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Here's what Novi voters will see on the ballot in the Tuesday, Aug. 7 pri-

mary election.

Congressional: United States Senator and Representative in Congress 11th District

Legislative: Representative in State Legislature 38th District

Oakland County: Executive, Prosecuting Attorney, Sheriff, Clerk/Register of Deeds, Treasurer, Water Resources Commissioner and County Commissioner Judicial: Judge of Circuit Court – 6th Circuit – Non– Incumbent Position

Delegates: To the county conventions of the Republican and Democratic parties

Oakland County Art

Institute Authority Millage: The Oakland County Art Institute Authority established pursuant to Public Act 296 of 2010 to allow for continuing support of art institute services for the students, residents and visitors of Oakland County. The law allows the Authority to seek authorization from the electors to levy a tax of not more than 0.2 mill (20 cents per \$1,000 of taxable value) on real and personal property to provide revenue to an art institute services provider for this purpose Accordingly, to continue providing art institute services to benefit the residents of Oakland County, shall a 0.2 mill on all of the taxable property located within the County be imposed for a period of ten (10) years, being years 2012 through 2021? It is estimated that if approved and levied, this new millage would generate approximately \$9,847,191 in 2012.

Charter Amendment Proposal 1: Shall the Novi City Charter, Section 9.1(b), be amended to increase the millage amount for specific street and highway improvement purposes from a maximum of 1.0 mills by the Headlee Amendment to .7719 mills) to a maximum of 1.5 mills beginning in 2013 tax year, resulting in the authorization to collect an estimated additional \$2,172,006 dollars in the

first year.

Down on the farm



Green Science Adventure Camper Will Sjogren, right, takes a look at some interesting fungus patterns on a tree's trunk with his magnifying lens during the July

Kids get dirty, have fun, learn a lot at MSU Tollgate Farm

By Julie Brown Staff Writer

Haisley Turnquist, 9, was among some 40 enthusiasts last week at the 4-H Green Science Adventure Camp at MSU Tollgate Farm in Novi.

"I think it's really fun," said Haislev, a fifth-grader at Hickory woods Elementary. "You get to experience a lot with the animals and nature

My favorite thing would have to be fishing."

The program's offered through Michigan State University's Extension, which includes as its youth development program 4-H. That's often associated with agriculture, said Alan Jaros, outdoor education

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Three Novi teens admit to truck fire

Novi police will petition for charges

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

Novi police have identified three juvenile sus-pects in the truck fire that happened July 8 at a Chase Farms neighborhood home.

According to David Molloy, Novi's director of public safety/chief of police, the suspects are all under 16 years old and attend Novi Middle

School. Molloy said the department had stepped up its presence in the neighborhood after the incident. This helped produce some leads, which led to one perpetrator being identified and later to all three admitting to causing the fire by throwing fire-works into the bed of the truck. They also admitted to some other malicious destruction of property incidents, such as egging houses and planting a smoke bomb inside a home's storm door.

The teens told police there was no intent to destroy anything, but to just pull some pranks. They told police they went back to the truck and attempted to put out the fire after leaving the scene and seeing it

The Ford F-150 truck belonged to the Yan-

"An apology would be great ... if anything." BRIDGETTE YANKEE

kee family. It was fully destroyed, but it has been covered by insurance. However, the Yankees have had to put out money for deductible payments, not only for the truck, but for a damaged loaner car

and their home.

Bridgette Yankee said police had informed them of the positive developments. However, they still haven't recovered from the incident that woke them from their sleep.

"An apology would be great ... if anything," Yankee said.

Molloy said the next step will have the department presenting the case to the Probate Court and petitioning for criminal charges.

The hope is that this is the end to the vandalism/ MDOP incidents in the Chase Farms neighborhood. Molloy said officers are confident these individuals were responsible for a vast majority of complaints in this particular area.

"The message here is parents need to know where their kids are and what they are doing," Molloy said. "The damage that has been done is disappointing, but we're pleased to move this toward a positive conclu-

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Candidates don't like special election costs

Scheduling election is the law, they say

By Ken Abramczyk Observer Staff Writer

Most of the five Republican candidates are angry about the cost of the special election to fill Thaddeus McCotter's vacated seat, but they are

also adamant that the old 11th Congressional District deserves representation over the last few weeks of the year.

Five Republicans and one Democrat have filed to run in the special election Sept. 5.

McCotter resigned July 6. ending his term six months early after what he called a "nightmarish month and a half" in apparent reference to his duplicated signatures on

PRIMARY INFORMATION

Bé sure to see the Opinion page inside for our endorsements in the Aug. 7 primary and voting poll locations.

petitions turned into the Secretary of State that resulted in an investigation by state Attorney General Bill Schuette.

The duplicate signatures were invalidated so he fell short of the minimum signatures required to run.

On July 13, Lt. Gov. Brian Calley, acting in Gov. Rick Snyder's absence, called for a special election in the 11th District to fill the vacancy created by McCotter's resignation.

Former state Sen. Nancy Cassis, former Livonia school board mem-

ber Steve King, Carolyn Kavanagh of Livonia and Kenneth Crider of Livonia filed last week to run on the Republican ballot in the 11th Congressional District. David Curson of Belleville filed as a Democrat.

The candidates had until 4 p.m. July 23 to withdraw, but none of them did.

Residents in the cur-

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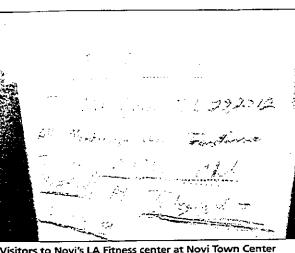
Novi resident Art Vuolo said he was one of the last members out of the now-closed LA Fitness location on Crescent Boulevard, in the old Bally's Total Fitness location in Novi Town Center.

For Vuolo and other members, the closing came as an unpleasant

"I feel a bit betrayed by it." Vuolo said of the closing, "It was fixed it up not too long ago and was a really friendly place to exercise, so it was sur-

It closed near the end of June. Vuolo said members were told through a posted sign that they could go to nearby LA Fitness locations, which are on Telegraph Road in Southfield and Bloomfield Hills as well as one

in Troy. LA Fitness did not return several telephone calls and messages left at



Visitors to Novi's LA Fitness center at Novi Town Center were greeted with this sign stating that the club had closed and that memberships were being honored elsewhere.

official information was given as to why it was

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Vuolo said he has heard many rumors as to where some new locations might be set up, including spots at Northwestern Highway and Orchard Lake Road, in Plymouth, or possibly along I-96 near

Wixom and Milford. Powerhouse Gym in Novi welcomed many members who felt the oth-

er LA Fitness locations are just too far of a drive. Powerhouse supervisor John Anthony said a "good amount" of former LA Fitness members as well as some staff have come over to the 24hour gym in the Twelve



Visitors to Novi's LA Fitness center at Novi Town Center found the club closed in late June.

Mile Crossing at Fountain Walk complex.

"We've received a lot of positive feedback from those that came over here and we're pleased." said Mike Dabish, Powerhouse manage. "We believe we have a perfect location for the Novi community, where they can

He likes that his member-Powerhouse is an ship can be used at any attractive alternative, not location around the state only with its hours, but and country, but mostalso with amenities like a ly he liked seeing his lap pool, basketball court friends each time went to and cutting edge equipbreak a sweat. Vuolo said for years he "We're all kind of

bummed out," he said.

Haggerty road work to begin Aug. 13

By Ken Abramczyk

maneuvering orange bar-

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Beginning Aug. 13, Hag-

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Haggerty Road added to

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Cadillac Asphalt, the lead contractor, will be placing changeable message boards about one week prior to construction to warn motorists of the impending construction, said Todd Zilincik, Livonia

city engineer. "The project is anticipated to be completed by the end of October," Zilin-

resurfaced in a \$1.2 mil-The contractor will be lion project. Wayne Counworking on the outside ty and city officials will lanes to begin the projconduct a meeting to discuss that project with busiect, consisting of concrete preparation and repairs, ness owners and residents and resurfacing. Schoolat 2 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. craft College will be adding a right turn lane and at Schoolcraft College.

coordinating that activity with Wayne County, Zilincik said.

had been regularly exer-

cising at the Novi LA Fit-

ness location, starting

In addition, the southwest corner of Haggerty and Seven Mile is anticinated to be cleared of trees and a portion of the hill removed and an entrance added off Haggerty Road for development purposes. Schoolcraft College has

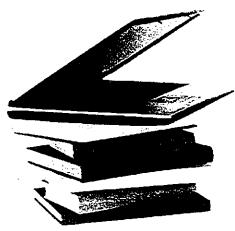
requested that work be suspended on Aug. 29 and Aug. 30 for the start of the school year at the college. Work is expected to be suspended after 3 p.m. Friday, Aug. 31, through

Sept. 4. Northville Township Public Services Director Tom Casari said this is a partial road closure

project and residents can expect to see two-way traffic maintained on Haggerty throughout the scheduled work, which will occur Monday through Saturdays from 7 a.m.-9 p.m. He added the interection of Six and Seven Mile roads will have traffic occasionally being directed by flag and

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Stylists to offer tiptop looks on Friday

Bringing back Beatles

Toppermost will be performing at 7 p.m. Friday,

Aug. 10 at Fuerst Park (southeast corner of Taft and

entertaining fans across the region for five years, performing a family-friendly, interactive and exciting

10 Mile). The Toppermost Beatles tribute has been

show that appeals to all ages. This is a special year

The members of the Toppermost Beatles tribute are

because it is the 50th anniversary of the Beatles.

co-founder Tom Diab as Paul McCartney (Dexter);

ladipaolo as John (Livonia).

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Ron Lockhart as George (co-founder, Farmington);

Ray Steinberg as Ringo (Farmington Hills); and Tony

Kristen Melzak knows girls and young women want to look

Melzak is front desk manager of Elle Studio in the City Center Plaza, on the southwest corner of Grand River Avenue and Novi Road in Novi.

The salon is offering back to school makeovers aimed at high school girls, callege women and those beginning careers. Makeovers are currently set for Friday, Aug. 3.

"They're really excited about it," Melzak said. The customers learn what a good haircut can do in terms of styles for different

stuck with one style." Elle Studio's website is www.ellestudionovi. com, the phone number

(248) 380-3113. Haircuts take into account face shape, Melzak said. The hair cut is usually the most expensive element. "Obviously they don't

have a lot of time in school to do their hair They don't have a lot of disposable income, said Melzak, who's been on the job since Elle Studio opened 10 months ago.

The styles are easy to maintain, she said, and don't require many products for mainte-

By Julie Brown



A sign on the doors of the former Great Indoors at Novi's Twelve Mile Crossing at Fountainwalk on July 26 indicates that a Sears Outlet center will be its next tenant. The shopping complex is east of Novi Road and north of i-96.

Sears Outlet coming to Fountain Walk

"This is a huge

good news to see

going in there."

"This is a huge spot

with two floors, so it's

good news to see another

business going in there,'

Great Indoors recent

ly closed its doors, mak-

ing it the last store in

the nationwide chain

another business

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ARA TOPOUZIAN

lopouzian said.

Store moving into former Great Indoors locale

By Lonnie Huhman

A Sears Outlet store is scheduled to open in the next two months at the former home of Great Indoors in the Twelve Mile Crossing at Fountainwalk complex.

