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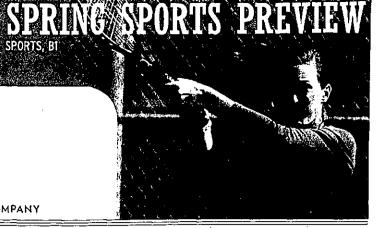
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# **Governor calls for benefit reductions**

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## Communities would be awarded for complying with plan

#### BY NATHAN MUELLER STAFF WRITER

Novi City Manager Clay Pearson said Gov. Rick Snyder's plan to get government employees to pay at least 20 percent of their health insurance ms and cut costs on retiremen plans is "aggressive" in terms of what has been the norm

And when it comes to Novi, the city has been active in implementing changes - including a defined contribution programs for new hires and negotiating health insurance premiums. The highest group now in terms of health insurance premiums is at 10 percent, and the largest group in the city, the police officers, is at 2.5 percent, but discussions are still tak-

For more information on this event, please contact Michelle Trevino: mtreviu aii.edu or (2480 675-3849. Seminar for seniors ing place. The Novi Senior Center in Novi, the Citizen's Alliance of the Oakland County Probate

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the regional title game loss to Orchard Lake St. Mary's, 49-48, at Pioneer High School in Ann Arbor on March 16.

and Circuit Courts will conduct a free seminar for senior citizens and their families from 1-3:30 p.m. March 28. explaining the Probate Court's role in wills, estates, trusts, guardianships, and conservatorships. Entitled "Removing The

Mysteries of Probate Court," the seminar will provide attendees with information on the advantages and disadvantages of "avoiding probate," when and how to use a will, trust and/or Powe of Attorney, how to begin pro bate proceedings, and when to consider use of quardian ships and conservatorship: To register, contact the Novi Senior Center at (248) .347-0414.

**Volleyball Marathon** Each year, Walled Lake Western High School hosts the annual Volleyball Marathon in partnership with a selected charity. This year, they have teamed up with the Children's Leukemia Foundation of Michigan for their 31st Annua event in order to raise over \$30,000 for the charity. The marathon will be hosted at Walled Lake Western from 5:30 p.m. March 25 to 8 a.m. March 26 The event itself is an 18-hour-long marathon filled with volleyhall dancing lase tag, massages, inflatables, lood, live bands and more. The entire event is planned by the student activities class at Walled Lake Western. To donate today ( more, visit www.wlwvbm.com



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Obrenovich retiring after 45 years with district BY NATHAN MUELLER STAFF WRITER Stephanic Schriner said people have told her it takes someone who is slightly crazy to work with middle school kids. And after being named the new principal at Novi Middle School next school year, HELECTOR A Schriner admits she might be just a tad off. "I think I fit that bill per-

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CLAY PEARSON, manager, city of Novi "We feel like we have been on that path for a number of years," Pearson

said. "We understand and appreciate what (Gov. Snyder) is trying to do in his proposal, and we all agree something has to change throughout the staic Synder's proposal indicates that

changes in insurance premiums and retirement plans will be a condition for communities to get some of their revenue-sharing money. Novi is currently slated to get \$16,423 from statutory revenue fund-

'We feel like we have been on that path for a number of years. We understand and appreciate what (Gov. Snyder) is trying to do in his proposal, and we all agree something has to change throughout the state."

ing in the 2010-11 fiscal year, but none e following year. Revenue sharing is split into two

areas - constitutional and statutory About \$659 million is constitutional which every community receives, and \$300 million is statutory, which about two-thirds of the state's communities receive and changes from year to year. The proposal, which requires legisla-

tive approval, calls for cutting \$100 million from the statutory pot and putting the remaining \$200 million into pool that communities would share if

they meet certain requirements Pearson has said in the past that the distribution of the statutory funds makes no sense and is still unsure about the financial impact on Novi even if the new proposal moves for-

Other aspects of the plan include encouraging local governments to be more transparent with their finances and pursuing consolidation or shared services.

None of that is new to Novi as Pearson said they have "had a variety of arrangements for a long time and expands to more every year."

Gannett News Services contributed to this article.

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## State's film industry incentives under fire

Local legislators agree tax credit needs to change

### BY LONNIE HUHMAN CORRESPONDENT

Local government representatives say the Michigan Film Tax Credit is in trouble. However, because it is still under debate, alternatives to its complete elimination are still being sought. According to state Rep. Kurt Heise, R-Plymouth, the film credit is currently being

debated in the state House of Representatives and Senate. He said in a perfect world we could keep on providing this incentive, but because of the current budgetary situation, things are not perfect." "It's an uphill battle for it to be preserved in any form,

Heise said of the credit. "But alternatives are being talked about." According to the Michigan Film Office website, the film

tax credit was granted to companies who were eligible if they spent a minimum of at least \$50,000 in Michigan. If eligible, film companies would receive a 40-percent refundable tax credit, across the board on Michigan expenditures. Gov. Rick Snyder issued

"I love that there is a bur-

state, but because of budgetary issues we can't afford to keep offering the incentive in its current form," Colbeck said. "We need to level the playing field. It's not fair to other industries that we target one with incentives and

R-Novi, thinks the final piece will be a bit different then what has been proposed. He said he has received many let-

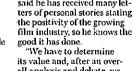
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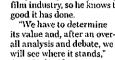
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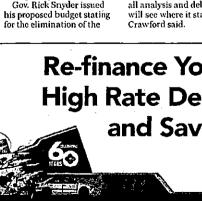
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film credit to be replaced with a \$25 million program for appropriation in the Michigan Strategic Fund budget. State Sen. Patrick Colbeck, R-Canton, said this proposed revised incentive could work for smaller film companies, but after talking with some "bigger film companies" it might not be attractive enough. geoning film industry in our

not the others. It's like robbing Peter to pay Paul." State Rep. Hugh Crawford,







Obrenovich is retiring after 45 years in the district, and is well respected by many. "It's a big set of shoes to fill. But if we have a person within our district who is up for the challenge and has the talent, I think it's Stephanie," said Novi Board of Education scc-

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Mardi Gras

Fox Run Village employees

Marlaine Miller and Fred

Moschetta (above) dance to the

'Pennsylvania Polka'' on March

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### BY JILL HALPI

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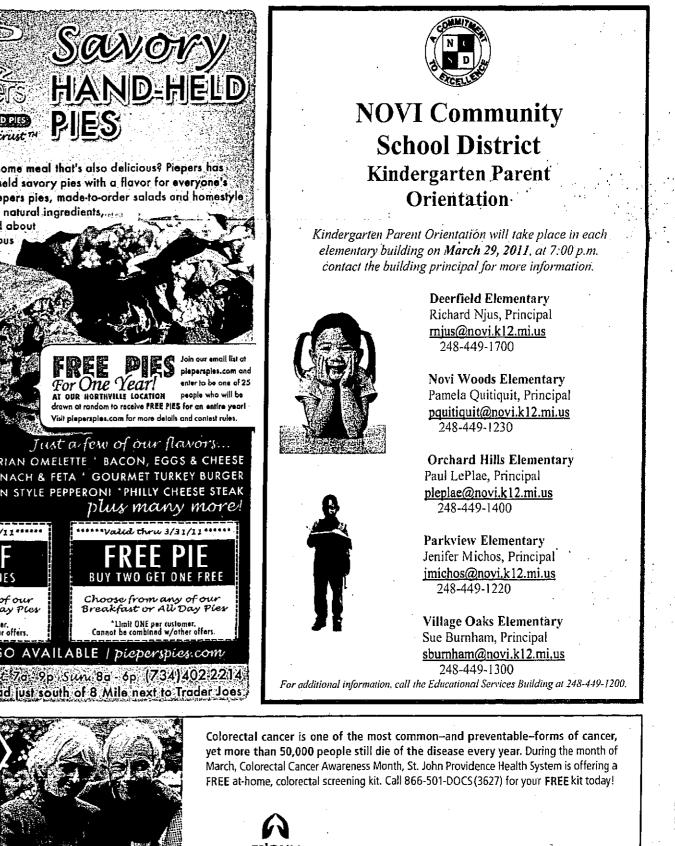
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just one way to do that, said Jeff Mason, executive director of the University Research Corridor, an alliance of U-M. MSU and WSU. Aimed at combining resources and working together to leverage the intellectual capital at the universities and positively impact the state economy, the URC has joined forces to

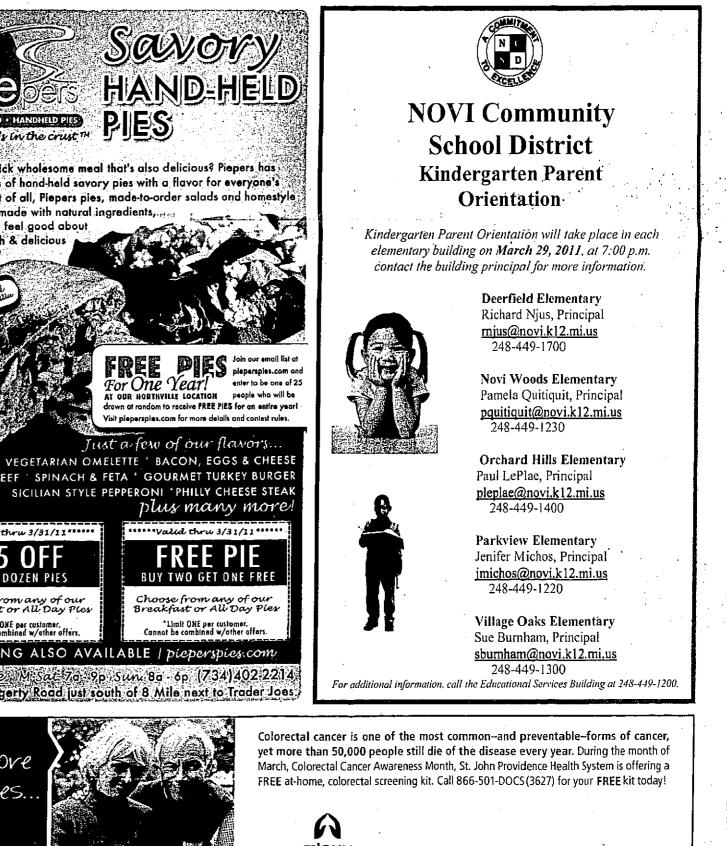
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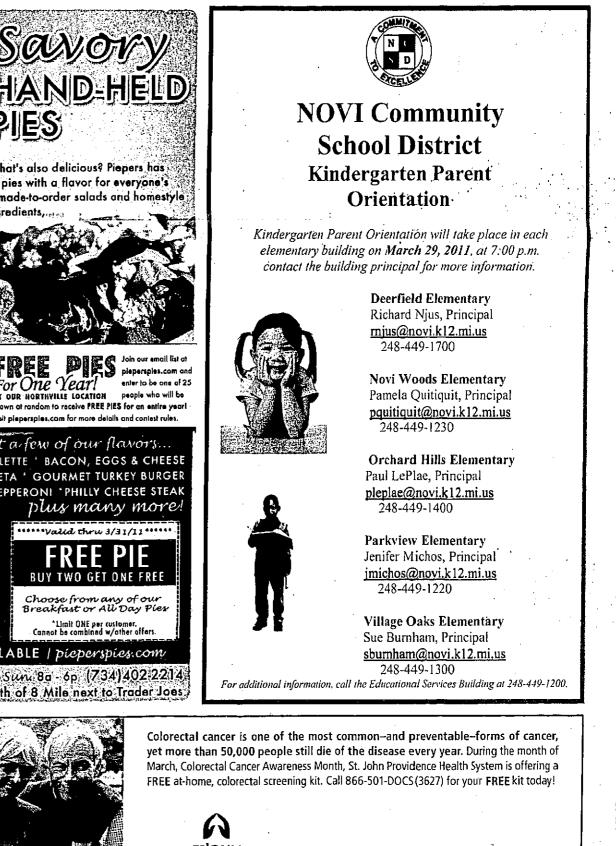
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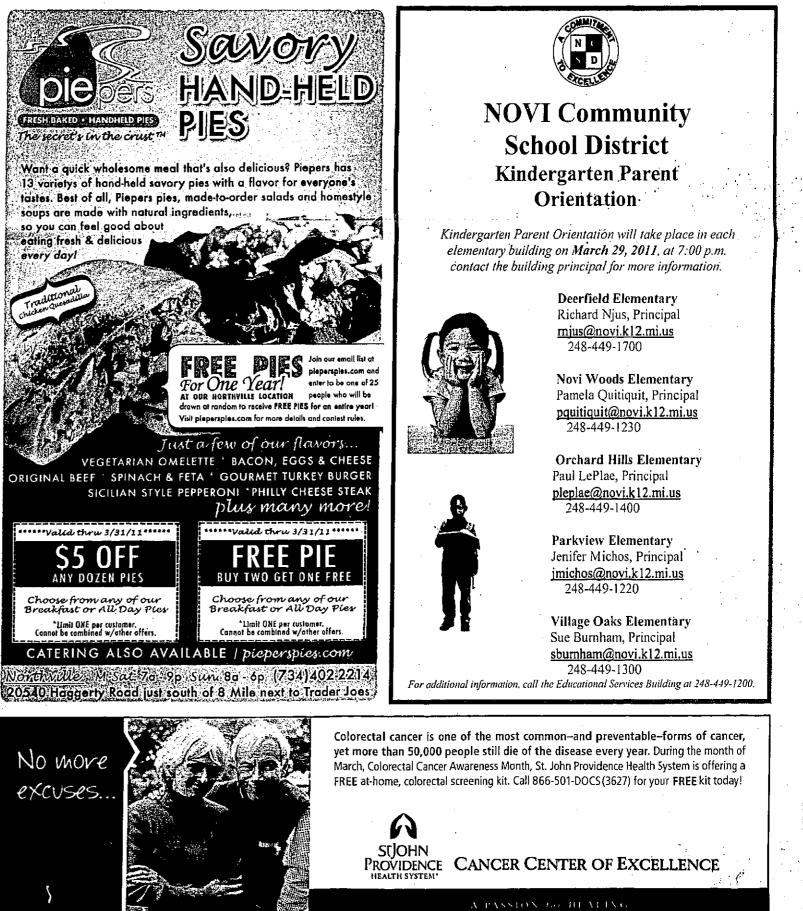
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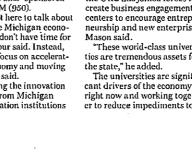


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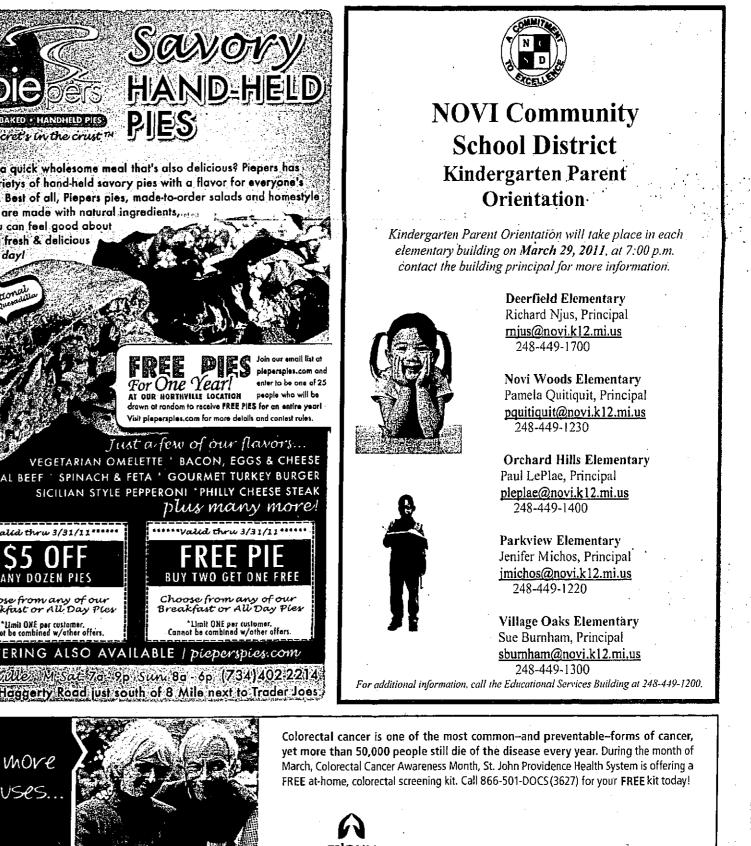


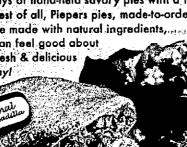
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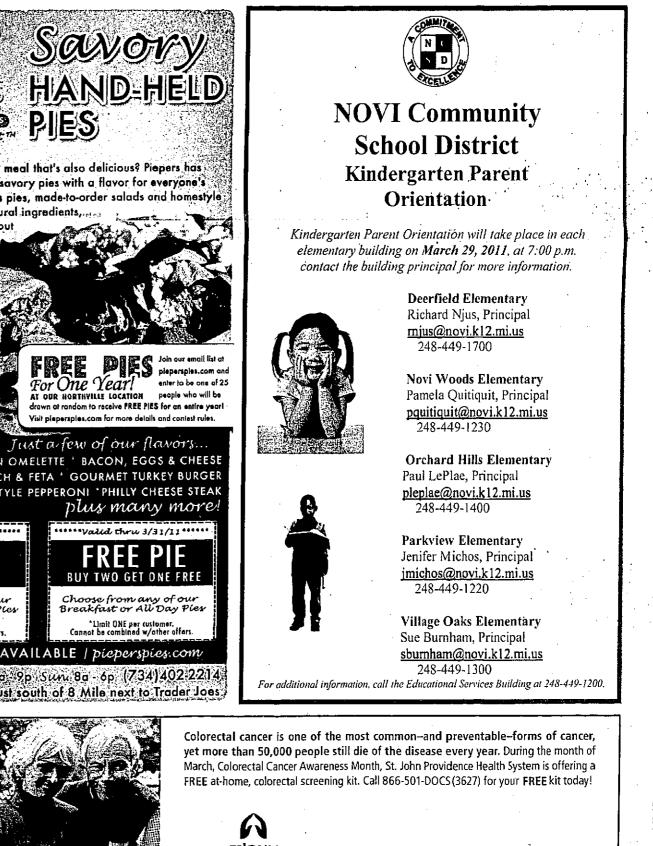


