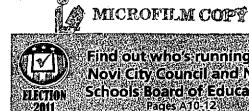


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Our website, Hometownlife.com, is having a Facebook contest and the lucky winner will get Michigan State Spartans Badgers on Saturday, Oct. 22, at Spartan Stadium. All you have to do to enter is click on Don't Miss module and fill out a short form.

Food for thought

Does zero Transfat on the label mean that there is no Transfat in vour food? What do the words "Fat Free" or "Organic" imply and what do they really mean on labels? Deciphering these labels may seem easy, but the more you know the better off you will be in your choices.

Join the director of Nutrition Services from Providence Park Hospital for a fun and educational discussion from 25 at Novi Public Library (10 Mile Road just east of Taft Road). Enter. to win free nutritionbased prizes including a personal review of your family's pantry by a registered dietician.

Mental health lecture

South University Novi will hold the second lecture in a new series. on Thursday, Oct. 20. The lecture, The State of Mental Health in Michigan, will be given by Dr. Jason Young, program director of Professional Counseling and Psychol ogy. Light refreshments will be served from 6-6:30 p.m. followed by the p.m. at South University's campus located at 41555 W. 12 Mile Road, Novi. The lecture series is free and open to the public. Please RSVP to lectureedu or (248) 675-0242.

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Showplace inches closer to tax abatement approval

Merits of project to be discussed Monday

The Suburban Collection Showplace is one step away from being granted a tax abatement by the Novi City Council after members approved the creation of a commercial rehabilitation Part two, which will focus on the

merits of the application, is expected to take place at the city council business will be receiving a 100percent, six-year real property tax abatement that would freeze the taxable value of the building as it was before the improvements. It's estimated the city would abate roughly \$500,000 in city

taxes during that span.

and the state see the project as being "unique" — as evidenced by the amending of the Commercial Rehabilitation Act - and it must be treated as such. "What's really at issue is not

convention center." Landry said.

Please see SHOWPLACE, A2

some businesses, but that is the nature of abatements period. The amount of investment this community makes is going to be repaid many times over." DAVE STAUDT

Wildcats royalty



The Novi High School Homecoming Court was announced Monday morning and will be recognized at the football game on Friday against Saline. Freshman court: Sam Troher and Billy Ulle; sophomor Downs and Tanner Vincent; junior court: Matt Forche and Jamie Park; senior court: Michael Jocz, Gary Hoen, Raj Chhaya, Anna Lu, Frankie Mastrangelo, Shelly Yusko, Logan Chio, Meg Gaffney. The theme for Homecoming 2011 was "United We Stand," and paid tribute to the armed services.

District court converting to new record system

By Aileen Wingblad

In upcoming months, a few clicks on one's computer mouse is all it's expected to take to access tion filed online with the 52-1 Dis-

The court, which serves Milford, Highland and Lyon town-ships, South Lyon, Novi, Wixom and the Lakes Area, is undergoagement system being adopted by courts throughout Michigan, pro-vided by the State Court Administrative Office's Judicial Information Systems. Benefits include the nublic's canability of searches, trial dates and sentencing information, as well as streamlining the process for court staff to

create and order reports. It will also apply some changes made in a file to all related files such as new contact information for attor neys, avoid redundancy by consolidating case management, and improve the process for system updates and maintenance.

"It will probably alleviate a lot of phone calls because of the information that will be available (online)," said Joyce A. Renfrow, court administrator, "And the staff ductively, because it makes the

The conversion process got under way Oct. 3, yet it could be upwards of a year before it's completed. Renfrow noted.

ple who come to the courthouse Please see COURT, A3



A) GOULD ISTAFF PHOTOGRAPHE 52-1 District Court Administraand Deputy Court Administrator Janet Rehm are among the staff working on the new record system conversion to

Novi takes a stand against bullying

Pink apparel being worn to bring awareness to issue

By Nathan Mueller

Supt. Steve Matthews is not one to hide the fact that bullying occurs regularly in the Novi Com-munity School District.

It happens in the form of physical violence, verbal degradation or through the computer or cell phone, and the negative impact it has on students is seen in their grades and often in their lifestyles In an effort to confront bullies the school district - along with city officials and the police and fire departments - will don pink stand against bullving on Nation-

"It's an issue and we know it's an issue and we do a lot in school to make students aware of it," Matthews said, "Our hope is the students realize this isn't something we should tolerate in our buildor are a victim, my hope is the stusomeone who can help them," Residents and husiness owners

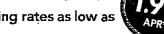
also are encouraged to wear pink today as bullying is not just some This marks the second consecutive year the city has participated in the fight against bullying

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Life is a carnival





Shontez Jones (left), 5, enjoys a moon bounce ride at Novi's Manor nursing home on Aug. 18. The Meadowbrook residence put on an outside carnival for its residents and employee and their families on that day. Olivia Cerseka (right), 3, enjoys some cotton candy during the carnival.

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noting that it brings 1.5 million people to the city and has an annual positive economic impact of Council member David Staudt agreed with the may or, saying while he empathizes with other hotels in the area, the abatement

needs to happen. "I'm sorry it affects some businesses, but that s the nature of abatements — period," he said. "The amount of investment this community makes is going to be repaid many times over. Foregoing nothing of noth-

ing isn't the right answer.'
The proposal before council is an \$8.5 million project that includes a 127-room, six-story hotel brand and franchise and ie expansion of addition-

al meeting space. Kevin Schramm, vice president of development at Hyatt Hotels Corp., said he believes there is going to be "significant-

Blair Bowman, owner of Suburban Collection Showplace, continued would not be building the hotel without the abatement. He also said the project is vital to the longterm success of the convention center, noting he more large-scale convenions if the hotel is added.

"This is not just we're looking to build another hotel in the marketplace," he said. "It is to pro-vide infrastructure to support and sustain the posithink you have heard a con-More than 10 people spoke during the public hearing Monday, sharing their reasons as to why they oppose or approve of

Mexican Bistro, said he is thankful for the Showplace because in this ecomic market he needs every benefit he can get.

When there is an event at the Showplace, our business spikes tremen-

Brian Martin, COO at Hotel Investment Services, Dan Fine, general manager at the Sheraton Detroit-Novi and Susan Sereno, general manager of Crowne Plaza Detroit-Novi, said they don't see how they will be benefitting from the hotel despite Bowman's claim that they vill handle the overflow from large conventions.

Sereno said the Crowne Plaza was the partner hotel for Suburban Collection Showplace for many years and they did not sell out on all the larger conventions. "In our opinion, add-

ing 127 more rooms is not going to attract largsaid, "When you are runpancy, there is room to ventions now. We don't have enough occupancy, we don't have enough demand and we don't draw major large conven

overflow." Council member Justin Fischer was the lone dissenting vote on council, saying he was not convinced it was to a level of what is expected in Novi and that it couldn't be done

"To me, tax abatements should be used sparingly," he said. "They should be used to attract top-notch investments. . I can't go as far as to unique, and it would not that I believe is the intent of the policy."

Council member Terry Margolis was not present

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es," she said. "Not only are you losing weight, but

you also establish a main-

tenance program to help

Lvon, and Mills, from

Milford, are success sto-ries as Mills is down 67

pounds in her third round of the program, and Freel

a comfortable 13 pounds.

Mills said once you

start losing the weight

stay focused.

and inches, it's easier to

Both Freel, from South

keep it off.'

Exercise not required

There are many programs, books and supple ments available to people trying to lose weight But for Chervl Mills and Kim Freel, they have found a method that works for them, and they are guaranteeing it works

for everyone else as well. Co-owners of the Pounds and Inches Away franchise that recently opened in Novi, the weight loss program fol-lows what is called the HCG Diet Protocol, HCG is a supplement that taps into the body's abnormal fat deposits and releas es them into the blood stream and out of the

You want to keep it off and not go back to what Freel said clients who

receive a free consulright for them, a program will be shaped to meet their needs.

Mills said women are can benefit from the pro-

men," she said. "Better on them, actually,'

are available for support 24 hours a day, seven ness has had thousands of successful clients to point out as success stories.

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The owners said they

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communications for the city, who heard about a iigh school freshman in was bullied in 2007 for seniors decided to stand up for him and encour-

aged their friends to wear pink shirts to sup-Schools in Novi were

a sea of pink last year, a sign to Novi Director of Public Safety/Chief of Police David Molloy that the idea resonated with

Last year the focus was the high school, while this year it will be at Novi Middle School. "I believe it's a serious

problem many commuto do everything we can to be proactive," Molloy said. "I think we all are

The conversion process

stepping outside our comfort zone on this day." Matthews said it's "one of those hidden parts of a

"It's just hard to see all the time and we do all we can to promote the idea we don't want this to happen," he said. "We want safe schools where kids feel like they can be

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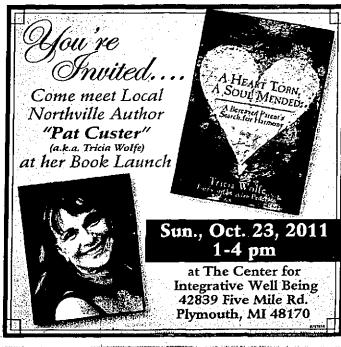
Continued from page A1 on Grand River in Novi other business requirng assistance from staff night face delays, she

"I'm hoping everyone can bear with us. It can little longer, but we are

began early this year in the 52nd district. Of its court is the last to under go the conversion. Cases will be entered into the new system as they go through the court process, Renfrow explained. dles lawsuits of \$25,000 ters assigned by circuit

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played the baritone in my junior high school band. In fact, I was first chair baritone. I did not always play the baritone, but the year switched to the baritone I had started the year as a trumpet player and was

I would like to say I pecause my band director asked me to switch, but in truth, I asked him if I could change.

baritone coincided with my demotion from first chair trumpet. I had been first chair trumpet for several weeks and was happily moving along me challenged me. After our musical duel, I was no

longer first chair. How did I respond? Did I practice more? Did I ask the teacher for extra

Those seem like good approaches but I took the easy way out — I

We did not have a bari tone player in my junio asked the teacher if I could switch. He said yes and I was now first chair

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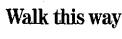
our students to challenge themselves, take risks, and reach further than Our students will not do that by themselves As a district we have to challeng-

create an environment that pushes our students to achieve at high levels. trators must find ways to students to overcome the challenges that they face. We must support students at all levels, finding ways to encourage students to embrace excellence.

to support our children Simple things like asking them about their homework, knowing the curtheir progress will help

As I look back on my band experience I can see now that I lost an opportunity to achieve at a high level. As we move for ward in our district. I am ways to encourage all students to perform at a high level and reach their true

Steve Matthews is the Community Schools District. He can be reached at smat thews@novi.k12.mi.us; (248) 437-1204: www.twitter www.novisuperintendent







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a healthy, green way to get to school (below, left) and Claira

NOVI SCHOOL BRIEFS 'The Phantom' coming to Walled Lake Western

The Walled Lake Western High School theater will be inhabited by "The Phan-tom of the Opera" this fall when students perform this winner of seven 1988 Tony Awards, including Best Musical. Andrew Lloyd Webber's mesmerizing score along with jaw-dropping scenery and breathtaking special effects, mag ically combine to bring this tragic love story to life on Nov. 11, 12, 18, and 19 at

7:30 p.m. and on Nov. 13 and 20 at 2 p.m "This demanding musical will have a performance company of over 125 stu dents, guided by over 25 adult professionals. The full-length production will involve numerous special effects including the famous chandelier that rises from the stage in the opening Lake Western's choir director and pro-

ducer of the musical.

Tickets can be purchased online at http://www.wlwmusical.com or by phone at (248) 956-4625. Ticket prices range from \$18-20 for adults and \$14-16 for ets are also available for groups of 20 or

more.
"The very same script and score that is currently being performed on Broadway will also be brought to life at Walled Lake Western," said Kim Paullin, acting director. "Singing, acting and

playing instruments in this internation al musical phenomenon will be the ultimate learning experience for our students, and a night of professional-level theater that audiences will not believe is presented by a high school."
Walled Lake Western High School

is located in Walled Lake, at 600 Beck Road, between Maple and Pontiac Trail

. awkward pause)

Do you ever wish you had said something? Wish you could go back in time and tell someone how you really felt about something, even though it may have you made look like a freak? Do you ever wish that or things were different, that people weren't afraid to speak their

The Novi High School social issue group — (... awkward pause) — puts on shows for each class senior, junior, nore and freshman an general public throughout the year. Talking about the issues that everyone knows about but they are just too scared to actually say, their goal is to provide thought provoking theatre. They tackle issues that students face day to day: too much school work, pressure from par-

ents, and friends/peer pressure.

The troupe will be having their second performance of the 2011-2012 school the High School for \$2 admission

Johns Hopkins University

Three Novi residents were named to the Dean's list for academic excellence for the spring 2011 semester at The Johns Hopkins University. To be selected for this honor, a student must earn a grade point average of 3.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale in a program of at least 14 credits with at least 12 graded credits. Daniel Chang is the son of Ki-Seok and Ryung Hee Chang and attended Detroit Catholic Central High School

Chang, who is majoring in an arts and

Stephanie Lin is the daughter of Jeff and Irene Lin and attended Northville

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sciences pre-major, will graduate in May 2014.

Gordy Hao is the son of Shouwei Hao and Shuqing Li and attended Detroit Catholic Central High School. Hao, who is majoring in public health studies, will graduate in May 2013.

High School. Lin, who majored in neuro-science, graduated in May 2011.

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Novi's Petty, Waterford Township honored for information sciences

The Michigan Gov-ernment Management of their 2011 Mi-GMIS Awards during their Fall Conference held Sept. 26-28 at Crystal Mountain

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IT Professional of the Year

honors. Petty has over 25 years of information tech ology experience. He has been with the City of Novi for nine years and curren ly holds the title of Chief Information Officer, Petaward by Avane Grubbs of Novi, who said, "In our current economic envionment Rob, like many I.T. Leaders, has been con fronted with declining rev off staff Rob approached er direction. He looked at



the It Professional of the Year award to Rob Petty.

what he could do with his staff to better serve the City of Novi. This lead to the suggestion to route all internal facility calls for service to the existing LT. void that existed operaty Operations Department and saved I.T. staff from Eventually, Petty was given the leadership role

over the Facility Operation Department, By Facility Operations, Petage the skills of his tal-

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both operationally and The Mi-GMIS Award

for Best Technology Project was awarded to an agreement between which specifies that provide IT support and

ented team and provide a

services to White Lake. have an in-house IT on the other hand, has invested over the years in and application infrastruc department. In exchange

Waterford provides the

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White Lake lacks internal

Rumps presents the award for Best Technology Project to Jared Black (center) and An-

drew Mutch (right) of Waterford Township. Mutch is also a Novi City Council member

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The new 154,000-

ed St. Mary Mercy's 19th annual Gala held on Oct. 7 at the Laurel Manor anquet and Conference Center in Livonia, which raised nearly \$240,000 benefitting the Generations Together Campaign supporting the hospital's new South Pavilion con-

struction project. The annual black-tie preferred event was themed "Dancing like the Stars" and emceed by well-known WXYZ-Channel 7 News Anchor JoAnne Purtan. Dancing with the Stars pros Edyta Sliwinska and Alec Mazo provided special dance performances and encouraged guests to join them on the dance



Gala event chair Dan Murphy (center) is pres ited with a mirror ball trophy from St. Mary Mercy President and CEO David Spivey and Director of Development Sara Stauffer.

floor for a lesson on a few dance steps. Guests also enjoyed a gourmet dinner, music by the Mel

Ball and Colours Band, Dynamic Dance Group of Walled Lake, Attendees

could also enter a chance to win a 2012 Softail

private patient rooms to private rooms will take "The support of our place once the South nunity and sponsors Pavilion is completed, all part of the Generations and we would not be as successful in our efforts fogether Campaign.

> Mercy also recognized the generosity of the 19th Annual Gala major sponsors: William & Bridget Phillips and family -Phillips Service Indus tries, Inc. served as the event's Presenting Spon sor; Dan Murphy of Great Lakes Investment Group-Wells Fargo Advisors as Mirror Ball Sponsor; Emergency Physicians Hearts of Livonia served as the event's Baliroom

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A workshop for small business owners who are developing a plan to serve as their road map to success. Workshop participants learn what elements are commonly found in effective plans and work on developing each of these for their own business. Assistance in the process as well as information on resources is provided

Thursday, Oct. 20, 6-9 p.m. Fee: \$40. **Fundamentals of Marketing Your Business**

Marketing is an essential of business success. All products/services must be sold to well-targeted audiences with a wide-ranging marketing mix. Our staff/SCORE counselors can guide you through successful techniques and marketing principles helping you to promote your products and services to the most promising customers-your target audience. Presented by The Michigan Small Business & Technology Development Center (MI-

Wednesday, Oct. 27, 9 a.m.-noon. Fee: \$40. No refunds.

Pre-Business Research/ FastTrac NewVenture Orientation

Are you thinking of starting your own business and want to research your business idea? Are you a business owner who wants to understand which research sources to use for your business plan and where to find the information you need? Presented by The Oakland County Business Center, The Entrepreneur's Source, Oakland County Market Research division, and a business reference librar-

Thursday, Nov. 3, 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. This workshop is free but pre-registration is required.

Social Media Marketing

Establish your Footprint and Get Your Customers Talking. Learn the core strategies and tactics business es are using to get customers talking through social media. You'll also learn how to respond ethically and effectively to brand supporters and detrac-tors. Topics covered will include: creating your social media strategy, how to integrate word-of-mouth market-ing and social media into your overall marketing campaign, and more. Pre-requisite for this class is Social Media Marketing Part 1. This is Part 2 of a

CEED Microloan Orientation

Many small business owners face obstacles when trying to obtain a business loan. The recognition of the serious need for working capital for existing businesses, start-up or expansion; equipment purchases, and iob was. If you have a need for alterna tive financing consider the MicroLoan Program. Discover the requirements and process necessary to apply and obtain a microloan. Program present ed by the Center for Empowerment & Economic Development (C.E.E.D.) Wednesday, Nov. 9, from 9-11 a.m. This workshop is free but pre-regis tration is required.

Fundamentals of Starting a Business

This seminar is for anyone thinking about going into business. This course helps aspiring entrepreneurs assess their abilities to lead and manage a company as well as evaluate market and sales potential for their products The basics of business ownership are introduced, along with resources available to help launch new ventures in Michigan. Thursday, Nov. 10, 9 a.m.-noon. \$30.

Spa ribbon cutting



MassageLuXe FaceLuXe, provider of an affordable luxury spa and experience, opened their modern 3,000-square-foot facility on Aug. 17 at the Novi Town Center, and a ribbon cutting ceremony was held Oct. 7. Owner and area developer Neena Judge, a Northville resident, believes in order for every man and woman to look and feel their absolute best, everyone should be able to afford highest-quality massages, facials and waxing services in a comfortable, relaxing, and luxurious environment with five-star service. She plans to open approximately 12-15 additional locations in the metro area and also award franchises. Shown at the ceremony are Novi City Councilmember Justin Fischer, Noor Judge, Surinder Judge, Neena Judge and Novi City Councilmember Wayne Wrobel.

