnerick@aol.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 International Motorcycle Show

online at hometownlife.com JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHE Holiday luncheon

The senior band "Special Blend" entertains during the Dec. 16 Novi Senior Center holiday luncheon.

adults; \$4 for children ages 6-14; free for children under 5. Box office is cash only. Contact: (800) 328-6550 www.

Ultimatefishingshow.com Michigan Winter Dog Classic Date: Jan. 20-23 (check website for hours) Details: Oakland County Kennel

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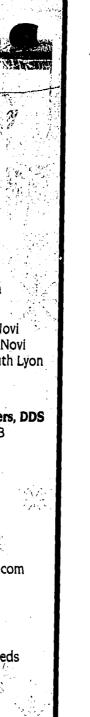
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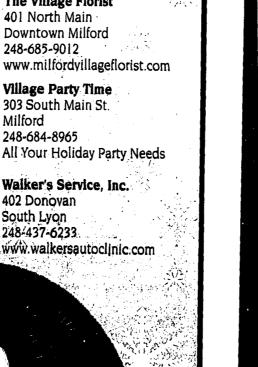
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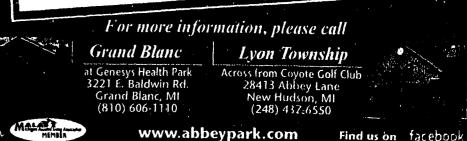
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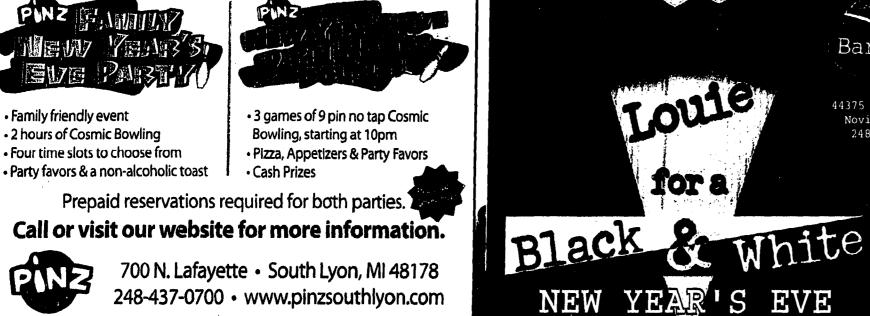


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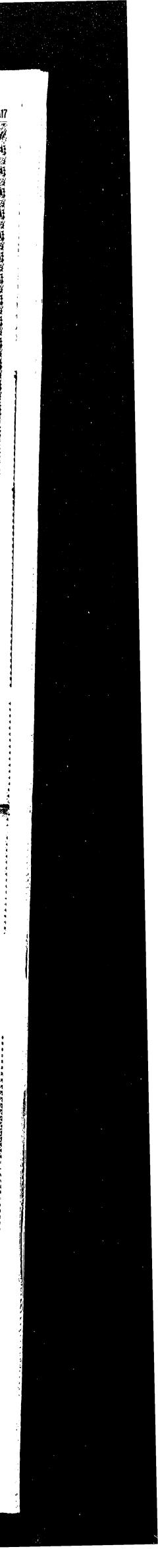
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It was a week of wins and losses for the Mustangs as The squad, coached by Todd Sander, earned a 68-59 win over Walled Lake Western before bowing, 47-43,

"Drew was very efficient Northville actually trailed 36-32, at the end of the first

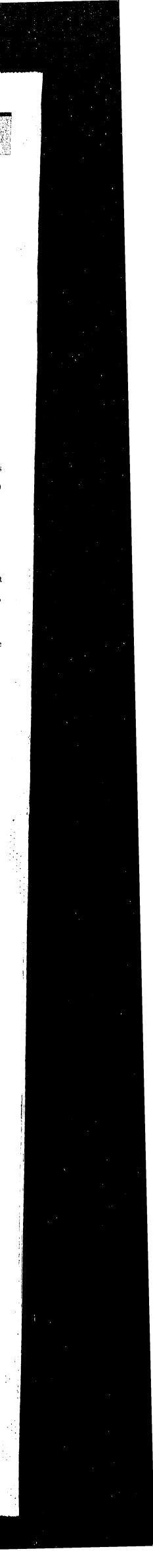
sive glass," said Sander. "I was happy how he respond-Unfortunately, Northville wasn't able to repeat that

