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#### Haggerty work

Lane closures and delays can be expected from through October while Haggerty Road between Six Mile and Seven Mile is resurfaced. Haggerty Road will remain open throughout the project.

Work is scheduled for Monday through Saturday. Schoolcraft College has requested that work be suspended Aug. 29 and 30, which are the first two days of class for the fall semester. In addition, work is expected to be suspended after 3 p.m. Friday, Aug. 31, through Labor Day weekend until Sept. 4.

The work will proceed in two phases. In the first phase, the two outside lanes will be closed, leaving the three interior lanes available for traffic. In the second phase, the interior lanes will be closed for repair and the outside lanes will be open. If any of five Schoolcraft entrances need repair, work will be done on one entrance at a time so that four entrances will remain available.

The \$1.28 million project includes milling of the existing surface; repair of existing concrete pavement and curb; placement of new asphalt surface; concrete sidewalk ramp upgrades; extension of the bike path from Wayne Avenue heading north; and new pavement markings.

The project is expected to conclude in late October barring any unforeseen delays or inclement weather.

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Novi Mayor Bob Gatt (center) cuts the ribbon as store manager Aaron Quimby (left) and others celebrate the grand opening of Novi's Walmart yesterday morning.

# Welcome, Walmart Super center anchors redeveloped Novi Town Center

By Cal Stone Staff Writer

Millions of dollars have been spent on revitalizing the Novi Town Center shopping complex, and the vision is nearly complete with yesterday's opening of Walmart.

The super center includes a full food assortment and occupies over 150,000 square feet.

Aaron Quimby, store general manager who has been with the company for a dozen years, was busy preparing for the 7:30 a.m. opening

last week. 'We're getting there, just getting a few details done," he said. "It looks good." He still had about 35

to 40 more employees to hire to bring the total

Please see WELCOME, A10

# Three file for school board Bagdady isn't running again

#### By Cal Stone Staff Writer

Only three candidates filed for the two open seats on the Novi Board of Education, and incumbent president Bruce Bagdady is not one of

them. His colleague on the current board, vice president Dennis O'Connor, filed for the election, as did Brad Leidal and Tracey Cadwell, according to Superintendent Steve Matthews. The deadline to file was 4 p.m. Tuesday. Candidates have until 4 p.m. Friday to withdraw their names from the ballot.

After three terms in office, Bagdady has decided to end his service on Dec. 31 and will not appear on the Nov. 6 election ballot.

"I've really enjoyed my years of serving Novi parents, students and stakeholders," Bagdady. "I'm especially proud that we've been able to enhance educational opportunities for students, while keeping the district financially sound.

Currently in his second term as president, Bagdady was appointed in 1998 and then won four-year



2004 and 2008. For the past 11 years, he has served as pres-

ident or **Bruce Bagdady** vice president.

Bagdady said his wife, Carol, has "given me phenomenal support during my service on the board." All three of their children -- Jenny, Justin and Andy graduated from Novi High School, and their father was able to hand each of them their diplomas.

"Those memories will last forever," said Bagdady.

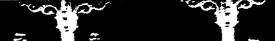
The board - which also includes Ann Glubzinski, treasurer; secretary Bob-bie Murphy; and trustees George Kortlandt, Shari Lebo and Jason Manar recently voted to extend terms from four to six years with the new terms beginning January 2013. The board meets twice monthly in the Educational Services Building.

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be held from Friday, Aug. 31, through Monday, Sept. 3, at the Suburban Collec-



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### Annabelle Road, Jill Jack and David Shelby

#### By Cal Stone Staff Writer

The return of a state fair to Michigan, now known as the Great Lakes State Fair, received another boost last week when Bright House Networks announced it will be backing the event as the presenting sponsor.

"With a new name and a new venue, the Great Lakes State Fair is preparing to reclaim its his-torical importance as

Our presenting sponsorship symbolizes our commitment to help make it a great experience for everyone who attends," said Bob McCann, president of Bright House Networks, the sixth largest owner and operator of cable systems in the U.S. It serves more than 2.5 million customers who subscribe to one or more of its video, high-speed data and voice services. The four day-event will

the nation's oldest fair.

tion Showplace on Grand River Avenue in Novi. The exposition, convention and conference center is owned and managed by Blair M. Bowman and offers approximately 320,000 square feet of

space. "We are thrilled to have Bright House join us in the effort to revive Michigan's State Fair tradition," said Bowman. "Bright House brings with it a vast amount of cross-promotional capabilities and resources that will help to make the event successful and enjoyable for those who attend. It is yet another example of Bright

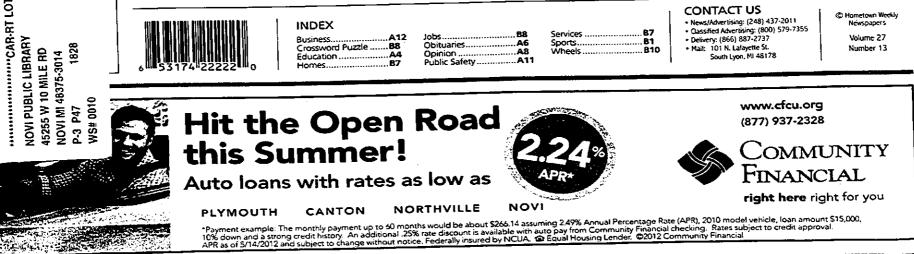
Annabelle Road

House's long record of commitment to the community."

Other sponsors for the Great Lakes State Fair include Fox-2, Meijer, Michigan Food and Beverage Association, Michigan Ear Institute, Axis Cross Media, ITC Holdings, Suburban Collec-

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# Clerk: November turnout near 80 percent

#### By Julie Brown Staff Writer

Novi City Clerk Maryanne Cornelius and her staff worked hard on the Tuesday, Aug. 7, primary election. Turnout was right around where she'd anticipated, 21.5 percent of the city's registered voters. "We knew people were

interested in what was going on," Cornelius said the Monday after the election. The Tuesday, Nov. 6. general election will

include U.S. president voting, and she said turn out's always higher for

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"I would say it will be close to 80," Cornelius said, based on the last two presidential elections.

At last week's primary write-in congressional candidate for the GOP Nancy Cassis had passed out bracelets for her candidacy. There were no objections in Novi from voters or winning prima ry opponent Kerry Ben-

"We log all calls that come in," she said. "Not

a single call involved the bracelets. There's also a special

election on Sept. 5 for the remainder of the term of the 11th Congressional District. In Novi, that

election will cost \$30,000 to \$35,000, with a districtwide cost of \$650,000. For the Aug. 7 primary, one school had parking lot construction that dictated a precinct change. Cornelius said she doesn't anticipate any precinct changes for November. For Sept. 5, the Brightmoor Christian Church has an event, so Precincts 9 and 11 will vote at nearby Crosspointe Meadows

brook. That's anticipated only for the Sept. 5 Congress race. Nov. 6 voters in Novi will decide on U.S. president, House and Senate, state races and such

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Oakland County races as commission, executive and treasurer. University boards and two Novi school board positions are also on the November

ballot. Cornelius said state ballot proposals could also appear in November, with those generally decided by late August. There are no local ballot issues, and Novi voters pick their

mayor and council in oddnumbered years. Websites she recommends for voters are

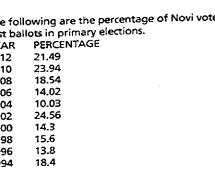
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#### **NOVI PRIMARY TURNOUTS**

The following are the percentage of Novi voters who cast ballots in primary elections. YEAR PERCENTAGE 040

2012	21.49	
2010	23.94	
2008	18.54	
2006	14.02	
2004	10.03	
2002	24.56	
2000	14.3	
1998	15.6	
1996	13.8	
1994	18.4	

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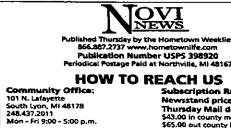
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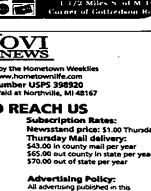
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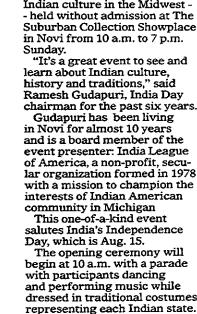
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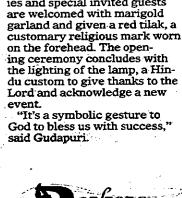
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# Suburban Collection Showplace hosting state's largest Indian event

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He is anticipating guests to

include state and local officials

like State Rep. Hugh Crawford

and Dave Staudt, Novi's mayor

Following the ceremony, it

will be a festival-like atmo-

sphere fun for all ages with

more than 300 Indian perform

folk music to classical and Bollywood-inspired dancers, the

line-up includes regional dance

sional entertainers from local

groups such as Nadanta, Thirak

Kathak, Orissa Society, Detroit

·"There will be something for

In addition, attendees also

enjoy a selection of authentic

Indian food provided by a num-

ber of local restaurants, includ

ing Mirichi Indian Cusine, Udu-

pi and Royal Sweets. More than

100 vendors will be on-site to

display and sell authentic Indi-

an apparel, costumes, arts and

crafts, home furnishings and

jewelry.

will have the opportunity to

academies as well as profes-

Telugu and Gujarati Samaj.

evervone." said Gudapuri.

ers scheduled throughout the day. From patriotic songs and

#### By Cal Stone Staff Writer

More than 20,000 people are expected to attend India Day the largest celebration of Asian Indian culture in the Midwest -- held without admission at The Suburban Collection Showplace

"It's a great event to see and Ramesh Gudapuri, India Day chairman for the past six years Gudapuri has been living and is a board member of the event presenter: India League of America, a non-profit, secu-

with a mission to champion the interests of Indian American

The opening ceremony will begin at 10 a.m. with a parade and performing music while dressed in traditional costumes

"Our special thanks to Ford The parade route ends at the Motor Company who has been wholeheartedly supporting India Day since the inception,' main stage where all dignitaries and special invited guests said Gudapuri. are welcomed with marigold Other event sponsors include garland and given a red tilak. a

Chrysler Group LLC, Consumers Energy, McDonalds, Mercedes-Benz Financial Services USA LLC, Mirchi Indian Cuisine, Royal Śweets, Ram Creations, HCL Global, Sistar Mortgage, and Global Marble & Granite. While Gudapuri estimates

that there are approximate-

2012 in Novi, local merchants sell traditional Indian weat

50,000 Indians in the metro Detroit area, the event attracts a lot of others as well. 'We're putting forth effort this year so they can under-

#### INDIAN SUMMER STEW

Whether you're able to make it or not to India Day Sunday in Novi, here's a recipe - Indian Summer Stew - that'll provide a taste of the culture. minutes.

