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The Novi Police Department will host a Civilian Pistol Safety Class from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. on Saturday, April 28 at the Novi Police Department Training Center (45125 W. 10 Mile Road). After lunch, participants will move to the Novi Firearms Training Center to complete the course.

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

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 ammunition, safety glasses, and shooter's earmuffs or ear plugs.

For more information, visit cityofnovi. org or contact Sergeant Michael Warren at mwarren@cityofnovi. org or (248) 347-0572.

Saturdays for seniors

The Novi Senior Center is planning a series of events that will have attendees moving, grooving, celebrating, and competing.

Each Super Saturday event includes a meal and live entertainment. All events are from 4-6 p.m. at the Novi Senior Center.

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Drive-throughs might be coming to Town Center district

Planning commission to look at modifying standards

By Nathan Mueller

The Novi Planning Commission is going to take a look at modi-fying the standards in the Town Center zoning district that would allow drive-through restaurant uses in the area on the south side

of Grand River Avenue, west of Flint Street and east of the railroad tracks.

A number of business owners approached the community development department with interest in constructing drivethrough restaurants. Panera Bread, in the City Center Plaza,

also was looking to add a drive-through to their existing building.

City manager Clay Pearson said he thinks the item deserves a good strong look and a drivethrough as an accessory use would improve the "viability" and "marketability" of those

"It's more important we get into what those properties are used for and how they look and how the signage is and how they fit together than the outright prohibition we have on the books right now," he said.

City council referred the item to the planning commission Monday night, but not without concerns

Council member Andrew Mutch said he would be in favor of the accessory use but not a 'straight up fast-food drivethrough use.

"I wouldn't want to see a situation where we end up with a lot of these uses in the TC-1 district because I just don't think it's compatible with the long-term

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Sgt. Ken Meier is retiring from the Novi Police Department this weekend after 30 years serving the organization in various capacities.

Novi sergeant retiring aπei 30 years with department

Molloy: Meier was a 'consummate professional'

By Nathan Mueller Staff Writer

Ken Meier's three-decade long career with the Novi Police Department comes to an end Saturday, and the sergeant is leaving with no

Meier has served the department in various capacities over the years - including detective sergeant, detective and field training officer -

and seen it grow into one of the premier departments in the state.

Well-respected by his peers, Meier said through the good and bad he wouldn't do anything differently.

"Every day I came I never said I didn't want to come to work today," he said. "It's going to be tough to see other officers out on the beat and wondering what they are doing, but it's time.'

Director of Public Safety/ Chief of Police David Molloy, who served as a uniform officer and shift sergeant with Meier for several years, said he always treated people with the utmost respect and integ-

"He has always been one of those individuals I admired and respected and learned a lot from over the years," he

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Tilted Kilt Pub denied quota liquor license

Council members say they would support transfer request

By Nathan Mueller Staff Writer

The proposed Titled Kilt Pub and Eatery is going to have to go another route to obtain a liquor license after the Novi City Council denied granting the business one of the city's four quota licenses.

The denial of the license passed by a 4-3 vote as the majority of council members felt the business did not meet the criteria in the general licensing policy the city uses to consider a new license.

the business is unique to the city, will foster economic development and represents an added financial investment on the part of a longterm business or resident among other items.

Mayor Pro Tem David Staudt said he would approve the liquor license as a transfer, but wasn't willing to give up "one of the four extremely valuable quota licenses we have."

The city only has a certain number of liquor licenses available, based on the city's population.

"We treat these with kid gloves because we get so few, and they generally are used to reward unique situations, unique circumstances," he said. "And in your case, as stated throughout this document, your situation is not unique."

The Titled Kilt Pub and Eatery is looking to locate in the Twelve Mile Crossing at Fountain Walk in the

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said. "He was the consummate professional who does the right thing." Meier was attracted to Novi in 1992 because it was an "excellent" department that required a four-year college degree and had high stan-

And he even fell in love with the city so much that he moved his wife of 32 years, Eileen, and their three children here.

He said his favorite role in the department was being a field training officer, a role Molloy said he excelled in.

"Having someone like him who is a mentor and coach makes them better police officers." he said. "They will be better prob lem-solvers and commu-

As far as his best day on

the job, Meier said it was when he helped deliver Meghan McDonald in October 1983 because he was the first to arrive on the scene. Even almost 30 years later, he still keeps in touch with the family. "It was pretty unique

and exciting," he said. And the worst were "when bad things happen to good people and you are there to help them through it."

He said what made his job and the department great were all the people he worked with, from the officers in uniform to the record clerks and dis-

And his advice to those working their way up the ranks is simple. "Respect everybody, respect life and be professional," he said.

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World Market. Sean Cahill, with Titled Kilt, said the business averages between \$5-6 million in sales a year and would hire roughly 200 employees. It also would be the first Michigan location for the fran-

Council members Terry Margolis and Wayne Wro-

John J. O'Brien

bel, as well as Mayor Bob Gatt supported denying the license, but said they would support a transfer. while council members Justin Fischer, Andrew Mutch and Laura Casey were in favor of grant-

Fischer said he felt the business did meet the criteria and would help the Fountain Walk area reestablish itself.

"Sometimes I feel we treat these liquor licens-

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tect them so much to the point where we aren't rewarding people... and in a sense they should be. This is a business that is looking to be one of the

unique in and of itself, and we're talking about a part of the city where we need investment. Mutch echoed Fischer's point about helping a

Fountain Walk area that has "never truly realized the vision that some people had for that area." "We help out other busi

he said. "We like to pro-

first in Michigan, that's Cahill did not indicate at

route to obtain a liquor license in the future.

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vision that we have for the area," he said. Council member Terry Margolis also said looking at limited use would be wanted to put to rest the idea that the town center is a pedestrian-friendly

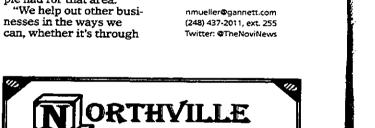
"I think it pre-dates many of us here listing it that way," she said. 'Ouite frankly, to me this isn't a pedestrian-friendly district. Certainly Main Street perhaps I think is a focus. But as I look at those areas. I've lived here long enough to have heard that many, many, many times. And the number of pedestrians I have seen is miniscule." The planning commission will discuss the issue and hold a public hearing before providing a recommendation to city council.

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tax abatements or changes to our zoning ordinances," he said. "In this case, the quota liquor license would help get this busi-

ness going tomorrow. "We haven't had a lot of people coming in here the last few years looking for these licenses, and here is someone who is ready to

Monday's meeting if they









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Carol's has two decades of making old furniture look new again

Business offering two free Garage Sale Furniture Finding Clinics in May

Katy Michalski, who works as the business'

marketing coordinator

said while it may cost

an older piece of furni-

pays off as it often lasts

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free Garage Sale Furni-

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noon-1 p.m. on May 5 and May 19.

Ray said the best plac-

es to find furniture are at

new items.

more up front to upgrade

By Nathan Mueller

online at hometownlife.com

A vast array of furniture is strewn about the warehouse at Carol's Upholstery awaiting transformation.

Some pieces are small chairs, while others are large sofas, but when completed each will have its own unique characteristics.

Ann Ray, who has coowned the Novi business with Carol Morrissey for the last 20 years, takes pride in taking something weathered from years of use and making it look and feel new again. "When a customer

up to par, she said, and as

a result people are having

to replace items on a more

The older items, while

worn out and outdat-

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thrift shops, garage sales picks up a piece of furniand moving sales. Furniture, we far exceed their ture that is 15-20 years old is ideal, including 'It's satisfying to see items built with a solid their reactions. wood frame and steel coil

Rav. who started working at her father's furni-"A used piece of furniture store when she was a ture is a buyer's market," teenager, said outward cosmetics often send people to And Ray plans on being the furniture store looking there to help them make it new again.
"I really love doing for an upgrade, but really they are taking a step back. The quality of furniture this," she said. "The combeing made today is not munity has always kept

us going through the hard times, and we hope to be here another 20 years." For more information about Carol's Upholstery, visit www.carolsupholstery.com or find them on Facebook. The store is located at 44480 Grand River Avenue.

"What we do is all about longevity, serviceability and being comfortable (248) 437-2011, ext. 25



Carol Morrissey, co-owner of Carol's Upholstery, works on re-sewing covers for a boat's



Some of the tools-of-the-



Ann Ray of Carol's Upholstery in Novi works on renovating the spring support system of an armchair in their Grand River Avenue shop. The business is in its

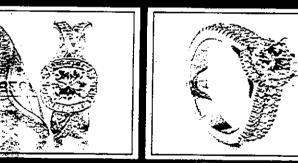


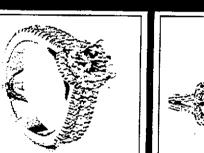
Ann Ray stands next to a couch that Carol's Upholstery refurbished with new fabric recently. The couch had begun its life with a vinyl covering.

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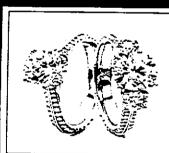
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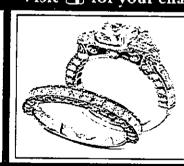


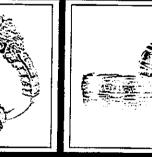


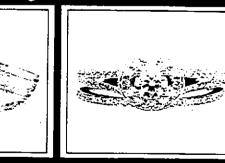


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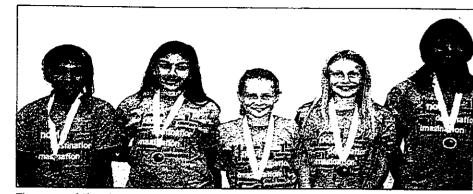


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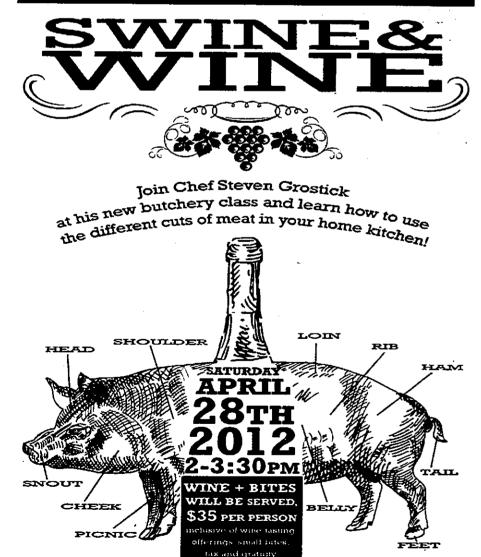
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St. Catherine of Siena selects new director

St. Catherine of Siena Academy in Wixom has named Bruno Fernandez to the position of director of Student Affairs/Athletics. Fernandez comes to St. Catherine with nearly 13 years of experience in tholic education.

"I am very thankful to women. His expertise in St. Catherine of Siena Academy for giving me the management of youth the incredible opportuprograms, curriculum nity to combine my love development, and athletand expertise in the fields ic programs will benefit the growth of the school in the years to come.

of education and sports into this position," said Fernandez on his decision to come to the Academy. 'I am looking forward to contributing to the development of a strong academic environment and a competitive athletic program based on the phiosophy of Blessed John Paul II and his understanding of the Feminine Genius. Fernandez's backemy's the inte-

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These areas include pos-

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ior programs, student activities, a comprehensive sports program, and leadership and spiritual growth opportunities through retreats, events, field trips, and other meaningful activities. "Bruno comes to us

> with the highest of recwealth of experience in Catholic education from both Notre Dame High School and Loyola Catholic High School," said Kathy Tarnacki, principal. "We are delighted to have him as a member of our administrative team, and we look forward to the perspective and expertise he brings to the departments he will

Fernandez earned a law degree from the Universidade Compostelana in Spain. He is married and

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University Elizabeth Gutowski, of Novi, was among 37 students who received Board of Trustees'

highest scholastic averdaughter of Ronald and age (4.0 GPA) at the Connie Gutowski. A close of their last semesmember of the Honors ter of attendance. The College, Gutowski is an students also will be receducation major in the ognized at their spring College of Education. commencements May She is a graduate of Novi 4-6. Gutowski is the



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Novi Woods student Gavin Flynn, 9 (above, left), attempts to pick up an object on the floor - while on crutches — during the school's April 12 Disabilities Workshop. During the day long effort, students got to experience what it's like to be blind, deaf, sensory with motor skills problems. Novi Woods hosts the event once a year — which rotates among many Oakland

County schools. Selena Huang (right), a Novi Woods fourth-grader, tries on a pair of plasses that simulate extreme far-sightedness:



SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE UPDATE

Salon team earns gold in culinary competition

Schoolcraft College hosted several of the professional and student competitions for the annual Central Regional Conference of the American Culinary Federation this past week. Seminars and other activities associated with this 11 state regional conference were held simultaneously throughout the conference at the MotorCity Casino Hotel

Schoolcraft College's Culinary Salon leam was one of 10 teams (each representing their state as winners of their state level competitions) that competed at the Central Regional Conference level for one of four spots in the National Level Competition in June in Orlando. While Schoolcraft's team did win one of three gold medals that were awarded, they missed securing a spot at the National ACF Student Competition by .06 of a point. Members of the Schoolcraft College

Culinary Salon Team are Brandon Zarb of Milford, Michelle:Collett of Romulus, Katie Kilanski of Belleville, Tyler Bergquist of Canton, and Carla Spicuzzi of West Bloomfield. They are coached by Executive Chef Shawn Loving. Department Chair; and faculty members Executive Chef Chris Misiak, Master Chef Kevin Gawronski, Executive Chef Brian Polcyn, Master Chef Jeffrey Gabriel, Executive Chef Marcus Haight Master Pastry Chef Joseph Decker, and Master Chef Dan Hugelier.

In addition to the Student Team Competition and Schoolcraft's role as a host facility for many of the food preparation competitions. Chef Misiak acted as lead judge for the Knowledge Bowl competition, which tests the culinary knowledge of professionals and students, which was held at the MotorCity Casino Hotel. Certified Master Pastry Chef Joseph Decker provided an hourlong, standing-room only dessert demonstration at the hotel during the final day of the conference

International recognition garnered at PTK International Conference

Schoolcraft College returned home from the International Phi Theta Kappa Conference in Nashville, Tenn., recently with several prestigious awards. Phi Theta Kappa (PTK) is the international honor society for community colleges. Dr. Conway A. Jeffress, president of

Schoolcraft College and a Novi resident, was presented the Shirley B. Gordon Award of Distinction. Gordon award recipients are recognized by the international PTK for providing extensive support and resources for their colleges' local Phi Theta Kappa chapters, including faculty advisor release time, funding for the chapter, scholarship opportunities for PTK members, and supporting chapter member particinal

tion in regional and international events. Specifically, Jeffress was nominated for the award for his dedication to the Complete the Degree Initiative and his dedica tion to the students and school through his support of the pending baccalaureate legislation in Michigan (which would allow community college's to grant bachelor's degrees in a limited number of applied areas and give students more opportunities for pursuing their higher education goals). He also supports Schoolcraft College's Learning Assistance Center (LAC) by obtaining funding from federal and state programs. The LAC offers tutors at no cost to students that need help in their

Jeffress also is a strong proponent and advocate of students becoming leaders in their communities, something he encourages new and current PTK mem bers to do whenever he speaks at induc tion ceremonies for the Omicron Iota Chapter of PTK at Schoolcraft College. Jeffress is one of only eight college presidents/campus CEOs to receive the 2012 Shirley B. Gordon Award of Distinction, named in honor of the late Dr. Shirley B. Gordon, who served as chair of Phi Theta Kappa's Board of Directors for 20 years.

In addition, Michael J. Wisniewski, Jr. of Romulus, was named as one of the Top Ten Regional Officers and the Michgan Region was named one of the Top Ten Distinguished Regions for 2012. This is quite an honor for Wisniewski as he not only serves as the president for the Schoolcraft College Omicron Iota Chapter of PTK, he is also the president of the Michigan Regional Chapter of PTK. The Distinguished Region award recognizes achievements in areas of programming regional meetings, membership growth and the quantity and quality of chapter participation in PTK chapter, state and nternational programs.

