

Kardashian fashion

The Kardashian sisters are introducing a line of clothing called the Kardashian Kollection at Sears, including the 12 Oaks Mall, and are planning a fun event on Friday, Sept. 9 in conjunction with this introduction. At 6 p.m., the Novi Sears store will be holding a fashion shov featuring the new Kardashian Kollection.

Andiamo's opens

The Andiamo Novi Theatre is bringing four new productions to the stage this fall and winter. Three shows in the series will be produced and directed by Michigan's newest professional the atre company, Happen Stance Productions, The productions are scheduled from Sept.-Dec.

The first show, "Bee hive: The 60s Musical Sensation", takes the stage Sept. 8-Oct. 9 with formances 8 p.m. Thursdays and Fridays; 5 and 7 p.m. Saturdays and 5 p.m. Sundays. "Beehive" is a high-energy musical revue trac-ing the coming of age of women's music through dozens of popular hits of the girl groups and solo singers of the 1960's. The Chiffons, The Supremes, Tina Turner, and Aretha Franklin are just some of the '60s pop stars' portrayed by the super talented cast.

The remaining three shows will be announced oon. Individual tickets may be purchased at the Andiamo Novi Theatre box office by phone at (248) 348-4448 (theater box office) or 1-800-745-3000 (Ticketmaster) or on-line at www.ticketm ter.com. Dinner & Show packages may only be purchased at the Andiamo

Novi Theatre box office. For more information visit www.andiamonovitheatre.com. The Andiamo Novi Theatre is located at 42705 Grand River Avenue, Novi.

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Novi schools stay at the top Deerfield Elementary among top 1 percent in state

By Nathan Mueller Staff Writer The Novi Community Schools district continues to put itself in

the discussion as one of the best in the state as its schools scored high on the state's top-to-bottom ranking for a second consecutive year.

There were more than 1,000 schools on the list — Novi had three schools in the top 10 percent and six in the top 15 percent in the state. Deerfield Elementary was one of only 30 schools that ranked in the top 1 percent "We are proud of our kids and what we are doing and the progress we are making, but like any thing else we have to get better," said RJ Webber, assistant superintendent for academics. The state ranks the schools

By Nathan Mueller

Staff Writer

Jim Farkas, like most people.

remembers exactly what he was

doing and where he was when the

took place. Watching on television as the sec-

tragic events of Sept. 11, 2001,

Novi Middle School: 10:15 a.m. to 2:21 p.m. Novi Meadows: 10:40 a.m. to Z:56 p.m. Deerfield Elementary: 11:35 a.m. to 3:51 p.m. Novi Woods Elementary: 11:05 a.m. to 3:21 p.m. Orchard Hills Elementary: 11:05 a.m. to 3:21 p.m. Parkview Elementary: 11:35 a.m. to 3:51 p.m. Village Oaks Elementary: 11:35 a.m. to 3:51 p.m.

based on academic achievement on standardized test, academic improvement, graduation rates and more Webber said while the rankings are nice, the results have taken too long to tabulate and the district is searching for data that is

more timely.

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who lost their lives on Sept. 11, 2001, and in honor of former Novi Fire Chief Art Lenaghar

of his age.

Novi's 9/11 firefighter monument in front of the Civic Center. It was placed there in memoriam of those firefighters

Events of Sept. 11 remain fresh in people's minds

At the time, the Novi resident

and Air Force veteran was in his

mid-60s, but that didn't keep him

he could help in any way. He said she didn't laugh at his request, but

politely turned him down because

from calling a recruiter to see if

Late start Students will have five days this school year where they can as the district is incorporating late start days into the schedule for the first time. The five days were part of the Novi Educational Association's new contract and will allow teach-

ers from all the schools to meet and discuss instructional ideas. Webber said it should help bring all the teachers and schools closer together "We asked ourselves 'Are we

communicating and collabo-rating as well as we could?" he said. "And our answer was 'No. we could be better.' We want to

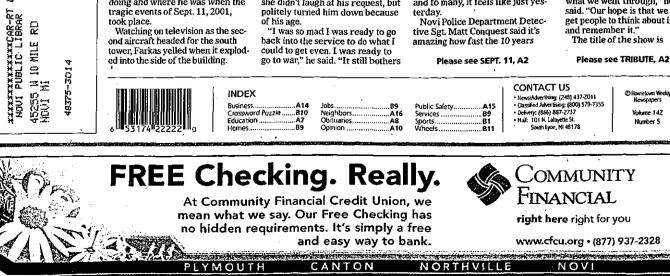
Singers to

Free concert takes place Sunday at

By Nathan Mueller

vitnessed the planes crash into the World Trade Center and the tragedy that ensued. Sunday marks 10 years there is a generation of people who do not remember So for Jim Farkas and the rest of the HarmonyTconcert at 3 p.m. on Sunday at Fuerst Park is on making "I think it's very important eren get people to think about it and remember it." The title of the show is

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LATE START DATES AND TIMES There will be five late start days during the 2011-12 school year: Sept. 28, Nov. 9, Dec.7, March 14 and May 16. The starting times on those days are as follows Novi High School: 9:45 a.m. to 2:01 p.m.

"What we put a lot of stake in is the individual progress of our kids and working with our teachers to see how we can help them," he said

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Sunday marks the 10th anniver-

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Novi Police Department Detec-

tive Sgt. Matt Conquest said it's

amazing how fast the 10 years

get a little extra morning sleep

use all of our resources together to be better." The five late start days during the 2011-12 school year are Sept. 28, Nov. 9, Dec. 7, March 14 and May 16. nmueller@gannett.com (248) 437-2011, ext. 255

pay tribute to 'Heroes of 9/11

Fuerst Park

Staff Writer

The events of Sept. 11, 2011, will forever be etched into the minds of those who since the attacks, and now that day and the effect it has had on the United States. 10 years and still not forgotten own Barbershop Chorus, the focus of their hourlong free sure the memories live on. for people like myself and others my age to make sure each year there is a memorial to that event so the young there to experience it know nia that killed almost 3,000 people, what we went through," he said. "Our hope is that we

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and the group will be singing several patriot-ic songs including "God Bless America," "You're a Grand Old Flag," "American the Beautiful"

sing-along portion, and if there is a good response

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those who saved others from the crowd, the conand in between songs oth er members of the group cert may extend past its hour time slot. will share their memories The group, which prac-tices in Westland, has from 9/11. felt by the people in the community so they know been around since 1941 and normally sings typthey have these kind of ical barbershop style songs from the early 1900s to the 1950s and people (in their police and

and more. There also is a

fire departments) work-60s. They do an annual ng for them," he said. show as well as making For more information oppearances at various about the group, visit www. events in the area. WeSingBarbershop.com. Farkas said for Sunday's show he will give an introduction that will

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talk about the events of

the day and highlight

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SEPT. 11 Looking back on it, he says it was a "sombering experience" and some-thing he will never for-Continued from page A1 have gone by, and

believes the event contin-ues to have an impact to "It definitely changed me," he said. "But as time goes on people tend to forget, unfortunately, and we need to be vigilant of the things around us and our surroundings. I our country isn't invinciole and we had to make don't think we can let our some changes," he said. sentiments, saying it's threats, the public safety important people honor the responders and civil-ians who died by never lepartment has changed forgetting. "We cannot afford to

forget about the lessons learned on that day," he said. "Those images must stay etched in our minds because as soon as we forget those images we drop our defenses and make ourselves vulnera-

Novi resident Bruce Jonasz said what has stood out to him over the years is the way the American people have responded and rebound-

"I think the strength of our country has shown through and we have been able to rebuild," he said. "It shows that they are not going to hold us down.

today than they were yes terday, it doesn't mean they are relaxing "As a citizen I think we

are safer, but that doesn't hone our skills to be prepared,'

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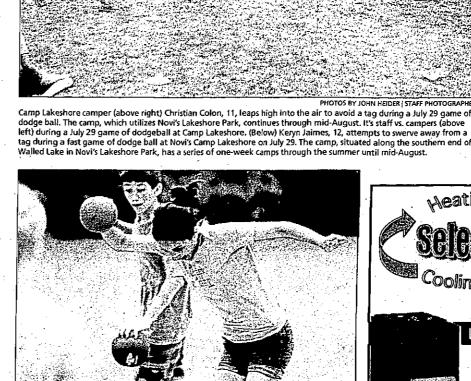
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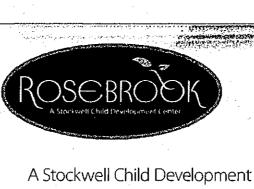
And while most peo-ple believe they are safer

mean the bad guys aren't going to stop trying," Evans said. "We need to constantly be trying to



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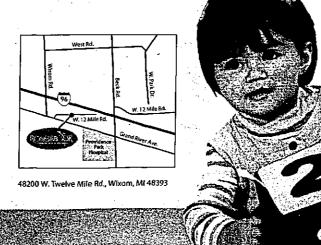
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this day. "We always believed we were invincible and i was a good example that

"We have stepped up

our way of policing as a

result of what happened on 9/11," he said, not-

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rounding areas. Jerry Holtzman, a phy-

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Novi, was part of the Disaster Medical Assis

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Local leaders don't share U-M survey views on Lansing gridlock By Julie Brown nendous amount to save the third leg in the stool, along with Northville's my, we'r holding lv, an improve

A recent University of Michigan study found iness among local unnappiness among local officials with state gov-ernment, but Northville Township Manager Chip

Snider isn't among them. "At the level this Board of Trustees operates, you don't see partisan politics," Snider said. 'Each and every munic ipal entity gets what I

think they create. This township board does not plan by accident." ownship leaders build

for the future financial-, working collaborative-A Snider said. He citd the Arboretum Pathway to run north from Six Mile's township hall to Seven Mile; it's to open in November and stop at the

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even natching roads and I'm proud of that," Snider said The 21 acres of the former psychiatric hospital were bought with bond money. "It has capabilities for retail, open space,

recreational, whatevracetrack in Northville. We view the city as er. Despite of the econo-

our own," the townschools, Snider said. "That's a prime example of a million dollar pathship manager said. Northway" with significant funding from the county and state through the ville's schools Michigan Department of Transportation, he said. accommodated with "These board members have been focus-

has used attrition and furlough days, "Nothing pulls a small community together like econom local Republican, found c strife. It causes everymoney for the pathway. body to sharpen their pencils," Snider said. when some people aren't

'Weathered the storm

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"Lansing has impact-ed us certainly but we've taken what's been given us. We've weathered the storm as best we can." Public safety went to full



vev was conducted as privatizing, and township part of the ongoing Mich-igan Public Policy Survey by U-M's Center for Local, State, and Urban Policy (CLOSUP) at the Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, Local officials are divided about Gov. Rick Snyder's job

performance, with 37 percent rating him as good or excellent and 22 percent giving him a poo rating. "I think he's making difficult decisions," Snid

er said. Snyder must remember "many communities have done a tre-

money and cut costs," both in salaries and benefits. "He needs to be reminded, many communities (are) making difficult decisions on their own He needs to give credit where credit's due," Snid

The new Michigan emergency manager law emerged earlier in 2011 and is included in the U-M survey.

"A lot of people are scared to death of emer gency managers," Snid-er said. If the township needs "an outsider with a briefcase to solve that problem then shame on . We knew we were in a financial decline and we had to accommodate it." Snider said dealings with state Rep. Kurt Heise and state Sen. Pat-

rick Colbeck, both Repub ans, are cordial. The two recently help to put the closed Scott Prison which had fallen into dis repair, up for sale. "So we are happy with the state representation we are getting here."

County Commissioner Cox was a great help with the pathway funds. "She had to hold onto that mon ey and she did at some discord." Snider said. She worked diligently to see that this pathway became a reality."

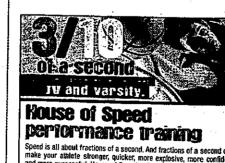
Friendly ties Northville City Manager Patrick Sullivan said. We have good relations with those folks also." Heise and Colbeck represent the Wayne County portion, with Mike Kow d) the state senator and Hugh Crawford the rep resentative for Oakland County's portion that includes Northville

"A manager's position is sort of unique. We have to work with people from both parties. We have had an effective relationship. When Marc Corriveau, a mocrat, was our representative, we had a great relationship," Sullivan

opportunity for change." Local officials are saying: "Let's try to get our changes thrown in the

thing to do in the long term," Sullivan said. He and other Northville leaders think communities should have ability to sell bonds to get those savwith legislators to bring that about.

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Since 1996, Northville also has had staffers pay a portion of health care, which several years ago was in the 15 percent range. "In future years as we renew contracts we will certainly be looking to increase that," Sullivan said. "Bankruptev is not a

good option for any of us," he said when asked about emergency man-agers, which have generated controversy else-where. Communities must provide police/fire services, and run elections. "Somebody has to do that. The work has to continue somehow. The city must be able to sell bonds to fund infra-

structure. "Right now, we are a very stable credit risk. We have to do some thing to avoid municipal bankruptcies." Sullivan added there are legal/ constitutional questions raised by emergency manager setups. "I'm sure we'll be see-

ing those things filter their way through the courts," he said, He doesn't remember getting the U-M survey but receives many like that. "There's not a day we don't get a request ivan said.

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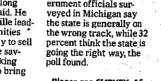
Pearson isn't irate over Lansing's direction. "From my perspective the governor's done a fine iob." said Pearson, citing a passed budget and good pointments. "I think he's off to a good start. Pearson agreed Novi works well with Lansing legislators, noting "I think it's still devel oping," with Kowail new to representing the area Hugh Crawford is "very involved in Novi events We know him and he

knows us well.' Pearson cited the Detroit-Windsor bridge crossing as a major development regionally; and as a positive He doesn't have much experience with emergency financial manag-

responded to that," he Half of the local government officials surveyed in Michigan say the state is generally or

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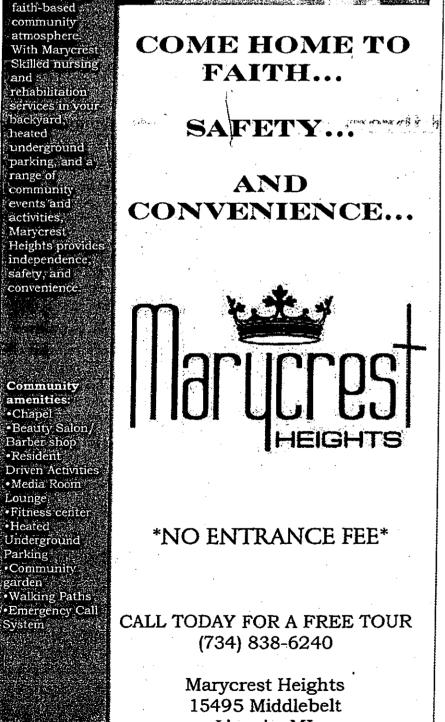
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professor of public policy and director of CLOSUP.