#### Ingredients:

 1 cup yellow split pigeon peas (toor dal) 1 pound butternut squash, peeled, cut into 1/2-inch cubes (about 2 1/2 cups) 1

 1 Roma tomato, diced 1/2 cup fresh, frozen, or dried

shredded coconut 1/2 teaspoon turméric 1/2 tenspoon ground cumin
 4 cups vegetable stock or water,

or enough to cover

#### Directions

stand and learn about our culture and diversity." For more information about India Day, visit www.ilamichi gan.org.

Rinse the pigeon peas in a couple changes of water.

In a large soup pot, combine the squash, drained pigeon peas, tomato, coconut, turmeric, cum in, and enough stock to cover Bring to a boil, and then simmer,

#### Tempering:

leaves 🛶

 2 tablespoons canola oil • 1 teaspoon brown or black mustard seeds

 1/2 teaspoon crushed red pepper flakes • 1 clove garlic, minced

 1 1/2 teaspoons kosher salt 1'tablespoon honey: A AREAD

 1 lime. juiced •1/2 cup minced fresh cilantro

To temper: In a small skillet, warm the canola oil until shim

The Suburban Collection Showplace is located at 46100 Grand River Ave. in Novi.

#### mering. Add the mustard seeds

and when they stop popping, add the red pepper flakes, garlic, and salt. Swirl the skillet so the contents cook evenly, and cook another 10 seconds. Then pour the contents of the skillet into covered, 20 minutes. Remove the soup, along with the salt. the cover and simmer another 10 Spoon a ladle full of soup back into the skillet (it will sizzle, be careful!), and pour back into the soup pot. Finish with the honey, lime juice, and cilantro. Adjust the seasonings, to taste, and enjoy a little Indian summer in the middle of your winter! Serves: 8 Calories: 173

Total Fat: 6 grams Saturated Fat: 2 grams Protein: 6 grams : Total carbohydrates: 25 grams Sugar: 5 grams iber: 9 grams Cholesterol: 0 milligrams

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EDUCATION

# A trip takes a plan — enjoy the ride Summer reading finale

#### **By Steve Matthews** Guest Columnist

1520 miles That's how far it is from my front door to my Mom's front door. It's a long way. This summer my wife and I drove

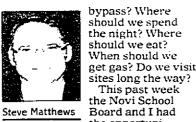
down and back. Why would we do that? It has been almost three years since my Dad died. My Mom still lives in their house. They moved in

Memorial Day 1960 and she has not moved since. My wife and I drove down so that we could continue the process of helping my Mom move things out of the house. In the time since my father

passed away we have visited my Mom several times. Each time, we take things to Goodwill and help sort the remaining items. Each time we bring back a carload of memories. This time was no exception. God bless my Dad but he was

kind of a pack rat. In our previous visits. I had already brought back two toolboxes full of tools. I brought back three more this time. Last year we brought back yard tools. We brought more back this

Getting to Albuquerque takes a while. The road is long and the weather this summer was hot. Taking a trip like this requires knowing where you are going. There are options. Should we go through Chicago or Indianapolis? Should we go through St. Louis or take the



the opportunity to meet and discuss our school district's destination, our school district's plan. We focused on our plan for helping every student in our district

The district has long had a vision and mission. The mission states that, in partnership with parents and community, we will ensure that all students develop the knowledge. skills and character necessary to achieve their highest potential and to be productive members of an ever-changing global society. Our vision calls us to develop each student's potential with a

world-class education. Last year when I arrived in the district the Board of Education created four district goals that will help us achieve our mission and vision. These four goals focus our district and provide a clear sense of where we need to head. The four goals state:

1. The Novi Community School District will ensure that each student will make no less than one year's growth in one year's time.

2. The Novi Community School District will ensure that all students achieve at a high level. (There will be no achievement gaps.) 3. The Novi Community School

District will evaluate and enhance opportunities for students while maintaining a minimum 10% fund balance 4. The Novi Community School

District will improve organizational quality and customer service by creating common standards, systems, and principles. In our meetings last week the

Board of Education reiterated their commitment to our mission, vision. and four goals. With that action, the destination of our district is clear. We know where we are headed. Albuquerque is 1520 miles away. It

takes time to get there. As I drove to Albuquerque with my wife. I had time to think about our district. If we are to be successful we need to know where we are head ed. The Novi Board of Education has reinforced for me their commitment to every student in our district and to ensuring that students in our district will be successful. Where we are trying to get as a dis-

trict will take time. I am happy to be along for the ride. Steve Matthews is the superinten-

dent of the Novi Community Schools district. He can be reached at smatthews@novi.k12.mi.us; (248) 437-1234; www.twitter.com/docsmatthews; or www.novisuperintendent.blogspot.com

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The Novi Public Library completed its summer reading program on Aug. 4. "We have had over 1,570 participants this year and excellent feedback on the summer reading games and events," said Laura Liddicoat, communications specialist. "This year, we partnered with Paradise Park to offer something special for those youth and teens completing the summer reading games — a party at Paradise Park, featuring free games, laser tag, and food!" The teen/ tween summer reading finale party on July 31 included over 90 excited participants. On Aug. 2 the youth (grades K-5) summer reading finale party was held.

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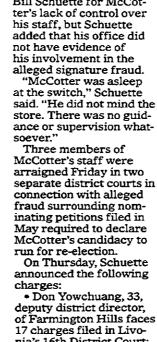
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LOCAL NEWS

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# McCotter not charged, but 'asleep at switch'

#### By Ken Abramczyk

Former U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter was admonished Aug. 9 by state Attorney General Bill Schuette for McCot-

On Thursday, Schuette

nia's 16th District Court: 10 counts of election law forgery, a five-year felony: one count of conspiracy to commit a legal act

five-year felony; and six counts of falsely signing a nominating petition as circulator, a misdemeanor punishable by up to 93 days in jail. • Paul Seewald, 47, dis-

trict director, of Livonia faces 10 charges filed in Livonia's 16th District Court: one count of conspiracy to commit a legal act in an illegal manner, a five-year felony; and nine counts of falsely signing a nominating petition as circulator a misdemean or punishable by up to 93

days in jail Mary Melissa Turnbull, 58, district representative, of Howell faces two charges filed in Troy's 52-4 District Court: one count of conspiracy to commit a legal act in an illegal manner, a five-year felony; and one count of falsely signing a nominating petition as circulator, a misdemean or punishable by up to 93

days in jail. • Lorianne O'Brady. 52, former scheduler employed by McCotter at the time of the alleged crimes, of Livonia faces five charges filed in Livonia's 16th District Court: five counts of falsely signing a nominating petition as circulator,

a misdemeanor punishable by up to 93 days in jail. She is expected to be arraigned next week.

#### No evidence McCotter involved

McCotter was not charged. Schuette said his office "did not have specific, direct evidence of his involvement

Schuette alleges that these four members of McCotter's Michigan staff were involved in a deliberate fraud involving a pattern of copying and altering petitions in order to qualify the fiveterm congressman for the 2012 primary ballot. Schuette revealed examples of petitions that were allegedly manufactured electronically by transposing signatures collected in previous election years on to 2012 nominating petitions. In several cases, the fraudulent petitions were also copied and submitted to the Secretary of State as originals. Schuette indicated that everything on the petition forms appears to be exactly the same except for the dates, which appear altered. Schuette's investigation

also revealed evidence

that duplicate petition: were knowingly submitted to pad signature numbers and that multiple petitions were falsely certified by defendants who did not actually circulate them. The charges came

about as the result of an investigation by the Attorney General's Public Integrity Unit. The investigation lasted 10 weeks; it included interviewing 75 witnesses, procuring sworn statements from nine people and review ing thousands of records including 136 nominating petitions filed with the Secretary of State.

#### **Constituents** 'got stiffed'

Schuette called it a "cut-and-paste job that would make an elemen tary school art teacher cringe.

"This was not simply keystone cops run amok ... it was a blatant attempt commit fraud.'

Schuette said. Schuette said the 'McCotter crew" acted

above the law like the law 'didn't apply to them." "They were sadly mistaken." he said. Schuette added that McCotter has



Turnbull O'Brady

"resigned in disgrace." People in the 11th District McCotter represented "got stiffed," Schuette said. "He is responsible for the conduct and misconduct of his employees In this case, Thad was asleep at the switch.'

McCotter could not be reached for comment as there was no answer at his home. He issued a statement via email through spokesman Ran-

dall Thompson. "I thank the Attorney General and his office for their earnest, thorough work on this investiga



fraud investigation began an ignominious exit for the five term congressman. The nominating signatures were turned into the Secretary of State Bureau of Elections office, and the peti-

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tions were checked. Bureau employees determined that the filing contained numerous duplicate and triplicate copies of petitions and that the filing

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was nadded to obscure the fact that the petition: did not contain the necessary 1,000 signatures. The Secretary of State's office contacted McCotter on May 25, saying there were not enough valid signatures to qualify him for the ballot. McCotter announced May 29 that he was conducting a write-in candidacy. but then dropped his candidacy June 2. He later resigned from office.