NOVI BUSINESS BRIEFS

DFCU Financial expanding into Navi

DFCU Financial, Michigan's largest credit union, has broke ground on its 25th branch. The new branch is scheduled to open by the end of 2011 and will be located in Novi on Ten Mile Road

near Haggerty Road. "The Novi branch is the next step іл DFCU Financial's branch expansion plan," said Mark Shobe, president and CEO, DFCU Financial. "As we continue to expand, it's our intent to pro-vide members with added convenience, great value and outstanding benefits that are unique to DFCU Financial

DFCU Financial recently completthrough the merger of MidWest Financial. The credit union currently operates 24 full-service branches in Detroit

Ann Arbor, Grand Rapids and Lansing. DFCU Financial, headquartered in Dearborn, is Michigan's largest credit union with \$3 billion in assets. For five consecutive years. DFCU Financial has issued the largest dividend in the history of credit unions of more than \$90 million. The credit union continually reinvests in its membership with new branches, a no-interest, no-payment Career Transition Program and financial literacy education for all ages. Any one can join DFCU Financial. For more information and to find out how you can join, call 888.336.2700 or visit www

The Battery Show

Home to more advanced battery companies and suppliers for battery systems and electric vehicles than any other state Michigan is the heart of the battery systems and electric vehicle industry

That leadership will be on full display Oct. 25-27 during The Battery Show, a three-day event featuring up to 160 exhibition booths on electric vehicles, utility storage and more at the Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi.

This business-to-business experience will enable companies and entrepre neurs to see firsthand improvements in manufacturing processes and materials development across the entire supply chain demonstrating the latest pow er solutions for automotive; alternative energy and mobile power applications. Register at http://www.thebat teryshow.com/register?NRDONE=1

APACC Hosts Mixer at Novi Civic Center

The Asian Pacific American Chamber of Commerce (APACC) will host a Pow-er Mixer B2B Showcase in the atrium of the Novi Civic Center from 5:30-9 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 28. This mixer will be a result-oriented. networking event focused on relationship building and specific procurement tive, state government, and other indus

"Our Power Mixer Showcase offers each participant the opportunity to meet buyers who match their procurement needs. We asked invited buyers to proworked diligently in inviting both certified minority businesses and Asian busi nesses to capitalize on the opportunities and to build relationships" said Denise Yee Grim, APACC Executive Director. 'We are very excited to have Kellogg's Beaumont, DMC, and MGM Grand's participation at this year's event." Cost is \$55 for APACC members; \$70

for non-members. To register and more information, please call (248) 844-4100.

Caring Nurses of Michigan, Inc. named to 2011 HomeCare Elite

Caring Nurses of Michigan, Inc. has been named to the 2011 HomeCare Elite", a compilation of the top-per-forming home health agencies in the United States. Now in its sixth year, the HomeCare Elite identifies the top 25 percent of agencies and further highights the top 100 and top 500 agencies overall. Winners are ranked by an anal ysis of performance measures in quality outcomes, process of care measures and financial performance.

'It is increasingly challenging to man age the cost quality equation. The 2011 HomeCare Elite winners demonstrate a commitment to providing patients with the best possible care while managing their business efficiently and effectively," said Amanda Twiss, CEO of OCS and My InnerView. "This year, we updated our methodology to reflect industry focus and, based on this rigorous anal ysis, we congratulate Caring Nurses of Michigan, Inc. on being one of the top home care agencies in the country.

Novartis MS Education Link

Hear

Mark Silverman, DO

discuss information about multiple sclerosis (MS) and a prescription treatment option.

November 9, 2011 6:30pm The Baronette Renaissance **Detroit-Novi** 27790 Novi Road Novi, MI 48377

Please RSVP by November 8, 2011 by calling 800-973-0362.



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noon on Monday to be

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More: For a complete

listing of local and

regional events, see

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online at www.home-

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Passages

GILBERT, MARY

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www.hometownlife.com

ORDAN, ALFRED G.

Age 81, passed away suddenly October 3, 2011, He was born on September 2, 1930, in Detroit, son of the late Alexander and Pear Gridan. Al was a proud carpente, spending many years employed by Edrich-Owens, He was an avid golfer and could often be found watching the Lions on Sundays. He was a loving and devoted husband. Tather and grandstaler especially to his grandsdughter Carrie and his grandson Jonathan. He is survived by his beloved wife

Carrie and his grandson Jonathan. He is survived by his beloved wile of 57 years, Wilda Maxine; his son Daniel (Leisa) Ordan and their children: Lindsey and Cody. his sweet daughter Debbie (Sleve) Collins and their children: Carrie and Jonathan; his brother Craig Ordan and his sister Janice Lambort. He was preceded in death by his parents and three sisters. Visitation was held on Wednesday, October 5, at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME.

10:00 a.m. at the funeral hom

Lakes National Cemetery in Holly Online Guestbook at

www.phillipsfuneral.com

PRIEST, TERRY LEE

Age 55. formerly of Morthville, passed away Oct. 9, 2011 in Union City. The Stothers Mike and Scotty Priest. Nicee Amy McCurdy and Nephew Bill Priest. Born at Session Hosphaf, Graduate of Northville High School and served in the Army. Preceded in death by his Parents Sylvia and Gene Priest, Brothers Joe and Bobby Priest.

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65 and a litelong resident

oy his loving daughters, Katherini Eric) Suender of Clarkston

(Eric) Suender of Clarkston, Constance (James) Vivier of White Lake Twp., Jenniter (Mark) Frierdich of Linden; grandchildren. Kellen. Carly, Ryan, Harrison. & Koen; his mother Bernadine Russell; borner spouse, Ruth Russell; former spouse, Ruth Russell; increes and nephews. Casey, Kim, Jake, Jody, and many grand nieces and nephews and dear friends, He was preceded in death by his father. Raymond Russell. and a nephew. Scoil.

death by his father. Raymond Russell, and a nephew, Scott. Funeral Services were held at Oct. 15 at Christ Lutheran Church Miliford. Burial at Oak Grove Cemetery, Miliford, Memorials may be made to the lamily. For further information, please phone 248.684.6645 or visit www.tynchfuneralDirectors.com

SPIEGEL, JOANN M.

Arrangements by Casterlin Funeral Home 248-446-1171.

TANNER, JOHN WILLIAM "BILL"

Age 84, 10/16/2011. Service wa Wednesday at O'Brien/Sulliva

1-800-579-7355 • fax 313-496-4968 • htwobits@hometownlife.com Deadline: Tuesday 9:45 a.m. for Thursday



BRUCE ARTHUR (ART), JR.

A resident of Willts, California, died August 21, 2011 at age 81 in anna Rosa, California. At is survived by Carole Dawson – his wife of 55 years, chidren - Lisa Dawson, Scott Dawson (Marishall Dawson) and capidal pales Age 97, passed away October 12, 2011. A memorial service will be held at a later date. Arrangements by Phillips Funeral Home. Online guestbook: Aixala Dawson) — and granddaugh-ters - Carolina and Isabella, who

will miss their "Papa." He is also survived by his nephew. Walter Herbst. In addition, he leaves behind many friends and his chidren's friends whom he unofficially "adopted" as part of his extended tamily over his lifetime. Art was extremely proud of his children and their accomplishments, his wile and marriage, his grandthidren, and his service as a marine and his country, He was known for his occasionally gruff but wonderfully direct nature, home spuniness, outstanding work ethic and jokes, outstanding work ethic and absolute devotion to those whom 89, passed away October 12. 2011. She was born in Windsor. ONT March 29, 1922. She is preceded in death by her husband of Dawson was born Bruce Arthur Dawson, Jr. on June 18, 1930 in 60 years, Joseph Gunderlock, and her brolhers, fied, Don, Leo and Bill, Battling cancer for the last few years, she held strong, and is now able to rest with God. She was a fowing, caring mother, grandma and great-grandma, sister and friend. She will always be remembered for her contagious smile and love of File. She was kind to everyone she met and always grateful to have her family and friends. She is survived by her brother. Bob Caza, her children. Jo Aune Gunderlock Dawson, Jr. on June 18, 1930 in Lincoln Park, Michigan to Bruce Arthur Dawson. Sr. and Catherine Dawson. He lived in Detroit, Michigan during his childhood. During the Great Depression, to help support his family, he began a varied list careers he would have during his file including paper boy, ice cream cart driver and shop keep for his father's barber shop. He also nurtured his lifelong love of the out of doors and Michigan. was a Boy Scout and enjoyed, football, skating, hunting, fishing, and camping among other pursuits. her children. Jo Anne Gunderlock Rich (Holly) Gunderlock, Karen (Greg) Chapman, Brian (Debbie) Gunderlock and Renee (Jim) Miller, pail, skating, nutning, rishing, and camping among other pursuits. He graduated from Mackenzie High School in Detroit. Michigan. Art was drafted in to the United States Marine Corps in 1951. He served proudly and faithfully in the U.S. Marine Corps for 2 years. He completed boot camp on Parris Island, where he was part of his lations. eleven grandchildren. A service will be held on November 4, 2011 at 11 am, at 51 Mary's Chirich in Millord God saw the road, was getting rough, And the "Mills" were hard to climb. So be closed her weary eyes and wills provided in the thing. where he was part of his platoon? broke our hearts to lose you. But you didn't go alone. Part of us went with you. The day God called you home." olball team, was stationed in El no and served in the Korean War Toro and served in the Korean War as a mechanic. He loved to regale those who would listen about his boot camp exploits and as one of the Ichiban boys creating moonshine, "borrowing" boots and other supplies and fashioning zip guns for his superior officers to use crow hunting. After the war and during his college summers, he continued his varied carriers often working 2-3 different jobs at a time - especialty within the auto Industry including line man, pipe filter and car reposesser of cars for Russ Dawson (oddly, no relation). He attended Alma College, where he met his soon-to-be wife Carole T. Popek. They married June 15, 1956 in Millford, Michigan at the Millford Presbyterian Church. After several years in various small Michigan towns - happy, but "poor as church mice", Art made a home with Carole in Millford or 37 years. HARDOW, KATHERINE

with Carole in Milford for 37 years

here they raised their 3 chil

Cailornia in Redwood Country, Art never gave up his love affair with Michigan. He and Carole even cel-ebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with family and friends on Lake Michigan. In Cailifornia, he forged many new friendships, dove in to the garden and continued to hunt and fish as long as he was able. He was also a member of

nunt and lish as long as he was able. He was also a member of C.E.R.T. (California Emergency Response Team). He had the opportunity to spend time with his granddaughters and family, which gave him profound joy. There will be a private celebration of his life for friends and family in Williss, California. In addition, an online memorial site has been developed.

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at http://memorialwebsites. legacy.com/Arn. Dawson/Homepage.aspx We encourage you to log on to the website and share thoughts and stories of a life well lived and/or donate to charities we know Art supported – Toys for Tots. Ducks Unlimited, or the Mendocino Botanical Gardens.

Age 90. of Northville, passed away peacefully October 11, 2011. Lowing mother of Alan (Charlotte) & Debra (Gary) Wilhelm, A Juneral service was held 10/14/2011 at Casterline Funeral Home. KANE, VIVIAN M. (NEE WINTERS)

Art had many jobs during his life, Age 88, of South Lyon, formerly of Detroit, passed on into God's hands on October 9, 2011. Preceded in death by her parents Roscoe and Rose Winters, and brottler Howard. She is survived by her lusband of 64 years, George; children; Ruth Arnstreup, Paul (Maureen) Kane, Nina Greene, Mark (Hacumi) Kane, and Beth (Zia) Mir; 15 grandkids: tiree great-reaudkids: and brother Ross though the longest and last was with Ford Motor Company for 37 years as a wastewater freatmen specialist at the Ford Wixom plant great-grandkids; and brother Ross (Miriam) Winters. Vivian fived a full life and was very active at Highland Park Baptist Church, Topps, and the South Lyon Senior Center. She grew up in Hazet Park, Michigan. Art was also and avid modeler, model train enthusiast, man. He was incredibly artistic and could see the possibility in the smallest item that many might consider junk – obviously instilled in him from surviving the Great Depression, He loved 'hiking with a gun" (hunting). Ifshing, and teaching others about the wonders of nature. He also loved the United States of America, its government and history, was a staunch conservative and a lifetime endowment member of the NHA. In 2001, Arl and Carole retired to Wilkins, California in Redwood Country. Art never cave up his love affair with and could see the possibility in the and was a world traveler who enjoyed meeting people and chatling. A friendly smile was always on the face. A funeral service was held on Friday, October 14, 2011al Highland Park Baptist Church in Southfield, MJ. Funeral arrangements were entrusted to Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Downtown Farmington, www.thayer-rock.com

BORTHWICK. VICTORIA MARY Age 80, passed away September 21, 2011, Visitation was held at

LESSL, GLADYS CLARA

Age 91, of South Lyon, formerly of Millard, passed away peacefuling hands of our Lord on Monday October 17, 2011. Preceded in death by her beloved husband Julius Lessl, and her sister, Angie, Surviveo by her loving daughters, Hampy Lessl, Audrey Lessl, Judy (Karl) Schohl; son, Thomas Lessl; grandchidren, Ryan, Aaron, Any, Kirsten, Kyle, Noel and Mathieu, Also survived by her brother, Donald (Carol) Rögers, extended danly members and many dear triends. Visitation will be held at Lyach & Sons Funeral Home, 404 East Leberty, Miltord, on Wednesday, October 19th from 2 - 6 PM. A Vicial Service led Fr. 6 PM. A Vigit Service led Fr Stan Tokarski will begin at 6 PM Stan tokarski will begin at 6 PM. Funerat Mass will be held at St. Mary, Our Lady of the Snows Parish, 1955 E. Commerce Rd., Milford, Thursday, October 20 at 11 AM with Fr. Ron Anderson difficition. Memorish may be made

clating. Memorials may be made to Project Compassion Ministries, 313-897-7470. For further information please phone 248-684-6645 or visit www.lynchfuneralDirectors.com



MAIN, WILLIAM L

Age 88, passed away October 13 2011. He was born on January 1 1923, in Lawrence County, Illinois son of the late Ica Clem and Tressa G. Main. William retired from the Ciryster Corporation after many years of dedicated service as the head of the apprenticeship program. He enjoyed shooting skeet and was a member of the Multi Lakes Conservation Club. He was a proud U.S. Army Air Corps veterall, serving in WWII. He will always be remembered as a loving and devoted husband, father and grandtather He is servived by his on of the late fra Clem and Tress grandfather. He is servived by his seleved wife of 67 years. Alfreda heloved wite of 67 years. Alfreda; his doughter Liane (Larry) Smith; his grandchildren: Helen (Mike) Piedfer, Chris (Beih) Smith and Gary Smith. He is also survived by his preat grandchild Elijah Smith. He was preeded in death by his son William Main Jr. in 2010. Visitation was held on Tuesday, October 18 hom 9:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. at PhilLLIPS FUNERAL, MOME, 122 W. Lake St. South Livour. W. Lake St., South Lyon, Memorial contributions may be

> www.phillipsfuneral.com Age 70, of South Lyon, passet away October 14, 2011, A funera mass was held Monday October 17 at St. Joseph Catholic Church

MORIN. GREGORY H. Age 62, passed away Oct. 12, 2011, Visitation was held Oct. 14. AL PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME South Lyon, Funeral was held on Sa; at 10am of St. Joseph Catholic Church, South Lyon, Online guest-book: www.phillipsfuneral.com

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Funeral Home, Novi, Donations 1 American Cancer Society TATALE, RANDALL J. Age 74, passed away October 11 2011. A private family service wa held. Arrangements entrusted a Phillips Funeral Home, Sout Lyon. Online guestbook: www.phillipsfuneral.com

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Business to Business Breakfast

Time/Date: 8-9 a.m

Wednesday, Oct. 26

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Time/Date: 8 a.m.-1 p.m Saturday, Nov. 5 Location: Providence Park Outpatient Center, 47601 Grand River Avenue at Boo Road. Enter the campus of of Grand River Avenue and come to the main entrance Details: The free screen-Comprehensive Vascular Care, P.C. Dr. Kevin Nolan, Dr. William Oppat, Dr. Tamer Boules. Registration is required so that we may staff accordingly. Business Ombudsman, will Contact: (248) 424-5748 to

provide an update of Michigan Economic Development screening Corporation projects and major initiatives. The MEDC recently launched Pure Business Michigan Business connect NORTHVILLE-NOVI which provides opportuni BUSINESS ties for Michigan businesses NETWORKING to buy and sell to one BREAKFAST nother. Cost is \$20; pre-Time/Date: 7:30-9 a.m. first

registration required. Library Lines

Nov. and Dec., which are just the first Tuesdays) Location: Kerby's Coney Is-WALLED LAKE land, 21200 Haggerty Road Location: 1499 East West Details: Business network-Maple Road, Walled Lake ing focused on building re-lationships. The Sunrise Net-Contact: (248) 624-3772 working Group, LLC (www. sunriseNETWORKINGgroup. **HUD Counseling** Time/Date: 5-8 p.m. first rom), or SNG for short, is a group of about 250 business

Details: HUD-certified counselors are available to assist homeowners at risk of foreclosure. Learn how to work with your lender to avoid foreclosure. There is no charge for this service. Please call if you wish to attend. One-on-one sessions

will be scheduled. Mark Rothman Time/Date: 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 20 Details: TV screenwriter

Restaurant, 21091 Haggerty Road (north of Eight Mile), and producer ("Laverne & Shirley," "Happy Days," Details: BNI is a structured networking environment for professionals. The Metro "The Odd Couple"), director, actor and popular blog-ger Mark Rothman talks about his new book, Mark Rothman's Essays: My Life & Opinions In and Out of the how to create and refine an "elevator speech," develop Sitcom Trenches, Admission is free. Signed copies of the book will be available for purchase.

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10 a.m. 9 p.m.; Friday Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sundays, 1 p.m.-5 p.m. Details: Unless noted below, all programs take place at the library. Register for programs at the library or on the library website Contact: (248) 349-0720 Web: www.novilibrary.org Story Times: Please see the library website or story time

Activities Room, 45175 West brochure for details. **Details:** Novi Toastmasters Knit 2gether Knitting Time/Date: 10-11:30 a.m. Thursdays, Oct. 20 and Oct. atmosphere in which all can

Details: If you have a leaning towards knitting or any of the related handcrafts just might be your cup of tea. No instructor: no attendance is free. Teen Advisory Board

Friday, Oct. 21 Meeting attendance will Church 41671 W. 10 Mile Road

Time/Date: 3:45-4:30 p.m Details: Pumpkins, dough nuts, cider, and caramel apples are just some of as we celebrate the season games. For grades 7-12. Please register. Novi Writers' Group

Saturday, Oct. 22 46325 W. 12 Mile Road. Details: Networking and a light breakfast. Pre-registra tion requested; \$5 payable Novi and W. Bloomfield Time/Date: 11:30 a.m. Kathy Mutch. Location: Courtyard by Marriott, 31525 W. 12 Mile, Time/Date: 10:30-11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 22 Details: Keynote speaker

Marathi picture books to preschool aged children. German Story Time Time/Date: 11-11:30 a.m Saturday, Oct. 22 Details: German-speaking olunteer storytellers rea German picture books to preschool aged children. Lego Club

online at hometownlife.com

preschool aged children.

Help for Families From

Oakland Livingston Hu

Time/Date: 11 a.m.-2 o.m

Details: Need help with

health, support services,

nances or housing? Through December 27, residents can

drop in and meet with an

A Better You - Food

Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m.

but the more you know

in making choices. Join

the better off you will be

Tuesday, Oct. 25

Library.