Sears spokesperson Kim Freely said they hope to open the store in mid-September with a grand opening. Freely said the location is great and should give area customers an ideal shopping opportunity. "We like the area, and the location is great,"

Freely said. "This outlet should resonate well with our customers.' Freely said the outlet store, which is currently undergoing renovation,

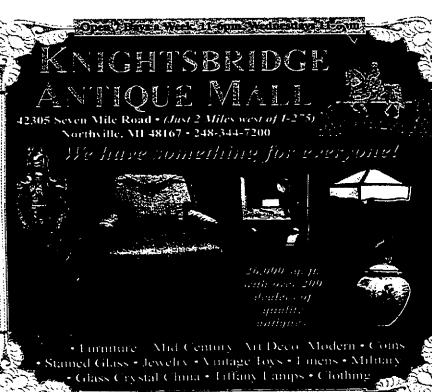
will not use the entire location, leaving part of it vacant. Over 20 employees are expected to be The development is

being well-received by many, including Novi Economic Development Director Ara Topouzian. ping in to sell products that include overstocked and custom-made return

Freely said what makes the outlet so appealing for many people is the from appliances to apparel - and prices. She said the in-store items will all be at least 20-60 percent off the regular retail pric-

Other Sears Outlet locations in the area include Livonia, Bloomfield and

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The Buy Michigan Now Festival returns for its fourth consecutive year Aug. 3-5. Hosted by Buy Michigan Now and downtown Northville, the festival showcases Michigan entertainers, businesses, products, and educational opportunities with the goal of revitalizing the local economy. Vendor and sponsorship opportunities are available. Lisa Diggs of Livonia

founded Buv Michigan Now in 2007 to promote Michigan-based products and services. "It's also the fourth year of Buy Michi-

gan Week," she said of the event proclaimed by Govs. Rick Snyder and Jennifer Granholm "The festival is a celebration of that." It introduces Michigan products and services to peo-

Northville has been welcoming to organizers, Diggs said.

"It's a great communi ty. The people are lovely. There's a great emphasis on art. The vast majority of businesses are locally owned which is what we're all about. Vendors bring in prod-

ucts ranging from Michigan-made cabinetry, salsas, jewelry and mittens, "a pretty wide variety," for the event, she said. The free weekend celebration focuses attention omy. Main and Center streets in central Northville will be closed for pedestrian traffic. Many consumers are trying to be a part of revitalizing the economy, she said. If every

on Michigan-based busi-

nesses and locally pro-

chants will host a sideduced merchandise to walk sale, while Michihelp stimulate the econgan vendors set up shop under tents in the streets for the festival. In addition to teaming up with downtown Northville, other major sponsors are: Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan, Hiller's Markets, Tom Holzer Ford, Michigan household OKE Financial and Intershifted \$10 a week of its spending to Michigan net Automotive. New this products and services year will be The Toast to Michigan Tent, on the that would put about \$38 library lawn on Wing, just million into our econo-

turing Michigan beers and wines. The tent will be open 5:30-10:30 p.m.

PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Lisa Diggs takes a look at some Michigan-produced art at Northville's "State of MInd"

gallery on July 26. Diggs is in charge of the upcoming Buy Michigan Now Festival that

merchants on the street and all of downtown's regulars with lots of specials and made-

Local Northville mer-

will be held on Aug. 3-5 in downtown Northville. The event will feature about 100

Bargains found

Friday and Saturday, Aug. 3-4. Also new this year is the Video Gaming Unit, located on West Center Street, presented by Internet Automotive. Fans of Xbox 360 games will have free indoor and outdoor access to the unit, to challenge each other to a variety of games for all ages. The main stage, Town

Square/Main Street, will offer music from local



A ceramic plate at Northville's "State of MInd" gallery with a good message.

HOURS

The Buy Michigan Now Festival is scheduled to run from noon to 9 p.m Friday, Aug. 3, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 4. and 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 5.

artists throughout the weekend, including Friday Night Concert Series headliners, The Shawn Riley Band, and Saturday headliners, Mainstreet Soul. There will be a Kids' Zone at Church Square/Center Street including art demonstrations from the Detroit Institute of Arts artist program, along with entertainment.

The third annual 'We're Cookin' in Mich

igan" recipe contest finals will be presented by Hiller's Markets and held at Eninhany Kitchens on Center Street. It focuses on cooking with Michigan ingredients. Finalists will present their recipes and dishes to culinary experts to compete for a \$250 Hiller's card and chance to at Hiller's to benefit

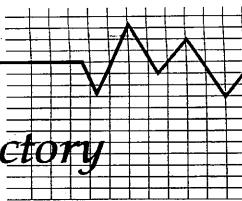
charity. "I love it. It's exciting. It's always exciting to see new products every year," organizer Diggs said. "It's a fun, family event and manages to help us revitalize our

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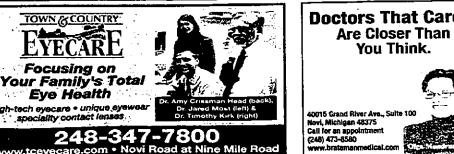
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Business Women's Association (ABWA) recently

installed officers for the upcoming year. Marcia

engstebeck has been elected vice president,

Green will serve a second term as president, Holly

Margaret Laitala will serve as secretary and Sheri

Mayer joins the board as treasurer. "We thank the

outgoing board for their service to the organiza-

The mission of the American Business Women's

Association is to bring together businesswomer

of diverse occupations and to provide opportuni-

ties for them to help themselves and others grow

education, networking support, and national

personally and professionally through leadership,

recognition. The Novi Oaks Charter Chapter meets

on the second Wednesday of each month at the

DoubleTree Hotel in Novi. Networking begins

at 6:15 p.m., and dinner starts at 6:45 with the

program beginning shortly after. New members

and guests are welcome — contact publicity@

abwa-novi.org for more information or visit www.

tion, and we look forward to continuing the amaz-

ing strides made over the past year," noted Mayer.

new officers

Community Development introduces online construction inspection scheduling tool

Beginning Monday. Aug. 6, Novi will become one of the first communities in Michigan to provide online inspection scheduling tool. Contractors and homeowners in Novi will schedule construction inspections using the new Online Inspection Portal, an easy-to-use tool, which can be found at cityofnovi.org. The portal allows

of inspections, such as building, electrical plumbing, and heating. Prior to using the Online inspection Portal, users must have their assigned permit number. Contractors with multiple projects will be able to create an account for easy access to all of their

The Online Inspec-

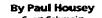
tion Portal replaces the 24-hour phone hotline, "The new portal takes advantage of techidly becoming accessi ble for everyone," said Andy Gerecke, Novi building official. "With the majority of people having access to the Internet via computer, smartphone or tablet, it's a natural fit for

vice that is easy-to-use, more functionality. Contractors and Homeowners will be able to monitor their project inspecing documents and photos, and receive an email when their inspection is

issued, totaling \$58 million in valuation, 2012 is proving to be a busy vear for development n Novi. Construction in Novi has been steadily increasing and providing quality customer service remains a top priority for the City of Novi. In addition to the new Online Inspection Portal, the Community

surv Departments have extended hours until nings through Labor Day to receive and issue permits, process payments and provide consultations. Consultation appointments should be made in advance by contacting the Communiment at (248) 347-0415.

Mortgage refinancing getting easier



s a Certified Financial Planner professional, I am always focusing my clients on what they can control. For example, the

your income that you save is within your conthe rate of return you earn on the investments

is largely outside of your

Also within the control of many homeowners is the opportunity to lower your mortgage interest rate. My firm does not offer mortgages but we work with experts who do because mortgage refinance rules and rates continue to change creating opportunities for homeowners who think they are stuck with their current rate. While the government continues to make lending rules more lenient and interest rates are near

First, estimate the loan-

to-value (LTV) of your current mortgage. If you are one of the lucky ones who owes less than 80 percent of the appraised value of your home, you can likely refinance without the help of the special government programs LTV is under 80 percent, contact your current lender and at least one competitor now and once/year to determine if you can improve your rate. I have many clients in the past vear who have refinanced for 30 years at rates under 4 percent and some as low

Opportunities for those with high Loan-to-Value If your LTV is over 80 percent, ask a mortgage professional if your loan is owned or guaranteed by FHA. Freddie Mac. Fan-

as 3 percent on certain

• The cost for refinance ing certain FHA loans decreased in June 2012 creating new opportunities for some FHA bor-

 Most conventional loans are owned by Freddie Mac or Fannie Mae even though you never see their name on your check to them. The bank or institution that initiated and/or services your loan s rarely the end investor If you have a loan owned r guaranteed by Freddie Mac or Fannie Mae you may be eligible to take advantage of Home

Home Affordable Refi-

nance Program HARP was original enacted in early 2009 and expanded in late 2011 Some applicants unable to benefit under Phase 1 may now be eligible under Phase 2 because the new rules are more relaxed and some home owners have experienced LTV changes over the last three years. In general, borrowers must meet the fy under HARP:

Mae or Freddie Mac on or pefore May 31, 2009. The mortgage cannot have been refinanced under HARP previously unless it is a Fannie Mae loan that was refinanced under HARP from March

The mortgage must

have been sold to Fannie

Ma<u>y,</u> 2009. • The current (LTV) ratio must be greater than 80 percent.

 The borrower must be current on the mortgage at the time of the refinance, with no late payment in the past six months and no more than one late payment in the For all the rules, visit http://www.makinghome-

affordable.gov/programs lower-rates/Pages/harp. Beyond the Basics Technically, for fixed rate loans, there is no lim it on the LTV percent-

age to qualify. In reality though, each lender has

different requirements

cent while others require a certain credit score. The good news for those who may have been turned down is that you might get a different answer from a different lender on a different day. Shop around! If you need a good mortgage lender, I will be happy to put you in touch with

Also, second mortgages

can often be ignored when calculating LTV. So if your first mortgage puts you in range for a HARP reficing but you are afraid that your second mortgage makes your LTV too high, you should still contact a mortgage lender to see if you qualify. You may be HARP Phase 2 has allowed for more appraisal waivers. If you have been reluctant to start the refinance process

because you don't want to pay for the appraisal only to find out that you don't qualify, ask your lender if you qualify for an apprais Finally, if you are not

able to refinance this summer, try again in six or 12 months when the rules local lenders may have changed again and your LTV may have improved.

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Novi maintains AA+ bond rating

The City of Novi received positive financial news for residents and business members in conjunction with refunding bonds to save on debt service payments. Standard & Poor's Rating Ser vice confirmed the City of Novi's high quality credit rating of AA+ with a stable outlook. Standard & Poor's

defines an AA+ rating as a City "having excellent financial security and being highly safe." The confirmed rating comes following a rating request pursuant to a refunding bond issue on special assessment district bonds that are being paid by the owners of Twelve Mile Crossing at Fountain Walk. The original principal provided \$18 million of improvements on surrounding public streets and utilities.

"Today's bond rating confirmation affirms the City of Novi is making sound financial decisions," said Novi Mayor Bob Gatt. "This is one objective measure of how the City is managing taxpayer dollars and a testament to the sound financial practices which serve as a hallmark and foundation to all we do."

Standard & Poor's notes that "Novi has realized strong residential and retail development in the past decade which includes several malls. a successful convention center, and several hotels all of which contribute to a retail sales per capital level at 216 percent of the national average In addition, income lev els are very strong, as indicated by the median household effective buying income at 150 percent of the national average. The City's unemployment rate averaged 6.4 percent in 2011, which was well below the state's average of 8.4 percent. Through

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May 2012, the unemployment rate declined further to 5.4 percent, again below both state and national averages.'

The confirmation goes on to state that 'Novi has maintained a strong financial position; reserves have been well above the City's formal policy of maintaining between 18 percent of 22 percent of expenditures. Overall, management's intent is to stay within the reserve range indicated in the fund balance policy and, as such appropri-

ate excess funds accord-"The Standard & Poor's rating confirms the exemplary work being accomplished in Novi. During the past several years, we have enhanced efficiencies, and restructured operations, while maintaining prudent fiscal practices and delivering quality services which keen us at a high credit rating," said Novi City Manager Clay J. Pearson, "While the envi-

Novi receives international special achievement in GIS award

ronment in which we

operate continues to have

plenty of cautionary sig-

nals, there are also many

signs of slow and steady

The City of Novi was honored among 140 distinguished communities and organizations using innovative location based technologies at the 2012 Esri International User Conference. Novi was recognized for promoting public access to interactive, contentrich online maps and integrating location based technology throughout the city's business applications. Most recently, Novi deployed a Cityworks asset management system leveraging both

nally managed systems to reduce costs, increase accountability, and generate performance metrics for City employ ees throughout all field service areas. The project was selected after an extensive five-year evaluation of the best asset management practices adopted by communities across the nation.

system infrastructure by continually tracking ing preventative maintenance practices," stated Rob Hayes, city engineer and director of Pub-

cal responsibility."