Three McCotter staffers arraigned in election fraud case

By Ken Abramczyk Staff Writer Three members of for

mer Congressman Thaddeus McCotter's staff were arraigned Aug. 10 in connection with alleged fraud surrounding nomnating petitions filed

in May on McCotter's

Don Yowchuang, 33, deputy district director in McCotter's office of Farmington Hills and Paul Seewald, 47, district director, of Livonia stood mute in 16th District Court in Livonia. Magistrate Dennis Epler entered not-guilty pleas on their behalf. They

were released on \$50,000 personal bond each.

meaning they will have to pay that amount if they do not show up for scheduled court appear-

ances. Yowchuang was required to give up his passport as a condition of the bond, and both were told to contact the court if they leave the state. Yowchuang and Seewald are scheduled for a pre-exam Sept. 18 and a preliminary exam Sept. 20 in 16th District

Court Mary Melissa Turnbull, S8, of Howell turned herself in to officials Friday morning and was arraigned in Troy's 52-4 District Court. Turnbull was given a \$5,000 personal bond. Her pre-

exam was set for Aug. Yowchuang faces 17

charges, including 10 counts of election law forgery, a five-year felony; one count of conspiracy to commit a legal act in an illegal manner, a five-year felony; and six counts of falsely signing a nominating petition as circulator, a misdemeanor punishable by up to 93 days in jail. Seewald faces 10

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or punishable by up to 93 davs in jail. Lorianne O'Brady, 52, of Livonia is expected to be arraigned on charges early this week in Livonia's 16th District. according to Attorney General Bill Schuette's office, who brought the charges against the suspects. O'Brady, a former scheduler employed by

McCotter at the time of the alleged crimes, faces five counts of falsely signing a nominating petition as circulator, a misdemeanor punishable by up to 93 days in jail. At Friday's court hear-

ing, both Seewald and Yowchuang sat at the rear of the courtroom before their arraignment. Then as they were arraigned by Epler, they responded yes when asked if they understood the charges and their rights.

Defense attorney Timothy Dinan, who represented both Seewald and Yowchuang, requested a court waiver of the usual 14-day period between the arraignment and pre-

liminary examination to review evidence. William Rollstin, first assistant attorney with Schuette's office, said the attorney general's office had no problem with the waiver. Rollstin appeared in court with Special Agent John Buck, who assisted in the

investigation. Neither Buck nor Rollstin would comment further on the case, referring all questions to the attorney general's com munications office.

Rollstin requested that Yowchuang turn in his passport to the court because he believed that Yowchuang had traveled overseas recently. Yowchuang agreed to do so.

# **Bentivolio faces another** election next month

By Ken Abramczyk

Kerry Bentivolio's campaign for U.S. Congress took a huge step Aug. 7 with his win over write-in challenger and former state senator Nancy Cassis.

Now, the campaign faces another election in less than a month with a special primary on Sept. 5. Bentivolio, Cassis and three other Republican candidates (Ken Crider, Steve King and Carolyn Cavanagh) will face off with the winner advancing to the general election Nov. 6. The winner of that election will fill the unexpired term of Thadde-

That election is taking place in the current 11th District. On Tuesday, Bentivolio won in the newly redistricted 11th District to advance as the Republican nominee in the general election on Nov.

Bentivolio, a 60-year-old war vet- 'Working man' eran of Iraq and Vietnam, former eacher and a reindeer farmer in Milford, smiled broadly last Tuesday night, greeted by cheers of "Kerry, Kerry, Kerry" at his election party in the primary election at the Novi Sheraton.

"This victory is your victory," he told supporters at the election party, some of the 10,000 volunteers who knocked on doors. "You know freedom stands for prosperity. Some politicians try to convince us to give up freedom," he said. They want government to run our businesses, to get between us and our doctors. They want to take our money and spend less on ourselves. It is a Congressman's No. 1 job to

Bentivolio said he wanted to reduce taxes through tax reform and repeal the Affordable Health

relished the moment to see then candidate win the primary and prepare to tackle the next phase of the campaign. Alexander Stewart of Livonia

said he met Bentivolio three years ago during Bentivolio's run for state Senate against Mike Kowall. Steward is the former chairman of the Schoolcraft College Repub licans and now is the chairman of the University of Michigan Dear-

future and as a young person, I am "We need to keep our politicians honest and quit spending money



11th Congressional Republican nominee winner Kerry Bentivolio celebrates his win against candidate Nancy Cassis on Aug. 7 at The Sheraton Hotel in Novi.



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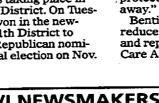
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Michigan, including Novi's Eiler is based in the Southfield office and focuses on consulting, providing government clients with risk

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#### He holds a bachelor of science degree in engineering from the University of Illinois and a master's degree tion from the University of Michigan. Additionally, he

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born College Republicans. "He's an everyday working man," Steward said. "He's experienced what the working people have experienced, He is adamant about fiscal responsibility. He's worried about his grandchildren's worried about the future.

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located at 43343 Grand Rivlocated at 45380 W. 10 Mile, Suite 125.



At Bentivolio's party, the crowd

LOCAL NEWS

LACHAPELL,

Marquette, Michigan. Karin Marie (Maki) LaChapell, age 42.

of Marquette, was tragically killed by a hit-and-run driver in Marquette while walking down-town to enjoy the Fourth of July

fireworks with her husband, Bryan, who was severly injured as well. Born June 29, 1970 in Trenton, MI. Karin was raised in Highland and graduated Milford High School in 1988. She attend-

High School in 1988. She attend-ed Oakland Community College and graduated from Northern Michigan University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Zoology. Her boundless enthusi-asm and positive spirit served her well in her sales career with such companies as Kodak and most recently Coca-Cola. Karin had a way of lifting up and brightening

way of lifting up and brightening the lives of everyone she met. Through her generosity, at least four organ recipients have now been given the Gift of Life. She was active and particularly enjoyed snowboarding, fishing with her hubby, and her lifetime passion; riding training and car-

with her hubby, and her lifetime pession: riding, training, and car-ing for horses. She found true joy in marriage on February 5, 2011 to Bryan LaChapell, who deeply adored her, his "wifey." Karin is survived by her husband, Bryan; her parents, Tom and Beth Maki of Negaunee; her sister, Amy (Carl) Keranen of Lake Linden and their children: Thomas, Erin, Jeff, Meg, Colleen, and Cara; her brother, Andy (Lisa-Anne) Maki of Hartland and their children: Lisa Lynn, Nikolaus, and Hanna; her brother, Matt Maki of the Ukraine; in-laws, JoEllen and Donald LaChapell of Ishpeming; sisters-in-law Jennifer LaChapell and Nicole (Nicholas) LaChapell-Hittle; brothers-in-law Andrew, Jesse, Tyler, and Jordan

Andrew, Jesse, Tyler, and Jordan LaChapell; her two dear friends; Sarah Stevens and Jesse Collins; and her horse of 22 years; Taliesyn. A celebration of Karin's

laitesyn. A celebration of Narin's life was held Monday, July 9, 2012 in Negaunce, Michigan. Swanson-Lundquist Funeral Home of Marquette assisted the family. Condolences may be expressed online att: www.swansonlundquist

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ANSTISS, DARVIN Age 85, passed away Aug. 11, 2012. A private service will be held at Crossroads Community

Church. Online guestbook www.phillipsfuneral.com



DAVID, MARY ANN Age 89, of Brighton, previously of

Age 89, of Brighton, previously of Garden City, passed away peace-fully August 8, 2012. She was born May 3, 1923 in Cineinnati, Ohio daughter of Harold and Anna (Mistler) Murray. She was raised in Northville and graduated from NHS in 1941. Mary Ann was united in marriage to David was united in marriage to David Sam David on December 31, 1945; they spent 32 loving years together until his death in 1977. During World War II she worked at the Willow Run Bomber Plant She also taught dance lessons at Arthur Murray Dance Studio in Detroit. Mary Ann was a secretar for Kroger for over 25 years. She was a dedicated mother and a wonderful homemaker. She loved to bake homemade bread and car her own jelly and jams. Mary Ann also enjoyed cooking, painting with acrylics, and travelling. After she retired she travelled all over the world. Mary Ann is survived by her children Davie (Barbara) David of California, Don (Wanda) David of Georgia, Ann Cox of Brighton, Gwenn (Randy Hodges) David of Colorado, and Suzanne (Robert) Kaatz of Texas; her sister (Robert) Kaatz of Texas; her sister Margaret Titus of Arizona; nine grandchildren; and two great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents; her hus-band; her brothers, Robert Murray and James Murray; and her grand-son Jad Cox. Visitation will be held Friday from 5-8pm. A funer-al service will be held Saturday at Inm with visitation beginning at

al service will be held Saturday at 1pm with visitation beginning at Noon at Casterline Funeral Home, 122 West Dunlap, Northville. Mary Ann will be laid to rest at Rural Hill Cernetry in Northville. In lieu of flowers, donations sug-gested to the Jad Cox Memorial Scholarship Fund, established by Mary Ann in loving memory of her beloved grandson, c/o Garden City Schools, atm: Business City Schools, attn: Business Office, 1333 Radeliff, Garden



DeGROAT, DANIELLE ALLYSE

21 years old, of New Hudson, MI, died Sunday August 5, in Green Oak Twp of injuries suffered in an uto accident. Danielle was bor Shelley and David DeGroat. She grew up in New Hudson with two older brothers, Derek and Jon. Danielle graduated from South Lyon High School in 2008 and rom Central Michigan University n May 2012. She worked at Campbell-Ewald in Warren, MI as an Account Coordinator. Danielle resided in New Hudson, MI. Her resided in New Hudson, Mi. Her passions were: dogs, watching baseball, exercising, cating healthy, going to New York City, clothes, shoes, purses, and spend-ing time with friends and family. Danielle received her Bachelor of Ant degree from CMU where she majored in Integrative Public Relations, Minored in Journalism and graduated Summa Cum Laude with a 3.94 GPA. She was Laude with a 3.94 GPA. She was also a member of Delta Zeta sorority at CMU where she was the PR representative. Danielle also graduated Summa Cum Laude from South Lyon HS with a GPA of 3.98, Danielle had a beautiful smile, infectious Dosia GPA of 3.98. Danielle had a beautiful smile, infectious posi-tive attitude, and a loving spirit. She will be forever missed by all who knew and loved her. Danielle is survived by her parents Shelley and David; grandmother, Irene; big brothers, Derek (Jessica) and Jon; niece, Izabella; nephews, Aiden and Brennan; as well as aunts, uncles, and cousins. A servunts uncles and cousins. A serv

ice was held Saturday, August 11, 2012 at Casterline Funeral Home, Inc. of South Lyon, Rev. Gerald 5. Hunter from New Hudson nited Methodist Church officiated the service. The family would appreciate memorial contributions to Michigan Humane Society, 30300 Telegraph Rd., Ste. 220,

Bingham Farms, MI 48025.

