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The Art Institute of Michigan will be hosting their first student portfolio review 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Friday, March 25 on their 28175 Cabot Drive campus. Approximately 14 graduates will present their work to potential employers and local companies to review.

This event will showcase our students work (web design, graphic design and fashion) in the form of a portfolio, personalized examples, and resumes. Each student will be at a table to describe what they have on display. This event will now take place on a quarterly basis.

For more information on this event, please contact Michelle Trevino, mtrevino@ai.edu or (248) 675-3849.

Seminar for seniors

The Novi Senior Center in Novi, the Citizen's Alliance of the Oakland County Probate and Circuit Courts will conduct a free seminar for senior citizens and their families from 1:30 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 Power of Attorney, how to begin probate proceedings, and when to consider use of guardianships and conservatorships.

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 Annual 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 volleyball, dancing, laser tag, massages, inflatables, food, live bands and more. The entire event is planned by the student activities class at Walled Lake Western.

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Governor calls for benefit reductions
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 premiums and cut costs on retirement 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 program 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 taking place.

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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 state."

Snyder'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-

ing in the 2010-11 fiscal year, but none the 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 legislative approval, calls for cutting \$100 million from the statutory pot and putting the remaining \$200 million into a pool that communities would share if

they meet certain requirements.

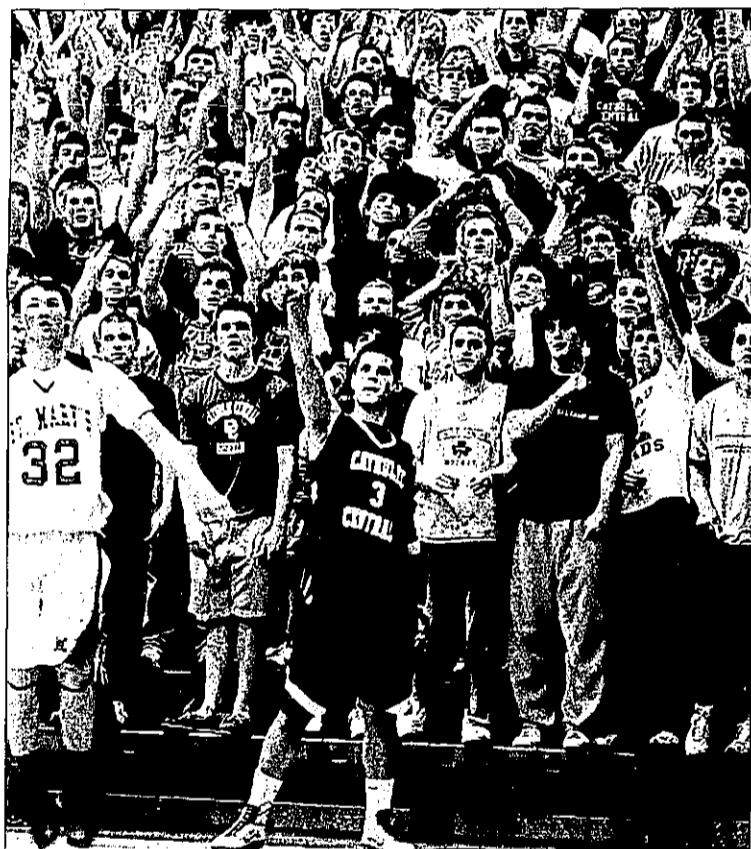
Pearson has said in the past that the distribution of the statutory funds makes no sense and is still unsure about the financial impact on Novi even if the new proposal moves forward.

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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Shooting with style

CC's Matt Donohue launches a three while the student section waits for it to fall. The Shamrocks season ended with the regional title game loss to Orchard Lake St. Mary's, 49-48, at Pioneer High School in Ann Arbor on March 16.

State's film industry incentives under fire

Local legislators agree tax credit needs to change

BY LONNIE HUBMAN
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 his proposed budget stating for the elimination of the

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.

"I love that there is a burgeoning film industry in our 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 not the others. It's like robbing Peter to pay Paul."

State Rep. Hugh Crawford, R-Novi, thinks the final piece will be a bit different than what has been proposed. He said he has received many letters of personal stories stating the positivity of the growing film industry, so he knows the good it has done.

"We have to determine its value and, after an overall analysis and debate, we will see where it stands," Crawford said.

Schriner new principal at Novi MS

Obrenovich retiring after 45 years with district

BY NATHAN MUELLER
STAFF WRITER

Stephanie 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, Schriner admits she might be just a tad off.

"I think I fit that bill per-



Schriner

fectly for those who know me," she said last Thursday following her appointment to the position.

Schriner, who has been an assistant principal at Novi High School for the last eight years, will be taking over for

Milan Obrenovich. 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 secretary George Kortlandt.

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Mardi Gras

Fox Run Village employees Marianne Miller and Fred Meschetta (above) dance to the "Pennsylvania Polka" on March 8 during the Novi residence's celebration of Mardi Gras day. Fox Run's fun included lots of New Orleans-style food and a polka band. Fox Run Village resident Paul Perry (right) helps himself to some "dirty rice" at the celebration.



PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Passion for Life Run fundraiser for paralyzed teenager Saturday

The 2011 4th annual Walled Lake Passion for Life Run will take place on Saturday, March 26, which is the one-year anniversary of the tragic day of Drew Clayborn's injury.

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.

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PASSION FOR LIFE RUN

Sat., March 26, 2011

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 practicing a backflip in the hallway of Walled Lake Central High School outside Stojkovic's classroom when the accident occurred. 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 go to www.passion5k.com. For more information on Drew Clayborn, visit www.thedrewcrew.org.

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 classroom."

Clayborn is a beloved and talented athlete; he played football, basketball and played tuba in the marching band. He is currently doing as much school work as feasible at Walled Lake

Central High School while going through intensive rehab at DMC RIM of Novi to regain as much movement as possible while adjusting to the realities 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 for Life Organization.



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University presidents hope to lead state's turnaround

BY JILL HALPIN CORRESPONDENT

Michigan must reinvent itself in order to succeed in the 21st century, and collaboration and innovation will lead the way to success in a global economy.

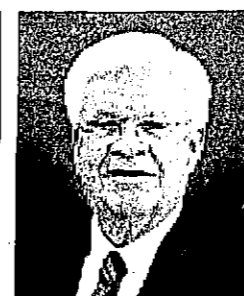
That was the message delivered by the state's top university officials Monday in Novi. University of Michigan President Mary Sue Coleman, Michigan State University President Lou Anna Simon and newly appointed Wayne State University President Allan Gilmour joined Mike Finney, CEO of the Michigan Economic Development Corp., and some 100 local business and community leaders to discuss Michigan's future.

The Sheraton in Novi was the site of "Building Business and Jobs in Michigan: The Presidents' Panel" sponsored by WJW-TV (950). "We're not here to talk about how bad the Michigan economy is ... we don't have time for that," Gilmour said. Instead, it's time to focus on accelerating the economy and moving forward, he said.

Harnessing the innovation and talent from Michigan higher education institutions



Coleman



Gilmour



Simon



Finney

is 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 create business engagement centers to encourage entrepreneurship and new enterprise, Mason said.

"These world-class universities are tremendous assets for the state," he added. "Business Engagement Centers such as Ann Arbor Spark and WSU's The Front Door: Tech Town offer those

business for entrepreneurs is vital, said Gilmour, former 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, explaining the significance of entrepreneurs having the ability to make the right connections.

Business Engagement Centers such as Ann Arbor Spark and WSU's The Front Door: Tech Town offer those

services. For U-M's Coleman, the focus is on innovation and talent, 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 capita 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 development with innova-

tion and talent is another key to Michigan's success in the future, Coleman said. Gilmour 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, however, 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 we would have chosen." "The infrastructure is already in place to do innovative work," she added. In addition, the majority of research dollars comes from the federal government. There are also federal programs available to help transform R&D products into viable businesses that may offset the budget cuts. Commerce Connect, located in Waterford, offers free assistance in connecting small- and medium-sized business with government service providers. Funded by the U.S. Department of Commerce, Commerce Connect opened a Michigan office in 2009 and "offers assistance in helping generate income, creating jobs and moving 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 collaboration in research and development. "Everyone will benefit," he said.