The asset manage ment system is currently being used within the city's Department of Public Services (DPS) and is designed to be extended to other types of pub-lic works including storm water, sidewalks, and street tree management

of roads, 306 miles of sanitary mains, and has over 13,000 water and sewer utility service cus

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Japanese Movie Night on Aug. 11

The City of Novi, in cooperation with Consulate General of Japan in Detroit, will present a free screening of Disney's UP at Fuerst Park (southeast corner of Ten Mile and Taft roads) at 8:30 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 11. Refreshments will be provided and the movie, shown in Japanese, will begin at dusk. Families are asked to bring blankets or lawn chairs. In the case of inclement weather, the movie will be shown indoors at the Novi Civic Center (45175 West Ten Mile Rd). Please call the weather hotline for details at (248) 347.0473. Parking is available in the Novi High School lot on

The Consulate General of Japan in Detroit and the City of Novi have partnered on a number of community events including the international traveling exhibits of Kokeshi Dolls (2007) and the Spirit of Budo (2009), Shiga Japanese Confectionary Demonstration (2010), and New Blooms for Novi - Cherry Blossom Tree plantings in May, 2012. Collaborations between the City, Consulate, and other Japanese entities, such as the Japan Business Society of Detroit, Shiga Sister-State Program, anan America Society of Greater Detroit

Taft Road.

and Windsor, and Ringo Kai Japanese School of Detroit continue to flourish because Novi is the proud home to the largest Japanese popula-

tion in Michigan and has

more than 60 Japanese-

available now at cityofnovi.org, by calling (248) 347-0400, or at the Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department, 45175 West Ten Mile Road, for perfor-

mances Sept. 6-16. The Bright Lights of Broadway is a tour of Broadway tunes from the classics to modern hits. The production features show-stopping dance numbers, musical acts, and side-splitting com-

The Senior Variety Series is a win-win for the Novi community, said Stephanie Schuetzler, Cultural Arts coordinator, "The shows provide an opportunity for hundreds of people to get out, socialize, eat a great meal, and have fun while the actors are actively engaged throughout the production, singing, dancing, or reciting memo-

rized lines."

"Each year, I bring a group of residents from Independence Village of White Lake to enjoy the show. They love it so much that, this year, seven residents have joined the cast," said Rita Sandon, activity director, Independence Village of White Lake, "Although it is a challenge for some, their participation is bringing forth feelings of self-esteem and excitement. They are excited to entertain their peers." Tickets for luncheon performances are \$20 each at noon on Thursdays, Sept. 6 and 13 and Fridays, Sept. 7 and 14. Tickets for matinee performances are \$15 each at 2 p.m. on Sundays, Sept. 9

and 16. Groups purchasing 15 tickets receive the 16th free. Group coordinators must call (248) 347-0400.

To learn more about the City of Novi, visit cityofnovi.org.

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"Our new asset management system will accurately represent the cost of providing the services our community members expect, and will help us extend the life of Novi's roads, water and sanitary expenditures while apply

lic Services. Chief Information Officer Rob Petty noted: "The value of leveraging location-based, asset management technology across multiple service areas to efficiently capture, respond, and satisfy calls for over 110 types of citizen requests and work orders advances City Council's goals of improving citizen service delivery while maintaining fis

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owned businesses. Celebrating Novi's diverse population, many cultural programs and

events are held in the city each year. Earlier this month, the second annual Novi Cricket Cup and the Festival of Chariots -Rathyatra took place on the grounds of the Civic Center Campus. Upcoming cultural events include the Ethnic Taste and Tune Fest on Saturday, September 8 from noon-3 p.m. at Fuerst Park and the Japan Business Society of Detroit's Japan Festival on Sunday, October 7 at Novi High

Park It! coming to Novi's Sizzling Summer Art

Park It!, an organization that partners with parks and recreation departments across Southeast Michigan, has selected Novi as one of the 30 cities they will be visiting this summer. Park It!, will add to the Sizzling Summer Art Series by bringing their large outdoor LED movie screen to Fuerst Park: Friday, Aug. 3 - The

Muppets movie, 9 p.m

Friday, Aug. 10 - Park Friday, Aug. 17 - Puss in Boots movie at 9 p.m. Friday, Aug. 24 - Gratitude Steel Band, 7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 31 - The Lorax movie at 9 p.m.

The Bright Lights of Broadway are coming to Novi

More than 50 older adults have been rehearsing for weeks to present The Bright Lights of Broadway, the 2012 Senior Variety Series production. Tickets are

"Twinkle Toes" **DVD** launch party at Twelve Oaks Saturday Families are invited to the free "Twinkle Toes:

The Movie" launch party in Center Court at Twelve Oaks, the only Michigan mall hosting the DVD release event, from noon-4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 4. Free activities include coloring with glitter cray-

ons, temporary tattoos and bedazzle crafts at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m., which includes decorating pink tote bags with jewels while supplies last. Children can take free dance lessons to the "Twinkle Toes" sound track following featured dance performances at noon and 2 p.m. by students from Dancing Feats studio in

Farmington Hills. Families at the event can register for the chance to win a "Twinkle Toes" prize package from Ske-

New wheeled recycling carts to be delivered to Wixom residents

Residents of Wixom will be getting new wheeled recycling carts starting the first week of August. Carts will be delivered by Waste Management at no cost to the residents. Recycling pick-up will start with the new carts as of Aug. 8. Once the new carts are delivered, Waste Management will no longer service the older style recycling bins. Residents may keep the bins for storage, or can

drop them off at the Wixom DPW at 2041 Charms Rd, where the bins will be reused for storage. Wheeled recycling

carts will be delivered directly to the curbside at each residence. Carts will feature a list ing of acceptable items and the phone number for the Department of Public Works, Arrows indicating the correct align ment will be stamped on each cart to facilitate pickup by the specialized single stream, "no sort" recycling truck. Carts should be placed away from cars, fire hydrants, and trees so they can be easily reached by the automated collection lift

> Recycling carts are for recycling only; there is no change to the garbage or

vard waste collection. If residents decide they need a smaller (35-gallon) or larger (96-gallon) cart after they have used the standard 64-galgan and Ohio.

lon cart, they may call the DPW at (248) 624-0141 to request an alternate size at no cost until Oct. The original cart must be placed in a clearly visible location near the garage. Within one week, Waste Management will then exchange it with the new alternate size cart as requested. For more information, contact the Wixom Department of Public

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or RRRASOC at www. rrrasoc.org. Skate Bus The Skate Bus, a

new program present-

Works at (248) 624-0141

ed in partnership with the PLUS Skate Shop in Farmington, will take local skateboarders, ages 6 and up, to premier skate parks throughout Michi-

The bus pick-up and drop-off is at the Novi Civic Center at 10 a.m. and Riley Skate Park in Farmington Hills at 10:15 a.m. for the Aug. 25 trip to Sylvania/Toledo, Ohio. All skaters under age 9 must be accompanied by a parent. Participants should be a lunch.

The deadline to register is Aug. 10. The cost is \$29 and includes a Skate Bus T-shirt. Registration is going on now at the City of Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department located inside the Novi Civic Cen-

ter, 45175 West 10 Mile

Road or the PLUS Skate Shop in Farmington. For more information, contact Greg Morris, recre ation supervisor, at (248) 735-5646 or gmorris@ cityofnovi.org.

Novi News online

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Age 95, passed away July 24, 2012. She was born on June 11, 1917, in Detroit to the late Daniel nd Nostofa (Mihalka) Andreica and Nostofa (Mihalka) Andreica. She enjoyed dancing to big band music with her husband. They made a beautiful couple when they were on the dance floor together. On August 2, Julia and her late husband would have celebrated their 70th anniversary. She is survived by her children: Daniel & Cindy Haas, Carolyn Kay Haas, Michael & Debbie Haas, Thomas Michael & Large Hassil Haast 12 grandchildren. Michael & Debbie Haas, Thomas & Jackie Haas; 12 grandchildren, and 6 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband Lawrence on January 26, 2012, her parents, her 3 sisters: Helen, Irene and Mary. A Funeral mass was celebrated on Friday. mass was celebrated on Friday, July 27, at Old St. Patrick Catholic Church, Memorial contributions may be made to Old. St. Patrick Catholic Church, 5671 Whitmore Lake Rd., Ann Arbot, MI. Arrangements entrusted to PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME,

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NELSON, BURT H.

Age 52, passed away July 23, 2012, at his home surrounded by his loving family. He was born on May 1, 1960, in Wayne, son of Carl and Ruby Nelson. Burt was a 1978 graduate of South Lyon High School. He was a master plumber and owned his own plumbing business. He had a passion for hunting, fishing and coaching softball. Burt was the founder of Fighters Fast-pitch. He will always be remembered as a man who loved life. He had a courageous, 10 year battle with cancer- never giving up. He is survived by his beloved wife Shelly of 24 years; daughters: Crystal & Olivia; parents: Carl & Ruby Nelson; granddaughter Lily and his four legged best friend, Crystal & Olivia; parents: Carl & Ruby Nelson; granddaughter Lily and his four legged best friend, Patches; sisters: Nannette & Joe Fiers, Carla & Robert Nester, Andrea & Nash Saucedo; mother-in-law Shirlene Scouten, father-in-law Kent Scouten & sisters in law: Sandy Scouten & father-in-law Kent Scouten & sis-ters-in-law: Sandy Scouten & Sue Danyluk: nieces and nephews: Rence, Jeremy, Nathan, Carl(Amy), Dominque, Nicki, Jared, softball daughters, many aunts, uncles and cousins: two sons Burt & Russell. Visitation was on July 25, at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, South Lyon. A memorial service Thursday, July 26 at 11am at St. John's

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OUR VIEWS



Politicians try to sway voters with yard signs like these on the east side of Haggerty just south of

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Take time to vote in Tuesday's primary election

Next Tuesday is primary election day in

That's the day registered voters will go to the polls to decide the makeup of political races at the national, state, county and local levels for the November general election. They'll decide the fate of a number of county and local tax requests and narrow the field of candidates in non-partisan judicial races.

A lot of decisions will be made. Unfortunately, very few people will take the time to get involved in them.

Those who won't vote are content to sit on the sidelines and let someone else make the decisions for them. They have a myriad of reasons why they can't - or won't - participate in the electoral process. They all ring hollow when you look at the availability of absentee ballot and polls open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. on election day, not to mention the sacrifices that have been made to protect our right to vote.

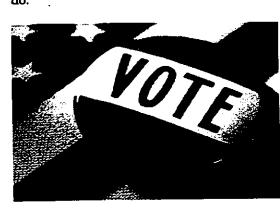
Even claiming to not know the candidates or the issues is flawed argument. Information can be found from a variety of sources in print and on the web. Most candidates have websites, they mail out informational pieces and even go door to door to engage potential constituents.

The League of Women Voters has its vote411.org website that lets people read and compare responses side-by-side on relevant issues of candidates for the U.S. Senate, their U.S. Congressional district, and their State Representative district and even create a personalized sample ballot for the Aug. 7th Primary election.

Staff members of the Novi News have spent the better part of the last two months interviewing candidates, looking at the ballot proposals and publishing stories about them. We have interviewed the tes and covered them at public forums. We expressed our opinion on who we think deserves to advance to the general election and what proposals deserve a yes vote. We've organized all that information in community specific election guides available on our website www.hometownlife.com.

Many decisions will be made on Aug. 7. They should be made by all of us, not just a few. That's why we urge residents who are registered to vote to take the time to participate in the primary election. Our country is founded on the ideal of a government of the people, for the people and by the people. Let this election day reflect

a commitment to that ideal by all of us. Get out and vote, it's the right thing to



Vote YES — Support DIA and Novi road millages

Novi residents have the opportunity to increase funding for local road mainto deteriorate without to tenance and improvements by voting yes on Aug. 7 to increase the current road millage of .7719 mills to 1.5.

This, combined with funding from other sources, would give the city more than \$5 million annually to be used exclusively for maintaining roads, pathways and

To determine how much this will cost the individual homeowner, multiply your home's taxable value (which is half the market value) by .0007281. The owner of a home worth \$150,000 would pay \$54.60 annually. If approved, taxpayers would see this on next summer's tax bill, and road improvements would also begin then.