OLHSA staff member at the

Labels & Popular Miscon

Details: Deciphering food

child care education, fi-

Tuesdays, Oct. 25 and Nov.

Time/Date: 6-6:45 p.m. Monday, Oct. 24 Details: Join us once a month for Lego show-and tell and building activities We supply the Legos, you supply the imagination. For Japanese Story Time Time/Date: 11-11:30 a.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 25 Details: Japanese-speaking

the Director of Nutrition Services from Providence Park Hospital for a fun and education discussion. Enter based prizes, including a personal review of your family's pantry. A Better You is part of an ongoing partnership between the library, Providence Park

tion required.

Novi Historical Commission Meeting Time/Date: 6:30-8:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 26 Details: Public is always welcome. Meetings discuss ongoing and future projects of the Novi Historical Com-

Family-Friendly Travel

Ideas

Details: Join Jim Ebehalt. Owner and Travel Manager of Brookside Travel, to learn about unique destinations You'll learn about family-friendly cities, resorts, theme parks and off-the-

required.

Time/Date: 7-8 n.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 26 cations that have something

2012 vacations. Registration **Tamil Story Time** Time/Date: 10:30-11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 29 Details: Tamil-speaking volunteer storytellers read

for everyone, all in plenty of time to make plans for your

school aged children.

Halloween Happenin

Time/Date: 11:30 a.m.p.m. Saturday, Oct. 29

Details: Start the Halloween fun a little early with a Halloween-themed movie at the library. followed by a chance to trick-or-treat at severa ferent stations within the library, Kids of all ages are favorite costume! **English Conversation**

Time/Date: 1-2 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 1 Details: Make friends while

you practice your English pronunciation and conve sation skills. No need to Job Seekers Toolbox Time/Date: 1-2 p.m. Tues-

Details: NPL and Michigan

Works! (North Oakland

Career Centers) will co-

day, Nov. 1

Details: We will share idea and have fun making and creating an original birthday, thank you, and general note cards for you to take home with you. Materials vided so all you need to do is join us by registering for the enjoyable activity.

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Knit Zgether Knitting Circle registration, and of course, (TAB) Time/Date: 3:15-3:45 p.m.

Details: Join the TAB as we create and plan programs for teens at the library. Fall Fun Party

Time/Date: 10 a.m.-noon Details: Writers' groups can be a great way to make connections in the writing and publishing world and to get critiques that will im prove your skills as a write Come to the Library for an nspirational environment where you can create and share ideas. This group is facilitated by local writer, Marathi Story Time

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MEADOWBROOK CONGREGATIONAL CHURC 1355 Meadowbrock Rd. in Novi at 8 ¼ M 248-348-7757 • <u>www.mbocc.org</u> Sunday Worship 10 a.m.

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Why are you running for

How do you think city adninistration should deal with dwindling economic resources (layoffs, cut services, cut pro-grams, find other ways to cut costs or generate revenue)?

What do you believe you Do you' have to offer as a city council elected? member?

I bring a strong business background and years of civic experience, including serving in several leadership roles on the Library Board. I

working on multiple boards

example, as a member of my

condominium association's

multi-year budgeting to our

complex and we now have a long-range plan that helps us plan for major expenditures for the next 30 years, I am

a strategically-focused, for-ward-thinking, engaged Nov resident who is committed

to our city, is energetic and dedicated, and has a strong desire to contribute to the well-being of Navi today and

I would bring a broad array

of financial experience and private sector business experi-

ence, I am a proud employee

ence. I am a proud employee of Ford Motor Company and have held various finance and accounting roles throughout the company. I am proud to have worked in the automotive industry during some of its most trying times, and the experiences I have gained will prove invaluable if elected mayor.

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I also bring nearly a decade of volunteer public service to the community and experience from various levels of government. I presently serve on dity council, and prior to being electred I served on the city's zoning board of appeals for five years, While on the board, I was elected chair and wire-rhair by my collegalust.

vice-chair by my colleagues. I

Novi Parks Foundation, and have also spent time in the Office of State Senator Nancy

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Do you have specific goals if What three items should be

at the top of the city's prior

Name: Laura Casey Age: 40
Years a Novi resident: 11
Committee involvement



nent and Library: vice president of Stonehenge um Association Board of Directors: member

of the Friends of Novi Library; nember of the Library Bond Campaign Committee; board member of three MSU Alumni organizations Related experience: more than 16 years of business experience, including strategy and analysis, marketing, proj-ect management, public rela-tions and event management College; MS in manage-ment, Walsh College; BA in American public affairs, James Madison College, MSU; BA in French, MSU

I firmly believe Novi can continue to be a vibrant and successful community and I want to be a part of shaping ts future. We need to ensure that we're not just reacting o issues today but planning or how these issues may mpact the city in the future. Serving on the Library Board, especially as president, has given me a lot of experience in managing a publicly-funded organization and I will bring that experience and my business experience to City Council. I believe I've made a residents through my work on the Library Board, and I want to expand my ability to contribute by serving on City Council.

Lam running for mayor of

We need to be innovative in sharing services and partnering with other communities and organizations. We should ensure that we're looking at best practices from other municipalities to find better ways to provide services to residents and businesses. Novi has made great strides in bringing in additional revenue and securing new services for residents through partnerships with South Lyon and North ville and in pursuing grants for infrastructure projects and services like the electric car chargers at the library and police headquarters. This is exactly the strategic thinking that we need to continue and that I strongly support. I think the city administration has been extremely diligent and focused on cost cutting and rockied on coxic citting and working in partnership with other communities. They are looking at every possible opportunity to be fiscally responsible and they should continue their efforts in these areas. Cutting services, programs and jobs should be the last resort.

Budget cuts over the last few

years have been very wide-spread — there really isn't a part of the city that hasn't been impacted. Thus far, I

commend the city administration's efforts in dealing with

tion's efforts in dealing with dwindling economic resources and declines in revenue, and have been proud to have been a part council while we made very tough choices over the last few years. When dealing with declines in revenue, all options must be on the table! I believe it is irresponsible for an elected official to declare that certain services, employees or programs are untouchable when facing falling rovenue. I am hopeful we have made all required layoffs over the past few years. To deal with further cuts I would encourage a balanced approach with strategic cost cutting to minimize the impact to residents. Minor cutbacks throughout the city make

throughout the city make more sense than complete

elimination of a particular

program or service.

My goals are to:
• Ensure Novis future success, which requires fiscal responsibility today and simultaneous planning for tomorrow. We should work together as a community to decide what our priorities are in the short term, with reduced economic requires and what he want to the short term, with reduced economic securities. urces, and what we wan Novi to look like in 2020, Nov is the time to ensure that we are planning to meet the needs of residents at the end goals and managing budgets in those organizations. For of this decade Encourage more Novi board, I worked to help bring residents to be active with the

community through par-ticipation in a club or group or through the boards or are caring and active in the noods and we need neighborhoods and we need to find ways to involve them in the broader community. Having a diverse set of voices involved in the community helps to make our community stronger
• Find innovative ways to provide services to businesses and residents, including making necessary technology improvements

My main goal would be to maintain the quality of life Novi residents have come to expect despite the economic times we continue to face. I would work to ensure that Novi not only offers a broad array of services, that all services are first-rate, and that they are run in an efficient manner. Another goal is to continue development of our sense of community. We know that many people move to Novi for the schools. We must further develop and showcase

Novi for the schools. We mus further develop and showcas the many City services and amenities to attract people of all ages, from newlywed couples to seniors enjoying their retirement. Lastly, it

would be my goal to continue diversification of our tax base

Land Use in accordance with

our Master Plan. We are at a

pivotal time in Novi's growth, and must always consider

what we want from our city

many years in the future

 Providing the best city services to our residents, especially in the area of public safety and making sure that we excel at providing the basics like prompt snow removal and maintaining and improving our infrastructure
• Ensuring we have a fiscally responsible city government that is driven by the priorities of our community. I will work with residents and local businesses to understand thei priorities and will follow that direction when setting bud-gets and defining long-term strategies.

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• Focusing on a long-term strategy for growth and eco-nomic development – if the revenue levels of today are the "new normal" it's more important than ever that we're planning for our future today

My three priorities would be:

• Fiscal Responsibility — I recognize that personnel costs make the majority of the City's budget. We must strike the right balance to ensure we are attracting the right talent to serve the residents of Novi while ensuring we are operating our city at a level we can afford.

Inclusive & Responsive
 Government — The City of
 Novi has over 50,000 residents.
This is an immense talent pool

are tapping into, I would work to encourage residents of all walks of life to get involved in local government, and ensure

that we need to ensure we

local government, and ensu that as Mayor I am hearing

Economic Development - We

nust work to attract high-

tech firms that complement

makes up most of the south

the automotive industry that

east Michigan region, yet also can support a diverse array of

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Name: Justin Fischer Age: 28 Years a Novi resident: lifeong resident Community nunity involvement: gvi City Councilmember



Novi because I care about the long-term future and viability of Novi. My wife, Melissa, and I both grew up in Novi, and plan to raise our children here. I believe my financial background, education and sound judgment will prove valuable as we continue to face unprecedented economic times. I further believe that times. I further believe that my experience giving back to the city of Novi will help me provide the leadership and fresh perspective so we can continue to build on our strengths and create the Novi of tomorrow. Novi residents expect and deserve a mayor who will serve with professionalism and integrity. I would be honored to work with residents to take Novi to

Emergency Response Team (CERT) graduate Related experience: Novi City Councilmember (2009-present): Offer Councilmember (2009-present): Offer Councilmember (2009-Tity Councimember (2003-present); Office of Congress-man Mike Rogers; Office of Senator Nancy Cassis **Profession**: executive com-Protession: executive com-ensation and equity analyst, or porate financial Reporting ord Motor Company Education: MBA, Michigan itate University Eli Broad Col-ege of Business; BA, finance, Michigan State University El Broad College of Business Family: wife Melissa

Ticheshing activity Name: Bob Gatt Age: 61 Years a Novi resident: 18 Community involvement: Police officer, 27 years; started the D.A.R.E. program, retired as a shift commander in 1991. Related experience: Novi

Related experience: Novi
City Council
for eight
years; Novi
mayor
pro-tem for
three years;
Novi Zoning
Board of
Appeals for
one year;
Ford Motor
and American Motor Coro.

and American Motor Corp. Public Relations Department three years. ofession: chief of Field Profession: chief of Field Operations, Oakland County Community Corrections. Education: bachelor's de-gree, Wayne State University, business administration/mar-keting/accounting; master's degree, Eastern Michigan University, public administra-tion/technology Family: wife Susan and six children -- Robert, Mary, Kaillin Chitonober Steven Kaitlin, Christopher, Steven

with residents to take Novi to American in properties of the properties of the processing of the I am running for mayor be-cause I love Novi, and I want to help mold its future while preserving its great history. I have worked for the citizens of Novi for almost 40 years, so I understand the community's great history and culture. During those nearly 40 years

great tiscury and scalars.
During those nearly 40 years of service, I have gone to work with the same relentless focus: How can I make Novi a better and a safer community? What can I do to protect you and your family? I am the only mayoral candidate with the life, business and government experiences that are required to be an effective mayor. I have a strong business background as well as a myriad of experience in government. I am a proven, tested leader. My knowledge of the city, its employee unions, the business leaders and the residents is unmatched.

The last thing we want to do is layoff city employees. The City of Novi has a dedicated, well-trained and well-edu-cated staff. The workers make Novi what it is — the best city in the state. However, city administration cannot ignore a reduced revenue stream. It must find ways to increase revenue while reducing costs. Reductions in employee sala-ries and benefits always must be considered because the majority of any government costs are staffing. Employees, costs are staffing. Employees, both union and non-union, must be part of the solution. Part-time staffing, where no benefits are paid, also should be considered wherever possible. We must leverage modern technology solutions to increase services, while using-fewer resources. Working with city council and administration, I will direct our hundest propers to increase the propers to increase the propers of the propers to increase the pro

I am the only mayoral candidate with the life, business didate with the life, business and government experiences that are required (and necessary) to be an effective mayor. I am married with six children. Anyone who has children knows that you attain numerous life experiences by raising that many kids! I have a stroop business hackground. a strong business background, both in the automobile industry and government. I have always been a leader and always been a leader and team player on city council - and in all organizational experiences. My knowledge of the city, its employee unions, city administration, the business leaders and the residents is unequaled and invaluable. Finally, perhaps most telling, the people that you trust - numerous Novi business leaders. Novi community leaders, Novi community leaders, Novi commol leaders and Novi neighborhood leaders and Novi neighborhood beaders - have endorsed me to be their next mayor. They know I am the best choice to replace David Landry when he leaves office. Landry when he leaves office

As mayor, I would like to see Main Street developed and become a thriving part of the Novi community. Too many businesses are locating in other areas. We need to attract them to Novi. We need to partner with our business community and use every too! that we have in our economic development box. I also would like to offer better transporta-tion services for the residents of Meadowbrook Commons so they don't have to choose between going to the doctor and purchasing groceries because of growing van-rid-ing costs. The older adult population throughout Novi is growing rapidly, and our Novi covernment must come it to growing rapidly, and our Novi government must commit to meet their increasing needs. Likewise, we must continue to fund and grow our public safety departments. Our police and fire departments are second to none. We must maintain that glowing public-safety reputation, so Novi will continue to be an attractive location for new families and businesses.

Public safety is the core rea-Public safety is the core rea-son for any local government to exist. This should be our top priority. We must continue to adequately fund our public safety departments in order to maintain our personnel at their optimum staffing levels. We also must provi adequate training and state of the art equipment. Secondly, we must continue to generate additional revenue through a blended business/residential growth strategy. Our economic deve opment team has to operate petter, faster and smarter than all others. We have to be more innovative than other cities. And we have to offer a better product to attract a limited number of builders and businesses to Novi. Finally, the city must manage its legacy costs by eliminating any new long-term obligations. As a former city employee and ne-gotiator, I understand how to deal with this problem better than anyone. We already have begun to cut our legacy costs. That trend must continue.

Name: Rickie Ibe Age: 45
Years a Novi resident: 5
Community involvement: vice-chairperson, Novi Zoning
Board of Appeals
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precinct delegate, Republican Party; Member of the West Oakland Republican Club; nember of the Farmington Area Republican Club. Education: JD, Washburn University, Topeka, Kan.; BA (cum laude), University of Detroit Family: married to Dr. Mary lbe; two daughters – Cherima, 17 and Chiaka, 11.

lam running for city council because I want to advance fiscally responsible policies. I want to help to guide Novi through this tough economic period facing America. I stand for a balanced budget and increase of our rainy day fund so as to meet our future challenges. I want to promote strong and efficient public safety with respect for our residents and visitors. I public safety with respect for our residents and visitors. I want to implement business friendly policies to advance economic development and steady growth. Finally, I want improvement to our infratructures and city services. Al of these working together will improve the quality of life for the people of Novi.

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First we must find better ways to generate revenues, such as, provide incentives to attract new businesses to Novi. Second, evaluate departments and current programs to reduce costs and waste in

A new vision and better perspective to lead us into the future.

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To advance fiscally respon-sible policies that will lead to economic development and growth.

 Economic development and growth
Strong and efficient public Improvement in city services

Bob Gatt and Justin Fischer are vying to be city of Novi mayor, a two-year seat. Three City Council seats, each four years, are sought by seven candidates. The election is Tuesday. Nov. 8

online at hometownlife.com

Why are you running for council?

I am well qualified for Novi

City Council. I have experi-

and advance the expansions

of sidewalks in the city, I will

see to it that are streets are plowed, our roads are fixed

and our citizens are safe.

How do you think city ad-ministration should deal with now do you think city ad-ministration should deal with dwindling economic resources (layoffs, cut services, cut pro-grams, find other ways to cut costs or generate revenue)?

What do you believe you have to offer as a city council member?

Do you have specific goals if elected?

What three items should be at the top of the city's prior ties list?

Name: Ed Kramer Age: 68 Years a Novi resident: 36 Community involvement: Novi City Council (1997-2001); Novi Planning Commission for six years, two years as meowners association for 10



secretary, past presi-dent, past district 11A2 zone chair person.
Related experience: Experience in working with diverse people which has given me respect and appreciation for their cultures. Understand how government and business function.

Profession: Worked for Chrysler for more than 40 years with engineering and management experience.
Retired near the end of 2008. Served as an officer in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Education: BS in mechanical engineering from Carnegie Melion University; MBA from Wayne State University. Family: Wife, Barbara (deceased); sons -- Stephen

ence and dedication to serve. I bring passion and enthusiasm Novi must provide quality, cost effective services, enhancing our quality of life. Novi must persist in living efficiently within our means, and continue being responsible stewards of taxpayer's dollars. Novi needs to continue to find ways to cut costs. Novi needs to find ways to further develop and invigorate our supportive tax base, while respecting our environment. for Novi, I am committed to the vision of Novi as a quality residential city that can afford itself. As a retiree I have time itseir. As a recired i have time to invest into making that vision a reality. Serving has been part of my life in Novi, I have been active in the community and am honored to have been able to serve. Since my term able to serve. Since my term on the council, I have been active in the Novl Lions Club and in my church, holding leadership positions in both. Novi has been well-managed through our recent economic downturn — but we are not out of the woods yet. I will contribute to the new council to keep us on the straight and-narrow path.

respecting our environment. Novi needs to maximize use of available grant funding.

I am a long-term resident who has experienced the growth of Novi from a city of 7,000 to our current 55,000.1 have time to dedicate to Novi. I have both government and business experience. I enjoy working with diverse groups to resolve issues. I am an action oriented first horsesses. tive. I will strive to resolve issues in a timely manner and to make the rationale for decisions clearly understood. l will work cooperatively to hold the Novi administration responsible for execution of council policy and direction

public servant, I will serve and

Maintain Novi as a quality residential city that can afford itself. We have gone through our initial phase of development and have endured and effectively managed the effects of a significant economic downturn. We now need to assess ourselves and prepare ourselves for the next phase of development which may include refinement and re-purposing. We need to be poised and ready to execute We need to ensure that any proposed new development contributes to Novi's character and quality of life. and quarry or ine.

Novi has many strengths as evidenced by family Circle Magazine who, in August, awarded Novi the sixth Best Town in the U.S. for Families. enhance the character and that decision: Green space, low crime rate, financial stabil to health care, quality schools and diverse community. Re-in

vigorate/re-purpose unde

 Continue efforts to attract new or re-locating businesses Consider incentives for vacan ouilding re-use. • Establish better traffic • Ensure DPW pursues a nance program. Review road contract quality of workman ship and durability quaran

Name: Dave Staudt Name: Dave Fragut
Age: 52
Years a Nov! resident: 18
Community Involvement:
Novi City Council (2007 to
present): Novi Economic
Development Corp; Novi
Park Commission; Founder of
Novi Parks



Owners Association past chair man and current vice chair: Association past vice chairman: Clinton River Watershed Council past board mem-

Education Foundation past chairman Profession: director of Techology Initiatives ~ Allegra Network, Plymouth; manag ing partner – Impact Media Professionals, Novi
Education: BS management, Lakeland College; MS management, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee ...versity of ...versity of ...versity of Family: married 26 years to Jean Staudt; daughters Rachel and Amber

I am seeking re-election to another four-year team on Novi City Council because I believe I offer our residents the proven experience, conservative values, vision and leadership that can't be matched by any of the other candidate seeking a council seat. I am determined to stick to a solid course of action, hased on my core principles. to a solid course of action, based on my core principles of lowering taxes, reducing spending and operating a city government that we can afford the first second to the second second to the second s government trial we can a ford. I will continue to support

During my first term on Novi City Council, I have been a strong advocate of multi-year budgeting, a strong Fund Balance, and right-sizing Novi City government to operate within the limits of existing revenue sources. This means every cost-cutting option is on the table, except where it effects the safety of our residents. I will not support General Fund tax increases or using our fund balances (Rainy Day Fund) to pay for operations: I also am opposed to new revenues by imposing new fees on residents and business, like the emergency services recovery fee (crash taxes) or the tax collection administrative fee (tax on taxes). I fought against those taxes from the beginning and kept us from getting deeper into your pocket.