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Backyard, pool and spa show this weekend at the Showplace

The 16th annual Novi Backyard, Pool & Spa Show will run from March 25-27 at the Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi (formerly the Rock Financial Showplace).

"We will help you create the backyard of your dreams," said Mike Wilbraham, show producer of ShowSpan, Inc. "From hot tubs, spas and pools to sunrooms, patios and decks — the show has what you need for the perfect 'staycation' every weekend." The show is sponsored by the Michigan Pool & Spa Association, member of the Association of Pool & Spa Professionals (APSP).

Hundreds of ideas, products and services are available from the major outdoor living environment categories on display including inground and above-ground pools, spas, swim spas, decks, patios, fencing, outdoor living spaces, patio furniture, outdoor court systems, patio enclosures, sunrooms and accessories.

Homeowners will find the information they need about buying a pool or spa at show exhibits. Experts are avail-

DETAILS

Location: Suburban Collection Showplace, 46100 Grand River Avenue between Novi and Beck Road in Novi.
Hours: 3-9 p.m. Friday; 11 a.m.-9 p.m. Saturday, and 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday.
Admission: \$8; \$4 for children 6-14; and free for children 5. Discount coupons for \$2 off adult admission on Friday and Sunday are available at show's Web site. On site parking is available for a fee.
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able with tips and advice on purchasing, planning, maintenance, safety, exercise, health, financing and landscaping.

"Just think of the fun you can have with family and friends right in your own backyard," said Wilbraham. "Our professionals are available to assist you with all of your planning and purchasing needs for the spring and summer season."



Every weekend is a vacation for a homeowner with a pool, spa, hot tub and backyard living amenity from the Novi Backyard, Pool & Spa Show, March 25-27 at Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi. Exhibits display products and services from the major outdoor living environment categories including inground and aboveground pools, spas, swim spas, decks, patios, fencing, outdoor living spaces, patio furniture, outdoor court systems, patio enclosures, sunrooms and accessories.

Support Fallen and Wounded Soldiers Fund

In coordination with Families United and Operation Care Package Michigan, Fallen and Wounded Soldiers will host its 6th Annual Dinner & Auction on March 26 at Suburban Collection Showplace, 46100 Grand River Ave. in Novi.

Fallen and Wounded Soldiers Fund (FWSF) is a Livonia-based nonprofit, volunteer organization dedicated to helping those veterans (and their families) in Michigan who return from campaigns in Iraq and Afghanistan and find themselves in need of financial support and assistance.

The annual event will begin at 6 p.m. WDIV Meteorologist Chuck Gaidica will serve as the event's master of ceremonies, while Col. Oliver North and Commander Kirk S. Lipold will be featured as the night's keynote speakers.

Miss USA 2010 Rima Fakhri, 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 Fakhri. "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, dinner and open bar, are available now for \$100 per person. For more information and to RSVP to this event, please contact Ann Cornelius at (248) 346-5976 or ann4fwsf@aol.com.

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

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 career of an FBI agent, finished his bills and feeding and clothing his family while many of his classmates were left wondering what went wrong.

The idea behind the Reality Store is to show students how costly life as an adult is and prepare them for making financial decisions in the future.

"It showed me that life has a lot of challenges and you need to learn how to manage your money," Stotler said. "Life is a lot more expensive than it is right now."

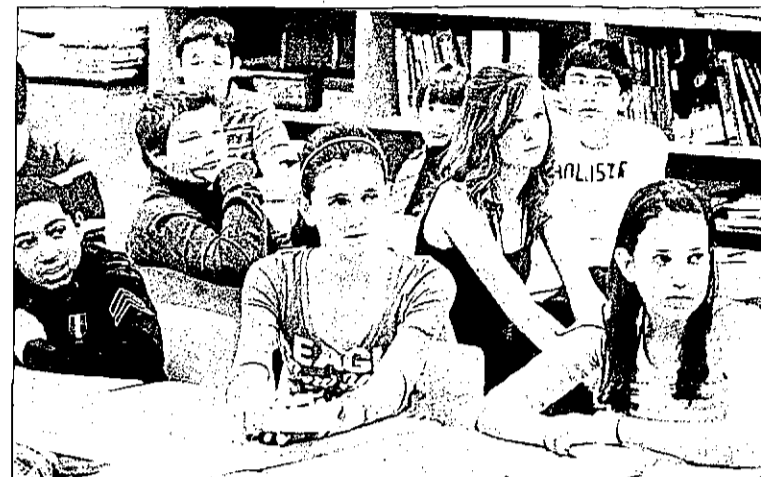
Some of the Reality Store stations included insurance, food, child care, buying a home and a reality check where a student either earned extra money or had to shell more out because of an emergency.

Nancy Ghannam, a parent volunteer, said the store was a "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 students got to see three different speakers ranging from doctors and public safety officials to authors, a DNA scientist, radio personalities and more.

Stephanie Calhoun, another volunteer, said the goal is to open the student's eyes to the



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



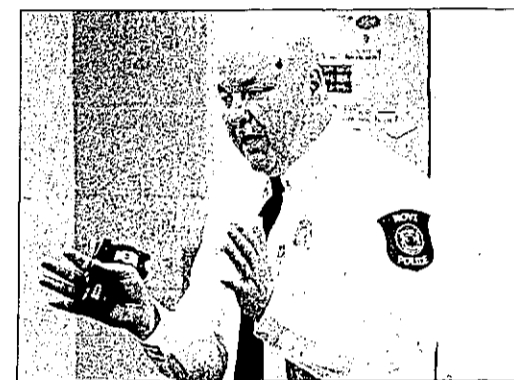
Novi Middle School student Marcus Hill begins to see the burdens of being a bill paying adult as he visits the Reality Store during the school's Career Day on March 9. In the store, students were given a salary that they then had to apply to a host of bills that would suit their randomly generated lifestyles.

various careers available, and have them look at the journey the speakers took to get there and not just the career itself.

One of the speakers, Rachel Hunter, morning-show host for country music station 99.5, told the students of the many



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



Novi Police Lt. Jerrod Hart talks to a group of Novi Middle School students.

Novi student honored with prestigious scholarship

Palepu expected to finish career with 11 AP tests passed

BY NATHAN MUELLER
STAFF WRITER

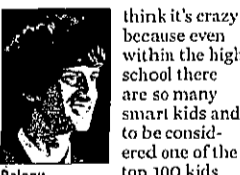
Sandeep Palepu is not your average student.

Not only has the senior at Novi High School passed nine Advanced Placement tests with a score of five — the highest score possible — and will likely finish his career with a total of 11, but he also finds time to play in the band, volunteer and spend time with friends.

It's a hectic schedule he says he does not regret having — and his hard work recently paid off when he was awarded the 2010 Siemens Award for 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



Palepu

think it's crazy because even within the high school there are so many smart kids and to be considered one of the top 100 kids in the nation, even if it's just in terms of AP test scores, it is definitely humbling."

He said he wasn't expecting the award, and understandably so because there isn't a nomination process as it is based on performance. But he was glad to get it and said it will definitely help when he chooses a school to attend next year.

Palepu liked his favorite AP class as physics and plans on studying engineering in college.

He said the key for passing the tests was preparation throughout the school year, and a two-week period of heavy review.

"If you don't slack off, you

should be fine on AP tests," he said.

Jennifer 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 because those areas are an important part of future success.

Harper-Taylor also said it 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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SCHOOL BRIEFS

Donations needed for Senior All Night Party

Organizers for the Novi High School Senior All Night Party are hard at work planning for the 2011 event and are requesting donations from parents, businesses and community members to make this year's event the best one yet. The annual Senior All Night Party, scheduled for June 4

at Novi High School, offers food, activities and prizes, allowing graduating seniors to celebrate in a safe, supervised environment. Checks may be made payable to NHS Senior All Night Party and should be sent to: NHS Senior All Night Party, C/O Dana Nussio, 2201 Shadybrook Drive, Novi, MI 48375. Information may be obtained by contacting Dana Nussio at nussio@

earthlink.net or Anne Lewis at alewis13@mm.rr.com.