May you find

comfort

in Family and

Friends

2012, following her battle with cancer. She was born on December 4, 1963, in Ypsilanti, Michigan, daughter of Clifford Williams and Patricia (Chapman) Williams, Michelle was a very caring, personable and compas-sionate person. She enjoyed traveling and was always present at her children's functions. She will always be remembered for her strength and courage. Most of all, Michelle was a devoted, loving and supportive wife, mother, grandmother, sister and daughter. grandmother, sister and daughter. She was active in the community and worked as an accountant for many years. She touched many lives and will be dearly missed. She is survived by her beloved husband of 24 years, Thomas; her lowing children: Holly (Justin) loving children: Holly (Justin) Carrier, Michael and Allison; her grandchildren: Justin, Jackson and Jacob. She is also survived by her father Clifford Williams, her mother Patricia Williams, her sister Marilyn (Joseph) Kramer, her brother Andy Williams and her brother Andy Williams and her nieces, nephews, cousins and loving friends. She was preceded in death by her maternal grand-parents, Ruth & Robert Chapman and her paternal grandparents, Goldie & Boyd Williams. Visitation will be held on Thursday, August 16th, from 3:00 p.m. = 9:00 p.m. at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, 122 W. Lake St. South Lyon A Eureral Mass St., South Lyon. A Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Friday,

August 17th, at 11:00 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 830 S. Lafayette, South Lyon, Memorial contributions may be made to www.livelikeandi.org to help find a cure for cancer. Online guest book at www.phillipsfuners



### HOWARD

Age 81, of Winter Haven, FL, formerly of Plymouth, MI, passed away on July 30th. He is survived by Lois, his loving wife of 37 years; children Susan Leclercq (Gienn), Cindy Abar (Bob), Jeff, Kari Dorris (Mike) (Bob), Jeff, Kari Dorris (Mike) and Dan (Jen); seven grandchil-dren & four great-grandchildren. Howard was the owner of the former Pease Paint & Wallpaper, Green's Creative Home Center & The Yankee Carpenter. A memo-rial was held on August 5th at Lake Gibson Church of the Nazarene in Lakeland FL. Nazarene in Lakeland, FL.

HAGAMAN, L. WAYNE Age 85, passed away Aug. II, 2012. Memorial service Aug. 16, 11a.m. at Oakland Church of

Christ, Southfield. Online guest-book at: www.phillipsfuneral.com



HENSON, LINDA JANE Age 54, passed away August 4, 2012. Loving mother of Charles (Lisa) Graski. Sister of Brenda (Todd) Richardson, Jim Kerster, Victor (Jo) Kerster, Beloved aunt victor (10) Kerster, Beloved auni of: Chelsea, Christine, Hannah, Kevin, and Rebecca Kerster. Dear friend of Janice Bossio, Linda Keesler, and Julie Richards. Linda was born December 5, 1957, to William and Irene Kerster. She orew up in Berklev and Hie/bladd withiam and refer easter. Single and Highland, Michigan. She graduated from Milford High School in 1976. She was a graduate of Detroit College of Business and was a former of Business and was a former employee of Old Kent Bank, KSI, and Waste Management. Her pas-sions included reading, writing, cooking, growing beautiful sun-flowers, fishing, and enjoying her peaceful home in Oscoda, MI. Linda's compassion, charity, and humor brightened the lives of all, who kriew her. We miss you and love you. We will meet again. Family and friends are invited to attend a memorial service at Cornerstone Church in Highland. Cornerstone Church in Highland, MI on Satrurday, August 18th at 10:30 a.m. Donations in her metm-ory may be 'sent to 513 Commercial St., Commerce Twp. Al 48382. Memories of Linda may be shared at:

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11. at St. Joseph Catho Church, South Lyon. KERN, MICHELLE

Age 48, passed away August 12,

#### TOMAKOWSKI. JOSEPH

Age 85, passed away August 1st 2012. Beloved husband of Susa Marie. Devoted father of sever children and eleven grandchil children and eleven grandchil-dren. Funeral held August 4th 2012.

Let others know... When you've lost a loved one, place your notice on our website and in "Passages" ... a directory located in every edition of

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July 26, 1927-August 7, 2012 Online condolences: obriensullivanfuneralhome.com Novi events DEMOCRATS TO MEET RENAUD-BLAKE, Time/Date: 6 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 21 Age 83, died Aug. 7, 2012. Visitation Aug. 10 at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME. Funeral Aug. Location: Novi United Methodist Church, 41671 W. 10 Mile in Novi. Details: Tony Trupiano, host of the Democratic talk show First Shift with Tony Trupiano (6 - 9 am, 1310

WDTW-AM), meeting of the Democrats of West Oakland County Club on "How to Win in November." Meeting free and open to the public. Snacks provided, pizza may

be purchased. Contact: www.mydems. info <http://www.mydems info/

Time/Date: 1 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 26 Location: Idle Wile, Livonia

Details: Proceeds will help fund their children and youth ministries (such as vacation Bible school). Cost is \$65 per golfer -- includes 18 holes of golf with cart; free sleeve of balls; buffet dinner; golfer gift bag; two

free auction tickets; entry into the prize hole competitions. Dinner on (\$22) includes one auction ticket. All registrations, monies & fees are due by Aug.19.

Location: VFW Post 4012.

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Gabby Maraderosian, 16, is shocked a how cute the face of an armadillo is as its held in

the hand of Potter Park Zoo's Bill Gorman during a July 23 visit to the Novi Teen Center.

Maraderosian doesn't attend the center, but was in the Novi Middle School that day for

summer school gym class and stopped by to look at the zoo's creatures.

Emily Barnes, 12, smiles as she gets an up-close look at a blue-tongued skink by Lansing's Potter Park Zoo's Bill Gorman. Gorman, the skink, an armadillo and a snake or two visited the Novi Teen Center on July 23 to give the kids a look at some of the zoo's collection.

> noon on Monday to be More: For a complete

regional events, see the Novi Calendar online at www.hometownlife for blood donors. All donors

monthly drawing for a \$500 gasoline card. Contact: Donors can contact Diane Risko at (313)

549-7052 or Diane.Risko@ redcross.org to set up an appointment. GREAT LAKES STATE

Dates: Aug. 31-Sept. 3 Location: Suburban Collection Showplace, Grand **River** Avenue (between Taft and Beck roads), Novi Details: Michigan Pavilion featuring Michigan made, grown or produced products; livestock and agriculture areas with large indoor arena; local Americana/country live music entertainment; beer garden featuring Michigan Breweries; 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

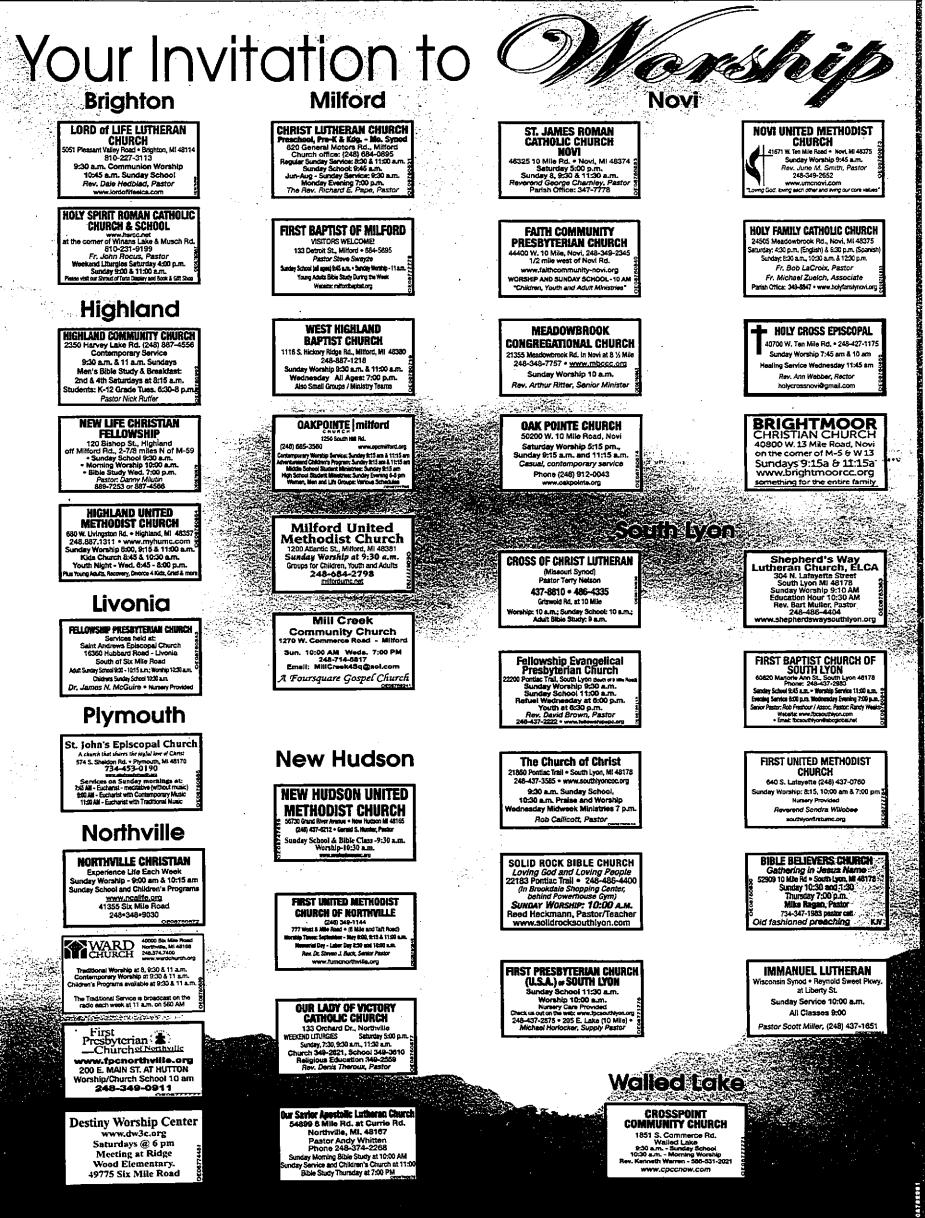
Contact: Kristina Jones; (248) 348-5600 A KEY INGREDIENT TO UNPARALLELED SUC-CESS AND HAPPINESS Time/Date: 6;15 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 12 Location: DoubleTree Hotel,

