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# City ready for election day

Clerk encourages residents to exercise their right to vote Tuesday

City of Novi Clerk Maryanne Cornelius and her crew of more than 100 election workers are ready to handle the voters Tues-

Cornelius said it should be business as usual for them as there are no major changes to the voting systems this time, and local elections typically have a smaller turnout of around 20 percent. She still, however, encourages people to make their voice heard. "Voting is a privilege, so resi-

dents should not pass it up," she On the ballot for Novi residents are four open seats on the Novi City Council, including mayor, and two seats on the Novi Board

Vying to become the next mayor is the current mayor pro tem, Bob Gatt, and council member Justin Fischer, The candidates

Fischer campaign worker admits hacking into Gatt's e-mail account

Novi mayoral candidate Bob Gatt knew he was the victim of an e-mail hacker after someone posing as him sent out at his account in October. Gatt says he was ready to go to the police last week when there was a knock at his door Thurs-

Dan Ferrara, a volunteer

Rickie Ibe, Ed Kramer, Donna Skelcy and Ramesh Verma. The mayor's term is two years, while the council terms are four with rival Justin Fischer's campaign, was standing at the door and had some surprising one who had hijacked the e-

ing Gatt's forgiveness. It is an intriguing develop-ment during this final week leading up to the Novi mayoral race. Polls are open Tuesday. Ferrara, a Redford Town-

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Staudt, appointed council mem-ber Wayne Wrobel, Laura Casey,

The Board of Education candidates include incumbents George Kortlandt and Bobbie Murphy, along with newcomes

Cornelius said the city issued close to 2,700 absentee ballots and, as of Friday, more than half have been returned. All ballots must be returned by the close of the polls Tuesday.

Polls are open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m., with the busiest times usually coming 7:30-9:30 a.m. and after 4 p.m.

Voters are asked to bring their ID inside the building, but if they do not have an ID they can still vote by signing an affidavit.
"With this election, voters

should be fine any time they come," Cornelius said. Novi has 21 precincts; voters can find their location at www.

### A story of survival



### Novi resident hopes book helps others

By Nathan Muelier Staff Writer

Novi resident Bonnie Virag has always had a story to tell.

She just didn't know if she ever

It's a childhood story of the pain and suffering she and ner three sisters and a brother had to go through as they hounced around in the foster spent many years in the home

of a family who showed them no affection and viewed them as employees rather than chil-

Locked in the attic, with no books or toys to play with, the siblings formed a strong bond and were able to persevere through the toughest times of

"I just kept it buried like someone from a concentration camp."

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Continued from page At she said. "It's a story you want to be buried.'

Her goal for the book is But a few years ago, as "If I can help other chilshe continued to see problems with the child weldren who fall through the cracks in the child welfare system, Virag decided to share her story. Her fare system, then it has book called "The Stove done its job," she said. "I pipe" details the neglect want people to realize the and abuse they endured, but also highlights the trauma, the grief and the insecurities these chilrelationships they formed dren have." and the successes they Virag said when she gave the book to her two

have had. The book's title comes overwhelmed with emofrom their time in the attic where the stoy tion and clutched it close was "like friend that kept to their chests. us warm."

just her hand as it was

"I hope no other child has to go through this," she said, "And maybe it United States in 1964 and became a successful busi nesswoman who designed ents to make sure they and fabricated custom have a loving home, good food and take time to pay window treatments She had to close the attention to their kids.

The book is available surgery on her hand, and for purchase at Barnes was told that typing on a typewriter would be good com or through Virag's ierapy. Little did she know that website.net/bonnie-virag. the typing would become more than therapy for

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## Library earns state's top honor

Julie Farkas was at the airport waiting to board an airplane two weeks ago when her phone rang.

She didn't recognize the number so she didn't answer it, but when she listened to the voice mail from the Library of Michigan Foundation she could And the news she

received — that the Novi Public Library won the 2011 State lence Award for superihad her overcome with

"I was speechless," she said. "There are so many wonderful libraries out there their communities, so we were surprised we

Farkas said her first thought was that she couldn't wait to tell the library board and staff, despite having to keep the news relatively qui-et because the award presentation didn't take place until last Wednes-

day. Novi was one of 15 libraries to apply for the award, earning a trophy and \$2,000 for the top honor. While Farkas was at a loss for words. board president Lárry

Kilgore said he wasn't too surprised by the award. "I knew what a great ob Julie and her team had done." he said. "But it was still thrilling to

Farkas also gave credit to the communi ty for supporting the vision for a new library



(From left) Novi Public Library Assistant Director Mary Ellen Mulcrone, Library Board Trustee Mark Sturing, Board President Larry Kilgore and Assistant Director Margi Karp-Opperer were on hand to accept the 2011 State Librarian's Excellence Award last Thurs



Members of the Novi Public Library, as well as board members and city manager Clay Pearson, accepted the 2011 State Librarian's Excellence Award for superior of vice. This is the top honor a library in the state can receive from the Library of Michigan

Farkas said the award

"great for the com-

munity," and invites

tion at 2 p.m. on Nov.

them to attend a recep-

that helped make this

"We have done some amazing things in the past year and this building gave us this

opportunity," she said. Kilgore said what stood out to him is that they were able to get the library open on

time and under bud-get, while also facing 13. The event will feature entertainment, decreasing revenues.
"The new library real tributes from local leaders and cake. y enables us to step "It's a pretty nice

bragging right," Farkas said. "And we are going to take advantage of it.

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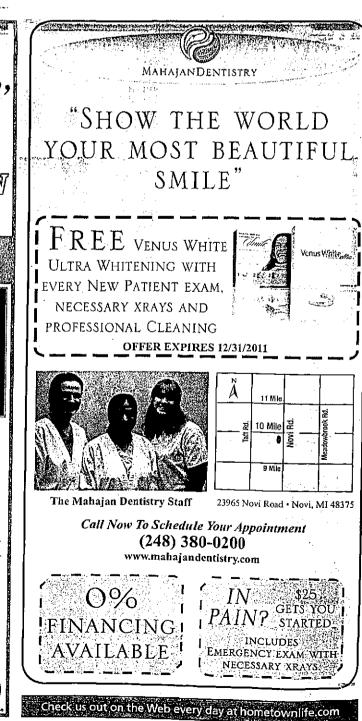




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### Golden Gala kicks off Schoolcraft's 50th anniversary

Throughout the 2011-12 academic year School craft College will host a variety of events and sponsor a number of activities in celebration of the 50th anniversary of he college's founding on Oct. 24, 1961.

online at hometownlife.com

On Oct. 22, the celebration began in earnest with more than 900 peo-ple attending The Golden Gala: Ever Upward event on the college's main campus in Livonia. The evening started

with the opportunity for attendees to take a tour of the campus to experience the past 50 years. "What started out as a cornfield now is a bustling campus with 36,000 students, 10 state-of-the-art classrooms and labs, and the technology needed to sup port learning in the 21st century," said Gregory Stempien, chair of the poard of trustees.

Dr. Conway A. Jeffress president of Schoolcraft College, said it is important for the school to reflect on its 50-year history and success. Because of the commitment of faculty, staff. importantly, the comed education and training for tens of thousand of people across Michi gan and throughout the the leading professionals working in our communi-"As we look forward

to our next 50 years, we continue to find innoby Sarah Olsen, professor vative ways to educate of art at Schoolcraft, was and inspire students to unveiled. achieve more than they thought possible.' dinner and internation A welcome reception

al coffee har presented by the college's Culinary featuring hors d'oeuvres sponsored by the col-Arts program and Food Services, the Schoolcraft

As a 27-year Novi resident,

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Through his prior service on both the Planning Commission and the

of Novi well as a City Council member and he has my support fo

As a current member of the City Council, Wayne Wrobel has

David B. Landry, Mayor City of Novi

Zoning Board of Appeals, he has gained knowledge and experience dealing with the affairs of city government. He has served the people

demonstrated a liscally responsible approach to city government without jeopardizing current levels of city services and programs. His approach will enable Novi to remain a viable community in the years

to come. A 27-year resident of Novi, Wayne fully understands the needs of all Novi residents, from children to senior citizens. He has the necessary knowledge and experience to work towards providing the

appropriate services and programs for everyone."

Kathy Crawford, Oakland County Commissioner & lifetime Novi resident

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Brenda Cropin, pursing instructor, demonstrates the realism of Baby Hall during the campus tours prior to the start of the Golden Gala. Baby Hal is a simulation to used in the Health Professions Simulation Lab for training nursing and EMT/paramedic

College Jazz Ensemble

nary arts program was followed by opening cer-emonies. In addition to Riccardo Selva, and local favorite, Fifty Amp Fuse, from local, state and fed provided entertainment and the opportunity for craft College's Choral Union performed the col-lege's hymn, Look Ever A highlight of the eyening occurred at 10 p.m. Unward, under the direcwith the lighting and cerion of Jonathan Drake. The 25th Anniversary college's famous Bell Time Capsule was opened and the 50th Anniversary Tower. A musical light show featuring Aaron Time Capsule was sealed Copeland's Fanfare for Items in the time capsule formed by the Schoolfrom 25 years ago included an IBM PC operatcraft College Synthesiz ing manual and a newser, under the direction of Barton Polot, capped off er from Oct. 24, 1986, with a headline reportthe official activities for the night at the base of ing record profits for Ford Motor Co. A special the tower at 10 p.m. ly commissioned piece of Throughout the evening artwork, commissioned

guests visited the special 50th Anniversary Histor ical Exhibit Hall, spon-sored by alumna Dr. Gary Gable and his wife, Lisa. Featured were 10 special displays highlightcollege's Athletics, Busi-

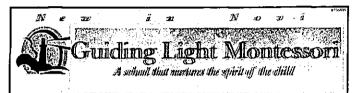
ter, Children's Center and Child and Family Services Department, Continuing Education and Professional Development. Culinary Arts, Mathemat ics Department, Nursing, Public Safety (Crim-inal Justice, Fire Technology, EMT/Paramedic and Homeland Security), Sciences, and Transition Center, in addition to the early years of the college and the college in general

through the past 50 years. Gable, the college's Distinguished Alumni honoree in 2010, said of the celebration, "It is realv impossible to sav what ebration is. I think that impact this wonderful institution has had on so many former students who came here not know-

received is the best part. We have 12 people in our group tonight, five of whom have direct ties to the college as students themselves or their children are graduates," said Gable, "We are all so proud and excited by this opportunity to show off this wonderful institution to our friends and family

ing what their future held

this evening." The Golden Gala event marks the beginning of a year-long celebration of the college's contribu-tion to the community. A complete listing of all the ebrating Schoolcraft College's 50th anniversary throughout the entire 2011-12 academic year schoolcraft.edu/\$0.



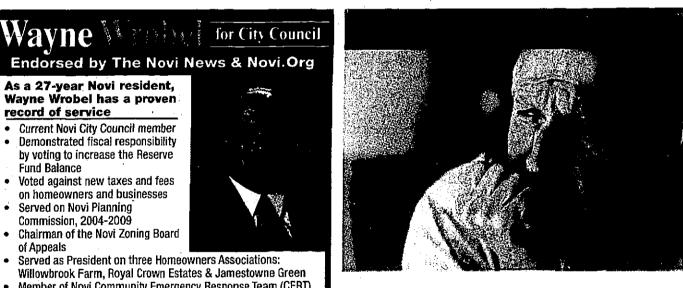
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Despite the black eve.

Fischer believes he still

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"I really hope we can

he said. "One person's actions should not reflect

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Gatt does not agree

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"I'm the victim here,"

Gatt said, "It's like som

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"It was done completely

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forward.

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### **Kortlandt seeks** fifth straight school board term

"I love the district If I have to serve, this is where I choose. And George Kortlandt has done so for the past 16 years, serving as the Novi School Board's president, vice president, treasurer and secretary. He has the most seniority on the cur-

rent board, and one would

invone with more knowl-

be hard-pressed to find

edge about this district

that Kortlandt - a 29-year On Nov. 8, he'll face phy and challenger Tracey Cadwell for one of two

scats as a board trustee. He knows, as he states what we are and why His expertise has been a key asset in helping to familiarize the basically all-new administration (Steve Matthews, superintendent: Steve Barr, busi ness/finance: Bonnie Lob ert, human resources; and

Obviously, the key challenge is the same in Novi as everywhere else; the economy. The day the Kortlandt, he was prepar legislators to make a simple plea - "We can com pete with anybody, but we need a clue of what our funding is going to be. The district's current

dget is approximately \$64 million, and it enjoys a fund balance close to 11 percent. His approach to en ever-dwindling budget is to look at it like an onion. The core is the moves further to the outside layers, the items have a lower priority. The 61-year-old owns a

specializes in financia planning, retireand insur

ance. In his four terms on board, Novi has controlled its spending to put it in a than many neighboring dis tricts, and there have been no extreme layoffs or program cuts.

ings through privatizayears ago, and Kortlandt will be the first to admit how emotional and personal a decision like that is to make. He suggested exploring the possibility of privatizing the distric secretarial body, which includes his wife "It's part of what we

have to deal with, and it impacts families," he said. "Our job is educat ing children. The minimum time commitment for a trust ee is two meetings a month. And even though his three children have

long since graduated.