The SANP Donations Committee is seeking raffle prize and monetary donations to 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.

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Gordon Chevrolet delivers its first Volt

BY SUE MASON
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 or buy.

"I think for the most part they got it right with the technology," said the Brighton resident after spending 20 minutes learning the fine points of the CAN — climate, audio and navigation — set up on the console. "It's the idea of them mass producing an electrical vehicle that doesn't look like an electric vehicle. The ones before this, like the Prius, look like electric vehicles."

The red Volt was the first one received and delivered to a customer at the Garden City dealership. Two more are being 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 Cook learned the dealership wasn't going to get an allocation.

"I've been following this for two years," said Wisinski, an accountant with ShindlerRock in Novi. "I went to the gmyvolt.com blog site. I got a lot of information there. Two years I've been waiting for this."

"It's unique driving experience," 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 Volt at Gordon Chevrolet in Garden City.

ager. "There's no shifting of 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. It can be charged at any electric outlet using a specially designed charging cord taking about 10 hours for a full charge on a 110-volt outlet. A specially designed charging 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 his home.

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

install it next month." DTE is providing up to \$2,500 for each of up to 2,500 customers to pay for charging units and installation fees for 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 gets around 25 mpg with his Volvo.

"For me, being eco-friendly is important, but it's secondary," he said. "I like to do something different. I like trying different technology. This uses

something different than gas. It's a totally different approach to driving."

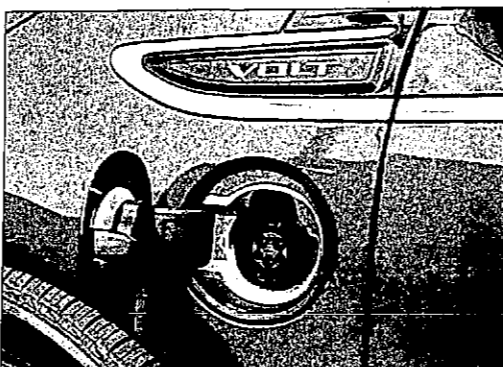
When it came to questions, Wisinski had just one: Where to plug in his MP3 player and that was answered during his introduction to the instrument. He also announced that he already had the app for his smart phone that'll allow him to turn the car on from inside his house or work, start charging it or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



Wisinski 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.



A cap on the driver's side of the Volt hides the connection for the charger.

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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 valued 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 employee. DHTE's capital investment in the project 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 trucks 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 management, quality procedures, manufacturing process, services and support, and the marketing and sales, to satisfy the assignment in conjunction with Elite.

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 quarter 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 markets 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 \$336.1 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 million from \$176.5 million in 2009.

Gross profit for the quarter ended December 31, 2010 increased to \$266.8 million from \$211.1 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 million, representing 70.0 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 continued growth," said Chairman and CEO Jim McElyea. "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 eagle 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 capitalizing on entertainment for the entire 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, tattoos, 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 shoppers. 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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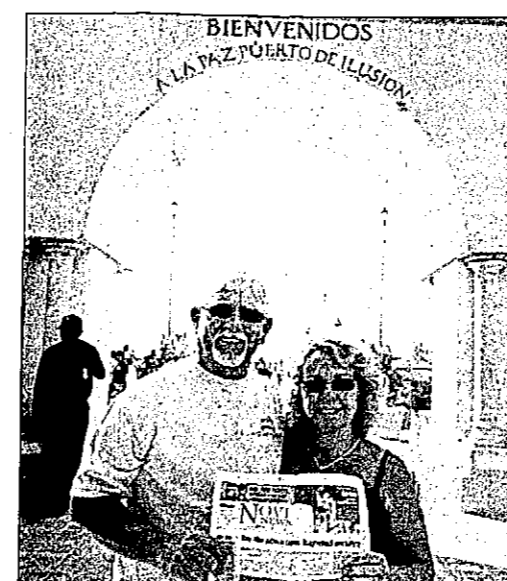
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Wish you were here

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 Tallon, a 53-foot Gulf Star built in 1977 for a week's 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 150-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 Ensenada 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 sunset. 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."

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 outstanding support to public recreation and park programs in their communities.



Frick

Frick has spent countless hours coaching basketball, t-ball and soccer, teaching sportsmanship, 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 passion 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 volunteering 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 year-round recreational activities and events.



Wish you were here

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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 lights. This hour of darkness can actually be enlightening when you consider that you're one of millions across the globe who are making a statement that you're not only aware of climate change but you're willing to do something about it in your own home and community. Earth Hour is an international event sponsored by the World Wildlife Federation. This worldwide initiative is designed to express global solidarity in the commitment to controlling 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 are participating include Washington, D.C., Chicago, New York, and 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, reducing our waste, reusing what we can, planting trees and flowers, 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 businesses switched off their lights for one hour. The message has since grown into a global sustainability 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 www.earthhour.org.

COMMUNITY VOICE

We asked some attendees of the Feb. 24 Outdoorama in Novi, "What's your favorite outdoor sport to do in the metro Detroit area?"



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



"I go boating and canoeing. I love the Metroparks and Commerce Lake." Josh Elwood Novi



"I flyfish the Huron River in the Milford area and also fish Paint Creek near Rochester." Peter Albertson Northville



"My favorite thing to do is cowboy action shooting, which we do at the Western Wayne County Conservation Club near Northville." Linda Jackson Wayne

LETTERS

Gatt for mayor

I was recently made aware of the fact that Bob Gatt is running 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 Chiefs 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 or concerned about the city to day business or the future of Novi than Bob Gatt. I would highly recommend Bob Gatt 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 losing almost all pensions and getting rid of other income tax deductions including the Earned Income Tax Credit. In case you hadn't noticed, this is a tax increase for seniors and low-income families. So where is the shared sacrifice? 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 \$18

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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 budget? Where are the dollars coming from to balance the budget? He just gave it away to businesses. Show us the numbers!

In addition, in the financial manager legislation, the governor gives the financial manager the power to suspend elected officials within school districts and local communities if he deems a community or school district is in financial difficulty. What happened to the democratic process? What happened to our right to elect our local officials and school board members?

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 communities and school districts into financial difficulty. And who decides if they need a financial manager? The governor!

So what is the real agenda here?

Karen R. Zyczynski Novi

Bowl-athon thanks

Thank you to all those bowlers, businesses, and sponsors that made the 29th annual Novi Youth Assistance Bowl a success. I would like to thank our sponsor Providence Park Hospital. Our lane sponsors: Novi Bowl, Lee Begole, Dr. Robert K. Brateman, M.D., PC, Catholic Central High School, Church of the Holy Family, Community Financial

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More: For a complete listing of local and regional events, see the Novi Calendar online at www.hometownlife.com. Submit: Send calendar submissions via e-mail to cstoney@gannett.com; by fax to (248) 349-9832; or by mail to Novi News, 101 N. Lalayette, South Lyon, MI 48178. Items must be received by noon on Monday to be included in Thursday's newspaper.

LOCAL EVENTS

Novi Co-op Preschool Open House Time/Date: 5-8 p.m. Thursday, March 24 Location: 41671 West Ten Mile Road (in the Novi Methodist Church) Novi Details: A play-based kindergarten readiness program for 2- to 5-year-olds. Bring your family and meet our teachers, talk to some of the parents and explore the classroom. For more information visit www.novipreschool.com or find on Facebook. Contact: (248) 349-3223

Novi Community Schools Kindergarten Parent Orientation Time/Date: 7 p.m. Tuesday, March 29 Location: All elementary school buildings Details: Contact the school principals for more information: Deerfield, Richard Njus, (248) 449-1700; Orchard Hills, Paul LePine, 449-1400; Novi Woods, Pamela Outiquit, 449-1230; Parkview, Jennifer Michos, 449-1220; Village Oaks, Sue Burnham, 449-1300.