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er level of alignment in the views of our state and local policy makers In the first half of 2011, significant policy changes have reshaped the relationship between Michigan's state and local governments. Major levelopments include the new emergency manager law and revenue shar ing changes to incentivize local government reform This study finds mixed-reactions among

Michigan's local govern-ment leaders to these changes," Jacob said inated Lansing toward Snyder vs. Granholm There was also a the end of Gov. Granholm's tenure has been change in the governor's office, with Republican replaced by one-party Rick Snyder replacing Democrat Jennifer Gra Republican control and a stream of significant policy changes," Jacob Local officials are said. "While local offi-

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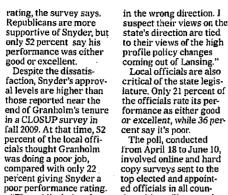
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raffle is a Hearts on Fire marks two special anni-Diamond necklace from versaries - the 20th year Orin Jewelers in Garden of the food and wine event and the college's 50th. City and Northville valued at \$3,400. Other raf-The extravaganza allows ts to sample a varifle prizes include \$500 h, \$250 cash (two winety of fine food, wine, bev ners) and dinner for two ages and desserts in one at the American Harvest afternoon, while at the Restaurant at Schoolcraft same time support student nolarships, Proceeds (three winners). For more information from the event provide

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Novi High School Student Ambassador Kelly Lewis, left, gives some helpful directions to incoming freshman Sam Troher during registration day on Aug. 25.

A welcoming sight

Student Ambassadors help freshmen transfers get used to high school

By Nathan Muelic Staff Writer

The bright green shirts worn by the Student Ambassadors at Novi High School made then stand out during freshnan registration on Aug. But for the nearly 100

 upperclassmen who signed up for the volunortunity, their role is the exact opposit They want the incoming freshmen and transfer students to not stand out. but seamlessly transition into the environmen at the school and not feel

out of place. "I think it means a lot to them to have someone there for them." aid junior Nirali Kadakia. "I don't know a lot of

chools that have something like this." All 506 freshmen at the high school received a hand-written letter from their ambassador this summer, and the students vill be available on the first few days of school to help them get acclimated. Junior Usha Gullapalli said she remembers being overwhelmed as a freshman, and believes having an upperclass to talk with will help a lot.

"They don't feel lik

they have to have their

gives a tour of the school to incoming freshman Ta'eya Dorris, left, and her mom Robin Bourd or the school to Novi High School Student Ambassador Nina Lee, center is, left, and her mom Robin Boyd on Aug. 25.

own clique to fit in," she cess that school officials wanted to bring it back And the ambassadors and get more upperclassalso are taking something men involved Principal Carol Diglio from the experience as said the response from

Junior Larry Rubel said he likes it because it has given him the chance to meet new people, while sophomore Brooke Calhoun said she knew what it was like to be a lost freshman and wanted to give back. The Student Ambassa-

dor program started last year and was such a suc-

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the upperclassmen was

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By Linda Ann Chomin Corresponden

Colleges accept both Students will soon be ACT and SAT scores. sitting anxiously, No. 2 pencil in hand, to take Anxiety is common during the timed tests, but the ACT. While Michigan can be avoided by heed ing counselors' advice requires all high school juniors to take the stanand taking a prep course. dardized test, it's espeif necessary, ACT test cially important if studates for the 2011-12 dents plan to attend college. Seniors can retake the test to increase their score. The higher the score, the better chance they will be admitted to the university of their

choice. There are actually several tests and strategies college admission officers shared as high school students head back to the classroom Along with the ACT, stu dents may take the SAT, an aptitude test, and the

Preliminary SAT (PSAT)

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school year are Sept. 10, Oct. 22, Dec. 10, Feb. 11, April 14 and June 9. Audrey Telfer, 17, of Plymouth won't be taking the ACT this year. She will be hard at work in her freshman year at Northwestern University in Illinois. The Salem High School graduate increased her score by taking a seven-week ACT

prep course in Ann Arbor

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Start of school means start of future

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By Steve Matthews

hen I was growing up both of ny parents were teachers. My mom taught for 36 years, 35 years as a first grade teacher and one-year as a second grade teacher. She taught for 33 years in the same lassroom. My dad taugh for 33 years, either fifth or sixth grade. His classrooms moved around a bit, although he did con-fide in me one time that he liked being in the portable classrooms because principals did not seem to isit as much out there. The start of school

was just a part of the rhythm of our house. Every August we would spend a few days getting ready - clothes, supplies and a new lock for the bike because I couldn't remember the old lock's combination. The week before school we would check to see who my teacher was going to be. Then it was time for school and off I went.

For the most part I liked going to school. I liked being around other students and I generally liked my teachers. There were times when I would struggle or when I didn't like my teacher all that much or when I wished summer would have last



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tant than ever for school to be more than just a good experience. School needs to prepare students for oppor nities as never before. Education has become a priority for our nation and state as we seek to remain competitive, pro vide good jobs and look to the future

Michigan Future, an organization designed, not surprisingly, to lool to the future, suggests that education must be оле of the key engines in helping our state remain competitive. If Michigan wants to continue to provide good, high paying jobs for the people who live in our state, we must have an educated ulation. Companies vill find talent and move to where the talent is located. School has taken on added importance Schools now are seen as a key player in econom velopment. Educated workers attract high quality companies

who will help commu-nities provide high pay-

ing jobs. The Novi Communi ty School District is com mitted to making sure that our students are prepared for the next step in their lives. We want to make sure that our students have the knowledge and skills to succeed after they graduate from high school.

That doesn't mean that everyone will go to a four-year college. What it does mean is that every one of our students will not only be prepared but will have a plan on where they want to go and how they will get there. If the plan is an apprenticeship or a two-year college, or a trade school or a fouryear school, or a graduate degree after four years of college, our students will be prepared. School started on Sept.

6. I am confident that not only will our teachers and staff provide a good expe rience for our students they will also provide a quality education.

Steve Matthews is the uperintendent of the Novi **Community Schools district** He can be reached at smat thews@novi.k12.mi.us; (248) 449-1204; www.twitter. com/docsmatthews; or www.novisuperintendent blogspot.com





the bar and restaurant, located at 24555 Novi Road, it recently opened after a major renovation to its premises and now offers WiFi service to its customers and the ability for waitstaff to display menu options via iPad to its visitors.



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BAYLEY, JACQUELINE ELIZABETH

Age 34, August 27, 2011, Beloved wife of Andrew, Funeral was Sat, at St. James Church, Condolences uneralhome com

CZEKAJ, STELLA R. Age 89, August 15, 2011, Funeral was Friday at St. James Catholic Church, Novi. Donations to St. John Hospice. Condolences: obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

EVANS, GLADYS LAPHAM Age 88, passed away peacefully on September 5th, 2011 al Angela Hospice in Livonia, Michigan with Hospice in Livonia, Michigan with her daughters (Stacey and Suzie) at her side, Glad was born in jaw, Saskatchewan, Canada on January 13, 1923 to Walter and lizabeth Lapham. After moving with her family to Mansfield,

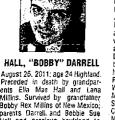
with her family to Mansfield, Illinois where she graduated from high school, she then attended the University of Illinois where she earned her Bachelor's Degree in Fine and Applied Arts Music and Speech Arts, While in college, she was a member of the Zeta Phi Eta Speech Arts, While in college, she was a member of the Zeta Phi Eta Speech Arts Fraternity and the Alpha Gamma Delta Sorority. Upon graduation, Glad became a flight attendant for American Aritines where she subsequently met the low of her life (Mavard) O. Fvans. ove of her life (Howard O. Evans r. "Tad") who was a pilot fo merican Airlines and had just fin

shed his service as a WWII Arm

Air Corps Captain and B-17/B-2 pilot in the European Theatre with the 8th Air Force. Glad was active involved in many activitie oughout her life with her great est passions being her family riends and music. While living in meo, Michigan she was the urch Organist at the Romeo ited Methodist Church, a Cub United Methodist Church, a Cub Scout Den Mother and very active in the school activities with her children. After moving to Northville, Michigan in 1962, she becarne very active in the First Presbyterian Church (Former Elder), The Northville Mother's Club (Past President), Northville Women's Cub, Northville Garden Club, The Farmington Seoior Center (Slaft Member, Director of Music, Director of Current Events. atc.). She then returned to college where she earned her Bachlors of the Arts in Gerontology from Madonna College in the 1990's. Additionally, she enjoyed playing bridge with her friends and loved gardening while supporting a Jnited number of charities in the Northville schools and throughout he community. A devoted mother and wife, Glad put her family above

the community. A devoted mother and wite, Giad put ther family above everything else. She will be deeply missed by her children, Steven Rvans (Linda) of Tallahassee. Florida, Stacey Becker (Gary) of Northville and the late Scott Howard Evans; ther grandchildren, (Li Steven Evans, dr (USN) of Virginia Beach, Virginia, Stephanie Mason (Dennis) of Housion. Texas, Jessica Jane Dental (Abe) of Lapuna Niguel, California, Alan Evans of Madison, Indiana, Skip Becker (Mandy) of Plymouth, Betsy Becker of New York, NY, tsi LL, Andrew Becker (USAF) of Florida, Jillian Forraker (Tyler) of Florida, Jillian Forraker (Tyler) of Florida, Jillian Forraker (Tyler) of Florida, Julian Koraker, Stephan Becker (and Mack Becker. She was preceded in death by her husband, her son, and her brother Vincent her son, and her brother Vincent Lapham, A memorial service and celebration of Glad's life will be held on Sunday, Sept. 11 al 4 P.M. at the First Preshyterian Church, 200 East Main Street, Northville, M1 48167. In lieu of flowers, dona-tions may be made to either the First Preshyterian Church Memorial Fund or to Angela Hospice, Development Office, 14100 Newburgh Road, Livonia, Michigan 48154 (www.angelahos-pice.org/donale), Arrangements by Casterline Funeral Home, Inc.

Age 96. He was born it Detroit Nov. 17, 1914 and Age 50, August 31, 2011, Funeral was Sat. at SI. James Church, Novi. Donations to Kelly and Meghan's Education Fund, Online Condolences: www.obriensullidied in Brighton Sept. 2011. He was preceded in death by his wife Henrietta (Pasinski) and his siblings Clara, neralhome.com Bruno, Edward, Wanda, and Edna *******



Preceded in death by grandpar-ents Ella Mae Hall and Lana Millins. Survived by grandfather Bobby Rex Millins of New Mexico, Second Reading Survived Rebbin Surv Bobby Rex Millins of New Mexico; parents Oarrell, and Bobbie Sue Hall and precious boytriend to Meather, Bobby was activitie in Huron Valley Special Olympics lor a year, enjoyed collecting comic books, and watching science fic-tion movies. He also had aunts, unclas, cousins, many friends and his dog Tank who will cherish his memory. Memorial contribu-tions may be made to Phillips Funeral Home, 248-437-1616

JONES, ALEXANDER MICHAEL

of Milford and Mt. Pleasant, for-merly of Farmington and Canton, Michigan and Matteson, Illinois, passed away May 3, 2011 in the care of his family. He was 21 years old. Alex is survived by his mother Annette Jones, Milford, MI and (ather Bruce (Jessica) Jones of La Honda, CA; brothers

of La Honda, CA; bronners Benjamin Beggs Jones and Theodore Sampson Jones; grand-parents James Dell (and the late Manha C.) Brown, Sally (Robert) Cockayne and Whiopte (Maryann) Lever price aunts and uncles: 12 Jones: inne aunts and uncles: 17 cousins. Alex is also survived by extended family and dear friends. Memorial Services were held this spring. Memorial contributions encouraged to: Voluntaers Assisting the Disabled Camp, Muscular Dystrophy Association, or the Make-A-Wish Foundation. For further info, visit

w.LynchFuneralDirectors.com KEMP. FRANK Sept. 3, 2011, Age 94. Survived by his beloved wife Stella. Funeral was Wed. at St. Patrick Church, Brighton. Memorials to St. John Hospice. Online condolences: obriensullivari/uneralhome.com

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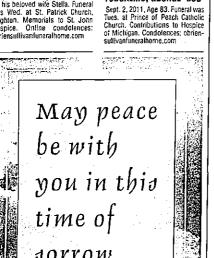
The was a member of the preus Furth the value and occupied Japan. He was a member of the Preus Furniture family. He gradu-ated from Wayne State University with a B.S. degree in Pharmacy and owned Preuse Pharmacy in Detroit. He enjoyed golf, bowking, bridge and travel. Visitation was held on Monday. September 5 at PHILIPS FUNERAL HOME, 122 W. Lake St. South Lyon, Funeral Mass was celebrated on Tuesday. September: 6: Viat-St. Joseph Catholic. Church, _South,_Lypn. Memorial contributions.may.be made to the Capuchins Soup Kitchen. Online guestbook at: www.phillipsfuneral.com

vived by her father, William Segula sisters, Lindsay (Dan) Sadier of Bath, MI, Jane (Frank) Green of Cincinnali, OH, brother, Todd (Kim) Segula of Pinckney, nephews & nieces, Dean & Kate Segula and Abbie & Liz Sadier and many many dear (french Dea unda a cardinal dear friends. Dee was a graduate of the University of Michigan and worked for many years as an artist displaying her work at WSG Gallery in Ann Arbor. A Galhering in her memory will be held at WS Gallery in Ann Arbor in Septembe Memorials may be made in he name to The LAM Foundation. Fo further information please phone 248-664-6645 or visit:

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Continued from page A7 The scores are a major part of what Kathryn Orscheln looks at when considering a student's application. East ern Michigan University received 12,566 applications for the fall semester and admitted about 60

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percent. "We consider the GPA. ACT or SAT score, also curriculum they've taken," said Orscheln, director of EMU's Office of Admissions. "For ACT we suggest students prepare by being engaged in their learning throughout school, do the work, learn as much as they can. It's an accumulation. In recent years, Orscheln has noticed scores don't always coincide with GPAs. She appreciates guidance counselors who contact the college and advocate for students when this is the case.