Kortlandt can be found at numerous district funclot of relocators trying tions on a regular basis Early indications show the current board did its homework and research they're successful." She and made excellent decisions in hiring those new administrators. The dynan ic of current board is a blend of experience, knowl edge, enthusiasm and ener-

"The deadliest thing is to have people hap py to be there and just go

is willing and able to look at

### Cadwell faces two incumbents for seat on school board

Tracey Cadwell is challenging two incumbents

- Bobbie Murphy and George Kortlandt - for one of two open seats on the Novi School Board on

Born in Detroit, she moved here in 2005 with her two sons, ages 16 and 11 and is very involved in their education and ath-"I was impressed with

the school district," she is doing quite well, and said. "And that's why I she's impressed with moved to Novi. I've want test scores and meeting with the district than just ress standards, "Howevgoing to meetings."
A Michigan State Uniall test scores improve, especially ethnic groups versity business graduate, she's currently pursuing her master's at should be more testing Sienna College. Cadwell for younger groups to has been a guidance make standardized tests counselor since 1999 at a

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Although Cadwell charter school in southwest Detroit that housts agrees with privatizaa 100-percent college tion, as long as the job is accentance rate. In 2004 getting done to the same tandards, she says propboards as a recording er benefits and salaries secretary, so she's familare needed to keep the iar with policies and probest teachers here. But she also says they'll need "I want to make a difto make some sacrifices ference." she said. "I and cover more of their

health care costs. "Morale is high right to bridge the educations now," she said. "Teacher salaries and benefits gap from lower districts. are the first priority, and keeping student ratio (to classroom) low.

suggests standardized She feels the district's transfer students to make could improve its comsure they're up to par and munication with parents doing interventions. - more e-mails; phone Cadwell is involved in calls to parents inviting PAASIN, an organizathem to meetings; and ion for parents of Afriopen houses to meet the board and express conin Novi. With the high

"Pennle need to know where to go," she said.

### School trustee Murphy looking for re-election

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These are tough times to be on a local school board given the games with education funding. So why would Bob-bie Murphy ask voters on Nov. 8 to let her serve a

the Novi School Board? "I feel like I make a contribution and add valne " she said, "I'm community service minded, I love kids, and I want to Murphy has four chil

dren; two have already graduated and two are still in the district. She sees the district's biggest challenge as har lling dwindling finances while maintaining high Murphy favors a budget process that looks longterm, a minimum of three years and maybe even

"I think we've done a pretty good job, but not without some bumps," she said.

Education is continual ly changing, with char-ter schools and assessment mandates. And Novi s continually improving with initiatives like the International Baccalaureate program, for example, that started two

years ago. Also during Murphy's first term, the board passed a decision-making model and hired four top administrators in a unanimous team process by far, on those selections is very favorable, she said.

She'd like the district to eventually look at how programs are impacting



long-term gradufiguring out how

graduat ing from college to get a more accurate gauge of programs' successes and

Prior to Murphy being elected four years ago. lack of communica tion was one of the biggest faults of the district. That has improved (even though a communications position was eliminated) Although the board hasn't taken the plunge into social media yet, board meetings are videotaped and available for residents to view. In recent years, she says the board has done a better job with educating people on the district's overall financial

more tech savvy, that should happen. Murphy gets plenty of feedback when she's out n public. The privatization of custodial services two years ago drew ooth positive and negative reaction from local

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more consistent use of

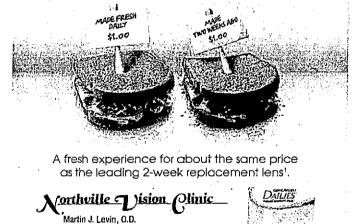
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"You have to look at the people and what they bring with experience sion (When the Novi phy, the district was considering privatizing

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ship resident, is taking full responsibility for the actions. He has admitted to hacking into Gatt's AOL e-mail account and one Oct. 18 and the other Oct. 25 — to Novi News Editor Cal Stone.

E-MAIL

online at hometownlife.com

The first bogus e-mail was a proposed letter to the editor in which the writer criticized the Nov News for questioning Gatt's integrity regarding an abatement for e Suburban Collectio Showplace, It was originally sent Oct. 6 to Gatt for him to review. He asked the writer not to submit it for publication but Ferrara discovered it and forwarded it to Stone

on Oct. 18. The second bogus email was between Gatt and Scott Olson, editor of www.novi.org. Dated April 27, 2011, the two Novi Public Library's

the facility last fail. Ferred it to Stone on Oct. 25. Ferrara, an unpaid volunteer who did some marketing work for the

"The thing I want to make clear to every-

Fischer campaign, said he is ashamed of his

actions, and that Gatt was nothing but gra-cious when he admitted

one is that these w my actions alone. Justin didn't have anything to do with it," Ferrara said. Fischer also said he

knew nothing of the mat ter until Ferrara called

paign.'

"He told me things weren't going too well for them and he wanted to turn the tide of the elec Gatt said he knew he

him after his meeting

with Gatt. Fischer ther

called Gatt to apologize

paign and give his assur

ance that Ferrara is no

work for the candidate

again. He also wrote an

official note of apology

"There is no way I con-

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Gatt said Ferrara told

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paign and will never

had been hacked after he and Stone spoke after the first bogus e-mail was sent. He changed his password, but Ferrara was able to back into the account again.
"After the first time, I

was just shocked. It was very disconcerting to know somehody can do this," Gatt said. "Then it hannened again on Oct. 25th, and I just knew it was from the other side. was getting ready to file a complaint. That's when he (Ferrara) showed up a my door.

Gatt said he agreed not to press any criminal charges against Fer-rara as long as both he and Fischer issued formal apologies, which they have done.

him his objective in sending out the bogus e-mails "I want to do what's was to influence the elecbest for the city of Novi I don't think a protractbe good for the city." Gatt this is not a black mark on my competitor and his

independent of the Fisch-

off the hook.'

er campaign," Gatt said. There was no plan. It vasn't a well thought out conspiracy. It was just a

kkuban@hometownlife.com

#### 'Aladdin Jr.'



lickets are now on sale for Disney's Aladdin Jr. presented by The Novi Civic Theatre. The show opens Friday, Nov. 4 and tickets may be purchased online at cityofnovi org or at the Novi Civic Center (45175 W. 10 Mile) Monday-Friday during regular business hours. Thirty-five young actors from Novi and surrounding communities have been hard at work on this production. Lauren Nowakowski, performing arts coordinator for the City of Novi and director of this production, said: "I love bring ng this beloved movie to our Novi Civic Center Stage. I am so proud of the show's cast. They are a dedicated, fine group of performers whose talent will truly blow you away," Tickets are \$15 for adults, \$12 for children and seniors. All spats are reserved. Performances are at 7:30 p.m. Nov. 4, 5, 11 and 12; 2 p.m. Nov. 6 and 13. For more information, please call the Novi Parks office at (248)347-0400. To learn more about the Novi Civic Theatre including additional upcoming productions, visit

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und Designer: Quintessa Gallinat

The inevitability of their double lives finally catching up with them is not something two dash ing young Englishmen



pen, but when it atre pres-

Impor-tance of from Nov The

and family at home think Ernest is a wickedly irretures the sponsible brother in the city that Jack must deal producwith, Jack's close friend in town is Algernon Mo tor, James crieff, a rather wayward bachelor with a secret friend of his own named Bunberry, who allows



as Jack ing, a fine country man, who goes by the name

iting London to escape

guardian of a young ward

named Cecily. His friends

while vishis many responsibili

well until Jack falls in love with Gwendolen Fairfax, Algernon's cous When Algernon learns of Jack's story, including Cecily's fascination with Ernest, he decides to ties as a landowner and become Ernest and shows

new set of hilarious problems for Jack, Algernon, Cecily, Gwendolen and

'This show is pure fun,' said director Julia Glar

The Tipping Point's event, "Months on End" by Craig Pospisil, stars Julia Garlotte, Julia Glan der, Thomas D. Mahard, R. Kuhl, Taras Los, Son-Katie Terpstra and Peter

Prouty.
"The Love List" by Norm Foster will run Jan. 19-Feb. 19 and stars Dave Davies, Tina Gloss and Wayne David Parker.

#### MURPHY savings for the district.

ly decided to keep those

employees on the district payroll.)
. "With privatization, it helps to have a savings amount in mind," she said. "The bus drivers for example, found ways

to cut costs and make the

A resident of Novi for 18 years, she has seen the district welcome students from a wide variety of ethnicities and from low-Murphy feels the new superintendent has initiatives that will help those students reach Novi's achievement levels.

She says the board has a

renewed sense of excitenent with the new admin istrators in place. She says she brings a leader ship style that is influen tial, a voice of reason, and one that looks at all perspectives and weighs in with her own mind

'I look at how to be bet ter," said Murphy, "I'm a ifelong learner, and I'm a strong advocate for kids.



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CAROLYN "SUE"

Of 2113 Westlake Drive Longmont, CO, passed away peacefully on October 8, 2011 at

peacefully on October 8, 2011 at the age of 76 years. She was born February 2, 1935 in Detroit, Michigan, to Mabel and Walter Edwards. Her husband of 57 years. William A. Richards, survives her. Her beloved 17 year old Jack Russell Terrier -Petic also passed away 3 days after Sue's death. Sue and Petic were often seen taking walks through the Longmont Wastlake area. Carolyn Sue Richards attended Redlord High School (Redford, Mil) and was an excellent student who graduated

School (Redford, MI) and was an excellent student who graduated near the top of her graduating class. She met the love of her life Bill Richards in September 1951. They later married on November 20, 1953, and had two daughters. Carolyn Sue Richards was an exceptional business woman, who with her husband Bill was successful in the management and ownership of small businesses, and real estate. They raised their family in Millord, Michigan, and both of their daughters graduated from Millord High School. She and her husband lived in various areas in United States throughout their life; including Michigan, Florida, California, North Carolina, and Colorado. They traveled extensively, and had interests in Iving at the beach, salling, alrglanes, and travesco.

SMITH, BRENNEN E.

ARITH, DETRICAL E.
Age 20, passed away October 30,
2011. He was born on December 6,
1990, in Farmington Hills, beloved
son of Eugene and Michelle Smith.
He enjoyed spending time cuit
doors, especially lishing. He was
responsible and diligent at his job
at Borg Warner. He was well fixed
and admired for his quick will and
oliowing smite. He will aways be

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### DANIELS, FLORA

Age 89, passed away October 26, 2011. A graveside service was held October 31 at South Lyon Cemetery. Arrangements by Phillips Funeral Home. Online guestbook: phillipsfuneral.com

#### ELWOOD, THOMAS

ELWOOD, THOMAS

Age 87, passed away
Cottober 26, 2011. He was
born on June 6, 1924. In
Clawson, to the late John
and Katherine (McCulloch)
Elwood. His wile Mary was the
love of his life. He also loved his
lowing children. Donna (John) Rae,
Karen (Randall Pournier, Thomas
(Sandra) Elwood Jr.; grandchildren: John (Melissa), Arry
(Zachsry), Christopher (Jennifer),
Candice (Sean), Kimberly,
Danielle; great-grandchildren: Gandice (Sean), Kimberly,
Danieller, great-grandchillerMary Kate, Jack, Bobby, Joey,
Seth, and Gabriel. He was preceded in death by his wile Mary in a
2004. Thomas was a proud Marinewho served in WWII. He trained 
fallow Marines during the Korean 
War. He was a Truck driver, 
fromworker, and Grane Operator 
for many years. Visitation was 
held on October 28, Friday, from 
3:00 – 8:00 p.m. at Phillips Funeral 
Home, South Lyon, A tuneral service was held on October 29, 
Saturday, at 11:00 a.m. at the First 
Presbyterian Church of South 
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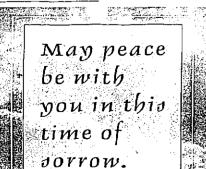