Novi Community Schools Health Curriculum Public Forum Time/Date: 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 12. Location: Instructional Technology Center, located on Tall 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: 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 12 and 6:30-8 p.m. Thursday, April 14 Location: Novi Public Library, 42555 West 10 Mile Road Details: Join Wealth Managers



Business & Taste Expo

Businesses in the Novi area will get a chance to show off once again at the third annual Business and Taste Expo at the Barontie Renaissance from 3-6 p.m. on March 29. It will feature more than 40 businesses (like Bryce Avery Design's Tezza Martin, pictured) ranging from home improvement, health and fitness, 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 expo or to register for a booth, call (248) 349-3743 or visit www.novichamber.com. Tickets for the event are \$5 at the door.

Walter J. Powrozek, CWS, Joseph J. Lezotte, CWS, and Ray Dryer, along with the Novi Library's 'Savvy Social Security Planning: What Baby Boomers Need to Know to Maximize Retirement Income.' Reservations are free, but seating is limited. Contact: (877) 557-4462 or visit www.123RetirementPlanning.com Book It! Fundraiser for Novi Public Library Time/Date: 6-9 p.m. April 15 Location: Novi Public Library, Ten Mile and Tall roads Details: Enjoy food by Carrabba's; wine/beer/cash bar; live jazz; putting contest with fun prizes; silent auction from 6-8 p.m.; live auction starting at 8 p.m.; \$10 per person; after 5 p.m. attire: 21 and older. Contact: (248) 869-7024 or visit www.novilibrary.org

Borders Books Location: Novi Town Center Contact: (248) 347-0780 Children's Storytime Time: 2 p.m. Saturdays Details: Gather round for a fun story suitable for children of 6 years old and under. Lego Racers Event Time/Date: 2 p.m. March 26 Details: Lego fun for children aged 8-12; join for building activities and more. Kristi Yamaguchi "Dream Big, Little Pig" reading and signing Time/Date: 6 p.m. March 30 Details: 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 the ice, and is one that she aspires to instill in the hearts of children. Poppy the little pig achieves her dreams and will inspire readers to believe that they can too. Sun, Water & Seeds 4-H Club Time/Date: 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays Location: Tollgate Education Center, 2815 Meadowbrook Road, Novi Details: A 4-H youth garden and farm stand where kids learn about plant science, nutrition and entrepreneurship by raising produce for sale. The Club is seeking new members to join in the planting, planning and more. Contact: sunwaterseeds@gmail.com or (248) 956-0029 TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) Time/Date: 11 a.m.-noon every

Wednesday Location: The group has moved from the Senior Center to the Belmont Clubhouse at Fox Run on 13 Mile between M-5 and Meadowbrook. Contact: Deloris Roman at (248) 668-8660 for additional information. American Legion Post 19 Monthly Meeting Time/Date: 7 p.m. Third Tuesdays Location: Rock Financial Showplace, Grand River Avenue between Tall and Beck roads Details: Comrades and fellow veterans, please join these monthly meetings; attendance is needed to maintain and grow the Post. Contact: Commander Dennis Strickus (248) 378-7841 or dstrickus@twmtr.com or Service Officer Paul Erickson (248) 344-7193 or pnerick@aol.com.

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focused on building relationships. The Sunrise Networking Group, LLC (www.sunrisenetworkinggroup.com), or SNG for short, is a group of about 250 business leaders who help each other to build more business by referring people to each other. Cost of breakfast is \$10. Contact: Fonda Milana 586-232-3009 or fmlana@sunrisefinancialgroup.com American Business Women's Association - Novi Oaks Charter Please see CALENDAR, A16

Out On The Town Check out these local businesses. Many are offering great values and are ready to serve you... ENJOY!

Live Professional Theatre Close to Home! T Point Theatre March 24 - April 30, 2011 "The Cocktail Hour" by A. R. Gurney March 24-April 30, 2011 A comedy over drinks. Directed by James R. Kuhl Featuring: Julia Glender, Thomas D. Mihalik, Angela Miller, Brian Sage

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GUEST COLUMN

MSU and Mott Foundation team up to reinvent Michigan

Green! Sorry, this column is not about Sparty basketball or football. It is about something 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 (www.primacivitas.org). The PCF is a community eco-

nomic nonprofit that is working to build a new, sustainable economy for Michigan. The PCF began as 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, community colleges, intermediate school districts, local economic development groups, workforce development agencies, and other local and regional

partners, PCF seek to bring about foundational change to the culture of Michigan's economy, while stimulating activity for job creation and retention." The leadership comes from Michigan State University President Lou Ann Simon and the C.S. Mott Foundation. The new statewide mission is to tap knowledge to assist communities and business transition and grow in our hyper-competitive, disruptive, global, knowledge economy where ideas and jobs move around the world effortlessly. MSU 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 president 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 economic 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 statewide. Tom Watkins is a proud MSU grad and served the citizens 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, Fla. He can be reached at: twatkins@aol.com.



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Novi Chamber of Commerce
The Novi Chamber of Commerce is an active, progressive chamber offering a variety of events, educational programs, an enhanced Web site, and involvement with local charities.
Location: 41875 11 Mile Road, #201, Novi
Contact: For more information, call (248) 349-3743 or www.novichamber.com.
3rd Annual Novi Chamber Business and Taste Expo
Date: Tuesday, March 29
Location: The Baronette Renaissance Hotel, 27790 Novi Rd., Novi
Details: Speaker is from 3-4 p.m.; booths open from 4-6 p.m.; \$175 per vendor booth; pre-registration, \$5

admission
Metro Novi BNI
Time/Date: 7-8 a.m. every Wednesday
Location: On the Border Restaurant, 21091 Haggerty Road (north of Eight Mile), Novi
Details: BNI is a structured networking environment for professionals. The Metro Novi BNI team members are committed to providing bona fide referrals to each other. Members learn how to create and refine an "elevator speech," develop a broad network of other business professionals in the community and receive training/education on networking more efficiently. Guests are invited to attend free of charge. Continental breakfast provided.
Contact: For more information, contact Julie Paquette at 248-797-1665 or juliepaquette67@gmail.com; www.metrobninovi.com.

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

41671 W. 10 Mile Road
Details: Lunch is \$10 at meeting. Visitors welcome. Check Web site for speaker information; novirovity.org.
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May 4-22: "Bad Dates"
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Monday Evening Book Discussion
Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. Monday, April 4
Details: Join your neighbors for a lively discussion of Mudbound by Hillary Jordan.
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 register.
Slip Into Spring Craft
Time/Date: 3-4 p.m. Tuesday, April 5
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: 11:45 p.m. Wednesday, April 6
Details: Ordinary household items 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-4.
Antique Appraisal Clinic
Time/Date: 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Friday, April 9
Details: Friends of the Novi Library and the Novi Historical Commission are proud to have representatives 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.
Snack Tales
Time/Date: 7:45 p.m. Monday, April 11
Details: Each time we meet you will get a chance to listen to some great stories and cook up a tasty snack! For grades K-4. Registration required.
A Journey Through Detroit Tigers' History
Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. Monday, April 11
Details: Author Tom Stanton will take Detroit Tigers fans on a personal journey through four generations of baseball history. A longtime journalist, Stanton is author of four baseball books and recipient of the 2008 Michigan Author of the Year Award.