However, the road millage increase will not cause your Novi taxes to go up because the city recently lowered the overall tax rate and less was

to deteriorate without these additional funds. We recommend Novi residents says yes on the proposed road millage increase in the Aug. 7 elec-

DIA tax benefits taxpayers and region

The Detroit Institute of Arts is one of the top six comprehensive fine arts museums in the United States and attracts visitors and potential future residents from around the world. Residents of Wayne,

ties will vote Aug. 7 on a proposed property tax of 0.2 mills for 10 years to help fund the DIA. The proposal would cost the owner of a \$150,000 home about \$15 annually over the

Oakland and Macomb coun-

next decade. Without the tax, the DIA may be forced to close select-

ed galleries on weekdays, Roads in Novi will continue and eliminate school tours and community outreach programs. The DIA receives no state, county or city funding. It has been relying on the private sector to make up the shortfall in its \$25 million operating budget, something it can't do long term.

Our fundamental purposes are to enhance the lives of our readers, nurture the

hometowns we serve and contribute to

the business success of our customers.

Residents in the counties that approve the tax would receive free general admission to the museum. Admission is \$24 for two adults and two children so the tax would be a savings for families that visit the DIA just once a year.

Voters in at least two of the three counties must approve the ballot proposal or the DIA will have to start severely cutting programs and services.

The benefits to taxpayers and the metropolitan area far outweigh the cost -- Vote yes on the DIA ballot pro-

11TH CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

Cassis, Taj best choices for primary election

Congressional District will nominate a Republican and a Democrat in the Aug. 7 primary election to move on to the general election in November for the position's full term. A special election will be held Sept. 5 to fill the remainder of the term of Thad McCotter, who stepped

down July 6. We recommend Nancy Cassis, of Novi, as the Republican nominee. Her name won't be on the ballot -- voters will have to write her name in and fill in the circle next to it. Opponent Kerry Bentivolio is the only name that will appear under the Republican Party Section of the ballot for the 11th

Congressional District. Cassis has a proven track record as a state senator, state representative and Novi City Council memhelped to bring transparency and accountability to the Michigan Economic Growth



Besides her extensive expe-

Cassis is knowledgeable about the issues and holds the same conservative values as most mainstream Republicans in the district.

She has experi-

ence serving on tax committees in the state House and Senate so she knows Michigan's tax structure and what she believes

needs to be fixed. Syed Taj gets our nod as the Democratic nominee. A medical doctor and a member. During her 12 years ber of the Canton Township in state government, she Board of Trustees, Taj is a good listener who would be able to compromise and to provide voters with a spirwork across the aisle. He is ited debate leading up to the Authority and the film cred- well-versed on health care November general election.

its program, and would work to improve among other the Affordable Care Act. He believes education will accomplishhelp the United States compete globally. Taj supports increased border patrols to stop illegal immigration, but wants to improve the immireputation as gration process so that fora hard worker, eigners who want to work

> Taj is the lone Democrat on the Canton board. His ability to work well with his Republican colleagues has earned him their respect.

professionally in this coun-

try can get here, just like he

Democrats and Republicans in the 11th District (Novi, Highland, Milford, White Lake, South Lyon, Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, Troy, Farmington, Canton Township, Livonia, Northville and Northville Township, Plymouth and Plymouth Township) have a clear choice in their respective primary on Aug. 7. We recommend Cassis and Tai

LETTERS

'The great divider'

The "great uniter" of 2008 continues to solidify his position as the "greatest divider" in the history of the country by reviving something he created in 2007. He's encouraging blacks to join the racially tinged "African Americans for Obama" to help get out the vote by making calls and going door to door in neighborhoods. Members are also encouraged to become "congregation captains" responsible for pressuring pastors to support Obama from the pulpit ... so much for separation of church and state. The next thing you know, he's probably going to bypass Congress to grant amnesty to some illegals, make recess appointments when Congress is in session or unilaterally trash the Welfare Reform Act. Oops, already been there, done that.

Jack Belisle South Lyon

Cassis supports tough laws on illegal immigration

Nancy Cassis supports Arizona's and Gov. Jan Brewer's attempts to halt the flood of people crossing the border illegally. I don't know about you, but I agree with Nancy Cassis. I think Americans deserve better security against illegal people crossing our borders. What we need are fences, more trained border patrol agents and

WHAT DO YOU THINK? We welcome your Letter to the Editor. Please include your name,

address and phone number for verification. Letters should be 400 words or less. We may edit for clarity, space and content. Submit letters via the following

Web: www.hometownlife.com Mail: Letters to the Editor, Novi News, 101 N. Lafayette St., South Lvon, MI 48178 Fax: (248) 437-3386

E-mail: cstone@homete Blog: You may also let your

opinions be heard with your own blog at hometownlife.com. Deadline: Letters must be received by 9 a.m. Monday to be published in the Thursday edi-Online: Due to space limitations,

not all letters submitted can be published in our print edition. However, all letters will be published online each week at www. hometownlife.com. Elections: We will not publish any political letters that raise new issues in the last edition before the election.

a more secure border. Nancy Cassis is the proven, principled conservative running in Michigan's 11th Congressional District. She is a tireless advocate for taxpayers, small business and

families. Please don't forget to

write in Nancy Cassis on your Aug. 7 Republican primary ballot. Ms. Cassis has a solid, proven track record of public service. It sounds like Ms Cassis is look-

ing out for you — and me.

For these reasons, I'm voting for write-in candidate Nancy Cassis in her quest to become a member of the U.S. House of Representatives, serving Michigan's the 11th District in western Wayne and Oakland counties. I hope you support her, too. She will represent us well.

Dave Staudt

Cassis just another

career politician Dear Cassis for Congress Committee: I am using this Letters to the Editor forum as I cannot find who you are; I only can find what you keep sending to my mail box. What you send is what I and other Republicans who believe in the principals of our party distain. You seem to be bent of bashing the only legitimate Republican candidate for Congress for the 11th District.

Your candidate, whom I believe is a lovely person, did not go through the district process to get to be a candidate of the district, but instead has a well-financed committee whose members I cannot locate.

Please see MORE LETTERS, A11

MORE **LETTERS**

Continued from page A10 reckoning and would actually assure the DIA's You believe that Mr. complete demise. We Bentivolio is not enough think this would be a of a career politician terrible thing for our to represent the 11th community. It would Congressional District. be grist for the mill of Ms. Cassis has been a those who see only the career politician and her negatives in our region endorsements are from and who ignore all the other career politicians. signs of progress. So a vote for Ms. Cassis Taxes are a real con then is a vote to have cern to people at this career politicians contime, but we believe tinue to run our governthat the DIA millage is something different

ment. It is because of your yellow-journalism-type mailers, which your well-financed committee continues to send. that I have decided to work to ensure that Mr. Bentivolio wins the 38th Precinct on Aug. 7. I hope all other Republicans who are tired of letting career politicians try to tell us how to live, what to believe and how to vote do the

Ron Berglund 38th precinct delegate, Canton

Support the DIA millage

On Aug. 7, the voters of Macomb, Wayne and Oakland counties will vote on a millage that would fund a portion of operations at the DIA for 10 years. During that 10-year period, the DIA will encourage its private donors to direct gifts to the DIA endowment to a point where income from the endowment can replace the millage when it automatically expires.

If the millage fails. there is a high likelihood that the DIA will have to sharply curtail its operations, drastically limit hours and exhibits and lose key personnel who are critical to the institution's future. Eating into the endow-

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ment on an emergency

basis, as some have

suggested, would only

and unique. First, the

millage will pass or fail

based on a direct vote

of the people to be

taxed. Next, the pro-

ceeds will go straight

from the taxpayers to

the applicable County

Arts Commission and

then directly to the DIA.

Each county will audit

all transfers and expen-

ditures of these millage

proceeds. No tax mon-

ies will be put into the

hands of any other gov-

ernment entity. The DIA

has an exemplary record

of sound fiscal manage-

and reinstallation were

ment. The renovation

funded from private

sources, requiring no

bone by about 25%.

Finally, while the 0.2

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eowners about \$15 per

year on average (based

on a \$150,000 home), it

includes what is basical-

assumption of debt, and

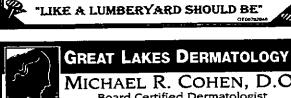
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operating budget to the

briefly delay the day of

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due to petition signature problems, Ms. Cas sis felt it was her civic duty to step up and represent her constituents during this most

a family. The Detroit Institute of Arts merits some public support at this difficult time. We urge people to vote YES for the Arts Commission Aug. 7 in support of our DIA.

ly a rebate mechanism.

Residents of any county

will gain free admission

to the DIA, a value that

exceeds the average

that passes the millage

Robert H. Gorlin

Cassis the clear choice for U.S.

Congress Nancy Cassis is the proven, principled conservative running in Michigan's 11th Congressional District. She is a tireless advocate for taxpayers, small business and families. Ms. Cassis has a solid proven track record of public service. She will represent us well. I ask that you please support her by putting Nancy Cassis on your ballot as a write-in during the Aug. 7 Republican primary election.

Nancy was recently was term limited from the state Senate in Lansing after a long and successful career as an exemplary senator for her Oakland County district. But when Thad McCotter was disqualified from the election sensitive time in our

country's history. Ms. Cassis is an

Northville

resulting in two new

Ms. Cassis and her

husband, Victor, have

seven children and 11

Orthodox Church in

For these reasons,

I'm voting for write-in

candidate Nancy Cassis

in her quest to become

a member of the U.S.

House of Representa-

tives, serving Michigan's

counties. I hope you will

Willy Mena

11th District in western

Wayne and Oakland

support her as well.

Livonia and Novi.

grandchildren. They are

members of St. Mary's

Livonia. She has lived in

Hospital).

annual millage cost for

Mary Ann and

experienced educator, who worked as a school psychologist for the Novi Community Schools from 1980-96. She also taught in Cleveland for the Ohio Public Schools from 1966-68. She helped create thousands of

new jabs by sponsoring language in legislation hospitals being built in rescent light bulbs. the growing communities of Novi (Providence

Larceny Park Hospital) and West A Northville man recent Bloomfield (Henry Ford ly had his wallet stolen while inside a locker at Lifetime Fitness at 40000 High Pointe Boulevard.

On July 26, the 21-yearold man told Novi Police that he stored his black Armani Exchange wallet, which had \$320 inside, in a locker. He said he locked it, but added the one he used had a broken hinge that may have caused to not lock properly. The security camera footage was too far away for police to glean

Marijuana **Possession**

A 22-year-old female driver was cited for marijuana possession after Novi Police stop her for speed-

NOVI POLICE BRIEFS

On July 30, the police

spotted the woman going

53 mph in a 40 mph speed

zone, so she was stopped on

Novi Road near Paul Bun-

yan Drive. Police reported

She told police her friend

making contact with the

that was in the car earli-

er may have had marijua

na. Police said they had a

and that was when she said

it was in her purse, along

with a marijuana grinder,

She was arrested for the

K9 unit to check her car

Breaking and Entering

A breaking and entering occurred at a Novi business with the unknown suspect(s) leaving behind some damage to the prop-

It is unknown how the building on Nine Mile Road was broken into, but the owner found a door slightly ajar after arriving at the scene on July 26. There were no signs of forced entry. It was reported that the last employee to leave the building had indicated the location was secure.

The damage done inside drug, which later tested positive, police said. included the discharging of several fire extinguishers Malicious and several shattered fluo-

Destruction of **Property**

Novi Police responded to a possible breaking and entering at Eberspacher after an employee found an exterior glass door shat-

driver.

police said.

On July 30, police were dispatched to the location on Gen Mar. It appeared the door, although shattered, was still intact and no one entered the location. The last employees to leave the location were on July 26 and they are in the process of relocating the busi-

ness from Wixom. The husiness makes and stocks automotive exhaust systems, so it's speculattried to gain entry to steal catalytic converters.