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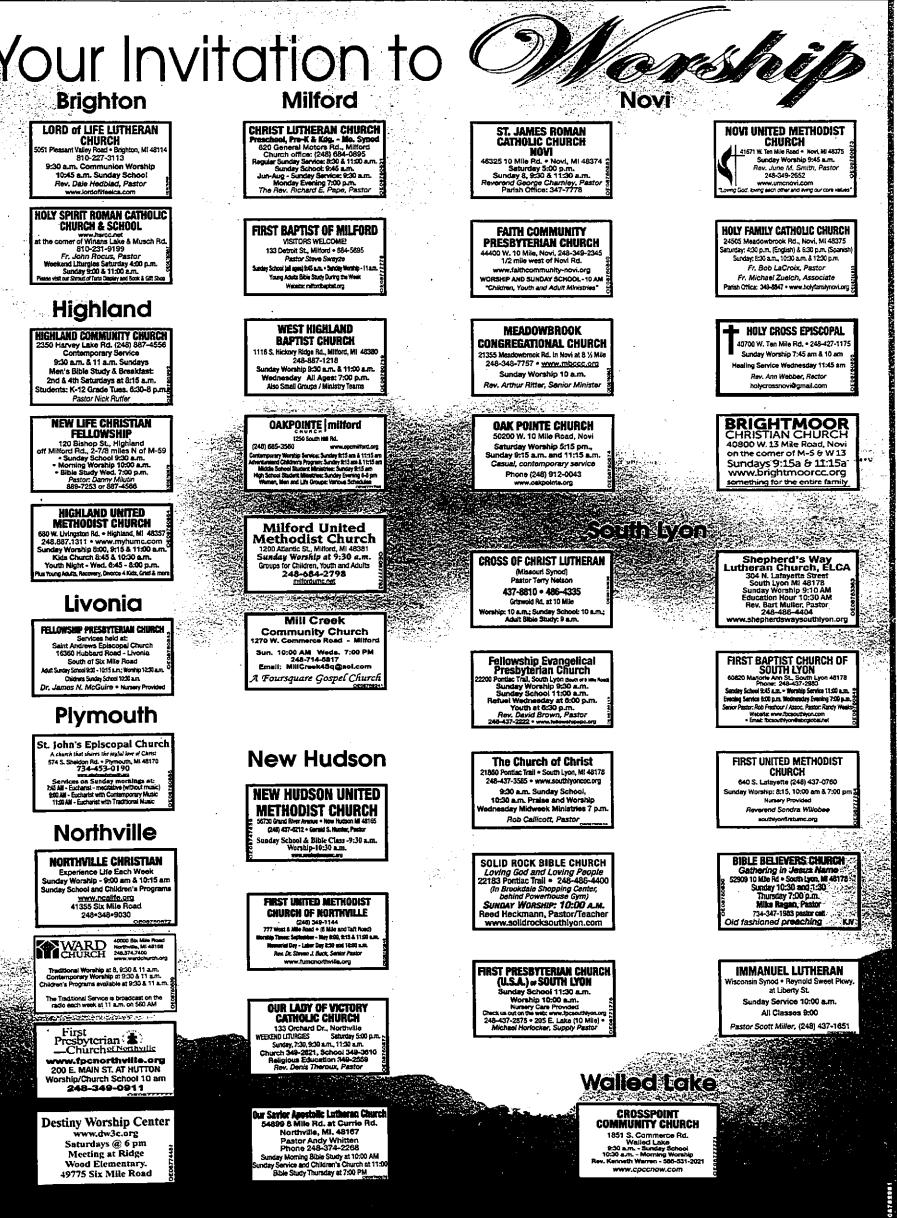
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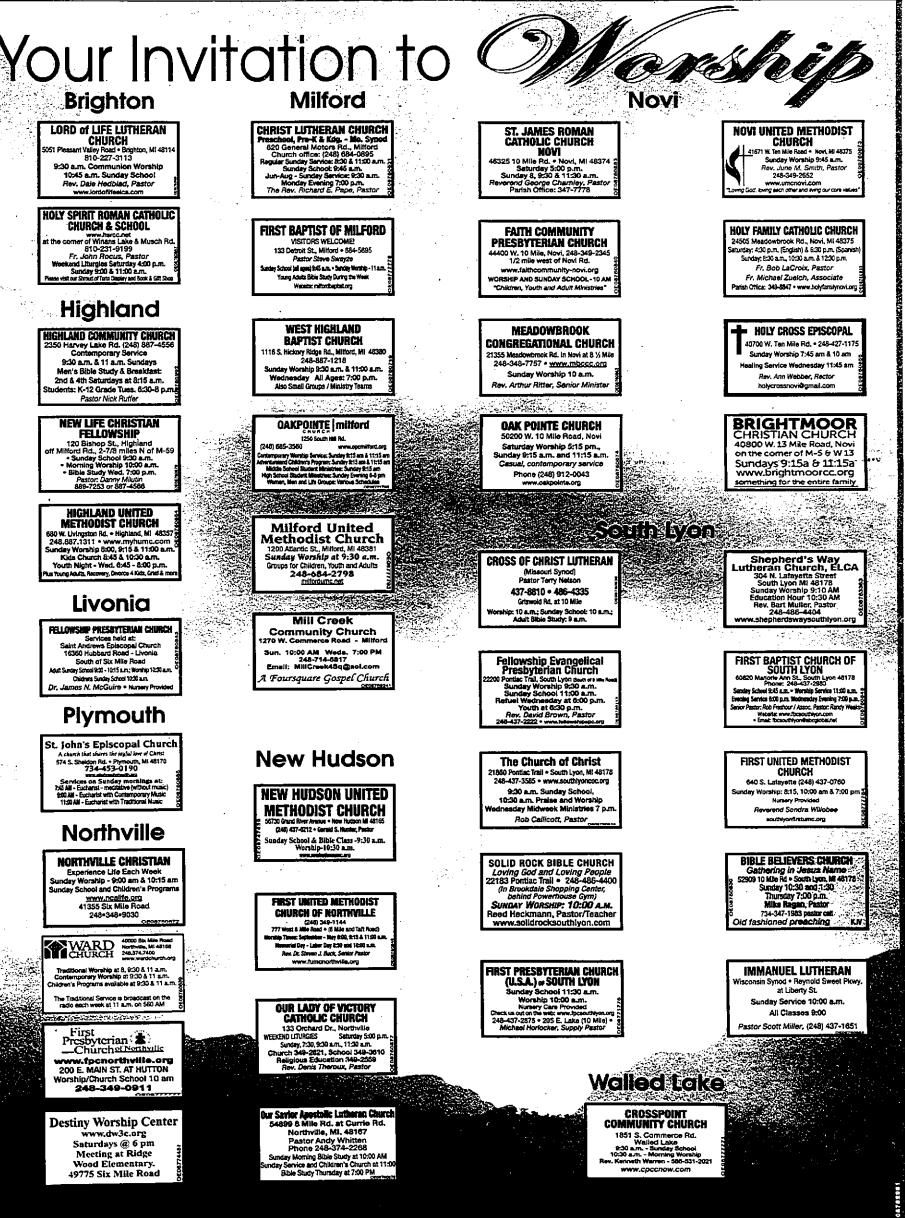












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ter Chapter of the American Business Women's Association presents Rachelle Smith, principal and founder of Positive Creative Infusion Consulting, LLC of Novi. A memorable motivational speaker, Rachelle began her career at age 12, selling candy in junior igh school in Biloxi. Mississippi. When the family moved

Details: The Novi Oaks Char-

ul. South Korea the next year. Rachelle worked as a grocery sacker at the Yongsan Army Base Commissary, ir a 'tips only' position, pitching

potential customers in English or Korean to choose her lane. Contact: Please see www. abwa-novi.org for registra-

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#### **COVERY: MEDITATION** SERIES

Location: Schoolcraft Col-Time/Dates: 6:30-8:30 p.m. Sept. 19 through Oct. 10 Details: This four-week series presented by Kathy Bindu Henning, offers a variety of self-discovery topics and in-

cludes interactive lecture and present moment meditation. Everyone is welcome. Lectures can be taken individually or as a series. Contact: 734-462-4448 or visit www.schoolcraft.

edu/cepd. SHORT SALE SEMINAR Time/Date: 6:30-8 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 27

Friday, Sept. 21.

Location: Livonia Public Library 32777 Five Mile Road Details: Come with your questions to a free seminal

and learn about what a short sale is and the different alternatives available. Explore your options with a profesional resource panel. Buvers looking to learn about short sales also welcome. Sponsored by The MacNRo Tearn, Keller Williams Agents. Contact: Sheila Roma at (248) 760-6785 or Debb McLaughlin at (248) 561-0077 to reserve a spot by

at twzr4steelers@twmi. Methodist Church, North-Wednesday, Aug. 29 Location: Oak Pointe Church Time/Date: 1-6:45 p.m.

Thursday, Aug. 30

Northville Details: The entire country is in an Emergency Appeal

**CROSSPOINTE MEAD-OWS CHURCH GOLF** OUTING

Contact: Wendy Holiman

**BLOOD DRIVES** Time/Date: 7 a.m.-12:45 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 26 Location: First United

Time/Date: 2-7:45 p.m.

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#### LOCAL NEWS

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# Patterson improving after car accident at the time of the crash.

Police said it appears

that the driver of a Volk-

swagen Passat, a 31-year-

failed to yield the right of

He wasn't wearing a seat

old Royal Oak resident.

way, causing the crash.

belt either. Both he and

his passenger were hos-

pitalized; police have not

The police report will

be forwarded to the Oak-

tor's Office to determine

released their names.

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tive L. Brooks Patterson underwent a second surgery to repair orthopedic injuries Monday afternoon, part of the original treatment plan formulated by doctors following serious injuries he sustained in a car crash

the surgery went very In a report released Monday, Auburn Hills police said neither Patterson, nor his driver -

whether tickets will be issued. - retired Michigan State Patterson, 73, remains Police Trooper James at McLaren-Oakland Hos-Cram, 60, of Owosso pital in Pontiac, listed in were wearing seat belts stable condition with no

date set for discharge. Gerald Poisson, chief deputy executive, said doctors expect a full recovery, but Patterson will have some extensive

physical therapy he'll have to go through. Patterson, who suffered wrist, hip and leg injuries, underwent surgery after the accident, which happened about 4 p.m.