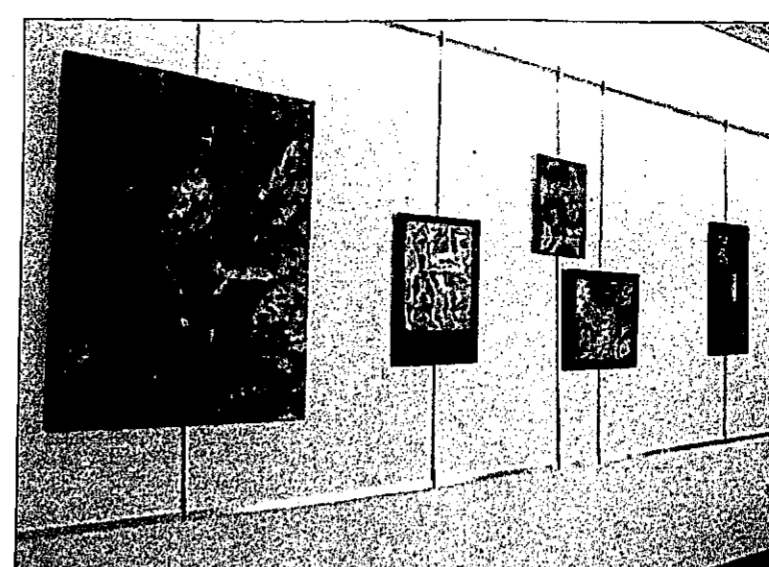
count as volunteer time. For grades 9-12. Don't forget to wear your blue TAB shirt.
Novi Writers' Group
Time/Date: 10:30 a.m.-noon Saturday, March 26
Details: Writers' groups can be a great way to make connections in the writing and publishing world and to get critiques that will improve your skills 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, Kathy Hutch. 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 spirit of reading! 5th and 6th grade students read from a list of six books and then 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 battle. At the Novi Civic Center.
Lego Club
Time/Date: 6-6:45 p.m. Monday, March 28
Details: Join us once a month for Lego show-and-tell and building activities. We supply the Legos, you supply the imagination. For grades K-4.
Teen Lock-In
Time/Date: 7:10-30 p.m. Friday, April 1
Details: Join us for our first ever 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 1.
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.

Road renamed Nick Lidstrom Drive

Arena Drive in Novi will be 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 giveaways, refreshments and hockey-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 (formerly Rock Financial Showplace), 46100 Grand River, Novi. Presented by Providence Park Hospital and the Providence Health Foundation, this first annual "friend-raiser" features Jean Meyer, president of Providence Park Hospital, and seeks to connect with women, strengthen relationships and meet the health needs of women in the surrounding communities. The afternoon will include a welcoming reception, plated luncheon, an informative program presented by Amyre Makusson, remarks from Jean Meyer, and an entertaining performance by Mary Faktor entitled "The Six Ages of Woman," a comedy about love, marriage, kids, careers, housework and aging. The goal of this first-time event is to establish a network of area women who are



'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 in Novi. This 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).

and spiritually based, holistic care of chronic health conditions, the Women's Health Initiative will uniquely position 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 luncheon, an informative program presented by Amyre Makusson, remarks from Jean Meyer, and an entertaining performance by Mary Faktor entitled "The Six Ages of Woman," a comedy about love, marriage, kids, careers, housework and aging. The goal of this first-time event is to establish a network of area women who are

interested in becoming more involved with the work of Providence Park Hospital and future 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 also inviting family members, friends, neighbors and colleagues to join in the occasion at a table decorated to reflect a specific culture, heritage or ethnicity. Space is limited to the first 200 guests, so please register early to reserve a seat. Tickets for the "Women of the World" event are \$40 per

person or \$360 for a table of 10. Call Lorraine Owezarek 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 1. The gala is a fundraiser for The Education Foundation Scholarship Fund, which awards tuition scholarships each quarter to students enrolled at AIM. The event features sweet and savory menu offerings prepared by students enrolled in AIM's culinary program. Design and media arts students also will display

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 cash, check or money order. Credit card payments are accepted only via The Education Foundation website at <http://www.educationfoundation.org/contribute.php>. For more information, please contact Lisa McClain at (248) 675-3537.

Mother knows best

Local women and girls are invited to send us (in 50 words or less) the best advice you received from your mom. Include a photo of your mom or, better yet, of you and your mom. E-mail your best submission and photo (jpg format only) to cstone@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

Rotary has long been committed to creating peace in the world and the Rotary Peace Fellowship program was developed to meet this very need. For the Rotary Peace Fellowship recruitment process for 2012, Rotarians are asking alumni to look to their colleagues, friends and possibly to themselves and see who could be a future world peace

leader through the Rotary Peace Fellowship. Rotary Peace Fellows are awarded 15-24 month fellowships to earn master's degrees in Peace and Conflict Resolution. They study at one of five Rotary Peace Centers all over the world and complete a summer internship in the field. Applicants may also apply for the three-month professional development certificate in peace and conflict resolution. The program is located in Bangkok, Thailand and runs twice a year. For more information on the Rotary Peace Centers, please visit our website at www.rotary.org/rotarycenters.

Salvation Army family programs open

The Salvation Army Farmington Hills Corps Community Center, which also serves the communities of Novi and Wixom, will open registration for its family Vacation Bible School program, "Minute to Win It: Family Edition" April 4. Its after-school ST RIVE hockey program opened for registration on March 14. The Corps is located at 27500 Shawwassee Rd. in Farmington Hills. The Minute to Win It: Family Edition program will run April

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NOVI POLICE BRIEFS

Drunk driver with knife arrested

A 27-year-old Northville man was arrested at 2:40 a.m. on March 20 for drunk driving and possession of a dangerous weapon after being stopped by Novi police for speeding on Novi Road near Twelve Mile Road.

According to the police report, the vehicle was going 50 miles per hour in a 40 mph zone before being stopped. When the officer approached the car, he could smell a strong odor of intoxicants coming from inside the car, and the driver admitted to having two mixed drinks at the bar.

The man failed field sobriety tests and a preliminary breath test registered a blood alcohol content of .19 percent. The legal limit for adult drivers in Michigan is .08 percent.

The officer also found a large machete knife on the floor of the car when he approached the vehicle, and the man said it was only in the car because he was moving.

The knife was confiscated by police and the driver was transported to the police department where he was issued a citation on the two charges and released when sober and after posting bond.

Tires taken off car in sale lot

A Novi police officer was checking the Suburban Chrysler lot on Haggerty Road on March 20 when he found a 2011 black Dodge Charger on blocks.

The officer was in the lot because of a suspicious person complaint, and found no other vehicles were damaged. All four tires were taken off the Charger and have a value estimate of \$800.

Police have no suspects at this time.

Money, credit card stolen from woman at club

A Farmington Hills woman had money, two credit cards and a debit card stolen from her wallet while she was at 29 Park around 12:30 a.m. on March 13.

The woman told police she placed her wallet on the table and when she turned around

to talk to a friend it was stolen. She said she reported the theft to management and the bouncer, and at the end of the night someone at the club turned in her wallet without the money and cards.

She called her credit card company to cancel them, but two transactions had already occurred at a 7-11 in Farmington and MGM in Detroit. The total amount charged was over \$300.

The woman said a Farmington police officer told her there was video of the suspect using her card at the 7-11.

The case is still under investigation.

Windshields smashed at apartment complex

Two cars parked in the apartment complex on Springlake Boulevard had their windshields smashed by an unknown person while they were parked overnight on March 21.

According to the report, the one woman said she didn't hear anything suspicious overnight and does not know who would have done it.

Police found no evidence at the scene and have no suspects.

Car window smashed, items stolen

A Ford F-150 was broken into between 6:15 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. on March 19 while it was parked in the south lot of Lifetime Fitness on High Pointe Boulevard.

According to the report, the rear driver's side window was smashed to gain access to the truck. Taken from inside were a purse, prescription sunglasses, three credit cards, two debit cards and a driver's license.

The victim said someone must have watched her put her purse under the seat before she entered the gym.

Northville Township police recovered the purse at a Meijer's in their city and advised there might have been fraudulent charges made on the credit cards.

Police are continuing to investigate and have no suspects at this time.