Elaine Langlois, a resident of Northville, was named one of only 30 Distinguished Members of PTK, selected from the more than 125,000 of members elected annually from throughout

Budget will not hinder opportunities for students

n the winter of 1971, when I was sophomore in high school, I was one of the seven dwarfs in Sandia High School's Children's Theater production of "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs. That spring's pro-

duction was part of the requirement in my Drama I class. Everyone had to participate and you were part of the cast or part of the crew. I was one of the largest dwarfs

Later that school year, spring 1972, I had a walkon part in the spring play. I was on stage for less than three minutes, but I still remember it today. I was an escaped prisoner who was recaptured by the police.

What was the play? I do not remember. What I remember was being part of a group of students who enjoyed what they were doing.

High school is about opening doors. High schools need to provide options and opportunities for students.

This past Saturday night I had the privilege of attending Novi High School's spring musical "Legally Blonde." What an amazing array of talent. From the pit orchestra to to those who changed the sets so many times, it was a wonderful experience. The delivery man was a personal favorite.

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I could go on and on talk ing about the clubs like robotics that have teams at the middle school and high school. I could talk about foreign language clubs and the trips they take around the world.

Times have been tough in Michigan for many vears. In these econom ic times it would be easy to try and cut everything in our \$70 million dollar budget. A person could

that cutting the budget is the most important thing

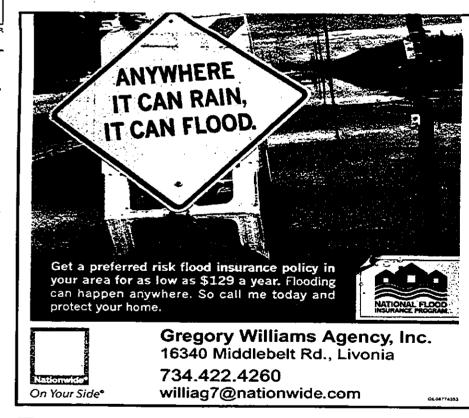
that we do. It is not. In fact, focusing on just balancing the budget is shortsighted. Goal number three focuses the district's attention on enhancing opportunities for students instead of responsibility is to ensure that our district continues to offer students every opportunity that we can so that students can explore who and what

they want to become. Clearly we have to be mindful of the budget and find ways to fund opportunities. We have to do this without the constraints that the current system outs on us as well Goal number three focuses our attention on being fiscally sound with pro-

viding opportunities. My experience as one of the seven dwarfs convinced me that I was probably not made for the theater. But it did help me understand that schools need to offer opportunities for students so that they can explore in a safe

Novi has provided students with opportunities and Novi will continue to offer students opportunities in the future.

> Steve Matthews is the superintendent of the Novi Community Schools District He can be reached at smatthews@novi.k12.mi.us; (248) 437-1234; www.twitter com/docsmatthews: or www.novisuperintendent blogspot.com.





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pointment Priests: Father Bob LaCroix. pastor and Father Michael Zuelch, associate pastor

Lenten events Time/Date: 7 p.m. Thurs-

Details: "Catholicism" DVD

discussion Time/Date: 7 p.m. Fridays Details: stations of the cross

CROSSPOINTE MEADOWS CHURCH Location: 29000 Meadowbrook Road, south of 13

Mile Road Contact: (248) 669-9400, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday-Thursday or visit www. crosspointemeadows.org

ALLIE, JAMES J.

"Mr. Highland" Age 79; born on November 12, 1932 in White

Lake, Michigan; and passed away in Commerce Township, Michigan on April 18, 2012. Beloved husband of Zora P. Allie

for 56 years; Loving father of Julie (David) Barnes, James (Kathryn) Allie, Wendy (Robert)

Schmitt, and the late Joseph Allie: Cherished grandfather of Jeremy (Barbra) Barnes, Amanda (Kevin) Blackburn, Amber (Ted) Perron,

Aaron (Elise) Allie, Jacol

Schmitt, and Curtis Schmitt: Dear

great-grandfather of Quinn, Jewel. Dane. Grayson, Seth. Cayden,

Nolan, Grace, and Kaitlyn; James

will be missed by many family members and friends; Jim was a life-long, dedicated Highland Twp., resident, armed forces ver-

eran, artist, avid sportsman & nub-

lic servant, Arrangements entrusted to the Elton Black & Son

uneral Home, Highland Chapel.

GET LISTED! Submit: Send calendar

submissions via e-mail to cstone@gannett.com; by fax to (248) 685-2892; or by mail to Church Events/ Northville-Novi, 101 N. Lafayette, South Lyon, MI 48178, Items must be received by noon on Monday to be included

Sunday Worship: 11:15 Bible study classes: 10

in Thursday's newspaper.

a.m. for all ages Details: Nursery and older children programs available. Worship blends traditional and contemporary elements resulting in a multi-sensory worship experience. **Destiny Worship Center**

Location: Ridge Wood Elementary School, 49775 6 Mile Road, Northville Contact: DestinvW3C@ Gmail.com or visit www DW3C.org.

EMMANUEL **LUTHERAN CHURCH** Location: 34567 7 Mile Road, Livonia Contact: (248) 442-8822

Passages Wew Online www.hornetownilfe.com

1-800-579-7355 • fax 313-496-4968 • htwobits@hometownlife.com

Deadline: Tuesday 9:45 a.m. for Thursday

COON.

RUTH MARIE

PRESBYTERIAN **CHURCH**

Location: 44400 W. 10 Mile Contact: (248) 349-2345 or visit www.faithcommunity

Book of Revelation Study Time/Date: 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays and 9:30 a.m.

Details: Come and learn what John is writing about, what the symbolism means, and how this book still speaks to us today. **Faith Journeys**

Details: Following worship life and the difference that

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF NORTH-

Contact: (248) 348-1020 Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m. and 5:45 p.m. Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study: 9:30

> Wednesday Schedule: 5:30 p.m. Family Meal, \$5 per person, \$15 per family; 7 p.m. Children's Caravan, Club 56, Bible Study, Quilting, Adult Classes, Youth

Friday! Time/Date: 5:30 p.m.

Jan. 27, 1931- April 18, 2012 5:30 and 6:30 p.m. (\$5 per McSWEENEY. THOMAS L. Passed away April 18, 2012 lowship Hall Online Condolences: obriensullivanfuneralhome.com

In memory of MICHAEL SCHULTZ 2010. He would have been 64 of

LEONARD, MARY

DiPONIO

April 29th. I love and miss you Patricia A. Tornow & Family. SLANGA, JOHN

June 5, 1925- April 18, 2012 VILES, KEITH

Age 54, passed away April 16 2012. A private family service wa held. Arrangements by Phillip Funeral Home, South Lyon. www.phillipsfuneral.com

Age 78, of Brighton, MI,

passed away peacefully a home with his loving fam

ily at his side on Easter day, Apri 8, 2012. He was born on April 19 1933 to Roy and Julie Workman in

Saginaw, MI. He attended Sout

Lyon schools. Survived by lovin

wife Barbara, children Tony (Judy) Workman, Roy Workman, Brenda (James) Yonkin, Lori

(Kevin) Gasparotto, Alison (John Palmer, Janeen (Kurt) Walz, 1-

grandehildren, 14 great-grandehildren, 1 great grandson due August. Sisters. Donna Moran, and Kathryn (Gary) Underhill. Preceded in death by his parents Roy and Julia Workman, and 2

brothers Tom and James. He will

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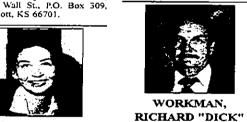
you find

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Friends



Age 79, of Milford, passed away in the care of her family April 22, 2012. In addition to Raymond her years, she is survived by her children, Kelly (Arun) Mandagere, Don (Karen) Bergin, Patrick (Patricia) Bergin; grandchildren, Kevin, Angie, Jill, Allison, Sean and Matthew as well as many extended family and friends. Funeral Service from Milford Presbyterian Church, 238 N. Main St., Milford on Thursday, April 26 at 10 AM. The Rev. Anne-Schaefer to officiate. Friends vis-ited Lynch & Sons Funeral Home Wednesday, Burial St. John Catholic Cemetery, For further please phone or visit 248.684.6645 ww.LynchFuneralDirectors.com

Sept. 4, 1935- April 11, 2012 Online Condolences: obriensullivantuneralhome.com

COOK, THELMA M.

Age 91; born on November 18 1920 in Green Oak Township Michigan and passed on April 22 2012 in Highland, Michigan; Loving wife of the late James C. Cook; Beloved mother of Joseph (Roberta "Sam") Cook, Mark (Rebecca) Cook, & Mary DeWaelsche: Cherished grand-mother of 7 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren; Dear sister of John (the late Kate) Chenoweth, Robert (Jackie) Chenoweth, Thelma was preceded in death by Thelma was preceded in death by er brothers Vane (Rita) Chenoweth, Joseph (the late Pauline) Chenoweth & the late Rex (Janet) Chenoweth; Thelma will lie in state beginning at 10:00. am until the time of service at 11:00 am, at the Highland Church of the Nazarene 1211 W. Livingston Road Highland. Michigan 48357, on Friday April 27, 2012; Family Will Receive Friends from 5:00 - 8:00pm on Thursday April 26, 2012 at the Highland Chapel of the Elton Black & Son Funeral Home, 3295 E. Highland Road, Highland, MI 48356. Memorials appreciated to the Highland Church of the

Nazarene or the Highland Fire Department, Pleuse visit: eltonblackandsonhighland.com

funeral service was held 10:30 a.m., Saturday, April 21, at the Hanover City Cemetery. The service was conducted by Jonathan Koehler, Marilyn Kreger was born September 2, 1934 in Toledo , Ohio. She mar-1934 in Totedo , Ohio. She mar-ried Paul F. Kreger at the Walled Lake Baptist church, Walled Lake, Michigan. Preceding her in death were her parents; husband, Paul; infant daughter. Christine Marie; and brother, Joel Still. She is survived by children Lon F. is survived by children, Lon E Vanderslice Kreger, Rhoda M. Koehler, Paul F. Kreger III, David J. Kreger and Marilyn "Bird" Schramm; brothers, Jeffory Still. Brian Still and Richard "Mac" Still; twelve grandchildren and 25

CHARLES "CHUCK" Age 72, a resident of Hartland and Milford, passed away April 21, 2012. In addition to Carol his beloved wife of nearly 49 years, and Jennifer (Evan) Baker; grand-children Jessica Ossiff, Chuck Larsen, Abbey Johnson, Bridgette Johnson, Lexi Giesey, Tenley Baker; great-grandson Vinnie Morse, Chuck is also survived by extended family, a host of dear friends and many golf buddies. Mass of the Resurrection to be held from St. John the Baptist Church, 2099 N. Hacker Rd., Howell, Friday 11 AM, Friends may visit at Lynch & Sons Funeral Home, 404 E. Liberty St., Millford, Thursday 2 - 9 PM, Wake Service and Time of Sharing Thursday 7 PM led by Deacon Dave Piggot, Memorials encouraged to: Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, Michigan Chapter, 1471 E.Twelve Mile Road, Madison

For further information, phone Lynch & Sons, Milford at 248,684,6645 or visit

FAITH COMMUNITY

Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.

Date: Third Sundays and fellowship, someone will share how they have experienced God in their

VILLE Location: 217 N. Wing

a.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesdays

Thursday Schedule: 6 a.m. Men of Purpose Prayer Group Have a New Kid by

Wednesdays through May Details: A new parenting series by Dr. Kevin Leman. Join for dinner between

CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE

Location: 200 E. Main Street visit firstoresnville.org Sunday Worship

Time: 9:30, 11 a.m. Single Place Time/Date: 7 p.m. every Thursday cial organization for singles

First Presbyterian Church of Northville. Thursday meetings feature speakers games, or entertainment followed with an ice cream social. Date: April 26 Details: Donna Mathias,

certified reflexologist, to talk about reflexology as a natural way of healing, Single Place social follows: \$5 donation please. Date: May 3 **Details:** Requesting attend-

ees to give us their ideas mproving the Singl Place organization and its activities so we may better serve you. Date: May 10

Details: Walt Strasinski whose discussion topic is "Success or Failure, Your Choice". Ice cream social to follow: \$5 donation requested.

Date: May 17 Details: Dr. Tom Gerou,

Men's Bible Study: 9 whose topic is The Ima.m. first Saturday of every portance of Maintaining Good Health As We 'Age to Perfection', Ice cream social

to follow; \$5 donation

Details: First cookout of

requested.

Date: May 24

Date: May 31

donation requested

Location: 205 East Lake

Contact: (248) 437-2875

FIRST UNITED

Road, Northville

Sunday Worship:

Sanctuary - 9:15 a.m.

Sanctuary - 11 a.m.

Sunday School:

Nursery - 8 a.m.

Needs - 11 a.m.

brook Road, Novi

Sundays

am. Worship

HOLY CROSS

GOOD SHEPHERD

LUTHERAN CHURCH

Location: 41415 9 Mile

Road, corner of Meadow

Contact: (248) 349-0565

Time: 8:45 a.m. Sunday

School and Bible Study: 10

Chapel - 8 a.m.

OF NORTHVILLE

Street (corner of Wells and

10 Mile Road), South Lyon

METHODIST CHURCH

Location: 777 West 8 Mile

Contact: (248) 349-1144 or

visit www.fumcnorthville.

Meditative - Held in the

Traditional - Held in the

Contemporary - Held in the

Nursery - 12th grade - 9:15

Nursery - 6th grade/Special

CHURCH

FAMILY INTEGRATED CHURCH Location: 45301 W. 11 Mile Contact: (248) 349-3647 or

FIRST BAPTIST

CHURCH OF NOVI

firstbaptistchurchofnovi.org Family Bible Hour: 9:45 Family Worship: 11 a.m. Bible Study: 6 p.m.

Family Movie Night: 5:30 p.m.; fourth Sunday of every month FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

Location: 21260 Haggerty Road, north of 8 Mile Road Contact: (248) 348-7600 or visit dfcnazarene.org Sunday Schedule: 9:15 a.m. Worship service with Praise Band, children's Sunday School and Adult Bible Fellowship; 10:15 a.m. Fellowship and refreshments: 11 a.m. Traditional worship service, Children's Church, Youth Sunday School and Adult Bible Fellowship; 6 p.m. Evening Service, Children's program, Youth

Worship Service

person), followed by the series at 7 p.m. in the Fel-**FIRST PRESBYTERIAN**

Contact: (248) 349-0911 or

EPISCOPAL CHURCH Location: 40700 W. 10 Mile Contact: (248) 427-1175 or holycrossnovi@gmail.com; visit holyCROSSnovi.org Details: Single Place is a so-Sunday Worship: 7:45 and 40 and up that meets at the

> Sunday School and Nursery Care: 10 a.m. Worship Alzheimer's Support Group

Time/Date: 10 a.m. second Saturday of month **LAKES BAPTIST** CHURCH Location: 309 Decker Road,

LIVONIA CHURCH OF CHRIST Location: 15431 Merriman

Contact: 734-427-8743 or visit www.livoniachurch.net Sunday Worship: 11 a.m. Bible School: Sunday 10 a.m.: Wednesday 7 p.m.