Compiled by staff writer Lonnie



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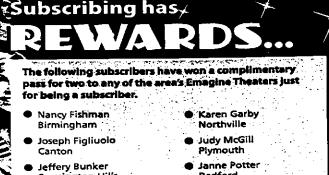
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rent 11th District will be

voting in a special elec-

tion Wednesday, Sept. 5,

and again Nov. 6 to fill

the unexpired term. All

of Livonia is included in

both the former 11th Dis-

trict and the redistricted

'Thad ought to pay'

Robert Dindoffer, cam-

paign manager for Kerry

McCotter is to blame for

the \$650,000 estimated

cost of the special elec-

tion to local communities.

Livonia's cost is estimat-

"It's no one's fault but

Thad McCotter's, and he

ought to pay." Dindoffer

said. McCotter could not

be reached for comment

first, he asked others not

to file. Dindoffer said. If

only one candidate had

filed in each party, the

governor would have can

celed the special primary

Since Bentivolio filed

11th District.

ed at \$50,000.

election.

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NOVI COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Novi events **KNEE SURGERY SEMI-**

Time/Date: 7 p.m. Aug. 9 Location: Courtyard by Marriott Novi, 42700 11 Contact: (248) 477-6100 to Mile Road in Novi Details: McLaren Macomb hospital is hosting a free 17TH ANNUAL NORTHseminar for people consid-VILLE-NOVI HOME ering knee resurfacing or TOUR hip replacement surgery Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 4 Contact: To register, please p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29 call toli-free (877) 627-6248 To learn more MAKOplasty

NATIONAL ALLIANCE ON MENTAL ILLNESS (NAMI) METRO CHAP-TER MEETING

robotic assisted surgery,

visit www.mclaren.org/

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. Aug. Location: Providence Hospital Heart Institute, located at 47601 Grand

Details: The meetings are free and anyone is welcome to attend. Family support group meetings are typically held the second Tuesday and Thursday of every month. Contact: (248) 348-7197

GREAT LAKES STATE

Dates: Aug. 31-Sept. 3 Location: Suburban Collection Showplace, Grand and Beck roads). Novi Details: Michigan Pavilion featuring Michigan made, grown or produced agriculture areas with large indoor arena; local Americana/country live music entertainment; beer garden featuring Michigan Brewer ies; large midway with tons of games and rides; local and national merchandise and concessions vendors; and Shriners small scale circus and circus attractions Tickets available in advance

Fair.org. Contact: Kristina Jones; (248) 348-5600

at www.GreatLakesState-

PREVENTION PROJECT Time/Dates: 6:30-7:30 p.m. Mondays to Aug. 6 Location: Botsford Diabetes and Nutrition Service,

Details: A five-week, action-packed class. Registered dieticians at Botsford Diabetes and Nutrition Services in Novi will help you change your lifestyle

39830 Grand River Ave.,

by making the most out of your food choices, exercising and staying active, discovering your healthy lifestyle barriers, and having weekly goals and weigh-ins. Space limited to 25; cost is \$20.

fast is \$10. Contact: Fonda Milana

METRO NOVI BNI

Details: "Three Centuries of Homes" -- Hosted by the American Association of Contact: Karen Zyczynski, (2480 349-6342; www. MICHIGAN MADE

ARTS CRAFTS JEWELRY SHOW Time/Date: noon-8 p.m. first Fridays through De-

cember Location: Atrium Of Novi, 43155 Main Street Details: Featuring many handmade items from people with disabilities Anyone in Michigan that makes handcrafted items can get a space for \$20. Therapy Choir Michigan will perform at 6:15 June 1 Face Painting by Community Choices of Westland.

ArtsCraftsShow.com; or call (248) 396-0396 **BEREAVEMENT MEET-**

Contact: MichiganArts-

CraftsShow@gmail.com;

INGS Time/Date: 7:30-9 p.m. third Tuesdays Location: Novi Civic Cente (10 Mile between Taft and Novi roads) **Details:** Led by Michael

M. Meyer, D. Min., goal is to give each participant an opportunity to share their story. Handouts describing the phases of grief and the tasks of grief are available **NOVI SENIOR CENTER**

Location: 25075 Meadowbrook Road Contact: (248) 347-0414; theglin@cityofnovi.org

Business **NORTHVILLE-NOVI** BUSINESS **NETWORKING BREAK-**

Time/Date: 7:30-9 a.m. first and third Tuesdays (except Nov. and Dec., which are iust the first Tuesdays) Location: Kerby's Coney Island, 21200 Haggerty Road Details: Business networking focused on building relationships. The Sunrise Net-

Novi Community School District

Schools of Choice - Limited Enrollment

Program for the 2012-2013 school year for 15 seats in the Novi High School International Baccalaureate Diploma Programme for 11th grade students.

This program is open to students who reside in Oakland County only, pursuant to the State School Aid Act MCL 388.1705, Section 105.

The Enrollment Period will be from Friday, August 3, 2012 to Friday, August 17,

Completed applications must be delivered in person to the Novi Community Schools District Office by 4:00 p.m. Friday, August 17, 2012 located at the Educational Services Building, 25345 Taft Road, Novi, MI 48374. Applications will be posted on the website at www.novi.k12.mi.us. A lottery will be held if applications received exceed the number of vacancies available. For additional information plants call 248.449,1200

CITY OF NOVI

NOTICE OF ADOPTION **ORDINANCE NO. 12-178**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE NOVI CITY COUNCIL HAS ADOPTED ORDINANCE NO. 12-178 TO AMEND THE CITY OF NOVI CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 22, "OFFENSES," IN ORDER TO ADD SECTION 22-51, "UNATTENDED CHILD IN MOTOR VEHICLE"

ditional information please call 248-449-1200.

School District will open a limited School

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Contact: Linda Kreuter at

PR@novi.freetoasthost.us

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

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Leader Dogs, Penrickton

Center for Blind Children

and other blind charities

high school scholarships.

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Contact: Lion President

Ron Martin, (248) 473-

Kramer, (248) 348-2747

Library Lines

Location: 1499 East West

Maple Road, Walled Lake

Contact: (248) 624-3772

Time/Date: 5-8 p.m. first

Details: HUD-certified

Book Discussion Group

Details: Please drop in or

call the library if you are

interested in joining this

NOVI PUBLIC LIBRARY

Location: 45255 W. 10 Mile

Hours: 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Mon-

Saturday: closed Sundays

Details: Unless noted

(Memorial Day-Labor Day)

below, all programs take

place at the library. Register

for programs at the library

or on the library website.

Contact: (248) 349-0720

Web: www.novilibrarv.org

the Library website or story

Story Times: Please see

time brochure for details

recently-formed group.

Thursdays

Time/Date: 6:30 p.m. first

HUD Counseling

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BRARY

tivities are fundraising for

service organization in the

are welcome, dinner is

from the menu. Details:

novi.freetoasthost.us.

NOVILIONS CLUB

586-232-3009 or fmilana@ sunrisefinancial grouplic.

Time/Date: 7-8 a.m. every Wednesday

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

for professionals. The Metro Novi BNI team members are committed to provid ing bona fide referrals to each other. Members learn how to create and refine an 'elevator speech." develop a broad network of other business professionals in the community and receive training/education on networking more efficiently. Guests are invited to attend free of charge. Continental breakfast provided.

Contact: For more information, contact Julie Paquette at (248) 797-1665 or juliepaquette67@gmail. com: www.metronovibni.

NOVI CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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

counselors are available to assist homeowners at risk **NOVI ROTARY CLUB** of foreclosure. Learn how Time/Date: Noon every to work with your lender to Thursday avoid foreclosure. There is Location: Novi Methodist no charge for this service. Church 41671 W. 10 Mile Please call if you wish to attend. One-on-one sessions Details: Lunch is \$10 at will be scheduled.

information; novirotary. **NOVI TOASTMASTERS**

meeting. Visitors welcome

Check website for speaker

CLUB Time/Date: 7-9 p.m., every first and third Tuesday Location: Novi Civic Center, Activities Room, 45175 West 10 Mile Road, Novi **Details:** Novi Toastmasters s a community-based club which is part of Toastmasters International. Our

day-Thursday; 10-5 Fridayliverse group provides a mutually supportive atmo velop and refine their public speaking and leadership skills. Our members also have fun while building confidence in day-to-day communications and men toring toward professional and personal excellence.

NORTHVILLE / NOVI CHURCH CALENDAR

CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Location: 24505 Meadowbrook Road Contact: (248) 349-8847 or Mass Schedule

visit holyfamilynovi.org Time/Day: 8:30 a.m., 10:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Sunday; 9 a.m. Monday-Friday: 7 p.m. Monday-Wednesday: 4:30 p.m. Saturday Holy Days: 9 a.m., 5:30 and 7:30 p.m. Reconciliation: beginning

9 a.m. Saturdays or by ap-Priests: Father Bob LaCroix, pastor and Father Michael Zuelch, associate pastor

CROSSPOINTE MEADOWS CHURCH Location: 29000 Meadow brook Road, south of 13 Mile Road Contact: (248) 669-9400,

9 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday-Thursday or visit www. crosspointemeadows.org. Sunday Worship: 11:15

Bible study classes: 10 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 Contact: DestinyW3C@ Smail.com or visit www. DW3C.org. EMMANUEL

LUTHERAN CHURCH Location: 34567 7 Mile Road, Livonia Contact: (248) 442-8822 FAITH COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN

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

novi.org Sunday Worship: 10 a.m. **Book of Revelation Study** Time/Date: 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays and 9:30 a.m. Wednes-

Details: Come and learn what John is writing about, what the symbolism means, and how this book still speaks to us today. Faith Journeys Date: Third Sundays Details: Following worship and fellowship, someone will share how they have experienced God in their life

online at hometownlife.com

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF NORTH-

VILLE Location: 217 N. Wing 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 a.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesdays Men's Bible Study: 9

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF NOVI-**FAMILY INTEGRATED** CHURCH Location: 45301 W. 11 Mile

a.m. first Saturday of every

month

Contact: (248) 349-3647 or firstbaptistchurchofnovi.ora 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

FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

Worship Service

Club 56. Bible Study, Quilt-

a.m. Men of Purpose Prayer

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

CHURCH OF NORTH-

Location: 200 E. Main

Sunday Worship

Time: 10 a.m.

CHURCH

Contact: (248).349-0911 or

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN

Location: 205 East Lake

Street (corner of Wells and

10 Mile Road), South Lyon

Contact: (248) 437-2875

visit www. fpcnorthville.org

VILLE

Street

ing, Adult Classes, Youth

Thursday Schedule: 6

Dindoffer also said another candidate had Location: 21260 Haggerty run as a Democrat in a Road, north of 8 Mile Road previous state election Contact: (248) 348-7600 or Steve King ran as a Demvisit dfcnazarene.org ocrat in the race against Sunday Schedule: 9:15 John Walsh in 2008. "It a.m. Worship service with appears that someone is Praise Band, children's Suntrying to manipulate the day School and Adult Bible Fellowship; 10:15 a.m. Fellowship and refreshments;

system," Dindoffer said. Dindoffer believes residents in the 11th Dis-11 a.m. Traditional worship trict should have represervice. Children's Church. sentation, especially in Youth Sunday School and a lame-duck session he Adult Bible Fellowship; expects toward the end 6 p.m. Evening Service, of the year, "There is all Children's program, Youth kinds of absurd legislation that is proposed in a Wednesday Schedule: lame duck session," Dind-5:30 p.m. Family Meal, \$5 per person, \$15 per family; 7 p.m. Children's Caravan, offer said.

Should Bentivolio win the special primary and special general election in the old 11th District

and win the general election in the new 11th Dis-

trict, it will help Bentivo lio better represent the district, Dindoffer said "He will get a couple of months seniority, which will help him get better committees," Dindoffer said.

Cost a 'travesty' Nancy Cassis, former state senator from Novi, said the cost of the special election was a travestv. She said she "sincerely regrets the cost and confusion" created by the special election.

"We have to explain to

people why the special election is necessary and that is because Congressman McCotter resigned and created this vacancy." Cassis said. "The real key here, though, is the prevention of about six veeks that the people of the 11th District would not have representation during a lame duck session, when they will be dealing with importan

"It brings about confusion and costs, but it is still is a democracy and an all-important six-week

Crider is a steel metal worker in the heating and air conditioning field. Crider has never sought elective office before.