—Compiled by staff writer Nathan Mueller

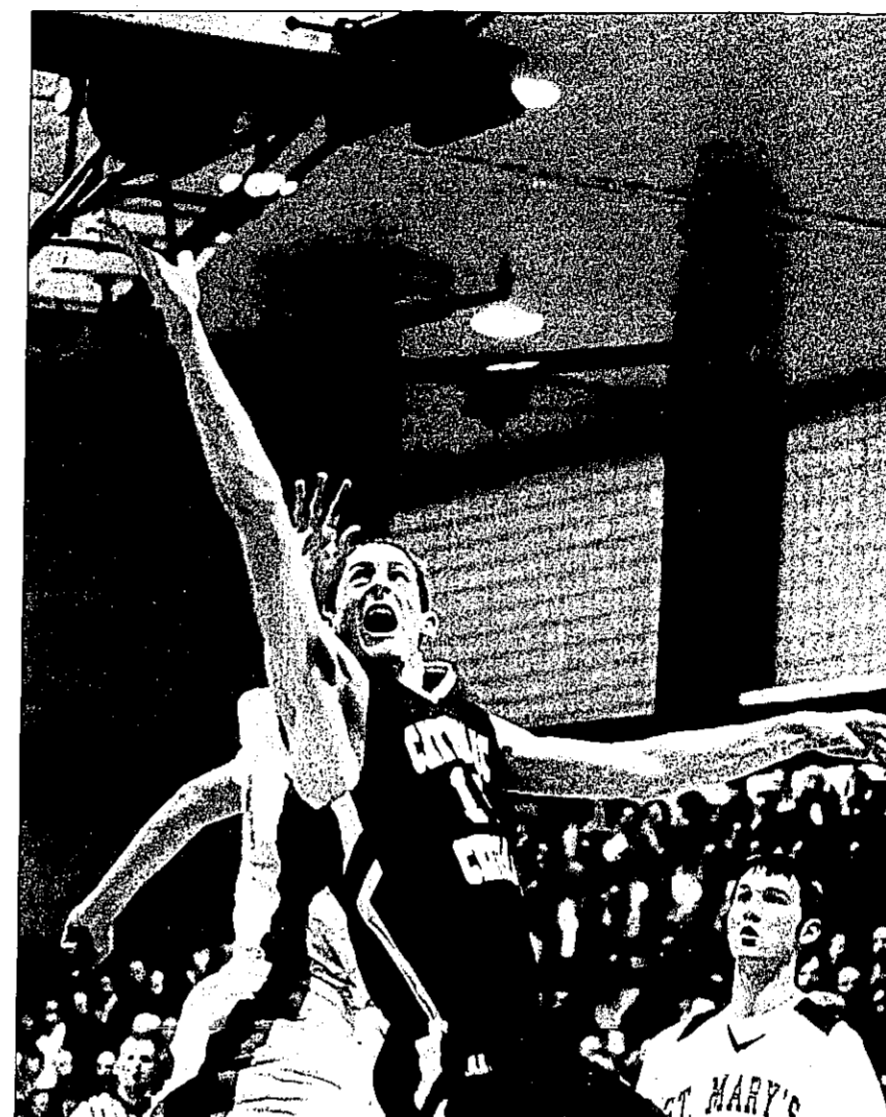
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19-22 from 5-7 p.m. and will include dinner, games and devotions. The program is free and open to families with children 16 and under. Child care will be provided for infants. Availability for the program is on a first come, first served basis and early registration is encouraged. The Salvation Army's

STRIVE floor hockey program season will begin March 31 and is open to second through ninth grade students. Parents must provide proof of grade. Cost is minimal, however, team spots are limited. To learn more about The Salvation Army of Farmington Hills after school programs or to register, please call Julie Dorony at (248) 477-1153 extension 106. See our online images. You can see staff photo-

grapher John Heider's photos in print in the Novi News and Northville Record, but don't miss his videos of the Super Gardener, a young moth rancher and the Novi girls state soccer match. His photo galleries feature the Farmers' Market, Buy Michigan Now Festival, the Michigan Art Institute's open house, Novi High's Band Camp and much, much more. Visit hometownlife.com every day and see what's new!



CC's Kyle Cooper goes in for a layup against Orchard Lake St. Mary's in the regional final game. The Shamrocks fell, 49-48, in Ann Arbor.

Catholic Central bows out of state playoffs

BY SAM EGLESTON
CORRESPONDENT

The Detroit Catholic Central Shamrocks boys basketball team knew that every step they took into the state playoffs was going to prove their toughest challenge to date.

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 foe 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

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.

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 succeeding as they led, 20-19, at the half before increasing that lead 35-26 by the end of the third quarter.

The difference maker was Allen Robinson, who seemed to be able to do no wrong in the fourth quarter 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

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

Marsha Reid, who has coached the girls track team for the past years and also 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 student-athletes to make an impact and ensure a seamless transition since both programs already worked so closely together.

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

The program is coming off a successful 2010 season where the girls won division and association crowns and the boys took home a conference title.

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 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 Masseran will handle middle-distance events such as the 400- and/or 800-meter runs.

The girls team will look to fill a field event gap left by All-State graduate Kaitlyn Shear (pole vault).

Freshman Abby Downs could provide help in the pole vault, as well as high jump and hurdling events. Freshman 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 level 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 junior Jasmine Ward will provide her 100- and 200-meter regional-title-winning 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 sophomore Jacee Hood.

"Solid anchor for relays and sprint

Girls Coach: Marsha Reid
Last Year: 6-0, finished first in KLAACentral, won KLAAC title

Key Returning Players: Juniors Kelly McCloskey, Jasmine Ward, D'Mya Davis, sophomores Jacee Hood, Jackie Mullins and senior Brooke McMahan

Biggest Internal Challenge: Field events

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 KLAACentral, won KLAAC title

Key Returning Players: Seniors Derek Kim, DeAndre Fordham Johns, Joe Schubring and junior Zack Masseran

Biggest Internal Challenge: Filling gaps left by graduates

Quote: "I think the biggest challenge for me personally is getting to know both programs 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, sophomore 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 events.

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 side.

"We hope to contend, but graduated (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

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, Novi coach Brad Huss already has a good idea of who some of his team members could be as the week continues.

"We have a nice crew of kids," Huss said. "We're excited about the prospects. Even though those kids are young, they're not inexperienced. They've played a lot of golf."

Huss said about 36 kids 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 surprises during tryouts, senior Sam Palmer, junior Johnny Walker and sophomores Brad Kozinski and Jason Carless are expected to 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

NOVI BOYS GOLF

Coach: Brad Huss
Last Year: 4-6, finished fourth in KLAACentral
Key Returning Players: Senior Sam Palmer, juniors Johnny Walker, sophomores Brad Kozinski and Jason Carless
Biggest Internal Challenge: Youth
Quote: "I haven't been as excited about a young kid coming 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 summer tournaments," Huss said. "I haven't been as excited about a young kid coming in a while now, a few years."

With so many other freshmen 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 necessarily 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. "It's 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 freshman 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 for 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 15, Mike Millwork Invite April 17 and West Bloomfield Invite April 25 first.

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

Core of starters return for defending state champions

Gauruder, Caruso return for Novi kickers

BY CHRIS JACKETT
CORRESPONDENT

After winning their fourth Division I state title in the past six years, Novi's girls soccer team has several of the key pieces back in place for a repeat.

Senior goalkeeper Gabby Gauruder, reigning All-Area Player of the Year Nicki Caruso and the rest of the offensive line all return from the Wildcats' 21-2-2 campaign last spring.

"We didn't graduate a ton of starters, but we graduated a lot of people, lost a lot of depth," Novi coach Brian O'Leary said. "Offensively, we're good. Defensively, we're a little behind because we've got to replace three of our four starters."

O'Leary has 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 season while new defensive combinations are tested.

"It's always good to have a quality goalie coming back, especially when we graduated so many defenders," O'Leary said.

Gauruder allowed just eight goals in 25 games last season, amassing 18 shutouts.

Northville was the only team to score more than one goal on the Wildcats, as the Mustangs went 1-0-1 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 division."