I have dedicated my public service to the City of Novi's success and well-being and t am committed to making sure our city remains a great and safe place to live and to raise our families; I have a deep understanding of the issues facing the city and a pragmatic approach to governing.

We are losing an important

legal voice on city council because our current mayor has decided not to run again

I also am the only candidate who lives in the northern

portion of Novi. As a result, 1

standing of issues pertaining

would have a better under-

facing the city and a prag-matic approach to governing. Time and again, I have proven that I will make the difficult decisions necessary in these harsh economic times, never forgetting that we must fix our streets, maintain our parks, plow our roads and protect our citizens. I believe that government should not answer all our needs. In Novi, I have leveraged my skills and abilities by creating the non-profit, privately-funded Novi Parks Foundation and Canine Advocacy Program, Soth have Advocacy Program, Soth have achieved positive results, independent of adding more

My goals are largely an extension of my past four years in office. I would like My too priority is right-sizing Novi City government to operate within the limits of existing revenue sources. I will not support a General Fund tax rate increase, and I do not support the use of fund balto continue to improving cooperation and collaboration between the Novi Community School District and city; nity School District and city; the expansion of pathways and completion of sidewalks throughout the city, including the building of a trail through the lift of the corridor; improvements to our parks, including utilizing the green space at the school-owned Bosco property and improvements to the Landings Park on Walled Lake; improving access to our city facilities for physically challenged and senior citizens; do a better Job of listening to our residents when sharing concerns; preserving the finest public safety department in Southeastern Michigan; arices (Rainy Day Fund) to pay for operations.

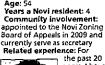
• We must continue to maintain a strong and diverse tax base. This is accomplished by supporting the city's commitment to exponent develop. est public safety department in Southeastern Michigan; continuing a capital improvement program within the city with limited fends; and raise Novi to No. 1 on the Family Circle magazine list of the best places to live in the United States.

that is not consistent with our Master Plan.

• We must assist our growing senior population to live more independent and fulfilling lives. This can be accomplished

creased activity space, improving facilities and encouraging program participation and healthy lifestyle choices.

Name: Donna Skelcy





and with leading people. Education: I graduated from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor in 1979. I obtained a BA in Chinese studies. I ob-tained a juris doctorate from the Detroit College of Law in

t enjoy public service and giving back to the Novi community. I have already been devoting my time to the city. Currently, I serve on Novi's Zoning Board of Appeals. Our current mayor, David Landry, appointed me to the board. I have served on the board for the past three years and, at present, I am the board secpresent, I am the board sec-retary. I have a proven record of being prepared for the meetings and I am an active

I believe that the city administration should avoid layoffs if possible. I believe if staff reductions are necessary, they should be achieved through attrition. I would avoid cutting services and programs and attrition. I would avoid cutting services and programs and instead try to increase revenue by attracting more businesses

has decided not to run again. With my legal training and skills, I would provide that legal voice. I practiced law for 12 years, first working in a large law firm and then later for my current employer. I have worked for State Farm for the past 20 years in different capacities, first as a trial attorney and later as a manager. My company moved me from Michigan to Chicago where I was in charge of two offices with 133 employees and 10 first line supervisors. Thus, I have the experience of Thus, I have the experience of leading people, which is es-sential for a council member.

I would focus on maintaining Novi's sound financial ground which would ensure its standing as a first-rate community in which to live and raise a family. To me, this means encouraging business and residential growth and maintaining our core city services.

 If elected, I would focus on maintaining Novi's sound financial ground which would ensure its standing as a first rate community in which to live and raise a family. To me, this means maintaining our core city services for our residents and businesses and it means trying to find efficien-cies that reduce expenses.
 I would focus on bringing additional businesses to Novi.
 To do this I would procurane. To do this I would encouran policies that would expedi the governmental process a business must undergo to open a business in Novi. • Certain parts of the city need to be reinvigorated including Novi's southeast corner. If elected, I would have the city examine possible and seek funding for this through grants and other resources.

• If elected, I would focus

Name: Wayne M. Wrobe Age: 57
Years a Novi resident: 27
Community Involvement:
current Novi City Counting member; former chairperson, Novi Zoning Board of Appeals; former vice-chairperson, Novi Planning Commission; former chairperson, Novi Master Plan and Zoning



to call home.

32 years having held diverse management positions in finance, budgets, operations, finance, budgets, operations, engineering and marketing. Educations AA, Henry Ford Community College; AC, Henry Ford Community College; BA, Michigan State University, MSA, Central Michigan University; graduate of Michigan State University Cooperative Extension Citizen Planner Program Family: fiancée, Debbie Waterstradt

Novi is my home. I've lived in Novi for the past 27 years and I intend to live here for many years to come. Therefore, I want to see Novi remain the same vibrant city that is it today. That being said, I have the experience, knowledge, expertise and desire required to make the difficult decisions that will face for council sions that will face city council members to ensure Navi remains the place we are proud

There is not one single, clear-cut method for the city admin-istration to follow in dealing with the current situation of declining revenues and in-creasing costs while attempt-ing to keep the city financially viable and solvent. It is the combination of implementing new revenue opportunities and cost savings practices. The city administration has been successful in its efforts to reduce costs and generate additional non-tax revenue, but must continue to be dual-lenged by city council to be but must continue to be dral-lenged by city council to be diligent in finding additional cost saving opportunities and revenue sources in the future. Novi residents expect the current levels of city services including police and fire protection as well as snow removal to remain the same or improve without increasing their tax burden. These can be achieved by the city adminis-tration maximizing the value received for each tax dollar specia and by running the row.

My current experience as a Novi City Council member, as well as the six years I served on the Novi Planning Commission and the four years each serving on the Novi Zening Board of Appeals and the Novi Master Plan and Zoning Committee, has provided me with the necessary background and understanding to be effective in dealing with the affairs of city government. This city service, along with the diverse management positions I have held during my 32 years at AT&T, enables me to bring a wide spectrum of experience and a business-based perspective required to deal with the issues Novi will fate in the future. Additionally, when evaluating an issue, I always take into consideration all the facts presented and taking into account all sides of the issue. This decision make a fully thought-out informed decision which best serves Novi.

I have numerous short- and long-term goals that I would like to achieve if I retain my seat on city council. Some of my short-term goals include: adding additional handicate parking spaces in the front of the Novi Civic Center, review and change the existing senior transportation service within Novi to make it more affordable and user-friendly, and to Novi to make it more affordable and user-friendly, and to increase the annual neighborhood road repair budget. Long-term goals I would like to achieve are implementing a multi-year city budget, reviewing and possibly updating the existing city charter making it more current to enable the city to run more efficiently, and to expand the existing senior center and increase the number of programs it offers senior citizens.

Significant

 Maintain or improve the current levels of city ser-vices including police and fire protection as well as snow removal without increasing the resident's tax burden. · Increase the annual neigh borhood road repair budge to keep up with the growin number of aging neighbor-hood roads needing repair or replacement.

• Develop a balanced annual city budget taking into consideration future projected decreases in revenue while continuing to maintain an 18-22 percent Reserve Fund Balance.

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Bob Gatt and Justin Fischer are vying to be city of Novi mayor, a two-year seat. Three City Council seats, each four years, are sought by sever uesday, Nov. 8.

Why are you running for

What do you believe you have to offer as a city council member? Do you have specific goals if elected?

Novi is a tapestry of all races,

s economy." As a commis-oner of Asian Pacific Ameri-

can Affairs, I will work as an ambassador to encourage and invite other ethnic communi-

ties to bring their businesses to Novi, I will work with Michi-

gan Economic Development Corporation to capitalize on

investment opportunities and create additional avenues for

the businesses to expand and

establish a long-term presence

ing to promote the quality of life and economic security and

neglect and exploitation. I will ensure that seniors have

through access to information

Does the school board communicate well with the public? How would you improve it?

in Novi. I will use my exper ence as commissioner of AgWhat three items should be at the top of the city's priori-ties list?

Name: Ramesh Verma Age: 73 Years a Novi resident: 32 Community involvement: Commissioner Service to the Aging, 2004-present; Commis-sioner Asian Pacific Amerian Affairs, 2009-present Jovi Public Library Trustee

2006-present, vice president MAN !

director,
Design
Construction and Utilities,
University of Michigan Medical Center, Ann Arbor; former
captain Corps of Engineers,
Indian Army
Education: civil engineer,
pre-commission training at
Indian Military Academy, field
engineering course; College of
Military Engineering.
Family: married for 44 years;
two children graduated from
Novi schools; three grandchildren

politics for over 12 years as a commissioner of Aging, missioner for Asiar Pacific American Affairs and in other capacities. As an active volunteer, I have worked on volunteer. I have worked on other committees in the past, including Novi Storm and Water management and Flood Control Committee, Novi International Festivals and youth soccer. About four years ago, our mayor asked me to join the Novi Library Board as a trustee, and I enjoyed working during the design and construction on state of the art library we now enjoy. I am honored to continue to serve as trustee on the library serve as trustee on the library. I am honored to continue to serve as trustee on the library board. My diverse skill sets and over 47 years of leader-ship and management experi-ences will be very helpful. My goal will be to be an effective member of the council. I care greatly about our city and will continue to help it grow.

I have been involved in state

for creative ways to gain more economic resources and con-tinue our efforts for commercial developments. Businesses and developers who consider coming to Novi should be treated first as honored guests and then as valuable partners. The city, business community and citizens themselves will be gaining by our association with new businesses. Rightsizing the administration will take careful strategic planning, when quality services can be maintained through cooperative efforts across communities we should be looking at possibilities and rethinking our options. This rethinking our options. This will be critical as we strive to hold the line on taxes, Some departments need to find ways to be self sufficient. In all areas we need to focus on cost containment, cost cutting when feasible and when ap-

propriate facus on developing fee for services for special use of facilities.

What are the top three

challenges facing this district and how would you deal with

My goals will be to foster growth and economic deve growth and economic devel-opment despite the current difficult economic times. I will work to increase residentia ensure a tax base sufficient to generate income for public safety, recreational services and public library.

Is there a long-term solution to negotiations with the various district unions?

 Promoting Novi as an in-vestment destination for bush nesses and homes to diverse Enhancing opportunities to improve the quality of services to all ages including senior

citizens.
• Supporting assets areas such as public safety housing and transportation to further stimulate the economic development of the city of Novi

NOVI COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF EDUCATION

Novi Community School Dis-trict has two seats on its Board of Education available during the Nov. 8 election. Winner's terms will last four years.

Name: Tracey Cadwell Age: 42 Years a Novi resident: 6 Community Involvement:
Member of Glen Haven
Condominium Association;
member, PAASN (Parents of
African American Students
in Novi) member, Novi Youth
Baseball League; member,
American



Experi-ence: I have over seven years of as a schoo recording secretary for two

fession; I have worked Profession: I have worked in the educational field since 1999; thave been an educator and currently work in an administrative position as an admissions coordinator for a charter school.
Education: BA in business administration, Michigan State University, current pursuing a MA in school counseling from Siena Heights University Family: mother of two sons Harold III (Ter): 16 and

- Harold III (Tre'), 16, and

I am running for the Novi School Board because I am a parent and educator that is concerned about our students and school district. I also desire to work with a school board exceptional curriculum pro-gram for all students within the district that will positively impact the success of students cational career. I have been for 12 years, and serve on two recording secretary. I believe that I am knowledgeable about the educational process

Why do you want to be on the school board?

by providing surveys to families to adequately address their assist them with education of themselves and their families Bridging the educational gap of students that transfer into the Novi School District and ensuring that they are academically successful; while at the same time sustaining and improving the academic and standardzed testing success of students pased on Michigan Department or feducation requirements. I would implement an entrance exam for transfer students to test their academic proficiency to assist with their education. In addition I would implement

In addition, I would implement quarterly standardized testing and provide workshops to address the identified problem: Maintaining a high standard of educational success and program offerings while the budget/revenue continues to shrink. I would implement district wide school fundraisers and recruit corporate sponsors I would also encourage admir istration to aggressively search for grants to offset expendi-tures as much as possible.

· Economic challenges con-

I believe that the school with the public by offering broadcast of the board meetings and on the internet accessibility of the board its communication with the public by sending out e-mails and mailings to the public informing them of pertinent school district information. Also, consistent and constant feedback from the public regarding any questions and/or concerns that they have about the school district is extremely vital: In improving an effective and thoroughly relationship between the board and the

Yes, I believe there is a long-term solution to negotia-tions with the various district unions. A long-term solution is achievable by establishing an effective relationship between both parties that communi-cates well and ultimately is able to obtain a mutual agree ment that is beneficial for all.

I would prioritize the budget by discussing with school district administration, employees, families, and students to assess their needs and their expectations of the school board. After receiving feedback from the various parties, busuld have a more parties, I would have a more thorough ability to prioritize the budget. However, I believe the majority of the budget expenditures involve employee salaries and benefits followed by the educational and currículum resources needed to educate and ensure the aca-demic success of all students in

How would you prioritize the budget?

Name: Bobbie Murphy

Age: 48 Years a Novi resident: 17.5 Community involvement: Current school board trustee



I am a stay-at-home mother mployed as an advocate, a ger and a parent lia Education: University or Michigan, graduate degree in social work with a specializa-tion in children and ado-lescents; School social work certification, Bowling Green State University, degree in

days babysitting, to having four of my own, I have always loved children. I continue to loved children. I commune see that as an asset to my focus should always be on the s my passion. I was ble is my passion. I was blessed to attend an excellent public school, and still remember many of the teachers that impacted my life. They instilled in me a lifelong love of learning. I want the same for the children of Novi and am eager to play a part in instilling a passion for learning in each of them. I also believe that having active parents on our of them. I also believe that having active parents on our board is critical to the decision-making process. Living with the impact of those decisions gives me a perspective that allows me to give voice to the concerns that many of our parent stakeholders share.

tinue to require advocacy for stable education funding. Ad-Hove kids. From my early ditional challenges are created

by legislative proposals that eliminate local control, Both are critical to Novi's ability to provide the quality education that is expected in this
community and deserved by
every child. I will continue to
actively advocate on behalf of
Novi's children.
Novi's children.
Being one of the best school
districts in the state makes
marked progress in student
achievement a challenge.
With our recent administrative changes, Novi appears
poised to take on this challenge
with renewed energy and a
strengthened commitment to
the vision of the district. Working with this administration to
keep a laser focus on student
achievement will be my priority. are critical to Novi's ability to achievement will be my priority.

Novi's shifting demographic requires diligent attention to the needs of every child. I will continue to be an accessible listener, critical thinker, and creative problem-solver as we

collective voice that is "the one. As the designated spokesperson for "the board", much of the responsibility for communicating falls on the shoulders of our elected president. As a whole, the board makes every effort to keep the community apprised of meetings, decisions, and actions by videotaping and video-streaming our meetings. The district website and local media provide additional venues for interested citizens. As with anything we do, there is always room for improvement. Providing a venue for informal interaction prior to board meetings, using social one. As the designated spokesperson for "the board", board meetings, using social media, or even sending letters to the editor about upcom to the editor about upcom-ing concerns/issues are all possible means of improving our efforts to keep the public informed. Dedicating addi-tional time to communication matters is something we need to consider when we fall short this regard.

The board is comprised of

Long-term solutions are composed of short-term goals The budget serves as a road map for our district mission. Student achievement is the highest priority. We must live within our means, but it can composed of short-term goals and continuous process Improvement plans. We need to be about this in every aspect of our board work, including our negotiations with our employee groups. Putting those plans and goals in place should be one of the board goals that are identified in the coming year. Aside from this, there are two things that are crucial to negotiations. One is keeping our focus on the kids. In the end, this is what matters. It is the reason we are all here. The other is to work at developing and maintaining highest priority. We must live within our means, but it can never be at the expense of our students or their level of achievement. It is crucial that we maintain our finances in a way that does not jeopardize our mission. Focusing our divinding resources in the areas that have significant impact on student achievement will require us to assess and evaluate our current with 21st century skills. How do they, most effectively and efficiently, meet the needs of each child? Which students are not meeting their poten-tial? What can we do to meet those needs and address any a positive tone for our district, and allows us to be all about educating, not negotiating, which directly benefits our children. deficits? These are just som as we prioritize our budget to meet the educationa goals we have for each of our

Name: George Kortlandt

Age: 61 Years a Novi resident: 29 Community involvement ected Novi School Board elected Novi School Board trustee four times, president two terms, vice-president two terms, treasurer five terms, secretary one term; chairman, Finance Committee; chairman,



ate School
District two
years certified board member,
Michigan Association of School
Boards with the Award of Merit.
Profession: owner of Novi
Financial Services. Investments, Insurance, and Retirement Manning
Education: Bachelor's in psychol
ogy, West Virginia Wesleyan; SEC
licensed financial representative,
state licensed insurance apent state licensed insurance agent

Family: wife Patricia and
three Novi High School graduI believe the current riscal challenges require someone with experience and knowl-edge of both this district's operating budget and its long-term pursuit of academic excellence. I believe I am well suited to meet those require-ments. I've had the honor

I believe the current fiscal

excellence. I pelieve I aim well suited to meet those requirements. I've had the honor and privilege to serve as a trustee on the Novi Board of Education for 16 years. I am asking you for your continued support for another four-year term. We've been through a lot, together, during my 16 years of service. I hope you are as proud as I am of our great, nationally-acclaimed school district. I love the Novi School district. I love the Novi School district. I love the Novi School district. I lenjoy watching our children perform at their best during athletic contests, musical concerts, theatrical events and robotic competitions. I am dedicated to the Novi community, and I want to maintain—and grow—the educational excellence that has made our district the crown jewel of our great City. an entirely new cabinet of administrators. I look forward to sharing my knowledge, his-tory and heritage with them to help elevate Novi schools to even higher levels of student achievement.

 It's imperative we focus on instructional quality and academic excellence for all our students. We need to minimize academic "gaps" among our diverse population. We need to develop high-quality educational programs and choices for our parents and

seek to address each child's educational needs.

I pride myself in being one of the strongest grassroots communicators on the Novi Board of Education. For those of you who don't know me, it's easy to find me. I attend multiple athletic contests, band concerts and theatre events. I am very approachable, and I want to hear your feedback. In the new few months, our administration will be launching a new feedback system to help improve our communication with the public. This is an exciting time because we have a new and talented superinchoices for our parents and students.