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Fred Kendall died in Estes Park, Colorado on October 25, 2011. He was born on October 25, 2011. He was born on October 22, 1955 to Fred Kendall and Evelyn Ambler Kendall. The family made their home at Fish Lake, South Lyon, Michigan. He loved Fish Lake! Fred was preceded in death by his parents, Fred and Evelyn. Fred is survived by his sons, Tripp Kendall (Palm City, Florida), Corey Kendail (Palm City, Florida), Corey Kendail (Palm City, Florida), Corey Kendail, of Ashland, Oregon: his nephews, Scott MacArthur, Ian and Spencer Kendall of Forther Welling and Spencer Kendall of Helmand, Oregon: his rephews, Scott MacArthur, Ian and Spencer Kendall of the Welling an is any survive or year mends all over the world. He loved us all so much. He lit a room with his smile and his humar. Fred aught us how to laugh. There is a hole in our hearts that will over time fill with his memory. All of his friends and family are heart-broken by his choice to leave us so soon. Some questions have no easy answers. There will be two services to celebrate his life and his smile. Thursday, November 3, 2011 at 10:00 a.m., Unity of Fort Collins. 1401 West Vine Drive, Fort Collins. CO and November 18, 2011 in Palm City, Florida. When our hearts break it's easter for our love to get break it's easier for our love to get in and out. We are out of words to describe our loss. His family and friends will love each other through this because there is just nothing else to do. In Fred's honor, our laughter will return as we remem-ted his and effects "Fared's Stories"

### KROGOL, JOSEPH R.

with great love. Fly free in peace dear heart.





our Lord Jesus Christ on October 29, 2011. Helen, age 91, left this earthly existence in the loving care of her daughters, and with the grace, respect and dignity she so deserved. When her memorry became irreversibly lainted with demental in 2006, kindhearled companions. Pat. Charlotte and Wanda assisted during the journey to help her cope with the channes. to help her cope with the changes and dally challenges. A group of sensitive and caring professionals, Geriatric Psychiatrist Dr. Stephen Aronson, Internist Dr. Chad Savage, and Nephrologist Dr. All Ashtari, along with his attentive medical assistants Mary, Betsy and Lori empathetically cared for her every clinical and emotional need. Unable to walk since March of this year, two gifted and compassionate caregivers, Leslie and Sue helped make it possible to fulfill her deepest desire to remain in to help her cope with the changes Christine McNaily of Soun Cydn.
She is also survived by her brother-in-law John R. Whipple, several
nieces, great nieces, nephews,
and great nephews of lowa. She
was preceded in death by her sisters, Gracie Whipple and Olive

Next Astronomy of the property of the control ters, Gracie Whipple and Olive Dyer. A private graveside memori-al will be held at a later date with

al will be field at a later date with arrangements entrusted to Phillips Funeral Home, South Lyon, Burial will take place at South Lyon Cemetery; Rev. Leslie harding to officiate. In recognition of Helen's litelong love for animals, memorian animal rescue or humane soci

#### in memory of

ly, and had interests in fiving at the beach, salling, airplanes, and travel. Sue was a wonderful and carling, mother and grandmother. Carolyn Sue Richards is survived by her husband William A. Richards, as well as two daughters and their husbands; Janet and Greg Gosse (Paleigh, NC), and Laura and Rick Tidstrom (Boulder, CO). Additionally, etc. Leaves SHANNON PARTIN March 8, 1971-November 4, 1993
Son, you've been gone 18 years
but it seems like it was just yesterday. There isn't a day that goes by
that we don't think about you. We Laura and Rick Idstrom (Boulder, CO). Additionally, she leaves behind three grandchildren, Lauren Gosse (Raleigh, NC), and Logan and Griffin Tidstrom (both of Boulder, CO). The family wishes miss you very much son. Love, Mom, Darl, Asher & Jason. that contributions be made to the Hospice of Boulder County & Broomfield County, 2594 Trailridge Drive East, Lafayelle, CO 80026 (www.hospicecareonine.org) in Carolyn Sue Richards name.

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Deerfield's library media specialist, Janis Canady, with Grace Hocking, Benja

### Deerfield participates in student technology showcase

Novi's Deerfield Elementary School is among nearly 50 schools in Michigan that was scheduled to participate in the 11th annual AT&T/MAC-**UL Student Technology** Nov. 2 at the State Capitol

Students used computers and other electronic devices to show elect ed members of the Mich igan State Senate and the House of Representatives used in the classroom to facilitate learning. The projects covered a wide variety of learning areas including science, ma matics, social studies and language arts.

Taking part of the demonstrations locally, Deer-field was privileged to have two student showcases representing Novi Community Schools this year at the Capitol. Noah Bean, Bailey

Kwasniewicz, Jackson Peurach, Katherine Song, Nicholas Sweeney, and their fourth grade teacher, Myla Lee, showcased "The Wonders of Creating a Flat Classroom Using the Wiki and the Rigor and Innovation of Project-based Learning" In creating a "Flat Classroom", the wiki and other technology have become essential tools in motivating students, inteNext, fourth graders

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Deerfield's Jackson Peurach, Noah Bean, Nicholas Sweeney, fourth-grade teacher Myla Lee, Bailey Kwasniewicz

grating digital literacy. and becoming a platform for project-based learn-Together, PBL and technology provide the rigorous learning of 21st Century Skills.

Grace Hocking, Nahush Keshav, Anavi Uppal, Benjamin Wang and Janis Canady, their library media specialist, were "Celebrating Constitution the Media Center." Using information resources, they worked with iPads learn about the history of

The Showcase was sponsored by AT&T. Michigan Department of Education, and the Michi-

gan Association for Computer Users in Learning (MACUL), an organization dedicated to bringing educators from all levels together to share cerns regarding educational uses of computers and technology.
Ric Wiltse, MAC-

UL executive director, said that technology has joined the "three R's" as one of the basics of educating children. "Surveys show that students enjoy using computers, so they tend to get more involved with their projects and school as a result," he

For further information about the event, visit the MACUL website at www.

#### **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 stu-dents perform this winner of seven 1988 Tony Awards, including Best Musical. Andrew Lloyd Webber's mesmer-

izing score along with jaw-dropping scenery and breathtaking special effects, magically 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 students, 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 scene," said Gregory Cleveland, Walled Lake Western's choir director and producer 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 students and seniors. Discount tickets are also available for groups of 20 or

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



## Education is changing the score

EDUCATION AND REAL

By Steve Matthews

reeping score is relatively easy once you know the rules of a game. In footpoints and the extra point is worth one. In baseball, every time a player crosses home plate the team earns one run Basketball has an interesting history. Historically, a basket was worth two points. Then in 1979, a three point line was introduced and suddenly some baskets were worth three points and others were worth two points. The three point line has even moved closer and farther away over time. Even with these changes most peo-ple who watch basketball games ow how to keep score.

But what if someone changed how the score is kept? What if a



Most of us know the rules so that we can In schools, rightly or wrong-

ow worth three

ly, score is kept by looking at test scores. While test scores were never meant to be used to keen districts, that is exactly how they state test are released, newspapers print the results and schools and school districts either trumpet or justify the outcome. But what if the rules were changed? What if someone decided that the passing score on the state

The Michigan Department

and a twenty-foot jump shot of Education has decided that was worth four

test needed to be higher? Would

the way they have kept score in According to the Michigan Department of Education, the I would agree. In the past a third grader has been identified as passing the state math test

by answering just 18 of 34 questions. That score - 34 percent correct - is not a passing grade. grade, yet the state and districts icated that students were proficient even though we knew that was not the case.

Now, the Michigan Department of Education is appropriately changing what it takes to be considered proficient. Instead of being judged proficient by answering 34 percent of the questions, a student will have to answer at least 65 percent of the is a good change. It more accu-

But the state is releasing data on Nov. 3 that goes back four years and recalculates the passing rate on previous state sense. Apply the new passing score and show districts what the impact is on performance. In another way it does not potential to confuse both school

make sense at all. It has the What really matters is whethIn our district our goal is high we ask revolve around whether our students are making progress -no less than a year's growth in a are achieving at a high level.

The goal in our district is to teach our students well, have multiple ways to measure student achievement, and then com municate accurately to our students, parents, and stakeholders. Keeping score is important. In

able to communicate clearly about student achievement even if others change how the score is kept.

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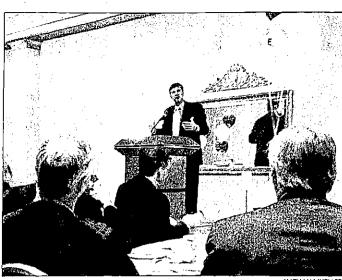
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University of Michigan Athletic Director Dave Brandon shared his tips for success with a group of Novi business leaders at the chamber luncheon on Oct. 19 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel.

## Michigan AD shares his 'change to grow' philosophy

When David Brandon took over the athletic department at the University of Michigan, a especially when it came football and basketball So it's a good thing Brandon's model is "you

have to change to grow. That was the message business leaders in Novi Oct. 19 at the Novi Chamber of Commerce luncheon and Crowne Plaza Hotel, and the mantra be has used to improve the programs at Michigan.

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members have joined together as par-ticipants in the Chamber's Third Annua

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Walled Lake Central High School from 11 a.m. 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 5 and is

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ple foods from all TASTE Fest partici-

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py's Pizza, Heather's Happy Hour and Leo's Coney Island. Additional taste

tickets can be purchased at the event

new cars and trucks will be on display

in the school's parking lot and, indoors,

Informative workshops will also be

bers. Topics for the workshops include:

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there will be an activity area for children featuring a clown, face painting

and a magician.

ble Arrangements, Frankies Pizza, Hap-

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mation, visit www.cfcu.org.

FUN Fest

words," he said. "Change

s good." Brandon claimed to not "have any magic formu-las," but he has been successful at all his stops along the way. He played football under Bo Schem bechler and received a rom Michigan in 1974. He also is the former CEO of Domino's Pizza

cations, leading Domino's Pizza to the largest initial public offering of a restaurant company in his-

Brandon said he is a big

**NOVI BUSINESS BRIEFS** 

should all have a strategic plan, and for it to work and be embraced i needs to be as concise as

He also answered quessaying he hasn't seen a playoff formula that would work better than the BCS and voicing his displeasure for paying players, saying "it would

"There is plenty of time for them at the ripe old age of 23 to go out and make a living," he said.

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Michigan retailers expect

Nearly nine of 10 Michigan retailers

expect a holiday season as good or bet

in three projecting their sales will rise by more than 5 percent, according to

he latest Michigan Retail Index survey

conducted by Michigan Retailers Association (MRA) and the Federal Reserve

On average, retailers are forecasting a

"Michigan's retail industry is general-

6 percent gain for their businesses dur

ly upbeat as it prepares for the holiday season," said MRA President and CEO

James P. Hallan. "Last year snapped a

string of poor holiday data, and most

retailers fully expect additional gains

expect to increase sales (35 percent of

respondents by more than 5 percent and

19 percent by 5 percent or less) and 35

Centers and National Retail Federat

percent foresee no change from last year

separately predict total U.S. retail sales

will climb 2.8 percent or less for the hol-

Michigan retailers' projections came

The Michigan Retail Index for Sep-

tember found that 46 percent of retail-

recorded declines and 18 percent saw

no change. The results create a seasonally adjusted performance index of 57.9.

up from 55.9 in August and 53.6 in July.

cate an increase in overall retail activity
Looking forward, 45 percent of retail-

ers expect sales during October-December to increase over the same period last

year, while 24 percent project a decrease and 31 percent no change. That puts the

seasonally adjusted outlook index at 61.4,

Nationally, the U.S. Commerce

rose 1.1 percent in September.

Department reported that retail sales

up from 61.1 in July

Index values above 50 generally indi-

during a month of continued sales

ers increased sales over the same

month last year, while 36 percent

The International Council of Shopping

good holiday sales

Bank of Chicago.

Waterford, White Lake, Wixom and Wol-

Huron Valley State Bank

## MEDC seeks proposals for startup support

gan Economic Develop ment Corp. today issued a Request for Proposals RFP) to solicit proposals rom high-performance business incubators or iccelerators in Michigar to support entrepreneurs ing start-up companies ughout the state.