When McCotter didn't qualify and then quit his write-in campaign, Crider didn't like Bentivolio's views. "The only choice I had didn't represent my views," Crider said. "I haven't voted for anyone but a Republican.' Crider believes resi-

dents also deserve the right to vote, even at the \$650,000 cost, "Government wastes a lot of money, but it's never a waste of money for people to have a vote," Crider said.

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'Law of the land' The U.S. Constitution also requires the representation, Crider said. 'It's the law. It's the law of the land."

Crider said he was contacted by some Republicans, whom he didn't identify, who wanted him to withdraw his candidacy. "I don't agree with that," Crider said, "People need to have a choice. Besides, it's the law." Crider calls himself a

"common man who can bring common sense to government.

ter of 16th District Judge Sean Kavanagh, could not be reached for comment. King said the election was part of the process in

selecting the Republican

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could have changed it, have changed the process.

and May, but rather

scheduling them along

filed, so for King to withdraw at that point would not make sense for King since the election would already be scheduled. King said "nobody said anything" about the \$10 million the state spent on Michigan's presidential

"People are fed up with the status quo, and the professional politicians in government," Crider

Kavanagh, the daugh-

candidates. "If they didn't like the process, the governor, state Senate and state House, where there is a Republican majority, King said. "They could

King said Bentivolio signatures.' and Cassis had already 'Republican lock' King said he was running as a Republican because the district is a Republican district, King believes that a Democrat will not win the district. calling it a "Republican

City Clerk Terry primary, when the primary date was moved Marecki said notices about the election were up to Feb. 28. "Nobody sent to military personne cared about that (election cost)," King said. candidates' list was final-King also reiterated ized. Marecki expects his stance on the Livo nia school board that he that absentee applications will be mailed either opposed scheduling spe-Friday or Monday. cial elections in August

The special primary ballot will be dis-

with city or state elec-

tions to cut the costs to

Since McCotter's resig-

"It is confusing," King

said. "I've had to educate

why it took so long to get

every voter, and that's

nation, the special elec-

tion "is now a mess.

the district.

tinguished by the date (Sept. 5 election) and by its length, as there will only be the congressional candidates listed. The primary ballot for the Aug. 7 primary election is a lengthier ballot with more candidates listed.

That ballot will be turned "Thank heaven (the spe cial election ballot) isn't a longer list of candidates and questions," Marecki said. "That would be a

nightmare. Marecki said it is possible that absentee voters will have two ballots in their homes at once, so she advised them to check the ballot and the date on it to ensure that voters turn in the correct ones on the proper dates by their respective deadlines, which is 8 p.m. on election night, both on Aug. 7 and Sept. 5.

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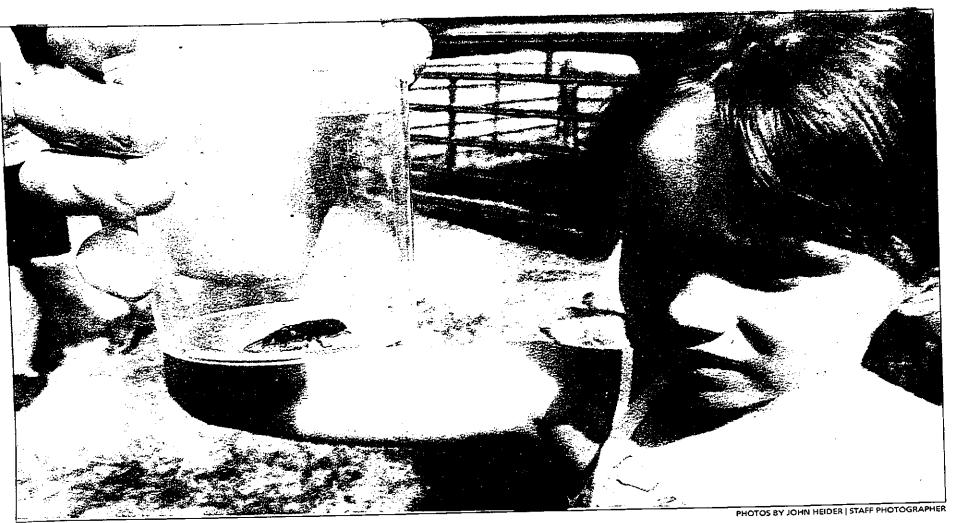
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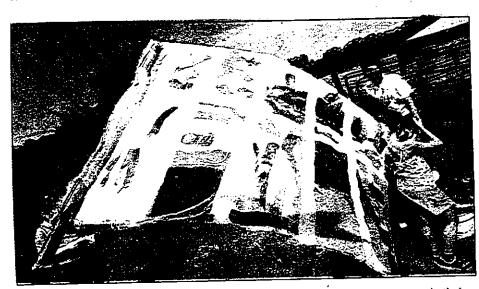
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Jana Kolecki, 6, takes a look at a beetle that she and other Green Science Adventure Campers found in the wood of Novi's Tollgate Farm on July 25.



Campers, divided up into groups during the Green Science Adventure Camp, made their own colorful flags to designate their particular tribe with scenes of forests, fish and farm

FARM

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The Green Science Adventure Camp draws some 40-plus kids ages 5-10 each week for four weeks. Kids come from Novi, Northville, Plymouth, Walled Lake and

Keeping busy

Their days are occupied 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday with a variety of activities, Jaros said. Kids take forest hikes, and also cook in the garden kitchen, preparing snacks with produce they've grown. Chive butter's a recent example.

The mission of 4-H is "to learn by doing," incorporating the research-based curriculum. Kids benefit from exposure to the outdoors, Jaros said, which enhances classroom learning.

"Science isn't something you read out of a book, it's real-life," he said.

Youngsters also learn about food sources, and that food doesn't just arrive at the grocery store. Eating for good health is also emphasized. "They experience it, they ask for it," he said of children asking for fresh

produce.
"You learn the best through experience. The best teacher is experience," he said. When kids at camp study insects, invertebrates and the farm animals, that's cer-

tainly the case. Jaros has a degree from MSU in training and development, and works at the summer camp with a staff of six certified

Makes learning fun

"They don't realize they're learning," he said of the children at camp.



Counselor Alex Chockley, left, leads a group including Payton Farrar, 9, on a discovery hike through Tollgate's woods.



Camper Payton Farrar, 9, farm-fresh treat she and

others would enjoy that own bread and smeared it with strawberries and "sun butter," a peanut butter-like creation made with sunflow er seeds and olive oil.

Jaros is grateful that MSU Tollgate Farm is on Meadowbrook Road in Novi, noting few such facilities exist in Oakland

County. Things are winding down now for summer, but Tollgate will be busy come fall with extensive programs for school groups. For more, visit www.experiencetollgate. com online.

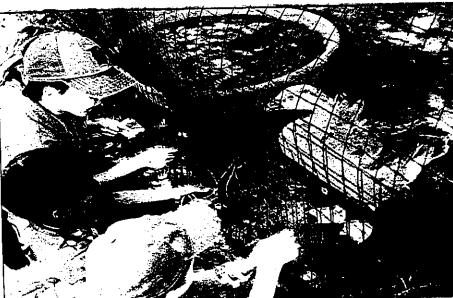
"It's a ton of fun," Jaros said of the summer camp. "They go home dirty and the parents say 'thank The summer staff has

fun with the kids, said Jaros, who's also grateful for high school volunteers and senior volunteers

from Fox Run. "I love having them," he said of the volunteers.



4-H Green Science Adventure Camp counselor Alan Jaros holds open the mouth of twomonth old calf "Clifford" to show campers how cows have teeth only on their lower jaw — during the July 25 session. The weeklong camp, which has sessions through the summer at Novi's Tollgate Farm — introduces kids to farm life with its animals, vegetable plantings, forest ecology and water habitat. Campers also got to enjoy food treats from the farm, harvesting fruits and vegetables that they snacked on.



Some of the campers take a look at a goose during the July 25 session.

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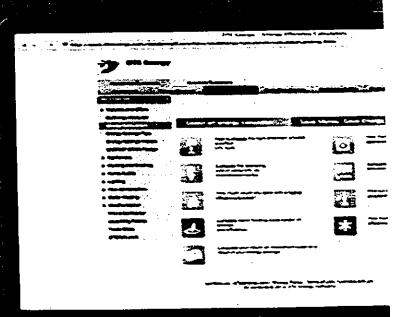
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Ferrante

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Northville sophomore

takes second in Junior Olympics

By Sam Eggleston

If you want to be the best, then you train with the best and compete with the best -- that's the

ville High School, has been doing

just that. When he's not wearing

the orange and black of the Mus

tangs, he's found training with the

Michigan Accelerator track and

field team. There he has run, with

this fall at North-

ville High School, recently ran in the Junior Olympics and

placed second with

his 4x800 team to

take a silver medal

and earn All-America

typical law of athletics. Jason Ferrante, who will be a sophomore this fall at North-

meter race.

That train-

ing and his desire to run

against the best athletes

paid off ear-

vear with a

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rante and

his three

relay team-

and Ben Hayes.

mates into All-Americans.

The Accelerator team turned

in a second-place performance in

the Junior Olympics in Baltimore,

Maryland last week. The finish

gave each athlete a silver med-

al and All-America honors. His

vin Franklin, Keegan Biegalski

teammates in the race were Mar-

"Placing high in such an elite

field of athletes means so much

to me and my track season,"

said Ferrante. "It shows all of

the hard work I have put in over

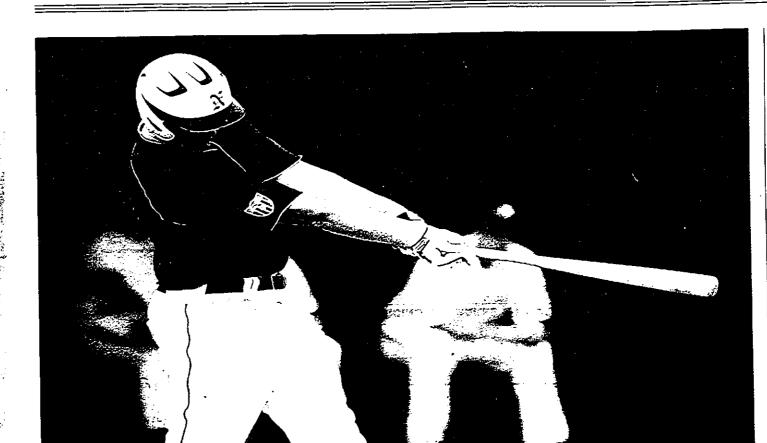
the years and how my training

is really paying off. It also helps

give me confidence and momen-

tum towards my upcoming high

Ferrante will likely be a key ele-



JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHE Zach Wilds launched this pitch for a run-scoring double in Northville's big seventh inning against the Youngstown Kuboff's July 27.

NABF tourney success from start to finish

31st year of World Series in Northville could have been best yet

Scott Baldwin is likely napping right now.

The director of the NABF
World Series tournament in Northville had his hands full last week with the biggestever turnout of 12 teams.

The tournament started last Wednesday with a skills competition and opening ceremo nies. Northville won three of the four skills events and then made a run at the championship before bowing to Creekside Fitness of Youngstown, Ohio, 3-0, in the semi-final

Creekside Fitness then went on to play the Sayo Grays in the title game last Sunday.