• I am proud that I have built a strong reputation for fiscal conservatism over the years, without sacrificing Novi's status as a premier school district in the state of Michigan. I understand the need to be fiscally responsible, while keeping our children's education as a top priority. I have helped protect our schools from fac-ing severe budget cuts and tendent and an entirely new ing severe budget cuts and massive layoffs during the state's tough economic times.

• We have a new and cabinet who are bringing energy and enthusiasm to our great district. This new administration, along with our school board, is dedicated talented superintendent and an entirely new cabinet of

fice " hut that's what we Al face in the state of Mich both in the private and publ sectors. Our state continues to suffer economically, and our funding from Lansing contin-ues to decline. This is a time in our history when we all must pull together in negotiations and remain focused on our kids. We must work toget to ensure that all our stud get the opportunity to excel academically and socially in our district. If we continue to make negotiation decisions based on providing a world-class education for our Novi kids, then we will survive this difficult time in our state's economy.

developing and maintaining a strong relationship by treat

ing one another respectfully, valuing each other's roles, being honest, and listening

to one another even if we disagree. This relationship set

your tax dollars are spent in our class coms. I am proud that I have built a strong reputation for fiscal conservation over the years, without sacrificing Novi's status as a premier school district in the state of Michigan. I understand the need to be fiscally responsible, while keeping our children's education as a top priority. We have protected our schools from facing the severe budget cuts and massive layoffs that surrounding districts have been forced districts have been forced prime destination for inco prime destination for incom-ing families who move to the state of Michigan because we have a great school district with wonderful programs and outstanding academic opportunities. Novi's families are incredibly invested in their children's success, Parent in-volvement is high. Our district has a bright future, and I want to be a part of it – with you.

ensure than the majority of your tax dollars are spent in

Karmanos honors Smither for breast cancer efforts

try to support the cause, and thousands of Ford

Dealers across the nation

have gotten involved.

For those achievements.

been honored by Karma-

nos with a one-time-only

Heroes award. However,

this year. Karmanos hon

Ford whose leadership

tive mark.

has made such a distinc-

As corporate champi-

on of the Susan G. Komen

Race for the Cure, Smith-

er has galvanized thou-

Motor community, and

drives others to help end

"What a great surprise

sands from the Ford

through his example.

breast cancer forever.

and honor, thank you!"

said Smither. "Howey-

er, the real heroes are our

volunteers who show up in

fantastic Ford team and

increasing numbers each

year to support the fight

Smither is the corpo-

in addition to other wor-

rate champion for Komen

Detroit Race for the Cure,

against breast cancer.

Since 1995, the Barbara Ann Karmanos Cancer Institute has recognized individuals, corporations and organizations for their demonstrated leadership in raising awareness of breast cancer through education, research and the omotion of early detection, treatment and stories of survivorship. Continuing this tradition and to celebrate National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, the Karmanos Cancer Institute hon

ored 12 awardees, including Novi's Nick Smither, at its 17th Annual Heroes of Breast Cancer Awards on Oct. 11 at the Max M. Fisher Music Center. For 17 years, Ford Motor Company has been the National Series Sponsor of Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure. Since 1995, Ford has dedicated more than \$110 million to

drive us toward Komen's vision of a world withthan 80,000 Ford employ thy causes Ford supports. in Races across the coun-

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He challenges everyone to join the crowd; the excitement and the momentum that will help lead to a cure. He asks his colleagues to bring all of that energy they use every day to make Ford the car company Detroiters are so proud of, and he encouriges them to make a difference through cash donations and purchases of Warriors in Pink items. Smither has done this through some of the hardest times the autoindustry has seen. Yet, he connects to the mantra shared by Race supporters: "Times are tough, but breast cancer is tougher.

As group vice president

officer, Smither's plate is

already extremely full.

Yet, year after year, he

asks Ford employees to

and chief information

a team of more than 2,500 members decked

out in their Ford Tshirts. Behind the scenes, inspired by Smither's reminders of the strength and courage it takes to fight breast cancer 365 Warriors raised \$46,000.

step up and join him and his family on Race day. making progress and sav-

And metro Detroiters are the toughest of all." This year, Ford brought

NEIGHBORS

"At the Karmanos Cancer Institute, research is the foundation of everything we do and the surest path to eradicate all cancers," said Gerold Bepler, M.D., Ph.D., president and CEO, Karmanos Cancer Institute, "Although we work year-round to advance treatments for all cancers, this month we recognize those who continue to help us in the cer - whether it's advancing science or rallying co-workers, friends and community to be a part of something greater than all of us. Together, we are

ing lives. We congratulate this year's honorees and ask for everyone's continfather who has progresued support as we work to end this disease." sive dementia.

ANNOUNCEMENT

Olivia Nicole Dominick Nicholas and Stephanie Dominick of South Lyon are of their daughter Olivia Nicole, who was born at 7:39 a.m., Oct. 3 at St. Joseph Mer v Hospital in Ann Arbor She was 20 inches long and weighed 7 nounds, 4 nunces. Grandparents are Susan and Darrell Richardson of



of Plymouth, and Sid and Linda Dominick of South Lyon Great grandparents are LeRoy and Rose Schultz of South Lyon, and Emma Short of St. Helen, Mich.

NEWSMAKER

Robinson named program manager at Fox Run

Anne Robinson, a resident of Ann Arbor, has een named Program Manager for Fox Run's extended care neighborhood in Novi. Robinson will be responsible for leading



Gardens at Fox

Run where persons with cognitive loss can continue to flourish and be actively engaged in meanreally matter to them. Prior to joining Fox Run, Robinson was the executive director of

Optimal Life Designs in Dementia Care. She has presented at many regional, national and international conferences on dementia care and is currenttance caregiving for her

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OUR VIEWS

Go pink Beating breast cancer is everyone's fight

If you've been wearing pink this month, then you probably know that this is Breast Cancer Awareness month, a local, state, national and international effort to increase public knowledge about the importance of early detection of breast cancer and to encourage women to get screened for this deadly disease.

Although October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month, breast cancer does not confine itself to a 31-day period: It is a relentless, daily reality for millions of women and their families. According to the National Cancer Institute, there are more than 194,000 new cases and 40,000 deaths per year in the U.S. In addition, there are currently more than 2.5 million women alive who have had a history of breast cancer.

Breast cancer is the third most commonly diagnosed cancer in Michigan and is the most frequently diagnosed cancer among Michigan women. It's estimated there will be 1.320 deaths due to breast cancer and

The first Breast Cancer Awareness Breast cancer observance took place is the second in October 1985 and most common 26 years later, the message is still the cancer in same: The best way women after for a woman to reduce the risk of dying from skin cancer. It breast cancer is early is the secondleading cause regular self-examina tions and scheduling of cancer annual mammograms death in after the age of 40. women after Breast cancer is lung cancer.

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the second most comafter skin cancer. It is the second-lead-ing cause of cancer death in women after lung cancer, and is women ages 35 the leading cause of cancer death among women ages 35 to 54.

About one in every eight women will develop the disease in her lifetime and while the disease is about 100 times more common among women, some men do contract it. According to the American Cancer Society, an estimated 1,910 new cases of invasive breast cancer were expected to be diagnosed among men

in the United States in 2010. Every woman is at risk of developing breast cancer, so early detection is the key to survival. While early screening for breast cancer can reduce deaths by more than 20 percent, only 56 percent of Michigan women age 40 and older report experiencing appropriately timed breast cancer screening.

Likewise, mammography is a woman's best defense against breast cancer because finding it in early stages not only increase survival rates, it is less costly to treat than cancers that have progressed to a later stage and possibly spread to other areas of

Despite billions of dollars spent on research over the last two decades, increased mammography screening and a plethora of pink products meant to increase "awareness," there hasn't been a significant reduction in the number of women cer. In 1991, women died from breast cancer every day in the United States. Twenty years later, that number is 110 women every day

Last year, the National Breast Cancer Coalition set Jan. 1, 2020, as the day to end breast cancer. While much of that will come from research, we can do our share to help eradicate the disease. We encourage women to take control of their own breas health by practicing regular self-breas examinations, getting mammograms as recommended, scheduling regular visits with their physician for breast care, follow ing any prescribed treatment and learning as much as they can about breast cancer and breast health.

Wear pink and stay in the pink. Let's work together to end breast cancer once

NOVI NEWS

Cal Stone, Community Editor Susan Rosiek, Executive Editor

OPINION

What is your favorite part about Homecoming?



Matt Forche



at the Homecoming Raj Chhaya



game on Friday.'



Our fundamental purposes are to enhance

the lives of our readers, nurture the

the business success of our customers.

of school on Friday Meg Gaffney and seeing everyone dressed up.'

Jamie Park

LETTERS

Legislators laughing all the way to the bank

Obfuscation, smoke and mirrors, illusion, fool the voters ... what's

Throughout the years, our honorable (?) state legislators have virtually awarded themselves inflated salaries and benefits second only to California's legislative body. They're entitled, they claim, because they perform a full-time job in spite of their other pursuits (e.g. contractors, lawyers, consultants, accountants, insurance brokers, etc.) or seeking another elective office or appointment to a government job that would provide another pension when term limits force them to

move on. The fact that legislators are in session approximately only 100 days a year, occasionally for a shockingly brief time with outrageous absenteeism, is downplayed and seldom

The gimmick created to ensure pay increases without political te- -percussion: the representatives and senators must vote against any pay increase recommended by a nebulous entity created by statute. Thus, their income has grown to almost \$100,000 per an abbreviated year.

Recently, our honorable (?) legislators conspicuously agreed to share the sacrifice expected of most state employees. The toker effort by the House (96-11) in favor of immediately eliminating the \$5,300,000 annual health care benefit for almost all legislators was a sham. The House members were well aware that the Senate version of the bill would prevail, and all but 16 would be guaranteed state paid health insurance that, according to my math, amounts to \$36,000 per year per legislator (148) for the rest of their lives after only six years on

While pondering this situation, one should consider that becoming an elected state senator or representative demands the least amount of obligatory standardized preparation of most, if not all, professions including barbers, chefs, teachers. carpenters, doctors, electricians, etc. Only one other profession, that I can think of, requires no training, education, or experience. The differ ence between the two professions is a legislator must be old enough to vote, but, significantly, the other pros' income depends on performance and output. The legislators'

pay is steady, regardless. When are Michigan voters going to start paying attention to the actions and, often, the inactions of the amateurs in Lansing fumbling through their on-the-job-training until their retirement after six or

eight years? Does anyone know if they are eligible for severance pay if they quit before term limits take effect? Patrick Downey

Vote for Gatt i am writing in support of Robert Gatt for mayor. Robert Gatt has the experience necessary to help Novi continue to attract and support both families and businesses. He has shown his ability to work with both community and business leaders as a sergeant in the Novi police depart-

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

We welcome your Letter to the Editor. Please include your name, address and phone number for verification. Letters should be 400 words or less. We may edit for clarity, space and content. Submit letters via the following formats.

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raise new issues will not be published in the Nov. 3 edition before the Nov. 8 election because candidates have no opportunity to respond.

ment, Novi mayor pro tem, and in his current position as Oakland County chief of Field Operations, Community Correction. In his present position he is responsible for preparing and administering a yearly budget, as well as being responsible for 60-plus employees. Having worked for Robert Gatt for eight years in his current position with Oakland County, I found him to be a man of integrity. It is because of this he has rightfully earned the respect of the citizens and business leaders of Novi. Although I do not live in the city of Novi, I feel Robert Gatt deserves your vote for mayor.

Make Gatt mayor

I am writing in support of Bob Gatt's candidacy for the office of mayor of Novi. People enter the political ring for many different reasons some to further a personal or political agenda, others seek to "step up to the plate" of public service. Bob Gatt is part of the latter group. His primary motive is to serve the people of the city he loves and has served honorably for over 35 years. first as a Novi police officer, then as a council member. I was privileged to serve with him during many of those years as a fellow police officer. We stood many watches together as partners, and I learned to trust his judgement during some tense situations on the street when there was only one chance to do it right. Bob Gatt is an innovative leader

with a bunch of common sense, who can lead the City of Novi through these hard times. I urge the voters to send him to the mayor's ofthe citizens of the City of Novi.

Phillip C. Schoen Novi PD, retired

Gatt for mayor of Novi I have known Bobby since childhood, I first ran into him (literally) while playing baseball. I was playing

Bobby was catching for St. Monica's. I was rounding third trying to cross the plate in time to score the win-

for Presentation of Our Lady and

ning run. The ball got to the catcher (Bobby) about a second or so before I got to home plate. There was a collision and Bobby dropped the ball, thus I scored the winning run! While Bob and the whole team were disappointed in not winning the game, he walked up to me after and congratulated me and our

whole team for the victory. That wa 43 years ago, and what I admire most about 8ob is his fairness. Bob is very competitive, and that's OK; he's a fighter in what he believes in, he is stealth with his organizational skills, and he is a great communicator both in writing and speaking. However, the most important aspect is he is fair and truthful.

We grew up together, attended St. Francis De Sales High School in Detroit. And while our paths have taken us in different directions, we have remained close friends to this war

if I needed him to be at my side, he would be there as I would for him. He is kind, courageous, faithful, honest and loval, I just wanted to let the voters of Novi to know a little nore about 80b Gatt.

Ron Ferrise

Fischer for mayor

Justin Fischer is my neighbor and friend. He sat on Pointe Park Condominiums Homeowner's Board as treasurer for three years and was a great asset to our board and association. Justin is honest and hard working with an extremely good work ethic. He is a graduate of Michigan State University with a master's degree in business administration. He is always looking to achieve new goals in his life and

I was excited when he was elected to the Novi City Council two years ago. He has done a great job for the city of Novi in all the positions he has held. I know that he will be a great mayor for Novi. I will give all my sup port to Justin when he is running for mayor and when he is elected.

Carol Klausino

Social Security is secure

Texas Gov. Rick Perry has called Social Security a Ponzi scheme yet nothing could be further from the truth. Throughout its 70-year during recessions, Social Security has never failed to deliver monthly checks. In its present state, the system is solvent until 2037 and with a few minor changes, it will continue to be solvent far into the future. There is a great deal of confusion

and misunderstanding about the Social Security system. If you would like to learn more about Social Secu rity, a three-page booklet of facts is available for the price of a postage stamp. All the information is valid and sources for additional information are included. Send a stamped, self-addressed envelope with your request to: Gray Panthers of Metro Detroit, P.O. Box 37033, Oak Park,

> Flo Smith Wolverine Lake

Seniors can get preventive services at no cost thanks to Medicare changes

ore than many in our state, Michigan's seniors are meet these days. Many face tough decisions such as whether to buy groceries or pay the elec-tric bill. Even those doing well know they have to pinch every penny in this Too often, health care is

where seniors end up cut-

ling corners to save mon ey. As executive director of Michigan's Area Agention, I know that the costs of health insurance and prescription medications are of constant concern to our senior citizens. I also know how impor-

our health as we get old-

they get worsen. are in and out of the Mary Ablan office pre

health for granted when we were younger. And we all know people who would be alive today if they'd gone to a doctor sooner or managed their condition better.

The good news is that under the Affordable Care Act, Medicare beneficiaries now have better access to services that can make that happen. They no longer have to pay any co-payments or deduct-ibles for basic services such as annual checkups and cancer screenings. The not-so-good news is

care participants is taking advantage of these life-say ing services. We need to spread the word that they no longer have to pay copays or deductibles for pre ventative services such as: · annual welfness visits, including a review of

scriptions; mammograms

smoking: and

care costs for Michigan's that only one in six Medi-

 screenings for prostate, breast and cervical

· screenings for cardiovas cular issues and diabetes; counseling to quit

hepatitis B shots. Combined with the pre scription drug savings that the Affordable Care Act is providing, these Medicare changes are sig-

ing it possible for more people in Michigan to be healthy and active workers, grandparents, volunteers and members of our communities. They're I encourage you to make

medical history and pre sure that the Medicare par ticipants in your family

know about the free pre-ventative services available to them. These bene-"Your Guide to Medicare's Preventive Services," a 26-page handbook that is available at some local locations Medicare/Medicaid Assis

tance Program's website,

www.mmapinc.org.

Mary Ablan is Michigan's executive director of the Area Agencies on Aging AsKnit one, purl two

Linda Potts smiles as she works on a creation during a Sept. 22 meeting of the Knitting Circle at the Novi Public Library. The group will be meeting every Thursday at 10 a.m. in the upstairs board meeting room and is open and free to all knitters, crocheters



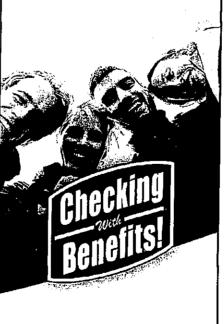


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For New York City comedian Brad Zimmerman, life as a struggling actor wasn't turning out as he hoped it would. So when he started to feel the pressure from his family to make something of himself, he decided to capitalize on his lisappointing experience by creat

one-man show: "My Son the Waiter: A Jewish Tragedy." Zimmerman's hit show can be seen at atre through Oct. 30 iing Thursdays-Sun-

Part theatre, part

stand-up, Zimmerman's homey send-ups on his childhood, family career and misbegotten love life are as warm and poignant as they are hilar ious (i.e. Brad's mom to her friends: "If all goes well, Brad is going to buy a bookcase.").

A regular at America's top casinos, resorts and comedy clubs, Zimmerman played Johnny Sack's lawyer on "The Sopranos" television series and has opened for such notables as the late George Carlin, Brad Garrett, Susie Essman, and the Smothers Brothers. He has also opened for Joan Rivers, who was quoted as saying "I've had three t opening acts in my lifetime: Billy Crystal, Garry Shandling, and Brad

For ticket information, call the box office at (248) 348-4448: Ticketmaster at (800) 745-3000; or on-line at www.ticket master.com. The Andiamo Novi Theatre is located at 42705 Grand River Avenue,

Interior design consultation Gorman's Home Furnishings and Interior Design will host an "Ask A Designer" event on Saturday, Oct. 22, and Sun day, Oct. 23, at Novi showroom

The "Ask A Designer" event provides guests of Gorman's the opportunity to consult one-on-one with an interior designer and discuss their home décor will be provided at no cost and no obligation. Customers are encouraged to oring their fabric swatches, paint chins pictures, and room schematics so that the designers can given them individualized advice about their options and ple books and fabric swatches on hand. Consultations are available on a walkin basis or by making an appointment at

Looking for best makeup Lisa Glickoff of Astute Artistry has teamed up with The Dirty Martini of

Novi for HAUNTED, a Metro Detroit

wide contest and party to find Michigan's best special F/X makeup artist On Saturday, Oct. 22, the Dirty will be transformed into the scene of Mich igan's special f/x makeup, and Halloween haunts with creepy characters, fan ative people of Metro Detroit. Socialize with makeup artists, stylists, photo phers and creative people of the Michigan Makeup industry who make it han

pen in the D Any makeup artist in Michigan can participate. Winners of this contest win cash grand prizes as well as a \$1,000 ofessional photo shoot from top metro Detroit photographer Saleem Chaudry. Grand Prize winner will be written up in one of Michigan's top magazines.

Blood drives

Upcoming local blood drives for the ath of October include: Sunday, Oct. 24; 2-8 p.m.; Trinity Pres-

byterian Church, Plymouth Sunday, Oct. 30; 7 a.m.-1 p.m.; First United Methodist, Northville For additional information or to sched ule an appointment, call Diane at (313)

Help firefighters fight

Novi firefighters will be wearing nk T-shirts on duty through Oct. 22. The shirts are light pink with Novi Fire epartment on the back, and with the fire logo and "hope and courage" written on the front left chest.