MEADOWBROOK CON-**GREGATIONAL CHURCH** Location: 21355 Meadowbrook Road, between 8 and 9 Mile roads Contact: Rev. Arthur P. Ritter, Senior Minister (248)

348-7757, visit mbccc.org or e-mail to office@mbccc.org. Sunday Worship: 10 a.m. Church School: 10-11 a.m. Fellowship Hour: 11 a.m. Merry Widows Luncheon Time/Date: 11:30 a.m. fourth Thursday of each month Pilgrim Fellowship

the season. Surgers and brats form the grill ac-Time/Date: 6 p.m. Sundays companied by the usual picnic food of baked beans. NORTHVILLE potato salad, etc. If bad CHRISTIAN ASSEMBLY weather, we picnic inside. Location: 41355 6 Mile Road Afterwards, musical enter-Contact: (248) 348-9030 tainment will be provided Sundavs 9-10 a.m.: by Idell. Cost is \$12 for Sunday School for Adults. dinner and entertainment. or \$7 for dinner and \$5 for Youth / Children 9 a.m.: Contemporary

service in multi-purpose gymnasium **Details:** Cards & Games 10:15 a.m.: Contemporary Night. Enjoy playing Euchre, Mexican Train and other service in worship center: children's super church or games, Birthday Cake and the second level (208/210) ice cream follows to celebrate May birthdays; \$5 **Tuesday Morning Ladies** Bible Study 8:45-10:30 FIRST PRESBYTERIAN a.m.: (cafe)

Wednesday Family Night 7 p.m.: Adult elective classes; junior and senior high student ministries: children's programs (M-Pact Girls Club & Royal Rangers Boys Club) Nursery and Preschool Program on Sundays and Wednesdays Home of Northville Christian School (day care; preschool - contact (248) 348-9031 NOVI-NORTHVILLE

CENTER FOR JEWISH LIFE **Details:** A Jewish center with events, programs and activities for all ages throughout the year children's programs, Sunday vouth clubs, holiday services and programs, community

social events. Contact: Rabbi Avrohhom k Leah Susskind at (248) 790-6075 or rabbi@novijewishcenter.com; www. novijewishcenter.com **NOVI UNITED**

METHODIST Location: 41671 W. 10 Mile Road

Peace Vigil

Contact: (248) 349-2652 or visit umcnovi.com Sunday Worship Time: 9:45 a.m. fealing Service and Holy

Time/Date: 9:45 a.m. first Sunday of every month Time/Date: Noon, first Location: In front of the

Details: Members of the congregation and the community will stand united in Advent Service Time/Date: 9:45 a.m.

Sunday **OAK POINTE CHURCH** Location: 50200 W. 10 Mile Road, Novi

Contact: (248) 912-0043 or visit oakpointe.org Worship Services: 5:15 p.m. Saturday; 9:15 and 5 a.m. Su ReNew Life Group Min-

istries Time/Date: 7:15-9 p.m. every Monday Details: Overseen by True-North Christian Counseling, offering a variety of support and relational groups: Divorce Care; Grief Share; Life Disrupted (Doing Well At Being Sick); Restarting; Set-

Please see CHURCH, A7

SOCIAL SECURITY

Many people are wrongly rejected when hey apply for Social Security Disability Denefits. Money was paychecks for Social that they would receive they could no longer vork full-time. Sadly, the government denies
approximately 60% of those who pply for disability benefits.

Attorneys J.B. Bieske and lennifer Alfonsi have 42 years combined experience resenting only Social Security disability clients. And they and appear personally at all court nearings. Many large firms assign speri-enced attorneys to your case. And some of these firms are ocated thousands of miles away and only fly the attorney in the Attorneys Bieske and Alfonsi have vast experience before local

Aichigan judges,



Attorneys Bieske and Alfonsi ence at the application stage. And, if an appeal is nece they have won several hundred cases before a court date is even

Those denied can appeal on years reveal that those represented by attorneys win a much higher percentage of appeals. And attorneys who specialize in Social Security ibility cases win a much

In addition to practicing only Social Security disability law attorney Bieske has writt book for attorneys about the

nterviewed on variou oth attorney Bieske and Alfonsi have als cean interviewed on radio programs and have given speeches t Attorneys Bieske

and Alfonsi offer free phone or office consultation. If they represent you, there will be no fee charged until after the

12 Mile Road. Call them at 1-800-331-3530 for a free consultation If you have been enled, or if you are thinking of possibly applying for Social Security benefits.

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ting Boundaries with Teen & Adult Children; Single and Single Again; Men's Integrity: Cross Current: Her Story-Partner Care; Growing Seasons (for children); and two new groups are Caretakers and Knitted logether (Adoption/Foster Care)

online at hometownlife.com

Contact: (248) 912-0043; http:// www.oakpointe.org/lifegroups/renew/index.html. Women's Life Groups Minis-

Time/Date: 7 p.m. every Tuesday 9:30 a.m. every Wednesday Men's Life Groups Ministries Time/Date: 6 a.m. every Friday morning at various locations For both Women's and Men's Life Groups Ministries, please contact the church office

tries

ORCHARD HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH Location: 23455 Novi Road

927-0891 Contact: Pastor Jon Hix (248) 349-5665

Preschool/Kids Choir Time/Date: 7-8:15 p.m. every Wednesday Details: For ages three to six: ongoing event; no need to preregister; all are welcome. OUR LADY OF GOOD COUN-SEL CATHOLIC CHURCH Location: 47650 N. Territorial

Road, Plymouth Contact: (734) 453-0326, Ext. 221 **OUR LADY OF VICTORY** CATHOLIC CHURCH Location: 770 Thayer, Northville

Contact: (248) 349-2621 or olynorthyille.org **Saturday Worship** Time: 5 p.m. **Sunday Worship** Time: 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 a.m

OUR SHEPHERD

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Location: 1200 S. Sheldon Road. Plymouth Contact: Pastor Bill Burke at (734)

Wednesday Bible Study: 7 p.m. Sunday Bible Study: 9:30 a.m.

PENTECOSTALS OF NOVI

EPISCOPAL CHURCH Location: 574 S. Sheldon Road in Plymouth

> PRAISE BAPTIST CHURCH Location: 45000 N. Territorial Road, Plymouth Contact: (734) 748-3898

Contact: (248) 347-7778 Mass Schedule

CHURCH

Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m. with fellowship and food after service Location: Novi Civic Center, 45175

Contact: (248) 697-8158 or visit www.thepentecostalsofnovi.org PLYMOUTH-ST. JOHN'S

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

ST. JAMES CATHOLIC CHURCH Location: 46325 10 Mile Road, Novi

Time/Date: 8, 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. Monday-Tuesday; 7 p.m. Wednesday: 5 p.m. Saturday ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL

Location: 574 S. Sheldon Road,

Contact: (734) 453-0190, ext. 16. r visit www.stjohnsplymouth.org, Weekend of Centennial Celebration

The Centennial Festival Eucharist Time/Date: 10 a.m.

Details: Service to celebrate official centennial anniversary with Bishop Wendell Gibbs joining for a combined service. Staff is busy with plans for this service including special music and it will be the first use of the banners created by the women and men of the parish. At ter the service, join the celebration reception and enjoy fellowship with the people of St. John's.

ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH Location: 23225 Gill Road, Farmington Hills Contact: (248) 474-0584 or visit

stighn-lutheran.com **Saturday Worship** Time: 5:30 p.m. Sunday Worship Time: 9, 11:15 a.m.

Sunday School Time: 10:15 a.m. ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

Location: 201 Elm Street, Northville Contact: (248) 349-3140 UNITY OF FARMINGTON

Location: 32500 W. 13 Mile Road. Farmington Contact: (248) 737-9191: AdministrativeDirector@unityfh.com **UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST** CHURCH OF FARMINGTON

Location: 25301 Halstead Road, Farmington Hills Contact: www.uufarmington.org Youth Interfaith Journey Time/Date: 9:30 and 11 a.m.

Sundays Details: This religious education program is open to the public and currently enrolling new students. Classes are grouped into grades K-5, 6-8 and 9-12 with age specific education materials for all. Contact: Jennifer Teed at (248) 478-7272 or dre@uufarmington. org

NOVI UNITED METHODIST

41671 W. Ten Mile Road . Novi, M1 48375

HOLY FAMILY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Fr. Bob LaCroix, Pastor

Fr. Michael Zueich, Associate

HOLY CROSS EPISCOPAL

40700 W. Ten Mile Rd. • 248-427-117

Sunday Worship 7:45 am & 10 an

Healing Service Wednesday 11:45 an

Rev. Ann Webber, Rector

turday: 4:30 p.m. (English) & 5:30 p.m. (S

Sunday Worship 9:45 a.m. Rev. June M. Smith, Pastor 248-349-2652

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LORD of LIFE LUTHERAN

CHURCH B10-227-3113

CHURCH & SCHOOL the corner of Winans Lake & Musch R 810-231-9199 Fr. John Rocus, Pastor

Highland

HIGHLAND COMMUNITY CHURCH fen's Bible Study & Break 2nd & 4th Saturdays at 8:15 a.m.

Pastor Nick Rufter **NEW LIFE CHRISTIAN** FELLOWSHIP

TELLOTE JEST
120 Bishop St., Highland
Milford Rd., 2-7/8 miles N of M-59

Sunday School 8:30 a.m.

Morning Worship 10:00 a.m.

Bible Study Wed. 7:00 p.m.
Pastor: Danny Millian
889-7253 or 887-4566

HIGHLAND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 80 W. Livingston Rd. - Highland, MI 4835; 248.887.1311 - www.myhumc..com unday Worship 8:00, 9:15 & 11:00 a.m Kids Church 8:45 & 10:00 a.m Youth Night - Wed. 8:45 - 8:00 p.m. Youth Night - Wed. 8:45 - 8:00 p.m. Young Adults, Recovery, Decree 4 Kds, Grief & mo

Livonia

ELLOWSHIP PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Services held at: Saint Andrews Episcopal Church South of Six Mile Road duit Sunday School 9:30 - 10:15 a.m.; Worsing 10:30

Plymouth:

Dr. James N. McGuire • Nursery Pro

St. John's Episcopal Churc A church that shares the popul love of Christ 574 S. Sholdon Rd. + Plymouth, MI 48170 734-453-0190

Northville

NORTHVILLE CHRISTIAN Experience Life Each Week day Worship - 9:00 am & 10:15 ar nday School and Children's Progr www.ncalife.org 41355 Six Mile Road

WARD HORDEN 40000 Six Mile Road Northville, MI 48168 248,374,7400 248,374,7400 Traditional Worship at 8, 9:30 & 11 a.m. Contemporary Worship at 9:30 & 11 a.m.

First
Presbyterian
— Churcher Northville www.fpcnorthville.org 200 E MAIN ST ALHUITO Varship/Church School 9.30 & 11.00 248-349-0911

Destiny Worship Center www.dw3c.org Saturdays @ 6pm Meeting at Ridge Wood Elementary. 49775 Six Mile Road

CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

FIRST BAPTIST OF MILFORD 133 Detroit St., Militard = 694-5695
Pastor Steve Sweyze
Pastor Steve Sweyze
ndey School (all ages) 245 am. - Sandey Worling - 11 am
Awana G. yn. 550 gandel Wedmacky, 451-4615 gm
dde School/high School Group, Sundays 600-730 pm
Young Adulta, Sandays 600 pm
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OAKPOINTE milford

WEST HIGHLAND **BAPTIST CHURCH** 5. Hickory Ridge Rd., Millord, MI 4 248-887-1218 Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m. Bible Ministries 11:00 a.m. Nednesday All Ages: 7:00 p.m

MILFORD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Sunday Worship: 10:00 a.m. School age 3 thru 5th grade 6 10:00 a. Youth Group 10 am - Grades 6-12

A heritage of area worship since 1830 Milford United Methodist Church Sunday Worship at 8:30 a.m 10:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.

Mill Creek Community Church 270 W. Commerce Road - Millo Sun. 10:00 AM Weds. 7:00 PM 248-714-5817 Email: MillCreek43q@sol.com

248-684-2798

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NEW HUDSON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH (248) 437-6212 * Gerald S. Hunter, Pastor iday School & Bible Class -9:30 a.m. Worship-10:30 a.m.

> FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF NORTHVILLE orap Times: September - May 8:00, 9:15 & 11:00 Methorial Day - Labor Day 8:30 and 10:00 a.m. Rox. Dt. Stoven J. Buck, Senior Pastor

OUR LADY OF VICTORY CATHOLIC CHURCH Sunday, 7:30, 9:30 a.m., 11:30 a.m.

Andrew Street Our Savior Apostolic Lutheran Church ville, MI. 48167 Pastor Andy Whitten Phone 248-374-2268

ST. JAMES ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH NOVI 46325 10 Mile Rd. • Novi, MI 48374 Saturday 5:00 p.m. Sunday 8, 9:30 & 11:30 a.m. Reverend George Chamley, Pastor Parish Office: 347-7778

FAITH COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ORSHIP AND SUNDAY SCHOOL - 10

MEADOWBROOK CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH 1355 Meadowbrook Rd, in Novi at 8 % M 248-348-7757 • <u>www.mbccc.org</u> Sunday Worship 10 a.m. Rev. Arthur Ritter, Senior Ministe

> OAK POINTE CHURCH 50200 W. 10 Mile Road, Nov day Worship 5:15 pm. nday 9:15 a.m. and 11:15 a.m Phone (248) 912-0043 www.oakpointe.org

South Lyon

CROSS OF CHRIST LUTHERAN 437-8810 • 486-4335

rship: 10 a.m.; Sunday School: 10 a.m Adult Bible Study: 9 a.m. N Portisc Trail, South Lyon down aleas Sunday Worship 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 11:00 a.m. Refuel Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. Youth at 6:30 p.m. Rev. David Brown, Pastor 246-437-2222 • www.hotowshipspc.or

The Church of Christ 1860 Ponttac Trail • South Lyon, Mt 48 248-437-3585 • www.southtyoncoc.c 9:30 a.m. Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. Praise and Worship Ineaday Midweek Ministries 7 p.m

FELLOWSHIP BAPTIST CHURCH 10774 Nine Mile Road Rev. M. Lee Taylor • 449-2582 Sunday School, 9:45 a.m., Worship, 11:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. Wodnesday Evening, 7:00 p.m.

Rob Callicott, Pastor

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (U.S.A.) or SOUTH LYON Worship 10:00 a.m.
Nursery Cars Provided
heck us out on the web: www.hoseorthyor.
148-437-2875 = 205 E. Lake (10 Mile)
Michael Horlocker, Supply Pastor

Shepherd's Way Lutheran Church, ELCA 304 N. Lafayette Street South Lyon Mi 48178 Sunday Worship 9:10 AM

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF SOUTH LYON 60820 Marjorie Ann St., South Lyon 48178 Phone: 248-437-2383 Sanday School 9:45 a.m. • Worship Service 17:00 a.m. Evening Service 600 p.m. Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m. Pastor: Roo Freshour I Assoc, Pastor: R Website: www.fbcsouthyori.com • Email: fbcsouthyon#slogiobil.ne

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH 640 S. Lafavette (248) 437-0760 in: 8:15, 11:00 pm & 6:00 p Reverend Sondra Willobed southlyonfirstume.org

BIBLE BELIEVERS CHURCH Gathering in Jesus Name 52909 10 Mile Rd + South Lyon, Mt 48178 Sunday 10:30 and 1:30 Sunday 10:30 and 1:30 Thursday 7:00 p.m. Mike Ragan, Pastor 734-347-1983 pastor call and fashioned proaching

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN at Liberty St. Sunday Service 10:00 a.m. All Classes 9:00

Pastor Scott Miller, (248) 437-165

Wixom

COMMUNITY CHURCH 28930 Wixom Rd. Wixom, MI 48393 9:30 e.m. - Sunday Scho 10:30 e.m. - Morning Wort Kannath Warren - 566-5:

ARPASI, MAGDALENA March 1, 1927- April 13, 2012

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> be missed greatly by family and friends. He proudly served in the Air Force-Korea 1951-1959. He was an auto body technician. He attended Brighton Nazarene Church. His greatest passion was the times spent with his family great-grandchildren. going on family vacations to GA. to visit family, visiting 6 Flags, Cedar Point, Toledo Zoo, camping trips, Florida, family gatherings, fishing and hunting trips, and golf with his sons and friends. In his LARSEN. recent years his favorite past tin was fishing on Fonda Lake fi hours. A time he could reflect o life, and draw closer to Go Visitation was held April 12, 201 at Phillips Funeral Home in South Lyon, MI. Funeral services April 13, 2012 at Brighton Nazarene Church, Clergy Pastor Mark Wagner, Interment in Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holly, MI. Grave side Clergy Pastor, Ber Walls, Memorial Donations to V.F.W. Post 2502, South Lyon, N 48178. American Legion Pos 0338, South Lyon, MI 48178.



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Novi resident Michelle LaLonde stands with Jeopardy host Alex Trebek during her stint on the show, which aired last week. LaLonde's two-day winnings totaled \$20,500.

Novi woman wins on Jeopardy

Final-round gaffe ended LaLonde's run as champion

Novi resident Michelle LaLonde's run as the Jeopardy champion lasted just one episode last

But if she could do Final Jeopardy all over again, it might have lasted a little longer.