Early-stage companies require seed capstrong network of pub es," said MEDC President and CEO Michael A. Finney. "We are conf. dent that with the funding of these organizations and the types of servicwill continue to acceler ate the growth of innovative technology start-ups in Michigan.'

available funding is \$6 million. This funding may be used to support up to three years of services for each incubator or accelerator award made by the MSF. The maximum request allowable under this RFP is \$2 mil-

In order to be considered for a grant, applicants must submit a comprehensive business plan for delivering entrepreup businesses, such as

nichiganad vantage.org/Public-Notices-Requests-for-

Electronic versions of each business plan proposal must be sent separately to the MSF via e-mail to incu pator2012@michigan.org by 5 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 23. Proposals will not be accepted via U.S. mail or

Prospective bidders may submit questions regardng the RFP via e-mail by 5 p.m. Friday, Nov. 4 to ncubator2012@michigan.org. The MSF will not respond to questions that are not received by the have date and time. In addition, questions that are phoned, faxed or sent through regular mail will not

Responses to all qualifying questions will be posted on the MEDC's website, www.michiganadvantage. org at 5 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 10.

The Michigan Economic Development Corporation, public-private partnership serving as the state's narketing arm and lead agency for business, talent and jobs, focuses on helping grow Michigan's economy. For more on the MEDC and its initiatives, visit: ww.MichiganAdvantage.org.

legal services, and train-Applicants must develop a dashboard of indicators to measure the effectiveness of the business incubator and accelerator programs that also ties to the state's strategic goals.
In June 2011 the Michi-

gan Legislature mandated that a portion of the funds appropriated to the for innovation and entrebusiness incubators and

accelerators located in the following governmen tal units: Houghton Coun-County, Oakland County, Washtenaw County, a city with a population greater than 650,000, and a Midland County satellite site of an incubator located in

The MSF will also consider proposals from entities located in other govthat no governmental unit receives more than one

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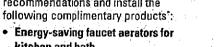
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# Change your clock, battery

## Daylight saving time ends Sunday, Nov. 6

change their clock on a change that could save oatteries in vour smoke alarms and carbon mon-

Novi Police Lt. Jared Hart Is congratulated by Novi Director of Public Safety and Chief of Police David Molloy during a

Novi issues public

safety awards

Letter of Commenda-

tion: Alisa Brown; Suzanne DiCicco; Tracey Geary; Allan

Hashim; Amanda Lombard;

Kelly Mesh; Leanne Summers

Life Saving Citation: Steve

Merit Citation: Kevin Gilm-

ore; Michael Wilson Staff and Command Cita-

Letter of Commendation

Brian Jacobs; David McLeod;

Paul Mullett; Robert Stonik

Company Citation: John

Pehrson; Anthony Ruccolo;

Merit Citation: Jeff Lach-

man; Kevin Pierce Civilian Commendation:

Ellyse Conn; Tracey Geary;

Live Saving Medal of Val-

Lachman: Paul Mullett: Key

Jeffrey Lachman: Mike Evans:

tion: Jerrod Hart

Department

Novi Fire

Richard Shuftz

Rachel Kaip

The Novi Police and

held their Semi-Annu

ny on Oct. 18 to cele-

brate accomplishments

and recognize profes-sional achievements of

those who serve and pro-

tionally, two Novi resi-

dents, Ellyse Conn and

Rachel Kaip, were rec-

ing efforts at the scene

of a house fire on Aug.

15, 2011. The ceremony

Renaissance in Novi. "I

am extremely proud of

the men and women hop-

ored for the professional

contributions they have

made to the Novi Police

and Fire Departments.

of Public Safety/Chief

of Police David E. Molloy. "It is an honor to rec-

als who work tirelessly to

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fare of the Novi commu-

ognize these individu-

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Fire Departments

Since 1987, the Inter-Fire Chiefs (IAFC) and oined forces to raise issue that nonworking smoke alarms are often responsible for home fire deaths and injuries. ticipation of residents all dedication of more than 6,000 Fire Departments, ue to be on the decline According to the IAFC although 95 percent of homes have smoke detectors, 20 percent do not work due to worn out or

missing batteries. With

the peak time for home fire fatalities between most families are sleen detector most often pro vides the valuable time victims need to get to

In addition to changing batteries, here are some

· Replace smoke alarms every 10 years. monthly.

• Make sure alarms can be heard throughout the alarms if needed per man-· Have an escape plan Have at least two ways

out of every room, mak ing sure that all doors and windows can be opened without a key or special place outside, and when u are out ... stay out! Take the hour gained
 Take and

by the time change and

For more information about the Novi Fire Department, visit cityof

ment would like to help

to purchase smoke alarms

installing or testing smoke

alarms," said David E.

Molloy director of pub-

lic safety/chief of police

'Working together, we

can ensure that every res

in need of assistance are

encouraged to contact the

Novi Fire Department at

#### OAKLAND COUNTY ROAD PROJECTS UPDATE

The following local projects may cause traffic delays on Road Commisty (RCOC) roads. It is road improvement proj ects in a way that inter feres with traffic as lit-Completion Date: tle as possible. This list mission projects and proj-

under permit, on roads under the jurisdiction of the Road Commission Novi Road between 10 Mile and Grand Rive

Avenue, Novi Project: This section of Novi Road is closed to hrough traffic through approximately Dec. 1 while RCOC widens and reconstructs the road to five lanes including constructing a bridge over the railroad tracks. The

traffic during the closure owbrook Road to Grand Novi Road and vice versa. Access to business es within the project area will be maintained at all times during the project.

Eight Mile Road, Dix boro Road to Pontiac Trail, Lyon Township of Eight Mile is closed to through traffic while RCOC paves the gravel road. The road will remain closed to through traffic until the project

back to Eight Mile and

248-465-4163

stops for the winter in late November, Work will then resume in April 2012. The detour route during the

Completion Date: June

Milford Road at Dawson Road, Milford Township Project: In conjunction with RCOC, Milford Twp. is widening and improving Milford Road at the Dawson Road intersecturn lanes on Milford Road, Both reads remain open throughout the proj ect, but there will be lan closures on Milford and, at times, the road will

directed by flaggers. Approx. Nov. 4 Grand River Avenue

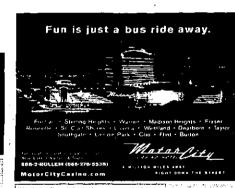
between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m.

ekdays with traffic

Project: RCOC will be making repairs to the worst sections of this road during the first two weeks of November. Dur ing the work, there will be some intermittent land closures. Completion Date: Nov

**Eight Mile Road** between Chubb Road and Currie Road, Lyon Town-

Project: Consumers Energy has closed this section of Eight Mile Road to perform a gas line inspection. The road is expected to remain closed through Nov. 3 Completion Date: End



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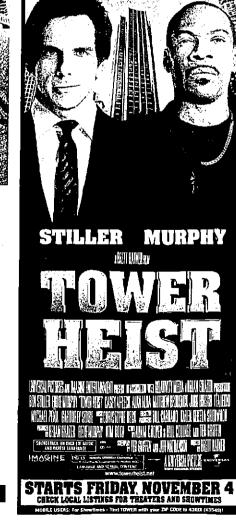
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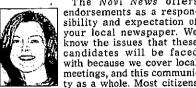


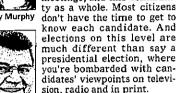
**OUR VIEWS** 

### On Nov. 8 Kortlandt, Murphy for school board

Local voters will decide who will fill two seats on the Novi Board of Education. The three candidates for the four-year terms are Tracey Cadwell and incumbents George Kortlandt and Bobby Murphy The Novi News offers

whole. Most citizens





one with candidates, ask hard questions, find out their

agendas and then determine who we think would be the best person for the position. The following are the Novi News endorsements.

George Kortlandt has served four terms as a school trustee, and now it would be hard to imagine the board making tough decisions without his expertise. That's especially valuable right now as the most of the ton administrators are virtually new to the district and can rely on him fo information specific to Novi (he's lived here 29 years).

Kortlandt's profession is financial advice, perfect for helping the board steer through the current economic waters. Right now, the district has an 11-percent rainy day fund. Try to find another school district in this area that's positioned as

But Kortlandt understands his position is not just about the numbers game. Education is about children and preparing them for the future; Novi does that about as good as any district - not only in this state, but nationwide. The board guides the administrators, who direct the teachers who teach the kids — and test scores here reflect that local process is impres-

Our other choice, Bobbie Murphy, can also take credit, serving on the board for the past four years. Her contributions have earned her another term.

Murphy realizes the balancing act providing a high-quality education while hitting budget requires tough decisions, like privatization. While many districts look at finances on a yearly basis, she favors a long-term approach

One of her goals is to look at the longterm effects of the district's programs too, by following up with graduates and getting their feedback. That could be challenge, but the information would be

Communication from the district to the public has improved much the last four ter. We agree and think she can play a key role in making sure that happens.

As a recap of our endorsements that appeared in last week's Novi News, our choices for three seats on council are ncumbents Dave Staudt and Wayne Wrobe and newcomer Laura Casey. The current mayor pro tem, Bob Gatt, has earned our

The Novi News applauds all candidates who ran this election. Offering one's own time to help make this community a bet ter place is indeed commendable. Don't ignore their efforts. We encourage all eli gible voters to get to the polls Tuesday and make their choices on the ballots. Local elections like this one may not get your attention like the presidential election, for example, but the impact local leaders have on your day-to-day life is tremendous. Voting is your right and privilege — if you don't take advantage of it, your right to complain later is lost.

# Novi News

Susan Rosiek, Executive Editor

COMMUNITY VOICE

**OPINION** 

#### Tuesday, Nov. 8 is election day. Do you plan on voting?



chance to vote, I'll Andrew Giddings impact anything."



if we don't vote in our local elections we can't



right and responsibility."



"Yes. As a matter of fact. I'm studying the recom-Allison Angus mendations of the Novi News.'

Adrienne Elliot

#### LETTERS

#### Wrobel's right choice

I am writing to you in support of Wayne Wrobel, who is running for re-election for Novi City Council. Having worked with Wayne on the Novi Planning Commission, I can speak to the hard work, caring and dedication he brought to that role. Wayne is a truly dedicated public servant whose sale facus is on try ing to serve the community in the best way possible

Andy Gutman

#### Casey for council

Thave known Laura Casev for many years, as we have both been active members of the Friends of the Novi Public Library. She has also generously contributed her time and enthusiasm to the Novi Public Library as a library board trustee. Laura is responsive, knowledgeable and innovative and she has the best interests of our city and residents at heart. She has extensive experience in business and community service. and the ability to plan and follow through on both the long range and current needs of Novi. Laura Casey will be a wonderful addition to our city council. I hope you will

join me in voting for Laura. Jim McLean

**Supports Gatt** This note is in response to very negative and maligning statements made by a member of the Novi City Council regarding the competency of Bob Gatt for mayor, I worked with Bob Gatt as an officer of the Novi Police Department, Through police work, you observe a lot about your colleagues, and it is my opinion personally and professionally that Bob Gatt is a man of solid integrity and one of the brightest men I had the opportunity to work with in my 28 years in the department. Bob thoroughly researches all

the city of Novi and its future. It is my belief that the city of Novi will be well-served by Bob's leader ship if elected the next mayor of

elements of any situation brought

to him and is deeply committed to

#### IngA ndol St. Augustine, Fla.

#### **Gatt for mayor**

I first met 8ob Gatt when he was selected to serve on the Novi Police Department nearly 40 years ago. Mr. Gatt is honest, hard-working, professional and a man of integrity I believe Mr. Gatt's 27 years experience with the police department and 11 years of devoted service on city council well qualifies him to serve as your mayor.

Richard A. Faulkner Novi Police Department (retired) Waterford

#### **Choose Gatt**

Having served the city of Novi for many years in various positions on boards and commissions up to and including city council, I have had the opportunity to serve with both candidates for mayor.

Bob Gatt clearly has the leadership skills and experience that we need to ensure the continued growth and prosperity of Novi. Please join me in voting for Bob

#### WHAT DO YOU THINK?

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Gatt for Novi mayor Tuesday, Nov.

Brian Burke former Novi city councilman

#### Gatt's the best candidate

While both mayoral candidates have been active in Novi politics. Bob Gatt has been involved with the city of Novi in many capacities for probably more years than Justin Fischer has been alive. Bob's experience and integrity are just two traits that will enable him to do a great job as mayor.

Bob and his wonderful family have been our neighbors for several years and we think that they perfectly represent Novi. Suzi has lived in Novi her entire life and has raised four children who have gone through or are currently in Novi Community Schools. This is a family that cares about the city of Novi and, because of this dedication to our city, Bob Gatt is the best candidate for mayor.

#### City needs Fischer

I endorse the candidacy of Justin Fischer for mayor. We have seen him grow from a voungster to a financial leader at one of Michigan's based corporations, Ford Motor Co. His financial and business expertise will serve the city well during these trying economic times as we continue to recover from the worst economic downturn since the

the next mayor of Novi.