22-20 lead by the end of the first half and managed to stay just ahead of the Mustangs until the final buzzer. "We trailed most of the game with Glenn's lead fluc-tuating between two and five much of the night," said Sander. "We struggled with some of Glenn's pressure early, turning it over 10 times in the first half. We had

Baldwin, who had 16 points each. Glenn, however, did



shows dominance again



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GIRLS HOOPS

"They were 3-0 and shoot the ball well, so we focused on contesting their shots. We did a good job of contesting their shots and limiting them to only one shot," Kelp said. "Brittany Berehulka shot really well and showed her range."

A sophomore, Berehulka led all scorers with 21 points while shooting 4-for-7 from distance (6-for-11 overall). Senior Joanna Beaton also turned in a strong performance with 14 points on 4-for-7 shooting. The two combined to shoot 11-for-12 at the free throw line.

"We have been struggling at the line, so it was good to see; both of them are fundamentally our best shooters," Kelp said. Sophomore Jade Antolec also had a solid six-

point, six-rebound performance as the Wildcats shot 36.2 percent from the field (17-for-47) and 77.3 percent from the charity stripe (17-for-22). Novi also controlled their turnovers (five) and fouls (12), while Central made 18 turnovers and 15 fouls while shooting 9-for-30 from the field.

"We took care of the ball against WLC by playing together," Kelp said. The Wildcats' turnover troubles returned

in an otherwise dominant showing in last Thursday's contest at Churchill (1-3), where very little worked out for the Chargers in a crushing 48-10 Novi victory. "We wanted to pressure their guards to make

it difficult to get it into the post because they have a very good post player and that was the difference," Kelp said. Although the Wildcats made 17 turnovers

- the same number of steals they had - the Chargers made 27 turnovers and only had two more field goal attempts than Novi had field goals made. The 'Cats shot 41.7 percent (20-for-48) and Churchill shot 4-for-22 from the field. The Chargers outrebounded Novi 16-14 overall, but were shut out in the second quarter. It was Novi's second straight game with a secondquarter shutout, where senior Alyssa Armiak (seven points on 3-for-3 shooting, four assists) has held down the defense throughout the sea-

"I think, in both games, all of our players stepped up defensively and bought into the game plan," Kelp said.

Novi led 30-2 at halftime and rolled through a well-divided offensive display Beaton led all scorers with 11 points, followed by senior Maddy Sinkovich (nine points), freshman Kerri McMahan (eight points, six assists, four steals), sophomore Jade Antolec (six points) and junior Ally D'Annibale (four points, four

rebounds, five steals) "I think that is one of the strengths of this team right now that different players have led us in scoring most nights. This means that they are playing unselfishly and together," Kelp said. "I think Joanna has been very steady and has gained a lot of confidence. I'm very proud of the way she has been playing."



Wildcat Abby Chandler.

ON TAP

After taking a few weeks off from competition due to the holiday break, the Wildcats' boys basketball team (5-0) will return to action Jan. 7 against visiting South Lyon (2-1). KLAA Central Division play continues Jan. 11 at Plymouth Salem (1-4) and Jan. 14 against visiting Northville (1-1). All games tip off at 7 p.m.

After an impressive showing the night prior, Berehulka was held to one point on 0-for-10 shooting; eight were three-point attempts.

FRESHMEN

Novi's freshmen team has dominated the opposition on its way to a 4-0 record this season, with a 166-31 combined advantage over the three Walled Lake schools.

The 'Cats outscored Central 49-7, Northern 53-13, Western 64-11 and then Saline 43-33 in the season opener

Erin Dircks (11 points), Sarah Elhage (nine points), Hannah Fan (eight points) and Kasey Lowney (six points) led the way Dec. 15 against Central, while Kelly Lewis (14 points), Fan (9 points) and Serene Ozeir (8 points) led all scorers against a crippled and undermanned Northern squad Dec. 10.