LaLonde, a law librarian for the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, was the leader heading into the last question in the category Museums. She said she felt confident about her knowledge of the topic and wagered \$5,500 of her \$8,800 pot. LaLonde and the other two contestants answered incorrectly, but her large

wager dropped her into

second place behind winner Mary Harris.

"I got overconfident in an area I know a lot about and thought I could up my bet," she said, "The big takeaway for me was to trust your gut instinct and never be overconfident in an area you think

you know well. LaLonde pulled off the upset on the episode prior to become champion as she was the only contestant to get her Final Jeopardy question correct. She was in third place going into the final round, but finished with \$18,500 to take the top spot. Her two-day total was

\$20,500. She said she didn't have any expectations when

with the outcome.
"I just thought I would have some fun," she said. "I just wanted to try it. It was one of those minor bucket list kind of things

Bucket list

Appearing on Jeopardy made its way on to her bucket list after years of competing on the college bowl team when she was in school at the University of Michigan, and after talking to several friends

who competed themselves. She started the process by taking an online test through Jeopardy's website before being asked to go to Lexington, Ky. for an in person tryout in July. She successfully completed both tests, and received the call in mid-November to be a contestant on the show that

was being taped in late

LaLonde's preparation for the show consisted of buying an almanac that she only skimmed through on the plane and simulating buzzing in by clicking a ball point pen while watching the show - which she said

didn't work for her. "It's just something you are either going to know it or not," she said, noting it's important to have a western liberal arts back ground and be up-to-date on current events and She said reliving the

experience last week was "tough to watch." but overall said it was a fun and good experience. "I'm not normally in a position to make \$20,000 for an hour of work," she

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Woman 'privileged' to be a volunteer

By Nathan Mueller

Tammy Welsh doesn't olunteer her time bring her good karma.

In fact, the Novi resident said she feels "privileged" to be able to spend time with patients and their families at Angela Hospice in Livonia during such a vulnerable time in their lives. "It's such a reward-

ing and fulfilling feeling," she said. "You feel so good to brighten their day in every way - and every time I go there I

Welsh has been volunteering at Angela Hospice three days a week for nearly two years, working with patients and their families in the care center and training new volunteers. She helps patients with daily activities such as eating, bathing and exercise, and also provides support for families.

She went to school for social work, but never worked in the field after having children. She came across Angela Hospice when she was looking for a way to fill time and give back, and imme diately fell in love. "I knew this was where

I wanted to spend my

she said

Welsh gives time to help patients, families at Livonia's Angela Hospice



zation is happy to have her "She is said Syn

die Best. volunteer services manager at Angela Hospice. She beautifully supports families through listening and encouraging them and allowing them to feel their feelings. She is a very calm and very reas suring presence to have in the room."

Last week was National Volunteer Week, and Best was quick to praise volunteers for all they do.

"I really believe, in the culture we live in, time has become more valuable than money," she said. "People will throw they don't have to do any "To do this for strang-

ers... there is such value in the work they do." And while Welsh gives of her time to support others, she said she is benefitting from the experience as well. 'It's a great feeling to be able to help others,"

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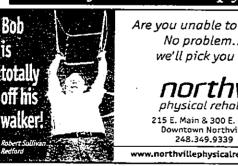
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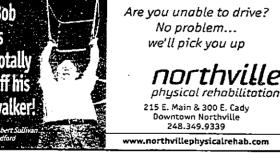
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Novi fire marshal heading closer to home

Evans to be deputy chief in Brighton after 22 years in Novi

Novi Fire Marshal Mike Evans is going home. After 22 years with the Novi Fire Department, Evans, who lives in Brighton Township, is leaving to become the deputy fire chief for the Brighton Area Fire

Authority. Evans, whose new commute will be five minutes from driveway to office, said the change is a good opportunity for him as he will be more focused on operations in his new

"The toughest part is going to be leaving all the guys behind," he said. But I am looking forward to the new challeng-

Director of Public Safety/Chief of Police David Molloy said he always admired Evans' "knowledge and voracity" when it came to enforcing the fire code.

"It's not an easy thing to do, but he is one of the experts in the state when t comes to knowing the fire code, enforcing it and training others," he said. "I am really happy for him to be moving into a more administrative leadership position."

Evans has been the fire marshal in Novi since 1996, and because of that role has been involved in many of Novi's largest construction projects His favorite was the

construction of Provdence Park Hospital



Outgoing Novi Fire Marshal Michael Evans reflected on his 22 years with the Novi Fire Department in his office on Monday. Evans will be continuing his career with the Brighton Area Fire Authority as its deputy chief on May 1

and CERT volunteers got a chance to do a full evacuation drill there before

"You normally cannot do that with patients in the hospital, so it was a great experience," he

Evans starts in Brighton on May 1, with fire protection officers Don Christensen serving as acting fire marshal and Andy Copeland handling plan reviews. "It has been a fabulous

career," Evans said. "I have enjoyed watching the city grow."

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Novi Fire Marshall Mike Evans narrates a fire safety demonstration given by his department during the 2010 Fall For Novi event at the Novi Civic Cente



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NEWSMAKERS

Novi resident runs 40K for blind children

Harvill braves heat wave in first Boston Marathon

By Chris Jackett

A local company's vice president was sweatlast week during a trip to Boston, but it wasn't because of a tough business meeting, it was because he was a participant in the 116th Boston Marathon.

Novi resident Terry Harvill, 43, is the vice president of grid development at Novi-based ITC Holdings Corp. and was among the 27,000 runners from across the

globe to partake in the 40-kilometer (26.2-mile) race April 16 in Boston. "It's Boston. It's a special marathon because it's considered one of the top five in the world," Harvill said, comparing it to races in Chicago, New York City, London and Berlin. "It was

a great race. I'd like to go in and do it again with better weather." With 85-degree temperatures and a hot sun beating down on the runners, this year's event differed from years past

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Some medals from the dozens of marathons run by Novi's ferry Harvill are displayed in his home.

"It was hot. I don't think they've ever done this before, but they were saying it was so hot that you could defer your entry to next year. Harvill said, noting that he starts getting tired about 21 miles into a marathon. "I got to about mile 14 or so and started running with a (57-yearold) guy who has run Boston before and he said he's never seen any-

around and it seemed everyone was walking." Harvill finished his 28th marathon in five hours, six minutes and 28 seconds. He said a typical marathon usually takes him between 3 1/2 and four hours without the sweltering heat. "I took it easy. We slowed our pace way down," Harvill said, add-

ing that he heard 5,000 people deferred. Despite the warm temperatures, Harvill said local patrons kept the cheering along the sidelines throughout the course.

"Each town you come into, it's like a finish line. There were people lining the course the entire way," Harvill said. "People make an event out of it. I ran past houses with people outside with bounce houses for their kids and barbecue.'

The race took runners past all-female Wellesley College, where the girls held up a variety of signs, Boston College's campus and several other smaller towns surrounding Boston. Harvill was participat

ing in the Boston Marathon as one of 10 team members for the Watertown, Mass.-based Perkins School for the Blind. The team's goal was to raise \$50,000 for people who are blind or visually impaired and Harvill committed to



Novi resident Terry Harvill will be running the upcoming Boston Marathon — his first attempt at the big race in

raising \$5,000 on his own, but nearly hit the \$6,000 mark.

Donations are still being collected at www. crowdrise.com/perkinsmarathonteam/fundraiser/terryharvill or by mailing a check payable to "Perkins School for the Blind" with Harvill's name on the memo line to Perkins School for the Blind, Attn: Boston Marathon, 175 North Beacon St., Watertown, MA

"A former colleague of mine at a former job became head of the Perkins School," Harvill said of his connection to

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Despite strong ties to marathons, Harvill didn't begin training for them until he was 29. He had previously played high school soccer in

Illinois, but didn't think

about distance running

much until he was older.

There were a handful of other Novi residents participating alongside Harvill. They included Minoru Mitsuhashi 49 (finished in 3:21:29); Andrea Kramer, 22 (3:21:14); Robert Lee, 41 (3:26:00), Kimberly Bedigian, 42 (3:56:25); Sarah Kempa, 22 (4:05:57); Natasha Goodman, 41 (4:24:32) and Elly Truran, 51 (4:38:35).

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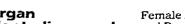
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Thirty-four Novi High School seniors and their families celebrated senior spring break April 1-8 on the Carnival Legend cruise ship to the western Caribbean Sea, stopping in Grand Cayman; Cozumel, Mexico; Belize City, Belize; and Montgomery Bay, Roatan Islands, Hon duras. The weather and sea cooperated for the group to enjoy everything from snorkelin on the second largest barrier reef in the world, zip-lining through jungle canopy, riding dune buggies through jungle and beaches, swimming with dolphins and stingrays to shop ping at the ports of call and partying on the beautiful beaches. Eating, dancing, karaoke and simply hanging out with each other while at sea was the norm throughout the week. Pictured are Kyle Clemmons, Logan Chio, Liz Ortwine, Gary Hoen, Kimmie Kelser, Meg Gaffney, Grant Barnes, Jenn Weigand, Callie Wright, Frankie Mastrangelo, Casey Sutton Shelly Yusko, Dan Lumley, Fernanda Pavia, Kyle Seippel, Ali McLeod, Haley Wilke, Laurer Pollard, Anna Lu, Katie Seelinbinder, Tushar Verma, Emily Sheeran, Erik Frasier, Amanda Guttman, Desmond Washington, Jessica Smith, Eric Gardner, Maddie Potts, Corey O'Dell, Brad Loomis, Anna MacMillan, Jeff Webber, Ben Fudala and Evan Thomas.



Amanda Morgan nominated for Indie awards

After being recognized last summer as the youngest person to ever to reach the number one spot on 96.3 WDVD-FM's The Radio Café Indie Music Channel poll, Roeper student Amanda Morgan, of Novi, continues to have success in the music industry as a nominee in four categories at this spring's Indie Music Channel Awards.

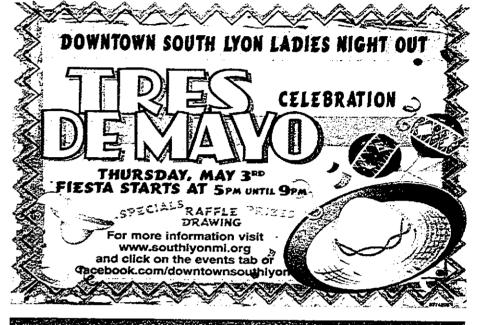
Morgan's single "Just Wanna Know Why" was voted #1 in the state for over a month last summer, and it also clinched her a nomination for the Best Female Pop Artist award. Other nominations include Best Young Pop Artist for "More Like Crashing," Best Teen

Female Artist for "Saturday in June," and Best Teen Song for "Ten Steps Back," which also reached #1 in state in

In addition to being nominated, Morgan is also staged to perform at the event. She has previously performed live on Fox 2 News and at Arts, Beats &

Morgan is a senior at The Roeper School. She was recently accepted to the W.P. Carey School of Business at Arizona State University where she plans to pursue a business law degree while continuing her music

The Indie Music Channel Awards will be hosted at the House of Blues in Hollywood, Calif. on April 29.



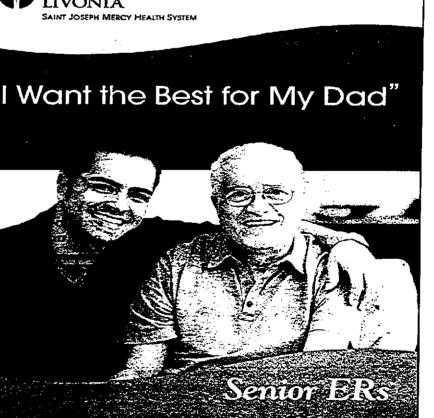
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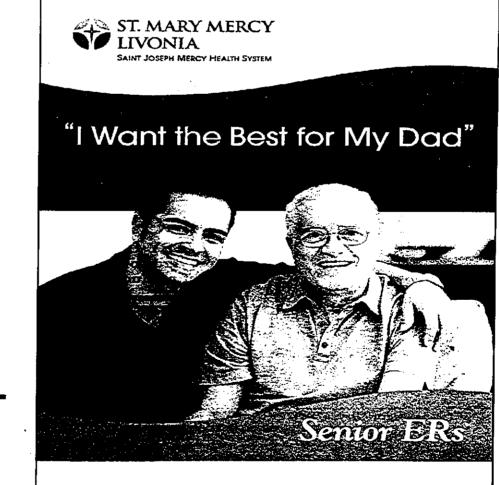
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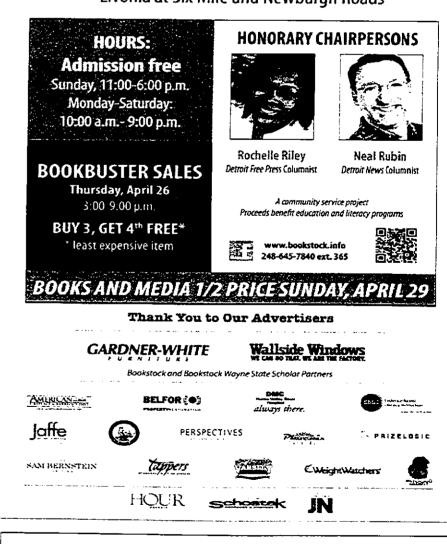
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The Memorial Day Parade begins at 10 a.m. and travels west along 10 Mile Road from Karim Boulevard to the Novi Civic Center.

Parade entry and veteran registration forms are available at cityofnovi.org. There is no pre-registration for kids participating in the bike parade. Kids, with their decorated bikes, should meet at 9:30 a.m. at the Holly Hill Plaza (39555 W. 10 Mile Road, south side, west of Haggerty Road).

For more information, please contact Rachel Zagaroli, Senior Services manager, by calling (248) 347-0414 or e-mailing rzagaroli@cityofnovi.org.

Republican essay contest

The Suburban Republican Women's Club is sponsoring a student essay contest, free to enter and open to all students ages 7 to 14. The topic is Most Admired Republican President

Prizes will be given for first place in the 7-10 age

group and in the 11-14 age group.

The entry should be the original work of the student and include a cover page with student's name, age, grade level, address, phone number and title. The essay should be 150-250 words, on 8 1/2" x 11" white paper, double-spaced.

The deadline is May 7. Send entries to: Suburban Republican Women Essay Contest, 35379 Lancashire, Livonia, MI 48152.

LOCAL NEWS

Winners will receive their awards at the dinner/ meeting of the club on May 17 at the One Under Banquet Facility, 35780 5 Mile Rd, Livonia. For further information, call (248) 474-3525.

Savvy Social Security planning

Join wealth managers Walter J. Powrozek, CWS and Joseph J. Lezotte, CFP along with the Novi Library for Savvy Social Security Planning: What Baby Boomers Need to Know to Maximize Retirement Income, presented in two sessions: 1-2:30 p.m. and 6:30-8 p.m. Thursday, May 24 and Tuesday, June 5.

This workshop will help you decide when to start receiving benefits; how to coordinate benefits with your spouse; how tax issues can affect your benefits; how to coordinate benefits with your other sources of retirement income; and much more The program will be at the Novi Public Library at

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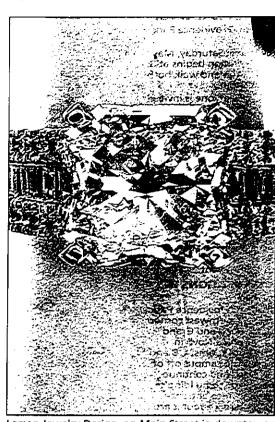
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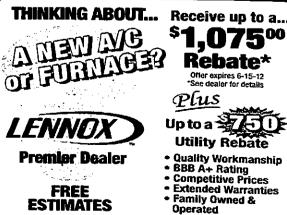


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Novi events THIRD ANNUAL 5K EMERGENCY RUN AND 1-MILE STROKE WALK Location: Providence Park

Time/Date: Saturday, May 12. Registration begins at 8 a.m. The run and walk both start at 9 a.m.