"We've seen a rise in students getting very anxious." Orscheln said. 'We used to assume GPA and test score would match, 4.0 to 28 to 30 on ACT. Now with a 3.8 GPA, they score 20 on ACT or even lower. Counselors say, 'This is a great stu-dent, but she does terrible on tests.' We need to listen to high school counselors, teachers. They care about these students and make time to make these calls.'

Don't wait

One of Lisa Kujawa's sons was not a good test taker and decided to take a prep course for two summers. She tells par-ents, "Don't wait 'til your kid is a junior." ACT offers a calendar that recommends a path of action beginning as ear-ly as the freshman year. As little as a two-point increase could make a difference when it comes to receiving a \$5,000 scholarship.

vices at Lawrence Techological University, suggests students familiarize mselves with the ACT and SAT by visiting the websites. Both organizations offer practice tests, books, DVDs and a ques-tion of the day. At LTU,

the scores count 60 percent toward admission "Here's the key," Kuja wa said. "If you begin to start taking (the tests) early and get familiar with the format, questions, you might not do as well because you don't have those courses yet, but as a junior or senio you do have the courses and the more familiar you

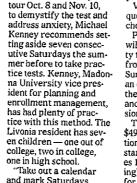
can make yourself with it helps you to understand when you take it again." Michigan State University recommends taking the test as many times as possible as well and to include all scores. MSU received 28,000 applica tions for fall. About 70

percent were accepted.

Other factors

"The ACT/SAT score is one factor in the application review process," said Gabe Santi, director communication at MSU's Office of Admission. We do not attach specific weight, but it is a key factor. Along with GPA, trend of grades, increas ing or decreasing, and the personal statement, these provide our office with a degree of knowledge about preparation and

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and mark Saturdays. It does take a commit ment," he said. "Set aside a couple of days to work ugh not only scor ing the tests, but studying answers and paying particular attention to expla-

nations for the correct answers. Madonna's workshops allow students to take a portion of the test. Kenney sees the ACT as an equalizer, as GPAs dif-

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fer from school to school. Santi grew up in Pontiac and graduated from Madonna, like many unihigh school in 1993. He versities, takes an indican remember the score being a significant part vidualized approach to the admissions process ACT/SAT scores, GPA of the college application letters of recommenda tion, an essay describing "The college admissions why they want to come to Madonna and activiworld is more competi-Like MSU, Oakland

tant component because it is the only aspect of the students applied for the fail semester; 6,658 were application process that is completely objective accented. The advice is similar. Take the test as with everyone required to take same test," Ken nev said, "We understand ACT is not a perfect meacounts about 50 percent surer of their capacity for success. There's a the University of Michnational discussion about igan-Dearborn. Christowhether or not it's a usepher Tremblay, executive

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the value, Telfer offers advice from someone as middle school, and he ACT as a sophomore who's taken the test. "Sleeping is really your scored higher than averbest friend for these for age on the ACT. The Canyour mind to be sharp," said Telfer, who main strongly in higher educa tained a 4.18 grade-point average at Salem High tion and is currently in a School At Western Mich igan University, the ACT still counts equally in terms of consideration their course work plants Of 14,200 who applied for

the fall semester, 10,400 want to see as many acawere offered admission. "We feel the tests affirm what we're seecement, also trend of ing," said Penny Bundy, director of admissions. like to see declines in per-"We make our decisions formance. We like to see based on the combination of college prep curriculum, GPA and trend of Tremblay recommends grades. The scores gives students and parents vist the state of Michigan's a good sense to their abili

www.Michigancap.org). Bundy suggests stulege is a test preparation dents have someone time them and give the fivesection. Use it not only to gain admission, but help minute warning as if they were actually taking the test.

beneficial, particularly if a student has a lot of anxiety about taking that test," Bundy said, "I went to the bookstore over the weekend and there are quite a few guide books and some courses have versity uses GPA and test been around a long time (like) Kaplan, Princeton Bundy, who's been in dmissions 25 years, has advice for parents,

"Enjoy this experi the ACT — a free workence," she said. "It's an shop and the opportunity exciting time for stu to take the test at an actudents and parents. Keep al site. ACT sites include lines of communication Novi, Catholic Central, open. Parents might want them to go to one college. Clarenceville, Thurston It can be an overwhelm ing process whether to choose small, large, close ton and Lutheran High to home, religion or faith-Along with attending the based. Rely on college

> Visit campuses. Ask questions - why students chose that certain school. Prospective applicants will have the opportunity to tour UM-Dearborn from noon to 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 25, during an open house that allows them to apply in person and meet with an admissions representative. The ACT test costs

starts at 8 a.m. and finishes 12:15 p.m. (non-writing) or 1 p.m. Deadline for registering is approximately one mont Visit www.act.org or act-

Oct. 1 and Nov. 5. Cost is \$49. Visit www.collegeboard.com, PSAT test ing to qualify for National Merit Scholarships takes place Oct. 12 and Oct. 15. Cost is \$14. Fee waivers low-income families. See SAT website.

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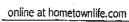
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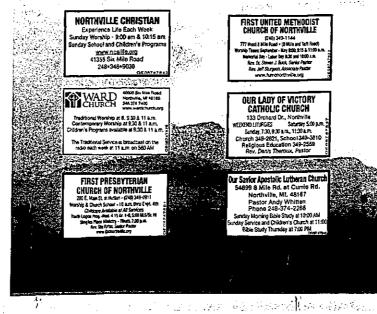
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Wednesday Schedule: 5:30 p.m. Family Meal, \$4 per person, \$12 per family; 7 p.m. Children's Cara van. Club 56. Bible Study, Quilting Adult Classes, Youth Blast Thursday Schedule: 6 a.m. Mer Purpose Prayer Group; 7 p.m.

nen of the Word Time/Date: 9:25-11:15 a.m. Details: The W.O.W. Tuesday Ladies

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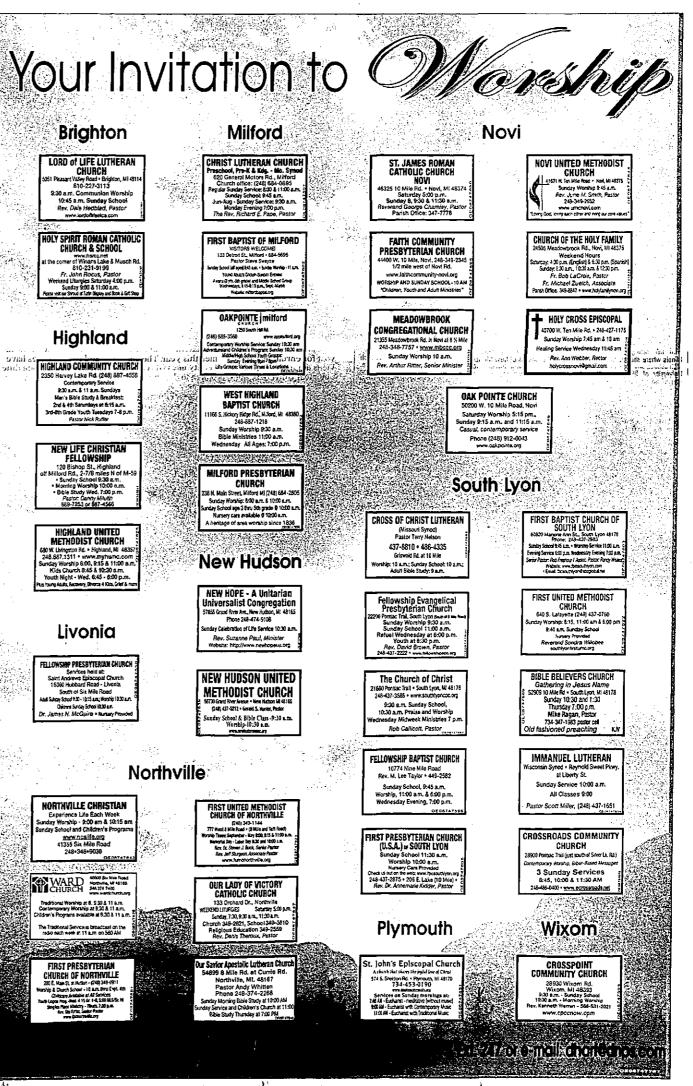
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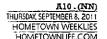
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Gone viral: Novi artist gains popularity through YouTube

Mark Crilley had always hoped of being able to reach people through his work as a writer and illustrato He just never thought his reach would expand to countries all across the world and seen by people who speak several differ ent languages. But thanks to the help

of YouTube, Crilley has gone - using an industry term — viral. The Novi resident took to the popular video website initially in 2007 to promote one of

his books. But, after seeing how popular he was becoming, he decided to change it up a bit. He then started to make videos of himself talking while drawing and give ing advice.

Other artists showcased their works through time lapse videos, while Crilley actually talked neople through his work naking him the first "how-to" artist on the site. "I didn't know how far

it was going to go," he said, always hoping that it would catch on. "And now it's mind blowing. It has completely changed my life, and I'm so glad I stumbled into this. Crilley mainly draws in the manga style and is the published author/illustrator of the Miki Falls manga series, as well as

Akiko and Billy Clikk. He said at first it was hard drawing while speaking entertainingly, but he has grown more comfortable with it over

the years. His first video was uploaded in March 2007, and since then he has put 141 more up on the site. He has 364,927 subscribers, joking that it's more

than Beyonce's channel, and his total video views is 61,467,236. Eighteen of his videos have more than one million views, three of which have more than four million views, with the most

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PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER I STAFF PHOTOGRAPHEE Novi resident Mark Crilley has produced a series of You-Tube how-to-draw Japanese manga instructional videos With more than 60,000,000 total views, his channel is helping kids and adults alike. Here he works on an illustration In his Novi home under the eye of a video camera.

that is a great part of it." "How to draw a realistic More than 41,000 people have commented on Crilley's channel, many asking for advice and oth ers thanking him for his "Hi Mr. Mark Crilley,

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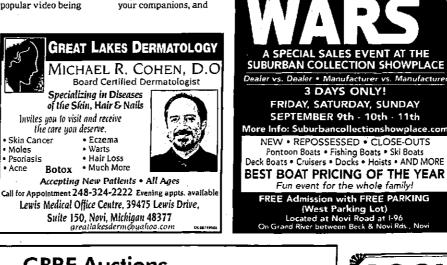
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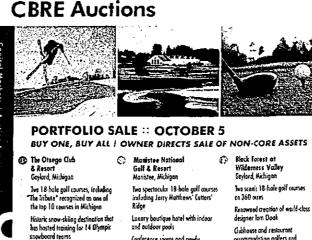
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He does it because he loves helping other art-"It's a global audience,

and I interact with kids from all over the world who want to get informa tion about drawing," he said. "And after a while you build this relationship where they become your companions, and





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Membership in ABWA is open to all women. It is a national organization with chapters in all 50 states. The lovi chapter meets on the second Wednesday of each month at the DoubleTree Hotel in Novi For more information about the Novi Oaks Charter Chapter of ABWA, go online to www.abwa-novi.org. or contact publicity@abwa-novi.org.

a freshman at GRCC. plans to major in intershe played for the wom national business and en's volleyball team and minor in French. In the fall of 2012, Deller will volunteered as a referee. Deller also helped run volleyball camps hostbe participating in the study abroad program at ed at GRCC for high L'Universite Catholique school students. She was de L'Ouest in Angers, a member of Phi Theta France. Kappa, an academic hon-"We are proud to supor society for community port Liz as she works colleges. Deller received toward her education al goals," said Marcia her associate's degree in arts with the MACRAO Green, chapter president We are also pleased to She has been admitwelcome her as our chap ted into the Seidman Colter's first student mem-ber of ABWA." lege of Business and

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By Lee Meadow

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persion of some any forms of technological communication have provided, what some would argue as, a practical nce to an already, conven usy life. We can text fast er than we can talk, downoad music at the moment we can remember the artists name or the title of the one-hit song that gave them 15 cyber seconds of fame, or e-mail a thoughtfor-the-day to everyone in

our database with the hope that they will forward it to everyone in their database. The fact that most of us did not want a thought-forthe-day is beside the point. The message has been

imposed and, if it has been forwarded often enough. ou may never figure out who was the original sender, therefore never knowing what was the, original, intent. The efficiencies gained, as a result of technology, are welcomed and embraced from the corporate boardroom to the personal family room and have, consequently,

altered the direct forms of communication in ways that impact the effectiveness of how messages are interpreted. The human brain, still, needs the face to-face interaction in order to see the 'whole' picture of a message and to be

the number of actual sit uations in which employ ees have quit, or other wise left, their places of employment and informed their immediate supervisors by way of a text message. Even more interesting are the number of employees who have an issue with their immediate supervisor and express it by sending

friend and/or colleague who then forwards the message to that person's boss. Not to mention the number of workplace romances gone bad that escalate due to the office 'textament' that only stops because one person can text faster than the other. While many would argue that the chosen methods of communication are 'workplace generational' issues,

there is something to be said for the importance of being the one to carry your own message to the source to insure clarity and minimize subjective interpretation, hearsay innuendo. or the 'he say/she say' soap

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clear about the intent of the sender There was a telling scene in the movie "Up In The Air" in which the new employee, being mentored by the George Clooney character about life on the road, is upset because her fiancée decided they needed to see other people and

a text message to their

HERENAL MARCH NOVI BUSINESS BRIEFS

National donates 15,000 pounds of food

The Novi Oaks Charter

Chapter of the American Business Women's Asso-

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National Food Group donated approximately 15,000 pounds of food Aug. 29 to Detroit's Forgotten Harvest food bank. One in five children in Michigan lives in poverty, and the chances for a meal in summer without school is exponentially lower. It's a company-wide belief that everyone wins when everyone cares. National Food Group's main business is to find food from major manufactur ers and make sure that food has a home. When there is stock left in the war house, the food is then donated to families in need.