The fire department is selling the shirts to the public for \$12 for sizes small through extra large; \$1 for each additional size. All proceeds will go to Susan G. Komen for the Cure. For more information, contact firefighter Joshua Bunse at Station (248)

Novi offers two Halloween happenings

The City of Novi is offering two great ways to celebrate the spookiest of holi-On Friday, Oct. 21, teens, ages 13-17.

tour of three haunted attractions. After

leaving the Novi Civic Center at 6 p.m., the group will head to Erwin Orchards Barn of Horrors which contains the Mystery of the Black Hole with horrify ing creatures, state-of-the-art robotics, ecial effects and illusions.

The second stop, the Brighton Riding Stables, has the longest hayride through a haunted forest in the area. The third stop, Panic at Proud Lake, is an outdoor haunted adventure in Milford that includes paddling down a river, hiking through a twisting, terrifying trail, and escaping by way of a hay wagon ride.

The Haunted House Tour is \$45 per Novi resident using online registration available at cityofnovi.org. The Novi Senior Center will host the

Spooktacular Halloween luncheon on Monday, Oct. 31 from noon-2 p.m. Costumes are encouraged and the luncheon includes ghoulish entertainment. A \$7 , or \$8.50 for non-resident, ticket must be purchased in advance at the Novi Senior Center (located on Meadow brook Road between 10 Mile Road and Grand River Avenue).

Recommended trick or treat hours in Novi are from 6-8 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 31. For Halloween safety tips, visit cityofnovi.org.

Flu shots

Oakland County Health Division will offer \$11 flu shots from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Friday, Oct. 21 and Nov. 4 at the Walled Trail Road.

In addition, Oakland County residents can receive \$11 flu shots at Health Divi sion offices located at the following

 North Oakland Health Center, 1200 N. Telegraph Road, Building 34 East, Pontiac

 South Oakland Health Center, 27725 Greenfield Road, Southfield Hours are noon-8 p.m. on Monday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Friday.

Registration is preferred. To register for a flu shot, go to www.oakgov.com/ movement's impact and achievemen health. Clients may select the location. date and time of appointment. Online not-for-profit finanregistration also provides a consent cial cooperatives that form that must be taken to the clinic provide an effective where the client is pre-enrolled. Online and viable alternative payment options include - Visa, Masterto for-profit financial institutions for more card, Medicare and/or Medicaid. If you are unable to register online, please call 248-858-7350 or 248-424-7120. than 184 million mem

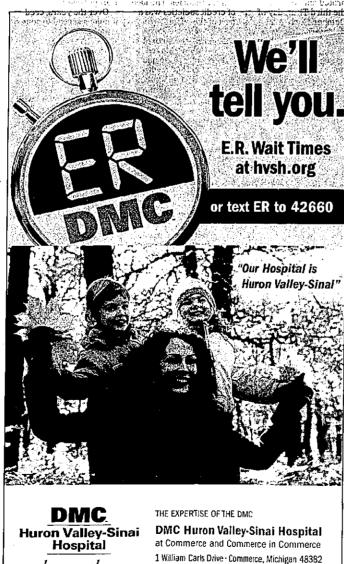
Walk-in clients are welcome. Walkn payment options include: Medicare, Medicaid and cash (no credit cards). For more information, please visit www m/health or call the Health Division's Flu Shot Hotline at 800-434-3358. Nurse on Call is also available to answer questions, please call 800-848-5533.



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This year's theme, "Credit Unions Build Better World." celebrates the important economic and social contributions credunions make to their communities world wide. It also aligns cooperatively owned and controlled credit unions with the great er cooperative business sector and the United Nations as they launch the Interna tional Year of Cooperatives 2012 later this

unions unique. Equal Ownership - Credit unions are

democratically controlled and member owned and operated. Each member ha

how much money he or she has in savings. Not For Profit - Credit unions are not-for profit financial cooperatives that provide a safe, convenient place for members to save money and access loans and other financial services at reasonable rates.

Social Purpose: People Helping People Credit unions exist to serve their members, not to make a profit. Every membe counts, including those of modest means This "people-first" philosophy impels credit unions and their employees to get involved in their community and support

Volunteer Leadership -- Each credit union is governed by a volunteer board of direc-tors elected by and from the credit union's

Financial Education for Members - Credit unions place particular importance on bers and the public to help everyone

International Credit Union Day salutes a On October 20, 2011, history of community ownership and support elebrate Internation al Credit Union Day, an event to commem

> This is the story of an idea. A simple idea: that people could pool their money and make loans to each other. It's the credit union idea, and it evolved from the cooperative activities of early 19th

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century Europe eratives was an 1844marketing cooperative organized by a group of vorkers in Rochdale England. That same year in Germany, Victor Aime Huber began developing and publicizing some of the early European coop

erative theories. The idea part of this effort. Credit Societies are Credit Unions, Moved by the crop failure and famine that had devastated Germany in 1846 Delitzsch and Friedrich Wilhelm Raiffeisen cre ated the first true credcentury. After organizing a cooperatively owned mill and bakery, Schulze-Delitzsch founded the first "people's bank" in 1852 to provide credit to entrepreneurs in the city. Raiffeisen had established a credit society in ny in 1849 that depended

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men for its support. He remained committed to that concept until 1864, when he organized a nev along the principles of dence, a community-first mentality and a volunteer management structure

The credit societies n Germany, and simi lar institutions founded by Luigi Luzzatti in Italy, were the forerunners of the large cooperative 'banks" which abound in

Europe today. it unions spread to communities around the Alphonse and Dorimene Desjardins started a credit union (caisse pulaire) in Lévis, Que ter. Alphonse, along with Filene and Roy F. Bergengren, helped establish credit unions in the Unit-

ed States. desire emerged to estab lish an annual occasion credit unions' important role in creating opportunity for their members and communities and the achievements of pioneers

for ongoing credit union success. Hence, The First Credit Union Day. On January 17, 1927, the Credit Union League of Massachusetts cele-

brated the first official

holiday for credit union

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> Union Day quietly disap The celebration

Chance. In 1948, the U.S. Credit Union Nation al Association (CUNA)

national Credit Union Day celebration, CUNA and CUNA Mutual Insur ance Society set aside the third Thursday of Octo-They selected January 17 ber as the national day of observance. By then many more of America's credit union leada need for an occasion that would bring people together to reflect upon achievements and to pro

> Credit-unions state credit union leagues in the United States and many of the informal credit union chapters it each state were encouraged to celebrate the new was to be a time for raising funds for movement causes and to pay homage to the men and wom-

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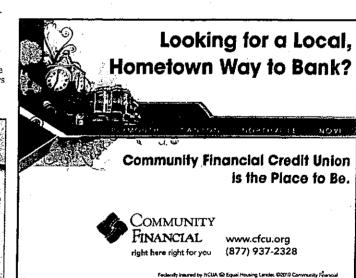
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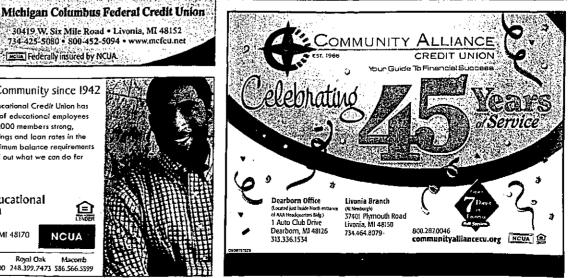
Department provided technical assistance and for credit union develop ment worldwide. So many countries had established credit union movements by 1964 that CUNA formally expanded its mis sion and launched CUNA International.

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fferences or language Many credit unions and eagues began to distrib ute publications; banners slogans and kits, and Credit Union Day became an international celebra-

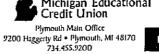
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Whodunit?





Fox Run resident (left) Jean Minnings (Mary) eyes "detective" Dan Braude (playing the role of Charles) during the retirement community's Sept. 16 murder mystery dinner. A group attended a high school reunion where one of their classmates was murdered. It was left up to the various characters that night to determine who the killer was. Fox Run residents Dan and Nori Braude (right) take part in the murder mystery. Playing the role of detective "Charles," Dan tried to discern who the killer was at their fictional high school reunion.



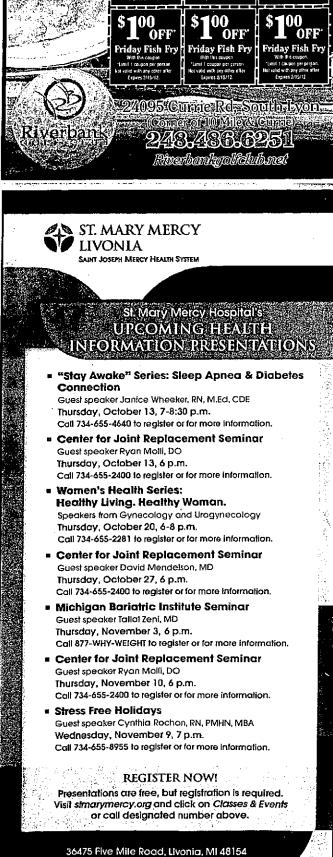




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Woman arrested with ecstasv

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A 19-year-old Detroit sy on Oct. 11 after the car she was riding in was ini-tially stopped on I-96 near Beck Road for not having a license plate.

According to the police report, the driver had just murchased the car and there was a temporary plate on the rear windshield. A computer check showed, how ever, that the driver had a suspended license and she

The officer on the

scene wrote in the report that the rear passenger appeared to be under the influence of drugs. During a search of the car, the officer found two tablets of suspected ecstasy in a place where only the rear ssenger could put them senger were transported to the Novi Police Depart-

ment where they were lat-

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two vehicles

ance of a warrant follow test results on the drugs. Items stolen from

A Novi woman had her ZToyota and Lincoln broken into overnight on Oct. 15 while they were parked in her driveway on Hickory Grove Lane. taken were a GPS, two era from the Toyota, and \$30 worth of money from

Both vehicles were unlocked and police have no suspects. Purse taken at

A 38-year-old Novi 3 woman had her purse stolen around 6:30 p.m. on

Nordstrom's

a stool at the cosmetics counter at Nordstrom.
The woman told police she was near her purse was receiving a manicure. but still someone man-aged to take it. Her purse **Drunk driver** contained four credit cards, her driver's license

Phone stolen at high school

and Social Security card.

4 A Novi High School junior had his cell gym locker on Sept. 30. According to the repor the student said he put his phone in the locked locker before class and

suspects at this time. Locker broken into at Bally's

could not find it when he

returned. Police have no

5A man had his locker broken into around 5:30 p.m. on Oct. 12 while he was working out at Bally Total Fitness. According to the report, the victim said he returned to the locker room an hour later to find his locker opened and the items

missing, including the

lock. Taken from the locker were clothes, a \$250 watch, iPhone, wallet, \$50 cards and a BMW car key. Police have no suspects

caught on I-96

A 44-year-old Howell Oman was arrested at 1:35 driving after an officer bserved his car swerving in its lane while traveling on I-96 at Beck Road.

According to the report, when the officer approached the car he could smell a strong odor of intoxted to drinking at the Detroit ligers game that night. He failed field sobriety

tests and a preliminary breath test registered a blood alcohol content limit for adult drivers in Michigan is .08 percent.

The man was arrested and transported to the Novi Police Department where he was issued a citation for and released after posting



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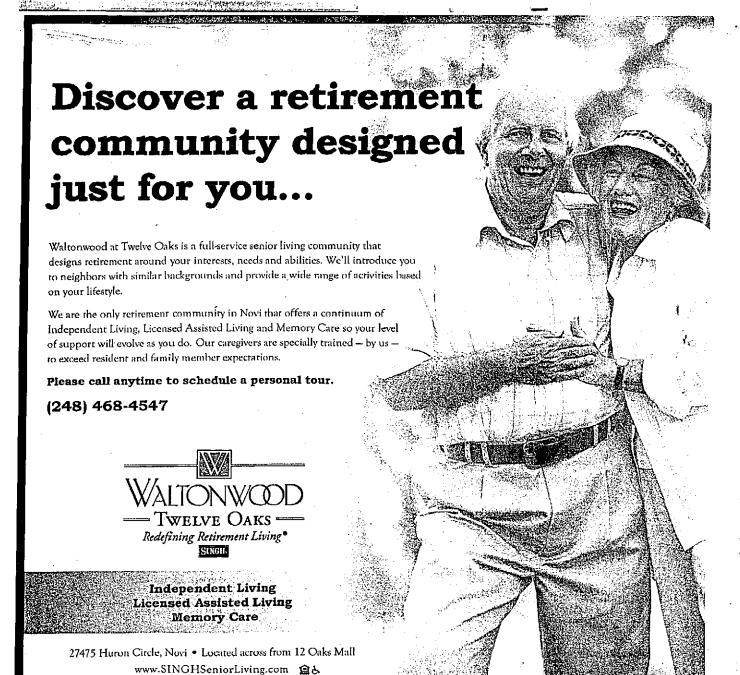
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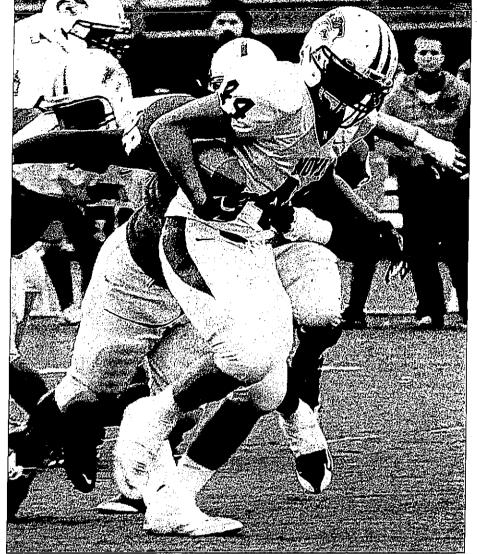
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Novi junior Lucas Buck pushes for a few extra yards as Canton's Nick Tata makes the tackle. The Wildcats lost 35-6 in Canton last Friday.

Chiefs run down 'Cats

Wind knocks down Novi passing game as Canton rushes to a 35-6 victory

Novi (3-5) hits the gridiron 7 p.m. tomorrow for the homecoming season finale when the Wildcats host, Saline (4-4). The Hornets are coming off a 42-21 win over Ann Arbor Skyline (3-5). Walled Lake Western 14 to in week one before beating Novi 50-25 to in week two: MaxPreps has Saline ranked No. 135 in the state, whereas Novi is No. 181. The Hornets have both scored and allowed more points than the Wild

The crowd was light because of the 4 p.m. kickoff and windy weather, but the contest at Canton was unsightly for the Novi fans who showed up. It took five plays and 2:24 of game time before Canton (6-2, 3-2 KLAA South) took an early lead when senior Kyle Adams (216 yards on 12

attempts) broke free for a 65-yard touchdown run up the left side that junior Scott Piwowar capped with the first of five successful point-after kick attempts. Things didn't change much as the Chiefs rolled to a 35-6 victory. They ran trap and made a real good block and we didn't bend like we're

ond line and our secondary got sucked up on the run and overran it and the kid made a great play and ran (65)

Novi senior Derek Cingel returned the ensuing kickoff 25 yards from his own goal line, but a tackle by Canton junior Matt McKoy forced a fum-ble that junior Matt Suppelsa regained for the Chiefs. Six plays later, Adams ran 10 yards into the right side of the end zone and the Chiefs had a 14-0 lead 5:05 into the game before the Wild-cats (3-4, 3-2 Central) would take a sin-

gle snap.
"That's a great football team our kids played and the kids didn't quit and I'm proud of them. They kept ba tling back, kept fighting," Pennycuff

Please see FOOTBALL, B5

CC gridders take first loss of season

Squad bows to Orchard Lake St. Mary's, but will get a second chance this weekend

By Sam Eggleston

After three decades of coaching football, Detroit Catholic Central's Tom Mach can tell you that there's no such thing as an easy loss - especially to a division rival. But, Mach can probably also tell you that it's much better to lose a game in the regular season than it is in the play-

offs.
The Shamrocks, which are now 7-1 on

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The Detroit Catholic

be playing Saturday at 7 p.m. at Ford Field in

Detroit in the Catholic

League championship game. They will take on Orchard Lake St.

Central Shamrocks football team (7-1) wil

the season and 3-1 in the Central Divi-sion of the Catholic High fell just shor when they took a loss to Orchard Lake

St. Mary's, 14-13, last weekend. The Shamrocks won't

have to wait long for a

chance at redemption, however, as they face Eaglets again Saturday at Ford Field for the CHSL championship game. The last time the two teams met for that title was in 2009, when the Shamrocks won, 7-0, before going on to a Division I state

Those facts, however, don't take the sting out of the loss, which happened in front of the Shamrocks faithful in Novi. The Catholic Central gridders found themselves trailing, 14-0, in the third quarter but came back with a vengeance in the fourth. With 11:58 left on the clock, quarterback Kyle Cooper took the ball on a sneak play to score and cut the St. Mary's lead to 14-7. The two teams grappled defensively for the next 11 minutes before Anthony Darkangelo scored for the Shamrocks with 20 seconds left on a

four-yard play to make it 14-13. The two teams seemed prepared to go into overtime when something unexpect-ed happened —the Shamrocks missed the extra point attempt and the game was lost. The Eaglets started the scoring with a

70-yard jaunt on their second play of the game before scoring again in the third quarter for the 14-0 advantage. Catholic Central was led by Dark-angelo's 85 yards on 13 carries while junior David Houle picked up 40 on nine attempts. Cooper threw 8-of-17 for 65

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

Novi wins rubber match vs. Salem,

advances in soccer districts

Spartans sting seniors on final Cass Benton run

By Chris Jackett

The final dual meet of their high school careers was bittersweet for many of Novi's boys cross country seniors Oct. 11 as the Wildcats dropped a 25-31 decision to visiting Livonia Stevenson. The Spartans (4-1) were too much

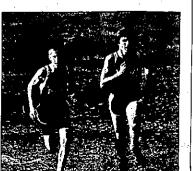
for Novi (3-2) and took the top three spots in the race. "Mathematically, when a team

takes the first three places in a dual, they automatically win," Novi coach

As the Wildcats were honoring seniors during their final home mee t was only fitting that a senior, Kevin Hanlon, led the team. Hanlon fin-ished fourth in 17 minutes and 40

Please see RUN, B2

11 during the Wildcats' 25-31 cross country



Novi's Casey Croad (left) and Mike Benkarski

Wildcats score three unanswered to start attempted playoff sweep

of PCEP schools

By Chris Jackett

Four of the top 10 teams in Division I are in Novi's boys soccer district. After Monday's opening round, there is one

No. 4 Novi (15-3-0, 7-1-0 KLAA Central) defeated No. 8 Plymouth Salem (8-84, 5-3-0 Central) in a physical 3-1 dis-trict quarterfinal Monday after the tw squads had split the season series 1-1-0. "It was a very hard-fought game," Salem coach Ed McCarthy said. "Novi is very good on the counterattack and

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Novi senior Chase Jabbori (right) shields the ball from Plymouth Salem junior Tyler Fosdick during the Wildcats' 3-1 district quarterfinal victory Oct. 17 in Novi.