Details: Everyone is invited to participate. The registration form can be accessed on the City of Novi website at http://cityofnovi.org/ Services/ParksAndRec/Proarams/SenseOfCommunity asp#EmergencyRun. The event will be staged in the driveway to the Assarian Cancer Center. The Novi Police Department will once again be responsible for all traffic coordination that day, and will maintain traffic flow on the campus during the event. **CONVERSATIONS IN**

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Contact: To register please call 866-501-DOCS (3627) so they can anticipate the number of attendees. Req istration is free and includes only your name and the contact information that you would like to supply. **SAVVY SOCIAL SECURI-**TY PLANNING WORK-

SHOP Time/Date: 1-2:30 p.m. or 6:30-8 p.m. Thursday, May 10 and Tuesday, June 5 Location: Novi Public Library, 45255 W. 10 Mile Details: Join wealth manLa Croix, as well as John and Time/Date: 8 a.m. Satur-Sandy O'Shaughnessy from day, May 12 Good Mourning Ministry, a Details: Everyone is invited local Catholic bereavement organization. Registration

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forms are online at www. goodmourningministry net or call the Holy Family Parish office. Contact: Holy Family (248) 349-8847 or visit www. holyfamilynovi.org

Kicking off National Library Week (April 8-14), the Novi Public Library officially presented

Kathy Crawford, longtime residents of Novi, strong supporters of Novi's history and special

guests at the event. The display case is prominently located on the first floor of the Library

the months of May-August, the theme is Novi — Then and Now. Anyone seeking informa-

tion or interested in donating or loaning artifacts for the display case can contact library

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its new historical display case during an appreciation event for library volunteers and

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

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Location: On the Border Restaurant, 21091 Haggerty Road (north of Eight Mile), **Details:** BNI is a structured

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quette67@gmail.com; www.

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OUR VIEWS

Making it work

Novi able to thrive despite Legislature

When one mentions Novi to outsiders, the first thing that comes to mind is 'retail'. From Twelve Oaks (the retail center that put this city on the map in the mid 1970s) to West Oaks to 12 Mile Crossing at Fountainwalk to the Town Center, Novi is known for offering an abundance of shopping opportunities.

And what's one thing that all of the above generate?

Why is that important? Because when the state collects 6 percent of every purchase, from clothing to Cadillacs, it's supposed to turn around and disburse it back to Michigan's municipalities and schools. But for the past decade or so, the state has been withholding those statutory revenue sharing funds and keeping the money in Lansing. The municipalities, like the City

of Novi, are then forced to figure out how to make ends meet So while those with less and less numerous state funding.

Back in fiscal retailers that year 2000-2001. help define Novi Novi received are great sales \$1.373 million of tax generators, this funding — and that amount has our residents slowly dwindled and businesses down to \$0 in 2010-2011. It doesn't receive no seem as if anyadditional one knows what revenue to cover the formula is --besides unfair and the costs of city frustrating. Even services. when Novi imple-

Economic Vitality Incentive Programs, it's not rewarded.

So while those numerous retailers that help define Novi are great sales tax generators, our residents and businesses receive no additional revenue to cover the costs of city services.

ments the state's

That's something that anyone living and working in Novi should voice their opinion about to the state Legislature and Gov. Rick Synder. There is no diversification of revenue sources, which means Novi must rely on over \$3 billion in taxable property for its revenue. And even when property values fell, Novi did not raise the millage

Even now, with less revenue, city council was still able to approve a reduction in the millage rate from 10.5416 mills (where it's been for a decade) to 10.2 mills -- without impacting city services. An estimated \$981,000 tax reduction will be the result.

The savings for homeowners aren't mentioning. A home with a state equalized value, or taxable value, of \$150,000 would see a savings of \$51 with this new millage reduction. These savings are on top of the reductions realized from having a constant rate when values were declining considerably.

When Novi was younger, there was a need to issue bonds to build out. Although Novi would still be considered a relatively young municipality, it's mature enough now that it should be able to pay as it goes. A lot less debt millage is required as it's been paying down its debts (like the library construction) and not issuing new ones for roads, etc.

A number of factors have also given Novi flexibility and put the city in a better position than many of its peers: a smaller workforce: contract negotiations that have changed employee health care and pensions; and less (about 2 percent) of a drop in taxable values.

True, it looks like the city will be asking voters in August to bump the road millage up for much-needed maintenance next year, but that should be an easy 'yes' vote for residents to make.

So as Novi continues to maintain services and complete road work, it's forced to rely more than ever on property taxes because the state Legislature has not dealt with the tough issues of how to fairly distribute sales tax revenue.



Cal Stone, Susan Rosiek, Executive Editor

COMMUNITY VOICE

What is the best item you picked up at a garage sale?



Carol Morrissey



"I bought a Boston KS multi-size pencil sharpener, like the ones you had in school.'

Katy Michalski



"I got a beautiful picture of a barn with fall scenery in the background.'

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GUEST COLUMN

From its beginning, Schoolcraft has stood out

and chair."

By Tim Richard

t's amazing that Schoolcraft Col-lege ever built a campus and opened its doors at all 50 years

Most community colleges had a definite geographic base. Some, like Highland Park, Dearborn and Benton Harbor, were spawned by a K-12 school district. Others, like Oakland and Kalamazoo Valley, were countywide inventions. Schoolcraft was unusual — a cooperative venture of five school

districts forming a team. There were six at first - Livonia, Plymouth, Clarenceville, Garden City, Redford Union and South Redford. The publisher of the Redford Township News killed the 'scheme," as he called it, gunning down RU's and SR's participation. The other four districts formed the college under an amended law signed in 1960 by Gov. G. Mennen Williams, a Democrat. A fifth district, Northville, saw a good thing and joined. It was the first multidistrict community college in the

Instead of the bland name assigned by the state — Northwest Wayne County Community College - the founders elected to name the district after one of the state's unsung pioneers: Henry Rowe Schoolcraft (1793-1864), state geol-American tribes, who gained the admiration of poet Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, who in turn used Schoolcraft's writings as the basis for The Song of Hiawatha.

In their second try at the ballot, the organizing committee had open support from Gov. John B. Swainson in a letter to the public. Voters said yes Oct. 24, 1961.

There were long arguments about where to build the campus. Only Livonia and Plymouth had the needed 150-acre tracts available. Livonia Mayor Harvey Moelke iced it for the city by offering to put in water and sewers. He also persuaded the owners of the farmland at Seven Mile and Haggerty roads to deal gently with the col-

"Colleges are made, not born," quipped Sam Hudson, a historian, one of the organizers, a trustee and the author of Reaching Out: A History of Schoolcraft College (1984). But what should a two-year college be like? Early students often admitted to being "draft dodg-ers" from the Vietnam war. New to the beat, this reporter asked first President Eric Bradner if it would grow into a four-year university. He straightened me out. That was never in the scheme of things.
Transfer programs for students

who wished to go on to a four-year university, that was for certain. Terminal programs for those not going on. This included those seeking technical skills for industrial jobs, as well as nursing, health assistant programs and especially culinary arts for top jobs in the hospitality industry. In short, any company that needed skilled teachers to teach employees job skills could look to Schoolcraft for

Schoolcraft always has been a



Former O&E editor and reporter, Tim Richard, (right) was awarded an honorary degree from Schoolcraft in 1980, Trustee Harry Greenleaf (member of the board of trustees from 1977 to 1995) is at the podium.

bargain in tuition. An early champion was the late R.T. (Tommy) Thompson, this paper's executive editor at the time. He covered the beat lustily. Tommy had put in a year at Ohio State, but had to drop out when he was maneuvered out of a dishwashing job at a sorority. I think Tommy was pitching for all

the kids of limited means. One other service came to mind: the arts. Wayne Dunlap. hired away from the University of Michigan to set up the arts program, noted a wide, empty valley between Ann Arbor and Detroit. Dunlap and his successor, Richard Saunders, saw the need for a 2,000seat auditorium catering to (especially) chamber music.

I was with them. "We're getting only part of the value of a college - classroom instruction - and short-changing ourselves in the arts," I said editorially, in a comment that Sam Hudson included in his book. But the majority of voters rule: Yes to a culinary arts addition, no to the fine arts. So it

There were other views on what should be taught. Trustee Mark McQuesten, the first ex-student elected to the board, blistered the thought of a Garden City center and vo-tech courses. McQuesten saw a sophisticated liberal arts program attracting scholars of many ethnic and national groups not the career programs that President Nelson Grote was serving. The board, the business community and the public, however, were all for job preparation.

The faculty union caused a few fusses. They disliked the hiring of part-time instructors to teach specialized programs, preferring full-timers who earned bene fits and paid union dues. The faculty wanted a non-voting "advisoseat on the board - a lobbyist and a terrible conflict of interest at bargaining time. Despite my political differences, I made many friends on the faculty.

Dr. Grote, the second president, had more than his share of headaches with the faculty, but was well-enough regarded outside the community to be under consideration for state superintendent of public instruction. He was finally hired by a Washington community college, which was impressed with his handling of a multi-cam-

pus system. Despite all the local battles over the college's existence, bond issues, purpose and unionization. one thing has been constant over more than 50 years: the support of

I've already mentioned Williams and Swainson from the early 1960s. A big thanks goes to William G. Milliken, whose 14 years at the governor's desk were preceded by a term at his hometown community college in Traverse City and by his advocacy of expanding community colleges in the early 1960s as a rebellious noderate Republican in the Leg-

Democrat Jim Blanchard and Republican John Engler had soft spots in their fiscal hearts for community colleges, as did Democrat Jennifer Granholm. Current Gov. Rick (the Tough Nerd) Snyder says he earned three degrees in six years (BGS, MBA, JD) from the University of Michigan, but he'll also tell you that as a high school student he piled up 25 or so advance credits with dual enrollments at his Battle Creek Community College. He's trying to be good to the likes of Schoolcraft.

Charles A. Murray, author of the new shocker Losing Ground, opines that "too many people are going to college," meaning fouryear universities, and many would

be better off learning career skills. Myself, I had 20 or so years of (paid) fun covering the college. took a night Spanish course prior to our journey to Iberia and South America, learned about Mozart in the outdoor chamber concerts and enjoyed watching my Norwegian elkhound track a fox who had a den in a rock pile behind the gym. I wonder if foxes still inhab-

There was always a lot to love at Schoolcraft College.

Tim Richard was awarded an honorary degree at Schoolcraft in 1980 and in 1998 was elected to the Michigan Journalism Hall of Fame. He is retired in the northern hamlet of Bear Lake, where his most strenuous activity is fishing for maskinoge (the northern

NOVI POLICE BRIEFS

Family receives phone threats

1 Novi police are investigating a serious of threatening phone calls made on April 20 to a Novi man on his cell phone while he was at his Chesapeake Drive home.

According to the police report, the victim said the man stated he was going to kill his family and repeatedly asked him if his wife and kids were in the house. While speaking with the officer, the subject called back three times, and when the officer got on the phone he started speaking in a foreign language.

The cell phone is a work phone and the victim is going to obtain his phone records. Police are continuing to investigate as well, and are providing extra patrols at his residence.

Man arrested picking up daughter from police depärtment

Novi police arrested a man on April 21 on an outstanding civil warrant for child neglect when he came to the Novi Police Department to bond out his 18-year-old daughter who was arrested earlier in the morning.

According to the police report, the laughter was arrested for possession of marijuana after she was stopped for swerving while driving on 10 Mile Road near Novi Road.

She lied to police about where she was coming from and told police she had nothing illegal in her vehicle. During the search, police found marijuana and a pipe inside her purse.

She was arrested and transported to the Novi Police Department where she was issued a citation and released after

Purse stolen at Tin Fish

3A Detroit woman had her purse sto-len from the bathroom at Tin Fish on April 21 after she left it sitting in there pefore leaving the room.

According to the police report, the woman said she went back into the bathroom shortly after leaving and her purse was gone. The purse was worth \$100 and contained \$80 cash, her driver's license, keys and a credit card.

The woman said she remembers being distracted while in the bathroom by an unknown woman, which could have

been a ploy for the theft Police have no suspects at this time.

Pills, money stolen from pharmacy

🗸 Novi police are investigating a breaking an entering that occurred around 7:38 a.m. on April 22 at a pharmacy on Lewis Drive.

According to the police report, when the officer arrived on the scene the door on the east side of the building was propped open. As he entered the building he noticed the front door had been smashed, and the suspect gained entry to the building by prying the west side entry doors.

The alarm was going off, but no one was inside.

Stolen from the pharmacy was \$200, 29 different types of drugs, 2,898 tablets, in assorted strengths and a small black safe.

Police collected evidence at the scene and are reviewing the surveillance vid-

Police have no suspects at this time. Drunk found asleep at the

A 29-year-old Howell man was → arrested for drunk driving after he was found asleep at the wheel of his car on April 22 while it was stopped at the traffic light at Novi Road and 10 Mile

According to the police report, when the officer arrived the man was

slumped forward and the vehicle was still in drive with his foot on the brake. The officer pounded on the window several times and tried to unlock the vehicle before the suspect finally awoke to unlock the car.

He was transported to the Novi Police Department where he was uncooperative and belligerent during booking. He refused to take a breath test and started to yell at another prisoner, saying he was going to beat him up when he got his handcuffs off.

The suspect eventually took the breath test, with a result of .18 percent. He was issued a citation for operating while intoxicated and driving while license suspended and released after posting bond and when sober.

- Compiled by staff writer Nathan Mueller.

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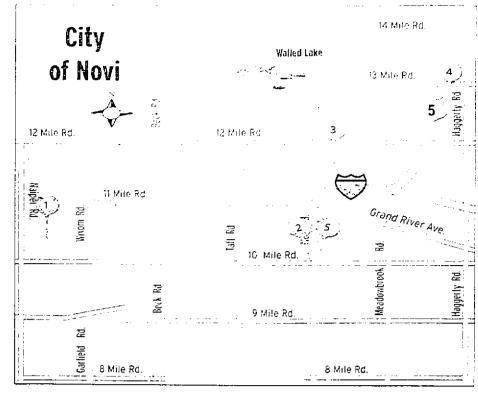
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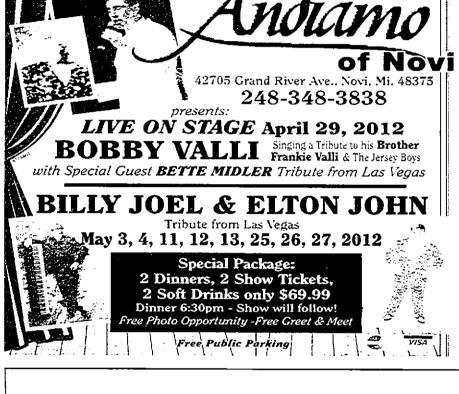
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NOVI LIONS CLUB

Time/Date: 6 p.m. social: 6:30 p.m. meeting starts: second and fourth Wednes

Location: Leo's Sports Bar & Grill Restaurant, lower level, 40380 Grand River, west of Haggerty. Visitors are welcome, dinner is from the menu. Details: Novi Lions is part of Lions Inter national, the largest service organization in the world. Our purpose is to serve the blind and the com munity, Principal activities are fundraising for Leader Dogs, Penrickton Center for Blind Children and other blind charities along with fundraisers for high school scholarships. Serving locally in Michigan and worldwide

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Details: If you have a leaning towards knitting or any of the related handcrafts Knit 2gether Knitting Circle just might be your cup of tea. No instructor, no registration, and of course, attendance is free. Reference USA Training

Time/Date: 7-8 p.m. Thursday, April 26 Details: RefUSA is a business directory database offered through the Novi Public Library containing current information on more than 14 million US businesses and 89 million US residents. Learn how to use this powerful business directory to generate lists of potential customers; find suppliers; look up credit ratings; find local businesses; and more! Registration

seniors and students under 19. Call for group rates.

Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. Thursday, April 26 **Details:** This presentation gives parents and caregivers practical strategies for encouraging their young development, Participants will have an opportunity to assess their communica tion style and learn why it is important to observe, wait, and listen to their children Presented by Early On, Oakland. Registration required.