Fischer for mayor For the first time in recent

#### choice for our mayor. The Michigan economy, including Novi's, is

memory, we appear to have a rea

at a crossroads. The choice we are about to make will be based on whether or not we think continuing to do things as we have in the past will be sufficient or we would benefit with some fresh thinking as we strive to move forward. While I believe both candidates are well-qualified to be our mayor, the question is who will be the most qualified to lead us through the

turbulent future we will face as we try to turn around our economy. Both candidates are current members of the city council and have a demonstrated record of service to their communities. However, I am convinced that Justin Fisher would be our best choice for mayor for several reasons. I believe Justin is most likely to bring that

fresh perspective in dealing with the challenges that will face our community. While still a young man, Justin has a demonstrated cornmitment to this city. He arew up in this community, educated in the Novi public school system. In

spite of his youth, he is a veteran of city government, currently serving alongside Bob Gatt as a city counci member. However, in addition to having significant experience in local government, Justin comes with years of business experience in finance with the Ford Motor Co. the most successful auto company in Michigan (no bailouts needed), in the most important industry in Michigan. Because our future challenges will be primarily economic, I think it is critical that we have someone in leadership with busi-

ness experience. Familiarity with the current state of Michigan business and a perspective of how this will affect Novi's future will be essential, Justin brings this to the mayor's position. Dr. James Cunningham

I've had the privilege of working

with Wayne Wrobel on the Novi

Planning Commission for several

years. During our time on the plan-

ning commission, I was continually

As a 10-year resident of Novi,

as a current member of the Novi

City Council. As I've watched Mr.

Wrobel engage in decision making

and sound judgment regarding the

management of city government. I

believe his continued membership

Given Wayne's demonstrated

record of service to the citizens of

vote to return Wayne Wrobel to the

Novi Planning Commission

Mike Lynch

Novi, I urge all Novi residents to

Novi City Council on Nov. 8.

Vote for Wrobel

Sarah and Steve Savela

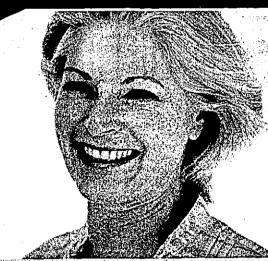
impressed with Mr. Wrobel's grasp ing every proposal put before us Wayne was always prepared to discuss and debate every aspect of each submittal and clearly made his decisions based on facts instead of emotion. Without exception, Mr. Wrobel was a very strong advocate for the citizens of Novi. I was quite please to see Wayne

Great Depression. As noted by William Arthur Ward, often quoted inspirational author, "leadership is based on inspiration, on city council, I'm continually imnot domination; on cooperation, pressed with his business acumen not intimidation." Leadership. inspiration and cooperation are what Justin Fischer will provide as our next mayor of the city of Novi. on city council will ensure that Novi We encourage residents of Novi to continues to prosper. vote Nov. 8 for Justin Fischer to be

**Charles and Becky Staab** 

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#### ing these turbulent times. Endorses Casey, I have enjoyed serving Skeicy and you during the past six years and ask that you

online at hometownlife.com

On Nov. 8, voters in Novi will elect three council members to serve for the next four years. I will be casting my votes for Laura Casey, Donna Skelcy and Wayne Wrobel. Their skills, approach and experience will allow the city to continue moving forward and provide the type of expertise the city council needs in order to unction as an effective, efficient governing body for the city of Novi Each of these candi-

Wrobel

dates has the business and management experience that will allow them to provide professional oversight of the city's budget and direction. They do their homework and take the time to gain an in-depth understanding or the issues before taking a position. Most importantly, they will interact with the rest of the city team, including staff and volunteers, with respect and professionalism, even when there is disagreement about issues or direction.

 is monumental. Additionally, they each bring a unique experience and background. In the past six years, during my service on council, I have come to appreciate the importance of this type of diversity of skills. Laura's leadership of the library board during the on-time and under-budget comoletion of our new library, Donna's legal and zoning experience and Wayne's

#### Fischer to lead

planning knowledge will provide a well-rounded rouncil. We will be able to function effectively from erms, a key strength duras a city. I feel Justin Fischer's education and for mayor to ensure that Novi continues to grow

Terry Margolis Novi City Council

#### **Gatt makes sense** The upcoming election

cast your vote for these

three candidates so that

we can continue moving

forward as a city

will determine who leads Novi as we move forward into a critical time for this community, Rarely have ! seen two candidates for mayor with such a huge gap between their exper ence levels and ability to

Bob Gatt has real-world ago, we moved to Novi. experience. His leadership abilities and his consensus-building approach to problem solving will stand Novi in good stead in the years ahead. Conversely, his opponent has no ex perience in the public sector, hasn't raised a family or been in any significant leadership position. The difference between these two candidates — in terms of experience, lead ership and public service

I want to entrust the future of our great city to someone with these qualities and more. The only choice for mayor of Novi that makes sense in this election is Bob Gatt. Ted Montgomery

Novi has been fortunate during difficult economic times in Michigan to have great leadership under, Mayor David Landry. The incoming mayor will have to continue to navigate Novi through these challenging times and on to

Living with discomfort doesn't

our next stage of growth make him the best choice

Justin's fresh perspective and innovative ideas will serve us well as we look to the future and prepare for the many challenges that yet lie before us as a city. Please join me and my family in voting for Justin Fischer for mayor of

More than 20 years

Novi on Nov. 8.

Pat Holt

#### Fischer for Novi mayor! In those years we have

built two homes, our fou daughters have graduated from Novi Community Schools and we have seen the city transform from open land and dirt roads to the city Novi is today. For nearly 15 of those 20 years, we have had. the pleasure of knowing Justin Fischer, and know without a doubt that he is the right choice as Novi's next mayor. There are several rea-

sons why Nov. 8 we will be placing our vote for Justin Fischer for mayor. among them are Justin's ntegrity, honesty, leader ship skills and business and community knowledge and experience. All

#### that said, the one quality that sticks out above

abatement the rest is his willingness. to stand up and be an independent voice — a voice for the residents Justin is not afraid to ask the tough questions and do what is right for Novi all sides, gathers informa tion to develop a well

thought-out solution to an issue. He takes into account all possible consequences and encourages community involvement In 2005, the state of and ideas, since at the

city that we call home. In a time when so many take the easy road, Justin does what is right, even when he knows it will be an uphill battle. Justin is willing and eager to do the hard work and is always looking at the big picture and how the decisions made today will affect future generations. As long-time residents who have invested so

end of the day this is our

Fischer for mayor

much in the city of Novi.

On Nov. 8, I urge you to cast your vote for Justin Fischer to be the next During my service with Justin on city council, I have been impressed by nis mature leadership, financial expertise and thoughtful consideration of the issues, Justin's en-

#### Opposes

Webster's dictionary defines rehabilitation as restoring something to a former state or condition." Most of us take it to mean that when a house or a building starts to look rundown and or the seedy side, its time to fix it up or "rehab" it in order to keep the entire neighborhood from going

center in Oakland County Michigan created Public that meets the size re-Act 210 with pretty much the same idea in mind. It decided to offer a tax abatement of up to 10 vears to anyone who was willing to rehabilitate a commercial building or a group of buildings. There were certain stipulations required to qualify for the abatement. One was that the building had to be at least 15 years old. That makes sense. Some of the restorations it listed were new or improved floors and roofs, improved heat ing or cooling, improved structure and overall appearance of the property.

I think it would be pretty

difficult to find fault with

Unfortunately, there were

people out there willing

to take advantage of this

act to further their own

changes were enacted to

accommodate the special

interests of pretty much

Section 207.842, Sec 2(h)

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fied facility can now be a

new hotel or motel that

has additional meeting

space and is attached to

a convention center that

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a county with a popula-

tion between 1,100,000

and 1,600,000. I know

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hard to believe, but Oak-

is at least 250,000 square

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we encourage others to ioin us in votina for Justin

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Michael and

### **Endorses Fischer**

mayor for the city of Novi. thusiasm, positive attitude and vision for the city are exactly what we need to continue moving forward.

> Terry Margolis Novi City Council

land County is the only county in the entire state of Michigan that has a opulation in that range And the only convention

> quirements just happens to be in Novi. I think you'd agree that it would be more than just a coincidence that only one man in the entire state owns a business that meets all of these requirements. That man is, of course, wealthy businessman and

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#### **LETTERS**

Continued from page A11 owner of the Suburban Collection Showplace, Look, I know and com-Mr. Blair Bowman. Mi Bowman has applied for and has been approved by city council to receive approximately a \$100,000 per year tax abatement for six years. That's in addition to the \$100,000 he currently receives yearly for building the center about six years ago. When Act 210 was amended, they even

that states that when an individual applies for tax relief, they must state in writing that they would not make the improve ments or build the building without the relief. This little gimmick tends to add a sense of urgenc to the whole facade. Mayor Landry, in trying fill a vacant position.

to justify his almost lap dog support of Bowman, was throwing around some monetary and attendance figures that would do justice to some of the Wayne County officials now on the hot seat in their little flasco. Sometimes I think both the mayor and Bob Gatt

threw in a little ringer

seem to be trying a little to hard to rationalize their almost blind loyalty and support for Blair

mon sense should tell the good taxpayers of the city of Novi that Blair Bowman doesn't need. nor does he deserve, a penny of tax abatement. it is blatantly unfair to every other business owner in the city that he is now going to be given his second tax reduction and they are required to pony up their fair share whether they can afford

I found it a little ironic that in last week's Novi News an article also on the front page seemed to laud the school board for saving the district nearly \$150,000 over three years by nickel and diming their five maintenance employees and agreeing not to

Dave Shingler

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tion of University Women-Northville Novi Branch sincerely thanks all the





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We would like to thank our other generous donors who contributed to making our Gala Preview Party the success it was. by supplying the tent, tables and chairs, food, linens, dishes, flowers, table decor, and music: Canton Canopies, All Occasion Rental, Cynthia Pickens Catering, Todd

Knickerbocker/Raymond tional Honor Society Students at Northville H.S., Novi H.S. and Catholic Remember Photography. Central H.5. And last, but certainly

not least, we thank all of the attendees at the Home Tour, our Gala Preview Party and The Last Chance event. Thank you so much for supporting AAUW-NN and its mission of promoting equity. education and development of opportunities for all women and girls. Your participation allows us to advance our mission by providing scholarships at Schoolcraft College, Oakland Community College and Northville and Novi high schools. We also support Kid 4 Afghan Kids and the Mercy Edu-

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## Bair retiring as long-time RCOC director

land County (RCOC) long-time Managing Director Brent Bair, one of the elder statesmen of the road industry in Michigan, has nced that he will retire at the end of 2011.

online at hometownlife.com

"Brent's influence in the world of Oakland County and Michigan roads has bee enormous," stated RCOC Board Chairman Eric Wilany other individual in the te who has personally had such a tremendous impact on Michigan roads for such Bair has worked for the

Road Commission for more than 34 years and has been managing director for the last 19. Prior to that, he erved as deputy ma director, director of RCOC's Planning and Development Department, transportation

risk manage-. "The Road

very fortunate such a dedicated, talented and respect

ed managing director who has built the leadership team that will navigate the future direction of the Road Commission as his legacy," RCOC Board Vice Chairman Greg question that Brent's leader ship is directly responsible for the stability this agency has experienced and for the Road Commission's wide ly acknowledged reputation in everything from traffic of directors of the Traffic

Road Commission Board Member Ron Fowkes concurred. "Brent is highly respected by virtually all other leaders in the public igan as well as by countless industry leaders across the country," he observed.

During his tenure at RCOC. Bair has also been a leader in a number of related orgathe board and past president of the County Road Association of Michigan (CRAM), was a founding member and is a past president and current board member of the Intelligent Transpor tation Society of Michigan (ITS Michigan) and is a for-mer board member and past chairman of the Intelligent America (ITS America), He is also a member of the board

Washington DC. Widely recognized for his leadership in the area of Intelligent Transporta

Oakland County (TIA).

appointed to many com-

nittees, boards and coun-

cils in the state represent

ing road interests. He was

nor Granholm to the Michi-

Task Force Citizen Advisory

Committee in 2007 and was

actively involved in the Act

51 Study Committee during

Bair has frequently been sought after for his exten-

road funding and has testi-

fied on numerous occasions

before Michigan legislative

committees as well as Con-

nor Engler.

the administration of Gover-

In addition, Bair has been

tion Systems (transporta-tion-related technology), Bair served as chairman of the ITS Congressional Cau cus Public Sector Advisory Committee, advising mem bers of Congress on matters related to ITS. In 2004, he was recognized on the floor of Congress for his election as chairman of ITS America. He is also a member of the 2014 ITS World Congress Host Committee, which successfully lobbied to bring the largest international ITS conference and exhibition to

Detroit. In Oakland County, Bair is a member and former chairman of the Oakland County portation Committee.