It is our obligation as corporate citizens to help the community when we can," said Sean Zecman, National president. "If we can feed one family and make a difference in someone's life, is there any greater impact?"

Schoolcraft hosts export boot camp

The Michigan Small Business & Technology Development Center will pres-ent a new series, "Export Boot Camp for Small Businesses," a five-class program starting Sept. 15 at Schoolcraft College in Livonia on initiating or expanding into international markets. Topics covered include risk assessfinance, freight forwarding, insurance, product classification, export regulations and marketing. Trained MI-SBTDC counselors and export experts from the Small Business Administration will guide participants

DC) is a statewide business assistance program. C&L Ward again one of the nation's top remodelers C&L Ward, headquartered in Davison, Mich. with a showroom in Novi, moved

through the class. The cost is \$245 per person. (Senior

citizen cost is \$196 per person.) Regis-ter online or call (734) 462-4438. Schoo

craft College is at 18600 Haggerty Road. The five-class program runs from 9 a.m.

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up in the rankings among the Top 500 Remodeling companies in the nation tabulated by Qualified Remodeler magazine. C&L Ward currently ranks 74th compared to 96th in 2010, The list, published annually by the

magazine for the past 31 years, ranks the top remodelers by revenue. "It's quite an achievement and an honor." said Pat Ward, C&L's president. "With more tha 100.000 remodelers in the industry, it's ruly a distinction that sets us apart. Ward credits his professional sales staff and certified installers for put ting his family name on the line with each and every project they complete 'Sales figures are only a part of the equation. I'm especially proud of our yees for their c see that our customers are complete ly satisfied before, during and after the sale. It takes everyone's commit ment to receive an honor like this and they sho uld all be proud of this achievement." Ward stated.

OAKLAND COUNTY BUSINESS WORKSHOPS

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- Business owners and entrepreneurs who need assistance are invited to attend seminars in August offered by the Oakand County Business Center, Business Basics workshops are now offered in the evenings on alternating months. Unless otherwise noted, all programs
- take place at the Oakland County Executive Office Building Conference Center, 2100 Pontiac Lake Road, west of Telegraph, in Waterford. For pre-registration and location specifics, visit www. pakgov.com/peds/calendar or call (248)
- 858-0783. (a.m.) Morning Class 9 a.m. to 12/12:30 p.m. (p.m.) Evening Class 6 p.m. to 9/9:30
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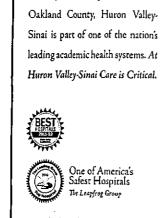
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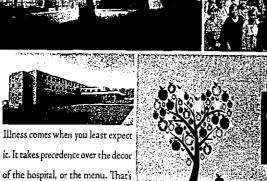
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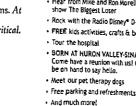
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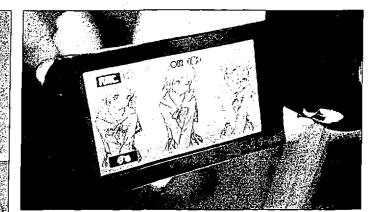
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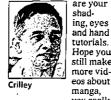
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A manga illustration by Novi resident Mark Crilley in the viewfinder of his video camera.



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Crilley said he often interacts with his subscribers and has "learned loads" from them is terms of what works and what doesn't in his own drawings.

"I have become a mentor of sorts to these kids, and never in my life have I had such a large audience " he said. "It's a joy being able to reach out and connect with so many people."

To view Crilley's page and check out his videos go to www.YouTube.com/ markcrilley.

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Single Place Time/Date: 7 p.m. every Thursday Location: First Presbyterian Church of Northville, 200 E.

Main, Northville Details: Single Place is a social organization for singles 40 and up hosted by the First Presbyterian Church of Northville, Thursday

meetings feature speaker games, or entertainment followed with an ice crean social Contact: For a detailed

schedule of all events (dining out, weekend activities etc.) call (248) 349-0911 or visit www.singleplace.org. Sept 1: Single Place welcomes Mr. Dean Rutledge again as our guest ente tainer. Dean was formerly with the Kingston Trio & the New Christy Minstrels ice cream social follows. \$5

Sept 8: Single Place Presents Carrie Hays-McEiroy speaking on "Healthy Living As We Get Older". Carrie is on the staff at St. Mary Mercy Hospital in Livonia Ice cream social follows. \$5 donation

Sept 15: Single Place Sloopy Joe's & Euchre. Come play euchre or learn how as we have qualified teachers among us. Join us for a fun evening of fellowship with other singles. \$7 for the din-ner & social ice cream that

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combustible compound during his "Around the World" show at the Novi Library on July 27. Kline (below) demonstrates how hot air wants to rise above cooler, more dense air as he fills a plastic bag with air from a heat gun.



An inside look at dating

Former Novi residents writes book about her experiences as a single woman

"It's supposed to be a

By Nathan Mueller Staff Writer

Former Novi resident Danielle Lenzi has etched out a rather successful career as the vice president of a Fortune 500 company in New York. But when it comes to he dating scene, Lenzi hasn't been as fortunate - and it's not for a lack of

trying, The 36-year-old said she is "still looking for that elusive one," but her experiences thus far have proved to be enteraining enough to inspire her to write a book about

Search for Prince Charming's Normal Brother," chronicles about 16 dates Lenzi has been on while she was in Massachusetts. New York and the Netherlands. The stories are light-hearted, humor-

ended up ordering cop-ies of her friends. Meyermotivator for single pro-fessionals that dread son, who is 65 years old, said the book was excitgoing out into the dating scene," she said. "Maybe they feel alone or rejecting to read because it ed or tired of the same was something she never experienced herself. "It was eye-opening to old thing and this pokes

"I thought she was honest in her evaluations of people and her experiences are worldly. The book and eBook versions are available for purchase online at

www.Amazon.com, www. BarnesandNoble.com or Authorhouse.com Lenzi also said it has been turned into a document that could possibly become a movie or televi sion show, "It's very exciting."

enjoyed it so much she

Farmington Hills res-

NOVI NEWS BRIEFS

Can, bottle drive

Doing some fall clean-up? Bag your empties for the annual "Fall Can and Bottle Drive" from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday Sept. 10. Novi High School band and colorguard students will be going door-todoor collecting clean, returnable cans and bottles to support the band program. Novi esidents can leave their returnables on their porches, marked for the band, or they will be accepted at the Band Boost-ers tent behind Busch's Supermarket (on 10 Mile just west of Meadowbrook) if you'd like to drop them off.

Novi News online

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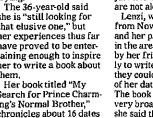
First-day jitters



New Deerfield Elementary School Principal Kim Warren gives a quick hug to fourth grader Jordana Krstovksi as a noon-time lunch wraps up at the Novi school on Sept. 6.



Students walk the halls of Novi Middle School on Sept. 6.

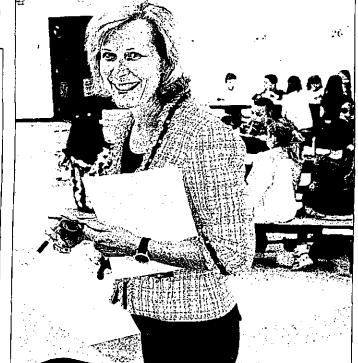


ous and something most people can related to.

fun at it. "Sometimes people see what that generation think they are the only as experienced in a mos one having a wacky dat-ing experience and this just lets them know they delightful way," she said. are not alone." Lenzi, who graduated from Novi High School and her parents still live in the area, was inspired by her friends and family to write the book after they couldn't get enough

of her dating escapades. The book is intended for a very broad audience, and she said the only complaint she has received so far is they want a sequel already. Lenzi said. "I'm happy to see where it goes.'

ident Elaine Meyerson, whose daughter grew up with Lenzi, said she



New Orchard Hills Elementary Principal Parn Quitiquit smiles as she takes charge of the unchroom on Sept. 6 for some announcements. Quitiquit came over to the school afte being the principal of Novi Woods.

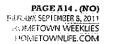


Novi Middle School eighth-grade math teacher Karin Halvorsen introduces herself to her afternoon class on Sept. 6 - the first day of instruction for the Novi School Dist Halvorsen's class had exactly 30 students in it.

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and D'Mia Delaney smile as they tuck into their lunches on the first day of fall classes.



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Arne Duncan. In a recent interview, Duncan

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ago asked Congress to revamp NCLB, to no

avail. And now Duncan is allowing states

to ask for waivers of the 100-percent pro-

ficiency. Michigan is one of them. State

Superintendent Mike Flanagan is seeking a

10-year extension based on a change in the

cut scores for the state's standardized test-

ing. Flanagan and local school officials are

already warning that the MEAP scores will

be down - some have used the word dra-

matic -- next year. That means even more

Duncan hit the nail on the head when he

pointed out that with AYP, if one child in one

subgroup doesn't show progress, the entire school is treated as a failure like a school that

has 1,000 students not making it. Schools that

have outstanding education programs can be

Americans are driven to be the best in the

world, and we have a hard time accepting the

fact that in education we are average. We see

as better than ours, overlooking the fact that all levels of education in America — from

K-12 up to a university doctorate --- are avail-

It is apparent NCLB needs fine-tuning.

lucational syste

is good idea, but the law needs to be applied

equally. If one district must include sub-

groups in looking at AYP, all districts must.

We also need to celebrate the successes along

We urge Congress to set aside politics and do what's right for our children. Our edu-

cational system may not be perfect, but it

allows our students to be what they want to

be. There has been progress with NCLB, but

the focus has shifted to meeting a mandated

threshold. Students will continue to learn

but everyone has to be on the same page with

how they learn. Yes, failure is not acceptable

but do we really want to continue to label our

Grace Perry

Director of

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able to all students, not a select few.

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out-educating us, we can't afford to have the

around the country, and it led to a narrow

called NCLB "fundamentally flawed." 'It is far too punitive, it is far too prescrip-

reshold - 100 percent proficiency - that

\$809 billion or \$7,743 per child?

don't make AYP.

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drugged driver Novi police arrest ed a man a 11:55 p.m. on Sept. 3 for operating under the influence of drugs after he drove his Camaro over the curb

Cops nab

and hit several mailboxe on Linhart According to the police report, the driver finally came to a stop on Mar tin, and when the officer approached the car the driver appeared to be under the influence of drugs. He admitted to taking seven differ ent prescription drugs and knew he shouldn't be He failed field sobri-

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The case has been

turned over to the pros-

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blood test results.

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Lan was arrested for

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lights on near Grand

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drunk driving at 1:11 a.m.

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River Avenue and Main

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vehicle jump the curb while making a right turn

before she stopped. The

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who had a bad night. She

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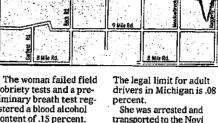
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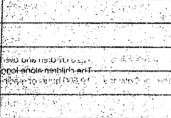
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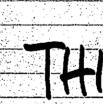
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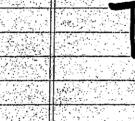
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"Absolute horror. I was time and turned my television on and it was happening right then."

"I was sitting in homeroom my senior year in high school and my teacher turned on the TV. At first no one realized what exactly had happened and then when we saw the towers

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to family rather than office, who might even have a child or two or

How is one to take a child and a large instrument to band; the team to one of the sports: all in an environmentally safe teeny-tiny? My six children were raised and transported and vacationed in a

oxygen equipment, bottles, tubes, canisters for a medical scooter.

chair; a parapalegic can drive with portation from car to elsewhere. Are there any who cry for our plight, who will remember the plea

RW Krueger

I am writing to congratulate you on the publication of the story "Local man bikes 35 miles on trek to help at-risk kids" (Aug. 18, 2011). I am a Boy Scout in Troop 3, located in Ann Arbor, and I have two older brothers who also are Scouts and went to Philmont. I haven't yet been able to go there yet, but 1 remember their fine experiences and stories that they told me when they got back. It was very nice to read about another adventure about hiking in the great outdoors and helping disadvantaged boys. it is nice to see people volunteer ing their time to help others rather than the issues of local crime and disaster.

the grade It's time to change 'flaws' in No Child "I had a niece going into the city for work and she got as far as Grand Central Station before her boss called and told

her to not come in. So that was a close call.' Carol Hoffman

LETTERS

A new outlook The letters of Aug. 11 (from Lee, Tindall, Borgman and, alas, myself, Downey) glaringly emphasize the major political problem we face

today: narrow-minded, belligerent partisanship. Last week, the letters of Mr. Gabry and Sen. Colbek were refreshing examples of how we should

behave — with understanding and compromise Admittedly, I'm of the school that reacts: "You spit on me or

party recalling who spit first). Stupidity at its apex. In the spirit of nonpartisanship, I refrain from commenting on Borg-

except to say at least he has an "academic record." Cheerleading wasn't his forte.

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I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the Golf Hole Sponsors of this year's third annual NHS Boosters Golf Outing and Silent Auction held on Saturday,

Aug. 27, at the Links of Novi: Baldwin Capital Management Inc., Breault Homes Inc., Capgemini, Doc's Sport Retreat, Dr. Gregory G. Gingell, Emerald City Designs, Good Time Party Store/Custard Time, Hayes Lemmerz International. Inc., Invisible Fence, Kanawha Scales & Systems, KB Jewelers, KLK Designs LTD, Knickerbocker Group, Livonia Builders Inc., Master Automatic Inc., Northville Sports Den. Security Corporation, Table 5, Varsity Lincoln Mercury, the Moorman

Swim and Gymnastics families, the NHS Cheer families and the NHS Wrestling families.

owner of Emerald City Designs, for decorating the entire clubhouse in Mustang school colors for our spe ciai night. themselves, it looked spectacular and drew rave reviews.

of the families of our athletes and quests who came out and showed their support by bidding on all of the incredible auction items! Your

Carrie Slominski, Donna 2011 Golf Outing & Silent

summer has to offer, they have time reading this summer, and we are so proud of them. The Novi Public Library's 2011 Summer Reading Program was highly successful again this year, with

fall the whole class was in tears."