To open the season Dec. 3, the Wildcats used a 19-point third quarter to defeat Saline with Lewis (19 points, 12 rebounds), Rachel Whitens and Anna Greulich (both with six points) leading the way. The girls followed with a season-high 64 points against Western as Lewis (22 points), Elhage

(eight points), Ozeir (eight points) and Whitens (seven points) paced Novi.

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

Churchill misfires, Novi catches fire in 54-29 win

panic. That's why I think we got

Although Churchill came out

hitting half of their first few

shots in the second half, Novi

came out on fire. Three different

hitting four straight three point-

and sent the reserves in for the

"I thought they were good

shots," Heitsch said. "I'm glad

A senior, Bush hit two of the

four three pointers that sent the

Bush's shots, as well as one from

Ozeir, were taken from the same

spot on the left side before Laney

hit one from the deep right cor-

bench 9-0 to close out the final

5:47 of the third quarter, includ-

Bartig, which tied senior Josh

"Josh Dillard, a first-year

senior player, provided a lot of

energy early on when we were

After a fourth-quarter-open-

ing three pointer by senior Troy

Bogenschutz cut the Chargers'

could score for several minutes.

A breakaway layup by Novi

the team high.

down," Solak said.

Dillard's first half point total for

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starters to the bench and the

reserves to the floor. Both of

rest of the night.

Wildcats contributed to the team

Wildcat starters' eight très in 18 minutes too much for Chargers

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BY CHRIS JACKETT CORRESPONDENT

There was no coming back from the hole that was dug last Thursday when winless Livonia Churchill visited undefeated Novi.

The Chargers (0-4) didn't have ers in the first 2:13 of the third a field goal until the final minute quarter as Novi built a 47-15 lead of the first quarter, when senior Cecil Anthony hit a running jumper in the lane for his only basket of the night. The score would only cut the host Wildcats' Brian (Bush) got to knock down (4-0) lead to 15-4 before the 'Cats a couple for us. He's done so rolled to a 54-29 conference vicmuch for us on defense."

Novi senior Rob Laney (14 points) was dominant for the Wildcats early on, hitting the first three field goals of the game to get seven of Novi's first eight points during an 8-2 opening run.

"He was really aggressive. He wasn't pleased with the way he played Wednesday night and he came out with the intent that he was going to set the tone," Novi coach Cory Heitsch said. • The 'Cats poured it on in the second quarter as senior Samer Ozeir (game-high 16 points, seven rebounds), junior Scott Kempa (five points) and senior Chris Milon (four points, 15 rebounds, five blocks) joined in for a 20-7 advantage that led to a 35-11 halftime score.

"Things are going his way right deficit to 47-27, neither team now," Heitsch said of Ozeir. "He didn't have as many rebound opportunities because he was

playing perimeter defense." During the first half, the Chargers shot 4-for-24 from the field and 2-for-6 from the free three pointer

throw line. "We're starting to find our way. I thought our effort was much better tonight," Churchill coach

Jim Solak said. "We're going to this. Second half.

ON TAP off at 7 p.m.

win, 54-29.

NON-CONFERENCE

victories in three consecutive nights and Milon (16 points, 11

(22 points, eight rebounds). Milon added 16 points and 14 rebounds, and Ozeir scored 15 in the fourth quarter, as the Wildcats pulled away with a

Heitsch said.

sophomore Tre Cadwell broke the Wildcats' drought with about 4:30 left in the game, nearly clamped down. seven minutes since Laney's "They were excited. They were

pleased to be out there," Heitsch said of the reserves. The Wildcats closed out the

game on a 7-2 run that began with Cadwell's lone score of the CINFIS JACKETT IS A TREETANCE WRITER AND our kids played better. We didn't night and held on for a 25-point former Novi News staff writer,

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"We'll take this break as we're going to start over," Solak said.