With defensive questions lingering, junior Katie Ruzdzinski's returning role on the back line will be increasingly important. Seniors Marissa Muscio, Naomi Kaira, juniors Lauren Pollard, Katie Seelenbinder, Taylor Shaw, sophomore Kaylin Hoomaian and freshman Jacqui



Novi's Nicki Greenhalgh races for the ball during the Wildcat's matchup at Northville last season.

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, Nicki Greenhalgh, Molly Krick, juniors Jessica Jarvis, Katie Ruzdzinski 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 O'Leary said.

Kozlowski are all listed as defenders who will compete for the other three starting positions.

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

groups, so much that most do not play together or even against one another during the off-season.

"Most of them are a huge part of their club soccer team, but then they get to high school," O'Leary said. "In kids, they're playing against their own age."

"With the competitive grouping that creates varsity high school soccer squads, the Wildcats will look for offensive success where they found it before. Caruso, who led the team with 19 goals and 27 points last season, will spearhead the Novi forwards again with major contributions from junior midfielder Kelli Timar (five goals, 10 assists), senior forward Nicki Greenhalgh (seven goals, four assists) and junior 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-coming 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 KLAAs 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 season.

After that, the team hopes to add a few non-division games before their April 12 league matchup with rival Northville.

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Novi netters return strong trio

Uncertain lineup expected to compete

BY CHRIS JACKETT
CORRESPONDENT

With five of the team's top eight players graduating, representing 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 at two singles last season while earning KLAAs and regional championships en route to an All-State finish that wrapped up in the state 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 players we've 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 head the Novi forwards again with major contributions from junior midfielder Kelli Timar (five goals, 10 assists), senior forward Nicki Greenhalgh (seven goals, four assists) and junior Jessica Jarvis (six goals, four assists) also lending a hand.

All-State semifinals, KLAAs and regional champions. Riegel went 17-5 with Andrea Lollo at two doubles, winning the KLAAs title and finishing second at Regionals.

The rest of the lineup is still undecided, 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 KLAAs," 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 where we're balanced to compete to the best of our ability."

Early on in the season, Hanson said the likely singles lineup consists of senior Ashley Aljadhli, sophomore Rebecca Chen and freshman Asawari Kanitkar taking care of two through four singles.

"We've got a tough schedule, so the girls are going to have to grow up fast," Hanson said. "You're going to get better by playing the better teams."

The doubles lineup will be much trickier as pairings develop chemistry and newcomers join the mix.

Juniors Emily Kwederis and Ori Nagasaka are likely to compete at two doubles, moving up the flight levels from

NOVI GIRLS TENNIS

Coach: Jim Hanson

Last Year: 11-3, finished second in KLAAs Central, won conference, KLAAs and regional titles, finished fourth in Division I

Key Returning Players: Senior Abby Wang, seniors Jenna Snyder and Meggie Riegel

Biggest Internal Challenge: Finding the best lineup

Quote: "We've got a tough schedule, so the girls are going to have to grow up fast," coach Jim Hanson said.

last year.

"They're going to have to step up their game and help us out," Hanson said.

From there, other teams include junior Emily Sheeran and sophomore Caitlin O'Brien, senior Meng Meng Jie and freshman Amy Zhou, juniors Angela Huang and Alice Jiang, and some combination of seniors Katie Murphy, Nikhita Surapaneni and junior Natalie Doherty.

"We're going to have to sort the lineup out. We've got seven kids coming back," Hanson said. "I think we can put a competitive team together for Novi High School. All the kids have improved. It'll be a fun season."

O'Brien played one singles last year and Murphy is joining the tennis squad after three seasons with the track team.

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

"She's played tennis before, just not for the high school. She's very fast on her feet."

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 where we're balanced to compete to the best of our ability."

"They're two very nice players. They can play singles or doubles."

"The Wildcats will have their hands full, as rival Northville returns three of four singles players and many of their doubles teams from a team that finished fifth in Division I last year."

"Northville's 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 standings last year. You can't overlook anyone."

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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 16-16 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 are juniors and the other six are seniors who were varsity as freshmen, making for a very experienced squad.

"They've been on the 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," Lulek said. "Maddy is our veteran outfielder. She's been there since she was a freshman. She's been All-League, All-District and she's one of the best outfield-

ers I've ever coached, so I'm proud to have her as the general out in center field."

Although Sinkovich and Kolis have their positions in the lineup set, the leadoff position is still a battle between junior Abby Robinson and freshman Laura Oakley, the only varsity player not graduating within the next 15 months.

"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 on where I want her," Lulek said, noting that Robinson could bat sixth or Oakley fifth. "Oakley's got nice power, too. The nice thing about Laura is that she's a left-hander and has got



Seniors Kimberly 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 ball 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 freshman, that's the only thing I worry about is that, the mental 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 got a cannon for an arm," Lulek said. "Oakley's a left-handed first basemen, and the outfield, she'll play left fielder at times. But a very good infielder with a very good arm and very good knowledge of the game, really good knowledge for a freshman. As far as a hitter, she hits the ball very good, has good bat control. We're really pleased. She'll bat somewhere high in the order."

Although the pair of underclassmen fielders are promising, seniors Meaghan Robinson and Kimberly Powers join Sinkovich and Kolis as captains who will start scattered throughout

NOVI SOFTBALL

Coach: Bob Lulek
Last Year: 16-15, finished fifth in KLAAs 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 league now does not take us as a cupcake anymore. I have all the tools. This is one of the best teams I've ever had," coach Bob Lulek said.

out of 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 now. 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 that."

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 pitcher. She's good, but she has to get 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 yet who is the number one, but right now I'm going to say Rebecca is going to get the shot."

Lulek said Marra's consistency 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 senior 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 merced 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. "I 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 doubleheader at South Lyon.

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Catholic Central lacrosse team focusing on internal improvements

BY SAM EGGLESTON
CORRESPONDENT

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 experienced players who will be stepping into leadership roles this year.

Attacks Mitch Burgin and Tim Urso are back, along with mid-fielder Mike Birney and defenseman Trevor Kujawski this season. They'll be doing more than just turning in impressive performance on the field this year, however, as each has been selected to be captains on the team 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 problem.

The Catholic High School League title is one goal in mind for the Shamrocks, though that's 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.



Goalie Kevin Lerp and the Shamrocks went 18-4 last year. This season's squad returns Mitch Burgin, Tim Urso, Mike Birney and Trevor Kujawski.

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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 EGGLESTON
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There's no doubt that the Detroit Catholic Central Shamrocks 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 meets 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.

"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 campaign. "We will depend on our sprinters and distance (runners) to have a good season. Our hope is to keep everyone healthy."

That last part will be key for the Shamrocks, who have some amazing top-shelf talent. The team's best returning athletes will be responsible for teaching the younger members of the squad. Injuries will only hamper their progress.

The team will be looking to Jake Spuller and Billy Riga as the top returning sprinters this year, while George Durany 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 brothers Austin and John-Paul Zebrowski. In the hurdles and high jump, the Shamrocks will be relying on Mike Shearon and Jack Malinowski.

Magni is confident in his team's ability again this year, and if 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 Central.

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Novi alum survived brush with cardiac arrest

Kuhn relives last November in light of Leonard death

BY CHRIS JACKETT
CORRESPONDENT

When Wes Leonard hit the floor at Fenville (Mich.) High School March 3 after making the winning layup in overtime of a basketball game, and died soon after, it made national 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 Fenville two weeks ago wasn't an occurrence unique to that community. Student-athletes have run into similar troubles throughout 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 on the night of Nov. 5, 2009, Kuhn suffered a cardiac arrest and nearly died.

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

Kuhn, a member of Central Michigan University's track team, had participated in a condensed 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 Chippewa football team took the field against their rivals from Western 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' apartment about 10 p.m. It wasn't long before trouble occurred, but Kuhn was in good hands with fellow 2010 alum 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 or 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."

The group immediately began administering CPR, as they had learned how to do during a required course at Novi High School.

"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 he was having an asthma attack. Chris was giving chest compressions and I was holding his head because every time he gasped for air he banged his head against the floor."