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9/11 reflection I composed this poem Sept. 23, 2001 To try to explain the inexplicable is futile. To recognize evil is essentia To exist in life's cosmic crapshoot is realistic. TO BELIEVE IN SELF IS CRUCIAL is vital. To forswear hate is required To do good is constructive To strive for neare is productive. To forgive is

To live with hope is empowering.

Commerce Vehicle size matters Much has been said about those of us who have great gas-guzzlers, perhaps by those who feel there is no need for any but a perky

company limousine has dropped them home There are those of us who look

(of all things) more. choral group to a gig; some of the

Personally, I now need room for

Others need room for a wheelassistance, but has need for transfor extra gasoline cost to cut back

bus. But then, we don't have one, do we? Northville

Thanks for Scout story

Zachary Misiak

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community who supported the

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ticipants in their accomplishment

We could not have conducted our

program without the help of our

110 teen volunteers, who helped

participants in the reading program

register and log their time, assisted

with craft and other programs, and

a myriad of other jobs. We also

owe a large debt of gratitude to

those who supported and encour-

aged our efforts. Among them are:

Auntie Anne's Pretzels, Bonaven-

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Particular thanks also go to the

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for their ongoing dedication and

financial support of our programs.

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grateful to the entire staff of the

Novi Public Library, whose coop-

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ment in the summer reading

program caused it to flourish.

Many thanks go to the Novi,

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Finally, we want to thank the

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that we all know the benefits that

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We would also like to express our

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man's condemnation of Obama

Patrick Downey

Boosters outing success

family, the Sopha family, the NHS Baseball families, the NHS Girls

I would also like to extend a special thank you to David McKnight,

And finally, a big thank you to all

encouraged them to read. Withsupport is greatly appreciated. out their support, despite the fact

MacDonald, Suzanne McGowan and Karen Sourges

Auction Committee Summer reading thanks We hear a lot these days about how technology is going to replace reading. If this is true, Novi's residents haven't heard about it. Despite all the tempting activities that spent an unbelievable amount of

living in Hillsdale at the Kave Terrone Nov

"Both of my kids were away to school when it happened. It just makes you want them home.

They've been doing shows on the National Geographic channel, and it brings it home. It's scary. It could happen

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NOVI POLICE BRIEFS

Police Department, and a breath test there regis tered a BAC of .19 percen She was issued a citation for operating while \mathbb{C} intoxicated and released caught

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after posting bond and Underwear thief

3 A woman was arrest-d by Novi police for shoplifting from Twelve Oaks Mall after a loss prevention officer say her remove two pairs of underwear from er and go into the fitting room before exiting with out the items. The woman admitted

that she knew why she had been stopped and the wear was in her purse. She also said she willing to pay

for them. She was arrested for retail fraud third degre and transported to the Novi Police Departmen where she was issued a citation and released after posting bond.

Rash of car thefts 4 Three cars in the area of Clearwater Court were broken into on Sept 4 with the suspects steal ing GPS devices in all three thefts.

According to police, car windows were smashed out to gain access to the inside and blood was left behind. Officers collected several blood samples from the scenes and were taken to the lab for investigation. The estimated dan

was valued around \$1,000 for each car

Police have no suspects at this time and the cases are still under investi gation

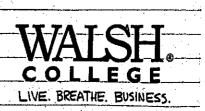
Items taken from car

5 An unknown suspect broke into a 2010 Ford Escape overnight on Sept 2 while it was parked in the parking lot of the Pavilion Court Apartments on Cottage Court. The victim said she locked her vehicle the night before and noticed her win dow had been smashed and

two portable DVD players and her GPS had been stolen from inside. Police have no suspects at this time.

> - Compiled by staff write Nathan Mueller

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Dozen vie for Miss Wayne County crown



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Clair Shores, Da'Stanza Murphy of Taylor, Jasmine Jones of Detroit, Ashley Welch of Livo nia, Erin Hall of Dearborn, Paula Langley of Novi (front row from left), Sarah Bermudez-White of Dearborn Heights, Jessica Jackson of Detroit, Nicole Marie Johnson of Detroit, Shelby Gardiner of St. Clair Shores and Sydney Learman of Linwood (not pictured).



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Twelve contestants will vie for the title of Miss Wayne County 2011 at 20th anniversary scholar ship program Saturday, Sept. 10.

The program will start at 5 p.m. and will be held at Livonia Churchill High School on Newburgh Road just north of Joy Road, Livonia The Miss Wayne Coun-

v Organization Execuive Director Sheila Sigros impressed with the aliber of this year's contestants.

"We are very pleased with the number of inteligent, ambitious and talented young women who have entered the compeition," Sigro said. "With the number of outstanding contestants, it will be a challenging task for the udges to choose the next Miss Wayne County.' Competing in the schol-

arship program are Jenae George of Harper Woods, Olivia Trocchio of St. Clair Shores, Da'Stanza Murphy of Taylor, Jas-mine Jones of Detroit, Ashley Welch of Livonia Erin Hall of Dearborn, Paula Langley of Novi, Sarah Bermudez-White of Dearborn Heights, Jessica Jackson of Detroit. Nicole Marie Johnson of

Detroit, Shelby Gardin-er of St. Clair Shores and Sydney Learman of Linwood Contestants will compete in five phases of competition at the competition, including private interview, on-stage question, physical fitness in swimsuit, talent and evening gown. During the competition, each con tant will also discuss her chosen platform, a social

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society at large. The winner of the Miss Wayne County Competi-tion will be awarded \$500 in scholarship funds for her college or graduate school education. Other cash scholarships will be awarded to preliminary competition win-

ners, runners-up and spe cial award winners, such as overall talent, overall physical fitness in swimsuit and community ser vice. During her year of ser-

vice, Miss Wayne County will travel across the state, speaking to government officials, husiness leaders, commun ty groups and all types of ns about her plat form issue and encouraging them to become involved in her cause She will also be eligible to compete for the Miss Michigan title in Muskegon in June. "I have truly enjoyed

my year of service as Miss Wayne County and am proud to have trav-eled the state, raising awareness for fire safety and prevention," Sar ah Suvdam said. "I knov that the leadership skills I have gained from this evnerience will help me as I pursue a bachelor o arts degree in broadcast "Miss Wayne Coun-

y will not only serve as a role model for young women and as an ambas-sador for the Miss Amer ica Organization she will also urge girls and young women to develop their eadership skills and to take an active role in their communities," said Sigro Established in 1991. the Miss Wayne Coun-

to achieve their personal and professional ambitions. Contestants also ticipate in community service activities and develop leadership skills that help them excel in their chosen career and life goals. A not-for-profit affiliate of the Miss America Organization the Miss Wayne County Scholarship Organization has made available cash scholarships to hundreds of young women through out Wayne County. Winners of the annual Miss Wayne Couny Competition are eligible to compete in the Miss Michigan Competition, held every year in Muskegon in June. The

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argest provider of scholoung women. Each year. more than \$40 million in cash and tuition scholar

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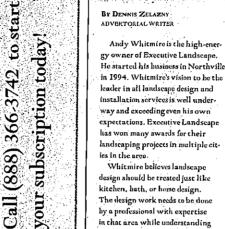
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in that area while understanding the concepts of combining appearance, functionality, and budget. But most importantly, the guy that cuts your lawn or a friend of the family that "does landscaping" should not do your design. Whitmire stands behind his statement with his very positive 17-year history of heautifu landscape installations in Northville and the surrounding areas.

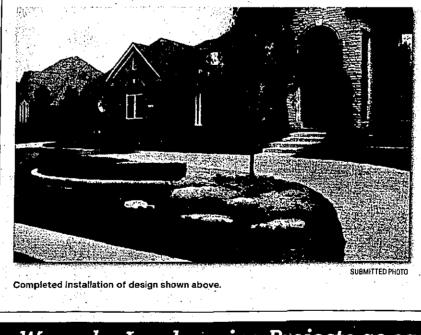
Whitmire began doing lands design work upon graduating from Catholic Central High School over 21 years ago. He started his company while still in college learning about horticulture and landscape design. He has learned to listen to his clients and produce what they want. He shares his principles with his staff of 20 plus employees'; most of them have been with him for ove I0 years. The staff is very reliable and crust worthy, they use no subcontractors and he oversees every

Rob Pryzma, head landscape designer, is a Michigan State graduate with two degrees, on in landscape design and constru tion management and the other is

ment. Whitmire and Pryzma enjoy brain storming every project they do. Between these two customers are assured to get exactly what they want.

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You know that you can trust the judgment because they have been around for so many years and are approaching 1000 projects complete ed, so they know what plants grow well for our area. They use a lot of boxwood hedges and large amounts of same type perennials to give larger splashes of color. Perennials are a good choice because as they mature they shade the soil around them, keeping the roots muist and encouraging a longer blooming tim This eliminates the need for additional annuals and the extra chore o tending to them. Perennials, when planted densely, also help in prevent ing weeds from growing, essentially

maintaining their own space. Step two is where the design ers have fun, returning to their design studio to compare ideas and choughts. Ideas are created and put on paper as a Three-D image. The way a customer will have a much better iden of how the project will actually look on the day the installation is complete. Most landscape designers only create a two-D ve sion where you only see an acrial view of the design.

Many people want to avoid th

Reviews and Recommendations ed to thank you for the autiful work you did on my our budget and exactly on targ with the work that needed to be done. I appreciate the fact that the work was started promptly on the day you said it would our work crew was outstand ing My wife and I really enjoye watching these master craftsma show their skills. What a great tob you have done! We can't wai to get out there and enjoy the nce that you have create could not hesitate to rec Executive Landscope to anyone need of landscape work Bob Laundro Northville, M wanted to let you know ho happy we are with the results of landscape re-design you did for our house. It really enhanced the look of our home and we have had so many positive co The to many positive comments from neighbors and friends. Everything ren imoothly and o a timely schedule; you and your crew did a great job! We would nd Executive highly reco andscape. anne Nelso Novi, M

word "formal" when describing what they want they're landscape to look like, when in reality, a formal design simply means that well manicured hedges and groupings of plants that are well organized will be used. Most people favor a more formal and clean looking landscape. Designers also need to match the architecture of the house to the landscape; a good cohesive'design makes all the difference in the final outlook.

And the third step is the actual installation of your new landscape design. This is where you get to vatch the pros in action and those designs come to life. As the horwood hedges start to shape those crisp edges and summer blooming perennials are planted in mass groupings, your home will be transformed into the envy of the usighborhood. Professional landscape design

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SECTION B . (NN) THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2011

HOMETOWN WEEKLIES

Warriors carve up Wildcats

Ince shines, but WLW too much for Novi

By Chris Jacket

In an almost methodical manner Walled Lake Western picked apart Novi's football squad last Thursday, leaving the Wildcats thinking about what went wrong after a 50-25 loss The Warriors (2-0) piled on 304 yards and scored eight times, overshadowing an impressive dis-play by Novi senior quarterback Derek Ince, who came off the bench mid-way through the second quarter when starting senior qua-terback Scotty Kempa banged his wrist on a Warrior's helmet. A four-yard touchdown run by senior Brent Zdebski (108 yards on

25 attempts, two touchdo

ON TAP Novi (0-2) hits the gridiron 7 p.m. tomorrow when the Wildcats host Livonia Stevenson (2-0). The Spar tans are coming off a 35-14 win over Waterford Mott (0-2). n week four, Novi hosts Plymouth Salem (1-1) 7 p.m. Sept. 16. followed by a two-point conversion pass from senior CJ McGorisk (5-for-11, 115 yards, two touchdowns)

to Jason Gamble as the only score n the first quarter by either team In the second quarter, McGorisk aired out nine- and 37-yard touch-down passes to senior Cam Vieaux (three catches, 64 yards, two

Novi girls soccer team honored with national title

Wildcats receive championship from ESPN following 22-0-2 season

it," said Sheldon Shealer, By Chris Jackett ESPN HS soccer editor. "We identify the teams early in the year based Two days after winning the program's fifth state on what we know about title in June, Novi's girls them. We just identify soccer team was named the POWERADE FAB 20 teams we think have potential to finish No. 1 50 national champion by ESPN HS for the second nd rank them accordingly based on their talent, based on their sched time ever. The Wildcats are only ule and then, one by one as they start playing each other and knocking each the fourth team in the U.S. to win the national title more than once, with the other off, they slide up." The Wildcats defeat-ed two of the other three first occurrence coming in 2006 during their second of three consecutive state titles from 2005-07. Michigan teams in the rankings, knocking off No. 21 Troy (20-3-2) 1-0 in "We've been doing the rankings since the '90s, the state final and No. 31

Utica Eisenhower (19-1-

2) 2-0 in a regional final.

Portage Central (19-3-2), who lost 5-2 to Forest Hills Central in a regional final. The 'Cats had been ranked sixth of seven Michigan schools in the preseason rankings. "Novi was the beneficiary of having a great team this year and also some teams ahead of them took some losses and they climbed higher and high-er and, once they reached No. 1, they finished it off in the playoffs," Shealer said, noting that Neuqua Valley (Naperville, Ill.) and Liberty (Liberty, Mo.)

were previously ranked

No. 1 overall earlier in the

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touchdowns), giving the Warriors a 22-0 lead with 3:12 left in the first half. A few untimely size mis-matches and defensive miscues gave Vieaux space to make plays and deflate the Wildcats (0-2). "We broke down on one cover age, a mental error. They hit us at the right time when we the breakdown," Novi coach Todd Pennyc-uff said. "We got beat when they had a pass when they had a 6-foot 5 kid and we were outmatched there. I thought overall our kids played well and the corners played

real well." Novi opened things up imme-diately following Western's third wn. Kempa (2-for-б, nine

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Novi netters add to win column

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Chang returns to doubles lineup, but two singles players battle injuries

By Chris Jackett

The competition was a little tougher this week and the Wildcat netters didn't have a flawless result, but Novi's squad pulled out team victories across the board in two

dual meets and one quad meet. After defeating North Farmington 6-3 on the road Aug. 29, the 'Cats (4-0) headed to defending Division III state champs Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood for a 6-2 win Aug. 31 and kept the momentum going to vin the Ann Arbor Pioneer Invite last Thursday behind a team total of 20 points.