The Wildcats' didn't have as easy of a time with Walled Lake Central or Saline on the days surrounding the Churchill contest. Novi defeated Central 53-42 Dec. 15 and Saline 76-69 last Friday to cap a string of three

Ozeir (21 points, 16 rebounds) rebounds) dominated the stats The Chargers outscored Novi's for Novi, who built a 21-16 halftime lead and 36-22 lead after three quarters before holding on ing five points from junior Bryan for the victory over Central (2-2). Against Saline (0-3), it was Ozeir (25 points, 14 rebounds) who led the way again. Novi built a 37-32 halftime lead behind a 12-point first quarter from Laney

> win after falling behind 52-50 at the end of the third quarter. A three-pointer by Laney with two minutes remaining was a dagger for the Hornets as Novi's defense "Fellow seniors Brian Bush,

Brady Sheldon, Zac Dotinga, Nate Hill and Avery McIntrye provided huge efforts on the defensive end of the floor,"

online at hometownlife.com

NORTHVILLE SPORTS ROUNDUP

BY SAM EGGLESTON CORRESPONDENT

Mustang girls outshoot Regina

The Northville Mustangs girls hockey team took home a decisive victory last Friday night, defeating Regina, 6-3.

The Mustangs truly showed off their offensive firepower, outshooting their opponent, 47-18. Defense, as always, played a huge part in the team's success, said coach Bill Holden. He highlighted the efforts of senior defensemen Lindsey Kreichelt, Katelyn Meck and Natalie Demuro, and sophomore Kate Sell.

"The key to success at the high school level is goaltending and the Mustangs are led by two of the league's best goalies," Holden said. He is, of course, referring to Avery Allman

and Katilyn Sabourin, who both started at the varsity level as sophomores and are the only pair of goalies in the girls hockey program's 10-year history to have done so.

The Mustangs started the night hot with Lauren Grigg claiming the first of her two goals junior captain Trevor Maresh and Alex Coe quickly with an assist from Sara Blackhurst. Senior Morgan Malloy followed that with another goal with assists from Sara Bernardi and Paige McGuirk.

Regina came back with their first goal to end the first period trailing, 2-1.

The turning point of the game, however, came in the second as Northville's Allison Holden effectively put the game beyond Regina's reach by scoring three goals in nine minutes, bumping the Mustangs up to a 5-1 lead. She relied on Gabbie Guibord for assists on all three goals. Krista Oldham, Carly Morrell, Chloe Page and Christie Karcher each tallied one assist in the

Coach Holden praised the all-around quality of the team, with so many standouts on offense and defense. "This is one of the best teams in our program's classes earning individual medals along the

10-year history, with the potential to go all the way, and everyone on the team and in the league know it." he said.

Northville gymnasts defer first meet to Lakeland/Milford

The Northville girls gymnastics team started their season on the wrong foot last week as

WRESTLING

(152), junior Alejandro Albuerne (135) and sophomore Andrew Park (112) all earned pins, while Giddiani Albuerno won a 6-0 decision and senior Matt Aoun (130) won 7-4. Much of the same competition was around at the Pontiac Silverdome last Friday and

they met up with the combined squad from Lakeland-Milford. In their first meet of the season, the Mustangs gymnasts were 12 points short of collecting a win as they fell, 136.5-124.5.

Mustang wrestlers rack up the wins The Northville wrestling squad had a strong week as they earned several big wins and stayed scrappy against some very talented teams

They started everything off last Saturday with the Todd Shoenheide Memorial Challenge, a meet they hosted. The Brighton Bulldogs took home the championship in a repeat victory, but Northville competed hard, winning two of the five dual matches.

Senior captain Ian Stirton, a standout grappler expected to have a quality season, was the only Mustang to go undefeated throughout the day, finishing his matches with a perfect 5-0 record. Sophomore Max Mudar showed he's no slouch, compiling a 4-1 record of his own while also took just one loss each.