About five minutes into the ordeal, police arrived, but weren't much help.

"They basically thought Brett was really drunk and just tried to give everyone MIPs," Slack said. "There was only one cop that was helpful, he drove us to the hospital. The police were 100 person unhelpful and I can't even express my frustration with that."

Keith said. "Chris started immediately giving him chest compressions. We first thought he was having an asthma attack. Chris was giving chest compressions and I was holding his head because every time he gasped for air he banged his head against the floor."

There's a 1.6 to 2.7 percent chance of survival in that situation," Keith said, noting that the chance of survival drops 8 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 reason 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 compressions. He was legally pronounced dead twice before he got to the hospital in Mount Pleasant," Slack said. "The CPR was definitely a big important aspect of the whole 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, emergency services realized that Brett's situation 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."



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

ON THE EDGE

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

"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 for 63 hours, which his father said brought more than 200 visitors to the hospital."

"It's 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 have a positive outcome."

Keith said the initial situation was very hard for the Kuhn family.

"The doctors told us there's no evidence to support a blockage and there was no swelling of his heart," Keith said. "The bottom of the heart was not ejecting the blood and the top was working harder. It was pumping it (at a rate of 400-500 beats per minute), but it wasn't ejecting it from the bottom of the heart."

"When we left the hospital, I didn't believe we'd see him alive again and he was alive the next morning."

Brett doesn't recall much of his hospital stay or the next month afterward.

"I think they put me in a coma to protect my brain," Brett said. "I remember waking up sometimes and walking around and having the worst balance."

That's the extent of his memories. Any discussions he had with friends and family were completely forgotten until six weeks later when they would sporadically tell him what was said.

"I told my mom I could take

work tougher for Brett, getting back into track workouts. After two months of recovery wasn't much different, except that he cannot do upper-body workouts that would stretch the muscles around the ICD. As a long jumper, triple jumper and sometimes sprinter, the lower-body workouts are more important than the upper-body ones.

"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 at 21 feet, 9.5 inches, so he hasn't lost a step.

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

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 learn 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 changes Brett has had to make.

"I can't take any stimulants. Adrenaline was a big part of my life in high school," Brett said. "Nothing really changed with what I've been eating."

Brett has attention deficit hyperactivity disorder (ADHD). Combined with short-term memory loss, getting back into the grind of schoolwork without Adrenaline has been a challenge.

However, the absence of Adrenaline may help Brett. With one of two formulas banned in Canada since 2005, the FDA-approved drug releases a psychostimulant dose used to treat ADHD.

"We believe Adrenaline was the cause of the whole thing," Keith said. "It's taken off the market in Canada."

Keith said nothing is conclusive, but some other young athletes who experienced cardiac arrests had been taking Adrenaline.

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 Iri Fischer's 2005 scare during a game against Nashville.

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

Although the lack of Adrenaline has made focusing on school-

HITTING HOME

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

"I was so saddened by it," Brett said. "I was out snowed out of my life by 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 death caused Brett to go back and look at Facebook messages friends and family left Brett the week-end of Nov. 5, something Brett hadn't completely gone through before."

Leonard's death inspired Brett 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 cardiac arrest during a 2000 water polo match at the scene because the school did not have an automated external defibrillator (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 because no one knows when such a tragedy will strike.

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

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Shamrocks golf team enters rebuilding year

BY SAM EGGLESTON
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Despite entering this season as the defending Division I state champions, the Detroit Catholic Central golf team won't likely be talking about a repeat anytime soon.

The squad, under the leadership of coach Bill Hayes, will instead be looking to simply learn from their mistakes early in the year and build up experience as quickly as they can. That's because the Shamrocks, unfortunately, are in a bit of a rebuilding year after losing the majority of their team to graduation last year.

"Experience will play a big factor in how we do as a team," said Hayes, who enters his 12th year as the team's head coach. He led them to state titles in 2003 and 2010.

The team captains will consist of Connor Sexton and Nico Colucci, both seniors, as well as junior Owen Franks. The problem is that all three of them will be trying to pick up experience a long the way. Two other key returning players are sophomore Charlie Green and junior Patrick Luther, as both are expected to compete for playing time.

Catholic Central will be looking to compete in the always-tough Catholic High School League and will focus on short-term goals before looking ahead.

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HOOPS

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ing 17 consecutive points, to bring his team back from a nine-point deficit to take the lead, 46-44, with just over a minute remaining in the game. Robinson ended the game with 34 points along with seven rebounds and three assists.

Catholic Central was led by Kyle Cooper, who scored 20 points in the losing effort.

For the Shamrocks, it was a tough way to end their season. They had faced Orchard Lake St. Mary's twice before, splitting the two regular-season games. The first contest ended with Catholic Central's sharpshooter Shea Kettner hit a long shot at the buzzer to win the game. The second contest was all St. Mary's, as they ran away with the victory.

The Catholic Central cagers end their year with a 16-9 record. They earned the right to play in the regional final with a surprising victory over Ann Arbor Huron.

The River Rats, which were 22-2 this year, were top ranked and expected to win. Catholic Central center Brandon Tammo scored 18 points, including 10 in the fourth quarter. Doneth scored 17 points for CC, and Cooper added 12, including a dunk with just over a minute remaining in the contest.

The Shamrocks also earned the district title with a victory over the Plymouth Canton Chiefs.

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Young sluggers look to fill gaps

Deep pitching rotation to carry Wildcats

BY CHRIS JACKETT
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Although losing 11 players to graduation can be crippling to most baseball programs, Novi coach Rick Green doesn't see it as a problem for the Wildcats.

The team finished last season 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 key players return.

"We're a young staff, but we have a lot of experience," Green said. "We've been working really hard in the offseason. We're going to be very athletic."

Senior Tyler Root will be the team's ace, returning after a 10-0 junior campaign on the mound. Root will pitch to returning senior catcher Marshall Howard.

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 position vacated by his brother Nick's graduation.

Seniors Michael Kruse, Chris Valade and Nick Bageris also return to the varsity lineup, providing some hitting consistency and depth. Valade will also be Novi's leadoff hitter, followed by Regnier, Kruse and Bageris will take on left field and third base, respectively.

A lot of players are still competing for starting positions throughout the lineup.

"We've got a lot of gaps to fill," Green said. "I think it's going to come down to replacing guys. We need to get stronger defensively if we want to compete in the state playoffs."

Junior Alex King and senior Zach Reilly are competing for the first baseman role, although Green said both are capable of playing third base or pitching.

The Wildcats' pitching staff 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 said Root, Regnier and Reilly will be the top three in the rotation, while senior Andrew Valade will likely handle closer 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."

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The Ann Arbor-based Michigan Juniors 18's volleyball team won the Asics Midwest Power League last weekend, beating out 15 teams from Michigan, Ohio and Indiana. Novi senior Laura Subject is an instrumental part of the victory.

NOVI ROUNDUP

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VOLLEYBALL

The Ann Arbor-based Michigan Juniors 18's volleyball team won the Asics Midwest Power League last weekend, beating out 15 teams from Michigan, Ohio and Indiana. The three-weekend tournament ended when the squad beat the top two seeds twice each in order to win the gold.

Coached by Mike Watkins and Chelsea Tiltonson, 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), Halle Baker (Wayne Land John Glenn) and Laura Subject (Novi). Not pictured are Kara and Nicole Kempinski (Livonia Churchill).

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 crosscountrycoachsmith@hotmail.com by the end of March.

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10 Things Smart Job Seekers Do

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

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 résumé 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 consulting company. "Analyze the job requirements against your own skills and abilities, and customize your cover letter." Obviously, all correspondence should be free of 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 applicants online, so you'll want to

be sure you know what they'll find," states Sherrie Madia, co-author 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 three-second window of time before he decides to either 'delete' or read further," says Patricia Rice, author of "How to Interview" and president of the recruiting firm Patricia & Associates in Dunkirk, Md. A smart applicant answers the 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. "Show enthusiasm during the job

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."

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!

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