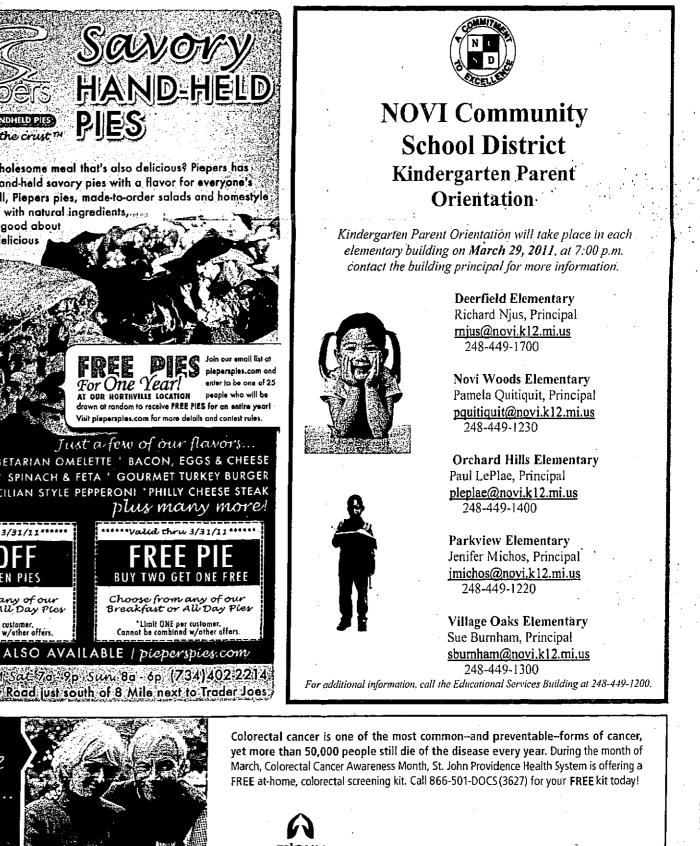
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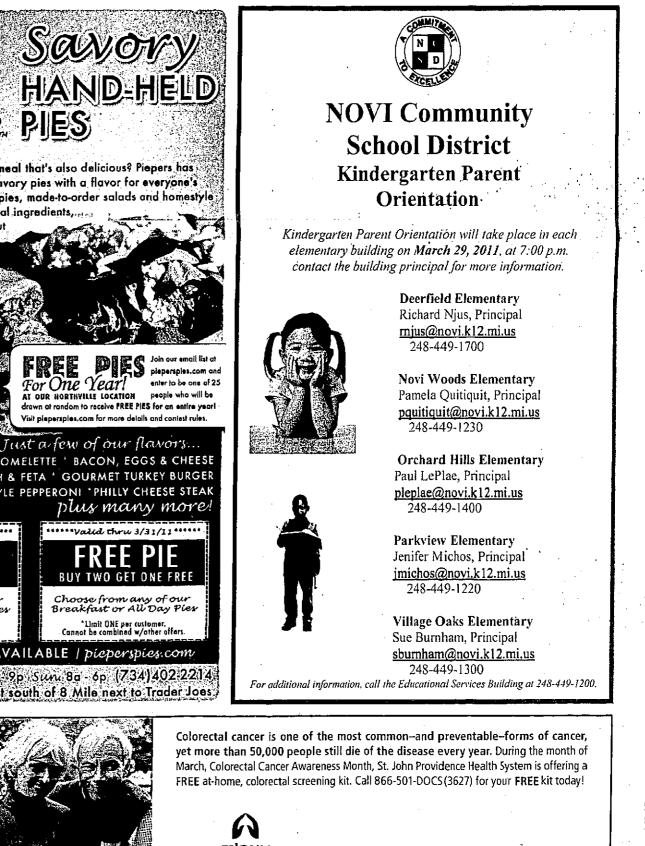


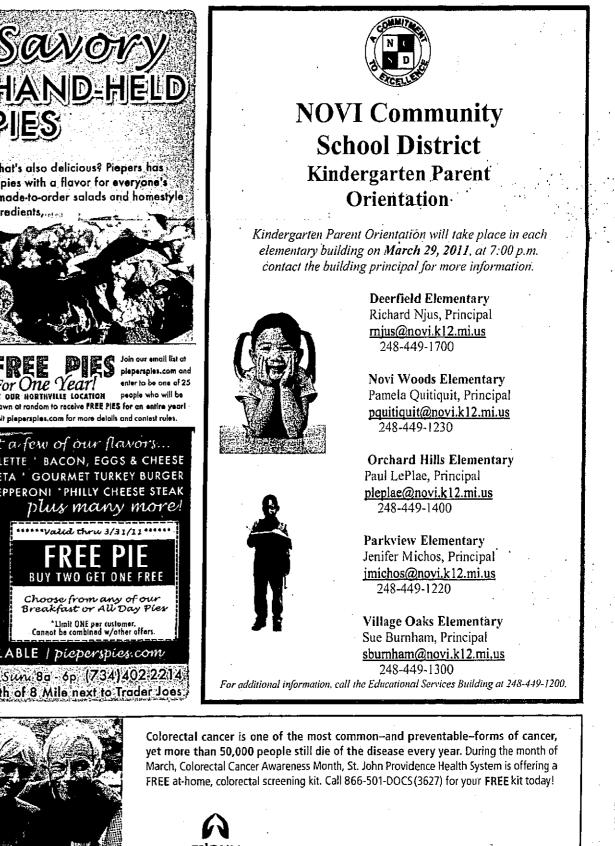












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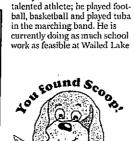
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Sat., March 26, 2011 the day before last year's 2010 run," Stojkovic said. "Such an unusual coincidence - hundreds of teachers in the high school and it happens outside of my classroon Clayborn is a beloved and alented athlete; he played foot ball, basketball and played tuba



The 2011 4th annual Walled Lake Passion for Life Run will 5K Run/Walk • 5 Mile Run take place on Saturday, March 26, which is the one-year anni-4<sup>m</sup>Annual Walled Lake versary of the tragic day of Drew Clayborn's injury. **PASSION FOR** This annual event raises

money for the University of Michigan C.S. Mott Children's Hospital Spinal Cord research, our inspirational families & the Passion for Life Organization. This year's Inspirational family is Drew Clayborn/The Drew Crew. The 5k and 5-mile run/walk will begin at 10 a.m. at the Bayside Sports Grille located at 142 East Lake Drive, Walled Lake. The 5k run/walk will go down to 13 Mile on East Lake Drive and back. The 5-mile is an "around the lake" run. The founder and organizer of the Passion for Life and

the person most responsible for saving Drew Clayborn's life the day of the accident is one in the same -- Nebojsa Stojkovic, Clayborn was prac ticing a backflip in the hallway of Walled Lake Central High School outside Stojkovic's classroom when the accident securred. If it wasn't for his

#### quick response, Clayborn would have perhaps lost his life. "Drew actually did his backflip right outside my classroom

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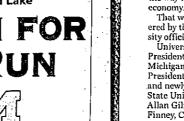
To register, make a donation or for more information, please on to www.passion5k.com. For more information on Drew Clayborn, visit www.thedrewcrew.org.

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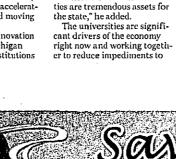
of his injury. The entry fee is \$30 and includes a long sleeve shirt. A portion of the proceeds will be donated to Drew's support to help obtain the goal of \$100,000 for the Drew Clayborn Home Nursing Care Fund. The rest will go to research at U of M C.S. Mott Children's Hospital, inspirational families and the Passion

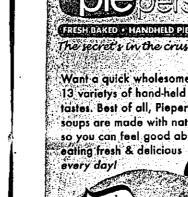
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Economic Development Corp. and some 100 local business and community leaders to dis cuss Michigan's future. The Sheraton in Novi was the site of "Building Businesses

ing the economy and moving ward, he said Harnessing the innovation





## University presidents hope to lead state's turnaround



s for entrepreneurs is vital, said Gilmour, forner vice chairman of the Ford Motor Co. Business Engagement Centers created by the universities encourage business growth by offering a variety of services, including marketing and legal advice

#### READY TO HELP

"If you're in business in Michigan, we're ready to help you succeed," Gilmour said. xplaining the significance of entrepreneurs having the ability to make the right con nections



For U-M's Coleman, the focus is on innovation and tal-ent, and the state of Michigan

is strong in that area. A "legacy of the auto industry" is the vast number of highly trained engineers, and the state needs to take advantage of that, she said. "Within 60 miles of Ann

Arbor, there are more per cap-ita engineers than anywhere else in the country." Coleman said, adding, "We have a deep talent pool here and we have to make sure people know about it.

#### R&D IS KEY

Combining research and velopment with innova



tion and talent is another key to Michigan's success in the future, Coleman said. Gilmou agreed.

"The knowledge that comes from research is essential to a dynamic economy," he said. MSU's Simon explained

that budget cuts to higher education proposed by Michigan Gov. Rick Snyder will have a strong impact on research and development. vever, universities have already made a big investment in the areas of research and development that will

stand. Simon added that the state of the economy and looming budget cuts are "not a reality

"The infrastructure is already in place to do innova tive work," she added. In addiion, the majority of research dollars comes from the federal government.

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There are also federal programs available to help transform R&D products into viable businesses that may offset the budget cuts. Commerce Connect, located n Waterford, offers free assistance in connecting small- and medium-sized business with government providers, Funded by the U.S. Department of Commerce, Commerce Connect opened a Michigan office in 2009 and "offers assistance in helping gener ate income, creating jobs and noving business forward." according to Cynthia Slating, commerce specialist and Oakland County resident.

Finney said that despite budget cuts, there are "still many tools available" to move the economy forward. "Innovation will change economic development," he said, citing the shift toward collab ration in research and development.

"Everyone will benefit." be

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The 16th annual Novi Backyard, Poo & Spa Show will run from March 25-27 at the Suburban Collection Showplace

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able with tips and advice on purchasing planning, maintenance, safety, exercise, health, financing and landscaping.

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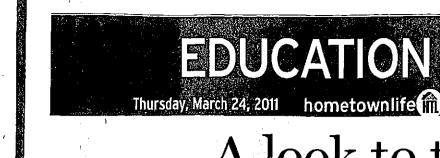
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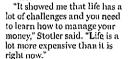


## A look to the future Novi students get glimpse of life as an adult

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BY NATHAN MUELLER STAFF WRITER

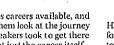
Josh Stotler fared better than most of his Novi Middle School classmates who got a glimpse at their future last week through the Reality Store during career day. Stotler, who chose the care of an FBI agent, finished in the black after paying his bills and feeding and clothing his family, while many of his classmates were left wonder ing what went wrong. The idea behind the Reality Store is to show students how costly life as an adult is and prepare them for mak-ing financial decisions in the



Some of the Reality Store stations included insurance, food, child care, buying a hom and a reality check where a student either earned extra oney or had to shell more out because of an emergency. Nancy Ghannam, a parent volunteer, said the store was "pretty good simplification of what parents go through," and even had her own children

realizing they cost a lot. "This is very important because kids have so many messages coming at them and they have to learn they cannot afford everything they want, she said

The other part of career day included guest speakers for the seventh graders. The stu-dents got to see three different speakers ranging from doctors and public safety officials to authors, a DNA scientist, radio personalities and more. Stephanic Calhoun, another volunteer, said the goal is to



## Novi student honored with prestigious scholarship

Palepu expected to finish career with 11 AP tests passed

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Palenu listed his favorite AP class as physics and plans on

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#### BY NATHAN MUELLER STAFF WRITER

Sandeep Palepu is not your average student. Not only has the senior at Novi High School passed nine Advanced Placement tests with score of five – the high-est score possible – and will likely finish his career with a total of 11, but he also finds

time play in the band, volunteer and spend time with friends. It's a hectic : says he does not regret having nation process as it is based on performance. But he was glad and his hard work recently paid off when he was awarded to get it and said it will defithe 2010 Siemens Award for nitely help when he chooses a school to attend next year.

Advanced Placement. The awards recognize the top male and female AP test performers on science and math courses in every state in the nation, with each student receiving a \$2,000 college scholarship. "It's definitely more than

a scholarship to me, but it's pride in what I do," he said. "I

#### SCHOOL BRIEFS

Donations needed for Senior All Night Party Organizers for the Novi High School Senior All Night Party are hard at work plan-ning for the 2011 event and are requesting donations from parents, businesses and comnunity members to make this year's event the best one yet. The annual Senior All Night

Party, scheduled for June 4

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at Novi High School, offers food, activities and prizes, allowing graduating seniors to celebrate in a safe, supervised environment. Checks may be made payable to NHS Senior All Night Party and should be sent to: NHS Senior All Night Party, C/O Dana Nussic 22041 Shadybrook Drive, Novi, MI 48375. Information may be obtained by contact-ing Dana Nussio at nussio@

Nov) Middle School student Marcus Hill begins to see the burdens of being a bill paying adult as he visits the Reality Store during the school's Career Day on March 9. In the store, students were given a salary that they then had to apply to a host of bills that would suit their randomly generated lifestyles. various carcers available, and

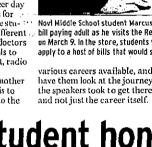
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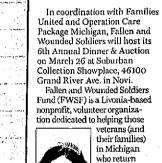
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cial support and assistance ual event will begin at 6 p.m.. WDIV Meteorologist Chuck Gaidica will serve as the event's master of ceremonies, while Col. Kirk S. Lippold will be featured as

Oliver North and Commande the night's keynote speakers Miss USA 2010 Rima Fakih, from Dearborn, will make a special guest appearance at the event to show her support for

the cause. "I am honored to be given the opportunity to come home and support a wonderful cause like Fallen and Wounded Soldiers," said Fakih. "I have a great amount of respect for our armed forces and the protection they provide for our country everyday. It's a tremendous privilege for me to share this evening with the troops and their families. Since its inception in 2006, the FWSF has raised nearly \$1 million to help wounded or fallen soldiers and their families. Returning troops often face delays in getting assistance from the government. The FWSF has the ability to quickly help those families in need. from paying travel expenses for

families to visit their recovering loved ones at Walter Reed Hospital in D.C., to living expenses, foreclosure assistance and home modifications to create accessible living quarters. Tickets for the event, which includes a silent auction, din ner and open bar, are available now for \$100 per person. For more information and to RSVP to this event, please contact

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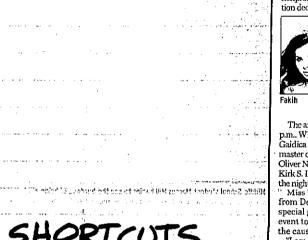
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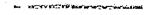
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Novi Middle School students fisten to a presenter during Career Day.



One of the speakers, Rache

Hunter, morning show host for country music station 99.5 told the students of the n

should be fine on AP tests," he Jeniffer Harper-Taylor, president of the Siemens

Foundation which honors the students, said their mission is built on innovation and investment in educators and students would only benefit them The foundation's main focus is in the areas of science, technology, engineering and math ise those areas are an important part of future suc-

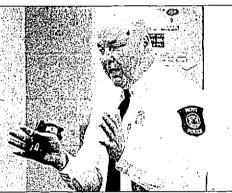
r-Taylor also said i is important to make sure students are honored for their success.

"We really don't give kids the amount of recognition they need in the area of scholarship aptitude that we do for sports and other areas," she said. "And from our standpoint, we see high-achieving students on a regular basis – and it's important for us to invest in them."

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earthlink net or Anne Lewis at alewis13@mm.rr.com. The SANP Donations Committee is seeking raffle prize and monetary donations o cover the cost of decorations, entertainment and additional raffle prizes. Organizers encourage those planning to make financial contributions to do so as soon as possible so the committee can plan a budget.

FBI Agent Kevin Kane talks to Novi Middle School students on March 9 du Career Day.



mueller@gannett.com | (248) 437-2011, ext. 255 Novi Police Lt. Jerrod Hart talks to a group of Novi Middle School students



perks - meeting celebrities and going to concerts — and downfalls — long hours and competitive field — during he sessions. "You have to think about the number of positions available when thinking about a career

she said. "And in broadcasting you have to pay your dues. Morgan Jones, a seventh grader, has her heart set on going into fashion work, but vas intrigued by the possible careers available.

I learned I can take a lot of different ideas if 1 put my mind to it," she said.

LOCAL NEWS

Women Voters of Michigan. before lawmakers. "They need

to say, 'These are the communities where we live, this is

what we care about, and this

is what is important to us,"

Virginia Martinez, legis-lative staff attorney for the

Mexican American Legal

Defense and Educational Fund

in Chicago, said minority rep-

resentation can be diluted by drawing a line down the mid-

dle of an old district, which is called "cracking. . "Or they 'pack' them so they

are in one or two districts

when there could have been

three or four," Martinez said.

Kurt Metzger, director of Data Driven Detroit, a non

profit established in 2009

the Kresge Foundation, said

Michigan was the only state

Census. That population loss

means that Michigan will

to lose population in the 2010

ose one House seat, falling to

Representatives, In 1950, that

"We'll have the fewest rep-

esentatives in the state since

Other states are either gain-

ing more residents through domestic migration or inimi-

gration. Illinois lost more

residents than Michigan

to domestic migration, but

eccived an influx of immi-

Michigan also suffered a net

loss of residents to each state

when domestic migration was

measured between each state.

except for Maine. Eight more

residents moved to Michigan

WAYNE COUNTY IS LOSS LEADER

Other population shifts were highlighted by Metzger:

In Oakland County, the

opulation grew by 110,000

elween 1990 and 2000, but

in 2010 it grew only by 12,000

who moved to Maine from

from Maine than those

Michigan

grants to offset that loss.

Metzger found that

14 seats in the U.S. House of

number grew to 18.

1920," Metzger said.

through grants from The Skilman Foundation and

Gaskins said

online at hometownlife.com

## Public urged to participate in redistricting process

Often redistricting depends

Gaskins said it was impor-

GENE E. A. PLANKEY

while a patient of South Lyon, M

Age 61 of Island Lake Republic, MI & part-time

#### BY KEN ABRAMCZYK OBSERVER STAFF WRITER

With population losses in Detroit and Michigan, Michigan residents can expect to lose one member of the U.S. House of Representatives because the state will lose one Congressional district. Michigan residents can expect districts to be drawn for the U.S. House, state House and Senate and county commission seats this year once the official Census figures are released some time before April 1.

Organizers of the Michigan

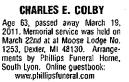
Redistricting Collaborative 'ONLY BITE AT THE APPLE' want to educate voters about on the political parties in he redrawing of the new districts. The collaborative power, some officials say. "If there is no partisan bal-ance in the legislature, there is hosted a forum March 14 at Schoolcraft College in Livonia to inform residents about no partisan balance in redistricting," said Keesha Gaskins, redistricting laws and how to make the redistricting process more responsive to citizens. senior counsel for the Brennar Center for Justice in New York The collaborative is a coalition of nonprofit organiza-tions including the Michigan Nonprofit Association

tant for the public to get involved because this year's redistricting is the "only bite at the apple" for another 10 years Common Cause Michigan the League of Women Voters For citizens to have input. they must have access to softof Michigan, the Michigan ware to draft maps, contact Campaign Finance Network local newspapers and testify and The Center for Michigan.



HDIOS BY JOHN STORMZAND | STAFF Left, Joan Gebhardt, Wayne County commissioner, 12th District and Susan Smith, vice president Programs, League o

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#### ANN P. GATT

March 19, 2011, age 89. Wife of the late Joseph L. Gatt. Funeral was March 22, Holy Family Church. nent Holy Sepulchre Cemetery r American Cancer Society. Online condolences: www.obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

merican Legion hall-Post 216.