A few days later, Northville brought home two wins at a home meet with Farmington High and North Farmington. The North Farmington Raiders were the first have a chance to reach some of a time of 0:24.64; Will Price

team the Mustangs downed, racking up a 39-21 win with 10 of the meet's 14 matches going in their favor. Northville followed that win up with a 39-35

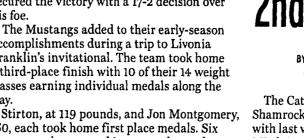
victory over the Farmington Falcons. The two teams kept the match close all the way to the final showdown when Maresh secured the victory with a 17-2 decision over his foe.

accomplishments during a trip to Livonia Franklin's invitational. The team took home a third-place finish with 10 of their 14 weight

Stirton, at 119 pounds, and Jon Montgomery, 160, each took home first place medals. Six more grapplers turned in 4-1 marks on the day including Sam Tacconellie, Alex Hoffman Travis Compo, Nick Pertunnen, Coe and Maresh

Sam Eggleston is a freelance writer and former staff

Saturday's Oakland County Championships,



sports writer for the Northville Record and Novi News.

plus several other talented grapplers who make

That didn't slow down the Wildcats too

Bielski (140) finished seventh in their weight

classes. However, the biggest feat of the day

went to Sparling, who finished second in the

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much, as Mencer (215) finished sixth and

regular appearances at the state meet.

county among 189-pound wrestlers.

News staff writer

LOCAL SPORTS

NHS swimming tops Churchill

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To win his title, Amine

up to the challenge as he

behind Catholic Central.

a 47-21 victory over the

Popiela as well as Hanson.

final match.

BY SAM EGGLESTON CORRESPONDENT

There are few better ways to head into Christmas than getting a win. Just ask the Northville Mustangs boys swimming and diving team.

Northville beat out Churchill, 127-59, in a headto-head meet, bringing their season record to 1-1. Coach Rich Bennetts said the win is due to increased effort from team members,

crucial to their season. "We gave more effort this week than last, but we have a very long way to go and not a lot of time to get there," Bennetts said. "The next three weeks will tell the story for the season. We have 18 practices over the next 21 days and we will have to improve at each and every practice in order to the 50-meter freestyle with

ON TAP The NHS team will next meet Walled Lake Western at 6:30 p.m. on Jan. 6, followed by the Salem Invitational at noon on Jan. 8.

our goals. Livonia Stevenson, Salem and Novi are all swimming much better than we are Danny Teng, Nick Haves and right now."

Northville edged out their opponents in the majority of events, tallying first place finbut the next few weeks will be ishes in eight events. The team of Scott Wang, Bofang Zhang, William

Greenlee and Austin Hunt took first in the 200-meter medley relay with a time of 1:46.67. Zhang also took first in the

200-meter freestyle with a time of 1:54.53. Sam Boyea took first in

Shamrocks wrestling team wins 2nd-straight Oakland County title

BY SAM EGGLESTON CORRESPONDENT

The Catholic Central Shamrocks had a lot to deal with last week. Their coach, Mitch Hancock, had a baby added to his family and the team had to not only take on the best squads in Oakland County, but also had to wrestle the No. 2-ranked team in the state.

Thankfully, everyone proved to be ready for each of those challenges and Hancock's baby was born and the Shamrocks earned a championship for the second-straight year in the Oakland County Tournament and defeated the Davison Cardinals, 47-21.

"This team loves to compete (103 pounds), Malik Amine and each individual has a goal (112), Alec Mooradian (135) of accomplishing something great," said Hancock. "It is easy ing home titles. Runner-ups for and former staff sports writer for the to keep young men focused

who wish to achieve excellence. Hanson (140) and Nick Mason We divide our schedule into three seasons and we finish the had 13 out of 14 wrestlers finfirst part on December 30th at ish in the top five. the Goodrich Tournament of Champions." That meet will be key for the

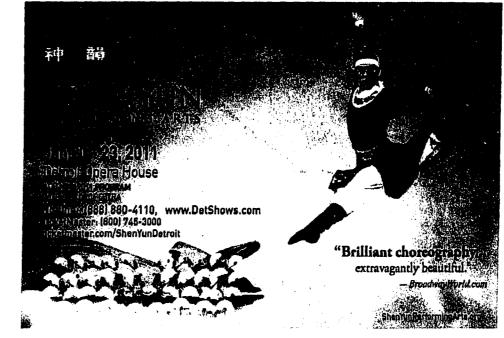
Shamrocks. Traditionally, the team that wins at Goodrich has gone on to win the MHSAA team state finals title as well--an honor that has been all Shamrock in

recent years. To prepare for that meet, and the finals, the Shamrocks wrestle the best teams they can, hence their Oakland County Tournament grap-

pling, which the squad won. Individually, the Shamrocks had four titles with Evan Toth and Mikes Trealout (189) tak-

CC were Ken Bade (125), Riley Northville Record and Novi News.