Friday at Opdyke and Walton in Auburn Hills. His re-election campaign - for an unprecedented sixth term -- may

be abbreviated. "We're running on his 20 years as county executive," Poisson said. "He's



**Oakland County Execu**tive L Brooks Patterson is recovering from injuries he sustained in a car accident Aug. 10.

not going to be walking in any parades, but the proof is in his performance.' --Gannett News Service



#### Makeover

A back-to-school makeover was held at the Elle Studio sa-Ion in Novi on Friday, Aug. 3 to show girls that you can pull off many looks without having to spend money. The looks are quick and easy, something that is important when you are busy, especially when transitioning from high school to college. Shown in before and after, with a side braid, is Shelby Mitchell,

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# **OPINION**

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#### **OUR VIEWS**

# Fraudulent signatures McCotter owes voters an apology,

### explanation

State Attorney General Bill Schuette announced charges last week against four members of former U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter's staff in connection with fraudulent signatures on McCotter's nominating petitions.



McCotter, who served five terms in Congress pefore resigning last month, was not charged. McCotter issued a brief statement via e-mail through a spokesman thanking the attorney general for his work on the investigation, but has not made himself available for

interviews.

McCotter owes his former constituents an explanation of why, in Schuette's words, he wasn't "minding the store" and why he left them with a \$650,000 bill for a special primary election to fill his unexpired term ending in December.

Regardless of whether McCotter was involved in copying and pasting old signatures to get his name on the ballot, the buck stopped with him. He needs to step up, accept responsibility and apologize for failing

By resigning from office July 6, McCotter put his own needs and personal goals ahead of his constituents'. They will be unrepresented in Washington, D.C., through with until Nov. 6 when requests, like be elected to take get White House tour tickets, and two months.

of leadership. For some time, we have been hearing complaints from constituents about how staffers have not followed the most basic a successor will helping them to over for less than about McCotter's not showing up at candidate forums or hold-

the voters of the

11th District.

who entrusted

him in a position

ing town hall meetings in the district. Such indifference and pompousness is inexcusable from a public servant and his office.

By resigning from office July 6, McCotter put his own needs and personal goals ahead of his constituents'. They he unrepresented in Washington, D.C., until Nov. 6 when a successor will be elected to take over for less than two months. By that time, Congress will have decided and voted on budgets, tax breaks and most major issues for the vear.

Constituents understand when politicians resign before the end of their term for personal or family health reasons. But all McCotter said at the time of his resignation was that the investigation into the fraudulent signatures had severed the "necessary harmony" between the needs of his constituency and of his family, requiring him to leave.

McCotter's refusal to finish out his term was a selfish act.

Taxpayers are burdened with the cost for the special primary election in September, in which five Republicans and one Democrat are running, and will have to pay for the salary of the winner of the November general election for McCotter's unexpired term.

It's a sad and sorry end to McCotter's political career, which included a brief run last year for the Republican nomination for U.S. president. McCotter is an intelligent individual,

whom voters and Republican leaders faithfully stood by over the years. Too bad he didn't afford them the same courtesy in return.

Grace Perry,

Director of

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Cal Stone, Community Editor Susan Rosiek, Executive Editor

COMMUNITY VOICE

#### If you could have one food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?



broccoli, but I would cause it's my favorite probably pick pizza." food and they're simple to make.'

Dennis Kim

LETTERS

#### What ever happened to journalism?

Journalism majors used to be taught their job was to report the five W's - who, what, when, where and why. Today it seems most of the media is only interested in feeding us "POOP" — propaganda, opinions, obfuscation and parroting whatever party line their bosses tell them to promote

It's amazing there are people who think it's wrong to display 10 rules about how to live a virtuous life in a building where judges preside over cases that violate many of them. The next time you hear someone

ridicule Bush for the 2003 tax cuts just keep in mind the cuts increased federal tax revenues \$780 billion over the next four years and reduced unemployment from 6 percent to 4.4 percent by 2007.

#### **Jack Belisle** South Lyon

**Kudos to Cassis** 

Nancy Cassis is a class act. She has faithfully served the citizens of Novi for the past 20+ years. Because of her tenacity, Providence Park Hospital is in Novi. Because of her diligence, the Beck Road and Wixom Road interchanges were built.

Although it appears that she won't be going to Washington to represent us, Nancy gave it her all, against all odds, and made a great showing. If her name was on the ballot, it wouldn't have even been a contest. Thank you, Nancy, for all you've done for the great City of Novi. We love you.

#### Bob Gatt City of Novi mayor

Take signs down Dear local politician: To those who won, congratulations, to those who didn't, we all still appreciate your desire to serve our community.

To all, please, PLEASE take down all your signs! I know those signs are part of campaigning but, there are so many of them on so many corners that it looks very bad and can be a safety issue with blocking line of sight and/or taking people's attention away from what they're supposed to be doing: driving!

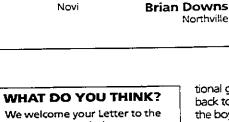
Thank you all in advance, I know you'll all do the responsible thing and remove these signs at your earliest opportunity

Dave Duffield Northville

#### Romney, Ryan wrong for America

Republican presidential candidate Mitt Romney's choice of Paul Ryan for the No. 2 spot on his ticket should make Americans shudder. Not only is Rvan severely conservative, but his policies are radical.

Rep. Ryan's budget, which has been embraced by Romney, would end Medicare as we know it. Even extremely conservative Newt Gingrich called Paul Ryan's plan "right wing social engineering." Middle dass families would pay significantly higher taxes while the mega-wealthy would enjoy significant reductions in their taxes. Under the Romney-Ryan budget, Mitt Romney could evade paying taxes altogether since a majority of Romney's income appears to come from capital gains, interest and dividends. Paul Ryan's plan seeks to eliminate taxes on these types



"Definitely Frosted Mini-

Wheats. I'm addicted to

Northville

them and they're good

for me and tasty.'

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of investments. Moreover, student loan interest rates would double and millions of college students would be deprived of Pell Grants.

Furthermore, women have much to fear from a Romney-Ryan administration. Both are staunchly anti-choice and have devised a plan to defund Planned Parenthood. Additionally, Congressman Ryan voted for a constitutional ban on same sex marriage and voted against the repeal of "Don't Ask, Don't Tell." Mitt Romney and Paul Ryan are wrong for America

Jill Farber-Bramson West Bloomfield

#### It's time for Bentivolio

Congratulations to Kerry Bentivolio, Republican primary winner by a landslide, for the 11th District Congress. Both establishment Republicans and Democrats are out of touch from their constituents and our constitutional rights which determined who we are as a Republic - one nation under God with inalienable rights that allow "We The People" individual freedom of choice and prosperity. We no longer will tolerate an intrusive government, sabotaging all that allows America to thrive and continues to expand entitlements to those who can but refuse to work. I first met Kerry Bentivolio three

years ago. Two awakened American patriots on separate journeys, we had the same American concerns and goals: I, with Obamacare because of a disabled loved one, and he who embraced this journey for the right constitutional reasons.

Kerry's passion was to take his years of expertise as an educator of American history and government, his experience serving in more than 18 foreign countries, fighting in two wars and willing to fight in a third. He decided enough was enough. Instead of going along to get along, he stepped into the political ring. His energy and passion has allowed him and his small army of volunteers to bring to more than 10,000 homes his campaign: a man of ethics; integrity; a plan to stand firm against political pressures; work for a budget that we've not had since 2009; save our children from Obama's trillions of dollars bondage debt; smaller, nonintrusive, fiscally-responsible, constitu-



"Pasta because I'm Italian and there's nothing better!

**Patricia Wenner** 

tional government; returning power back to "We The People" instead of the boys and girls in the back room making decisions for us.

Kerry is a no-tax guy and strongly believes the more we feed the government the bigger it will get. Now is the time to say no to the status quo. The Detroit Free Press refuses to

grasp the people's demand for objective, factual reporting and instead propagandizes. Thank God we now have social media that offers objectivity and facts, not biased, spin reporting away from truth. Hopefully, the people's wants will make this kind of reporting go away. Kerry Bentivolio will be an asset to

"We The People" and the ideology of what the Republican Party is about: Constitutional government and a nation of free Americans respecting the rights of others. Kerry

is selfless service, expressing it in real service to our country and community. His actions and Christian ethics speak louder than mere words. A Congressman's No. 1 duty is to protect America's freedom, not take it away

**Polly Kingsley** 

Government in action

I had the privilege of watching my county taxes in action on Monday, Aug. 7. I could hardly contain my excitement as I witnessed two trucks and four workers placing road patch on Haggerty Road between Six Mile and Seven Mile roads. This is the same stretch of road that was torn up starting Monday, Aug. 13. The budget deficit that I keep hearing about must be an "urban legend" if Wayne County can waste the time and money to do this work. This is just another example of our govern-

> **Bob** Tallieu Livonia

#### **Rise and fall** of McCotter

ment in action.

Thaddeus McCotter's fall from grace certainly is a strange tale to tell - the most recent chapter being his abrupt resignation, which will cost taxpayers over half a million dollars in a special election.

The story began with Thad's meteoric rise from obscurity into public office, fueled mostly by his only claim to fame, namely being related to Joan McCotter. His disgrace was just as sudden and inexplicable, an extreme exercise in tragi-comedy.

What followed next was a bizarro chain of events beginning with an ill-advised Don Quixote envisioned presidential run that lasted the better part of two weeks, then a bonehead snatu in not submitting required ballot signatures, then a decision to be a write-in candidate (which was immediately self-vetoed) and eventually ending in his resignation. Clearly Thad's ship of state had lost its directional rudder and was sailing

wildly Hopefully this will be the last of the news shockers regarding the poor

sod As for his future career, perhaps

he could tune up his guitar and join some band that befits his "cool factor.'

> Leo Weber Livonia

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# Sample fine food, wine, desserts, to aid student scholarships

If you enjoy fine food, wine and desserts save this date — Sunday, Sept. 23. The 21st annual Schoolcraft College Culinary Extravaganza is planned from 2-5 p.m. in the VisTaTech Center on Haggerty Road, just south of Seven Mile Road, Restaurants pastry shops and area beverage vendors will offer up some of the finest culinary delicacies and products found in any one place.

The event raises monev for scholarships and plays a vital role in providing needed support for students pursuing an education at Schoolcraft. Kristina Mayer, an officer of the Schoolcraft College Foundation Board of Governors, is chairing the

event for the third consecu

tive year.

patrons.