#### SHIRLEY LORENZ

#### Ge Br, Match 12, 2011, Mit o Stefan, Mother of Muriel (Yuji) Sobata & Mark, Funeral 3pm, Mar 24 t O'Brien/Sullivan Funeral Home 1555 Grand River, Novi (248) 348-1800. Online condolences ullivan/uneralhome.com

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Age 85, passed away March 18, 2011. Private family service will be 2011. Private family service win ue held at a later date at Markey Twp. Cemetery in Houghton Lake, MJ. Arrangements by Phillips Funeral Userse Online Guestbook at Childre Strategie Control C www.phillipstuneral.com bituaries received after these deadli till be placed in the new available issue



5-year Novi resident, for-Pontiac, MI. He was an author and merly from West Latayette, had a book published 'Trout Falls IN, died on Tuesday, March Chronicles.' He was a free lance 15, 2011, in West Bloomtield. He writer in the Marquetle Mining Was born December 23, 1924, in Journal & wrote for The Detroit Free Bloomtield, IN, to the late Alva B and Press in Bob Talbot's column as Esther Jane (Slinkard) Miles. He 'Yooper Tales.' He loved to sit in the graduated from Bloomtield High woods to write & watch birds and School in 1942. He served in the US deer. He loved nature & his life. Gene Army in the China-Rurma-India (CBM) is survived hu two sons. Kris Plankey JOHN A. HALTER Age 58; of Highland, Mt passed away March 16, 2011. He is survived by his wile Terri and their two child dren, Jonathan (Fiancé Kasey) and Jessica (Fiancé Tommy). In addition he was much loved by his mother in-law Romie Mille, and drau Jean Ann (Mike) and dudi. He was preceded in death by his sisters Janet. Also survived by his brother in-law Romie Mille, and many other brother-in-laws, sister-in-laws, nieces, nephews and friendis who were all dear to him. An open house to celebrate John's life will be held on Saturday, March 26, 2011 from Group at the Millor Mille Key and Barting and Barting American Legion hall-Post 216. Society of Photogrammetry and the Indiana Society of Professional Engineers. He will be missed by all of Plankey family. Visit Gene's eterna us! Surviving are a son and his wife, tribute at: www.bjorkandzbulkie.com

Age 83, died March 17, 2011. A Steve and Yvonne Miles of Novi. Also Service was held on March 22, at Glen Eden Memorial Park. Arrangements entrusted to PHILLIPS of Indianapolis, and Heather (Miles) (Michalak of Williamston. Visitation guestbook: www.phillipsfuneral.com KATHRYN JOAN MICHALAK Age 61, March 12, 2011, Wife of Stefan, Mother of Muriel (Yuji) Tippecanoe Memory Garden, in w. Latayette will be immediately follow-ing the visitation. In lieu of flowers, those wishing may contribute to the Lafayette Exchange Club. Survived by his beloved wife Cindy of 4 wear's bis flowing children: Brian 24 years; his foving children: Brian and Katie; his parents, Richard and Rhea and his siblings: Gay (Peter)

#### ANNA PAPAZIAN

His is also survived by his best friend, Chuck Halberg, his nieces and nephews: Matt and Ellie Jenkins, Age 82, March 11, 2011, Funeral was March 19 at O'Brien/Sullivan Funeral Home, Burial Woodlawn Cemetery, Donations: Stein Hospice, 1200 Sycamore Line, Sandusky, DH 44870 Chris and Emma Young and many dear friends. Visitation for friends and family was held on Tuesday March 22nd at 10:00 a.m. followed www.obriensullivanluneralhome.com by a memorial service at 1:00 p.m. at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, South

#### VIRGINIA PU ON

was held at the South Lyon Hotel fol-lowing the service. Memorial contri-butions may be made to The Richard

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eria to Congressional and state legislative districts in www.phillipsfuneral.com test plans, then evaluated difficult, if not impossible,



This is not Schriner's first goaround in a middle school as she taught in one and was an assistant principal for four years at a middle school in the Van Burer Public School District. Novi Superintendent Pete

Dion said that experience gives

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to explain why you split coun-

Joan Gebhardt, a mem-

ber of the League of Women

Voters and county commis-

sioner representing Livonia

works to educate voters and

redistricting was one of those

the importance of the Census,

Gebhardt said, in reference to

the Census impact on the new

Livonia will be an interesting

Gebhardt expects that

district because it is one of

Wayne County's largest cit-ies besides Detroit. She was

might mean for her district,

which includes a southern po

tion of Livonia and the city of

Detroit lost so much that

(the districts) will be pushed

out west, north and south," Gebhardt said. It is pos-

sible that districts contain-

ing Canton and Northville

Township will shrink in size

because those communities

in the middle, I don't know," Gebhardt said.

'lymouth resident and a dis

trict director for State Rep. Vicki Barnett, D-Farmington,

said she attended to obtain a

redistricting process, "I think

it's important for everyone to

Rosemary Doyle, a mem-

learn more about the process

"I wanted to educate myself

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and be an educated voice,"

intendent openings, for Gail Credit and Bob Schram, are

expected to be filled April 14

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better understanding of the

Samantha Talbot, r

may have experienced popula-

What that means for people

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and Westland, said the league

Transparency and openness will be the big push for the col-

ties." Kuo said

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laborative, Kuo said.

Peter Pratt, president of Public Sector Consultants, discusses the issues. geographically-sized, "It is why did you pick this plan. We want something detailed

difficult to piece together geographically smaller urban districts with progressively geographically larger subur-ban rural districts," he said. . Three of four types of con-gressional test maps favored the Democrats. All cight state Senate and state House types of maps favored the

A key to fair redistricting is how to "unpack" the concen-tration of Democrats living in Wayne County. "Mapping seenarios that respected county boundaries were among those consistently most favorable to Republicans," McDonald said.

NEUTRAL CRITERIA ISN'T NEUTRAL Following county lines works against minority representation in the state legisla ture, McDonald said. With the 2000 data, it was possible to draw two additional African-American state Senate districts and 11 additional

African-American state House districts by drawing districts resembling the spokes of a wheel. McDonald said it may not be possible to draw those same districts using the 2010 data. "These neutral criteria are not neutral." McDonald said.

They have political consequences; they have racial con-Christina Kuo, executive said the collaborative's goal was to educate the public

about the redistricting process. "We're calling for more transparency," Kuo said. Kuo would like to see redistricting maps placed into the legislation that creates the new districts. Texas and Minnesota

ber of the League of Women Voters, said she attended to The process also needs reform, she said. More details need to be revealed. "We need

staff and parents. "She came across with a pas parents, parent participation and academics," he told the board on



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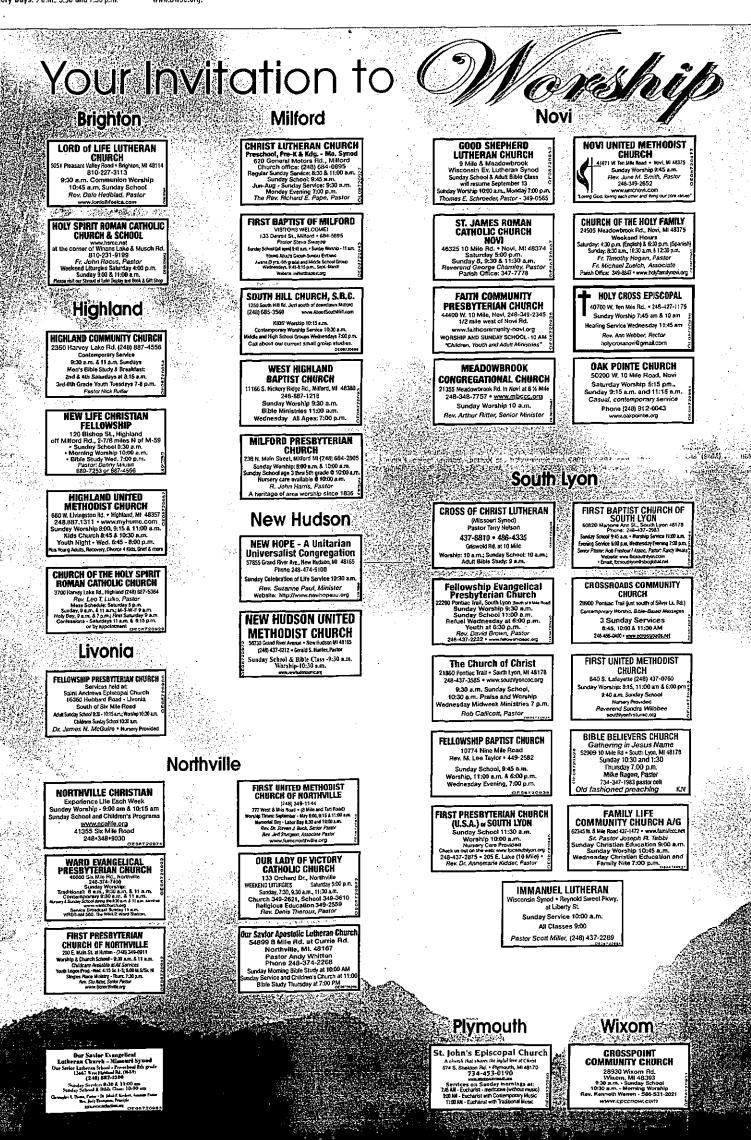
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are the only states that do that currently, she said.

to explain redistricting plans

her a "well-rounded approach" that will benefit the students, sion for middle school students,

Thursday. 'I think you will be middle school principal." OTHER HIRING NEWS

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The two assistant super

Postings also were posted for the two elementary school principal positions Dion also noted that incoming Supt. Sieve Matthews has been involved in all the hiring processes.

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to find out and get an explanation (from lawmakers) on



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of applying redistricting cri-

Wayne County not only eads Michigan in population loss, it leads the entire nation. The county is expected to show a loss of 151,402 residents between 2000 and 2010. •With Detroit losing residents, it is expected that disricts currently in Detroit will be redrawn southward and vestware

Michael McDonald, an associate professor of govern-ment and politics at George Midwest Mapping Project,

Young-Jeakins and Bill (Lori) Youn

which examined the politial and racial consequences

> Illinois, Minnesota, Ohio and Wisconsin. The project used 2000 population data to drav them using presidential elec-tion data from that same year.

> McDonald said drawing "nicely shaped" districts was

because equal population sized districts cannot be equal

Monday-Thursday or visit www.crosspointe-

grams available. Worship blends traditional

Location: Ridge Wood Elementary School,

## CHURCH EVENTS

Location: 21260 Haggerty Road, north of Eight Mile Road Contact: (248) 348-7600 or visit dicnaza-

rene.org Easter Eggstravaganza Time/Date: 10:30 a.m. Saturday, April 23 Details: New this year, pre-registration is required at www.dfcnazarene.org and closes for safety reasons at 600 children or on April 20, whichever comes first, There will be over 10,000 eggs to hunt for age groups 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 and 9-11 years old. There will be an "Eggciting" show by The King's Yomen: pictures with the Easter Bunny; games to play, crafts and many special prizes; and hot dogs, chips, cookies and drinks for everyone. Bring your family, friends and neighbors (rain or shine) for

some "enostra" special fun. Don't forget your Easter basket.

Supday Schedule: 9:15 a.m. Worship secvice with Praise Band, children's Sunday School and Adult Bible Fellowship; 10:15 a.m. Fellowship and refreshments; 11 a.m. Traditional worship service, Children's Church, Youth Sunday School and Adult Bible Fellowship; 6 p.m. Evening Service, Children's program, Youth Worship Service Tuesday Schedule: Tuesday 9:25-11:15 a.m. Women of the Word Bible Study with childcare available for through age 5: 6:45 p.m.

Ladies Evening Bible Study Inesday Schedule: 5:30 p.m. Family Meal, \$4 per person, \$12 per family; 7 p.m. Children's Caravan, Club 56, Bible Study, Quilting, Adult Classes, Youth Blast Thursday Schedule: 6 a.m. Men of Purpose Prayer Group: 7 p.m. Tae Kwon Do Women of the Word Time/Date: 9:25-11:15 a.m.

Details: The W.O.W. Tuesday Ladies Bible

Study welcomes you to their study of the Ephesians. There is a \$15 registration fee, which includes interdenominational study materials. Childcare will be available in the morning for children through age 5. Emmanuel Lutheran Church Location: 34567 Seven Mile Road, Livonia

Contact: (248) 442-8822 or www.newhope center. Episcopal Church of the Holy Cross

Location: 40700 W. 10 Mile Road Contact: (248) 427-1175 or churcholthe holycross.com

Sunday Worship: 7:45 a.m., 10 a.m. Sunday School and Nursery Care: 10 a.m. Worship Service

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All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments may be heard at the hearing and any written comments must be received by the Planning Department, 45175 W. Ten Xile Road, Novi, MI 48375 until 4:00 P.M., Wednesday, April 13, 2011.

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Faith Community Presbyterian Location: 44400 W. 10 Mile Road Contact: (248) 349-2345 or visit Incoorthville.org Sunday Worship: 10 a.m. **Celebration of Confirmation** class: 10 a.m. March 27 Gospel of Mark class: 7 p.m Tuesdays, March 8-April 12 Preschool Open House: 9:30-11:30 a.m. March 19 First Baptist Church of Northville Location: 217 N. Wing Contact: (248) 348-1020 Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m. and 5:45 p.m. Sunday School: 9:30 a.m Ladies Bible Study: 9:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesdays Men's Bible Study: 9 a.m. first Salurday of every month First Baptist Church of Novi-Family Integrated Church Location: 45301 W. II Mile Road Contact: (248) 349-3647 or first-

baptistchurchofnovi.org Family Bible Hour: 9:45 a.m Family Worship: 11 a.m. Bible Study: 6 p.m. Family Movie Night: 5:30 p.m.; fourth Sunday of every month First Presbyterian Church of Northville Location: 200 E. Main St. Contact: (248) 349-0911 or visit firstpresnville.org Sunday Worship Time: 9:30, 11 a.m. Single Place Time/Date: 7:30 p.m. every Thursday Location: First Presbylerian Church of Northville, 200 E. Main, Northville Details: Single Place is a social organization for singles 40 and up hosted by the First Presbyterian Church of Northville, Thursday meetings feature speakers, games or entertainment followed with an ice cream social Contact: For a detailed schedule of all events (dining out, weekend activities, etc.) call (248) 349-0911 or visit www.singleplace.org. Time/Date: 7:30 p.m. March 24 Details: Place presents our own

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"car guy", Mr. Matt Lee who will Sunday worship lead a very informative discussion Times: 8:30 and 10 a.m. (Memorial on "Everything you always wanted Day weekend through Labor Day to know about your car but were weekend); 8, 9:15 and 11 a.m. (Sept.: afraid to ask". Come learn what Pastors: Rev. Dr. Steven J. Buck, you should do to keep your car operating at it's best. Questions are senior pastor and Rev. Jeff welcome. \$5 donation Sturgeon, associate pastor Time/Date: 7:30 p.m. March 31 Coffee Hour: 9:30 a.m. Sunday Details: Single Place Cards & ((Memorial Day weekend through Games Night. This is our popular Labor Day weekend); 10:15 a.m. Sundays (Sent -May) monthly informal social evening of games, conversation, snacks, Realing Service: 4 p.m. first flavored teas or collee, soft Monday of every month drinks, and ice cream with various Logo Youth Club; 5 p.m. toppings. Now that the weather Wednesdays for fourth-12th graders has hopefully gotten better, get (Sept. April) out and join the world again in a Men's Club: 8 a.m. second safe and friendly environment. \$5 Saturdays Contact: Reather J. Wallas. comdonation Time/Date: 7:30 p.m. Anril 7 munications director (248) 349-Details: Single Place presents Ms. 1144, Ext. 26, or e-mail hwallas@ Jennifer Vogel, who is a certified fumenorthville.org personal trainer at fitness 19 in Good Shepherd Lutheran Church Livonia. She will be speaking on Location: 41415 Nine Mile Road, cor-Finding What Works, exercise and ner of Meadowbrook Road, Novi nutrition planning, for each indi-Contact: (248) 349-0565 vidual person. (One plan does not Sundays fit all.) Bring your questions, she Time: 8:45 a.m. Sunday School and has the answers lee Cream Social Bible Study; 10 am. Worship will follow, \$5 donation. Lakes Baptist Church **First United Methodist** Location: 309 Decker Road, Walled Church of Northville A Stephen Ministry Church Livonia Church of Christ Location: 777 W, 8 Mile Road at Location: 15431 Merriman Road, fafl Rơ. Livonia Contact: (248) 349-1144 or www. Contact: 734-427-8743 or visit fumcnorthville.org www.livoniachurch.net

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(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@novijewishcenter.com; www.

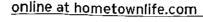
noviiewishcenter.com Novi United Methodist Location: 41671 W. 10 Mile Road Contact: (248) 349-2652 or visit umenovi.com

Sunday Worship Time: 9:45 a.m. Healing Service and Holy Commun Time/Date: 9:45 a.m. first Sunday

of every month

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#### CHURCH ROM PAGE A8 Peace Viol Time/Date: Noon, first Sunday of

every month Location: In front of the church Details: Members of the congrega tion and the community will stand united in prayer for peace. **Advent Service** Time/Date; 9:45 a.m. Sunday Oak Pointe Church Location: 50200 W. 10 Mile Road. Contact: (248) 912-0043 or visit oakpointe.org Worship Services: 5:15 p.m.

Saturday: 9:15 and II:15 a.m. Sunday **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 Wednesday Men's Life Groups Ministries Time/Date: 6 a.m. every Friday morning at various locations For both Women's and Men's Life

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 olynorthville.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

Groups Ministries, please contact

Orchard Hills Baptist Church

Contact: Pastor Jon Hix (248) 349

Location: 23455 Novi Road

the church office.

Plymouth Contact: Pastor Bill Burke at (734)

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NOTICE OF CLOSE OF REGISTRATION For the NORTHVILLE PUBLIC SCHOOLS SPECIAL ELECTION to be held on TUESDAY, MAY 3, 2011 CITY OF NOVI

To the Qualified Electors of the City of Novi, Oakland County, Michigan residing in the Northville Public Schools in Precincts 17, 18 and Bayes and the second schools in Precincts 17, 18 and Bayes and the second schools in Precinct Schools in Precinct Schools and School

Notice is hereby given that the Novi City Clerk's office, 45175 W. 10 Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 will be open: MONDAY, April 4, 2011 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. LAST DAY TO REGISTER FOR THE PURPOSE DF RECEIVING APPLICATIONS FOR THE REGISTRATION OF THE QUALIFIED ELECTORS IN THE CITY OF NOVI NOT ALREADY REGISTERED.

In Persor At the Novi City Clerk's Office, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road Monday-Friday, 8-5 p.m. At any of the Secretary of State Branch Offices located throughout the State during norm

Mail-in voter registration applications may be obtained by visiting the city's website at http:// www.cityofnovi.org and click on forms, then click on Voter Registration Form.

By Mail: By obtaining and completing a Mail-in Voter Registration Application and forwarding to the Novi City Clerk's office by the close of registration deadline, April 4, 2011 or contacting: Novi City Clerk's Office, 248-347-0456 or by email to: mcornelius@cityofnovi.org

The May 3, 2011 Special Election will be conducted for the purpose of a MILLAGE PROPOSAL, BUILDING AND SITE SINKING FUND TAX LEVY FOR CAPITAL PROJECTS.

Shall the limitation on the amount of taxes which may be assessed against all property in Northville Public Schools, Wayne, Oakland and Washtenaw Counties, Michigan, be increased by and the Board of Education be authorized to levy not to exceed 1.00 mill (\$1.00 on each \$1,000 of taxable valuation) for a period of 5 years, 2011 to 2015, inclusive, to create a sinking fund for the construction or repair of school buildings and all ther purposes authorized by law; the estimate of the revenue the school district will collect if the millage i ved and levied in 2011 is approximately \$2,414,147.

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Case No. 11-010 25100 Novi Rd The politioner is requesting variances to address non-conformities that will result from acquisition, of the additional highway easement for the new milread bridge on Novi Rd including front yard setbacks (92.2(t), waiver of corner clearance, waiver of right of ay/parking lot buffer/screening, reduction of street to relucation of a pole sign and installation of a temporary sign for 18-24 months. The property is zoned I-2 and is located east of Novi Rd and south of Grand River.

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#### LOCAL NEWS

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Wednesday Bible Study: 7 p.m. Sunday Bible Study; 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m. with fellowship and food after service Plymouth-St. John's Episcopal

Church Location: 574 S. Sheldon Road in Plymouth

Contact: 734-453-0190, ext. 16, or visit www.stjohnsplymouth.org

St. James Catholic Location: 4632510 Mile Road, Novi Contact: (248) 347-7778

Mass Schedule TIME/DAY: 8, 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. Monday-Tuesday; 7

p.m. Wednesday; 5 p.m. Saturday St. John's Episcopal Church

Location: 574 S. Sheldon Road, Plymouth St. John Lutheran

Location: 23225 Gill Road, Farmington Hills Contact: (248) 474-0584 or visit stiphn-lutheran.com

Saturday Worship Time: 5:30 p.m. Sunday Worship

Time; 9, 11:15 a.m Sunday School

Time: 10:15 a.m.