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Oakland County offers business workshops

Business owners and entrepreneurs who need assistance are invited to attend seminars in January, offered by the **Oakland County Business** Center. Business Basics workshops are now offered in the evenings on alternating months.

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Pre-Business Research - Are you thinking of starting your own business and want to research your business idea? Are you a business owner who wants to understand which research sources to use for your business plan and where to find the information you need? Presented by The Oakland County Business Center, The Entrepreneur's Source. Oakland County Market Research Department, and a Business Reference Librarian. This workshop is free, but pre-registration is required. Tuesday, Jan. 11, from 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. **CEED** Microloan **Orientation** - Many small businesses face obstacles when trying to obtain a business loan. The recognition of the serious need for working capital for existing businesses start-up or expansion, equip-

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Toy drive

Pamela's Salon (Novi Road, just south of Ten Mile Road) collected toys from customers and friends for the Ennis Center for Children from November through Dec. 9. The center distributes the toys to over 2,500 children and iamilies each year. Shown (I to r) are salon employees Amy Jarecki, Krysta Llewellyn, Donna Thompson and Kristen Wiley; owner Pam Yagrela; along with Jennifer King and Jenny Goodman from the center.

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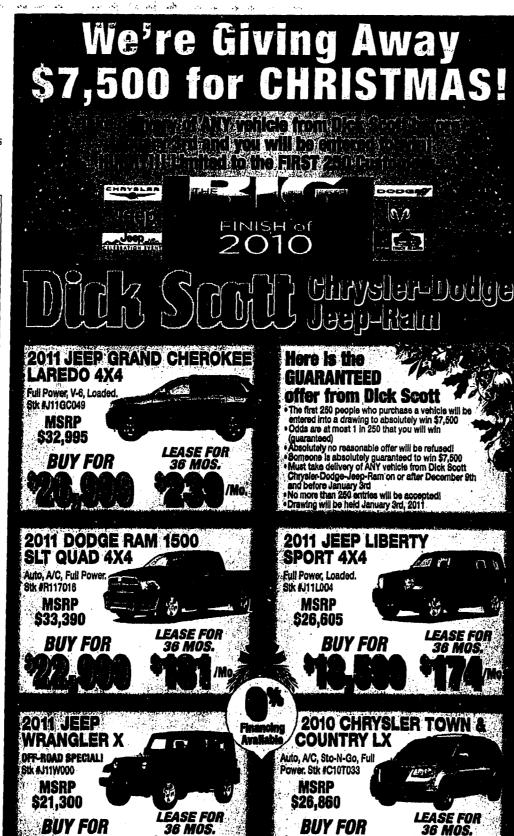
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of three, industrial multi-tenant buildings totaling 60,000 square feet located at 47850-47998 West Road, Wixom. Jim Montgomery of Signature Associates rep-

resented both the seller. K & R Industrial and the purchaser, West Beck LLC. The new landlord will immediately begin property improvements to position these buildings as a prime

multi-tenant alternative in the Wixom/Novi market

If you are a small business located in Novi, you qualify to be part of the cable television line-up on Business Avenue. This 15-minute program airs on Novi Television and highlights your business. There is no charge to be included in this program. If you are interested in being featured on this show, please e-mail smarchioni@cityofnovi.org.