Book It! Fundraiser Time/Date: 7-10 p.m. Friday, April 27

Details: Hollywood Nights is the theme of this year's evening of shopping, sipping, and sampling to benefit the Library's Multimedia Collections. Enjoy food by Steve & Rocky's, live music, silent & live auctions, and a wine/ \$20/individual or \$35/couple and can be purchased by calling (248) 869-7204

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Lego Club Fime/Date: 6-6:45 p.m. Monday, April 30 Details: Join us once a month for Lego show-andtell and building activities. We supply the Legos, you supply the imagination. For grades K-4.

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The Erie Canal - The Ditch That Built Novi Time/Date: 7-8 p.m. Tuesday, May 1

Details: Join Al Smitley, a retired local librarian, as he explains the building of the Erie Canal and its effects on the settling of Michigan, especially the Novi, North ville areas. The program, presented by the Novi Historical Commission, will also include a few songs of the period, as Al plays his 1840 replica banjo. Please register. Animanga Club

Time/Date: 7-8 p.m. Wednesday, May 2 Details: Join us as we discuss anime, talk about manga, and generally have fandom fun. And oh yeah, there will be snacks! For grades 5-12. Registration required. Investing Fundamentals: It's As Easy As 1-2-3

Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. Thursday, May 3 **Details:** This workshop brings you a broad and overview of some of the more popular elements that make up the financial mar kets: exchanges, primary and secondary markets, stocks, bonds, and mutual funds. Please register.

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Open Office Hours in the Local History Room Time/Date: noon-2 p.m.

Monday, May 7 Details: On the first and third Mondays of each month, a member of the Novi Historical Commission will hold office hours in the Local History Room to help researchers use its many resources.

Time/Date: 2-5 p.m. Monday, May 7 and Tuesday, **Details:** High-schoolers are welcome to study for

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upcoming Advanced Placement Exams in the Library Meeting Room. **Snack Tales** Time/Date: 7-7:45 p.m.

Monday, May 7 Details: Each time we meet you will get a chance to listen to some great stories and cook up a tasty snack. Snack tales begins in the Youth Story Time Room. For grades K-4. Registration

Monday Evening Book Discussio Time/Date: 7-8 p.m. Monday, May 7

Details: Join your neighof The Submission by Amy Waldman.

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Time/Date: 1-2 p.m. Tuesday, May 8 Details: Make friends while you practice your English pronunciation and conver sation skills. No need to

Starlight Story Time Time/Date: 7-7:30 p.m. Tuesday, May 8

Details: One of your favorite NPL Youth Librarians will combine stories, music, and fun for a special bedtime treat at this preschool story ime. Wear you pajamas and you'll be all ready for bed when you get home!

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In the year 1912, more than 3,000 flowering cherry trees were sent from Japan to the United States and planted Washington, D.C. as a symbol of the friendship between the countries. In addition to the plantings, activities are scheduled at each location:

 Saturday, May 12 Providence Park Hospital - Assarian Cancer Center, 10:30-11:30 a.m. Join fellow community members for a planting ceremony, light refreshments, and a Japanese-language

yoga class following the conclusion of the Emergency Run 5K. Novi Meadows Elementary/Japanese School of Detroit, 3-4 p.m.

Novi Meadows and Japanese School of Detroit students will share their collaborative art project with the community. Light refreshments will follow a planting ceremony.

• Thursday, May 17 Novi Public Library, 4-8 p.m. You're invited to experience Japanese culture by learning to compose beautiful Haiku poetry and constructing Japanese-themed crafts at this open, drop-in program.

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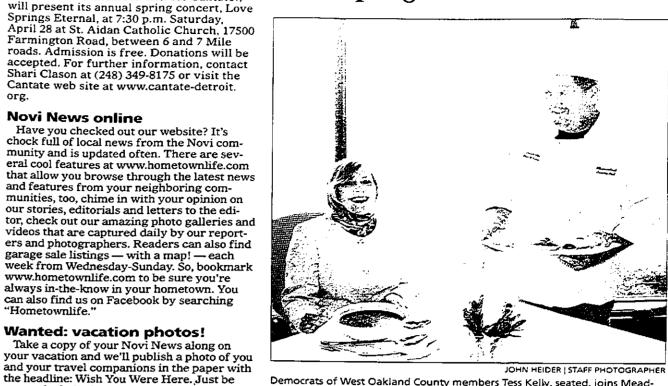
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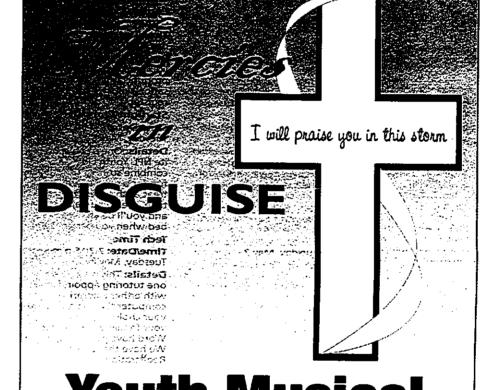
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Novi High School media makes headlines at MIPA

By Taylor DesOrmeau

They stood in a cluster, waiting. Some grasped the hands and shoulders of their peers, others held their hands over their eyes, ready to hurl. Just waiting to hear the name Novi High School.

More than 2,000 student journalists filled a ballroom in the Lansing Center with their newspaper, yearbook and television news staffs as they waited for the announcements of individual as well as Spartan Awards, April 17.

The Spartan Award rec ognized to the top student publications in the state and The Wildcat Roar, Novi High School's student newspaper, captured one of only 16 awarded in the state, it's seventh in eight years.

"I was gripping my hands together, like [I was] praying," senior co-editor in chief Pallavi Vadapalli said. "I felt like I was about to faint."

Last year, The Roar didn't earn a Spartan for the first time since 2004. Newspaper advisor Lyda Cadena said the high school schedule change slowed down both newspa per and vearbook produc newspapers judged were year, the yearbooks from 2010-2011 were judged

"We're getting stuff done quicker this year, senior yearbook co-editor in chief Amanda Kadykowski said. "Last year we had a lot of struggles with the new schedule, but this year we're more used

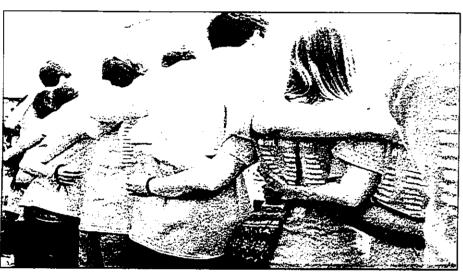
Although the schedule change may have prevented the yearbook staff from winning its second Spartan Award, the journalists still brought home many individual awards, including first place for caption writing, headline writing, feature photography and academic photography. Like the yearbook, The

Cat's Eye News did not earn The Spartan after winning one last year.

"I obviously wanted to win a Spartan, but I didn't think that we had hands down, perfect, amazing, professional quality," said Evan Nielson, The Cat's Eye News co-executive producer and cosports editor for the Wildcat Roar.

On every submission for a Spartan Award - including newspaper, yearbook and television news — MIPA judges gave feedback on what they thought worked well and what needed to be worked on.

"It's pretty interesting to look at something we created after sever-





The Wildcat Roar seniors Katalina Faraon and Dylan Fahoome wait to hear their name called for awards at MIPA in Lansing.



ore Matt Hawkins and junior: Rachel Murray, Andrea VanderMey, Alison Trainor and Morgan Cook of The Wildcat Roar hold hands while waiting for the Spartan Award winners to be announced



TAYLOR DESORMEAU | WILDCAT ROAF The Wildcat Roar seniors Katalina Faraon and Dylan ome wait to hear their name called for awards at

al months and realize what could have been better," co-executive producer Dustin Moore said. "It's really great to get professional outside judgment on everything because it is something we can definitely learn [from]."

category. Senior Mariah Smith, junior Sarah Campbell and senior Lance Engels took first, second and third place respectively for weather, continuing the legacy of MIPA award winning weathermen like

Chris Gray and Derek light for the Cat's Eye staff "Weather's the one place where I feel at was sweeping the weather

home because I don't feel restricted by a desk and a prompter," Smith said. "I'm able to just stand in front of the camera and show who I am while I'm showing weather." All three groups earned numerous awards but it

may be the camaraderie between The Wildcat Roar, the Yearbook Staff and The Cat's Eve News that will be most memorable from the conference. "We were able to -hands down — be the loud-

est cheerer for anyone, whether you got an honorable mention or first place, we still cheered obnoxiously for you and we were all a group," Nielson said. While there were tense moments and disappointments throughout the

Award for The Wildcat

Roar energized the group. "To see the joy and the screaming and shouting and celebration from everyone — everyone, not just newspaper kids for winning a newspaper Spartan, kind of lifted my mood a bit," Nielson said. "Actually, kind of lifted my mood a lot."

THE AWARDS

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Sarah Campbell - Weather Callie Wright - Humor Third Place

Karla Ayala - Editorial

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Jongchan Kim - Feature Ellie Mulder – People

Third Place Amanda Kadykowski

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QUOTABLES

"The moments before they started announcing the Newspaper Spartan awards were pure torture; there was this mix of tension and anxiety and my fingers ouldn't stop shaking. The second I saw our name on that screen was the single most surreal moment in my memory. The world just stopped spinning and I just reached out to hug my co-editor in chief, and the rest of the editors. You couldn't have slapped the smiles off our faces for hours after. I couldn't have dreamed of a better senior awards ceremony than this year's." ALLAVI VADAPALLI

"The feeling of winning a Spartan Award this year was exhilarating, especially after last year when we were 30 points [out of 1000] away from receiving it. I'm extremely proud of my co-editor in chief Pallavi Vadapalli and my entire staff for working so diligently and hard this whole year. I think this entire experience just goes to show that if you work hard and keep your head up, you're going to get incredible results in return." **AUSTIN REED**

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Mustangs defeat Novi for first time since 2009

Wildcat kickers look to finish more scoring chances

By Chris Jackett

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Despite being ranked fifth in Division I, the feeling of dominance isn't what it used to be among the Novi girls soccer pro-

Although still considered one of the state's premier high school programs, the Wildcats (3-1-3, 1-1-0 KLAA Central) defeated South Lyon East 2-0 April 17 and then lost 1-0 at No. 3 Northville April 19. Novi hasn't lost to Northville since 2009 and typically mercies East 8-0 with their starters resting on the bench. One of the Wildcats' biggest issues has been finishing offensive oppor-

"A game like this almost always comes down to finishing on some of the few chances that you get and that was the case tonight," Novi coach Brian O'Leary said of the Northville loss, "Both teams only had three quality chances to score and they finished one and

we did not finish any." Northville sophomore forward Jamie Cheslik notched the game-winning goal with 17:42 left in the second half to give her Mustangs (4-0-2, 2-0-0 Central) a 1-0 victory. The Wildcats, who were ranked No. 4 prior to the

loss, were outshot 11-7, but were able to keep Mustang star Mallory Weber in check. "Kaylin Hoomaian did a brilliant job on North-ville's star forward Mallo ry Weber," O'Leary said. She is a first-team All-State player that is going

to Penn State and Kavlin held her without a sho



Catholic Central earns two convincing victories

In order to stay undefeated with Detroit Catholic Central's lacrosse schedule, your team has to play at the

top of their game. With an 8-0 record so far this season, that's exactly what the Shamrocks have been doing. The squad, coached by Dave Wilson, notched two huge wins over Toronto St. Michaels and University of Detroit Jesuit High School last week to keep their record

"Our team had yet to see the Canadian influence out on the field," said Wilson of his team's game against St. Mike's-a squad they were picked to lose again. "They do some pretty crafty stuff and while the coaches car describe it and warn about it, it takes a few times to see it before you get used to it. Their stick skills are just so much different and, in some instanc-

es, they are insanely good.' Stick skills or not, the Toronto squad could only watch as the clock expired with Catholic Central in control of the game, 11-9. Alec Gilhooly had three goals while Nick Gingell had two goals and two assists in the win. As a team, the Shamrocks won 18-of-24 face-offs.

Earning the win in goal was junior

Chris Naubert. The Shamrocks also took on U of D last week, earning a 15-6 victory over the Catholic High School League foes. Sophomore Sean Birney led the charge for the Shamrocks, scoring three goals and earning an assist in the lopsided win. Gilhooly had three

The Shamrocks controlled the game from the start, going up 6-1 in the first quarter.
Junior Jon Conley earned the win in

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

Wildcat Kelli Timar, left, and Mustang Gabbie Guibord both go up for the ball during their April 19

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Wildcat netters stay undefeated in KLAA action

Novi girls tennis battles with defending champ Clarkston

By Chris Jackett

Ranked No. 8 in Division I, Novi's girls tennis team has been cleaning house within the KLAA Central Division.

This week, the Wildcats' (6-0, 4-0 KLAA Central) latest victims were Plymouth Salem (1-3, 1-2 Central) and Livonia Stevenson (2-2, 1-2 Central), who each had the home court advantage, but still lost 8-1 April 17 and 9-0 April 19, respectively, to Novi.

"Salem battled us and gave us a good match in the three and four singles there, and some of the dou bles," Novi coach Jim Hanson said.

It was the non-conference action that matched the Wildcats up with some of the best competition in the state. Novi hosted Division IV No. 2 Ann Arbor Greenhills April l6 before facing Division I's Ño. 1 Clarkston, No. 6 Ann Arbor Pioneer and No. 10 Troy all at the Ann Arbor Invite April 21. The 'Cats got the best of Greenhills and

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Ranked No. 8 in Division I, Novi's girls tennis team (6-0, 4-0 KLAA Central) was scheduled to visit No. 7 Northville (4-0, 4-0 Central) two nights ago before hosting No. 3 Saline 4 p.m. today. The 'Cats then compete at the Bloomfield Hills Labser Invite 9 a.m. Saturday against Div. II No. 8 Lahser, Div. III No. 9 St. Clair and also Holly, but Novi will be without their top two singles players and one of the one doubles

Troy, but Clarkston and Pioneer were too much to handle as Pioneer won the invite on their home

"I thought it was a good week for us," Hanson said. "We had a good match with Greenhills. They had a very nice team and we had some unbelievable battles out there. "You had four of the top 10

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Novi boys overcome DQs, defeat Northville

Wildcats rush past Mustangs in final relay to clinch victory

By Chris Jackett

A few ill-timed disqualifications weren't enough to help Northville as Novi's boys track and field program won the baseline rivalry meet April 17 at The Wildcat boys edged

ON TAP

Northville 72.5-64.5 to improve to 2-0 in the KLAA Central Division. "All and all, I was pleased with both sides and felt that the overall competitiveness of the team for a great rivalry like Novi Northville was great,"

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Novi (2-0 KLAA Central) was scheduled to host Plymouth Salem (1-1 Central) two days ago before preparing for a meet Tuesday at South Lyon (0-2 Central). Meets start at 3:30 p.m.

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teams battling it out. There were a lot of close matches. Our kids have to understand it'll be a little tougher than the teams in the KLAA. We're playing the top 10. Sometimes a good loss is better than a win."

Senior Abby Wang improved to 5-2 at one singles with wins over Salem 6-0, 6-0; Stevenson 6-0, 6-2; Pioneer 6-1, 6-2 and Troy 6-0, 6-0, but lost a tough 7-4(4), 6-7(1), 6-3 match to Greenhills and a 7-6(8), 7-5 contest against Clarkston.

"Abby, it was the best I've seen her ever play," Hanson said of Wang's loss to Clarkston. "Hopefully that goes a long way toward getting her a seed at the state tournament."

Freshmen Erin Day and Dhivya Sridar also performed well at two and three singles, respectively, as each got their first tough battles of the season.

Day moved to 4-3 in her flight with victories over Greenhills 6-0, 6-0; Stevenson 6-1, 6-2 and Troy 6-7(3), 7-5, 6-3, but lost 6-3, 6-0 to Salem; 6-0, 6-1 to Clarkston and 6-1, 6-4 to Pioneer. Sridar improved to 5-2 with 6-3, 6-

3 victories over both Greenhills and Salem, a 4-6, 7-5, 6-1 win over Stevenson and a 6-1, 6-0 win over Troy. However, she lost 6-2, 6-2 to Clarkston and Junior Caitlin O'Brien made her four

singles debut this season in a 6-3, 7-5 loss to Greenhills, but bounced back to defeat Salem 6-2, 6-4 and Clarkston 6-3, 7-5. She also lost to Pioneer 6-2, 6-3 and Troy 6-1, 7-6(4).