Smith honored for 30 years of leadership

Coach was a national runner

Few have been as known a name in local cross country as Robert Smith.
In his 30th season as coach of Novi's boys cross country team. Smith took the job when he was 24, after a successful running career of his own at South Lyon High and Alma College.
Now 55, things were much different

when Smith was in high school. 'Up through the early '70s, most tracks were exactly 1/4 of a mile (440 in the United States started convert ing tracks to metric starting around 1975. For several years, high school and track meets were racing either the 400 meters or the 440-yard dash. It took time to convert all of the tracks to metric. There is a conversion factor of about 0.3 of a second, with the 440 being the longer race. I ran 49.4 (seconds) for

ning for South Lyon High School."
Although the quarter-mile race was his best. Smith held the South Lyon. school record in the 100-yard dash and was also the league champion in both the 440- and 880-yard dashes. He also dabbled in other events during track season, with a 22-feet, 4-inch long jump ing and some hurdling.

the 440 in 1974, winning Regionals run-

"I ran cross country in high school and college," Smith said. "I really enjoyed it." Smith got his education while compet-

ing at Alma and ended up getting a job near where he grew up. "I was very lucky that, when I hired in at Novi High School in 1980 as a business teacher, they also needed a head track coach and assistant cross country coach," Smith said. "I was an assistant

Having served as Novi's cross country coach for the past 30 years, Robert Smith was honored at the Coaching Legends Classic

for the coed team for one year and then the boys and girls became separate in 1982. I have been the head boys cross country coach ever sense. I also conthrough 2007."

Although Smith handed over the track team reigns in 2007 and retired from classroom teaching in June 2010, he now enjoys focusing his time on the boys cross country team.

"Now I have plenty of time and ener gy to continue to coach," Smith said, "I ove it. The guys are all extremely dedicated and focused. As long as they continue to give 100 percent, I'll be there to

Smith's 1998 harriers, along with the boys soccer team, brought the school's first two state titles home on Nov. 7. 1998. The cross country team repeated as Class A champions in 1999 and other sports have since followed suit. Smith's harriers were also Division I runnersup in 2000 and 2006.

Every year I attend coaching clinics to stay current with the latest trends n the sport," Smith said. "It is amazing

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just how scientific training has become Diet concerns, weight training, stretching and plyometric techniques were ost non-existant 30 years ago. Now we concern ourselves with things like biometric cycles, periodization of training and mental, as well as physical,

"One thing that has not changed is the commitment of the Novi runners. Every year I marvel at their loyalty and drive to be the best they can be.'

One of the best Smith helped mold was Tim Moore, who placed eighth at the Footlocker Nationals in 2000 and was the Footlocker national champ on in 2001. Moore was also the USATF ior national champion in 2001 and a USATF representative in Dublin, Ireland, in the 2001 World Championships

Moore was one of many former Wildcats who have been honored under Smith's tutelage. Since 1996, Novi has produced the most student-athletes in Michigan to break the 16-minute barrier at the state meet, with 17 breakbeen 90 All-Conference runners and 82 state qualifiers. Novi has had at least one runner, if not the entire team, in the state meet each of the past 15 years.

Among his several coaching honors, the most recent of which took place at the Coaching Legends Classic in Brigh ton Oct. 1. Smith was honored as Coach of the Week by ESPN in 2000. His 2006 squad, in addition to finishing second at the state meet, was also crowned the academic state champion with a team grade point average of 3.971.

ty to thank all of the runners that ran on the Novi men's cross country tea for the past 30 years," Smith said. "It has been my pleasure and privilege to be your coach. You in turn have helped to create the championship atmosphere that is with us to this day. We have a winning tradition and pride in the prothe outstanding young men that have passed through the program over the past three decades."

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"There are only a few high school sports where the team carries fresh-men through seniors under one umbrel Our seniors remember fondly their first competition at Cass as if it was yesterday," Smith said. "Four years ago Hanlon was near the back of the pack and running some very modest times. Now he is often our number one runner. It is a

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Novi's harriers (3-2) are scheduled to run in the KLAA Kensington Conference meet 4 p.m. today, but the location was not yet determined as of press time. The 'Cats are next scheduled for Regionals 4:35 p.m. Oct. 28 at Brighton's Huron Meadows Metropark. The girls will race at 4 p.m.

an Barnes (fifth in 17:45), senior Eric Gardner (sixth in 17:52), senior Dan Lee (seventh in 18:05), junior Ben Jenkins (ninth in 18:14), freshman John Potter (10th in 18:14) and senior Mike Benkarski (12th in 18:27).

"Racing to places of four through sev en was a nice surprise," Smith said.
"Unfortunately, one through three

Lee, freshman Casey Croad (18:27) sophomore Cameron Richman (18:33), sophomore Tom Groechel (20:05), junior Alex Sekuloski (20:06), junior Mitch Hall (20:37) and freshman Michael Richmond (21:15) all raced to personal course best times for the season. Croad was also the Ione Wildcat to set an overall season personal record. "Casev is racing very well right now." and yet he was our number eight runner today. He has a very bright future

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Ying brings home program's first state tennis title

Novi boys finish a program-best fourth at state meet

After a long weekend in Midland where the weather forced the state meet indoors, Novi's boys tennis team finished the highest it ever has in proam history while also crowning their first-ever state champion.

Ranked No. 5, the Wildcats finished fourth in Division I with 20 points after landing in fifth each of the past three years. Ann Arbor was first with 30, followed by Bloomfield Hills Brother Rice Northville was fifth with 13 points

"I'm very proud of the kids," Novi coach Jim Hanson said, "You're talking about a matter of a point here, a point there and you're playing in the finals. Northville had an excellent showing at the tournament. Our regional finished three, four, five,"

A large reason Novi finished so well last Saturday was sophomore Andrew Ying, who won the four singles flight's state title to cap off a 23-2 season in the

"Andy played well all weekend. He played three very tough matches to get to the finals. Even though he was seeded No. 1, he still had to play his way to the state champion we've had on the boy's

Ying was seeded first in his flight. He cruised through Ann Arbor Pioneer's Marcelo Salas 6-1, 6-1 before battling Port Huron Northern's Cameron Brits to a 6-4, 7-5 decision. That was the hardest part, as he soundly defeated Roch ester Adams' Rahul Jain 6-1, 6-2 in the semifinal and second-seed Johnny Cam eron of Brother Rice 6-0, 6-0 after Cameron struggled through a 7-6(3), 6-7(4), 7-5 match against the third seed in his

"He probably played at a disadyantage," Hanson said of the Broth, a ster Rice place, while noting Ying came back from down 4-1 and 5-2 in each set

Although the rest of singles didn't nake it as deep as Ying did, each put up a fight on their way out.

As a six seed, two singles junior Jr. Pavan Rao (19-5) started in the second round with tough 4-6, 6-4, 6-4 to Kevin Rothstein of West Bloomfield. "He was seeded sixth, but probably had a heck of a battle. That match went

close to three hours."

As the lone unseeded Wildcat, one singles freshman Tim Wang (15-6) defeated Noah Rice of Troy 6-0, 7-6(4) before dropping a 6-1, 6-1 decision to four-seed Trevor Stoimenoff of Grand Ledge, who took eventual state champion Tyler Gardner to three sets in a semifinal

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"Tim played a good match, but the

Grand Ledge kid pulled it out," Hanson

Three singles freshman Andre Liu (13-6) wrapped up the singles action as a fifth seed. After defeating Livonia Churchill's Joe Mulka 6-3, 6-3, Liu lost a 6-1, 6-2 contest to fourth-seeded Timmy Gaut of Port Huron Northern.

Senior Stephan Kovacinski and junior est-seeded doubles team in the fourth flight as a No. 1. The pair beat Roches ter Hills Stoney Creek 6-2, 6-2 and Ann Arhor Pioneer 1-6, 6-2, 6-1 before dropping a 6-4, 6-4 decision to fourth-seeded Brother Rice in the semifinals.

"They played Ann Arbor Pioneer, which is always dangerous," Hanson said. "We were kind of out of sync in the first set, but Stephan and Jon pulled it together and played two very solid sets and was aggressive. In both the sets (against Brother Rice), we got a slow start. We were down 3-0 in both sets."

The other three doubles flights also advanced to the semifinals despite low er seedings.

One doubles senior Bill Bell and junior Jason Carless (23-4) were seeded fourth. The pair defeated Stoney Creek 6-0, 6-0 and fifth-seed Port Huron Northern 7-5, 7-5 before top-seeded CC beat them 4-6, 6-2, 6-0 in the semifinals

"We won a tough match versus Port Huron Northern and then drew the No 1 overall seed. That's only the second set the CC kids had lost all season long, Hanson said. "You're talking about a matter of a point here, a point there and you're playing in the finals."
At two doubles, the fourth-seed of

senior Brandon Sanders and junior Nis hant Kakar (23-4) defeated Holt 6-1, 6-0 and fifth-seeded Troy 6-4, 6-4 before top-seeded CC beat them 6-4, 6-3 in the semifinals. Senior Andrew Cho and sophomore

Michael Chang (19-3) had a third seed in the three doubles flight and started with a 6-0, 6-1 win over Traverse City West and 6-1, 6-3 win over sixth-seed West Bloomfield, but lost a tough 6-4, 5-7, 7-5 decision to second-seed Ann Arbor Huron in the semifinals.

"I don't think we had a bad loss all weekend," Hanson said, "I think we which is good at the state finals. It was by far the best we've ever played at the state tournament."

With all four singles players and half of all four doubles teams returning, next season has a lot of potential for the Wildcats as sophomores Shashank Chit-ta and Kevin Xu look to move up the

"We have the makeup or potential to have another strong season," Hanson said about having 8 of 12 starters back.

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Mead Cusa Cup champs



The Michigan Jaguars U11 Girls Green team won the 2011 Mead Cusa Cup in Dayton, Ohio on Sept. 5. Together the girls were undefeated against teams from idiana and Ohio. In the championship game, the Jaguars defeated the Cincinnat CUP Crew team, 3-0. The team includes: Kelsey Adams, Jessie Bandyk, Crystal Bock

Shamrocks finish third in state

Tennis team has two individual flight champions

By Sam Egglestor

Was there any doubt in anyone's mind that the duo of Kevin Hodges and Willy Willson were destined to win a state title at

first doubles?

If anyone steps forward and says there was, then they obvious ly don't know what Hodges and Willson are capable of. With a whopping 31-0 record this year and 61-2 over the past two seasons, the duo was the epitome of great doubles play. And when all was said and done in Midland last weekend, they were

the individual champion of their flight Willson and Hodg Huron's Jon Zhou and mpressive 6-1, 6-3 show

ing to earn the title "Kevin and Willy are the best doubles team

we have had in past

The first doubles team wasn't the only flight to earn a state champi

10 years." said Catho

Stafford, "They will be

onship, either, Michae Arbor Huron's Kevin Mei, 6-1 and 6-3, to earn his own championship at three singles. Trupiano hed the season with a 26-3 record.

of this team," said Stafford. "Every player gave 100 percent effort and conducted themselves as

The shamrocks also had a finalist in the num ber two doubles team of Matt Hermiz and Gabe Ann Arbor Huron's Sam Brodkey and Andy Wu in a hard-fought 7-5, 6finale. They finished the year with an 18-1 record.

"We were a break or

state championship," not gratulations go out to Ann Arbor Huron. They won with class and rep resented their school

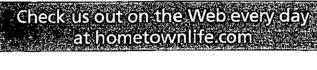
very well. Shamrocks players who were Michel Dube' at one singles and Eric Guin-di at two singles. Dube' lost to West Bloomfield's Andrew Cahn, 6-2 and 6-3, while Guindi fell to Brother Rice's Gunna Peery in three, 7-5, 4-6

ished the season as Cath-Catholic League tournament champions, region-al champions and the winners of six invitational finished with a 12-1-2

Sam Eggleston is a freelance writer and former staff sports writer for the North-





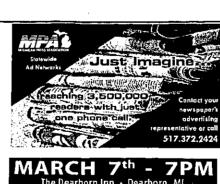


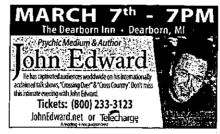
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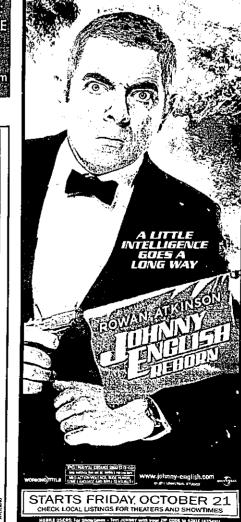




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NOVI BOBCATS ROUNDUP

Varsity cages Garden City Cougars, 36-6

The Varsity Bobcats (5-2) hosted the Garden City Cougars (0-7) Sunday and dominated the game on both offense and defense. The Bobcats received the opening kickoff. Two plays later Spenran three defenders for a 55-yard touchwn. The PAT was blocked giving the Bobcats an early 6-0 lead.

On the Cougars first offensive play from scrimmage, Josh Ruffing penetrated the line and caused the quarterback to fumble, Josiah Rhome recovered for the Bobcats, Bobcats' Quarterback Bobby Fox scored a few plays lat er, but a holding penalty negated the touchdown, and killed the drive.

The Bobcats' defense forced a three

and out punt situation for the Cougars. On the ensuing drive the Bol cats reached the Cougars 15-yard line with nice passing by Fox to Ruffing and Connor Moore and strong running by VanKirk. A fumble by the Bobcats was picked up and returned for a touch n. Ian Patterson blocked the PAT kick for a 6-6 tie.

The Bobcats next drive ended with an nterception in the end zone for a touchback. Strong Defensive tackling by VanKirk, Patterson, Mitchell Lang, and Ruffing forced another three and out punt. On first down at the 50-yard line, play action pass by Fox connected with Kameron Hankerson who outran three lefenders on his way to the end zone. Fox kicked the PAT for a 14-6 halftime

The Bobcats kicked off to start the second half. The Cougars tried a fake punt, Ruffing tackled the punter behind the line of scrimmage. With the defense keying on VanKirk's motion, Fox optioned to Ruffing who rumbled was good and the Bobcats took a 22-6

On first down of the Cougars' next offensive possession, Patterson stripped the quarterback for the second defensive turnover of the game. After the Bobcats' offense turned the ball over on downs, the Cougars were forced o punt. Anthony D'Annibale blocked the punt, and the Bobcats had the ball at the Cougars 25-yard line, After Hanker son and Fox combined to move the ball to the 7-yard line. VanKirk scored and Fox converted the PAT for a 30-6 lead.

On the Bobcats' final possession of the game, Conner Moore took a perfectly executed counter-trap 70 yards for the final score of the game. The Cougars' offense was determined to earn their first; first down of the game. Philip Cal-houn and Travis Davis combined to sack the quarterback on third down, and on fourth down Ben Hong sacked the quarterback to end the game,

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for him against the Garden City Cougars in

D'Annibale lead all tacklers, followed by Patterson, Ruffing, Rhome, and VanKirk. The defense held the Cougars to 16 total yards, allowed no first downs, caused two fumbles, and blocked a

JV shuts out Cougars, 21-0

The JV Bobcats (2-5) got back on the winning track, posting a 21-0 victory over the Garden City Cougars (1-6), on Sunday, Oct. 16 before a "pinked-out" home crowd in honor of Breast Cancer

The Bobcats got started in the first quarter with an impressive drive, cul-minating in a touchdown run by Eric Budd, who ran in behind the blocking of offensive linemen Jordan Castleberry. Rakin Parker. Blake Turner, and Casey Lyons. After the PAT failed, the Bob cats led 6.0. The second quarter saw the Bobcat defense shutting down the Cougar outside running attack with defenive end Isaiah Hawkins making sever al key stops, and the linebacker corps of Keegan Houseworth, Turner, Brendan Smith, and Lyons, blitzing regularly and wreaking havoc in the Cougar backfield. The Bobcat offense continued to roll, mixing a strong blend of inside and outside running from its backfield of Trendon Hankerson, Tyler Vankirk, Jordan Ward, and Smith. The drive included key passes by Bobcat quarterback Chad Howell, one to Brendan Downs who went up high to make the catch ir traffic over the middle. This set up the

for the score. A hard run inside by val Vankirk for the PAT helped the Bobcats take a 13-0 lead into halftime The second half saw the Bobcats

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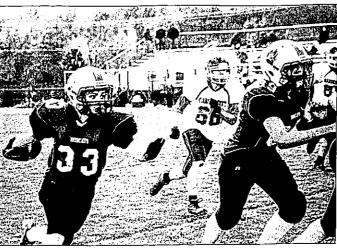
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Bobcats' second scoring opportunity in

the red zone, capped off by a fine out-side run and cut back inside by Ward



Varsity Bobcat Connor Moore (33) catches a screen pass as Ian Patterson (89) leads the way.

immediately capitalize on a Cougar fumble on their first possession and then drive the ball down once again to near the goal line. Quarterback How rolled right, and following good block-ing, found the corner of the end zone for the score. The kick by Downs for the

PAT was good, and the Bobcats led 21-0.

Even with their starting unit on the sidelines, the Bobcats would hold this. lead and not yield a point to the Cougars, with their defense repeatedly coming up with big plays to cause turnovers, stopping the Cougars for losses in their backfield, and putting an excel lent rush on their quarterback for pressure and several big sacks. On defense the Bobcats were led by Hawkins, who had a monster game with two batted down passes, several tackles for losses, a fumble recovery, and an intercep-Eric Budd added another intercep tion to halt a Cougar drive for a score in econd half, and Castleberry came up with a big sack for a loss to stop another scoring threat. Also contributing on defense to preserve the shut out were Jacob Daniel and Kyle Utterbeck Saicic, Stephen Cadwell, and Jason Rob-

Submitted by Eric Smith

Bobcats lose to Garden City, 18-12

The Bobcat's took another tough loss at home versus the Garden City Cougars. The game started with great field position and a quick four-and-out stop provided by the entire Go Team Defense which included great tackles by Gavin Parenti.

The Bobcat's got things going quickly on the offensive side as Paige showed his blazing speed again and ran in from 25 yards out to give the Bobcat's an ear lead. The stingy Bobcat defense tried to contain the powerful Cougar run-ning attack as defenders Adam Bur-, Anthony Mascari, Jonah Mattas and Ryan Bacon continued to hammer away at the bruising Cougar running

backs. As a result of some so

defense the Cougars only led 12-6 at the The third quarter started off well for the Bobcat's as kick returner Connor Truax took the opening kick-off for a 20-yard return into Cougar territory. On the first play from scrimmage the Go-Team offensive line dominated the cougars to allow a crowd pleasing 45 yard touchdown run by Jack Beno to tie the game 12-12. The following kick-off Mark Oconnor had a great kick and then also flew down field to deliver an explosive hit on the Cougar kick returner. The Cougars continued to stuff the Bobcat's running and passing attack through the remainder of the

The fourth quarter was back and forth as the two teams traded field position for the first 10 minutes of play. Solid play in the quarter by Aston Smith, Makari Paige, Ethan Smythe, and Michael Lynch helped the Bobcats run two sustained drives but just feel short. The Cougars capped their scoring off to be the game winner. The reverse play came with just 30 seconds left on the clock. The Bobcat's tried to respond but time just wasn't on their side. The Bobcat's moved to the Cougars 30-yard line from a 25-yard run by Makari Paige but out and the Cougars left Novi with an 18-12 victory.