If you are not currently registered to vote in the City of Novi at your present address, you may do so in any o the following ways:

Maryanne Cornelius, MMC City Clerk

#### St. Paul's Lutheran Church Location: 201 Elm St., Northville Contact: (248) 349-3140 Unitarian Universalist Church of Farmington Location: 25301 Halstead Road, armington Hills Contact: www.uufarmington.org Youth Interfaith Journey Time/Date: 9:30 and 11 a.m. Sundays

Details: This religious education program is open to the public and currently enrolling new students. The UUCF Interfaith Journey curriculum encompasses the Unitarian Universalism philosophy of individual worth and the nower 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

Thursday:

Details: Six weeks exploring different topics like religion, philosophy, science, health, social and political issues. No advance registration necessary; a \$5 donation sugpested. Drop in and pick the class that interests you most. Contact: (248) 478-7272 or uularmington.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 participatory 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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Chapel for singing, Bible study, and fellowship. Details: For single adults. Active

ministry offering various Bible study classes, volleyball, bicycling group, tennis group, support groups, support group for widowed over age 50. fellowship, friendships

and more. Contact the number below for more information Contact: (248) 374-5920 Learner's Bible Study

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Mondays Room A101

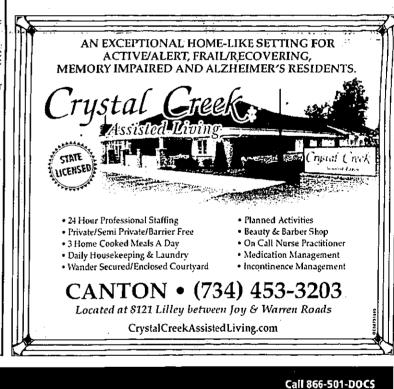
Men's Bible Study Time/Date: 6:30 a.m. Wednesday

Single Adult Ministries office Single's Bible Study Time/Date: 7 p.m. second and fourth Mondays, Room C309

#### **ROXO** donation

Lindsey Hurwitz, 7, of Novi, made a donation to the Rose Cancer Center at Beaumont Hospita in her honor of her cousin. Mac (illewald, who passed away from leukemia. Lindsey hersell was diagnosed with the blood disease ITP in Oecember 2010. She received a gift of money and chose to purchase ROXO bands with her design on them and donate them to the Rose Cance Center, where she visits weekly to ave her blood monitored. ROXO matched her donation, and 100 bands and 'rocx' (charms) were delivered to the Cancer Center to be distributed to the children receiving treatments. Donations can be made at www.felos360. com. Shown accepting the donation is Greg Ramfos, owner of ROXO.

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## **Gordon Chevrolet delivers its first Volt**

#### **OBSERVER STAFF WRITER**

For Steven Wisinski, the "one thing" he wanted out of GM was the technology that he found in the Chevrolet Volt Standing in the parking lot of Gordon Chevrolet Thursday afternoon, he was ready to give up his Volvo S40 for one. The only thing to figure out after seeing all the bells and whistles was whether to lease

"I think for the most part they got it right with the tech-nology," said the Brighton resident after spending 20 minutes learning the fine points of the CAN — climate, audio and navigation — setup on the console. "It's the idea of them mass producing an electrica vehicle that doesn't look like an electric vehicle. The ones before this, like the Prius, lool like electric vehicles." The red Volt was the first

one received and delivered to a customer at the Garden City dealership. Two more are hav been ordered. Wisinski ordered the vehicle

in December and waited almost three months for it to arrive. He had been working with John Cook at Champion Chevrolet in Howell, but was referred to Gordon when Cool learned the dealership wasn't

going to get an allocation. "I've been following this for two years," said Wisinski, an accountant with ShindelRock in Novi. "I went to the gmvolt. com blog site. I got a lot of information there. Two years I've been waiting for this." "It's unique driving experi-

ence," said Mike Meszaros, new car assistant sales man-



Steven Wisinski of Brighton couldn't have picked a better day to take delivery of his new Chevrolet Yolt at Gordon Chevrolet in Garden City.

ager. "There's no shifting of install it next month." gears, there's nothing, but the power is there. For Chevrolet, this is the car for the future. Wisinski's Volt cost about \$43.000 which includes a \$7.500 federal tax credit. I can be charged at any electric outlet using a specially designed charging cord tak ing about 10 hours for a full charge on a 110-volt outlet. A specially designed charg-ing station can provide a full charge in four hours. He'll use a regular electric outlet until he can have a charging station installed at

"DTE has a program to foot the bill for the charging sta-tion," said Wisinski. "They'll

DTE is providing up to \$2,500 for each of up to 2,500 It's a totally different approach to driving." When it came to questions, customers to pay for charg-ing units and installation fees or electric plug-in vehicle. In addition to the installation stipend, participants have a choice between discounted Monday through Friday nighttime electricity rates or paying a monthly electricity fee of \$40 per vehicle. Wisinski admits he didn't

get the Volt for the mileage, he ets around 25 mpg with his "For me, being eco-friendly is important, but it secondary," he said. "I like to do something different, I like trying different technology. This uses

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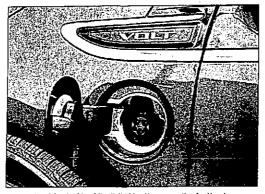
Wisinski had just one: Where to plug in his MP3 player and that was answered during his introduction to the instrume tation. He also announced that he already had the app for his smart phone that'll allow him to turn the car on from inside his house or work, start charging it or lock the doors at from

a distance. As he headed inside to do the paperwork, the staff took the car in for a charging. "I've always wanted a red car," he said.

something different than gas.



lisinski looks at the spot in the rear compartment that holds the special cord he needs to use to charge the batteries on his new electric car.



smason@hometownlife.com | (313) 222-6751 A cap on the driver's side of the Yolt hides the connection for the charger





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#### Wish you were here

Novi residents Brian and Lori Burke took the Novi News on their recent vacation. "After meeting up with my brother Dave and his wife, Alison, in Puerto Vallarta, we boarded our friend's sailboat, the Talion, a 53-foot Gulf Star built in 1977 for a week sailing in the Sea of Cortez," said Brian. "Before departing, we spent Thursday night in Paradise Village, just north of PV, Friday, we witnessed the effects of the tsunami, At the marina in Nuevo Vallarta, the inlet channel is somewhat narrow. The power of the tsunami when forced through such a small opening has a profound effect In the course of about an hour or so, the tidal surge entered and exited the marina five times. What was most unbelievable was how it slammed into the side of a large 160-foot ocean-going yacht, popping large mooring balls like balloons. The tsunami was more intense than anticipated and the marina was forced to close, stranding 30+ racing sailboats out in the bay to fend for themselves. After departing Nueva Vallarta, we sailed two days north to Mazatlan for the night. After restocking supplies, we set sail for Ensanata de Los Muertos on the Baja Peninsula, another two-day sail, across the bottom of the Sea of Cortez, the following morning departing for La Paz and arrived at subset. After two days in La Paz, we figured it was time to head home.

Woke up Monday morning for a flight out of Cabo San Lucas bound for Novi." round recreational activit
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**BUSINESS BRIEFS** Detroit Heavy Truck Engineering LLC

receives MEGA Tax Credit to expand operations in Novi

The Michigan Economic Growth Authority (MEGA) last week approved a state tax credit val-ued at \$234,152 over five years for Detroit Heavy Truck Engineering LLC (DHTE) to expand its operations in Novi. The company currently

employs 12 full time employees and expects the project to create up to 49 direct new jobs that pay an average of \$1,000 to \$1,500 per week, per employce. DHTE's capital investment in the proj-

ect is expected to exceed two-million dollars. DHTE supervises, coordinates and supports the manufacturing and engineering of heavy equipment for the mining industry. Sales, marketing and after market support of trucks and equipment globally operate out of their Novi office. They currently have a project timeline which includes prototype trucks in the first quarter of this year as well as sales of up to 50

rucks in 2011 and 80 trucks in 2012. DHTE was formed for the purpose of providing certain technology transfer to Ceri Ziangtan Heavy Industrial Equipment Co (Elite) of Xiangtan, Hunan Province, China, Elite, has been charged by the Chinese government to develop a line of mining trucks for the global market. DHTE was successful in receiving a contract to provide the engineering design, data nanagement, quality procedures, manufactur-

ing process, services and support, and the marketing and sales, to satisfy the assignment in Cooper Standard reports financial results

Cooper-Standard Holdings Inc. (OTCBB: COSH), the parent company of Cooper Standard Automotive Inc., today its financial results for the fourth guarter and year ended December 31, 2010.

Cooper Standard reported revenue of \$603.7 million for the fourth quarter of 2010, and \$2.4 billion for the full year, representing growth of 4.5 percent and 24.1 percent, respectively, over the comparable prior year periods. Strong growth in emerging mar-kets contributed to the increase in revenue.

The company reported net income of \$14.8 million in the fourth quarter of 2010, compared to \$37.4 million in the fourth quarter of 2009. The reduction in net income in the quarter is primarily due to higher raw material expenses and reduced tax benefits. The company improved from a net loss of \$356.1 million in 2009 to net income of \$676.9 million in 2010. primarily resulting from accounting adjustments in 2009 and reorganization-related items in 2010. Adjusted EBITDA for the full year 2010 increased 56.6 percent to \$276.5 mil-lion from \$176.5 million in 2009.

Gross profit for the quarter ended Decembe 31, 2010 increased to \$96.8 million from \$91.1 million in the fourth quarter of 2009. Gross profit in the fourth quarter of 2010 represented 16.0 percent of sales, compared to 15.8 percent of sales in the fourth quarter of 2009. On a full year 2010 basis, the Company's revenue growth, lean initiatives and stronger performance from its Asia Pacific operations offset higher raw material costs, and generated gross profit of \$409.6 mil-lion, representing 17.0 percent of sales, compared to \$266.3 million in 2009, or 13.7 percent of sales. By any measure, 2010 was a successful year for Cooper Standard during which we achieved solid financial performance while positioning the Company strategically for contin growth," said Chairman and CEO Jim McElya. "In particular, we began reaping significant benefits from our investments in Asia and South America, we developed exciting new products that will capitalize on green trends we successfully completed a reorganization that puts the Company in a strong and flexible position financially, as well as strategically, and we stayed true to our commitments to exceptional quality and operational excellence."

New kids clothing store at Twelve Oaks 77kids by american cagle continues its store expansion with the announcement of a new store opening at the Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi on March 30.

Following the success of the first nine brick and-mortar store openings last year, the brand will broaden the reach of its thriving children's clothing collections with 13 additional store locations. With an innovative store concept that makes it a unique destination in traditional mall environments and the implementation of a distinctive guerilla marketing campaign, 77kids by american eagle continues to engage kids and parents both inside and outside of their stores family. Designed to be a game-changer in the youth shopping market, 77kids by american eagle stores combine fashion, technology and

fun in an easy-to-navigate layout. In conjunction with the boys and girls clothing lines (ages 0-14 years), the store will also carry little77 (ages 0-18 months), a collection of versatile and stylish essentials for baby. One week prior to the store opening, Rad 77SWAT Team will take to the streets on Razor scooters to bring the 77kids experience to as many kids as possible at local hot spots including skate parks, playgrounds, concerts and festivals.

Armed with Rad Packs full of 77kids goodies, the 77SWAT Team will dole out candy, coupons, tat-toos, stickers, and more. Rad Packs will also be equipped with digital cameras to snap pictures with the Awww Snap! polaroid frame. Photos will be uploaded to the 77kids Facebook page daily, where parents can also enter kids into the "Awesome Kid of The Week Contest" for a weekly chance to have the child prominently featured on the Facebook page and win a \$77 gift card. For the grand opening and beyond, the Twelve Oaks Mall location will provide an innovative and engaging environment for shop-pers. Store windows will be outfitted in a cool 3D scene and kids will receive free branded 3D glasses as well as 3D stickers. In addition to fun, affordable fashion for which 77kids is known, stores will feature such unique elements as two cutting-edge 77kids interactive kiosks.

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#### NEWSMAKERS

#### Novi Parks' Volunteer Coach receives award from Michigan Recreation and Park Association Novi resident, Gary Frick was presented the Michigan

Recreation and Park Association Youth Sports Coach of the Year Award at a reception in East Lansing March 16. The award is presented annually to those volunteer coaches who show outtanding support to public recreation and park programs in their communities.



Frick has spent countless hours coaching bas-ketball, t-ball and soccer; teaching sportsman-ship, teamwork, and spirit to area youth through the Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department. "I am honored to receive this award. I truly

enjoy coaching; it is a great way to share a pas-sion and motivate kids to achieve more," said Frick.

"Gary Frick goes above and beyond as a coach to instill passion, knowledge, teamwork and a love of the game in his players", commented City of Novi Youth Sports Coordinator Theresa McClure. "He is a great coach and jumps in enthusiastically with both feet."

Eve Kelley honored by Metroparks

Five area people and one corporation were named Volunteers of the Year for the Huron-Clinton Metroparks at its 51st Annual Recognition Dinner held on March 19. Giving freely of their time for the betterment of the Metroparks, all share a common passion for people, nature and the outdoors.

Eve Kelley, of Novi, is well-known on Kensington Metropark's hike/bike trail, where most days she helps keep the path clean and clear of debris. Her efforts to keep the park clean are often

extended to parking lots and beaches. "Our volunteers are not only our loyal helpers here at the Metroparks; they are also our valued friends and second family. We celebrate these volunteers of the year as well as all of our devoted volunteers for their commitment, generosity, expertise and extraordinary attitudes," said Jack Liang, Metroparks administrator for community relations.

During 2010, nearly 4,000 volunteers contributed almost 23,000 hours to assist the Metroparks. Volunteer opportunities are available at the parks, and anyone interested in volunteer ing on a one-time project or on an ongoing basis should call the Metroparks Administrative Office at 1-800-47-PARKS.

Located along the Huron and Clinton rivers, the parks provide a natural oasis from urban and suburban life as well as yearcound recreational activities and events.



#### Wish you were here

The Grant Family of Novi is shown while vacationing in Disney World in late February. Parents Craig and Laurie are shown with children Brooke, 12; Autumn, 9; and Carson, 7.

Notice to Bright House Networks Cable Customers Bright House Networks has launched a new digital video delivery technology known as Switched Digital Video (SDV). SDV is a robust bandwidth-management system that makes it possible to offer more digital video programming services than before including new HD channels. To be able to offer more new video services, Bright House Networks will be moving some existing programming services to the SDV system as well as adding new services on the SDV system. On or after April 28th, 2011, the following new services will be delivered on the SDV system

Tru TV HD Digital Basic Ch. 249 Fear Net Movie Pass Ch. 597 Fear Net HD Movie Pass Ch. 697

These services will not be available on uni-directional retail devices as of the date(s) noted above. If you want to subscribe to these services, you will need a digital set top box or similar bi-directional (two-way) equipment from Bright House Networks. Customers may continue to use their uni-directional retail device and CableCARD to receive video programming other than the programming delivered on the SDV system. Customers will be notified in advance of any other programming changes. For more information on Bright House Networks programming, please call 1-877-885-8318 or visit our website at www.brighthouse.com.



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### **OUR VIEWS**

## Earth Hour worldwide phenomenon Turn off lights Saturday to boost 'green' effort

It's a strange request, we know, but just think of the light bulbs that will be going off in kids' minds when the lights are turned off for an hour Saturday. That's right - that odd but cool event known as Earth Hour returns to the planet on Saturday, March 26.

Between 8:30 and 9:30 p.m., everyone is asked to turn off the When the lights are

out, think of all of the ways we can be better stewards of the earth recycling, reducing our waste, reusing what we can, planting trees and flowers, learning how to commu compost, learning how to care for our lawns in

a 'green' way that's not is designed to express harmful to waterways and wildlife, or simply taking a walk outside

and appreciating all that nature has to offer. are participating include Washington, D.C.,

Las Vegas. Imagine what those places must look like without lights. Global landmarks such as the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco, Rome's Coliseum, the Sydney Opera House, and the Coca Cola billboard in Times

Square will all stand in darkness. When the lights are out, think of all of the ways we can be better stewards of the earth - recycling, reduc-ing our waste, reusing what we can, planting trees and lowers, learning how to compost, learning how to care for our lawns in a "green" way that's not harmful to waterways and wildlife, or simply taking a walk outside and appreciating all that nature has to offer.

We encourage everyone to take part - and we encourage moms, dads, aunts, uncles, grandparents and friends to explain that Earth Hour began in 2007 in Sydney, Australia, when 2.2 million homes and busi nesses switched off their lights for one hour.

The message has since grown into a global sustain ability movement, with recent estimates showing that one billion supporters in 4,100 cities from 87 countries will join in turning off their lights for Earth Hour 2011. Wow, being part of something that's one billion people

strong is pretty powerful. So, switch off the lights and ignite the mind in an earth-friendly sort of way on Saturday, March 26. For more information about Earth Hour, visit

earthhourus.org.

This hour of darkness can actually be enlightening when you conside that you're one of millions across the globe who are making a state ment that you're not only aware of climate change but you're willing to do something about i

in your own home and Earth Hour is an international event nsored by the World Wildlife Federation. This worldwide initiative global solidarity in the commitment to control ling climate change.

Earth Hour 2011 will take place at 8:30 p.m. local time in more than 80 countries, including the United States. Major U.S. cities that Chicago, New York, and



COMMUNITY VOICE

"I'm a huge mountain biker, so around here l hit Maybury, Kensington Metropark and Island Lake."

Lake."

Matt Berry

### LETTERS

#### Gatt for mayor I was recently made aware of the fact that Bob

Saft is runnion for mayor of Novi this fall I was a resident of Novi for 10 years from 1988 through 1998, during which I was the police chief of the City of Wixom. As a local police chief and resident I found it necessary and beneficial to work closely with my many friends and acquaintances. in Novi. From Chiels Lee Begole, Doug Schaefer to David Molloy, city managers and mayors/council members and our state House representative, the relationships helped me in my performance as the police chief in Wixom.

· I met Bob Gatt shortly after arriving in Wixom and we became good friends because of a shared philosophy in the importance of community involvement in our law enforcement goals. Crime prevention, citizens police academy, Neighborhood Watch were just a few of the tools that our departments would introduce and use over the next decade. I was so impressed with

this young man that at one point I suggested that he apply to the Wixom PD, knowing that he would be a positive addition to our already excellent force. Bob informed me that he was "Novi through and through" and would never leave, but would continue to work with us to improve both of our departments. My daughter and two of my grandchildren live

in Novi, and I can think of no one more qualified of concerned about the day to day business or the future of Novi than Bob Gatt. I would highly recom mend Bob Gall to any Novi citizen as a fair and good candidate for your new mayor

#### Lawrence H. Holland Alanson, Mich.

Problems with Snyder's budget In Gov. Rick Snyder's budget proposal seniors low-income workers and children will be absorbing the brunt of the cuts by taxing almost all pensions and getting rid of other income tax deductions including the Farned Income Tax Credit in case you hadn't obliged this is a fax increase for seniors and low-income families, So where is the shared sacri-

fice? He is doing this under the guise of balancing the budget, supposedly raising \$41.7 billion. On the other hand, he is giving an estimated \$1.8 Church of the Holy Family, Community F



Josh Elwood

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Thursday edition.

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and school board members?

manager? The governor!

Bowl-athon thanks

So what is the real agenda here?

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billion in tax breaks to businesses in the form of a

flat tax of 6 percent. How will this balance the bud-

get? Where are the dollars coming from to balance

In addition, in the financial manager legislation.

the budget? He just gave it away to businesses.

the governor gives the financial manager the

power to suspend elected officials within school

districts and local communities if he deems a com

munity or school district is in financial difficulty.

What happened to the democratic process? What

happened to our right to elect our local officials

To expedite this process, he is cutting dollars to

local communities, and school districts are facing a

\$470 cut in per pupil spending. This will force local

difficulty. And who decides if they need a financial

Thank you to all those bowlers, businesses, and

sponsors that made the 29th annual Novi Youth

Assistance Bowl-athon a success. I would like to

thank our sponsor Providence Park Hospital, Our

lane sponsors; Novi Bowl, Lee BeGole, Dr. Robert X

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Karen B. Zyczynski

communities and school districts into financial

may edit for clarity, space and content.

Submit letters via the following formats.

We asked some attendees of the Feb. 24 Outdoorama in Novi, "What's your

favorite outdoor sport to do in the metro Detroit area?"

Rochester." Peter Albertson

Conservation Club near Northville

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### online at hometownlife.com

More: For a complete listing of local and regional events, see the Novi Calendar online at www.home townlife.com.