Bý Sam Eggleston

There's no doubt that the NABF

World Series is chock full of some of

the best U16 teams in the country, so

it's always a question at the beginning

very strong Creekside Fitness squad, 3-

0. Creekside went on to win the NABF

The run toward the finals was the far-

championships over the Sayo Grays.

marred by injuries and ambulance visits, Sayo broke a 6-6 tie in the top of the seventh inning and it looked like they would get out with the win," said Baldwin. "However, with two outs in the bottom of the inning and things looking bleak, (tournament) MVP Zack Miller hit a screaming line drive down the right field line for a two-run double to win the game and Nation-

al Championship in walk-off Miller earned Most Valuable 5-1; Sayo Grays: 5-1; Toronto Mets: 3-2; Top Tier Nationals: 3-1; Northville Broncos: 2-3; Team Cincinnati: 2-2; B45 Marucci Titans: 2-2, Schenectady Indians: 1-2; La Plata Juniors: 1-2; Ohio Glaciers: 1-3; Allen Baseball Academy: 0

3; and Kuboff: 0-3. The tournament was only slowed down slightly due to some inclement weather that struck the area on Thursday and Friday. That, said Baldwin, was due to the outstanding Northville Public Schools

Baldwin said the tournament could never be possible without all of the support given by the Northville commu-

"Our volunteers worked tirelessly to organize, keep score, announce, and officiate the games," he said. "Our banquet, chaired by Carrie Slominski, at the Sheraton was our largest (400) and most successful ever."

Even the teams that played noticed how much work the volunteers put in. "I'd like to thank the tour-

nament staff for an awesome tournament and wish the Broncos organization well in the future NABF World Series," said Northville Broncos coach Ken Cheslik.

> school cross country season. ment in the Northville cross country season as he looks to step into a role vacated by the graduation of Edward Clifton. He'll be running

with standout harrier Dan Sims. "All of my training is definitely going to pay off this year in cross country," said Ferrante. "I feel like the foot speed I have developed over this track season is going to translate into my over other athletes. I'm hoping to do some big things this year for

Northville. Ferrante's ultimate goal is a Division I scholarship to run in the collegiate ranks as well as an All-State finish in high school track and the boys 800-meter school record. In cross country, he said he hopes to earn All-State status, get on the all-time record board and help Northville make a run at a state championship

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"After a seesaw battled

The final records for each team were: Creekside Fitness:

Broncos make run to NABF quarterfinals Team does community proud against top-rated teams Northville coach Ken Cheslik. "And

Northville Broncos Nolan Waldeck, left, is con-

on an error by the Youngstown Kuboff's.

gratulated at home by a teammate after scoring

thest any Northville squad has ever made it in over 30 years of NABF tour-"In our semi-final game, we faced a very good pitcher who was able to throw a one-hitter against us," said

of the tournament of how well the local Northville Broncos are going to stack though we did very well holding them to only four hits, we just couldn't make anything happen.
"Our guys played great and if a couple of breaks went our way, the ending This year the Broncos proved they could play with the best of them, going would have been different." 2-3 overall while making a run to the semi-finals before bowing out against a

The Mustangs did earn a 3-2 victory over the Top Tier Nationals in the quarter finals to earn a berth to the semifinal game.

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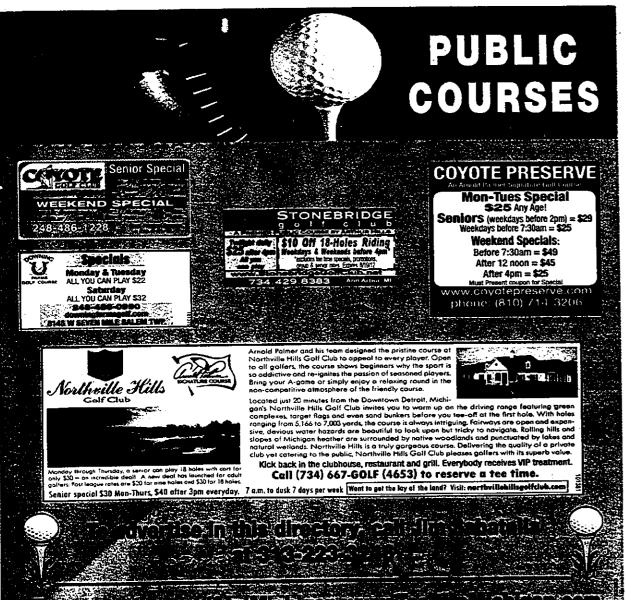


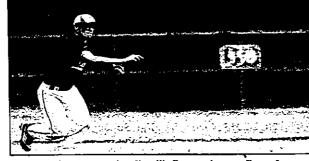


The Broncos played hard on July 27 — as the muddled and torn up uniform of this player



Broncos' Nolan Waldeck reaches first after a Youngstown throwing error during Northville's July 27 game. Waldeck eventually scored a run in this, the 7th inning that saw two throwing errors and three wild pitches by the Youngstown, Ohio, Kuboff's.





Broncos shortstop Jake Cheslik fires a shot to first after naking a play in Northville's July 27 game.

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In pool play, the Broncos took a 9-1 loss to Creekside Fitness to begin the tournament, bounced back with a 7-3 victory over Kuboff last Friday and bowed to the Sayo Grays, 5-2, on Sat-

"We have a great group of kids that I'm sure will find success in the future with whatever they choose

to do," said Cheslik. Northville also did well in the opening ceremonies of the tournament last Wednesday. Out of four events held, Northville won four with Zach Wilds earning the top honors in the home-run derby with six homers out of 10 pitches in the opening round and fourout-of-five in the championship round. Wilds is no stranger to the derby, having made the finals last year before being

edged out for the title. Jake Cheslik won the Golden Arm competition for the Broncos and the speed team of Eric Fox, Nolan Waldeck, Evan Wieland and Daniel Baldwin won the Road Runner Relay. It was the best any Northville team has ever done in the skills competitions.

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NABF Northville Broncos pitcher Jake Hansen looks in to his catcher on July 27 as he nears the end of the game. The Broncos beat the Youngstown, OH, Kuboff's 7-3 in this first game.

Two Northville players make All-Star ranks

Wilds, Waldeck make 2012 NABF All-Tournament team Megya-si, Kane

By Sam Eggleston

online at hometownlife.com

ed field of NABF World Series players, there are those who rise to the top as the crème de la crème.

This year, two of those top athletes happen to be from Northville. Zach Wilds and Nolan Waldeck were selected to the 24-member team after the Broncos had their best showing in the 31 years of the

tournament. Their team went 2-3 and made it to the semi-finals before bowing out to the eventual champions, Creekside Fitness, 3-0.

excited about being elected to the 2012 NABF World Series All-Tournament team. said Wilds. "I met a lot of really nice kids from Ohio, Illinois and New York this year. Our team had a great time and knowing the team who won it all,

"I am extremely

Creekside Fitness from Youngstown, Ohio, was who we lost to in the semi-finals makes me feel pretty good about our team's perfor-

Waldeck agreed, noting it was a pleasure to participate against some of the country's best players. "I just would like to

say being selected for the 2012 NABF World Series All-Tournament team is such an honor," he said. "I am honored to be a part of a group of such high-caliber ball players who have worked so hard in this tournament. Playing with players from all around the country was just such an amazing experience, and I'm

nity to play in this tour-

The All-Tournament team also included to Mets: Austin O'Boyle and Daniel Procopio: Creekside Fitness:

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and Dave Wilds LeMas-

ters; the Sayo Grays:

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and Chris Weiss; Top

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Baseball Club: Kenton

ti: Zack Gray and Henry Moore.
According to Scott

Baldwin, director of the Northville, the All-Star selection was not finalized as of press time. but the recommendations were expected to be approved by the

NABF national offices.

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For 6-12 year olds, Madness has a Defensive Clinic on Aug. 6 and an Offensive Clinic on Aug. 7 from 6-8:30 p.m. at Power Park in Novi. For 13+ year olds, Madness has a pretryout practice on Aug. 9 from 6-8:30

- p.m. at Power Park.
- The schedule is as follows: 2pm-4pm: 10U (10 and under)
- 4pm-6pm: 12U (12 and under) • 6pm-8pm: 14U (14 and under)
- 12-2pm: 16U (Sunday only) Pitcher and catchers run an addition-
- al 30 minutes. For registration information and more details, please visit our website at http://
- www.eteamz.com/motorcity. The Madness organization will consider players from Novi and the surrounding communities. Please contact Chris Lawler at mcmadness.softball@gmail.

NOVI SPORTS ROUNDUP

Hanlon signs with St. Francis Fall sports

Recent Novi graduate Kevin Hanlon signed July 30 to continue his cross country running career at the collegiate level at the University of St. Francis in Joliet, Ill. this fall. A member of both the Wildcats' cross country and track teams, Hanlon dropped his freshman-best 5k time of 21:35 to 17:06 by his senior year. With the track team, he cut his one-mile run from 6:12 to 4:58 and his two-mile run from 13:19 to 10:46 during his four years in the program.

A scholar athlete at Novi, Hanlon plans to major in business.

Girls track and field

Novi's girls track and field team was well-represented among the recently-announced All-County team. Recent grad and Division I shot put champion Sam Pavlika, along with the 400 relay team of D'Mya Davis, Mariah Smith, Janee Hood and Jasmine Ward, were named to the All-County first team. Hurdler Kelly McCloskey made the second team, while Taylor Pavlika, Jackie Mullins and Kerri McMahan earned honorable mentions.

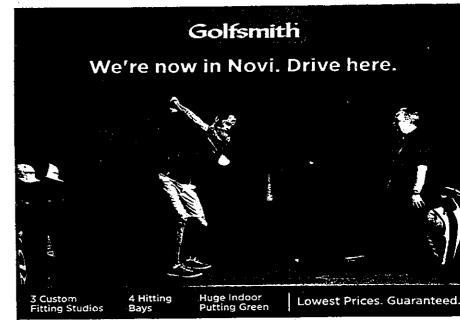
com for questions.

All fall sports will officially be under way next week, with football kicking off Monday and all others starting Wednesday. All paperwork, including a physical, contract and eligibility/risk form, are due to coaches at the first tryout date. They are available at www.novi.k12. mi.us/athletics/documentsforms. Specific questions can be addressed to the coaches through the email addresses listed at www.novi.k12.mi.us/athletics.

Volleyball

Novi Middle School volleyball tryouts for incoming seventh and eighth graders will take place 3-4:30 p.m. Aug. 27-30. Seventh graders will use the large gym and eighth graders will use the auxiliary gym. All paperwork (MHSAA Physical Exam Clearance Form, Acknowledgement of Risk/Proof of Insurance/Statement of Eligibility Form) are required at the first day of tryouts. All forms are available at www. novi.k12.mi.us/athletics/documents-

- By Chris Jackett



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Novi-based Motor City Madness 13U Red won the USSSA 13U Eastern World Series in Maumee, Ohio (July 18-22). They played nine games in a tournament with 25 teams from nine states and finished with a record of 8-1. Pictured: (Front, from left) Isabella Buttazzoni, Aziza Afzal, Genny Soltesz, Nicole Ireland, Madyson Ampe. Middle: Lauren Holdsworth, Nicole Rinkel, Kaitlyn Wolschlager, Sydney Jascoe, Shirley Hao, Sydney San Juan, Coach Adam San Juan. Back: Coach Chris Soltesz, coach Brian Wolschlager, head coach Scott Ampe.

Fall practices begin Aug. 6 with football

son officially begins next week, when approximately 110,000 student-athletes begin practice in eight sports in which Michigan High School Athletic Association sponsors post-season tournaments.

Practice sessions begins on Monday in football, followed by all other sports on Wednesday. Practice in football must begin on Aug. 6 for all schools wishing to begin regular season games the weekend of Aug. 23-26. Schools must have 12 days of preseason practice at all levels before their first game. which may not occur before 16 calendar days. All football schools must also conduct at least three days of practice before beginning contact, and those sessions may not include

In golf and tennis, competition may commence no earlier than after three separate days of team practice, and not before seven calendar days.