Submitted by Micahel Lynch & Joe Smythe

NOVI SPORTS ROUNDUP

By Chris Jackett

Field hockey grabs division title A young field hockey program clinched its second division title in four years of existence. After winning the Division 4 title in 2009, the Wildcats (9the Division 3 title last week with a 7-1-2

Novi clinched the title Oct. 12 when they tied runner-up Ann Arbor Skyline (7-4-2, 6-3-1 Div. 3) for the second time

"The game against Skyline was a defensive battle," parent Tom Pollard said. "Both teams had good scoring opportunities, but solid defense on both sides kent the ball out of the goal."

Skyline had a few opportunities during some penalty corner hits during the senior netminder Shelby Henley made several big saves throughout the game to earn her seventh shutout. Defenders Andrea MacDonough, Karla Avala-Talavera, Amanda Kadykowski and Lauren Pollard were key to the slim pickings

Seeded sixth of 23 teams in the Michigan High School Field Hockey Association playoffs. Novi received a first 11 Bloomfield Hills Marian (6-6-1, 3-6-0 Div. 1) and No. 22 Farmington (1-11-2, 1-5-2 Div. 4) 2 p.m. Saturday.

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Novi's junior varsity squad lost to visiting Canton 63-0 last Thursday and the

The Novi Middle School varsity team

freshmen lost 42-19. Both squads visit

came up on the wrong end of a 14-0 loss to Northville Meads Mills Oct. 12,

although the middle school JV team

improved to 5-0 with a 28-6 win over

Meads Mills. Both middle school team

were set to visit West Bloomfield Wal-

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mer staff writer for the Novi News.

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nut Creek yesterday for their season

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day quarterfinal at Detroit Country Day, followed by a 7 p.m. Oct. 27 state semifi-nal at Dearborn Edsel Ford and, potentially, the 2 p.m. Oct. 29 state champion

> The 1-1 tie carried into halftime, but ond half. Just 6:36 into the half, Quinley played a long ball over sophomore Don Nakashima and two Salem defenders. Nakashima outran both defenders and drew Pietron to the left before attempt-

> feet, who knocked it into an empty net.
> "I saw the ball go through, so I started

"I feel like we have a lot of potential as a team. Each and every one of us plays a different role on the field that's really important to the game.

J. the Wildcats (34-4-1. 10-0 KLAA Central) were scheduled to visit No 13 Canton (29-6-0, 9-1 South) two nights ago in a Kensington Confer-Saturday's conference tournament and a to be-determined Oct. 31 district opener at Novi.

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Novi volleyball crowned

undefeated division champs

'Cats defeat South Lyon, East

Ranked No. 8 in Division

online at hometownlife.com

By Chris Jackett

Novi's volleyball team

wrapped up an undefeat-ed KLAA Central Divi-

on season last week

with sound defeats of South Lyon East and South Lyon before going

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Central) Oct. 13.

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No. 5 in the MaxPreps ject (six digs). Enright amassed 20 kills, three aces, two The 'Cats got their week started on the road with a blocks and nine digs 25-6, 25-10, 25-11 win over against South Lyon, while South Lyon East (4-19-0. Ryan (eight kills, four blocks, five digs), Shelmuch tougher 27-29, 25don (six kills, nine digs, 20. 25-22, 25-16 win over two aces, three blocks, South Lyon (13-9-0, 4-5 11 serve receptions), Isaelle Glancy (four kills, Several reserve players 18 digs, one ace, 16 recep-

got a chance to showcase tions) and Victoria Rose r talents against East. (three kills, two blocks) In addition to the usual helped handle the offen vork by Katie Enright (11 Robb (36 assists, sevkills), Aly Ryan (six kills, en digs, one kill, one ace) Kacey Sheldon (five kills. set up many of her teams' two aces, eight digs) and kills, while Molly Marzo nie (21 digs, one ace, 30 receptions) and Lesley the Wildcats got contributions from Kati Timar nine receptions) provid-(seven kills), Brooke Laney (three kills, three ed some defensive consis

tency.

In last Saturday's Beast of the East Invite, the Wildcats ran into some

decent competition. Novi soundly defeated Garden City 25-4, 25-7 and Bloomfield Hills Lahser 25-13, 25-17 in pool play before a closer 22-25, 25-21, 16-14 win over Midland to advance into the bracket round 3-0. Once in the playoffs, the Wildcats defeat-

ed Milford 25-9, 25-12 to advance into the quarterfinals against Clarkston. of the 'Cats in a 25-22, 17-25, 19-17 battle Enright was limited to four kills, four digs

and eight serve receptions against Clarkston to pick up the slack with 10 kills apiece. Robb had eight digs to go with her 23 assists. In the backcourt, Shel-

don had two aces, 13 tions, while Marzonie tions), Glancy (11 digs) and Harrington (five digs) kept the 'Cats

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is as good of an attacking team as there is in the state. They certainly were able to

It was the Rocks who would strike first when a throw-in by junior Chris Dierk-er from next to the left corner flag landed in front of sophomore Brady Cole in the junior netminder Andy Netter (13 saves) and less than five yards away from an empty net. Cole tapped it in for a 1-0 Salem lead 13:25 into the game.
"It's not the kind of season where we've

buried people every game," Novi coach Brian O'Leary said. "We've been down quite a few times this season, so we're

Both teams missed several golden opportunities, but the Wildcats got the equalizer with 17:01 remaining in the first half when senior Chase Jabbori drib-bled the ball into the left corner, drawing defenders so he could drop the ball back to senior Sean Hazen at the left corner of the box, who then carried it in toward the dle. Salem sophomore netminder Colin Pietron (four saves) batted it away and to the feet of Novi senior Aaron Quinley for a point-blank shot about eight yards away

"He's a workhorse and he chips in on offense." O'Leary said of Quinley, "He player in the air. He wins a ton of balls in e.air. He's our best 50/50 challenger. He really is an important part of our team all

Novi opened the game up early in the sec ing a low shot. Pietron blocked the shot, but it bounced back onto Nakashima's

king my run," Nakashima said. "I hit it so I could go past the defenders and I had to be smart about taking the shot or not. I miss, then it'd be all on me. So I calmed self down, I took that shot. Then it hit off the goalie so I took it back again and bring in my right foot and placed it.

Ranked No. 4, Novi (15-3-0, 7-1-0 KLAA Central) was scheduled to host Plymouth (6-5-2, 6-2-2 South) last night in a district emifinal. The winner plays 2 p.m. Satu day at Novi for the district title against ither No. 2 Canton (16-1-2, 9-0-1 South) or No. 10 Northville (10-5-3, 5-3-2 Central). The Novi district champion will play a regional semifinal 7 p.m. Wednesday at Saline against the winner of the Dear born Edsel Ford district.

Just 2:14 later, junior Matt Wilson played a low through ball up the mid-dic to Jabbori, who outran the lone Salen defender up the left side for 50 yards before burying a shot in the low back cor

ner for a 3-1 lead. Both Netter and Pietron came up huge on point-blank and off-balance saves on the line to keep the score at 3-1 until the final whistle. The strongest of shots were off target and the most accurate ones were uncontested lobs by the Rocks. Cole and senior Jake Pascarella fueled the Salem offense, but couldn't narrow the deficit.

"It was a disappointing result for us." McCarthy said. I thought we played a little better than a 3-1 result. It would've been nice to get a second one in, but Novi was very dangerous on the counterattack and that first 10 minutes of the second half was when they had two really top notch goals that was too much for u

The Wildcat victory came on the heels of then-No. 3 Novi losing a 3-1 overtime nail biter to then-No. 4 Canton (16-1-2, 9-0-1 South) Oct. 10 for the KLAA Kensingto Conference championship and then dom inating No. 9 Grand Blanc (14-3-0, 10-0-0 for third in the association. Wilson scored Novi's lone goal

against Canton when junior Mitch Adams deflected a corner kick to him answered with a penalty kick and then left in overtime. As Novi pressured on offense, the Chiefs scored one more with one minute to go Against Grand Blanc, junior Clay King,

Wilson, junior Tyler Holt and Jabbori scored, with assists coming from Park

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NOVI SPORTS BRIEFS

Concussion prevention training program

Total Performance Training Center in Wixom is taking a proactive approach to the sports concussion problem by launching a ing program that actually helps prevent concussions. The program only takes 20.30 minutes, two to three days a week and ness of your neck and head musculature. The automotive industry has known for

crash test dummies "We now have evidence that properly

training the muscles of the neck and head can reduce the sub-concussive forces athletes encounter during competition," says Kielbaso of the Total Sports Complex. "With this brand new program, we can help athletes in every sport – football, soccer, hock-ey, lacrosse, MIMA, etc. – avoid the long-term damage we see from repetitive blows. It's like an ACL prevention program, except for your brain and spinal cord. years that increasing neck stiffness reduces the G-forces encountered by the brain in mance in Wixom at (248) 669-9818.

Lions get best of Wildcat tankers

Novi's swim and dive was overpowered last week in a pair of dual meet losses. In addition to dropping a meet against Bloomfield Hills Marian Oct. 13, the Wild cats (2-4) were on the wrong end of a 115-71 league matchup against South Lyon Unified (2-0) Oct. 11.

Finishing first in just eight of 12 events, the Lions also took three of the top four spots in many races and completely swept the top four in the 100 breaststroke. Abby Downs landed fifth in that race in 1:20.99

One of the bright spots for the Wildcat was Andrea VanderMey, who was a part of three of Novi's four first-place finish es. VanderMey first teamed with Mallory Buha, Maranda Buha and Abby Hall tool take first in the 200 medley relay in 1:55.04 before winning the 200 individual medley (2:13.13) and 100 backstroke (59.96 sec

Dana Morgan, Downs, Kelsey Shurmur and Amanda Guttman also earned some big points for Novi when they finished urd in the 200 medley relay in 2:03.77 Zivang Huang followed Vander Mey in the 100 back in fourth at 1:07.12.

The Buha sisters were again a force for the Wildcats, placing individually in four other events. Mallory took second in the 200 free (1:58.47) and second in the 100

The Wildcats (2-4) are scheduled to head to South Lyon East 4 p.m. today and tomorrow for the KLAA Central Division meet, followed by the Kensington Conference meet 12 p.m. Nov

free (55.15 seconds), while Maranda took second in the 50 free (25.41 seconds) and second in the 100 fbv (1:02.05)

Shurmur added a second-place finish in the 500 free (5:38.54) and third-place finish in the 100 fly (1:04.59), while Kara Berg took fourth in the 200 (ree (2:04.96).

Rachel Aepelbacher provided Novi's only other victory, winning the 1-meter dive with 225.3 points.

The Lions got the best of Novi in the

remaining two relays. South Lyon took the first two spots in the 200 free relay a Berg, Guttman, Janice Burnett and Hall finished third in 1:47.10, just 0.07 seconds back from the second-place team.

The 400 free relay team of Berg, Van derMey and the Buha sisters finished secand (3:45.43), just 4.18 seconds back from first. Shumnur, Burnett, Huang and Morgan took fourth in 4:04.94.

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FOOTBALL

said. "We came out, we knew we were playing a very good team. Up front they're very good and a battle. We just couldn't stop them on defense. We felt like we had to score every time we had the that put us behind.

A roughing the kicker penalty against Canton kept Novi's next drive going, allowing ser quarterback Derek Ince (8-for-21, 127 yards) to connect with senior Logan Regnier (80 yards

on four catches) for 25and 14-yard catches, the latter which was a touch down. However, Suppelsa blocked junior Justin Danks' point-after kick to keep the score 14-6. "We just couldn't put

enough of them togeth er," Pennycuff said of his team's lone touchdown

Canton sophomore Malcolm Hollingsworth (190 vards on 26 attempts) ran up the center for a 41vard touchdown on the Chiefs' next drive early in the second quarter to make it 21-6

After a 12-play, 32-yard Novi drive ate un 5:34 of Adams (4-for-5, 53 yards) Kevin Buford (49 yards on two catches) for a 41yard gain to Novi's 35. Buford also had 55 rush ing yards in 10 attempts. The gains led to an evendown pass from Adams to senior Nick Tata with 13 seconds left in the half. giving the Chiefs a 28-6

Hollingsworth tacked

on another Canton touchdown with a 28-yard run up the center during the Chiefs' first drive in an and half as the wind was

Down 35-6, the 'Cats couldn't get more than three yards into Canton's end in the third quarter, but junior Grant Wheeler (15 tackles, four solo) and senior Alex King (14 tackles, seven solo) led the Novi defense in shutting down Canton's runners

for the rest of the game. "Wheeler was doing a very good job. King cam in and stepped it up. We also had a great play out of (Jon) Mencer," Penny cuff said. The thing is. all over the place, we've just got to have all 11 making the plays at the same time and not having

Momentum nearly shifted 25 seconds into the fourth quarter when senior Ryan Jones fum-bled the ball at Canton's 35 on a hit by Novi senior les, two solo) and Mencer (12 tackles, three solo) recovered it. Howevception to Canton senior Blake Owens at the Chiefs' 27-yard line on

the very next play. some air out of us. That hurt us. We thought w could get the ball back, get another score, get kids and that." Pennycthing that was a bad timing for an interception but that's going to happen when you throw the ball as much as we do, too." Neither team would

score again, as Canton took a knelt three times at Novi's eight-yard line to wrap up the 35-6 vic-

The Chiefs outran the 'Cats 394-91, leading to a 447-218 total yardage difference on offense. Canton also dominated time of nossession, holding onto the ball nearly 31 of 48 minutes.

In a few bright spots for Novi, the Wildcats had just two penalties, went 6-for-12 on third down and 1 for 2 on fourth down. Senior Justin Brooks addries, including a 46-yard

"I think Brooks ran real hard again," Pennycuff said. "I'm amazed at how he has really matured here at the end of the season and I look forward to seeing what he can do next week against

Saline." Ince also averaged 44.3 yards on three punts (shy of the 44.7-yard record from 2004) while record ing a school-record 19th touchdown pass of the season. Despite not startng three games this season, he has one more game to up that record.

"I think he did OK. We played a real good ably took a couple of his of Ince's quarterback work, "We just play and do the best we can with what kind of weather we're playing in. It's one of those situations where you're going to live by the sword and die by the

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SOCIAL SECURITY

Many people are wrongly rejected when they apply for Social Security Disability benefits. Money was taken out of their paychecks for Social Social tayes to epople Security taxes to ensure that they would receive ·

government denies approximately 60% of those who And, if an appeal is nece

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Those denied can appeal on their own but statistics for many years reveal that those represented by attorneys win a much higher percentage of appeals. And attorneys who

and only fly the attorney in the day of the court hearing. Attorneys Bieske and Affonsi hava vast experience before local Michigan judges.

In addition to practicing only social Security disa viiifty law attorney Bieske has written a book for attorneys about the

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An area businessman is among 10 nationwide hor as part of the National Association of Realtors annual Good Neighbors effort.

Vito A. Pampalona, broker, Vito Anthony Homes, of Rochester was among the 10 finalists for the Realtor Magazine effort. In November five winners will be selected from among the 10 finalists and will receive trave! expenses to the 2011 Realtors Conference & Expo in Anareceive national media expo-

community cause and a \$10,000 grant for their charity. In addition, five honorable mentions will receive a \$2,500 grant.

The winners will be December issue of REALTOR

Magazine. As a Vietnam veteran, Pam-

nalona wanted to help woundthe grant awards, each of the ed soldiers. Since 2003, he has frequently visited Wal-Good Neighbor Award win-ners will receive a \$2,000 ter Reed Army Medical Cen-Lowe's gift card, and each of the honorable mentions will ter and has adopted the nickreceive a \$1,000 Lowe's gift name "Uncle Vito." Pampalona created a book, video, audio library and snack

Nominees were judged on families at Walter Reed. He of time, as well as financial also provides new clothes for patients to wear instead of benefit their cause. To be elihospital gowns and holds an gible, nominees must be NAR annual Christmas party with members in good standing. "Realtors play a meaning-ful role in building communi generous gifts for patients. families and staff. Since 2003

ties across the country," said NAR President Ron Phipps, broker-president of Phipps Realty in Warwick, R.I. "The Good Neighbor Awards highlight Realtors who are volum a need in their communigrow their efforts so they can

A past Good Neighbor



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	15938 Blue Skies Dr
	34075 Burton Ln
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	37490 Eagle Dr
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15802 Centralia	\$65
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9552 Sioux	\$45
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31805 Ferriwood St	\$57
32363 Glen St	\$32
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16010 Lauderdale Ave	\$150,000
32075 Spruce Ln	\$370,000
BIRMINGHAM	
751 Ann St	\$160,000
410 Bennaville Ave	\$130,000
436 Bonnie Brier St	\$310,000
115 E Lincoln St	\$190,000
1694 E Melton Rd	\$86,000
643 Ernmons Ave	\$338,000
1027 Forest Ave	\$150,000
363 George St	\$272,000
2314 Manchester Rd	\$157,000
1927 Maryland Blvd	\$360,000
1492 W Lincoln St	\$465,000
564 Wallace St	\$515,000
BLOOMFIELD HILLS	
699 Bennington Dr	\$485,000
1570 Forest Ln	\$240,000
4733 Hedgewood Dr	\$390,000
2353 Mulberry Sq # 77	\$50,000
591 S Spinningwheel Ln	\$131,000

822 Shady Hollow Cir	\$280,000
6971 Valley Spring Dr	\$410,000
BLOOMFIELD TOWNSHIP	
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4401 Charing Way	\$167,000
4421 Dorian Dr	\$224,000
1904 Eagle Pointe	\$161,000
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3900 Mystic Valley Dr	\$449,000
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435 N Glengarry Rd	\$410,000
5231 Provincial Dr	\$289,000
189 S Glengarry Rd	\$240,000
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6266 Worlington Rd	\$215,000
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Every one of these scenarios can be problematic in your career. In oday's highly competitive job market and tech-sawy economy, you need a positive online identity that diversifies you from the crowd. Career experts Diane Frompton and Ellen Sautter further explain this importance n their book "Find a Job

saying, "Having an online identity that reflects positively on your personal brand is becoming increasingly important for all sorts of professionals. In the past, a business card or a résumé and interview suit were all you needed to establish yourself as 'real' in your presence online is just as rtant as these offline image-

To overcome problems associated with your online identity and boost your ability to stand out in cyberspace, consider the

Dilemma 1: There's no online

How can you expect to compete with other candidates who have LinkedIn profiles packed with professional recommendations, thousands of Twitter followers or

industry expertise? Candidates who use these tools are able to give potential employers a sneak peek at what they have to offer. "If you have no online presence, you need to develop your online identity to stay competitive in the job market," say Crompton and

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Dilemma 2: Too many people online have the same name as

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To troubleshoot this dilemma, they suggest, "Create a unique name for yourself by including an initial rather than only a first and last name when you do anything in public offline or online. You can also more aggressively build up your digital presence so that the first matches for Mary Jones or John Smith point to you and not someone else."

Dilemma 3: I have digital dirt I don't want my boss or potential employers to see.

information or photos about you or prompt others to question how well you'd do your job or fit in with co-workers. Here are a few examples of digital dirt, according to Crompton and Sautter.

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Crompton and Sautter add, Whichever method you choose to bury or eradicate your digital dirt, he nationt because it might take time to achieve your desired results.

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