Junior Abigail Swain filled in at four singles when O'Brien was injured against Stevenson and pulled out a 3-6, 6-4, 7-5 victory.

"Abigail stepped in and won a very good match," Hanson said. "It was good experience for her in her first year on varsity.'

In doubles, it was senior Emily Sheeran and sophomore Amy Zhou who stayed undefeated at 4-0 with a 6-4. 7-S win over Greenhills, 6-0, 6-0 win over Salem and 6-1, 6-3 win over Stevenson. However, Zhou was unavailable for Saturday's Pioneer Invite, so junior Melanie Murphy filled in as Sheeran's partner. The new duo lost 6-2, 6-1 to Clarkston; 6-1, 6-1 to Pioneer and 7-6(3) 6-2 to Troy.

"I thought Melanie did a nice job stepping in," Hanson said.

Seniors Emily Kwederis and Ori Nagasaka, now 4-2, had a fairly smooth week, defeating Greenhills 6-2, 6-1 and both Salem and Stevenson 6-0, 6-0, but ran into much tougher foes in Ann Arbor. The dup defeated Clarkston 2-6, 6-1, 6-3, but lost to Pioneer 4-6, 7-6(3), 6-4 and Troy 2-6, 7-5, 6-2.

I think every match in the two doubles flight, even among other schools, went three sets. The competition level is very close," Hanson said. "There's big moments in the match when you have to capitalize on their faults." Junior Rebecca Chen and sophomore

Asawari Kanitkar improved to 5-1, defeating Greenhills 6-2, 6-1; Salem 6-1, 6-2; Stevenson 6-1, 7-5; Troy 6-2, 6-4 and Clarkston 6-2, 6-3, but lost 4-6, 6-1, 7-6(5) to Pioneer. "Three doubles was a medal winner.

They lost a tough three-set tiebreaker," Hanson said. "We put them together about a week ago. They both played singles last year.' Sophomore Rachel Bailey and Dina

Fawaz moved to 4-2 with a 6-3, 6-0 win over Greenhills, followed defeats of Salem 6-1, 6-0; Stevenson 6-3, 6-1 and Iroy 6-4, 6-4, but losses to Clarkston 6-, 6-0 and Pioneer 6-0, 6-1.

Seniors Angela Huang and Alice Jiang tacked on a pair of five double victories in league play, defeating Salem 6-1, 6-3 and Stevenson 6-0, 6-2.

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NOVI SPORTS ROUNDUP

By Chris Jackett

Kim signs to dive into collegiate pool

LOCAL SPORTS

at Columbia Novi senior Derek Kim signed with Columbia University's diving team Monday. He was a vital part of Novi's boys swim and dive team last program's best diver.

winter, setting the school record as the

Swim & Dive

Novi's swim and dive program, both the boys and girls, were recognized last week by the Michigan Interscholastic Swimming Coaches' Association as All-State Academic teams.

The boys, coached by Eric Lynn, were No. 1 in Division I with a team grade point average of 3.74, beating out No. 2 Ann Arbor Pioneer (3.67) and rival No. 10 Northville (3.41).

The girls, coached by Annette Vander-Mey, were tied with Farmington for No. 4 in Division I with a 3.41 GPA. Romeo was No. 1 with 3.81, Ann Arbor Pioneer No. 2 at 3.77, Ann Arbor Skyline No. 3 at 3.72 and Northville No. 13 at 3.52.

"Not only do we have fast swimmers but they are smart, too," Novi Athletic Director Christian Wilson said. For full results, visit www.miscaonline.net.

Boys Golf

Novi's boys golf team finished third of 27 teams at the April 19 Farmington Invitational behind a score of 305. Jackson Lumen Christi won with 299 and Rochester Stoney Creek was second

The Wildcats' top scorers were sophomore Garret Buckley (72), junior Brad Kozinski (76), senior Johnny Walker (77) and freshman Bryan Fegert (80). On deck for Novi this week was Livonia Stevenson last night and a rescheduled Northville meet 3 p.m. Friday at

Boys Lacrosse

Walnut Creek Country Club.

The boys lacrosse team at Novi battled to a 12-11 overtime loss April 18 at Brighton and then a 16-8 win over visiting Ann Arbor Gabriel Richard April 20 after building a 12-2 halftime lead. Against Brighton, the 'Cats were led by Curtis Herzog (three goals, three assists). Kent Burnett (four goals, one assist), Cormac Littleton (one goal, one assist), one goal apiece from Adam Haynes, Lucas Buck and Mark Ghannam, and one assist from Chris Kennedy, who also won 14 faceoffs. Mitch Adams made 25 saves in 53 minutes

during the high offense loss. Two days later, against Gabriel Richard, Novi's leaders were Burnett (five goals, two assists). Herzog (four goals. one assist), Haynes (three goals, one assist), Littleton (two assists) and then one goal and one assist each from Ghannam and Kennedy, one goal each from Keith Pravato and Alex Caprara, and one assist from Derek Stockman, Matt Brasil added 15 faceoff wins and three netminders spit time in goal.

Adams had 12 saves on 16 shots in 39 minutes, while Jake Bielenda had four goals against on four shots in five minutes and Alex Kinnamon had one goal against and one save in four minutes.

Novi battled Northville Monday and is set to face Notre Dame Prep tomorrow before battling Plymouth Monday and South Lyon Unified Wednesday.

Youth Girls Basketball Camp

Novi girls varsity basketball coach Bill Kelp is hosting a basketball camp 9 a.m.-noon June 18-22 for girls in grades two through nine. Competition will be separated between grades two through five and six through nine.

The camp, which will take place at the high school gym and fieldhouse, will focus on dribbling, shooting, passing, pivoting, faking, rebounding, team play, sportsmanship and an introduction to the Wildcats' offensive and defensive schemes that led the team to KLAA Central Division titles for each of the past three years.

Cost to attend is \$120 and gym clothes and shoes are required. Awards and tro-phies will be given for individual and team competitions, while all participants will receive a T-shirt and outdoor basketball. Register online at www. novi.k12.mi.us/athletics under "Summer

Contact coach Kelp at bkelp@novi.k12. mi.us for more information.

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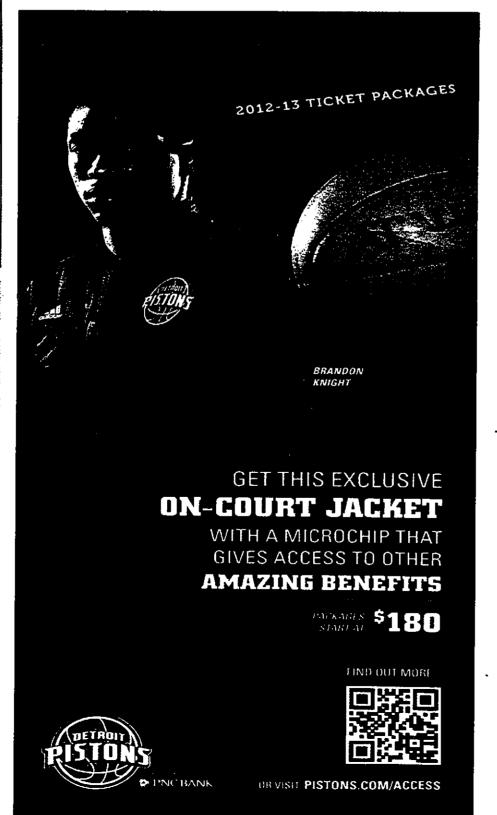


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on goal. The rest of our defense also played very well. Jacqui Kozlowski, Karissa Koomen and Katie Rudzinski turned in great efforts holding Northville's potent offense in check."

Novi's inability to finish scoring chances has caused them to battle through several close games this season, tying as many opponents as they've beaten. In last week's contest against South Lyon East (2-1-1, 1-1-0 Central), Novi outshot the Cougars 21-1 and had a 9-1 edge on corner kicks, but only scored twice.

Senior Kelli Timar onetimed a cross from sophomore Taylor Pavlika into the goal from the top of the six-vard box with five minutes left in the first half to give the 'Cats a 1-0 lead at the break.

Timar also notched the second goal nine minutes into the second half after she settled a cross from sophomore Kendall Kramer and fired it into the side netting from 12 yards out to give Novi a buffer in the 2-0 victory.

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Novi's girls soccer team (3-1-3, 1-1-0 KLAA Centrai) was scheduled to host Plymouth Salam (2-1-1, 0-1-0 Central) two nights ago before visiting Livonia Stevenson (3-0-0, 1-0-0 Central) last night. They continue their quest for another division title 6 p.m. Tuesday against South Lyon (0-3-0, 0-2-0 Central) before visiting South Lyon East (2-1-1, 1-1-0 Central) 6 p.m. May 3.



With Mustangs flying all around her, Novi goalie Sam Pavlika makes a punch-save in the first half of their April 19

TRACK

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Novi coach Marsha Reid The Novi boys had to

work hard for their victory despite winning 10 of 17

"The meet bounced back and forth all meet," Reid said. "Two of our relays were disqualified and that added to keeping it close. So, when it came down to the 4x400 relay, our seniors Mike Jocz, Derek Cingel and Eduardo Salgodo stepped in along with sophomore Jordan Love. All had contributed earlier in the meet by placing first or second in other events.

The two disqualifications gave Northville 10 points, allowing the Mustangs to stay close and take the lead a few times throughout the

Cingel's 6-feet-2 high jump put the 'Cats back on top 49 47 and his teammates would maintain the lead through the final five events.

"Strong performances were given in the field events like pole vault, where Collin Berenger placed first (at 12-feet-0) and showed that he is ready to move to the next level," Reid said. "Additionally, Connor Daly showed great leadership in long jump (first in 18feet-7.25) and Derek Cingel showed that he is ready to start this season where he left off with a jump of 6-

The Wildcats also got victories from Lance Lilla (110 hurdles in 15.16 seconds), Love (100 dash in 10.95 seconds), Dylan (discus in 96feet-6.25), Zach Masserant (400 run in 52.45 seconds), DaRon Turner (300 hurdles in 42.61 seconds), Jocz (200 run in 22.78 seconds) before Jocz, Cingel, Salgodo and Love won the 4x400 relay in

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Chiefs mercy Wildcats

Fourth-inning collapse a sign of program's limited depth

By Chris Jackett

It only took one bad inning to unravel Novi's season opener on the softball dia-

online at hometownlife.com

Against a talented Canton (4-0) squad playing on their home field, the Wildcars (0-2) kept strong defensively until the fourth inning when the majority of the runs in their five-inning, mercy-rule 10-0 loss were scored.

"The game sounds like it was a disaster, but really we started out pretty well," Novi coach Bob Lulek said. "They scored eight runs in the fourth inning on a couple

errors and the girls just fell in after that." Although Novi's offense only mustered two hits from sophomore Laura Oakley and one from senior Abby Robinson, while the team committed 10 strikeouts, their defense kept them in the game ear-

"She was pretty good, but we didn't put the bat on the ball very well," Lulek said of the Chiefs' pitcher. It was a groundball to third base that

hit the runner in the back on the attempted throw home that started the downward

Senior pitcher Taylor Scott ended up allowing eight hits, two walks, two strikeouts and four errors as Canton began

"We did some good things, but Canton's a very good team and you can't open the door for them at all and we did that in the

Novi Wildcats

All games 7 p.m. unless noted 5/1 6 p.m. South Lyon

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4/27 7:30 p.m. @ Notre Dame Prep 4/30 8 p.m. @ Plymouth

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5/2 3 p.m. @ South Lyon East

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The Wildcats (0-2, 0-0 KLAA Kensington) hosted Northville (5-1, 3-1 Kensington) in a doubleheader yesterday before Monday's 4 p.m. contest at Livonia Franklin (4-1, 4-0 Kensington).

fourth inning when they really capitalized on our mistakes," Lulek said. "We'll be good 'til Taylor tires out and that's it. If she doesn't hit her spots, we're in trouble." With little offensive support and no quality relief in sight, the Chiefs scored enough runs to end the game early.

"We just don't have the bodies," said Lulek, who noted the varsity program is down to 10 girls and the junior varsity is at nine after a JV player got a concussion off the field last weekend. "One more injury and we'll probably have to put the teams together.'

Lulek said a little more time will also help the team, assuming they could stay healthy.

"Second half of the season, we'll be real competitive," Lulek said. "I've got some nice players, but I don't have enough real good athletes. Canton is probably the best

team we're going to see."

The 'Cats also had a doubleheader at South Lyon East last Friday, but the first game was delayed by weather in the fifth inning with the Cougars leading 6-3. Lulek said he's hoping for the rescheduled contest to take place tomorrow.

Novi sluggers show drastic split in doubleheader with Utica Stevenson

By Chris Jackett

The Wildcats (3-3, 0-1

It was an up and down week for Novi's baseball team, which is still looking for consistent pitching and batting performances from each student-athlete. doubleheader Saturday

KLAA Kensington) barried Canton, South Lyon East and Utica Stevenson last by Schwanz. Novi's April 20 douweek to results that were not indicative of the same bleheader at South Lyon Novi team taking the field East got rained out with each game. the 'Cats ahead 9-1 in the "We're still trying to figfourth. The teams will look ure out who our number

to continue the game and one, two, three are to pitch fit in the second one soon. our biggest games in the The next morning, Novi division," Novi coach Rick hosted state-ranked Utica Stevenson and pulled out a

Novi's week began April 18 at Canton, where the 'Cats dropped a 6-2 decision. Tyler Schwanz gave up six earned runs in four and 2/3 innings, along with three hits, three walks, five strikeouts and three hit batters before Ryan Davis took the mound to record the final out.

Green said.

"It was a lot closer game than the score indicated," Green said. "Their guy threw strikes and we didn't. It was the first inning that killed us. It was a disappointing game. I though we were ready to

Logan Regnier finished off pitching duties in the sixth inning, also without recording any hits, walks

or strikeouts. The Wildcats' offense was scattered, as the team didn't score until the sixth inning after falling behind 3-0 in the first and 6-0 later in the game before notching their two runs.

Ryan Caputo, Regnier. Jimmy Eloff and Mario Ferrini each recorded sin gles, while Regnier and Eloff got runs off an RBI groundout from Grant Wheeler and sacrifice fly

ON TAP Novi's sluggers (3-4, 0-2 KLAA Kensington) were scheduled to host North ville (8-2, 4-0 Kensington) for a doubleheader last night and a 11 a.m.

at Grosse Point North.

singles during the game. "So far we've beaten two teams ranked in the top 10 with Walled Lake Central and Utica Stevenson. I'm a little disappointed in the Canton game." The second game of the

cy-rule five innings. 4-3 victory in eight innings after finishing the regula-Luke Bageris allowed five unearned runs, four tion seven innings tied 3-3. walks, one strikeout and no Ferrini started on the hits in one and 2/3 innings mount, recording five after a series of errors. hits, three strikeouts, five Mitch Hall came in and walks, one earned run and allowed four unearned one hit batter in five and runs, two walks, one hit 1/3 innings before Regniand one hit batter wither came in to pitch two and out recording an out. Davis 2/3 innings while recordcame in to close out the ing one strikeout and two second inning, recording the final out to stop the

"They're ranked in the top five," Green said. "(Ferrini) pitched pretty well. I think he started getting a little tired in the

"We made some key plays. At first we kind of struggled defensively at the beginning on defense. They tried some squeezes and we made double plays out of them."

Regnier's speed was a vital aspect on the offen sive side of the win. He went 1-for-3 with two runs and two stolen bases. "I told him to get the

record for most stolen bases in Novi baseball." said Green, who noted the record is currently held by older bro Nick Regnier. Eloff went 2-for-3 with an RBI and saved the game

bleeding after the 'Cats spotted their opponents a 9-2 lead after two innings. Alex King came in to pitch two innings, allowing three runs on one hit, three walks, zero strikeouts, one hit batter and two errors. before Eloff closed out the final inning, allowing three runs (two earned).

four hits, one walk and no

strikeouts. On offense, Regnier had one single, two runs and two stolen bases as he chases his brothers' singleseason record of 34 stolen bases

> Eloff and Schwanz each added two hits, with one of Eloff's being a double as he notched two RBIs. Ferrini went 1-for-1 with an RBI and Kyle Matel added a single.