The RCOC Board will con duct a thorough search for Bair's replacement, which will culminate with interviews of the top candidates

#### **NOVI NEWS BRIEFS**

#### Civilian pistol safety class

The Novi Police Department will host a Civilian Pistol Safety Class from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 5 at the Novi Police Department Training Center located at 45125 W. Ten Mile Road. After lunch, participants will move to the Novi Firearms Training Center to comolete the course.

Participants must be 21 years old but do not have to be a Novi resident to attend. Registration may be done online at cityofnovi.org or registration forms are also available at the Novi Police Department. Class size is limit ed and all participants are subject to a criminal background check. The \$200 course fee may be paid by cash or mon-

The course fulfills both the classroom and shooting requirements to obtain a Michigan Concealed Pistol License (CPL). Students must bring their own equipment, including a personal handgun, 100 rounds of amn glasses, and shooter's earmuffs or ear

vi.org of contact Sergeant Michael War-

ren at mwarren@cityofnovi.org or (248)

#### Flu shots

Oakland County Health Division will offer \$11 flu shots from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Friday, Nov. 4 at the Walled Lake Community Center, 615 N. Pontiac Trail

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, South Oakland Health Center, 27725

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Contact: Novi Senior Cen-ter (248) 347-0414. Location: Providence Park Outpatient Center, 47601 Grand River Avenue at Beck "EATING ORGANIC ON come to the main entrance of the Outpatient Cente Details: The free screen-Market, 42875 Grand River Comprehensive Vascular Care, P.C. Dr. Kevin Nolan, Details: Free seminar will feature Renee Heigel, CHHP, AADPand will include

Dr. William Oppat, Dr. Tamer Boules. Registration is required so that we may Contact: (248) 735-8100 or Contact: (248) 424-5748 to

#### VARICOSE VEIN CANCER CHARITY EVENING Time/Date: 8 a.m.-1 p.m.

Location: 17174 Crest-Brothers model home in Steeplechase)

Time/Date: 6 p.m. Nov. 6 Details: Join Christoph's A.L.L. Stars for an adult evening to fight childhood cancer. Advance tickets are \$20: \$25 at the door. christophsallstars.org. Silent auction, live auction, wine bar, hors d'oeuvres, dessert and musical guests; cocktail

#### Contact: (248) 231-1472 **NORTHVILLE & NOVI** MEETING

Location: Northville Art House, 215 W. Cady Street Time/Date: 6:30 p.m. Mon-

Details: Connie Marcange-lo speaking on "Chocolate Garden of Eatin" Time/Date: 6:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 12 Details: Holiday party for Contact: Fran Gundersor

(248) 349-6457 Business

#### NORTHVILLE-NOVI BUSINESS BREAKFAST

Time/Date: 7:30-9 a.m. first and third Tuesdays (except Nov. and Dec., which are iust the first Tuesdays) Location: Kerby's Coney Island, 21200 Haggerty Road ng focused on building re working Group, LLC (www.

**Pumpkin Palooza** 



Gabe Vincelette of Walled Lake brought his children — Avery, 2, and Brynn, 6 weeks — to Pumpkin Palooza in downtown Plymouth Oct. 23. Sponsored by downtown businesses and the Plymouth Com-munity Chamber of Commerce, the event featured prizes, activities, entertainment, candy stations, a haunted alleyway and, of course, the always popular trick-or-treating. Downtown streets were closed from noon-4 p.m. to make it a safe event for children, Joining Gabe is Madison, his trusted,

sunriseNETWORKINGgroup, com), or SNG for short, is a how to create and refine an "elevator speech," develop a broad network of other group of about 250 busi business professionals in the community and receive training/education on netness by referring people to working more efficiently. Guests are invited to attend free of charge, Continental fast is \$10. Contact: Fonda Milana

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Location: On the Border NOVI TOASTMASTERS Restaurant, 21091 Haggerty Road (north of Eight Mile), CLUB Time/Date: 7-9 p.m., every

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METRO NOVI BNI

first and third Tuesday Details: BNI is a structured Location: Novi Civic Center Activities Room, 45175 West Novi BNI team members are committed to provid-**Details:** Novi Toastmas ters is a community-based each other. Members learn club which is part of

provides a mutually sup portive atmosphere in refine their public speaking and leadership skills. Our members also have fun while building confi dence in day-to-day comand personal excellence. Guests are welcome -- and bring a friend, Visit www. novi.freetoasthost.us. Contact: Linda Kreuter at **NOVI ROTARY CLUB** Time/Date: Noon every

Toastmasters Interna-

Location: Novi Methodis Church 41671 W. 10 Mile

Details: Lunch is \$10 at meeting. Visitors welcome Check website for speaker

#### **NOV! CHAMBER OF** COMMERCE

Contact: www.novi hamber.com or call (248) 349-3743

Novi and W. Bloomfield Chamber Luncheon Time/Date: 11:30 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 3 Location: Courtyard by Marriott, 31525 W. 12 Mile, Farmington Hills Details: Keynote speaker Amy Banninga, Michigan Business Ombudsman, will provide an update of Michigan Economic Development Corporation ects and major initia-Jaunched Pure Michigan Business connect which provides opportunities for Michigan businesses to buy and sell to one another

Multi Chamber Busines: to Business Breakfast~ Time/Date: 8-9 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 9 Location: Hines Park Ford 56558 Pontiac Trail, New

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- Stress Free Holidays Guest speaker Cynthia Rochon, RN, PMHN, MBA Wednesday, November 16, 7 p.m. Call 734-655-8950 to register or for more information
- Women's Health Series: Healthy Living. Healthy Woman. Speakers from Gynecology and Uragynecology Thursday, November 17, 6-8 p.m. Call 734-655-2281 to register or for more information
- Center for Joint Replacement Seminal Guest speaker Jettrey Mendelson, MD Wednesday, November 30, 6 p.m. Call 734-655-2345 to register or for more information.
- Michigan Bariatric Institute Seminar Guest speaker folial Zeni. MD Thursday, December 1, 6 p.m. Call 877-WHY-WEIGHT to register or for more information.



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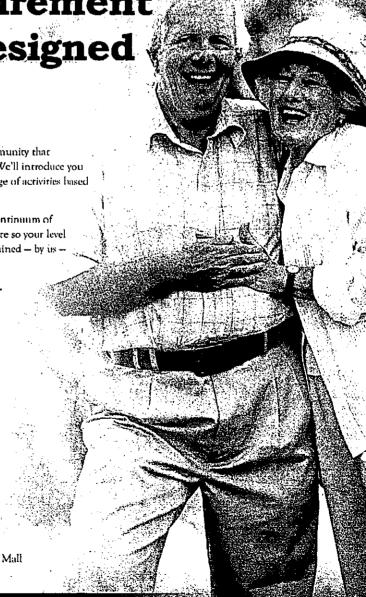
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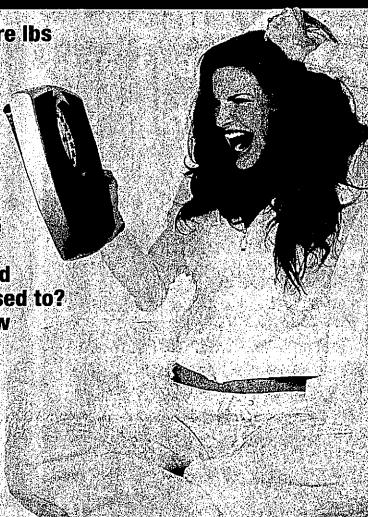
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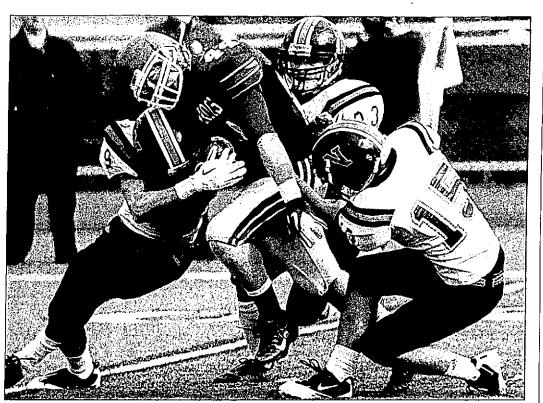
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# **Catholic Central** cruises past Northville

First round playoff game ends in a rout

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With each team headan 8-1 record and both squads making their abil-ity to score very clear all season long, it appeared.

shooting as they walked

They will now play Canton in the second round. "It is unfortunate that not indicative of the suc cess our team experi-Northville coach Matt Ladach after the game "I am very proud of ou team, and I am proud of

For Catholic Central. step in achieving their next goal--a state chamning of the year. Sham

Shamrocks have tough game ahead

The Detroit Catholic Central Shamrocks should be excited ing Canton in this week's district

Historically speaking, it's been a match-up that has boded well for the CC gridders. The last time the two teams met was in 2009 when the Shamrocks earned an overtime win, 31-24, in the tral squad went on to win a state

2002, it was a 24-7 victory over went on to claim the champion ship. In 1990, the first time the

The Shamrocks, who have 10 state titles to their coach's credit, will host Canton (8-2) in the dis-

olic Central took a 35-22 victo-

Please see SHAMROCKS, B2

## Mullins, McMahan head to **States**

Neither the boys or girls Nov Wildcats finished in the top 10 and

ON TAP

ie Mullins 2 p.m. Saturday at ence titlenational Speedwa lins and McMahan seconds by ninth, respectivel

won the KLAA title

regional field in 18:27.54. Mullins was just five seconds out of third place, as Hartland's Avery Evenson won the race with a comfortable 31.51-seconds margin in 17:40.53. As a team. Novi also fell short of the top three finish they needed for a trip to the state meet Brooklyn, instead finishing eightf of 15 squads with 192 points. North ville (66 points), Brighton (100) and Hartland (124) advanced.

Although the team didn't make it, Novi sophomore Kerri McMahan also advanced to the state meet ing ninth at Regionals in 18:45.89, flanked on either side by a pair of

Brighton Bulldogs From there, the Novi girls had a big gap filled by the opposi-tion. Sophomores Kari Grandstaff (57th in 20:27.95), Karissa Koomer (59th in 20:29.03), freshman Lannah Lonergan (20:33.00) and seniors Lindsey Kulie (81st in 20:57.33) and Zoe Jenkins (84th in 20:59.95) wrapped up the Wildcats' showing

Please see HARRIERS, B4

## Freshman Buha wins two division titles

at the KLAA Central Division meet for girls swim and dive last weekend, but couldn't overcome the depth of Northville and South Lyon

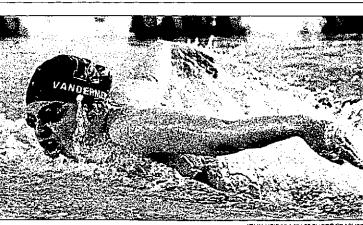
Novi finished third of the five schools with 461 points, behind the Mustangs (551.5) and Unified Lions

We placed third, right where

KLAA Kensington Conference meet the next two days, with divers jumping about 6 p.m. Friday and swim

everyone expected us to be," Novi coach Annette VanderMey said. "Northville and South Lyon are just too deep. Novi has work to do with

Please see SWIM. B4



she's doing during a Sept. 21 meet.



#### **PLAYOFF** Continued from page 81

Mach said his squad was after the Central Divi-sion title--which they did not obtain-followed by the Catholic High School League championship and then the state title They achieved success in the CHSL title hunt, and now hope to repeat their

In the game against Northville, the Shambe the best team in the state, playing nearly infallible football in the first two quarters as they scored touchdowns on four of its first five pos-sessions to take a 28-6

halftime lead. The team punched out 253 yards in the first half and brought out more airpower than they have throughout the rest of the season. Quarterback Kyle Cooper hit his favorite target, Matt Doneth, on a 40-4:30 left in the first half to make it a 21-6 game. Halfback Anthony Darkangelo got in on the passing game, too, throwing a pass to David Racey for a 13-yard score to make it 28-6 with just under a minute left in the second

quarter. Northville looked strong to start the game, on its first drive to score on a nine-yard jaunt by quarterback Jeff Gertlev. Jeff Sims missed the extra point to make it an 8-6 game.