"It was a good week of tennis for us," Novi coach Jim Hanson said. "We faced two quality opponents in dual matches and I was happy with how the kids played. Were just out to keen userking herd in proving and We've just got to keep working hard in practice and eliminate the mis

takes we're making. We just want work hard, play hard and enjoy the

Novi's doubles got stronger as the week went on. Both the one doubles team of senior Bill Bell and junior Jason Carless, as well as the two doubles pairing of senior Brandon Sanders and junior Nishant Kakar, both went 5-0 last week to improve to 9-0 on the season Bell and Car-

less defeated North Farmington 6-3, 6-1; Cranbrook 6-0, 6-4;

ON TAP Novi's tennis was scheduled to visit Plymouth Salem yesterday and Livonia Stevenson 3 p.m. today to kick of KLAA Centra Division play before hosting West Bloomfield, Grosse Point outh and North Farmington in an 8 a.m. quad meet Saturday. Novi, West Bloomfield and GPS all finished in the top 11 at last year's Division I meet, while North Farmington finished tied for ninth in Division II: Also on deck are versus Howell Mon-day, at Northville Tuesday and versus Sallrie next Thursday, all at-3 p.m. at such as a second

Pioneer, 6-3, 6-3; Battle Creek Lakeview 6-4, 6-0 and Tro Athens 6-0, 6-1

Sanders and Kakar beat North Farmington 6-2, 6-3; Cranbrook 6-3, 6-2; Lakeview 6-2, 6-3; Athens 6-1, 6-2 and Pioneer 5-7, 6-0, 6-2.

"Pioneer playa a style of doubles and most of the time you don't face it," Hanson said. "They play two back and then one pushes up. They try to throw you off your game and it's been successful over the years." Senior Stephan Kovacinski and junior Jon Thompson opened the week with a 7-6(5), 6-2 loss to North Farm-ington at three doubles before moving to four doubles and defeating Cranbrook 6-0, 6-1; Pioneer 6-0, 6-0; Lakeview 6-2, 6-1 and Athens 6-2, 6-0.

"Its just one of those days where they went out and didn't play up to their capabilities. They couldn't dig themselves out of the hole they were in," Hanson said. "All the doubles I was very pleased with at doubles. Cranbrook's got a really good team and our doubles really came to play

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Novi's girls soccer team poses with the 2010 POWERADE FAB 50 national champion presented to them Aug. 30 by ESPN HS. The Wildcats went 22-0-2 in the spring and won a second-straight state title, the program's fifth in seven years.

Shealer was at Novi High School Aug. 30 to present the team with a national championship banner, trophy, medal and T-shirts in front of an auditorium filled with families and teachers. "I'm so happy for these kids," Novi Athletic Director Curt Ellis said. "It's a

once in a lifetime oppor-tunity and, obviously winning a state championship is a special experience, but there are 1,800 high schools in this coun try and not one of them but Novi is celebrating this today, so it's real-ly neat for them and they deserve it."

Ellis said he wished he were notified of the 2006 team's national champi onship so they could have been similarly recognized. "One thing that's really tough when you win the state championship late in the spring like

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and match ups and when

undecided

D'Leary said

off at 7 p.m.

By Chris Jackett

Boys Soccer

The Wildcats improved to 3-1-0 on the season with a 4-2 victory over former ly ranked Brighton Aug. 31

roving Novi's ranking o No. 4 in Division I. The Bulldogs jumped out to a quick start, scoring on senior netminder Ricky Stone 10 minutes into the game, but the Wildcats came back with a burst of goals just before the hall Brighton cleared a ball out of their zone following a Novi free kick and Wildcat enior Cory Odell knocked it back into the box where

senior Chase Jabbori or timed it into the side netting at the far post. It only took two more

minutes before senior Phil Soong headed a throw-in by sophomore Matt Kiura ard the goal and Jabb ri got his head on it and put t into the net.

Just 36 seconds later. Soong flicked the ball past the goalie to the back post, where junior Matt Wilson finished the job to give Novi a 3-1 lead at the break "It was a strange half

because I moved so many players around trying to find the right combination

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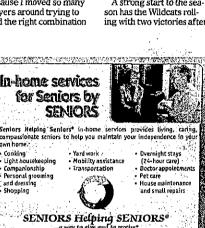
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it clicked we scored fast and furious in a game that Brighton was doing a good inh of controlling." Novi enth of 13 teams at the invicoach Brian O'Leary said. tational behind the efforts Senior Sean Hazen and of sophomore Lauren Wilson did a give and go Cojei (89), senior Kathleen to get around a Bulldog Koomen (90), sophomore Hannah Wagenberg (99) and junior Ally Krick (104). lefender before Wilson finshed with a goal. Brighton scored one on "Lauren and Kathjunior Andy Netter two leen have scores that are minutes later, but Netter held off the Bulldogs

showing consistency and improvement," Novi coach remaining shot attempts in Deb Harris said. "Their the second half, having tal leadership will bring ou team playing up to their en over the netminder position at the half since the goalkeeper position is still The girls came out strong Aug. 30 against South Lyon "Brighton is a very big East at the Links of Novi

and athletic team, so I was and won 169-185. Cojei's pleased with the result but career low of 37 was two it was a strange game," strokes away from the school record and was fol-Novi had a big week lowed by Koomen's 44, scheduled, visiting No. 5 Northville (2-2-1) Tuesday

junior Aparna Yechoor's career low 44 and fresh-Plymouth Salem (1-0-0) 7 man Katelyn Henry's 44. p.m. tonight and hosting The next day, the match Grosse Point South 1 p.m was a bit closer against South Lyon at Cattails, but Saturday. On deck are trips to No. 16 Livonia Stevensor the Wildcats won 181-189. Tuesday and South Lyon Koomen led the way with a Sept. 15, both which kick 43, followed by Cojei's 45, Henry's 45 and Krick's 48. The junior varsity squad

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NOVI SPORTS ROUNDUR

a mediocre showing at the Lady Maverick Invitation-Wednesday

al Aug. 29. Novi (2-0) finished sev-

Volleyball In their lone match of the past week. Novi's volleyball 11-2-1 on the season after 12: Brighton 28-26, 25-17 ser and then Brighton. many who were assisted by setter sophomore Emi-ly Robb, who finished with assists, 12 digs and six

aces throughout the three matches Senior Katie Enright was strong on offense with 16 kills, four blocks, 11 digs and eight serve receptions or Aly Ryan added 14 kills, seven blocks and

nslaught were junior Kacey Sheldon (10 kills, 10 digs, 11 serve receptions), senior Lesley Harrington (nine kills, 13 digs, four aces, nine serve recen tions), senior Victoria Rose (six kills, 10 blocks) and

(eight kills, nine aces). Senior Molly Marzonie was strong at the defensive Libero position with 33 digs and 21 serve receptions. The 'Cats were scheduled to face Saline, Milford and White Lake Lakeland last night in a quad meet, followed by a trip to Livonia enson 7 p.m. tonight The girls then host Plym outh Salem 6:30 p.m. Tue:

day and visit Northville 7 Jenkins.

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Plymouth Salem tomorrow

p.m. Sept. 8.

their first two gridiron The junior varsity squad defeated Chelsea 47-40 Aug. 26 and lost 38-14 Aug.

Football The underclassmen split

The Novi High School field hockey players were fitted for custom mouthguards by the team at Dr. Joseph Serra's dental office last month.

Western The freshmen defeated Chelsea 35-20 Aug. 26 and lost to Western 36-6 Aug. (Brighton), Jay Keranen, Michael Considine, (How-

> stead (Rochester Hills). Field Hockey Novi dentist Dr. Joseph Serra's daughter, sophomore Paige Serra, is a

athletes wearing properly fitted mouthguards, Dr. Serra volunteered to fit mouthguards for all 44 players in the field hockey program, free of charge. ge bar

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Shamrocks make best of road trip

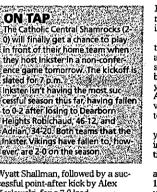
By Sam Egglestor Correspondent

Defense wins games. Just ask Tom Mach, the long-time coach for the Detroit Catholic Central Shamrocks football team, who swears by that approach to the game. And, of course, you can ask Delphos St. John's, an Ohio-based team, after they felt the presence of the Sha rocks' crushing strategy on the grid iron last week, falling 14-7 to their northern neighbors.

The Shamrocks held Delphos St. in's offense to just 159 yards of total offense. Of course, the Blue Jays aren't a team to dismiss, and the Shamrocks

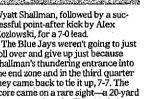
knew it going into the game last Fri-day. St. John's had won the state championship three times in the last decade, which is no easy feat in any state. let alone football-obsessed

swinging, scoring the first points of



Kozlowski, for a 7-0 lead.

Yet, the Shamrocks came out the game on a five-yard run from



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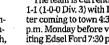
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sible for housing the Rus-The girls visited his office at 42010 Grand Riv sian players. "It was a great experier Ave last month and each are now playing with ence and the langua rier did not seem to matter custom fit mouthguards, while the boys got togethwhich provide greater pro er over an Xbox or ping oong," said Novi parent brands. The '98 Ice Cats are coached by Wade Steve son and include Sam Jenkins (Novi), Jason Kirsch. Andy Mizerowski, Josh Vednesday. Richardson (Novi), Matthew Jarzynski, Shel don Wasik. Cooper Ham 31 against Walled Lake way (Northville), Spen for the Novi News. 行动相关问题。这个时候对时时代

ell), Ben Packard (Ann Youth Hockey Arbor), Cam Stevenson (Wixom) and Jack Olm-The Novi '98 Ice Cats mened their season with a 4-2 loss, but it was against a very unique opponent. Novi faced off with a Russian team from St. Petersburg Aug. 31 at Novi Ice Arena The Russian team is in member of Novi's four Michigan for two week -old participant-funded and will play a total of 14 field hockey program. Knowing the importance games. It is the program's third year, with some playof having all the student-

ers participating all three years. While in the state, the local teams, which stretch from Lansing to Jackson and throughout metro Detroit, are respon-



tection than store-bought The team is currently 1-1-1 (1-0-0 Div. 3) with Dex-

er coming to town 4:30 p.m. Monday before visting Edsel Ford 7:30 p.m.

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Shamrocks collect dual meet, tournament wins Tennis team beats U of D, wins CC Invitational

By Sam Eggleston Put two more victories on the record books for the Catholic Central mrocks tennis team. The squad, coached by Joe Stafford earned a 5-3 victory over an always-tough University of Detroit and won own invitational tournament

with 23 points. Against U of D, the Shamrocks earned wins from first singles standout Michael Dube', third singles player Michael Turpiano, first doubles duo Kevin Doges and Willy Willson. second doubles team of Matt Hermiz and Steve Jakubik and the fourth doubles team of Andrew Hinrichs and

Steve Magagna. "I was really pleased with our per ormance," said Stafford. "U of D is our first league match of the year and we had two starting singles play out of the lineup. The guys we substi-

Wyatt Shallman, followed by a successful point-after kick by Alex roll over and give up just because Shallman's thundering entrance into the end zone and in the third quarter they came back to tie it up, 7-7. The score came on a rare sight—a 20-yard scamper against the Sharnrocks' defense by a runner named Jordan

Catholic Central's Michael Dube reaches for a shot during a Sept. 1 game



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squad hosted Bloomfield Hills Lahser, Brighton and South Lyon in a quad meet Aug. 30 and swept the field. The 'Cats improved to feating Lahser 25-16, 25and South Lyon 25-12, 25-22. The Lions finished second at 2-1, followed by Lah Several Wildcats played a big role in the quad meet

three aces. Also adding to the

sophomore Isabelle Glancy

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tuted in their spots Justin Puccio and

ON TAP The Detroit Catholic Central Sham rocks will have a busy week upcon ing as they visit DeLaSalle today. play in the Ann Arbor Pior Saturday and visit Brother Rice Mon day before hosting Cranbrook next Thursday. All of the contests are scheduled for a 4 p.m. start.

Kevin Hayes) really stepped up and went three sets with their number two and number four singles play

The Shamrocks looked good in their invitational tournament, winning with 23 points while Ortonville Brandon was second with 13. It is the second tournament the Shamrocks have won

The Catholic Central netters earned championships in seven of the eight flights.

"We are building some early season

momentum," said Stafford. "Our guys are learning that we need everyone to contribute if we are going to win states again.

It helps that the team came into the son with a "one-for-all" type of atti tude

"I like the maturity I am seeing from our team," Stafford said. "This year's squad might not have the over all talent from top to bottom as last year's, but I am seeing guys step up and be who we need them to be and that is inspiring."

CC's flight winners were: Gabe Apa za (two singles), Justin Puccio (three singles), Kevin Hayes (four singles), Hodges and Willson (one doubles), Hermiz and Jakubik (two doubles). Matt Mengel and Magagna (three dou bles) and Hamilton Cauffiel and Hinrichs (four doubles)

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



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Kovacinski and Thomp-

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Catholic Central soccer gets win, tie Squad blanks Clarkston, knots up with Ann Arbor Pioneer

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By Sam Eggleston

Joe Nora isn't going to complain about hav ing a win and a tie on his record from last week, especially against wo tough squads like **Clarkston and Ann**

Arbor Pioneer The Shamrocks soccer team went into the week expecting two tough games, and that's exactly what they got but they gave their fair share of toughness as well. The soccer squad ounded out a 2-0 victo ry over Clarkston and ought to a 0-0 tie against

"We had a good week and I like the way we compete every time

ON TAP Catholic Central socer fans won't want to miss tonight's game at: 7 p.m. when the Shamrocks visit Brother Rice in a game sure to be a. hriller. Then, Tuesday, the Shamrocks will visit

DeLaSalle in another Catholic League show lown. Game time will be7 p.m. out," said Nora, "As we continue to improve, the movement off the

ball and communication on the field are impor tant keys to our style of The Shamrocks had the shutout victory preserved by goalie Alex

News.