Submit: Send calendar submissions via e-mail to cstone@gannett.com; by fax to (248) 349-9832; or by mail to Novi News, 101 N. Lafayette, South Lyon, MI 48178. Ilems must be received by noon on Monday to be included in Thursday's newspaper.

#### LOCAL EVENTS Novi Co-op Preschool Open

House Time/Date: 6-8 p.m. Thursday. March 24 Location: 4167) West Ten Mile Road

(in the Novi Methodist Church) Details: A play-based kindernarten readiness program for 2- to 5-yearolds. Bring your family and meet our teachers, talk to some of the narents and explore the classroom For more information visit www. novipreschool.com or find on

Facebook Contact: (248) 349-3223 Novi Community Schools Kinderoarten Parent Orientation Time/Date: 7 p.m. Tuesday, March

Lezolle, CWS, and Ray Dryer, along with the Novi Library for "Savvy Location: All elementary school Social Security Planning: What Baby buildings Boomers Need to Know to Maximize Details: Contact the school princi-Retirement Income", Reservations pals for more information: are free, but sealing is limited Deerfield, Richard Nius, (248) Contact: (877) 557-4462 or visit 449-1700: Orchard Hills, Paul www.123RetirementPlanning.com LePlae, 449-1400: Novi Woods **Book It! Fundraiser for Novi** Pamela Quitiquit, 449-1230; Public Library Parkview Jenifer Michos

Time/Date: 6-9 p.m. April 15 449-1220: Village Daks, Sue Location: Novi Public Library, Ten Burnham, 449-1300. Mile and Tafl roads Novi Community Schools Health Details: Enjoy food by Carrabba's: Curriculum Public Forum wine/beer/cash bar: live iazz: put-Time/Date: 7 p.m. Tuesday, April ting contest with fun prizes; silent auction from 6-8 p.m.: live auction

Location: Instructional Technology Center, located on Taft Road between the Novi Meadows' buildings. Details: Open forum to discuss the proposed updates to the

Health Curriculum. Contact: the Administration Building for more information (248) 449-1200 Social Security Workshop Time/Date: 1-2:30 p.m.: Tuesday.: April 12 and 6:30-8 p.m. Thursday, Location: Novi Public Library

45255 West 10 Mile Road **Details:** Join Wealth Managers

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Author applications for the Michigan Spring Book Festival and the 2011 Author Networking Summit are available on our website. Download one today! www.MichlganSpringBookFestival.info (313) 446-2262



MSU and Mott Foundation team up to reinvent Michigan

G o Green! Sorry, this column is not about Sparty basketball or football. It is about something

**GUEST COLUMN** 

much more important - our collective future Michigan does not need any prima donnas but will benefit from the expanding mission of Prima Civitas foundation (PCF). 

"Prima ... What?", you ask! Prima Civitas Foundation -

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(www.primacivitas.org). The PCF is a community eco-

Tom Watkins

a regional Lansing area foundation that is taking its mission statewide. Knowledge, creativity, innovation and globalization will be a moving force as the second decade of the 21st century unfolds. The revised PCF exists "to create, facilitate, and bridge the network that is necessary for local, regional, and state growth in today's knowledge-based economy. Partnering with four year universities, com-

nomic nonprofit that is working

to build a new, sustainable econ-omy for Michigan. The PCF began as

munity colleges, intermediate school districts, local economic development groups, workforce development agen-cies, and other local and regional partners, PCF seed to bring about foundational change to the culture of Michigan's economy, while stimulating activity for job creation and

The leadership comes from Michigan State University President Lou Ann Simon and the C.S. Mott Foundation. The new statewide mis-sion is to tap knowledge to assist communities and business transition and grow in our hyper-competi-tive, disruptive, global, knowledge economy where ideas and jobs mor around the world effortlessly. MSII Vice President for

**Governmental Affairs Steven** Webster becomes the new CEO of Prima Civitas. He will retain his key

role in government relations for the university, replacing former CEO, David Hollister who has been an innovative spark for the region and state for decades. Mayor Hollister will now serve as a senior vice presi

dent and senior adviser to PCF. The new president, Michael Brown, a former interim mayor of Flint, will retain his leadership role at the Flint Area Reinvestment Office, a regional nomic development agency working to revitalize Flint.

#### MICHIGAN LOVES GREEN

The expanded role of PCF is good for Michigan as we adjust to the new normal, finding ways not to simply survive, but to lead change and thrive

in the knowledge economy Leadership matters. As they have since their founding, once again Michigan State University and the C.S. Mott Foundation have stepped up to the challenges facing Michigan. Expect good things to happen as PCF takes its mission statewid

Tom Watkins is a proud MSU grad and served the cilizens as the former state superintendent of schools, state mental health director and was the president and CEO of the economic council of Palm Beach County, Fia. He can be reached at: tdwatkins@aol.com.

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## Smith, Starbucks - 14 Mile, TCF Bank - Novi, TJ

Thanks again to all those that help Novi Youth Assistance in our efforts to build strong families and allow Novi Youth Assistance to bring the Jeanne Clarke Summer Teen Center, Camp, Mentors PLUS Youth Recognition, Alcohol & Drug. Awareness and Scholarships to the families of Novi

focused on building relationships.

(www.sunriseNETWORKINGgroup,

com), or SNG for short, is a group

of about 250 business leaders who

help each other to build more busi

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3009 or fmilana@suprisefinancial

other. Cost of breakfast is \$10.

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The Sunrise Networking Group, LLC

#### Chaoter

Time/Date: 6:15 p.m. (networking); 6:45 (dinner); second Wednesday of each month

Location: DoubleTree Hotel in Novi Details: A8WA is an active business group offering networking, professional development and leadership opportunities. Cost is \$16 which includes dinner and presentation. Guests are welcome!

Contact: For more information or Please see CALENDAR, A16



Businesses in the Novi area will get a chance to show off once again at the third annual Business and Taste Expo at the Baronette Renaissance from 3-6 p.m. on March 29. It will feature more than 40 businesses (like Bryce Aver) Design's Tearza Martin, pictured) ranging from home improvement, health and litness, business coaching and more, as well as six restaurants offering food samplings, including Bagger Dave's, Carrabba's Italian Grill, Chili's, Famous Dave's, Hooters and Toasted Oak Grill and Market. For more information about the expu or to register for a booth, call (248) 349-3743 or visit www.novichamber.com, Tickets for the event are \$5 at the door.

> Kristi Yamaguchi "Dream Big, Little Pig" reading and signing Time/Date: 6 n.m. March 30 Detalls: Kristi Yamaguchi is'an ice skating Olympic gold medalist and world champion who knows about dreaming big. The motto, Always Dream, serves as Kristi's personal inspiration as well as the name of her charitable foundation for children. This philosophy has contributed to Kristi's success on and off he ice, and is one that she aspires o instill in the hearts of children. Poppy the little pig achieves her dreams and will inspire readers to

Walter J. Powrozek, CWS, Joseph J.

starting at 8 p.m.; \$10 per person;

after 5 p.m. attire: 21 and older.

www.novilibrary.org

Location: Novi Town Center

Details: Gather round for a fun

story suitable for children of 6

Time/Date: 2 p.m. March 26

Details: Lego fun for children aged

8-12: join for building activities and

Contact: (248) 347 0780

Children's Storvtime

Time: 2 p.m Saturdays

years old and under.

Lego Racers Event

Borders Books

Contact: (248) 869-7204 or visit

believe that they can too. Sun, Water & Seeds 4-H Club Time/Date: 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays Location: Tollgate Education Center, 28115 Meadowbrook Road

Details: A 4-H youth garden and farm stand where kids learn about plant science, nutrition and entrepreneurship by raising produce for

The Club is seeking new members to join in the planting, planning and more.

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

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) Time/Date: 11 a.m. noon every

Wednesdav

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: Deforis Roman at (248) 668-8600 for additional informa

### 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 vel erans, please join these monthly meetings: attendance is needed to maintain and grow the Post. Contact: Commander Dennis Strikulis (248) 378-7841 or dstriku lis@twmirt.com or Service Officer Paul Erickson (248) 344-7193 or onerick@aol.com.

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### CALENDAR

to RSVP for dinner, please contact president@abwa-novi.org. Novi Chamber of Commerce The Novi Chamber of Commerce is an active, progressive chamber offer ing a variety of events, educationa programs, an enhanced Web site, and involvement with local charities. Location: 41875 11 Mile Road. #201,

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

3rd Annual Novi Chamber **Business and Taste Expo** Date: Tuesday, March 29 Location: The Baronette

Renaissance Hotel, 27790 Novi Rd., Details; Speaker is from 3-4 p.m.;

booths open from 4-6 p.m.; \$175 per rendor booth; pre-registration; \$5



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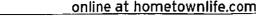
Contact: Linda Kreuler at PR@novi. Contact: For more information, contact Julie Paquette at 248-797-Novi Rotary Club 1665 or juliepaquelte67@gmail.com; Time/Date: Noon every Thursday

LOCAL NEWS

Novi Toastmasters Club 41671 W 10 Mile Road Details: Lunch is \$10 at meeting Time/Date: 7-9 p.m., every first Visitors welcome. Check Web site and third Tuesday for speaker information: novirotary Location: Novi Civic Center. org Activities Room, 45175 West 10 Mile Road, Novi, Michigan 48375 NIGHTLIFE Details: Novi Toastmasters is a community-based club which is Andiamo Novi / Dirty Martini part of Toastmasters International Lounge / Andiamo Theater Our diverse group provides a Location: 42705 Grand River mutually supportive atmosphere Avenue, Novi in which all can develop and refine Contact: (248) 348-3838 their public speaking and leader-**Off-Broadway Series** ship skills. Our members also have Details: Space is limited to approxi fun while building confidence in mately 200 guests per show. day-to-day communications and March 23-April 10: "I Love You mentoring toward professional and personal excellence. Guests are You're Perfect, Now Change' April 13-24: Robert Dubac's - "Mal welcome - and bring a friend. Visit

www.novi.freetoasthost.us.

Location: Novi Methodist Church.



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Monday Evening Book Discussion

Time/Date: 7-8 p.m. Monday, Apri

Details: Join your neighbors for a

lively discussion of Mudbound by

Details: Ordinary household items

Time/Date: 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Friday

Details: Friends of the Novi Library

from the Dumouchelle Galleries of

Detroit at the Novi Township Hall to

help you appraise your treasures.

Fees and limitations to the number

of items appraised may apply.

Time/Date: 7-7:45 p.m. Monday,

Details: Each time we meet you

will get a chance to listen to some

great stories and cook up a lasty

snack! For grades K-4. Registration

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. Monday, April

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Hillary Jordan.

9-12, Don't forget to wear your blue TAB shirt. Novi Writers' Grou Time/Date: 10:30 a.m.-noon Saturday, March 26 Details: Writers' groups can be a great way to make connections in the writing and publishing world and to get critigues that will improve your skills as a writer. Come to the Library for an inspirational environment where you can create and share ideas. This group is facilitated by local writer. Kalby Mutch, For ages 18+ **Battle of the Books** Time/Date: 1-2 p.m. Saturday, March 26 Details: This fun competition is designed to promote the sport of reading! 5th and 6th grade students read from a list of six books and ther participate in a contest where they answer questions about those books in teams. This year's battle is full, but come cheer on the teams and see if you want to sign up for next year's ballle. At the Novi Civic Center. Lego Club

Time/Date: 6-6:45 p.m. Monday, March 28 Details: Join us once a month for

activities. We supply the Legos, you supply the imagination. For grades

Time/Date: 7-10:30 p.m. Friday.

April 1 Details: Join us for our first eve teen lock-in! Students in grades 9 -12 are welcome to this after-hours event filled with fun, friends, and food. Registration is required and limited to the first 45 teens. Permission slips will be required for attendance as well. They will be available online and at the library beginning March I. **Cancer Resource Network** Time/Date: 10:30-11:30 a.m. Monday, April 4

Details: How do we get information on cancer using Library resources? An American Cancer Society representative will walk you through the cancer website and educate you plus share what the Novi Library has to offer. Registration required

English Conversation Group Time/Date: 1-2 p.m. Tuesday, April 5 and April 12 Details: Make friends while you practice your English pronunciation and conversation skills. No need to Slin Into Spring Craft Time/Date: 3-4 p.m. Tuesday, April Details: Kids of all ages, celebrate the coming of spring with a craft that makes your heart sing! Drop in to create something that reminds you that spring is just around the corner. Grandma's Science Time/Date: 1-1:45 p.m. Wednesday, April 6

become extraordinary when they are mixed with a little science. Learn some fun and simple experiments that you can do at home! For grades K+. Antique Appraisal Clinic

April 9 Lego show-and-tell and building and the Novi Historical Commission are proud to have representatives

Teen Lock-In

Details: Author Tom Stanton will take Detroit Tigers lans on a personal baseball history. A longtime journalist. Stanton, is author of four baseball books and recipient of the 2008

online at hometownlife.com

Road renamed Nick

Lidstrom Drive Arena Drive in Novi will renamed Nick Lidstrom Drive during a ceremony at 5:30 p.m. today at the Novi Ice Arena, 42400 Arena Drive. Detroit Red Wing Captain and Novi resident Lidstrom supports his community in a variety of ways. He will be on hand as the community celebrates his contributions and

accomplishments with giveways, refreshments and hock cy related games. The event will take place indoors in the case of inclement weather.

Community Event Celebrates Women. Health and Diversity

Women of the World, a special event celebrating women health and diversity will take place from 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Thursday, April 28 at the Diamond Center at Suburban Collection Showplace (former y Rock Financial Showplace) 46100 Grand River, Novi. Presented by Providence Park Hospital and the Providence Health

idation, this first annual "friend-raiser" features Jean Meyer, president of Providen Park Hospital, and seeks to connect with women, strengthen relationships and showcase the cultural diver-sity within the communities served by the hospital. The event offers a special opportunity to celebrate od and learn more about St. John Providence Health System's exciting new Women's Health Initiative, a personalized, comprehe and coordinated service that supports women throughout their lifespan in their quest for optimal health. From pre-vention and general wellness to specific disease treatment

luncheon, an informative program enceed by Amyre Makupson, remarks from Jean Meyer, and an entertaining performance by Mary Faktor entitled "The Six Ages of Woman, " a comedy about we, marriage, kids, careers, housework and aging. The goal of this first-time event is to establish a network of area women who are

and spiritually based, holistic

care of chronic health condi-

tion Providence Park Hospital

to better anticipate and meet the health needs of women in

the surrounding communities

The afternoon will include

a welcoming reception, plated

tions, the Women's Health

Initiative will uniquely pos





programs take place at the library. Repister for programs at the library or on the library website. Contact: (248) 349-0720 Website: www.novilibrary.org Story Times: Please see the Library website or story time brochure for details. Celebrate National Card and Letter Writing Month!

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April 29-May 1: "Celebrily

**LIBRARY LINES** 

May 25-June indefinitely: "The

Contact: www.ticketmaster.com.or

Location: 45255 W. Ten Mile Road

May 4-22: "Bad Dates"

Autobiography

Last Five Years"

call (248) 348-4448

Novi Public Library

Throughout April, teens ingrades 7-12 can stop by the NPL Teen Stop to create some cards to send to those they love. Supplies to create cards and letters will be in the NPL Teen Stop, but you will need to supply Teen Advisory Board (TAB)

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Time/Date: 3:30-4:30 p.m. Friday,

Details: Join the TAB as we create and plan programs for teens at the library. Meeting attendance will

#### COMMUNITY BRIEFS



### 'Pieces of Dreams & Inspirations'

Artist Peggy Kerwan's work is on display in the fifth floor gallery at Providence Park Hospital, Beck and Grand River is exhibit will continue until the end of May. There are 16 pieces from her mixed media collection (the other five are at Henry Ford until end of April)

> interested in becoming more involved with the work of Providence Park Hospital and uture activities related to the Women's Health Initiative as well as community outreach. education, awareness, fundraising and more.

To showcase the diversity theme, "Women of the World." each table at the luncheon will have a hostess, who is inviting family members. friends, neighbors and colleagues to join in the occasion at a table decorated to reflect a specific culture, beritage o nicity. Space is limited to the first 200 guests, so please register early to reserve a sca Tickets for the "Women of the World<sup>\*</sup> event are \$40 per

person or \$360 for a table of 10. Call Lorraine Owczarek at (313) 343-7582 for details or tickets The RSVP deadline is April 15. Art Institute gala The Art Institute of

Michigan (AIM) will host students, staff, faculty and the public for its first annual Scholarship Spring Gala on Friday, April I. The gala is a ser for The Education Foundation Scholarship Fund which awards tuition scholar ships each quarter to students enrolled at AIM. The event fea tures sweet and savory menu offerings prepared by students enrolled in AIM's culinary program. Design and media arts students also will display

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original artwork for purchase with all proceeds benefiting the

scholarship program. The Scholarship Spring Gala will be held from 6-9 p.m. at AIM at 28175 Cabot Drive in Novi. Tickets are \$30 per person or \$55 per couple and can be purchased in advance or at the door with eash, check or money order. Credit card ents are accepted only payments are accepted only via The Education Foundation website at http://www.educaionfdn.org/contribute.php. For more information, please contact Lisa McClain at (248) 675-3837.

#### Mother knows best Local woman and girls

are invited to send us (in 50 words or less) the best advic you received from your morn. Include a photo of your mon or, better yet, of you and you mom. E-mail your best subnission and photo (jpg forma only) to estone@gannett.com Include your first and last name, your hometown and identify your mother (first and last name, please). Include a daytime phone number or cell phone where you can be reached during business hours. The photos and advice will appear in the Thursday, May 5, Salute To Women edition of Hometown Life Woman. Deadline to submit advice and photo is 5 p.m. Friday, April 15. Looking for Rotary Peace Fellows

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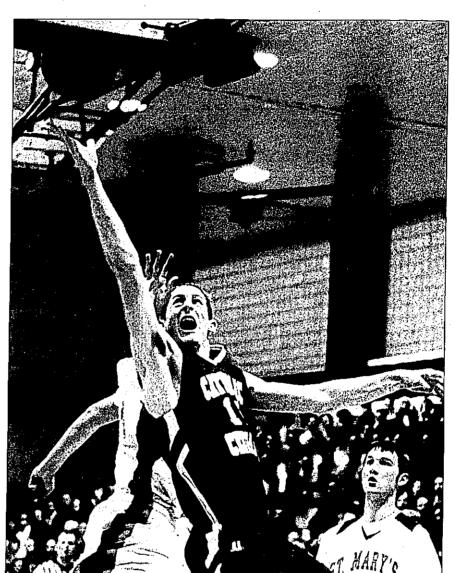
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# **Catholic Central bows** out of state playoffs

### BY SAM EGGLESTON

The Detroit Catholic Central Shamrocks boys basketball team knew that every step they took into the state playoffs was going to prove their toughest chal-What they didn't know was their final challenge-

the one that ended their season--would be the familiar face of Catholic High School League foes Orchard Lake St. Mary's. The Shamrocks' season came to a stunning end off the free-throw shooting of Eaglets point guard Shaun Covington, who sank a foul shot with just 12 seconds left in the game to give his team a 49-48 victory in the regional championship game. It was Covington's only

point of the game. Catholic Central didn't hesitate to bring the ball

### Strong core to spearhead roster

#### BY CHRIS JACKETT CORRESPONDENT

Tryouts began a week later than most other spring sports, but with a core of golfers returning from last year's squad, No wi coach Brad Huss already has a good idea of who some of his team members could as the week continue We have a nice crew of kids," Huss said, "We're excited about the prospects. Even though those kids are young, they're not inexperi-enced. They're played a lot of golf."

are trying out for the team, 11-12 of which are freshmen "Fourteen we do have a good idea about," Huss said. There's a couple of them I've at least heard their names." Barring multiple surcrises during tryputs, senior Sam Palmer, junior Johnny Walker and sophomores Brad Kozinski and Jason Carless are expected to

Huss said about 36 kids

return. "They played a lot the last couple years for us. I expect Sam to have a big year for us, a senior leader," Huss said. "So much is going to depend

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PHOLO BY DENNIS RABIES oper coes in for a lavup against Orchard Lake St. Mary's in the regional final game. The Shamrocks fell, 49-48, in Ann Arbor,

> back down the court, however, to try and win the game. Junior forward Matt Doneth took the ball inside, made a move in the paint and found his shot blocked--along with a lot of heavy contact from the Eaglets but no call from the officials.