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Financial literacy

Over 100 Novi High School students enjoyed a lesson on personal finances in Mr. Akouri's and Ms. Dreske's business finance classes, thanks to Telcom Credit Union. "Surveys show that most high school and even college age students do not learn the basics of planning their own personal finances," said Terri Buckner. training coordinator for Telcom Credit Union. "That's why we developed our Financial Fu\$ion program. We teach students the basics of planning a personal budget, how to wisely manage their credit and much more in an interactive, fun way. We give them the tools that they can immediately use in their everyday lives as they begin their paths to their future financial independence." The students enjoyed the two sessions this past week, according to Mr. Akouri. "Terri did a great job complimenting the things we discuss in Finance class. The students were really interested and engaged. Thanks to Telcom Credit Union for being our business partner and complimenting our program with further financial education for our students." Telcom has made over three dozen similar presentations to more than 2,500 students in the past three years. Shown, Buckner and Akouri with students in the business finance class.

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CareerBuilder.com Writer When you first lost your job. you spent your time wallowing

in your sorrows -- eating ice cream in your pajamas and watching Judge Judy all afternoon. Then your determination kicked in, and you decided to find a new job. You perused job boards, polished up your résumé, searched for old co-workers on LinkedIn -- and occasionally watched Judge Judy all afternoon.

While this may be the truth about what you've been doing since your last job ended, telling this to a recruiter probably won't be all that impressive. Though looking for a job is an admirable and necessary task for those out of work, telling a recruiter about your job search won't set you apart from the pack.

So how do you answer the "What have you been doing" question in an interesting, unique and truthful manner?

Focus on activities you've been involved with

For example, if you have three kids. tell the recruiter how you've been able to serve as team parent for your child's soccer team since you have more free time. Or, if you've spent your extra time going to

the gym, talk about how you've been focusing on improving your health. These things show that you're making the best out of a less-than-ideal situation.

Activities like volunteering and part-time work can also yield transferable

job skills. If you've been helping out a local charity with its online marketing efforts or putting in 20 hours a week as a part-time receptionis relate the experience

to the job you're applying for.

"There are tons of transferable skills that are gained from volunteer work and unpaid projects," says Susan Fletcher, psychologist and author of "Working in the Smart Zone." "Community involvement, events you've participated in or even been in charge of, volunteer boards you've served on and organizations you've been a member of provide a network and skill set similar to a paying job."

Highlight self-improvement

Have you been reading up on your industry in an effort to stay current? Did you recently start a blog about your field or try your hand at consulting?

"Our chief technology officer likes to ask

people what they learned last month,' says Daniel Ruby, research director at Chitka, an advertising company. "[Whether it be] a new coding language or a new

database structure -- keeping up on the latest emerging skill sets is a very good sign that this is someone we keep your sanity while you're want to hire."

Showing an interviewer that vou've been developing your skill set while unemployed demonstrates that you are motivated and interested in furthering your career and have a passion for your industry. "We've interviewed several people who were laid off and had been unemployed for a while," Ruby says. "Personally, I like to hear

about entrepreneurial ventures they've tried, whether it's building an ad-powered website, starting an online store, etc. Like many tech firms, we love seeing the entrepreneurial spirit in someone. If they started a company and failed, that's great because they started a company and were actively working to control their own destiny.

Lay the groundwork

You can't give an interesting answer to the question "What have you been doing since you were laid off?" if you haven't been doing anything interesting. Although it may be hard to concentrate on anything but finding a job, it shouldn't be your sole focus. Taking on volunteer activities, signing up for a class that will improve your skills, doing contract work or joining a job-search support group will not only help you unemployed, but will also make you more attractive to potential employers.