(\$1,000) sponsorships also

Mayer says the generosity of event sponsors is vital to the foundation's fund raising efforts. Mayer, vice president and branch manager of Bank of Ann Arbor's Plymouth Township office, heads a group of more than 20 community and college members working on this year's event. Many more volunteers --- including many Schoolcraft students - are

helping behind the scenes to deliver the best possible experience for culinary Sponsor packages range

from \$300 to \$5,000 and are still welcome. All sponsor packages include company name and logo in the event program, on the Schoolcraft electronic sign, in a special Thank You adverment in the Observer & Eccentric Newspapers and complimentary event tickets, Platinum (\$5.000), diamond (\$2,500) and gold

from throughout the state. on, sous chef, was staffing the sampling tabl

Culinary students at Schoolcraft College help prepare entrees for patrons attending

Culinary Extravaganza. The award-winning culinary program attracts students of all ages

variety of fine food, wine,

beverages and desserts in

This year's event will fea-

ture more than 50 food/bev-

erage stations, a silent auc-

tion, raffle prizes and sem-

inars on wine-tasting and

by master chef Jeff Gabri-

healthy foods (presented

one afternoon.

for Mitchell's Fish Market at last year's culinary extravaganza. Mitchell's of Livonia will return to Culinary 2012.

include admission to a preevent VIP private reception one hour before the public event

Individual tickets to the event are \$50 per person (\$20 of which is a charita-

ble contribution). The event highlights the culinary talents of met-

ro area restaurants, pastry shops and beverage vendors. Guests can sample a

**DETAILS:** What: The 21st annual

Schoolcraft College Culinary Extravaganza When: 2-5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 23. Where: Schoolcraft Col-

lege's VisTaTech Center on Haggerty Road, just south of Seven Mile Road. **Cost:** Individual tickets to the event are \$50 per person (\$20 of which is a charitable contribution). Contact: (734) 462-4518 or visit www.schoolcraft edu/foundation.

taurant — The Inn at St. John's, Plymouth; Black Star Farms, Suttons Bay Black Tulip Grille, Wixom: Cadillac Coffee Company, Madison Heights; Coffee Express Company, Plymouth; Dream Cakes, Commerce Township: McCormick/360 Vodka, Michigan Grape & Wine Indus try Council, Mitchell's Fish



Wine vendors throughout the state will offer samples at this year's event. In addition, vinter Lee Hershey will share his knowledge of wine at a special tasting semina scheduled that day.

Olive Press, Plymouth: Something Chocolate, Birmingham; Steve & Rocky's, Novi; The Sardine Room, Plymouth; Vintner's Cellar Canton Winery, The Elite Catering Company, Livo-nia; Wisteria Bakehaus, West Bloomfield

Vine2Wine Custom Winery of Northville and Zumba Mexican Grille, Royal Oak.

Raffle prizes include: \$1,000 cash (grand prize); \$500 cash (second prize) and \$250 cash (third and fourth prize). Dinner for two at the American Harvest Restaurant rounds out the fifth, sixth and seventh raffle prizes. Tickets are

\$5 each or three for \$10. Winners need not be present to win. In addition to food, event-

goers can bid on a variety of silent auction items including entertainment and sport packages. All proceeds from the event benefit the Schoolcraft College Foundation, a 501(c)(3) organization providing scholarships for students, including those in the college's renowned culinary

arts program. To purchase tickets and/ or learn more about sponsorships or donate a silent auction item call (734) 462-4518 or visit www.schoolcraft.edu/foundation.



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work force to nearly 300. Combine those with several hundred new jobs

created by neighboring tenants, as well as construction and supplier positions, and the number gets up around 1,000. 'This is going to mean a lot to the community. It's been the catalyst for our redevelopment, a process that's six years old," said Jim Clear, general man-ager. "We'll have added 15 new stores to the cen-

ter this year, and our restaurants already started to see increased sales starting late last year." Novi Town Center, now in its 25th year, has been celebrating its grand reopening with a series of events, including a free one for kids this past Sat-

urday. The events will continue into the fall and

The next event celebrating Novi Town Center's grand re-opening will be held from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 25. Back to School Jam is a free, fun, family event geared toward middleand high-schoolers. There will be bungee jumping trampolines. obstacle courses, and live music featuring three young, local, up-and-

NEXT EVENT

#### coming bands. holiday season with live music, gift card giveaways, a ladies night out

(Sept. 15), a fashion show and possibly a taste fest. Simon Property Groups of Indianapolis has managed the center since September 2009. Before the redevelopment, it

was four different areas.

The newest addition will be a Dress Barn, which is slated to open Friday, Aug. 24. That will bring the number of tenants up to 40 with space available for 60. "Ninety thousand

The Walmart addition has

opened the entire complex up, making it cohe-

sive and easier to navi-

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square feet has been added this year," said Clear. He said future tenants include rue21, Dots, Big Frog, Torrid, Marices, DXL, Clothes Mentor and The Big Salad restaurant. "Most of these will be

open by October 1," said He indicated that several retailers have also expressed interest in the former Borders location that anchors the north end of the center.

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Novi firefighters Jose Villanueva and Joe Rhome show the Johnston family of Farmington Hills details of one of our city's fire trucks.

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Cinderella visits with 3year-old twins Lauren and Rachel Johnston, 3







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ro Sanitation, Absopure Water Company, AIS Construction Equipment and Oakland County Farm

Bureau. In addition to the announcement of Bright House's sponsorship, GLSF also unveiled the full schedule of live music, including three of Michigan's best-known Americana-style acts -Annabelle Road, Jill Jack, and David Shelby — to perform during three nights of evening entertainment from 7-11 p.m Friday, Aug. 31, through Sunday, Sept. 2.

"Our entertainment lineup includes some of the most distinct local performers providing energizing performances that will appeal to attendees of all ages throughout the entire fair," said Kent Roberts, vice chairman of the Great Lakes State

Fair Board. 2 Stones Events handled the booking of the head-

Led by front woman Amanda Bailey, Annabelle Road will kick off the evening entertainment on Friday night with a sound that unique ly combines the styles of Carrie Underwood, Johnny Cash and Lynyrd Sky-The following night will

feature the winner of 33 Detroit Music Awards, singer/songwriter Jill

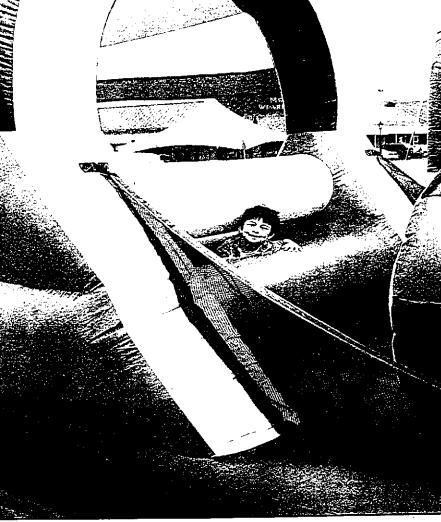
Jack and her band. Since the late '90s, in addition to performing with her own band, she has served as the opening act for a long

formers including Bob Seger, Emmylou Harris, Marshall Crenshaw, Chris Isaak, and Loretta Lynn. On Sunday evening, David Shelby (www. davidshelbymusic.com) will perform songs that reflect his love for Nashville, the history of country music, and his gritty

In addition to the eveformers have been booked by Studio B to provide musical entertainment throughout

pel festival. The Michigan State Fair, which debuted in Detroit in 1849, was one of the oldest state fairs in the United States. It moved permanently to grounds on Woodward Avenue in 1905 and was held there until 2009. The Great Lakes State Fair is nonprofit corporation committed to excellence in providing opportunities for the development and promotion of agriculture, education, industry and family entertainment, while preserving Michigan's heritage.

The fair is organized with programs and exhibits designed to include local



Alex Roznowski, 9, of Novi, works his way through Planet X's dueling obstacle course.



Novi's Emliy Buckman, 13, does a flip while her 9-year-old sister, Anna (right), prepares to do one of her own. The girls were at the event with their mother, Lillian.



Conrad Reed and Sarah Rood showed up in the WYCD 99.5 promotion

#### **GLSF ENTERTAINMENT**

The following is the complete schedule of day and evening entertainment events for the Great Lakes State Fair at the Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi Aug. 31 through Sept. 3.

Friday: 11 a.m. Kidz Klez (traditional Eastern European); 1:30 p.m. Stray Saints (alternative rock); 3 p.m. Gratitude Steel Band (inspirational); 4:30 p.m. KayLyn Pace and the KayLyn Pace Band (country); 7 p.m. Annabelle Road Saturday: 11 a.m. Six Foot Poles (classic rock); 12:30 p.m. Michael Stefaniak (multi-instrumentalist); 1:45 p.m. Detroit Soul Men (Blues Brothers tribute band); 2:45 p.m. Paige Bolen (soul, rock, jazz and pop); 4 p.m. Tim

Reeves (saxophonist); 7 p.m. Jill Jack Sunday: 11 a.m. Gratitude Steel Band; 12:30 p.m. The Last; 2 p.m. Jeff Taylor Band; 3:05 p.m. Men of Grace; 4:15 p.m. Azusa Street Band; 7 p.m. David Shelby Monday: 11 a.m. Jennifer Lawson (guitarist); 12:15 p.m. Saline Fiddlers (youth show band); 1:45 p.m. Marvin Thompson Jr. and Friends (jazz and soul); 3 p.m. Lyin' Dogs Band (moonlighting medical professionals); 4:15 p.m. John Philips (country)



Jill Jack

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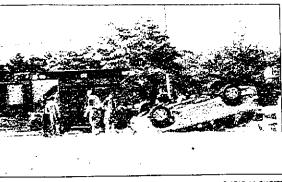
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the four days of the fair,

including a Sunday Gosthe Michigan State Faironline at hometownlife.com

#### **Roll-over**



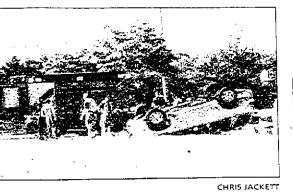
Novi police and fire personnel responded to the southwest corner of 12 Mile and Meadowbrook roads at about 5:30 p.m. Aug. 7 after an SUV flipped over and landed in the north entrance driveway of South University. Two lanes of rush-hour traffic on eastbound 12 Mile Road were left undisturbed by the accident and no injuries were immediately apparent to bystanders.