That was the last time the Mustangs would see the end zone, putting up just 42 yards over the next four possessions heading into halftime. Catholic Central was

led by Alex Kozlows ki on the ground as he picked up 71 yards and two touchdowns on seven carries. He was one of eight running backs



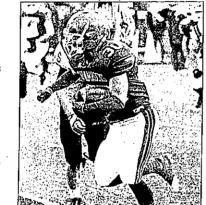
in the CC offense that picked up a total of 249 yards on the ground. Kyle Cooper went 5-for-6 passing for 145 yards-including a 4-of-5 performance for 118 vards in the first half

Northville followed Gertley in offensive production as he picked up 67 yards through the air with a 10-for-23 performance and another S4 yards on the ground on 14 attempts. Brandon Love ded 24 yards on 13 attempts. Brett MacDonald had 11 tackles on defense

for the Mustangs.
While Catholic Central looks to this weekend for their next game, Northville looks to the 2012 season.

"This loss hurts badly, and I am bitter," said Ladach. "I don't like being pushed around, and we were on Saturday. How-ever, the off-season starts now, and an emphasis will be made on getting big-ger and stronger. I am confident that our players feel the same way, and we will ne the challenges that await us in

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Shamrock Vincenzo Demaria crosses the goal line for one of CC's touchdowns on Sat. Oct. line for one of CC's touchdo 29. CC beat Northville 56-6 in their divisional

critisians.

#### **SHAMROCKS**

Canton's two losses this year came from Livonia Churchill, 27-26, and Plymouth, 31-30. They avenged the latter loss last week when they beat the Wildcats, 24-21, on a game-winning field goal to advance in the state tour-

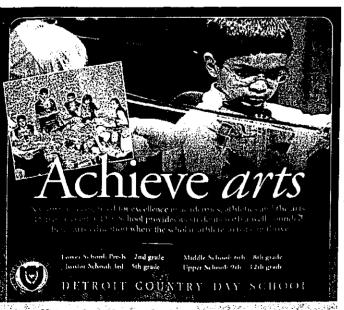
Of Canton's victories this year, four have come against teams that made the

The Chiefs have traditionally had an offense similar to that of Catholic Central with big linemen up front making holes for speedy running backs. Both teams also boast strong defenses.

catholic Central has averaged 29.1 points per game while holding their foes to just 8.2 points per game. Canton has scored an average of 38.6 points per game and held their opponents to

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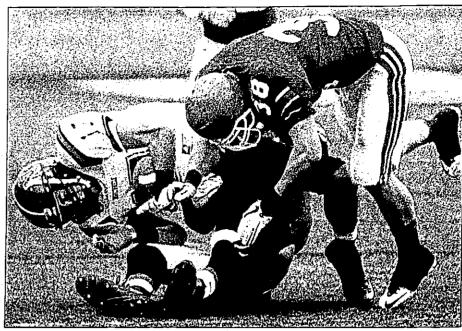
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Mustang fans cheer on their team during the Oct. 29 game at Catholic Central.



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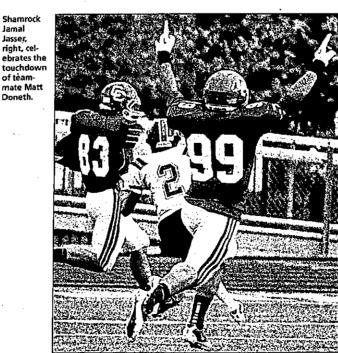
and others team up to tackle Max

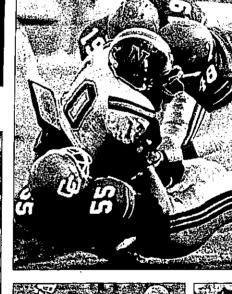
Northville Mustang Andrew Wright was knocked out of play for awhile after this play when his ankle was caught becatching due to a tough ankle injury.

## Catholic Central vs. Northville



Mustang runningback Brandon Love is consoled by a coach with moments to go in Northville's tough 56-6 loss to CC.





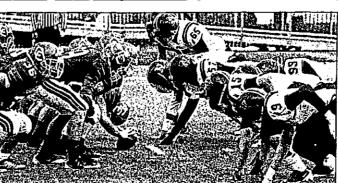
Mustang QB Jeffrey Gertley gets some support from his mom Jean after Northville's



CC's Anthony Darkangelo was stopped by Northville's Brett MacDonald on this play



Mustang OB Jeffrey Gertley eludes a



line up against each othe as the Shamrock attempt an extra



stopping CC's David

Wildcat Kara Berg swims on Sept. 21.

#### SWIM

Continued from page B1 those middle scoring

Freshman Mallory Buha finished with two division championships ir the 200 individual medley (2:11.38) and 100 back stroke (59.65 seconds) Junior Dana Morgan followed close behind Buha n the 100 back, finishing second in 1:10.70 and joining several of her team mates in qualifying for

the state meet. unior sister Maran da Buha also won a title taking home the 100 free championship in 55.13 seconds. She was fol-Hall (third in 56.32) and junior Kara Berg (seventh in 57.52).

Junior Andrea Vander Mey won the 100 butterfly title in 1:01.40, followed by junior Kelsey Shurmur (fourth in

In addition to the four victories. Novi finished in the top three in 11 of 12 bined with Andrea Van derMey and Hall to finish lev relay (1:52.63) behind ıth Lyon (1:52.40), white Morgan, sopho more Abby Downs, Shur Guttman teamed to finish sixth in 2:02.05. The other two relay

vents also featured both Novi squads in the top eight, Berg, Andrea Vanfinished second in the (1:41.05), while Shurmur,

DISTRICT (PSLR).

:00 p.m., prevailing local time

CITY OF NOVI

NOTICE OF ADOPTION

ORDINANCE NO. 11-100.41

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE NOVI CITY COUNCIL HAS ADOPTED ORDINANCE NO. 11-100.41 TO AMEND CHAPTER 28, "SIGNS," OF THE CITY OF NOVI CODE, AT SECTION 28-5, "PERMITTED ACCORDING TO DISTRICT" IN ORDER TO INCLUDE STANDARDS FOR SIGNS IN

THE PLANNED SUBURBAN LOW RISE OVERLAY

The Ordinance was adopted by the City Council on Monday, October 24, 2011 and the provisions of the ordinance shall become effective seven (?) days after its publication. A complete copy of the Ordinance is available

or public use and inspection at the office of the City Clerk, 5175 W. Ten Mile Road, during the hours of 8:00 a.m. and

CITY OF NOVI

NOTICE OF PROVISION OF THE

SNOW EMERGENCY ORDINANCE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in accordance with

Chapter 33, Article III, Division 5 of the Code of Ordinances, City of Novi, Michigan, a snow emergency shall be deemed to exist whenever: (1) freezing rain, sleet or four (4) or more inches of snow has been forecasted for the area by a newspaper circulated in the city, or by a radio or television station with a normal operating range covering the city; or (2) freezing rain of sleet has fallen or four (4) or more inches of snow have

Whenever any vehicle without an operator is found parked or left in violation of any provision of this Division, the Director of the Department of Public Services, or his designee, or the Police Department may immediately remove the vehicle or cause the vehicle to be removed to a place of safekeeping at the expense of

Failure to comply with the requirements set forth in Chapter 33, Article III, Division 5 of the Code of Ordinances, City of Novi, Michigan may also result in the prosecution for same, and liability to the extent of the penalty therein provided.

Maryanne Cornelius, City Clerk



junior Janice Burnett, Morgan and freshman finish eighth in 4:09.30. In the 200 free relay,

Berg, Guttman, Burnett and Hall finished third 1:46.40) and Downs, Huang, freshman Lindsey Vaughan and junior Ashley Vaughan finished eighth (1:55.90) as South Lyon won in 1:41.05.

'I was most proud of strong events were all of Novi's new and novice swimmers " Annette. derMey said. "I gave them the choice of what they wanted to swim for their final meet of the season, where they wantished fifth in 2:02.36 The past few years ed to showcase all of their

hard work. It would have been easy for them all to choose the 50 and 100 e; they did not. We up with the Wildcats. had new swimmer representation in every event 200 IM, 500 free, 100 fly. 100 back and 100 breast. That demonstrates the hard work paying off that these girls are no longer intimidated by those Although the Lyons also

won the 50 freestyle in 24.85 seconds, the Wildcats took the next three .Chris Jackett is a freelance

spots. Maranda Buha led the flurry (second in 25.12), followed by Hall (third in 25.90), Burnett fourth in 26.05) and Gutt

man (11th in 27.52). Andrea VanderMey also ided a runner-up finish in the 100 breaststroke in 1:12.38, behind North ville's winning 1:09.15

Plymouth Salem's Novi's weaknesses. The Rocks won the 500 free in 5:16.32, where Novi had no top-10 finishers. Salem also won the 200 free in 1:59.42, where Berg fin-

of work putting Novi's diving program on the map continues to catch Although Northville won the 1-meter diving event with 391.45 points, junior Rachel Aepelbacher finished second with 389.25 points, breaking a 2000 record of 368 points. She was followed by sophomore Jaymie Ziegler eighth with a season-best 286.45) and junior Lina Davis (10th with 269.25).

writer and former staff writer for the Novi News

# **HARRIERS**

in Brighton Despite the disappoint ing team finish this seaners should all return next fall, as well as others who were plagued by injuries. In the boys race, the Wildcats had a huge uphill battle as six of the top 10 Division I schools were all placed in the same region what Novi boys coach Robert Smith said called a

Milford won the event with 55 points, followed by Hartland (83) and White Lake Lakeland (94). the state meet. Novi finished 10th with 293 points joining other strong teams like Brighton (fourth with 112), Northville (fifth with 129) and Detroit Cathoic Central (sixth with 130) on the sidelines when the state meet hits Michigan

International Speedway "Somebody is trying to knock out many of the top teams before they get

to the finals: at least that

is what it appears to be," Smith said. "Our place doesn't really tell the whole story. We actually ran very well. It's just tha our region was stacked. Seventeen of our athletes set season persona records today Novi junior Ben Jenkins

al bests in 16:54.53 to lead the Wildcats, but finished 48th in the field. Ben ran the best race of his high school career today," Smith said. "He really put it together. Jen kins' time of 16:54 was his first time of dipping into the 16s, which is a natural benchmark that separates the good runners from the

had one of those person-

great ones. It was a breakout race for him.' Jenkins was followed by senior Eric Gardner, who also scooted by the 17-minute mark by finishing 51st in a season-best "Our manager timed Eric at 17 flat, but the offi-

cial time came in at 16:59," Smith said, "What a difference a second makes The rest of the Wildcats came across the line one by one, with sopho-

more Brian Barnes (53rd in 17:02,57), senior Kevin Hanlon (61st in a season-best 17:06.72), freshman John Potter (80th in season-best 17:39.35), senior Daniel Lee (87th in 17:54.45) and freshman Casey Croad (94th in 18:10.70) rounding out he Wildcats' effort in the field of 105 runners.

Ten other Wildcats set season bests in the junior more Cameron Richman led the way by finishing 15th in 17:30), followed by senior Mike Benkarski (16th in 17:33), junio: Tim MacPherson (20th in Groechel (18:27), sophomore David Gardne (18:34), junior Alex Seku-loski (18:57), sophomore Palguna Thalla (18:58), iunior Mitch Hall (19:09). reshman Declan Winship (19:31), sophomore Trevor Malarkey (20:32), freshman James Jones (20:47), senior Harrison Barnes (20:49) and freshman Aditya Sayanur (22:26).

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

#### **Shoot-Out champs**



Novi's 2012 Motor City Madness 12U Red team won the NSA Sidewinders Fall Shoot-Out in Waterford, Shown (I to r. front) are Alissa Sweeney, Anna Dixon: (middle) Sydney Kist, Ally Cummings, Emily McCleary, Kelsey Obrien, Sarah Holton, Bethany Kopel, Chioe White, Jamie Gustitus, Emma Parvaski; (back) Coaches Mark Dixon, Jeff Sweeney and Russ Holton.

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Cats hoop tryouts Novi Cats Basketball Club tryouts will be held at Novi Middle School on two days. Fourth, fifth and sixth grade boys tryouts will be 9-10:30 a.m. and seventh and eighth grade boys tryouts will p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 5. On Thursday, Nov. 10,

tryouts for fourth, fifth Attorneys J.B. Bieske and Jennifer Allonsi have 42 years combined experience representing only Social Security and sixth grade boys will be held from 6:30-8 p.m. and for seventh and eighth grade boys from 8-9:30 p.m. Please arrive 15 minutes before your tryout

to complete registration; parent/guardian signature is required. For more information, Mike McSweeney (248) vast experience before loca lichigan Judges.