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5/2 University of Detroit

4/28 2 p.m. @Western Reserve

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4/30 4 p.m. Divine Child

4/26 3:30 p.m. @DeLaSalle

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4/30 @ Farmington Hills Harrison

Catholic Central

All games at 4 p.m. unless noted 4/25 Divine Child

4/28 11 a.m. @Orchard Lake St. Marv's 4/30 4:30 p.m. @Harper Woods

All games at 7 p.m. unless noted 4/27 7:30 p.m. @Culver Military Academy

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Novi City Council will hold a PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED CITY 2012-2013 BUDGET at the Regular Meeting of Council to be held on MONDAY, MAY 7, 2012. Said hearing will be held at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the same may be reached, at the Novi Civic Center Council Chamber, 45175 West Ten Mile Road, Novi, Michigan.

Interested citizens may appear and present written and/or verbal comments on the

The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.

A copy of the proposed 2012-13 budget is currently available at the Novi Civic Center, Office of the City Clerk for public inspection, 45175 West Ten Mile Road, Novi, Michigan.

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Report: Smoking-related fire deaths drop sharply

Estate planning and your digital assets; part one

Frecently completed an exhaustive analy is sis of estate planning and your digital assets. What happens to your e-mail, social network and blog in the event of your death or incapacity? These issues are especially relevant considering that there are billions of e-mail accounts and hundreds of millions of Facebook and Twitter users

I'm going to break this discussion into two parts (see part two in a future edition) consider ing the complexity of this issue. Part I considers the importance of having some planning options for users of free Internet e-mail. Part II discusses the few options available to people interested in planning their digital

So what happens to your e-mail account if you are dead or incapacitated? This all depends on which service your e-mail account is registered.

For example, if you have a Yahoo account, the present terms of service provide that there are no post-mortem rights to a Yahoo account. This means, if you were to die, your entire Yahoo account is terminated and no one can access the account or its contents. If you have a Hotmail account on the other hand, the terms of service provided by Microsoft include a mechanism



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Free e-mail accounts are created by users who must accept the terms of service for the particular website in order to access the account. In other words, an eContract is created between the user and the service provider; this contract is binding upon the user's survivors

and heirs. Each service provider has their own set of rules that the account holder agrees to at the time their account is created. So, the terms of service can provide that the account is accessible only by the reg-Terms of service can provide that the account will be terminated if a surviving family member attempts to access the account. Some terms of service provide that the

account will be terminated due to inactivity for a period of months (e.g. a lengthy hospitalization or coma). Unfortunately, there are no standard terms of service that any of the major service providers follow, whether it is an e-mail service provider, blog platform or Internet social network. In addition to this lack of unifor-

mity, each service pro-

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to change their terms of service after publishing notice of these changes to their users.

Terminating e-mail accounts or restricting access is problem atic in the event a person is deceased or incapacitated. People rely less and less on the traditional U.S. mail service to handle their personal affairs, much of which must be accounted for upon their death or incapacity. More and more people file their taxes online, shop online, pay their bills online and har dle banking online; all of these transactions are tied to an e-mail address

A troubling issue for probate attorneys relates to the inability of personal representatives from accessing deceased states (not Michigan) con fer this authority under their probate statutes

Without being able to track down whatever information is stored in an e-mail account can be frustrating for those persons appointed as personal representative of estates. Consider writing down your account pass words and keeping them with your estate planning

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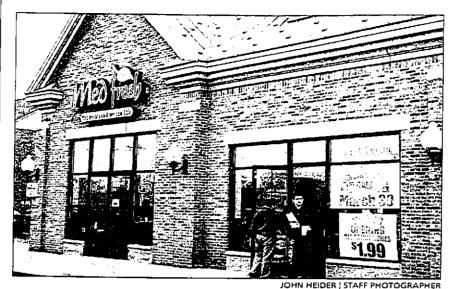
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Novi's Med Fresh Mediterranean-American Cafe celebrated its grand opening on

MEDC appoints Watkins to attract Chinese business

ville resident, has been appointed to the International Board of Adviopment by the Michigan Economic Development Corporation.

business development strategies to increase exports to China and on Michigan.

"China can and must be talize Michigan's econoto build two-way economto benefits us all. Our role will be to help grow jobs

included China in his first trade mission to Asia. "As we continue to build a bilateral trade bridge with China, Tom will help us shape that strategy,' said MEDC Senior Vice

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sity of Michigan's Confucius Institute.

He has an eclectic background serving in a number of leadership roles in both the private and pub lic sectors. Watkins is a former Michigan state superintendent of schools and president and CEO of the economic council of Palm Beach County, Fla. He is an internation-

al educational consultan to Greentown Schools in Hongzhou. China and an honorary professor at Mianyang Normal University in Siuchen Province China

L. Brooks Patterson Oakland County executive, credits Watkins with the idea of bringing Chinese language and culture into all Oakland County Schools.

"Tom's knowledge and understanding of Chieducational system is remarkable and his input simply invaluable to building effective bridges between our countries," said Michael Liu, of CompuPacific.

C. Peter Theut, president and CEO of China Bridge, has looked to Watkins for guidance. "Tom's global vision and relentless commitment to all things China has qualified him as the leading advocate for the diverse opportunities that China offers Michigan," Theut said.

Association and Univer-

The focus on the board is on establishing formal attracting Foreign Direct Investment from China to

part of the ingredients necessary to reinvent and revisaid Watkins, CEO of TDW & Associates, a global consulting firm. "I am honored to work with the state c. educational and cultural bridges with China in ways and investment in the great State of Michigan." Gov. Rick Snyder, who took office a year ago,

Let's PAWS to applaud President Doug Smith.

Watkins has a life-long

new position will be to attract Chinese businesses to Michigan. (His shirt spells interest in China sparked

Tom Watkins' role in his

by a great fourth grade teacher. He has traveled written about and worked in China for a quarter of a century. He was named the first non-Chinese, honorary board member for the Chinese Association of Greater Detroit (CAGD) and was recently given the 2012 Leadership Trailblazer Award from Chi-Guoqiang and CAGD president Lisa Gray, also of Northville, during the organization's 20th anniversary celebration.

"We gave Tom this award for his unwavering passion, vision and leadership in building economic, cultural and educational bridges to China," said Gray Watkins is on the advi-

sory boards for the Detroit Chinese Business

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Several factors, including a

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furniture have been credited

with the decrease in smoking

material fire deaths over the

last 30 years. The most recent

drops in fatalities and injuries,

though, owe much to the "fire-

with the national report. "The

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has done a great job in help-

said Tom Kiurski of Livonia

ing to bring down the number

of fire deaths due to smokers,"

Fire & Rescue. "The cigarettes

are designed to self-extinguish

safe" cigarette legislation.

Local firefighters agree

ing in \$663 million in direct

property damage.

the 1980 levels. During 2010

smoking material fires in 2010,

civilian deaths in the Unit-

forgotten about the cigarette. "Our greatest loss of life from fire is smoking materials, so any effort to reduce the ignition sequence and its effects has helped the fire service," Kiurski added in an e-

In 2003, U.S. states began requiring that all cigarettes sold must be "fire-safe," that is, have sharply reduced ignition strength (ability to start fires), as determined by ASTM Standards, By 2010, fire-safe cigarette legislation was in effect in 47 states. From 2003 to 2010, the number of civilian deaths in smoking-material fires fell by an average of

The year 2012 is the first vear all 50 state laws are effective, and all inventories of pre-standard cigarettes should have sold out. A projection linking the percentage decline in fire deaths to the percentage of smokers covered suggests that when smoking material fire death numpers are analyzed for the year

younger adults.

According to Lorraine Carli. NFPA's vice president of Communications, "The adoption of fire-safe cigarette legislation is proving to be a giant step forward in reducing the leaded the fire. ing cause of home fire deaths.

"NFPA is very encouraged by these numbers, which show the requirements are having the intended consequences said Carli. "It is clear that our efforts have already made an impact on public safety and will continue to provide further progress in the years to

deaths will reach roughly 30

percent.

Other key findings in this report show:

 Older adults are at the highest risk of death or injurial fires, even though they are less likely to smoke than

 One fatal victim in four (24 percent) of home smoking-material fires was not the smoker whose cigarette start-

· Sleeping is the primary human factor contributing to ignition cited for one-third (32 percent) of home smokingmaterial fire deaths. As with virtually all types

of fires, there are many steps that people can take to preven smoking-material fires. NFPA has developed the following safety tips focusing on safe storage and disposal of ciga-

 Whenever you smoke, use deep, wide, sturdy ashtrays. Ashtravs should be set on

something sturdy and hard to ignite, like an end table. · Before you throw out butts

out. Dowsing them in water or sand is the best way to do this. · Check under furniture cush ions and other places people smoke for cigarette butts that

and ashes, make sure they are

may have fallen out of sight. NFPA is a worldwide leader in fire, electrical, building, and life safety. The mission of the international nonprofit organization founded in 1896 is to reduce the worldwide burden of fire and other hazards on the quality of life by providing and advocating consensus codes and standards, research, training, and education

Livonia Fire & Rescue contributed to this report.

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HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of Jan. 16-20, 2012, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses and sales prices.

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HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-OAKLAND

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Aires land: pricey, thriving

Buenos

Q: I understand that there are many new developments Aires which is ripe for commercial development. De you have any information?

A: Buenos Aires has been able to develop it: riverfront with a series of shops, restaurants and hotels on both sides of the river. Obviously, the prices per lot involved are substantia as compared to other parts of the city



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are best advised to joint venture with a local company or real estate group so that you maximize your opportunities for investment with local expertise and political connections.

Q: What common fair housing problems arise from community restrictions or

A: In general, community restrictions or rules trigger fair housing problems in one of two ways, either the rules are enforced themselves are unfair. For example a Condominium Association faces potential liability is members of a protected class are singled out for strict enforcement of the rules by enforcement against others is lax. An example is that it would be unlawful to come down hard on African American residents while ignoring similar infractions by white

residents.

The second relates to the fairness of the rules. For example, communities have legitimate reasons to govern resident behavior in common areas, such as hallways, parking lots and outside spaces, but rules that unreasonably target children or common areas could lead to a complaint of discrimination based on familial status. Of course, rules tha have no reasonable relationship to the operation of the condominium would similarly be suspect The Federal Housing Act bans discrimination in housing because of race, color, religion, sex, national origin. familial status or disability. Check with your attorney regarding the nature and extent of your rules.

Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and author of Condominiun Operation: Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track, second edition, available for \$9.95 plus \$1 shipping/handling. He also wrote Condo Living: A Survival Guide to Buying, Owning and Selling a Condominium available for \$24.95 plus \$5 shipping/handling, Call (248) 644-4433 or visit bmeisner@ meisner-law.com. This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice

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References are often the last step in the screening process before an employer extends an offer. While every company has a different policy or references, most still ask for them. What a reference says, or doesn't say, can sometimes make the difference between getting an offer or not. Greg Szymanski, director of human resources at Geonerco Management in Seattle, says that when employers contact references, they re looking to determine if the candidate is the person who presented himself in the interview. "Often what's not said is more important than what is said. And hesitations and dancing in a reference's answers are very

The questions employers are asking

Employment verification: The standard questions a hiring manager will ask are ones related to your employment. The employer will want to verify that you did indeed work with this reference, the dates of your employment and the reference's relationship to you (boss, peer, etc.). Sean Milius. president of the Healthcare Initiative, an affiliate of global recruiting firm MRINetwork. says employers also want to know why you left. "It is very important that their story matches that of the candidate." Milius says, "If the candidate says it was a 'mutual parting, but the reference says they were let go or laid off. there will be a problem. The candidate should always be truthful when asked why they left, as the potential employer

will check out their story. Workplace performance: After a hiring manager asks

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dig a little deeper into your work performance. Common performance-related questions will cover strengths, areas for improvement, ability to work in a team and biggest accomplishments. Sunil Phatak, director of U.S. recruiting at IT staffing and consulting firm Akraya Inc., says the following questions on both hard and soft skills are also often asked:

What would you say is his strongest attributes? How would you describe her interpersonal skills? What would you say motivated him most? · Would you rehire or recommend her for rehire?

Personality and wellroundedness:

Szymanski notes that while work-performance questions provide important insight. they don't always give a complete picture of the candidate, "If you want to know what the person is like. you have to ask questions that get at that information in a different way." For instance, an employer may ask. "Would you trust the reference to watch your children if you were away on vacation?" Or. "Would you take the candidate to dinner at a nice restaurant with your parents/spouse/significant other?" "The more personal/ nonwork-related questions are often useful, not for what the reference says, but [for] what the reference doesn't say and or the manner in which the reference provides an answer or doesn't answer." Szymanski

Who the references are matters, too

Sure, a reference's answers hold a lot of weight, but who the reference is can be just as telling to a hiring manager. If

the only references you can provide are your mom, your sister and your best friend, it might raise a red flag with the potential employer. 'Most employers would prefer that a job seeker choose a former manager or supervisor as a reference." Phatak says. 'This is because managers are usually able to deliver a relatively unbiased opinion and are much less likely to be swayed into giving a positive referral if one isn't truly deserved. A manager is also a good pick for a reference because a positive referral from him will hold more weight than one from a coworker who is similarly ranked. Job seekers should also select references who worked with them for at least a year, have a good

attributes. Setting your references up for success

While you likely won't know

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EMPLOYEE'S PERSONNEL FILE EMPLOYMENT INTERVIEW EE REFERENCE CHECK references, you can still caught off-guard and failing to

prepare them for the call. The first thing you should do is tell your references that they are one. While that may seem obvious, it's not always done. and the last thing you want to do is have your references be blindsided by the hiring manager's call. Even if you've used certain references in the past, don't just assume they'll be available or willing to serve as one again. The best approach? Ask your contacts first before giving their information to the employer.

Phatak says that if you've done a good job of selecting your references, they'll know you and your work style well enough that they won't need any coaching on the answers. He does suggest that you share the basic job description with your references and refresh them on the position you had and contributions you made while working together. "This is especially helpful if a lot of time has passed since you last worked with them. You don't

want your references to be

recall what it is you even did on their team.

Szymanski shares this metaphor to summarize the use of references during the hiring process. "Reference checking is one spoke in the wheel of talent acquisition. If you can get as many spokes in the wheel as you can, your hiring will get better Reference checking is not perfect, but if used in conjunction with other spokes, reference checking can be useful in verifying/ confirming what you already know or breaking ties between two or more closely matched candidates.

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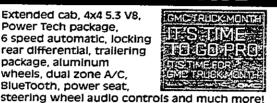


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 Bankruptcies Slow Pay

2012 Sierra, Terrain & Regal with guaranteed credit approval. 855-587-3509

Interest Rates Modified Mortgage From 3.9% 450 Credit Score

NEW 2012 GMC ACADIA

Remote start, BlueTooth, 8 passenger seating.



Lease \$299* per mo. 39 mos./ \$2,499 due Sale Price

NEW 2012 GMC

BlueTooth, side curtain



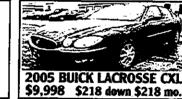
Lease \$219* per mo. 24 mos./ 1,999 due

Sale Price ^{\$}24.973

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137 good people with BAD CREDIT wanted for experimental AUTOMOTIVE financing program \$2,865,000 Available!!! 855-587-3509





\$19,878 \$299 down \$299 mo.



\$6,872 \$158 down \$158 me.



2006 CHRYSLER 300 \$7,852 \$179 down \$179 mo.



2011 BUICK REGAL CXL RL4 \$23,868 \$369 down \$369 mo.



\$13,452 \$219 down \$219 mo.



\$11,988 \$259 down \$259 mo.



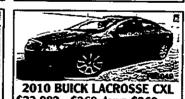
2009 PONTIAC G6 \$13,865 \$219 down \$219 mo.



2008 CHEVY SUBURBAN LT w/3LT \$28,572 \$439 down \$439 mo.



2010 DODGE AVENGER SXT \$14,962 \$229 down \$229 mo.

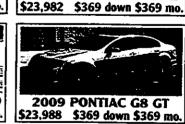




























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