Eaglets but no call from the officials. The Shamrocks were in control of the game through the first half, playing their style of offense to keep the points on the board while their grinding defense kept the Eaglets from playing the fast-paced game they specialize in. Keeping the game close and not letting St. Mary's run away with it was a tactic that was suc-ceeding as they led, 20-19, at the half before increas-ing the total of 50 for but he met of the style method. ing that lead 35-26 by the end of the third quarter. The difference maker was Allen Robinson, who second to be able to do no wrong in the fourth quar ter as he scored 20 of his team's 23 points--includ-

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## Track, field teams look to underclassmen to fill gaps

### Program returns two All-State student-athletes

### BY CHRIS JACKETT CORRESPONDENT

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Novi's entire track and field program is now under the guidance of a

ingle coach. Marsha Reid, who has coached the girls track team for the past years and dso coaches girls cross country in the fall, will take over the boys track team

from outgoing coach Chris Payton. With more responsibilities, Reid is counting on her experienced studept-athletes to make an impact and ensure a seamless transition s both programs already worked so

"I think the biggest challenge for me personally is getting to know both programs and make it work," Reid

The program is coming off a suc-cessful 2010 season where the girls won division and association crowns and the boys took home a conference However, with the graduation of

All-State team members Brett Kuhn (long jump) and Mike Blaszczyk (3,200-meter run), the boys will have to look elsewhere for crucial points. Senior Joe Schubring will look to fill in the distance-running role

Blaszczyk left vacant, while senior Derek Kim will provide leadership in the hurdling events. Senior DeAndre Fordham Johns is expected to be a key sprinter and junior Zack Masserant will handle middle-distance events such as the +00- and/or 800-meter runs. The girls team will look to fill a

field event gap left by All-State grad-uate Kaitlyn Shelar (pole vault). Freshman Abby Downs could

provide help in the pole vault, as well as high jump and hurdling events. nan Kerri McMahan could handle the high jump while also participating in the 400, 800 and relay events.

"Two freshman girls stood out on the girls side last year at the middle school and look to provide immediate

help in many events," Reid said. Mixing the freshmen with a solid returning core should keep the girls team on track. All-State junior Kelly McCloskey returns to the 300-meter low hurdle event and will also help with the sprint relays, All-State junic Jasmine Ward will provide her 100-and 200-meter regional-title-win-

ning experience to the team again while also helping in the sprint relays Also joining in the sprinting events and sprint relays will be junior D'Mya Davis and sonhomore Jance Hood. "Solid anchor for relays and sprint

**NOVI TRACK** 

Girls Coach: Marsha Reid Last Year: 6-0, finished first in KLAA Central, won KLAA title Key Returning Players: Juniors Kelly McCloskey, Jasmine Ward, D'Mya Davis, sonhomores Janee Hood,

Jackie Mullins and senior Brooke Biggest Internal Challenge: Field

Quote: "Two freshman girls stood out on the girls side last year at the middle school and look to provide immediate help in many events, coach Marsha Reid said

Boys Coach: Marsha Reid Last Year: 5-1, finished first in KLAA

Kensington Conference Key Returning Players: Seniors

Derek Kim, DeAndre Fordham Johns, Joe Schubring and junior Zack

Masserant **Biggest Internal Challenge: Filling** gaps left by graduates

Juote; "I think the biggest challenge for me personally is getting to know both proorams and make it work." coach Marsha Reid said.

core, solid point getter in the 100 meter and 200 meter," Reid said of Davis and Hood.

In the other distance events, sopho more state qualifier Jackie Mullins is expected to lead the 3.200-meter runners in an attempt to improve on her freshman finish as 12th in Division I with a time of 11:11.19, which was 5.61 seconds faster than

the previous school record. Senior Brooke McMahan will provide leadership coming off an injury to compete in the middle distance

Both teams will have a tough battle with similar division opponents, as Plymouth Salem and Northville will be competitive on both sides, while Livonia Stevenson will also be strong on the boys sides.

"We hope to contend, but gradu-ated (many people)," Reid said of the boys team.

The season was scheduled to begin today at the Macomb Community College-hosted Oakland County Indoor meet before dual meets begin April 12 at Northville.

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Wildcat golfers young, but experienced

#### **NOVI BOYS GOLF**

Coach: Brad Huss Last Year: 4-6, finished fourth

in KLAA Central Key Returning Players: Senior Sam Palmer, juniors Johnny Walker, sophomores Brad

Kozinski and Jason Carless **Biggest Internal Challenge** Duote: "I haven't been as excit-

ed about a young kid coming in in a while now, a few years, coach Brad Huss said.

on if these young kids are able to be consistent. It should be, with the core we have coming back."

Freshman Garrett Buckley is also an early frontrunner to make the squad.

"He's had two fantastic summers playing in summe tournaments," Huss said. "I haven't been as excited about a young kid coming in in a

while now, a few years." With so many other fresh men joining Buckley in competing for the last few varsity spots, Huss said the Wildcats' future looks

bright. "Especially with Jason and Brad being young and ones like Garrett, I'm not only looking forward to a great season this year, but hopefully several good ones to come," Huss said. "With play six, count five, you don't nec-

essarily have to have a lot of depth, but that's to be seen." Despite the returning core, there are some big gaps to fill with Tyler Manning and Steve Rajkovic graduating. How those gaps are filled will determine how the Wildcats place in the league

"The big loss for us last year was Tyler Manning who was Player of the Year at Alma in the fall." Huss said. "Its hard to say. I feel like we're going to have a really good team this year. Northville's going to be tough. Stevenson has some solid players."

Huss plans to carry 10 golfers, with six competing in each dual meet. "There's always that fine

line, do you keep the fresh man over the senior," Huss said. "I tell the kids I'll always do my best to keep you on the team, but you can't be a cancer. If one kid gets hot, you may not play several meets."

After finishing 4-6 in dual meets last year, Novi's first dual meet won't be until April 27 when South Lyon comes to Walnut Creek. However, the 'Cats will compete at the Farmington Hills Harrison Invitational April 14, Mike Millwork Invite April 17 and West Bloomfield Invite April 25 first

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

BY CHRIS JACKETT

CORRESPONDEN

After winning their fourth

Division I state title in the past

team has several of the key piec

Gauruder, reigning All-Area Player of the Year Nicki Caruso

and the rest of the offensive line

all return from the Wildcats' 21-

"We didn't graduate a ton of

starters, but we graduated a lot

2-2 campaign last spring.

Novi coach Brian O'Leary

three of our four starters."

Of the 11 state champions

who graduated, just four were starters. But with three of those

coming out of the defensive line.

Gauruder will have her work cut

out for her early on in the seasor

while new defensive combina

"Its always good to have a

especially when we graduated

Gauruder allowed just eight

Northville was the only team

to score more than one goal on

went 1-O-I against Novi in a pair of close 1-1 and 2-1 contests.

"Northville's going to be very good," O'Leary said. "They'll be

the odds on favorite in our divi-

With defensive questions lin-

gering, junior Katie Rudzinski's returning role on the back line

will be increasingly important. Seniors Marissa Nussio,

Taylor Shaw, sophomore Kaylin

uan and freshman Jacqu

Naomi Kuira, juniors Lauren

Pollard, Katie Seelenbinder

the Wildcats, as the Mustangs

so many defenders," O'Learv

enals in 25 games last season

assing 18 shutouts.

quality goalie coming back.

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six years, Novi's girls soccer

es back in place for a repeat Senior goalkeeper Gabby

## Experienced 'Cats ready to roar

Six seniors lead Novi softball program

BY CHRIS JACKETT CORRESPONDENT After finishing last season on an 8-3 streak to end at

15-15 on the season', Novi's softball team returns the majority of the squad and is planning for a successful

season. "I think the kids understand that you can't take anybody easy and that's what we did last year a couple times and it cost us," Novi coach Bob Lulek said. "I think every game we will come out with that intensity that they have to come to beat us, we're not going to beat ourselves like last year. With just two starters graduating last spring, eight are returning. Two of those

varsity three years, they're prepared to have a real good senior year," Lulek said. "And all six of them, very good. Its not like I have to worry about one of them not being a player, they're all going to

be starting." Seniors Maddy Sinkovich and Colleen Kolis, who both earned All-League and All-District in 2010, will lead the experienced sluggers. Sinkovich will bat third and handle center field for the fourth-straight year, while Kolis will bat second and stand guard on third base. "Both of them are my best hitters," Lulck said. "Maddy is our veteran outfielder. She's been there since she was a freshman. She's been All-League, All-District and

"I'm not sure who will be there, but I had Abby there a little last year and she did a good job. It all depends where I want her," Lulek said, noting that Robinson could bat sixth of Oakley fifth. "(Oakley)'s got nice power, too. The nice thing

Although Sinkovich

Novi netters return strong trio Core of starters return for defending state champions Uncertain lineup expected to compete BY CHRIS JACKET Gauruder. Caruso return for Novi kickers CORRESPONDEN groups, so much that most do

not play together or even against one another during the offsea-"Most of them are a huge part playing against kids their own

quarterfinals. "Abby will be a solid one singles," Novi coach Jim Hanson said, who heads into his 27th season at the helm. "Amanda (Border) and Sara (Carlson) are two of the best play ers we ever had at Novi High School. I don't think you can compare this team to that. The fact that Wang played one singles position ahead of Carlson last season is a

Two experienced doubles players who lost their partners to graduation will team at one doubles. Seniors Jenna Snyder and Meggie Riegel will be that core for the doubles teams. Snyder played one doubles with Julia Thomas last year, going 21-2 as All-State semifinalists, KLAA and regional champions. Riegel went 17-8 with Andrea Lollo at two doubles, winning the KLAA title and finishing second at Regionals. The rest of the lineup is still undecided,

here we're balanced to compete to the bes

Early on in the season, Hanson said the likely singles lineup consists of senior Ashley Aljadah, sophomore Rebecca Chen and freshman Asawari Kanitkar taking care of two through four singles. "We've got a tough schedule, so the girls

the better teams. The doubles lineup will be much trickier as pairings develop chemistry and newcom

With five of the team's top eight players graduating, repeating their fourth-place finish at the state meet will be tough, but Novi's girls tennis team has the foundation to take the first steps toward that goal. Junior Abby Wang is the lone returning singles player for Novi, but she went 19-4 al seniors Jenna Sovder and Meggie Riegel Biggest Internal Challenge: Finding the best two singles last season while earning KLAA

lineup and regional championships en route to an All-State finish that wrapped up in the state Quote: "We've got a tough schedule, so the girls are going to have to grow up fast," coach Jim Hanson said.

promising sign for Wang's ability to lead Novi's squad this year.

Hanson said, although he has a good idea which players will be in the mix. "Basically, we have to find the singles and doubles lineup that gives us the best chance to compete in the Central or KLAA, Hanson said. "Three and four singles is just as important as one singles or one doubles or two doubles. We need to get a lineup

of our ability.

are going to have to grow up fast," Hanson said. "You're going to get better by playing

ers join the mix. Juniors Emily Kwederis and Ori

Nagasaka are likely to compete at two doubles, moving up the flight levels from

of their club soccer team, but then they get to high school." O'Leary said. "In club, they're With the competitive grouping that creates varsity high ool soccer squads, the

of people, lost a lot of depth," Novi's Nikki Greenhalgh (aces said. "Offensively, we're good. Defensively, we're a little behind for the ball during the Wildcat's matchup at Northville last season. because we've got to replace

#### **NOVI GIRLS SOCCER**

Coach: Brian O'Leary Last Year: 21-2-2, won Division I state championship Key Returning Players: Seniors Gabby Gauruder, Nicki Caruso, Nikki Greenhaloh, Molli Krick, juniors Jessica Jarvis, Katie Rudzinski and Kelli Timar **Biggest Internal Challenge:** Filling defensive vacancies Quote: "We didn't graduate a ton of starters, but we graduated a lot of people lost a lot of depth," coach Brian D'Leary

Kozlowski are all listed as defenders who will compete for the other three starting posi-

"We do have a lot of new people. It'll be interesting, our team chemistry with so many new players," O'Leary said. "(Playing lub) makes it take a little bit longer. They're so spread out." O'Leary said most of his players compete at various ares and els in several local premier

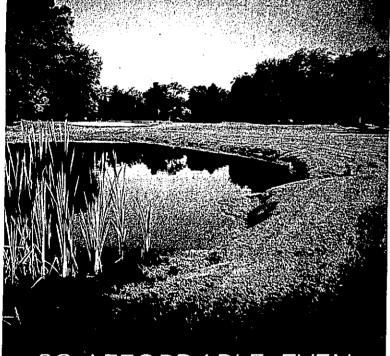
Wildcats will look for offensive success where they fou it before. Caruso, who led the team with 19 goals and 27 points last season, will spear head the Novi forwards again with major contributions from iunior midfielder Kelli Timar (five goals, 10 assists), senior forward Nikki Greenhalgh (seven goals, four assists) and unior Jessica Jarvis (six goals, four assists) also lending a hand. With seven starters returning, No. 1 Novi's division title hopes will have to go through No. 9 Northville, up-and-com ing Plymouth Salem and a pair of strong Livonia Stevenson and

South Lyon programs. "Our division will be the toughest in the league again with Northville, Novi, Salem, Stevenson and South Lyon all with eyes for the top spot," O'Leary said. "It prepares you (for the state playoffs)." Five KLAA teams finished in the final Division I poll, including No. 2 Plymouth and No. 10 Grand Blanc

The Wildcats will start their season 7 p.m. Monday when they host No. 8 Canton, who defeated Novi 1-0 early last After that, the team hopes to

add a few non-division games before their April 12 league matchup with rival Northville Chris Jackett is a freelance writer and

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Of those in the doubles mix, O'Brien

She's played tennis before, just not for the high school. She's very fast on her feet." Additionally, the two freshmen, Zhou and Kanitkar, are both capable of filling various roles with the squad. "They're going to help us," Hanson said.

rival Northville returns three of four singles players and many of their doubles teams from a team that finished fifth in Division I

"Northvilles pretty much got their singles back from last year. They'll be tough. Probably on paper right now, they'd be the favorites," Hanson said, adding that, Plymouth "Salem played a part in the stand-

ings last year. You can't overlook anyone.

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"They're going to have to step up their game and help us out," Hanson said. From there, other teams include junior Emily Speeran and sophomore Caitlin O'Brien, senior Meng Meng Jie and freshman Amy Zhou, juniors Angela Huang and Alice Jiang, and some combination of seniors Kalie Murphy, Nikhita Surapaneni

and junior Natalie Doherty. "We're going to have to sort the lineup we're going to niwe to so't the interp out. We've got seven kids coming back," Hanson said. "I think we can put a competi-tive team together for Novi High School. All the kids have improved. It'll be a fun

NOVI GIRLS TENNIS

Last Year: 11-3, finished second in KLAA

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Central, won conference, KLAA and regional

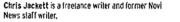
Key Returning Players: Senior Abby Wang,

Coach: Jim Hanson

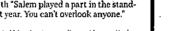
played one single for junior varsity last year and Murphy is joining the tennis squad after three seasons with the track team.

"They're two very nice players. They can play singles or doubles." The Wildcats will have their hands full, as

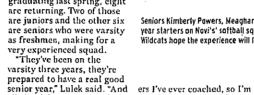
last year. "Northville's pretty much got their singles



# "She ran track the last three years. She's very athletic," Hanson said of Murphy.







proud to have her as the general out in center field. and Kolis have their positions in the lineup set, the

leadoff position is still a battle between junior Abby Rebinson and freshman Laura Oakley, the only var-sity player not graduating within the next 15 months

she's one of the best outfield-

about Laura is that she's a left-hander and has got

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Seniors Kimberty Powers, Meaghan Robinson, Maddy Sinkovich, Colleen Kolis and Katie Marra have all been four year starters on Novi's' softball squad. Along with starting senior pitcher Rebecca Richter (not pictured), the Wildcats hope the experience will lead to a successful season.

> good speed, so she can drop the bunt down at times. She makes good contact, so I just have to figure out where I want to put her. Depending on how I feel about varsity being with her only a fresh man, that's the only thing I worry about is that, the men tal part. Is she prepared for that? If I feel that Abby will take a better role at number one, I'll move Laura to number five."

Lulek said both underclassmen will have a key role in the defense, with Robinson in left field and Oakley at first base. "Abby is going to be a very good right fielder. Next year, I'll probably have her

at shortstop, but right now

I need her at right. She's I need ner at right. Snes got a cannon for an arm," Lulek said. "(Oakley)'s a lefthanded first basemen, the outfield, she'll play left fielder at times. But a very good infielder with a very od arm and very good knowledge of the game; really good knowledge for a freshman. As far as a hit ter, she hits the ball very good, has good bat cor We're really pleased. She'll bat somewhere high in the order."

BY CHRIS JACKETT

Although the pair of underclassmen fielders are romising, seniors Meaghar Robinson and Kimberly Powers join Sinkovich and Kolis as captains who will start scattered through**NOVI SOFTBALL** 

Coach: Bob Lulek Last Year: 15-15, finished fifth in KLAA Central

Key Returning Players: Seniors Maddy Sinkovich, Colleen Kolis. Meaghan Robinson, Kimberly Powers, Rebecca Richter, Katie Marra, juniors Abby Robinson and Taylor Scott

Biggest Internal Challenge: Confidence, pitching

Quote: "The leavue now does not take us as a cupcake anymore. I have all the tools. This is one of the best learns I've ever had," coach Bob Lulek said.

out the defense. Meaghan Robinson will play shortstop and Powers will take second base.

"She does everything I ask her to do. Decent arm, good fielder, she can bunt she can slap. Very good player," Lulek said of Powers 'Meaghan Robinson's been my shortstop for four years w. She has the potential to be an All-Conference player

if everything works out. "Her biggest thing is the bat. She needs to improve her bat a little bit. But, as far as defensively, she's as good as any shortstop in the league. Very, very good defensively. The bats just got to get a little bit better and she's got the potential to do

With a solid offense and fielders, senior catcher Katie Marra will have to work with senior pitcher Rebecca Richter and junior pitcher Taylor Scott to ensure the Wildcats stay on target for success.

"The biggest question mark will still be my senior itcher. She's good, but she has got to make sure she throws location. She's not a flamethrower, but, if she hits her spot, she'll be good, Lulek said. "I'm giving the senior the opportunity to be number one. If it doesn't work out, Taylor Scott is very good also. I can't really say vet who is the number one but right now I'm going to say Rebecca is going to get the shot." Lulek said Marra's con-

sistency will also help the team

"She's been there almost four years now and she has a good arm and everything I

want out of her," Lulek said. I'm pleased with her being a ior and my catcher." With a tough league, the Wildcats will need to pick up where last season ended with streaks of wins coming together.

"Our league itself, our league is tough and I know that," Lulek said. "My biggest thing is convincing the kids that every game is going to be a tough game. The league now does not take us as a cupcake anymore. They come prepared to play us. They know we're a good program. "I found out how good we

were when we beat Plymouth twice last year. Plymouth won the district, won the Regionals, and the year before they mercied us both games. Our kids came back and beat them twice. I'm not saying anything about predictions, but I think we'll be competitive in our division. I'm preparing us right now for Districts. We're in a tough district.

Lulek said the team's mentality will dictate their success.

"The biggest challenge isn't a challenge for me because I know how good they are," Lulek said. "F think the biggest challenge is me convincing them how good they can be. Because I have all the tools. This is one of the best teams I've ever had '

The Wildcats' season begins April 11 at Wayne Memorial before league play starts with an April 13 dou bleheader at South Lvon.