### CITY OF NOVI NOTICE OF ADOPTION

ORDINANCE NO. 18.253 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE NOVICITY COUNCIL HAS ADOPTED ORDINANCE NO. 18.253 TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 97-18 AS AMENDED, THE CITY OF NOVI ZONING ORDINANCE, ADDING ARTICLE 23B, PSLR, PLANNED SUBURBAN LOWRISE OVERLAY DISTRICT; TO AMEND ARTICLE 24, SCHEDULE OF REGULATIONS, SECTION 2400 HEIGHT, BULK, DENSITY AND AREA BY ZONING DISTRICT, TO ADD REQUIREMENTS FOR THE PSLR OVERLAY DISTRICT AND TO AMEND ARTICLE 25 GENERAL PROVISIONS SECTION 2509 LANDSCAPING STANDARDS, SECTION 2519 PERFORMANCE STANDARDS AND SECTION 2520 EXTERIOR BUILDING WALL FACADE MATERIALS TO ADD REQUIREMENTS FOR THE PSLR OVERLAY DISTRICT. PSLR OVERLAY DISTRICT.

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Maryanne Cornelius, City Clerk

Publish: November 3, 2011

#### JV falls to Braves, 18-8

online at hometownlife.com

The NV Novi Bobcats played their final game Walled Lake Braves, but came up short, losing 18-8 at Walled Lake on Oct. 30. The game began with the Braves marching down the field on their first possession, scoring against the Bobcats, but an early 6-0 lead. As has been the trademark of lliese Bobcats all season. they stiffened on defense after giving up an early score, but late in the sec ond quarter the Braves countered off-tackle. atching the Bobcats defense off-guard and scoring again to make the game a 12-0 affair at halftime. The Bobcats failed to score in the first half, but had good offensive series that only stalled in the red zone by untimely penalties to keep them off the board. Running well for the Bobcats in the first half were Trendon Hankerson, Bren dan Smith and Jordan Ward, Ward electrified the crowd with a dizzying run that included several changes of direction and quick moves that

caused several Braves to

miss tackles before finaland scampered down the ly bringing him down. Ward also had a key interthe end zone before being driven out of bounds, takception to stop a Braves' drive in the first half. ing the Bobcats once The second half saw again deen into Braves Braves back deep in their zone. Then it was Tyler Vankirk's turn, tak them cross up the Bobthe hand-off and begin ats with another coun ning inside, he bounced off would-be tacklers and ter play that resulted in fought his way for seva long touchdown run for the Braves, who took a eral tough yards, getting the Bobcats closer to the commanding 18-0 lead in goal line. Then the Bobwhen the Bobcats could cats switched it up on the have given up and let Braves, with quarterback Chad Howell dropping the game turn into a rout back and throwing a perfor the Braves, the Bob cats came to life. They fect strike to the corner of engineered a long drive the end zone to tight end

Downs successfully converted the PAT kick, and the Bobcats were on the

JV Bobcat receiver Casey Lyons (23) catches the touchdown pass from quarterback Chad

Howell against the Walled Lake Braves Oct. 30.

cats then pitched the ball

to Smith, who cut outside

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Although the Bobcats' touchdown ended the scoring for the day, they played inspired footbal n the second half and held the Braves' offer in check. Playing well for were Isaiah Hawkins, who recovered a fumble and had several tackles, Austin Turner, who made sev eral big plays and forced a fumble from his defensive tackle position, and Rakin Parker, who regis tered several tackles for losses and led the Bobcat defense, as he has all sea-

The offensive line of center David Karlavage, guards Jordan Castleber ry and Turner, and tackles er, all did an excellent job opening holes for the Bobcat running backs, who 150 yards rushing on the

Matt Williams and Park

Celebrating four years of Bobcat football and their final game as JV Bobcats were Howell yons, Smith, Vankirk and Williams, who all served together as team captains for the game. Congratulations to all of the JV Bobcats on a fine effort all season.

Freshmen topple

Orioles, 19-6

In their final game of Bobcats won their playoff game against the Livo-

nia Orioles, 19-6, through a complete team effort by

each player. The Go Team started off the first quarter with a key defensive furnble recovery on third Ryan T Farris and Alex nder Vargas. This set up Ethan Smythe for a quarterhack bootlet 20-vard run to the Orioles 45-yard line. The Green Offense took over, again led by the dynamic running back luo of Michael Lynch and Makari Paige. Both running backs attacked the middle and outside all day for positive yards ehind Luke Tuckey, Dan iel Erno, Scott Slater. ınd Gavin Parenti who had their best game of the year. Both offensive drives stalled deep in Ori oles territory due to some clutch tackling by the Orioles defensive ends.

It was a defensive bat tle for most of the second quarter as both the Bobcats and Orioles exchanged field posiion. On offense there were contributions every where including Devin Ellison who filled in as running back with some dazzling moves to keep a drive alive by convert ing a key third down late in the quarter. It was still no score late in the sec-ond quarter until the Bob cats defense stepped up and made a game changing turnover in which the ball lose from the Orirunning back and

ran it in 55 yards for the score. This concluded the half time score at 6-0. At the start of the third quarter the Bobcats came out even more focused and determined. The Go Team started where they left off with some great execution and playmak ing. Ethan Smythe, who had 76 yards rushing on the day, ran on three for a combined 56 yards all the way to the Ori-

oles 4-yard line behind great blocking by Gabriel Young, Alexander Awd ish, and Connor Traux. The Bobcat Offense capped of the drive with a Michael Lynch 4-yard run up the middle for the score. The Bobcat defense made, an excel lent stop of defense with some key tackling by Josh Erno, Jonah Matas, and Ashton Smith, With the Bobcats back on offer sive, quarterback Ashtor Smith immediately found Makari Paige on quick screen pass who ran for a a key block on the outside corner by Michael Willingham. After a success ful point this put the Bobcats up 19-0.

With the Bobcat starters pulled, the Bobcat players continued to perform bril ball. Early in the fourth quarter on defense, Logan O'Connor made a stellar interception at midfield. This setup the Bobcats offense now led by Jack drive down supported by running back Ryan Baco and key blocking from starter Mark O'Connor. Calvin Hait, and Dylan King. The defense recov ble in the game as they again stopped the Orioles starting offense. The Orioles did score late in the fourth quarter as the game ended where is driving down the field as time expired for a 19-7 final score.

It was a spirited game and well deserved win for the players who have played hard every week of the season. The coaching staff is extremely proud of the entire team and how they played all seasor and would like to thank the players for all their hard work and dedication throughout the sea-

Submitted by Joseph Smythi

### SOCIAL SECURITY

in the pass for the Bob-

cats' touchdown. Brendan

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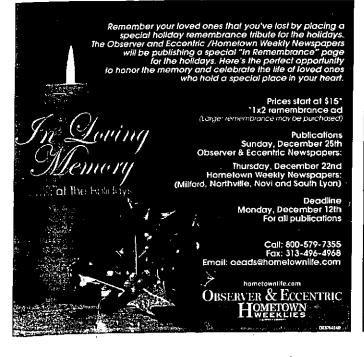
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Rob Hayes, Director Department of Public Services

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Did you know? Stay in the kitchen when you are cooking on the stovetop so you can keep an eye on the

ing your turkey and check on it

 Keep children away from hot and kids should stay 3 feet

• Make sure kids stay away from hot food and liquids. The steam or splash from vegetables, gravy or coffee

 Keep the floor clear so you don't trip over kids, toys, pock-

etbooks or bags. Keep knives out of the reach · Be sure electric cords from

plate warmer or mixer are not dangling off the counter within easy reach of a child.

· Keep matches and utility lighters out of the reach of children — up high in a locked cab-

These are the area residential real-

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· Never leave children alone in room with a lit a candle. · Make sure your smoke alarms are working. Test them by pushing the test button out of the kitchen during this

can get involved in Thanksgiving preparations with recipes that can be done outside the

The NFPA also notes that cooking and cooking fires are the No. 1 cause of home fires and home injuries. More infor mation can be found at www. rfpa.org/education These cooking safety tips

apply all year: · Be on alert! If you are sleepy or have consumed alcohol don't use the stove or

· Stay in the kitchen while you are frying, grilling, or broiling for even a short period of time,

turn off the stove. · If you are simmering, baking, roasting, or boiling food, check it regularly, remain in the home while food is cooking. and use a timer to remind you

that you are cooking. Keep anything that can catch fire - oven mitts, wooden utensils, food packaging, towels or curtains — away from

f you have a home cooking

 Just get out! When you leave, close the door behind you to help contain the fire · Call 9-1-1 or the local emergency number after you leave.

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be sure others are getting out and you have a clear way out. Keep a lid nearby when grease fires. Smother the fire by sliding the lid over the pan and turn off the stovetop. Leave the pan covered until it is com-

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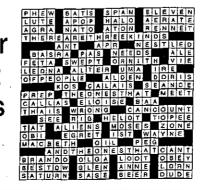
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Hyundai already has had a great year: U.S. sales were up by 31 percent through three quarters, boosting its market share to a record 5.6 percent. But the brand is keeping its foot on the accelerator in an attempt to extend its achievements.

The new,

stylish, "three-



door" Veloster is part of Hyundai's plan to maintain the attention of American consumers, as is a

Dale Buss new six-cylinder Azera full-size sedan. Hyundai marketers also want to refine their approach to the Super Bowl by emphasizing the Hyundai brand in TV spots rather than focus as much on specific products as in the past.

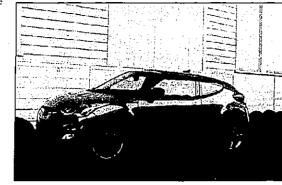
Veloster is an exciting new vehicle: Its low-slung design places the car somewhere between

a sedan and a coupe, with just one rear door, and it's stocked with lots of cockpit gadgetry that will appeal to Millennials especially. such as a seven-inch multimedia touchscreen that integrates all entertainment and telematics.

At the same time, prices start at just \$17,000. It's a good time for Hyundai to introduce such a vehicle, having to watch out for resurgent Japanese brands this fall, with their vast line-ups of Hyundai competitors, as well as solid small-car entries from GM and Ford.

Hvundai marketeting executives are calling the new Veloster (tagline: "Engineered for Whatever") a "halo car" even though such nameplates typically shine their light at the priciest end of a product line.

But up there, Hyundai aiready has Equus and Genesis, and its biggest need right now is to keep reminding entry-level buyers who are in play now more than at



The new Hyundai Veloster was just selected "Urban Car of the Year"

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Veloster's marketing will include an ambitious campaign to match, featuring 15-second TV ads with voice ambassador Jeff Bridges, videos, events, concerts and even a full-length documentary centering on iconic music, which makes sense given that Pandora is one of its digital features.

Veloster has "plenty of features, laudable fuel econlomy and sharp looks," making it a "top pick for a fun-to-drive hatchback," according to Edmunds.com. The car's biggest advantages include "lots of features for the money," the innovative three-door design, high fuel economy of 40 mpg on the highway, balanced ride and handling, its distinctive styling, a large cargo space, and Hyunda's amously long warranty coverage. Veloster is powered by a new,

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The three-door layout, of course, is Veloster's most prominent design feature. Edmunds.com says that the coupe-like driver-side door lets drivers get in and out easily while two passenger-side doors provide added convenience for loading people or things.

version.

Among the down sides of the Veloster, Edmunds.com said, are poor rear visibility, noticeable road noise, and cramped rear seats. Veloster may be one of

Hyundai's biggest product reaches yet in the U.S. market. Both Genesis and Equus also have been reaches for the brand because of how the company is trying to thrust itself into a crowded U.S. near-luxury segment without any heritage there - and keep the move under the Hyundai brand. unlike Japanese competitors that have created separate luxury marques such as Lexus and Acura.

Nevertheless, Hyundai has become a force in the U.S. market over the last 15 years by skillfully mixing promotion of specific products along with advancement of strong concepts that undergird the whole brand. Early last decade, for instance, its trailblazing 100,000-mile warranty allayed U.S. consumers' fears about product quality. And then, during the Super Bowl three years ago, Hyundai introduced Assurance, a ground-breaking plan to release new buyers from their leases or loans if they lost their jobs in the foundering

Now. Hyundai marketers want to use the 2012 Super Bowl to advance more of an overall feeling for the brand. With its three spots - two during Super Bowl XLVÎ from Indianpolis, on NBC on February 5, and one just before kickoff - Hyundai will focus more on sparking an emotional connection with consumers and less on giving them practical reasons to buy particular nameplates, Steve Shannon, Hyundai's CMO in America, told Ad

Presumably, another goal is to make Hyundai an iconic Super Bowl advertiser. "We need to get the headset on," Shannon said. "The bar is high."



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