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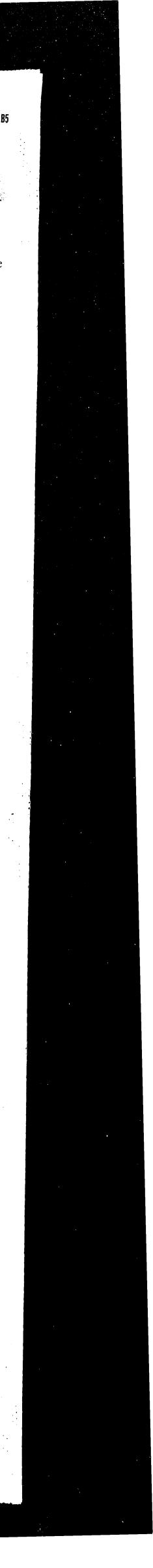
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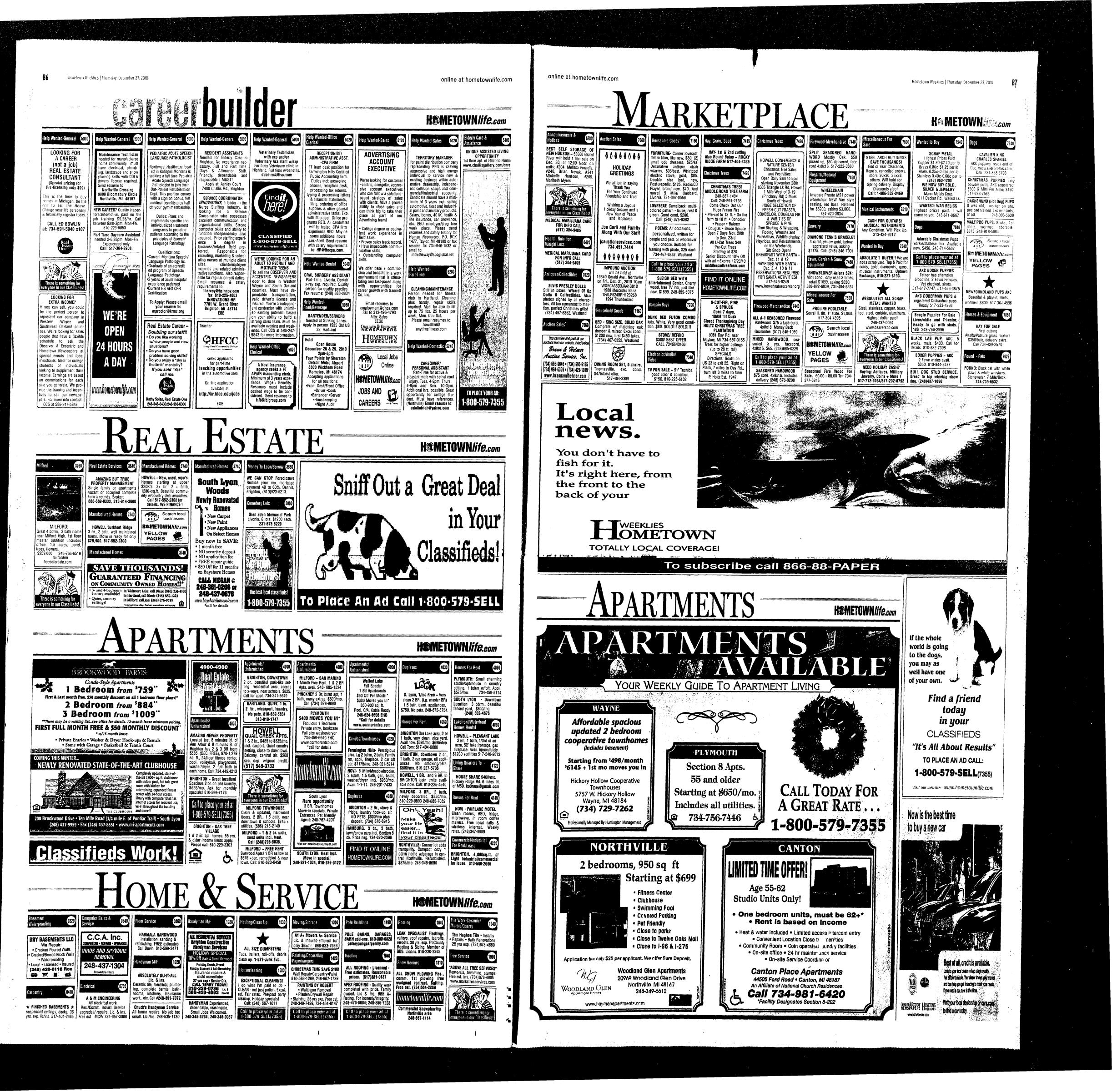
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