North Farmington and the two won 6-3, 6-1 to Pastor, who earned the win in goal against Clarkston. Nate McLean that flight. and Kyle Smokovitz scored goals with David at three doubles, Cho Chavez and Jack Cox remains undefeated on the earning assists in the victory. Against Pioneer, Ste 0 last week with a 6-0, 6-1 win over Cranbrook; 6-2 phen Galindo earned the 6-0 win over Athens: 6-4, 6 shutout tie in goal. "Our defense and goal 1, 6-0 win over Lakeview. keeping has been pret-ty good for this early in matches included seniors the season," noted Nora Sho Nakashima and Ved-

"They all work very well ant Ram dropping a 6-4, 7-5 decision against the together. Raiders at five doubles, Catholic Central is currently 2-2-2 on the seawhile Chitta and sophonore Kevin Xu got in a 6-0, 6-2 win against Pio-Sam Eggleston is a neer's four doubles squad freelance writer and forme staff sports writer for the

In singles action, sophomore Andrew Ying con-Northville Record and Novi tinued to be dominant at four singles. Ying beat

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went up 5-0 against Ath-ens before his opponent

retired due to illness, but

6-4, 6-0 and Lakeview 6-1,

6-0. He's 9-1 this season.

"He's a tough kid. He con-

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Freshman Andre Liu

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North Farmington 6-0, 6and Xu to get a 6-0, 6-1 win

2 and Cranbrook 6-1, 6-2 in at two sing Back in the lineup, Wang beat Cranbrook 7-5, 7-6(3) the duals. At the Invite, he and Pioneer 6-0, 6-1 befor leaving his match agains came back to beat Pioneer view as his injur flared up while down 6-1, 4-1 to Jim Beckwith who won the one singles state "Andrew Ying just keeps title in Division II last

> "Tim Wang's been fight ing a bad wrist pretty much all season long here We're trying to rest him as much as we can," Hanson said. "Tim played a tough opponent in (Cranbrook's Matt) McCormick and gu ted out 7-5, 7-6 win. Each game was highly contestd. It was a good match for Tim.'

sion to Cranbrook. At the After dropping a 6-1, 6-2 match to Cranbrook, Rao Invite, Liu beat Lakeview 6-2, 6-2 and Athens 6-0, 6had a strong showing in a 0 before losing 6-1, 6-2 to tough flight at the Invite, "Andre's played well for defeating Athens 6-1, 6-0; losing 7-5, 6-2 to Pion us and won the majority of his matches for us," Hanand defeating Lakeview 7 son said. "He needs to gain 6(3), 6-1. "I was pleased with how

experience against tough opponents, which is why they battled." Hanson said. "Pavan really won a we play in these matches. One singles freshman hard fought match versus Battle Creek Lakevi Tim Wang and two singles junior Pavan Rao I was very pleased with got some rest to heal sore how Pava competed and battled out there.' wrist and back injuries against North Farming

Chris Jackett is a freelance allowing senior Matt Pilat writer and former staff writer to sub into the lineup for a 6-1, 6-3 loss at one singles for the Novi News.

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yards, three sacks) was roughed up on a pass attempt, advancing the Wildcats 15 yards to their 35-yard line, On the next play, Kempa hit senior Derek Cingel (50 yards on four catches, one touchdown) up

the left side for a 24-yard reception, but an illegal motion penalty called the play back to Novi's 30yard line. Kempa hit his and on an opponent's hel met on that play and left

the game. In the next 1:15, Ince went 4-for-7 to lead Nov to their first score of the game when he threw a lob to Cingel in the left corner of the end zone after alternating toss es between Cingel and senior Michael Jocz (74 yards on eight catches, two touchdowns). The Warriors took over with 1:15 remain

ing and ended up punt ing from their 20 with eight seconds left in the half. Junior Jon Mencer blocked the punt and car ried it two yards to West ern's 11-vard line, seting up an Ince connection to Jocz through the middle. The point after

JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER The Novi Wildcats pour on to the field before their Sept. 1

home game against Walled Lake Weste by senior Zach Masserant senior Jordan Audritsh snatched Ince's 23-yard cut the deficit to 22-13 at

pass up the left line out of the air and carried it into

the end zone on a 46-yard run. Down 29-13, the Wildcats faced fourth and one on their own 29 and Ince's pass was incomplete. The

Warriors capitalized and, although the Novi defense

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those guys. We just can't make those mistakes." lead to 32-13. Novi had the mon tum after the break, with Cingel returning the kickoff 21 yards to Novi's 21-vard line. However,

things fixed and that's got to be a priority. We have kept them out of the end zone, senior Kyle Bamsome talent here and, ath letically, we played with bard hit a 32-yard field goal to increase Western's The teams traded failed drives before the Wildcats put together a nine

play, 57-yard touchdown push that culminat three plays later, Western ed with a four-yard pass

the break.

"We didn't quit, you can't coach that," Penny-

cuff said. "It's very disap

we had the heart, we had the effort. Again, mental

mistakes are hurting us

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from Ince to Joez in the

cut the deficit to 32-19.

Junior Lucas Buck (38

putting together three

straight rushes for a 29-

vards on eight runs) was

instrumental in the drive,

yard gain to advance Novi

o Western's 28-vard line.

fourth quarter and, after a Novi three-and-out punt

iunior Mario Ferrini

was blocked and recov-

ered at Novi's one-yard

punched in a three-yard

ouchdown run moi

The teams traded

to kill off the clock.

with 8:11 remain

line by Western, Zdcbski

later to build a 43-19 lead

lengthy touchdown drives

Novi went 81 yards in

2:27 before Ince hit Jocz

with a 12-yard touchdown

pass up the right side. The 'Cats went for two, but

Ince's rush attempt failed.

with an eight-play, 56-

yard drive over 4:49 of

game time before Bam-

bard ran up the right side for a 10-yard touchdown

and capped the scoring by kicking his own point

after to put the score at

50-25 with 55 seconds

n answered back

Bambard tacked on

a field goal to start the

middle of the end zone to



remaining Although the Wildcats' 15 first downs were a

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huge improvement over the six from week one,

five resulted from pena

(11 penalties, 103 yards).

Ince emerged as the

quarterback battle, hav

frontrunner in Novi's

ing gone 23-for-45 for

226 yards, three touch-

downs and one intercept

tion during the first two

games, while Kempa is 7-for-20 for 79 yards, one

touchdown and two inter

ceptions despite spend-

ing slightly more time on

the field. Pennycuff said

Ince might have regained

his starting spot from the

"It's a high possibility."

Pennycuff said. "We've

good in practice and the

other one doesn't look so

good. And in the game, i

switches. Just flip a coin

at. I thought Ince played

an extremely good game

tonight. Made a couple

errors, but also made

some good plays. He

made some good deci

sions that led to a cou-

ple scores. Having not

have to say he played extremely well."

watched some film. I'd

Despite Ince's efforts

the Wildcats were 3-for

for-1 on fourth downs,

12 on third downs and 0-

and that's where we're

got one that looks real

2010 season.

es against the Warriors

while allowing Western to go 7-for-13 on third and 1-for-1 on fourth. On several occasions, wide-ope Novi receivers dropped passes that hit them in the chest or bounced of their fingertips.

"We've got to get some mental toughness." Pen nycuff said. "It's a menal thing. We get a little bit tired or something like that, some of those missed catches in the end zone and that, I'm watch ing our receivers and I can tell you they're not making the news. They take their eyes off the ball looking for a defend er around them and when you do that you have dropped balls.

"It's more of a men tal aspect than anything else. I'm very proud of their effort, but effort alone doesn't get it done. At the end of the day, you're got to bring every thing and, right no we're missing the menta piece." Western also had the

ball for 10:04 of the first 12 minutes of the game before splitting time fairly evenly with Novi the rest of the contest.

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Continued from page B1 soccer is that people are done in school. Kids are done, teachers are lone, so it's really difficult to get the kids the credit they deserve. So this was a nice opportunity for us to do that," Ellis said. "This is really an outstanding achievement for them. I think it's not just recognition for what this team's done, but for what our girls have done for the last five, six, seven years under Bri-an (O'Leary's) leadership." After coaching the boys team to

a state title in 1998, coach O'Leary took the girls program all the way five of the past seven years. "I think it's a continuation of our strong emphasis of sports as part of our curriculum, sports as part of what makes us as a country strong and what makes the student as an individual strong," said Board of Education Secretary George Kortlandt of the program's success. Many of the student-athletes didn't know they were even in con-

sideration for a national title until after they had won it. "It's unreal," senior midfielder Kelli Timar said. "Just in generil, when you win a state champion ship, its awesome. But then learning that you won a national championship, it's just that much bet-ter. It wasn't something expected at

we were really good as a team and

the beginning of the season at all. As games went on, I could tell that

had a chance or a shot at winning the state title. But even after win ning States, I still had no clue. I just learned it like a week later that we were national champions. I didn't know and it was really cool." O'Leary said the team's focus was finitely more local and not on a national or even a state title.

"Things just fell into place," O'Leary said. "It wasn't like we tried to win the national champion ship. I did things the way we always do things. You've got to see what your team is made of. We schedule quality opponents and you've just got to get people in there. The girls just made plays. It's not just like we counted on one person or two peo-ple. It was different people all the

The Wildcats had several key players this past spring, many who are now playing in college pro-grams. Forward Nicki Caruso and goalkeeper Gabby Gauruder are at Michigan State University, forward Nikki Greenhalgh is at the University of Wisconsin and midfielder Molli Krick is at Eastern Michigan University. The right blend is what took the

team deep into the playoffs before ending the season with a 22-0-2 record. The girls had finished the 2010 season with 10-straight victories before finishing with a state title and 21-2-2 record. "Overall, I think it was a great

experience, a great season with awesome people," senior defend

er Katie Rudzinski said of the recent title. "From winning the state title the previous year, it's hard to fulfill that again. But I think that each day we grew closer and improved. I just think overall it was a great experience and I would do it again in a heartbeat. On top of the recent graduates, three current seniors will return as key team members in spring 2012 alongside a solid supporting cast. Rudzinki, who assisted on the lone goal in the state championship, will be joined by Timar (com-mitted to MSU) and forward Jessica Jarvis (committed to Bowling Green State University). Junior

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The Michigan Jaguars U11 Girl reen team won the 2011 Grand

lapids Crew Cup on Aug. 28 against he Grand Rapids Crew. The MI Jags

uffered a loss to the Crew earlier

ams had a rematch in the final. After regulation time had expired, the score was still 1-1. After double

overtime and shootout, the Michi-gan Jaguars won the championship

The team includes: Kelsey Adams, Jessie Bandyk, Crystal Bock, Mara

ousino, Sonhie Kowaleski, Lexie Vhalen, Nina Smith, Emmie Takada

ulia Stadtherr, Callie Rich and

oach Mike Scobie.

n the tournament, and the two

midfielder Natalie Krygier will also be a factor in Novi's offense. "Like every year, we'll just start over," O'Leary said. "We'll be pretty good, but we lose a lot of offense, so we'll have to find some goals, some scoring from some eople. It won't be one person's job or two peoples' jobs, everyone will have to chip in a little bit more. We'll just start over and do the same thing. We'll play good teams and we'll probably lose a game here or there, but I said that last year, too. We'll probably lose a game here or there though and learn from it and hopefully win our league. That's what we shoot for and that helps us get ready for a state tournament

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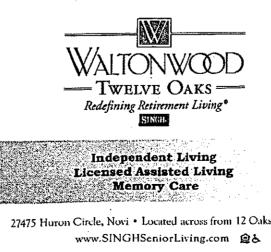
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The National Fire Protection Association urges students returning to campuses around the country and their parents to take the time to educate themselves on life-saying fire safety information. Thousand of fires occur each year in both on- and off-campus h ing, many of which could have

een easily prevented. Tom Kiurski, training coor dinator for the Livonia Fire Department, said, "I think they're a little too busy wor rying about classes and bringing the right clothes. You tend not to think about fire safety It's just once of those things think people don't get around

His daughter was at Central Michigan University for her first year last year and he ought a second smoke detec tor for her bedroom. She's now in a CMU dorm that has sprin klers, unlike last year. "It's an extra level of protection," Kiurski said.

A leading cause of campus fires is cooking, with cooking equipment involved in 75 per cent of the reported dorm ry fires. Although only 5 perent of fires in campus hous ing began in the bedroom, these fires accounted for 62 percent of the civilian death: and one-quarter (26 percent) of the civilian injuries. While only two percent of the structure fires were caused by smoking materials, they were responsible for 39 percent of the deaths. Campus fires are more common during the evening hours between 5-11 p.m., as well as on weekends. "Most places will tell you

you're not supposed to cook in your room," Kiurski said. Stulents tend to bring appliances they shouldn't, or leave a coffee pot on too long. There are problems with candles and igarettes as well.

You need to plan how you would get out of your room," Kiurski said. Others may be less attentive to fire safe ty. "Make sure you have two ways out and plan and practhem." he said. NFPA offers the following safety tips for campus fire safetv

Be Prepared for a Fire Look for fully sprinklered housing when choosing a dorm or off-campus housing Make sure your dormitory or apartment has smoke alarms inside each bedroom outside every sleeping area and on each level. For the best protection, all smoke alarms should be interconnected so that when one sounds they all sound.

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.For people who are deaf or hard-of-hearing, make sure there are smoke alarms that use strobe lights to wake the person, Install vibration equipment (pillow or bed shake) that is activated by the smoke alarm.

•Test all smoke alarms at least monthly. Never remove batteries or disable the alarm.

*Learn your building's evacuation plan and practice all drills as if they were the real thing.

•Involve students with disabilities in evacuation planning and the plan.

Escape Tips •If you live off campus. have a fire escape plan with two ways out of every room. •Windows with securi

ty bars, grills, and window guards should have emergency release devices. When the smoke alarm or fire alarm sounds, get out of the building quickly and

stay out. Śmoke is toxic. If you must escape through smoke, get low and go under the

smoke to your way out. •If you can't get out, close the door and seal vents and cracks around doors with towels or tape to keep moke out. Call 9-1-1 or the fire department. Tell them where you are and signal for help at the window with light-colored cloth or a

flashlight. Smoking

•To prevent a deadly cigarette fire, you must be alert. You won't be alert if you are sleepy, have taken medicine or drugs, or consumed alcohol that makes you drowsy. •If you smoke, smoke ou side or in an area designated by your college dormitory. •Never smoke in bed.