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## Catholic Central lacrosse team focusing on internal improvements

Catholic Central head coach Dave Wilson sure isn't complaining about the talent that has come back to his team this year The squad, which went 18-4 last year, returns several experi enced players who will be step-ping into leadership roles this

Attacks Mitch Burgin and Tim Urso are back, along with mid-fielder Mike Birney and defenseman Trevor Kujawski this season

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e captains on the tea	m as well.

Their experience will pay off in that particular role, especially since the team's focus to begin the year is working on attention to details and, of course, being unselfish.

"(Our biggest challenge this year) is sharing one ball," noted Wilson, who is in his sixth year as the head coach of the Shamrocks. The team is loaded in other aspects, however. Talent? Check

Leadership capabilities? Check. Speed? Yup. Stick skills? No The Catholic High School

League title is one goal in mind for the Shamrocks, though that? not going to be an easy one with the talent they'll face. In addition Wilson said his team has made taking a run at winning the state championship as one of their goals this year.

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## Shamrocks look to remain king of several hills

Track team hopes to repeat as CHSL, Regional and Oakland County champions

#### BY SAM EGGLESTO CORRESPONDEN

There's no doubt that the Detroit Catholic Central hamrocks track and field team will be the mark that many teams measure themselves to this year.

And why not? Last year, the Shamrocks went 5-0 in dual neets and earned themselves championships in the Catholic High School League, the MHSAA Regional and the Oakland County meet. If that weren't enough, the Shamrocks also finished sixth in the entire field of Lower Michigan's Division I schools at the state finals.

County champs; Sixth in the state finals

Key Returning Players: Jake Spuller.

Billy Riga, George Darany, Matt Donath,

Andrew Garcia-Garrison, John-Paul

Zebrowski, Austin Zebrowski, Mike

"We will try to repeat the championships and improve our position in the state final," said head coach 'Tony Magni when asked what his team's goals were for the 2011 CC TRACK & FIELD campaign, "We will depend on our sprinter Coach: Tony Magni and distance (runners) Last Year: CHSL, Regional and Oakland

to have a good season. Our hope is to keep everyone healthy." That last part will be key for the Shamrocks who have some amaz-Shearon and Jack Malinowski ing top-shelf talent. The team's best returning Biggest Challenge: Staying healthy athletes will be respon

Shamrocks golf team

enters rebuilding year

Team looks to compete after building experience

CC GOLF

Coach: Bill Hayes

sible for teaching younger members of the squad. Injuries will only hamper their

The team will be looking to Jake Spuller and Billy Riga as the top returning sprinters this year, while George Darany and Matt Donath will be expected to lead their team in the throws. The distance running team will have the benefit of outstanding talent in Andrew Garcia-Garrison and broth ers Austin and John-Paul Zebrowski. In the hurdles and high mp, the Shamrocks will be relying on Mike Shearon and Jack Malinowski. Magni is confident in his team's ability again this year, and

f anyone knows how to spot a good team, it's the long-time head coach. Magni enters his 38 year as a coach at Catholic

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

and a provide the second standard by the second second second second second second second second second second

consist of Connor Sexton and

Nico Colucci, both seniors, as

BY CHRIS JACKETT CORRESPONDENT When Wes Leonard hit the floor at Fennville (Mich.) High School March 3 after making the winning layup in overtime of a basketball game, and died soon after, it made national

online at hometownlife.com

Kuhn relives last November

in light of Leonard death

The group immediatel

during a required course at Novi High School.

began administering CPR, as they had learned how to do

"We sort of knew what we

were doing. The class actually helped a lot. I feel like everyone

should have to know how to do

it," Forche said. "Chris started

immediately giving him chest compressions. We first thought

attack. Chris was giving ches

compressions and I was hold-

ing his head because every time he gasped for air he banged his

he was having an asthma

head against the floor.

weren't much help.

tion with tl

About five minutes into

the ordeal, police arrived, but

"They basically thought Brett

was really drunk and just tried

to give everyone MIPs," Slack

said. "There was only one cop

the hospital. The police were

100 person unhelpful and I

that was helpful, he drove us to

Keith Kuhn, Brett's dad, said

he was astounded to hear how unhelpful the police were dur-

ing his son's near-death experi-

"There's a 1.6 to 2.7 percent

headlines over the weekend. The shock of such an unexpected moment and how it occurred after Leonard's great on-court moment truly stunned that community. The tragedy that hit Fennville two weeks ago wasn' an occurrence unique to that community. Student-athlete have run into similar troubles oughout the nation in increasing fashion during the past decade, although many have survived such scares. One such survivor is Brett Kuhn, who graduated from Novi High in 2010. While hanging out with some friends in Mount Pleasant the night of can't even express my frustra Nov. 5, 2010, Kuhn suffe cardiac arrest and nearly died.

"I didn't even remembe going to my friend's house," Kuhn said. "I remember ge ting up for practice that day. My memory was real hazy terward."

chance of survival in that situ Kuhn, a member of Central ation." Keith said, noting that the chance of survival drops 8 Michigan University's track team, had participated in a ondensed 45-minute training session that day. The session was a continuous alternative to a planned 90-minute session so the team could enjoy the rest of their Friday night. After practice, Kuhn joined

friends and family who had made the trip up US-127 to tailgate before the Chippew football team took the field against their rivals from estern Michigan University Kuhn and some friends left

the game at halftime and headed back to his dorm room for a bit before meeting up at 2009 Novi alum Tyler Barnes' apart ment about 10 p.m. It wasn't long before trouble occurred but Kuhn was in good hands with fellow 2010 alums Chris Slack and Lauren Forche, as

well as Barnes, at his side "We were hanging out and playing a couple games and all. We weren't under the influence or drunk or high o anything like that," Slack said "Out of the corner of my eye, I saw Brett fall and hit a table I rolled him over and he was white as a ghost."

BY CHRIS JACKET

CORRESPONDENT

Although losing 11 players to

ev players return.

going to be very athletic." Senior Tyler Root will be

a 10-0 junior campaign on

the mound. Root will pitch

to returning senior catcher

The pair will have some strong defensive help from

junior Jim Eloff, who will shift

from second base to shortstop.

Junior Logan Regnier will

take over the center field posi

Seniors Michael Kruse, Chris

Valade and Nick Bageris also

providing some hitting consist

tency and depth. Valade will

followed by Regnier. Kruse and

Bageris will take on left field

and third base, respectively. A lot of players are still com

peting for starting positions

also be Novi's leadoff hitter,

return to the varsity lineup,

tion vacated by his brother

Marshall Howard.

Nick's graduatio

to 10 percent every minute a person goes without CPR while experiencing cardiac arrest. After about 15 minutes on the floor, the ambulance arrived. "A police officer found no pulse, found no breathing and told them there's no son to keep doing what they were doing because he wasn't breathing. The operator told them not to stop," Keith said. "CPR kept him from having brain damage.' Every second counted in

Brett's race to find help. "He actually died and they brought him back with the defibrillator and chest com pressions. He was legally pro-nounced dead twice before he got to the hospital in Mount Pleasant," Slack said. "(The CPR) was definitely a big important aspect of the whol experience. With the help of Tyler and Lauren, we did save his life. If he had gone another minute or two without air, he would've been brain dead or dead. I'm glad I was able to save my best friend's life."

In Mount Pleasant, emergen-

Young sluggers look to fill gaps

### Deep pitching rotation to carry Wildcats

#### **NOYI BASEBALL**

Coach: Rick Green Last Year: 32-6, finished tied for first in KLAA Central, won district

Key Returning Players: Senior Tyler Rool, juniors Logan Regnier and Jim Eloff **Biggest Internal Challenge:** Defense, filling vacancies

Quote: "We're going to have a lot of tools to work with," coach Rick

"We've got a lot of gaps to fill," Green said. "I think it's

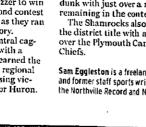
compete in the state playoffs Zach Reilly are competing for the first baseman role, although Green said both are capable of playing third base or pitching is deep, where 13 of 17 players could take the mound this season and two of the others have also pitched in the past. Green Root, Regnier and Reilly will be the top three in the

and relief duties. "I'm excited. This is a very young, talented team," Green said. "We're going to have a lot of tools to work with."

well as junior Owen Franks. The problem is that all three of Despite entering this season as the defending Division 1 Last Year: Division | State them will be trying to pick up state champions, the Detroit Catholic Central golf team Champions experience along the way. Two Key Returning Players: Connor other key returning players are sophomore Charlie Green and won't likely be talking about a BUY FOR \$26,386\* Sexton, Nico Colucci, Owen repeat anytime soon. The squad, under the leader-ship of coach Bill Hayes, will nior Patrick Luther, as both \$367<sup>\*</sup> \$271\*\* Franks, Charlie Green and Patrici e expected to compete for Luthe playing time. Catholic Central will be **Biggest Challenge: Getting** instead be looking to simply 2010 CHRYSLER TOWN & COUNTRY LX learn from their r experience early in the season mistakes earl looking to compete in the always-tough Catholic High School League and will focus in the year and build up expe rience as quickly as they can That's because the Shamrocks factor in how we do as a team, on short-term goals before looking ahead. unfortunately, are in a bit of said Hayes, who enters his 12th year as the team's head a rebuilding year after losing the majority of their team to graduation last year. coach. He led them to state Sam Eggleston is a freelance write titles in 2003 and 2010. and former staff sports writer for the "Experience will play a big The team captains will Northville Record and Novi News 5.152\* 2011 DODGE AVENGER MAINSTREET HOOPS points in the losing effort. The River Rats, which were For the Shamrocks, it was a 22-2 this year, were top ranked and expected to FROM PAGE B lough way to end their season They had faced Orchard Lake win. Catholic Central center ing 17 consecutive points, to St. Mary's twice before, split-Brandon Tammaro scored 18 points, including 10 in \$17,484\* bring his team back from a ting the two regular-sea ine-point deficit to take the games. The first contest ended the fourth quarter. Doneth with Catholic Central's sharplead. 46-44, with just over scored 17 points for CC, and Cooper added 12, including a 2011 RAM 1500 4WD QUAD CAB SLT shooter Shea Kettner hit a te remaining in the dunk with just over a minute game. Robinson ended the long shot at the buzzer to win the game. The second contest was all St. Mary's, as they ran game with 34 points along remaining in the contest. with seven rebounds and three The Shamrocks also earned away with the victory assists the district title with a victory The Catholic Central cag-Catholic Central was led by over the Plymouth Canton MSRP \$31.0 Kyle Cooper, who scored 20 ers end their year with a Chiefs. 16-9 record. They earned the right to play in the regional Sam Eggleston is a freelance writer \*20.323\* <sup>5</sup>2267 sound Scoop, final with a surprising vic-tory over Ann Arbor Huron. and former staff sports writer for the Northville Record and Novi News. Chrysler-Dodge ----100p-Ram Jeep



BY SAM EGGLESTON



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graduation can be crippling to some baseball programs, Novi coach Rick Green doesn't see it as a problem for the Wildcats. he team finished last sease eighth in the Division I poll with a 32-6 record despite a regional loss to No. 7 Canton to end the year. Although much of

the team graduated, a few very We're a young staff, but we Green said. have a lot of experience." Green aid. "We've been working really hard in the offseason. We're throughout the lineup the team's ace, returning after

going to come down to replac ing guys. We need to get stron ger defensively if we want to Junior Alex King and senior The Wildcats' pitching staff

rotation, while senior Andrey Valade will likely handle closer

## Novi alum survived brush with cardiac arrest



Novi alum Brett Kuhn participates in the long jump in Mount Pleasant as a member of Central Michigan University's track team

ation was very hard for the

"The doctors told us there's

no evidence to support a block-age and there was no swelling

f his heart." Keith said. "The

bottom of the heart was not

was working harder. It was

pumping it (at a rate of 400-500 beats per minute), but it

wasn't ejecting it from the bot tom of the heart.

I didn't believe we'd see him

his hospital stay or the next

"I think they put me in a

Brett said. "After I woke up,

was in the hospital for six o

seven days. I remember wak

ing up sometimes and walking

und and having the worst

That's the extent of his mem

ories. Any discussions he had with friends and family were

completely forgotten until six weeks later when they would

sporadically tell him what was

"I told my mom I could take

coma to protect my brain.

next morning."

month afterward.

halance

"When we left the hospital,

live again and he was alive the

Brett doesn't recall much of

ejecting the blood and the top

Kuhn family.

cy services realized that Brett's ation was much more serious than an asthma attack. "He was struggling for every breath that he took. He was not conscious " Keith said

The doctor immediately said he didn't have the facilities to care for him and it was heart related, not asthma.

#### ON THE EDGE

By midnight, Brett had been taken by helicopter to University Hospital of University of Michigan's cam pus in Ann Arbor. During the trip there, he was hooked up to a machine that cooled his body emperature.

"He remained on the machine basically in a coma until Monday morning when

they woke him up," Keith said Brett said he was in coma fo 63 hours, which his father said brought more than 200 visitors to the hospital.

"Its impressive that that many people would be touched by an 18-year-old kid," Keith said. "It was a pretty tragic event, but we were very lucky to nave a positive ou

Keith said the initial situ-

tor," Brett said with a laugh. After a week in the hospital n implantable cardioverte defibrillator (ICD) was placed in Brett's left pectoral muscle below his collarbone on Nov, 12 and he was released the next day. Keith said the ICD is about two inches big. "The cardio defibrillator

a 6-font-3, 283-pound doc

has a computer in it and, every time he walks into his room, it tells him if there was any complications or irregula heartbeats throughout the day, Keith said.

#### MOVING ON

Four months later, life is nearly back to normal for Brett but the cause of the cardiac arrest is still not clear.

"For myself, I just want to use it as an experience and earn from it and put it behind me," Brett said. I don't want it to be my life. I want to live the life of the average college student.

With an ICD in his chest, there are a few minor change: Brett has had to make. "I can't take any stimulants

Adderall was a big part of my life in high school," Brett said Nothing really changed with what I've been cating."

Brett has attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD). Combined with short-term memory loss, get ting back into the grind of olwork without Adderall has been a challenge.

However, the absence of Adderall may help Brett. With one of two formulas banned in Canada since 2005, the FDA approved drug releases a psymulant dose used to trea ADHD.

"We believe Adderall was the cause of the whole thing," Keith said. "Its taken off the market in Canada."

Keith said nothing is conclusive, but some other young athletes who experienced car diac arrests had been taking Adderall He said Leonard's death two

weeks ago had some of the same symptoms as Brett's near-fatal incident, such as an enlarged heart, although Brett's result is more similar to former Detroit Red Wing Jiri Fischer's 2005 scare during a game against Nashville

We don't know how big the heart was before, so how do we know if it's bigger now Keith said, "It was not exercise induced. Jiri Fischer had basically the same thin

Although the lack of Adderal has made focusing on school

work tougher for Brett, gettin back into his track workouts after two months of recovery wasn't much different, excep that he cannot do upper-bod workouts that would stretch th muscles around the ICD. As a long jumper, triple jumper and sometimes sprinter, the lowerbody workouts are more impor

tant for Brett anyway. "It wasn't that hard to get back into it," Brett said. "It felt like I was just taking a break over the summer and coming back for fall. I was just a little out of

shape." Since the incident, Brett has set a 60-meter dash personal best of 7.2 seconds and tied his career-best in the long jump a 21 feet, 9.5 inches, so he hasn't ost a step.

Brett started his spring break this week by working out in the weight room Monday at his alma

#### HITTING HOME

When Brett first heard about Leonard's death two weeks ago, he, like most of the nation, was

"I was so saddened by it," Brett said."I was out snowboardin with my parents and my dad showed me some newspaper

articles. I was reading them on the ride up and I was tearing up. Keith said Leonard's dea caused Brett to go back and look at Facebook messages friends and family left Brett the weekend of Nov. 5, something Bret adn't completely gone throug

before. Leonard's death inspired Brei to make the most of his similar experience, although he has yet to decide exactly how

"I want to do something, but I just don't know who to call," Brett said, noting he has been reading up on The Kimberly

Ann Gillary Foundation. The foundation was created after Gillary, a 15-year-old Troy Athens student, suffered a car diac arrest during a 2000 water polo match and died at the scen ecause the school did not have an automated external defibril lator (AED).

"That's something I want to do. Hopefully I can use my experience," Brett said. "I want; to make sure everyone knows how to use AEDs and do CPR."

Keith said that everyone should know CPR becau one knows when such a traged will strike

"Don't stop doing CPR on somebody and don't be afraid to learn it," Keith said.

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Sophomores Ryan Caputo, Mario Ferrini and Matt Forche all join the varsity squad. Caputo and Forche will comete with junior Tyler Schwanz for time in right field, while Ferrini will try to get into the pitching rotation

Junior Derek Ince will back up Howard at the catcher pos tion, while junior Michael Zuggaro will back up Chris Valade at second base and junior Alex Davis will work with Bageris for time at third base. Junior Jeff Weber will also try to get into the lineup as an outfielder.

The Wildcat's will have to figure out a consistent lineup to come out on top of the KLAA Central Division after finishing in a three-way tie for first with Livonia Stevenson and Northville last season.

"A lot of teams have really changed over a lot," Green said. "Northville's going to be tough. They always reload. Stevenson has a couple of 85-mph pitch-ers. Canton's reloading and has a young lefthander who can

throw 82." Novi's baseball squad will get their first taste of competi-tion April 9 when they visit Walled Lake Western for an 11 a.m. doubleheader. After a 4 p.m. game April 11 al Wayne Memorial, the Wildcats kick off division play with an April 13 doubleheader at South Lyon.

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BY CHRIS JACKETT

CORRESPONDENT

niors 18's volleyball team won the Asics

The Ann Arbor-based Michigan

Midwest Power League last weekend,

beating out 15 teams from Michigan, Ohio and Indiana. The three-weekend

contrament ended when the squad beat

the top two seeds twice each in order to

Tillotson, team members include Jillian Sommerville (Plymouth Salem), Katie Horton (Wayne Memorial), Carlee Hunt

(Walled Lake Northern), Kristin Malcom

Plymouth Christian), Nicole Morgan

(Walled Lake Western), Alaina Turner

Canton), Halie Baker (Westland John

Glenn) and Laura Subject (Novi). Not

pictured are Kara and Nicole Kempinski

The Novi Middle School wrestling team traveled to Milford for the Milford

Wrestling Invitational last Saturday and

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Coached by Mike Watkins and Chelsea

VOLLEYBALL

win the cold.

(Livonia Churchill).

WRESTLING

NOVI ROUNDUP

15 future Wildcats earned medals. Griffin Sparling, Elias Ansara, Kyle Benkarski, Josh Pelegrin and Jared Engebretson each earned gold medals, while Sam Jenkins, Jacob Vidra, Tony Gregg and Jeff Malear each brought home silver medals Willie Jackson, John Hamilton, Casey Croad. Sam Scott, Mitch Ripper and Alex Hines earned bronze medals

"Coach Brad Huss and I are excited to see the talent that's coming up to the high school next year." Novi varsity coach Dan Jilg said. "With the leadership of our upperclassmen and the determination of our underclassmen, we should have a pretty solid team next year.

#### BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

Tryouts for the Novi High School boys cross country team will be Aug. 10-12. Coach Robert Smith is asking that any boy not on the high school team last fall and who is interested in trying out to please contact him at crosscor smith@hotmail.com by the end of March.