FALL DATES TO REMEMBER

Regionals - Oct. 26 or 27 Finals - Nov. 3 Football: Selection Sunday - Oct. 21 Pre-Districts - Oct. 26 or 27 District Finals - Nov. 2 or 3 Regional Finals - Nov. 9 or 10 Semifinals – Nov. 17 Finals – Nov. 23-24 Girls Golf:

Regionals – Oct. 10 -11 or 12-13 Finals - Oct. 19-20 Districts - Oct. 15-20

Cross Country:

take place in golf and tennis is August 15. In all other fall sports, contests can take place after seven days of practice for the team and not before 9 calendar days. The first day competition may take place in cross country, soccer, swimming and diving, and volleyball in the fall is Aug. 17.

dates precede Labor Day,

Regionals - Oct. 23-27 Semifinals – Oct. 31

Girls Swimming & Diving: Diving Quals - Nov. 13 Finals – Nov. 16-17 Boys Tennis: Regionals - Oct. 11 or 12 or 13 Finals - Oct. 19-20 Volleyball: Districts - Oct 29-Nov 3 Regionals - Nov. 6 & 8 Ouarterfinals - Nov. 13

> and Thursday varsity games will take place both weeks. Subvarsity competition may begin on Aug. 22. In Week 1, games will be played on Thursday, 222 contests will be played on Friday, and 23 games will be played on Saturday. The following weekend, 239 games will be played

played on Friday, and 5 games

Semifinals - Nov. 15-16

Finals - Nov. 17

There are several significant rules changes on football for

. On passing plays, a receiver must first contact and establish control of the ball while inbounds - regardless of the opponent's action. In other words, a catch cannot be ruled on plays where the receiver may have come down in bounds if not for the action of the . defender.

off during a play, and did not occur as a result of a foul by the opponent, that player must leave the game for one play, unless it happens on the final play of a half or an overtime. Hand contact by a blocker below the waist of a defender is now considered blocking below

· If a player's helmet comes

• The kicking team may not contact a member of receiving team on a kickoff until the bal has traveled 10 yards, or unless a member of the receiving

 Jerseys of the visiting team must be white in color, and home jerseys are restricted in the use of white for varsi change made in 2007 for imple-

> participate in a National Federation rules change this year involving the disqualification from a game when a player receives a second vellow card and the subsequent red card. In Michigan, the player will still be ejected from the contest, but that team will not continue the game a player down. The penalty for a hand ball by a player other than the goalkeeper to prevent a score has been changed. If the goal is prevented, the penalty remains a disqualification of the player; however, if the goal is scored, the penalty will now be a caution to the play-

mentation this season.

In soccer, Michigan will not

the ball. There are no substantial rules

er who deliberately handled

2011-12 athletics participation drop slower than enrollment decline

pants - a drop of 6.9 per-

A total of nine sports

have participating drop-

2006-07 than enrollment

numbers would suggest

– boys tennis, girls swim-

ming & diving, boys and

girls skiing, girls gym-

Seven sports have

seen significant increas-

es in participation since

2006-07 - boys & girls

cross country, boys and

girls bowling, boys swim

ming & diving, and boys

and girls lacrosse. In per-

centages, girls lacrosse

is up 30.3 percent – and

boys lacrosse is up 26.2

Ten sports had

track & field.

girls basketball, boys and

nastics, softball, and girls

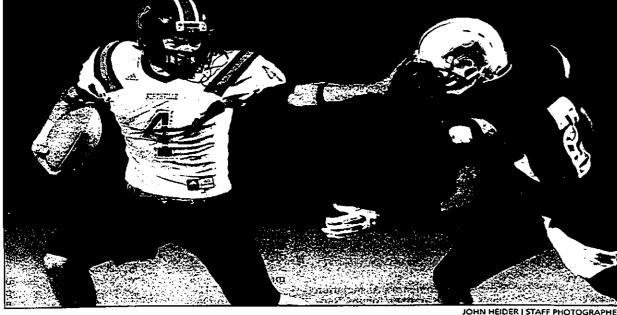
ping at a faster rate since

For the first time in eight years, participation in high school sports in which post-season tournaments are sponsored by the Michigan High School Athletic Association dropped below the 300,000 mark during the 2011-12 school year, but the decrease was still slower than the drop in he general student population at member schools

A total of 297,317 participants took part in the 28 tournament sports offered by the Association in the past year – a 1.5 percent decrease from the 2010-11 school year figure of 301,921.

Student enrollments at MHSAA member schools were down by 3.7 percent for the past school year. Girls participation was down 1.2 percent from a year ago with 124,724; and the boys total of 172,593 was down 1.7 percent. Since 2006-07, the student population at MHSAA member schools is down from 531,903 to 487.651 – a drop of 8.2 percent. Participation in that time span has dropped from 313,093, a decrease of 5.0 percent. The totals count students once for each sport in which he or she participates, meaning students who are multiplesport athletes are counted more than once.

Records for participa-



Mustang QB Evan Gertley tries to keep Wildcat Derek Cingel at arm's length during their 2011 Baseline rivalry game.

tion in 2011-12 were set in four sports - two for boys and two for girls. Once again, cross country and acrosse numbers hit alltime highs in both gen-

Also of note in this year's survey: • Only two sports exhibited a drop in participation that was well beyond that of the drop in student enrollment. Boys golf was down 6.6 percent, and boys swimming

and diving was down 4.7 percent.

 Boys tennis continues a downward slide, with this year's participation of 6,815 the lowest point since the Association began tracking the numbers in 1991-92. Its losses since 2006-07 are the highest in terms of percentage of any sport at 21.5 percent (1,868 participants). By comparison, girls tennis participation

is stable - up 0.6 percent

in the same time period. Girls cross country set another record at 8,135, and participation

faster than the drop in

and participation in both

student enrollments.

in the sport is up 15.0 percent since 2006-07. In that same time period, boys cross country participation is up 6.1 percent. cent - the second highest Basketball figures drops in raw numbers of dropped 1.9 percent for all sports - girls are down boys and girls in 2011-12; 2,100 participants, boys also continuing a decline

• In terms of raw numbers, football has seen the biggest drop since 2006-

sports are at their lowest points since the Association began tracking the numbers in 1991-92. Since the 2006-07 survey, girls participation is down 10.9 percent and the boys

increases in participatior in 2011-12 (7 girls-3 boys) and 18 sports had drops (7 girls-11 boys).

percent.

The participation figures are gathered annual ly from MHSAA member schools to submit to the National Federation of State High School Associations for compiling its national participation survey. Results of Michigan survey from the 2000-01 school year to the present may be viewed on the MHSAA Website mhsaa.com - and clicking on Schools > Administrators > Sports Partic-

REAL ESTATE

Improve your curb appeal with a few outdoor painting projects

with warmer temperatures and time to brighten up your home with a few outdoor painting projects. You can add the right amount of color and increase your curb appeal in just one weekend, leaving you the rest of the season to enjoy the finished product.

Your home, your style Before rushing to pick out a new paint color or even accessories, first determine what will complement your home's existing exterior features. By keeping in mind your house's style factors - like its design, size and age — you'll be able to make updates that add value to your home. Next, look for inspiration by browsing through home catalogs, online or even by driving through a few near by neighborhoods. Make note of the color combinations you like on homes that are similar Once you have your new pal-

ette in mind, you're ready to get to work. The fastest way to make an impact? Apply a fresh coat of paint or stain to outdoor areas like doors, shutters, trim and fencing.

To achieve professional-lookhigh-quality painting tool. If you're looking for a brush that can get nearly every job done. try the new XL Elite brushes from Purdy. These are great for interior and exterior projects because they provide ultimate performance with any paint or stain by delivering the perfect finish on any surface. Plus, they work great in all environments, but best with heavy-bodied and fast-drying coatings. Also, when properly cleaned and cared for, Purdy brushes will last for a number of years. Doors, shutters and trim do

to become faded and dingy. By repainting them, you can quickly make your house look more polished and refined. As with any painting project, sur face preparation is the first important step. Make sure the surface is clean, dull and dry before starting to paint or stain. It is also important to remove loose or peeling paint so that you are starting with a

sion. Unfortunately, they take

a beating from exposure to

the elements, causing them

smooth and uniform surface. Now that the house looks. refreshed, don't neglect wood more than just accessorize your

fencing and latticework

Update these surfaces with a home; they also make a big impact on its overall impres-

new coat of paint or stain. Not only will it keep your entire property looking impeccable, it will help protect and extend the life of your fence or latticework. Surface preparation is also key for these projects. After cleaning the surface, remember to replace any broken or failed wood and replace any nails or screws that have failed before you start applying the paint or

Be sure to add a few finishing touches to your lawn to really make it look pulled together. Planter boxes can add color and interest to your ranged whenever you're looking for a change. Freshen up yours with a new coat of paint to add additional color and fun to your space; consider using a bold shade to brighten things up. When picking out plants and flowers for the boxes, include a variance in size, color and texture for optimal results.

With these new summer projects, it's easy to increase your curb appeal, especially with the right painting tools and tips. Adding fresh colors to the outside of your home will make it more inviting for

HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS/WAYNE

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

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38160 Ann Arbor Trl	\$29,000
11498 Cardwell St	\$60,00
29959 Curtis Rd	\$130,00
36264 Dover St	\$84,00
32827 Fargo St	\$13,00
19351 Hillcrest St	\$135,00
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250 Brookdale Rd	\$745,000
459 Chamberlain Dr	\$377,000
651 Colonial Way	\$180,000

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	4592 Wagon Wheel Dr	S
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	\$285,000	335 Gibson St	\$105,000
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	,	26451 Shumans Way	\$50,000
	\$200,000	252 University Ave	\$65,000
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	\$430,000	27461 Sutherland St	\$87,000
	\$250,000	WHITE LAKE	
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www.REIAofOakland.com.

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This is Class No. 3 in a series of 10 classes sponsored by Real Estate Investors Association of Oakland. The 1/2 hour class will take place from 8:30 a.m. to noon on Saturday, Aug. 4 at the Royal Oak Senior Center, 3500 Marias, Royal Oak, (north off 13 Mile between Crooks and Main). The class teaches "What & Where" to buy investment property. Cost is \$49, plus mate-

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Investing options

Q: I travel to Asia and spend several months out of the year there. I am wondering if housin costs and/or the cost of living is less expensive in Cambodi than say Hanoi or other parts o

A: Generally speaking, ly more expensive in Cambodia. Every house usually has what is referred to as a "spirit house" separatel

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high rise condominium under construction now in Phnom Penh. The units will range from \$150k U.S. to close to \$800k for a pent house unit on the 20th floor or above. Condos in Hanoi generally are much more in the city but as always, it depends on the location and the amenities

Q: I hear Thailand offers great climate for residential restment and/or living. What briefly can you tell me?

A: Bangkok has many that foreigners can invest in. Of course, the closer to the river, where many of the five star hotels are located, the more expensive in this capital city. Indeed, condominiums are literally twice as expensive here than in Thailand's second largest city, Chiang Mai, which has no public transportation, unlike Bangkok, which has subways and buses. The economy is growing, but er than, for example, in Singapore, although the cost of living and currency is favorable to the U.S. dollar. It is best to consult with several different real estate agencies before

making a purchase.
Q: I am interested in the on building a factory in the area What do you know about Seoul?

ies in Southeast Asia, Seoul has a number of high rise anartments which they utislize as condominiums in the center or around the center of the City. Again, the cost of land in the cen ter of the City is at a premium and is very expensive. However, Seoul has the opportunity to develop certain underutilized areas with respect to high rises, and new condomin ium apartments are being built at relatively modes prices. Transportation in Seoul is much better than by way of example. Vietnam, as there are many more cars, with fewer chasing, as well as the fact that there are at least two major auto manufacturers in South Korea. I would contact an Americanized broker to assist you in the purchase of an apartment near the core of the City.

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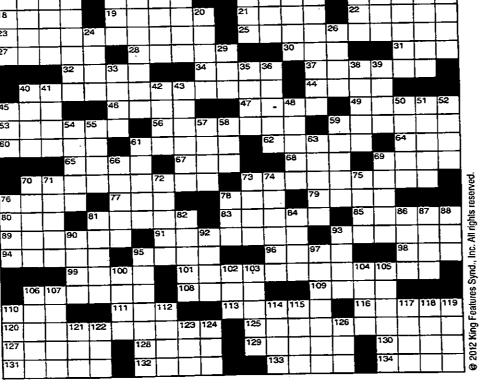
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care and social assistance sector is projected to gain more jobs than any other sector between 2010 and If you're interested in health care and medicine, but becoming a doctor just isn't for you, consider one of these nine health-care occupation alternatives:

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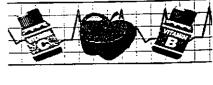
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