•Wherever you smoke, use deep, sturdy ashtrays.
Before going to bed, check under furniture cush ions and other places people smoke for cigarette butts that may have fallen out of

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 Stay in the kitchen when cooking. Cook only when you are alert, not sleepy or drowsy from medicine or alcohol

 Check with your local fire department for any restrictions before using a barbecue grill, fire pit, or chiminea. Keep the stovetop, burners, and oven clean Plug microwave ovens

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of the deaths are, in off-cam-

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A couple years go, a near-by university lost a student

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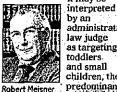
Q: Lunderstand that there is now the ability to obtain reverse mortgages fo cooperatives' seniors. Do you have any nformation about it? A: I am advised that the National Association of Housing Cooperatives has been able to obtain enabling litigation in getting HUD o establish the neces regulations for Home Equity version Mortgages (HECMS = Reverse ortgages) for cooperatives. Without the guidelines, lenders have been unwilling to consider reverse mortgages for cooperatives. This is a significant development for cooperative owners, but one should be very careful about entering in to a reverse mortgage because of the expense involved in obtaining

Q: There are some homeowners in ou condominium that have petitioned the board to enact a rule prohibiting people (children and adults in diapers) from sing the pool, as I am aware of the Fair using Act obligations that preclude crimination based on familial status, I am wondering if you have any comme on this?

and paying for a reverse

mortgage.

A: This is an issue which to continues to be widely debated and subject to many different interpretations. While your ouestion seems to first appear to apply to everyone, there should be a concern that it may be



by an administrative law judge as targeting toddlers and small children, the predomin users of

diapers, which could result in a substantial financial penalty being imposed on the association There are several cases where the Department of Housing and Urban Development specifically addresses the issue of pool rules designed to prohibit children in diapers from using the associ swimming pools. In one case. the rule provided that no child under the age of 5 was permitted to use the pool and

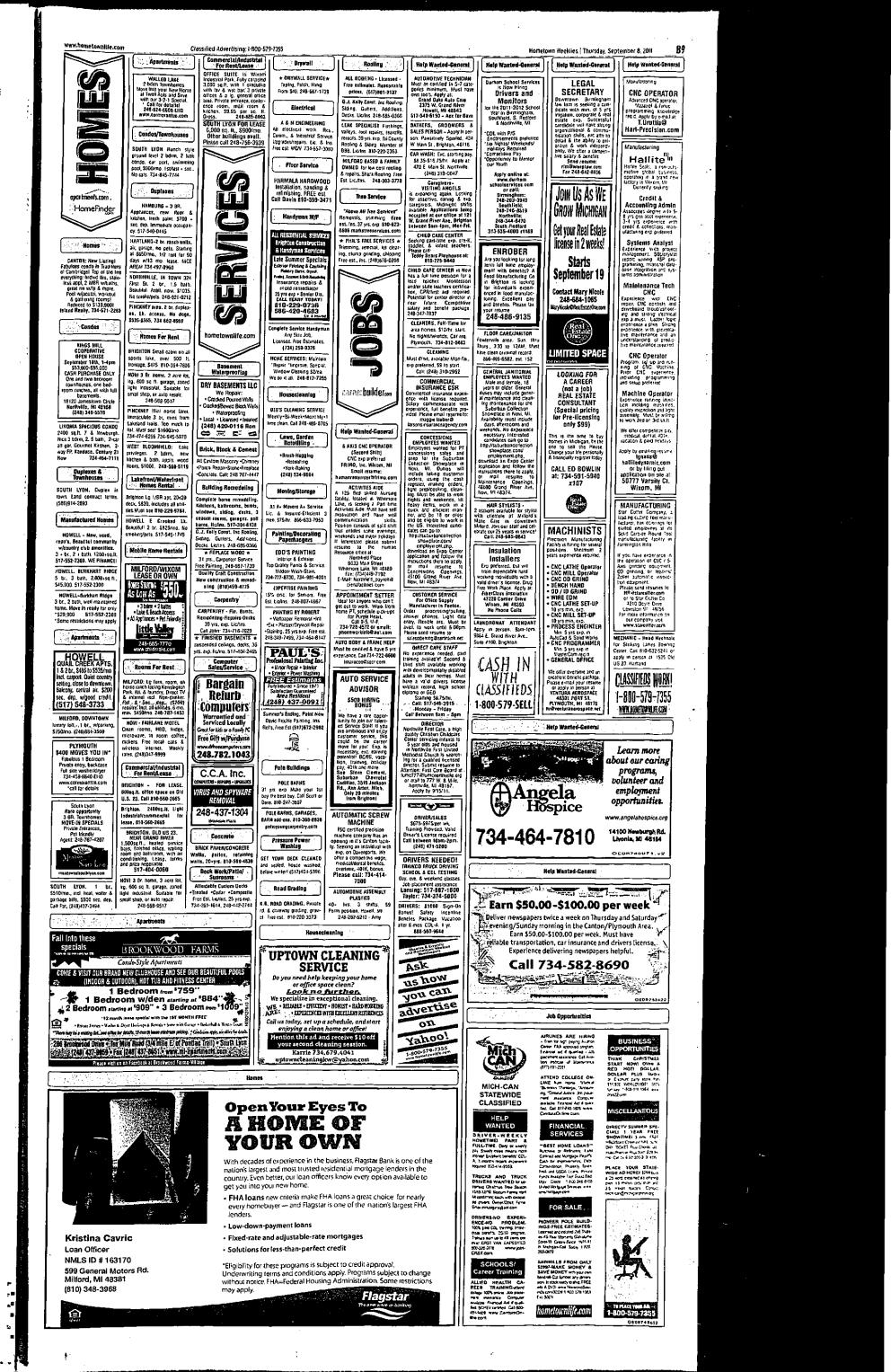
that children between the ages of 5 and 16 are allowed n the pool between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. The administrative law judge found the rules to discriminate against families with children in that it interfered with the enjoyment and use of the facilities. There

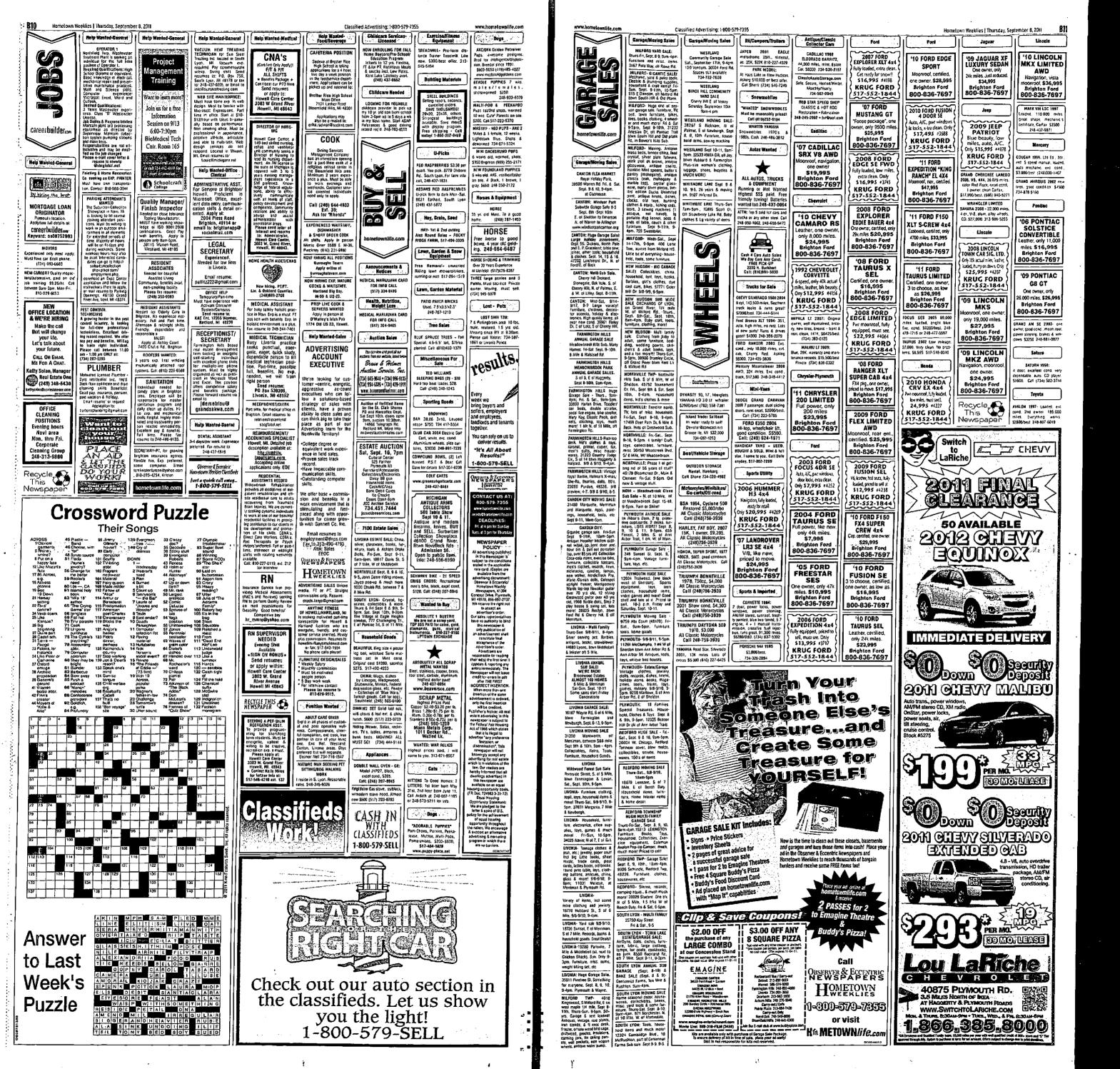
was a witness that testified that there was no health reason to exclude children of any age from a pool and that a pool can be maintained in a healthful and clean condition regardless of the ages of those that use the pool. The judge ruled that the only type of ule which would be found acceptable was one in which children were prohibited under a certain age from using maintaining safety. In another case, the administrative law udge required the association to change its rule prohibiting all babies and a small child not fully potty trained from entering or being carried into a pool as follows: "Any person who is found incontine not fully potty trained must wear appropriate waterproof clothing when entering or being carried into the pool." In short, get a legal opinion from

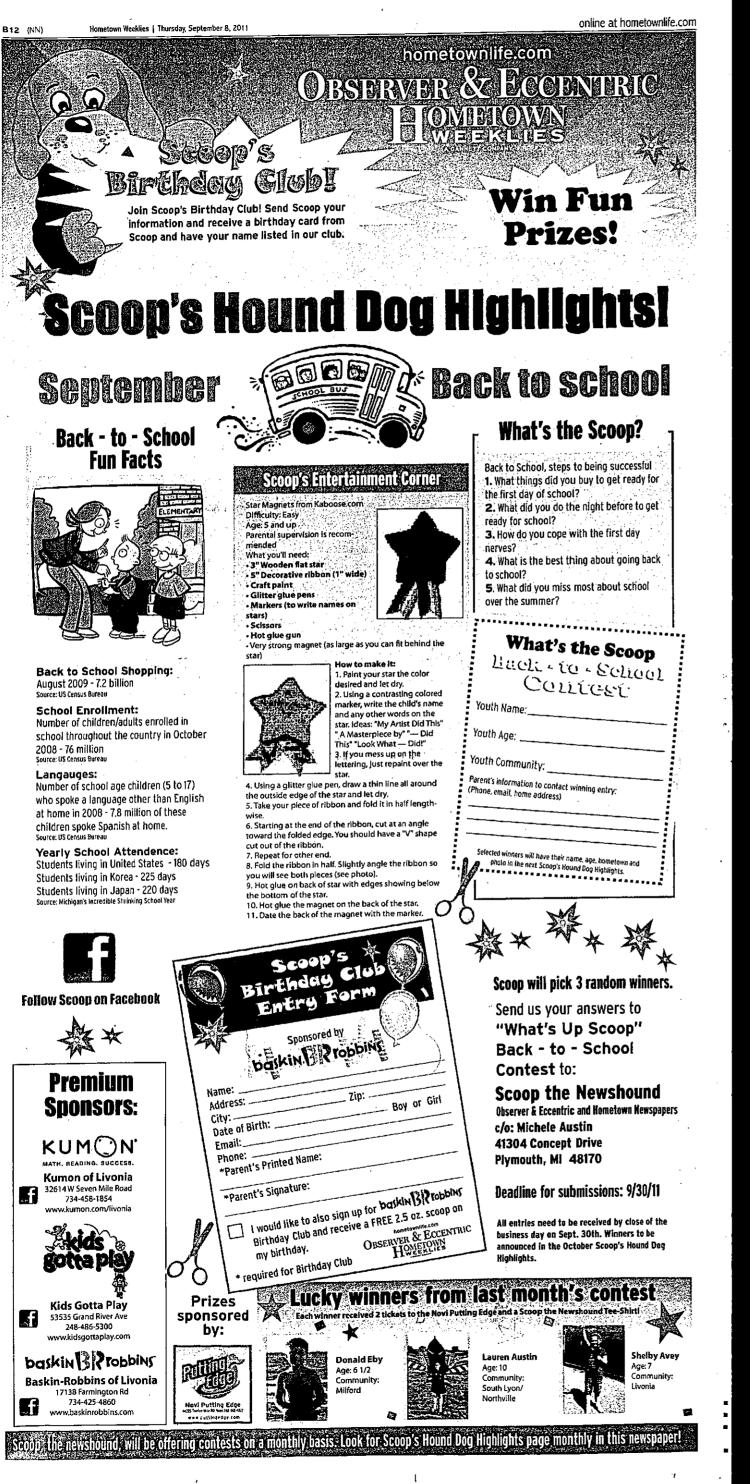
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