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## Novi Wildcats

#### Baseball 4/9 11 a.m. & 1 p.m. @ Walled Lake Western (Doubleheader) 4 p.m. @ Wayne 4/11 4/13 4 & 6 p.m. @ South Lyon (Double 4/20 4 & 6 p.m. @ Brighton (Doubleheader) 4/27 4 & 6 p.m. South Lyon East (Doubleheader) 4/29 4 p.m. Canton 5/2 5/4 4 p.m. @ Plymoulh 4 & 6 p.m. @ Northville (Dout (header 5/6 4 p.m. Livonia Franklin 5/7 TBA Three-Way @ Birmingham Grove 5/9 4 p.m @ Livonia Churchill 5/11 4 & 6 p.m. @ Livonia Stevensor (Dou eader) 5/13 4 p.m. Howell 5/14 10 a.m. Dexter 5/14 3 p.m. Marysville 5/16 4 p.m. Westland John Glenn 5/18 4.6.6 p.m. Plymouth Salem (Dout 11 a.m. Wyandotte Roosevelt 5/21 5/21 2 p.m. White Lake Lakeland 5/23 4 p.m. KLAA Conference Champ 4 n.m. KLAA Association 5/25 Championship 5/28 10 a.m. & 12 p.m. Lake Orion (Doubleheader) TBA @ State Finals (Bailey Park in 6/18 Battle Creek Softball

4/11 4 p.m. @ Wayne 4 & 6 p.m. @ South Lyon 4/13 (Doubleheader) 4/27 4 & 6 p.m. South Lyon East (Doubleheader) 4/29 4 p.m. Canton 4 p.m. @ Plymouth 5/2 4 & 6 p.m. @ Northville 4 p.m. Livonia Franklin 5/6 5/7-8 TBA Fred Pieper Tournament (Royal Dak) 4 p.m @ Livonia Churchill 5/9 5/11 4 & 6 p.m. @ Livonia Stevenson (Doubleheader) 8:30 a.m. Belleville (Madonna 5/14 Classic) 10:15 a.m. West Bloomfield 5/14 (Mado na Classic) 5:15 p.m. Plymouth Salem 5/14 ina Classic) (Mado TBA Madonna Classic 5/15 5/16 4 p.m. Westland John Glenn 5/18 4 & 6 p.m. Plymouth Salem (Doubleheader) 5/23 4 p.m. KLAA Conference 4 nm. XI AA Association 5/25

Championship TBA @ State Finals (Bailey Park in 6/18

#### Battle Creek) Girls Soccer

#### All games at 7 p.m. unless noted

- 3/28 Canton 4/12 Northville 4/14 @ Plymouth Salem 4/26 @ Livonia Stevensor
- @ South Lyon 4/28
- 5/3 ② South Lyon East
- 5/5 @ Northville
- 5/7 1 p.m. Saline
- Plymouth Salem 5/12 Livonia Stevenson
- 5/17 South Lyon
- 5/19 South Lyon East
- 5/23 @ KLAA Conference Crossove @ KLAA Association Crossover 5/25
- 6/18 TBA @ State Finals

#### Girls Tennis

- All meets at 4 p.m. unless noted 9 a.m. @ Okemos Tournament 3/26
- 3/29 @ Rochester
- Plymouth Salem 4/12 Livonia Stevenson
- 4/14 4/16 9 a.m. @ Saline Tournament
- 4/20 @ West Bloomfield
- 4/21 @ South Lyon East 4/27 4:30 p.m. @ Clarkston
- 4/29 Northville 5/3
- Crossover @ KLAA North 5/5 Crossover vs. KLAA West

8:30 a.m. @ Apple Orchard Invitational Crossover vs. KLAA South @ Ann Arbor Pioneer 8 a.m. KLAA Conference 8 a.m. KLAA Association Tournament 8 a.m. @ Regionals TBA @ State Finals (Midland) 5/31 Boys & Girls Track & Field 4:30 n m @ Oakland County

#### 3/24 Indoor (Macomb CC) 4/12 3;45 p.m. @ Northville 9:30 a.m. @ Oxford Invitational 4/16 4/16 10 a.m. @ Balawadjer Relays

- (Milford) 3:45 p.m. South Lyon East 4/19 3:45 p.m. @ Plymouth Salem 4/26 3:30 p.m. @ Raider Relays 4/29 5/3 3:45 p.m. South Lyon
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- 12 p.m. KLAA Association Meet 5/24 5/27 12 p.m. @ Oakland County Tourney 6/4 TBA @ State Finals (Rockford)

#### Boys Golf

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- All games at 3 p.m. unless noted 8:30 a.m. @ Farmington Hills 4/14 Harrison Invitational 4/17 12 p.m. @ Mike Millwork Invite 4/25 1 p.m. @ West Bloomfield Invite 4/27 3:30 p.m. South Lyon (Walnut Creek; 4/30 9 a.m. @ Pinckney Invile 5/2 12:30 p.m. @ Birmingham Seaholm Invite
- 5/2 @ Northville 5/4 @ Plymouth Salem 5/9 5/11 Livonia Stevenson (Walnut Creek) South Lyon East (Walnut Creek) 5/16 @ South Lyon 5/18 9 a.m. @ Oakland County Invite Northville (Walnut Creek) 5/18
- Sizo @ Livonia Stevenson 5/31 9 a.m. @ KLAA Conference Championships 6/17-18 TBA @ State Finals (Oakland University's Katke-Cousins Course)

Plymouth Salem (Walnut Creek)

#### Boys Lacrosse

5/23

All games at 6:30 p.m. unless noted 5:45 p.m. @ Grand Blanc 3/25 7'p.m. @ Farmington 3/28 3/30 Walied Lake Northern 4/13 6 p.m. @ Plymouth Salem 4/18 South Lyon Walled Lake Western 4/27 4/29 North Farmington 5/2 Plymouth 5/5 Utica Eisenhower 1 p.m. @ L'Anse Creuse North 5/7 5/9 7 p.m. @ Canton 7 p.m. @ Northville 5/12 5/16 @ KLAA Championship 6/11 2 p.m. State Finals @ Birmingham Seaholm

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## Catholic Central Shamrocks

Track 11 a.m. @54th Kermit N. Ambrose 3/26 3/30 5 p.m. @Ypsilanti Indoo Invitational (EMU) 12 noon @Dakota 9th/10th Grade 4/8 Invite 10 a.m. @AA Pioneer Indoor 4/9 onal (EMU) 4 p.m. Brother Rice 4/11 11 a.m. @Dearborn Elks Relays 4/16 4 p.m. @U of D Jesuit 4/18 9 a.m. Intersquad 12 & 10 vs. 11 & 9 4/23 4/29 3 p.m. @Jackson Invitational 5/34 p.m. @Divine Child 4 p.m. @Harrison Hawk's 9th/10th 5/6 Grade Relays 5/7 3 p.m. @Observerland Relays 5/9 5 n.m. @DeLaSalie 10 a.m. @AA Huron Last Chance 5/14 Invitational 4 p.m. Orchard Lake St. Mary's 5/16 5/20 2 g.m. @State Regional

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#### Golf

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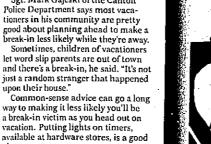
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place to start. That's a good one, timers on the lights," Gajeski said. "And vary them."

You don't want lights in different rooms all going on and off at the same "Make sure all your doors and win-

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dows are locked," he said. You'll need to have mail held and newspaper delivery stopped, or have mail/papers picked up regularly by a trustworthy

"If you're leaving this time of year, make arrangements to have your snow proved " Gainski said. Some residents ike to leave a radio or TV on to make the home appear occupied. \*Make sure that someone knows

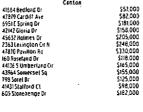
vou're gone and has an emergency contact in case something happens to your residence." Gajeski said. You'll vant to choose someone trustworthy and be sure he or she can get in touch with you.

Some more generic home safety advice, like not having shrubs obscur ing windows, applies as well: "That's more regular day-to-day as opposed to going on vacation, but yeah," the police sergeant said. If traveling for a long time, he rec-

ommends you consider using a safety deposit box at a bank for valuables. A the least, don't leave them in an obvious spot like a jewelry box in a master

The Michigan State Police website offers these tips for vacationers to heed •Make your home appear occupied when you go out.

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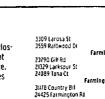
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 Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan (BLA) will sponsor a three-hour Continuing Competency course, required for license renewal for both Builders and Maintenance and Alterations Contractors licenses, on Tuesday, April 12, from 9 a.m. to noon a Association Offices, 2075 Walnut Lake Road, West Blogmfield, For those with licenses issued prior to Jan. 1, 2009, three hours of continuing competency are ired each cycle. The instructor, Dor Pratt, CGB, CGR, CGP, CAPS, of CECS of Michigan, LLC, will present one hour for each of the required subjects: legal issues, codes, and safety issues. Regist

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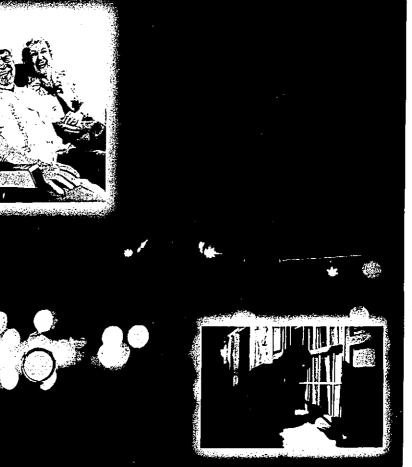


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## When vacationing, plan to reduce break-in chances



·Leave lights on and the radio play-Keep your garage door closed and

burglaries occur during the day when alert neighbors could spot and report the thieves. ·Use timing devices to turn inside Outside your home, whether you'r

there or on vacation, state police urge Trim back shrubbery hiding doors

stopped or picked up. Half of all home

or windows. Cut back tree limbs tha could help a thief climb to second story windows.
 Make sure all porches, entrances.

and yards are well lighted. Maintain the neighborhood. Dark alleys, litter, and rundown areas

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Anartment Association of Michigan's (AAM) Property Management Council (PMC) will sponsor a seminar for leasing professionals called Leasing 101: The 2011 Tour on Friday, April 15, from 9 a.m. to inn Offices, 2075 Walnut Lake Road, West Bloomfield. Kathl Mable of Ann Arbor-based Success On Site will provide guidelines to increase occu-pancy immediately. Topics to be presented nclude Competitive Analysis, Closing from Start to Finish, Secure Contacts when they call, hit websites, or send e-mail. Meet and Greet Interface, Follow-up and more. The

entire leasing process will be covered. Registration fees are \$69 for PMC me bers, \$79 for AAM or Building Industry Association members and \$99 for gue For registration information, call (248) 862-1002 or register online at: www.build ers.org/events.php.

· Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan's (BLA) NAHBR Professional Remodelers Council will hold three-part seminar series called "Your Master Planned Business" on April 19, June 15 and Oct. 19. The seminars will he presented by Dawn Drozd, business coach and CEO of ClearVision Business Coaching. Part One, to be presented on April 19 is "Measure Twice, Cut Once." Part Two is 'Your Master Blueprint' and will

be held on June 15. Part Three is "Project iew" and will be held on Oct. 19 The April 19 program will begin at 12:30 p.m. with hunch followed by the seminar from 1-2:30 p.m. It will be held at the Ford Conference & Event Center at 1151 Village Road in Dearborn in conjunction with the

Pella Pro Expo being held later that day The June 15 and Oct. 19 programs will each run from noon to 2 p.m., including lunch at Association Offices, 2075 Walnu Lake Road in West Bloomfield Registration fees for members or guest are \$40 per person for each seminar or \$50 per person, if you register for all three

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## Florida condo standards not bad

Q: I have heard about a recent article that was written about how much better or worse than Florida is community association living elsewhere in the country and/or abroad. Do you have any comments about

A: While I have not bee everywhere in the United States and/or abroad, I



have visited a number o countries i Europe and generally nauire bout the communit nciatio

status in each country particularly condominiums or similar type developments. I have also had an opportunity

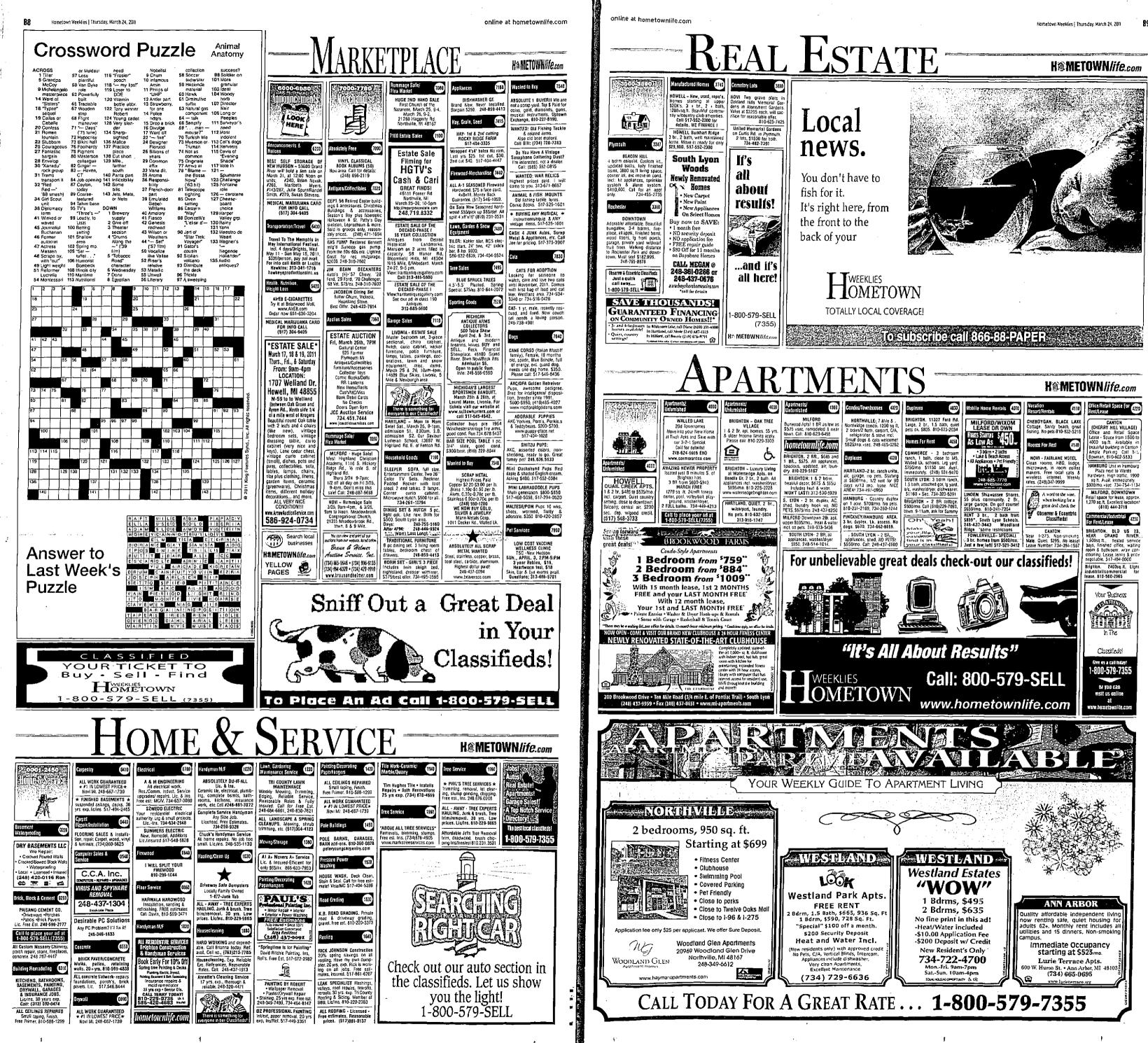
to visit community associations in many states in the United States and talk to community association lawyers from many States. What is particularly

interesting is that the same problems that occur in Michigan occur in Florida California, Texas, Illinois, etc., in that people are basically the same as it relate to community association governance. While it is true that there are more "senio citizens" in Florida that have more time to stand around and watch the contractors and managers do or not do their, thing, generally speaking, the issues concerning condominium governance result in the same types of decision making processes or the part of the Board with the

same types of problems. In short, I do not think things are much different in Florida that any place else in the country or for that matter, the world Q: The president of our nium association, who happens to be a doctor, is unwillin to pay any of his contractors a wage and got into a fight with his attorney over a legal bill eve though the associat all of the legal costs from a delinquent co-owner. How do we deal with this director who doesn't seem to want to pay any service

vendor, but expects good service? A: Have the director read materials available on community association governance, as well as remind that director of his or her legal and fiduciary usibilities to ope in the best interests of the Association, which includes having to spend money on vendors which are necessar to assist the association. It ha always been a puzzle to me, in nearly 40 years of practicing community association law their job is to spend as little money at whatever cost as opposed to improving the peration and organization o the board, and, consequ the association and at the same time, avoiding potential personal liability for them as directors. This doctor probably doesn't perform house calls either

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# **10** Things Smart Job Seekers Do

#### Beth Braccio Hering Special to CareerBuilder

What separates the smart job seeker from others looking for employment? Oftentimes, it is one of these 10 things:

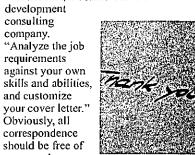
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1. They realize a potential job lead could be anywhere. Smart job seekers aren't afraid to mention occupational aspirations to their book club, their parents' friends or their dentist. (One never knows whose golf partner might be the ticket to getting a foot in the door.) Caroline Ceniza-Levine, a partner at SixFigureStart -- a career coaching firm in New York City comprised of former Fortune 500 recruiters -- recommends putting your LinkedIn public profile hyperlink in your automatic e-mail signature. "This is an elegant way to attach your résumé to every correspondence you send. Even friends who think they know you may click through to your profile, learn more about you and perhaps think of you for a job or lead that they might have overlooked.

2. They surf job boards for more than just open positions. Ceniza-Levine calls job boards "goldmines" for research. "You might see companies you didn't know before -- add these to your list of targets. You might see the same requirements again and again -- this indicates a standard for the job you want, so incorporate these

items into your pitch and cover letters.

3. They put adequate time and effort into their applications. "Spend time to make your resume the best possible written advertisement of you," says Lisa Quast, author of "Your Career, Your Way!" and founder of Career Woman Inc., a Seattle-based career



errors and typos. And before sending off the application packet, look at the job posting one last time to ensure all desired material is included.

4. They do their homework. It seems logical to smart applicants to know something about potential employers. From Googling a company to checking out its financial statements, they learn what they can -- and use the info to enhance their correspondence.

5. They know employers do their homework, too. "According to [a 2010] Coremetrics [study], 75 percent of companies require recruiters to research job

be sure you know what they'll find," states Sherrie Madia, coauthor of "The Online Job Search Survival Guide." Besides thinking twice about what you choose to post, she suggests doing a Google search on your name. If you find something undesirable, try to have it removed.

6. They make their value known quickly.

'An employer gives each résumé about a threesecond window of time before he decides to either 'delete' or read further." says Patrice Rice, author of S=15/1\_\_\_ "How to Interview" and president of the recruiting irm Patrice & Associates in Dunkirk, Md. A smart applicant answers the What can you do for me?"

> question right off the bat with a summary of strongest accomplishments at the résumé's top.

7. They look and act like a professional

Simple but effective: A smart applicant arrives on time, dresses appropriately, both talks and listens, displays confidence and minds his manners.

8. They show that they want this

job.

Smart job seekers are not "tire kickers." They focus on the needs of the employer and demonstrate how they are perfect for this particular position.

interview," says Rice. "Always make certain that the company you're interviewing with feels as if it is your first choice, no matter what other companies are involved in your job search.'

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9. They don't get ahead of themselves.

As much as she may be dying to know about promotions, raises and vacation time, a smart candidate doesn't jump the gun and tackle these issues during the first interview. She focuses on landing the position, then on whether the package is suitable.

10. They ask for the position, follow up and thank. "As strange as it sounds, you need

to ask for the job," says Catherine Jewell, author of "New Résumé New Career: Get the Job You Want with the Skills and Experience You Already Have." "At the end of the interview, sum up your strengths, tell the interviewer that you are excited about the position and say, 'I would really like to contribute to this company. I am hoping you select me.

Then, a smart interviewee keeps his name in the game with a follow-up note reiterating interest and offering thanks -- knowing that a great last impression can seal the deal!

Beth Braccio Hering researches and writes about job search strategy, career management, hiring trends and workplace issues for CareerBuilder com Follow @CareerBuilder on Twitter.



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