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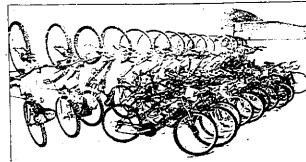
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#### Improvements



Novi police want to reunite missing bikes with owners



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Some of the two dozen bikes in the storage room of the Novi Police Dept.

#### By Lonnie Huhmar

Some bicycle owners that are missing bikes could have a mood change after checking out the City of Novi's website and other related social media outlets. As part of the Bike Return program, Novi Police are posting photos of missing bikes that will help their owners to possibly find

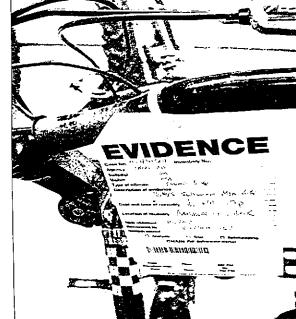
their bike. "We are trying to be more proactive in getting these bikes reunited with their proper owners," said assistant Novi Police Chief Jerrod Hart. "We're hopeful this is a good way to do that.

There are 35 bikes in the lost property room at the police department. Hart said these were either found by

police after getting a call about a bike sitting on the side of the road or elsewhere or citizens bringing them in. "In the past, many times they would go unclaimed because people don't follow up and check with the department about their missing bikes." Hart said.

If a bike owner does spot his or her bike, the first step would be to contact Detective Todd Anger at the police department. Hart said it's crucial the owners be able to have some proof of it being their bike.

Above all, a serial number is the best way in establishing ownership. However, a person can also help iden tify by giving some background like how and where it may have



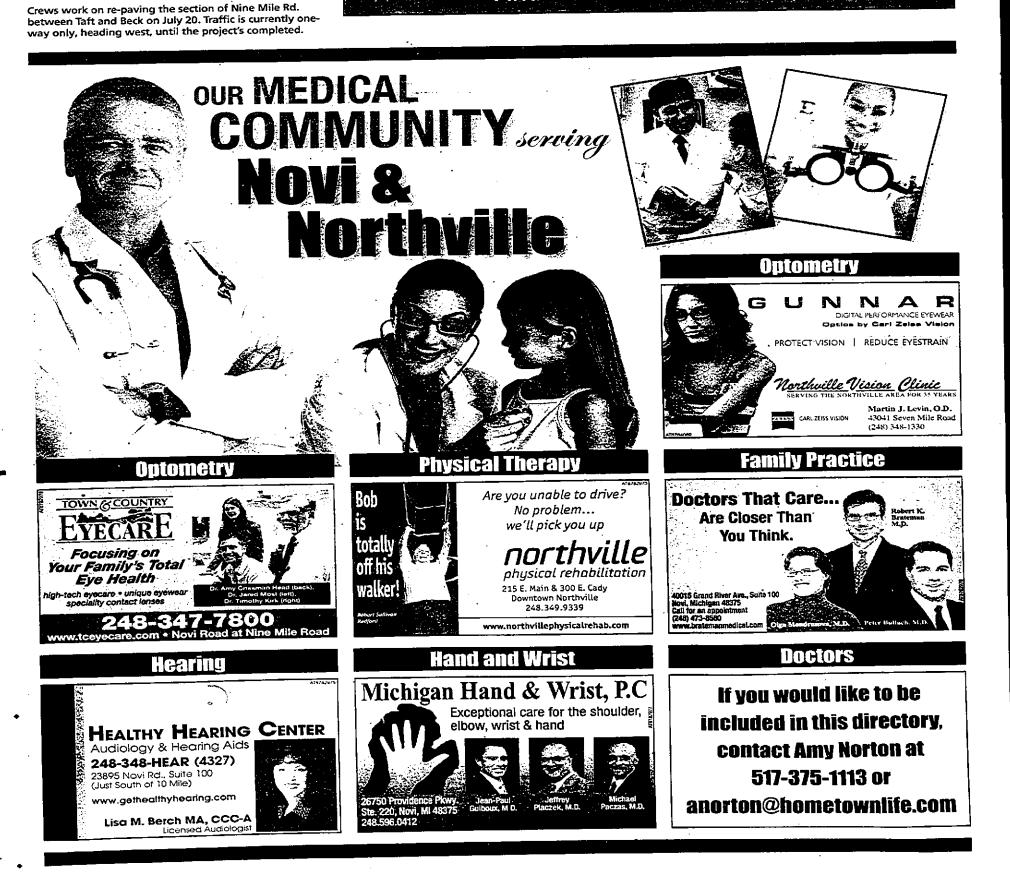
PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER The Novi Police Department evidence locker room is filled with about two dozen bicycles that have been found and turned in by citizens or police officers. The department is looking for ways to get these bikes back in the hands of their owners.

been lost or taken as well as some detail about the bike only they may know. Check out the website (http://cityofnovi.org/ Services/Police/Administration/BikeLostAnd-Found.asp) -- if you

see your bike or have a question, call the police department at (248) 348-7100

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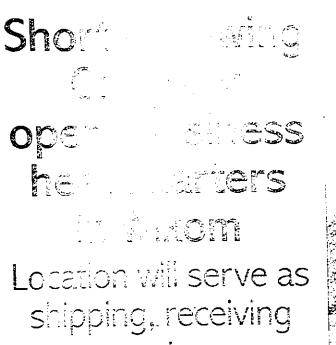
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#### center

By Lonnie Huhman Statt Get te Short's Brewing Company is expanding its microbrew operations into Wixom by establishing its business headquarters there, bringing with them their own brand of Michigan-made success.

"This location made perfect sense to us," said Short's business/finance manager Scott Newman-Bale, "It really helps us far as logistics for shipping and receiving." In 2004, Short's was started by Joe Short in Bellaire, Mich. after he honed his brewing skills with the Michigan and Jackson Brewing com

panies. Starting out as a small brew pub, the beers produced there and the

A Commenter

#### Scott Newman-Bale takes a look at some of the six-pack bottle carriers for Short's Brewing Co., in their new Wixom distribution warehouse on Aug. 8.

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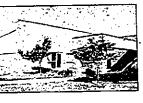
company's popularity to expand further into the Midwest.

Newman-Bale, who is also a Wixom resident, said beer sales on average have increased 60 percent each year since 2004. In addition, merchandise sales have doubled each year as well. Recently, Short's put \$2 million into expanding its northern Michigan location, where the famous beers are made.

Now they are working on getting the business part of their operations better established. This

The Center for

nt Replacement



Short's Brewing Co., manager Scott Newman-Bale points to some of the dozens of different beers the Bellaire-based

brewery will distribute through its new Wixom warehouse. The British native opened up the Grand Oaks Court ware-

house earlier in July and plans on expanding the distribution of the brewery's beer through southeast Michigan. Short's brews a new beer every two weeks and currently has more than 100 varieties - many for sale in local supermarkets.

> Short's Wixom distribution warehouse off Grand Oaks Court.

part includes information. technology and accounting as well as the running of their extensive T-shirt sales department. With the help of Signature Associates, Short's

negotiated the lease of 11,640 sq. ft. of industrial space located at 28011 Grand Oaks Court in the office/warehouse that oused Century Hardware. Newman-Bale said Century Hardware will continue to operate out of the location, just in a smaller area.

Short's will be training a staff of five to get the new location off the ground. They will also seek licensing so they can begin to offer training courses at the location on microbrew operations. "Wixom has been very

hospitable and helpful," Newman-Bale said. "We hope to give back some of that friendliness that has been given to us."

HOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Short's defines itself as a purely Michigan owned and operated business with a community focus. It has been an economic stimulus for the state through bringing in visitors to its renowned pub and generating sales of merchandise, Newman-Bale said.

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#### **NOVI BUSINESS BRIEFS**

#### Novi's Once Upon A Child

achieves Gold Standard Once Upon A Child (27277 Novi Road), a gently-used children's reseller, was ecognized for achieving a Gold Standard measurement, reached when a store achieves a set of standards set forth by the franchisor during the evaluation process. The Novi store achieved the customer experience, store operaearn Gold Standard recognition for the

third consecutive year. "Being recognized as a Gold Standard store is a very significant accomplishbich in turn contributes to a more positive shopping experience. By reaching the Gold Standard, we're helping create an identity that custom-

#### second quarter earnings of \$3.28 per share

Cooper-Standard Holdings Inc. (OTCBB: COSH), the parent company of Cooper Standard Automotive, a global supplier of automotive sealing, fluid and anti-vibration systems, announced financial results for the second quarter ended June 30.

The company reported net income of \$77.3 million or \$3.28 per share on a fuly diluted basis in the second quarter of 2012, compared to \$19.0 million or \$0.71 per share in 2011. Current quarter net income reflected a \$53.4 million benefit related to the reversal of the valuation allowance on the company's deferred income tax assets in the United States and lower restructuring expenses. which were partially offset by higher selling, general and administrative expense, unfavorable foreign curren-

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the evenings on alternating months. Unless otherwise noted, all programs take place at the Oakland County Executive Office Building Conference Center, 2100 Pontiac Lake Road, west of Telegraph, Waterford. For pre-registration and location specifics, visit at oakgov.

million, compared to \$64.0 million in the same prior year period. This is primarily reflective of the aforementioned items on a year-to-date basis. "Cooper Standard again achieved dou-

ble-digit EBITDA margins in the second quarter, despite a fragile and challenging European business environment and softness in other regions," said Jim McElya, chairman and chief executive officer, Cooper Standard. "Our innovative product offering, global footprint and strategic investments will drive Cooper Standard's future growth."

The company reported revenue of \$734.5 million for the second quarter of 2012, compared to \$760.5 million in the second quarter of 2011. Sales were up 4.3 percent in the quarter when adjusted for \$59 million of unfavorable foreign currency movements. Improved sales in North America along with contributions from acquisitions more than offset weakness in Europe.

Revenue for the six months ended June 30 was \$1.50 billion, compared to \$1.45 billion in the same period in 2011, reflecting strong vehicle demand in North America and sales from acquired businesses, offsetting varying volume and mix in other regions, and unfavorable foreign currency movement.

Gross profit for the quarter was \$114.4 million or 15.6 percent of sales, compared to \$123.7 million or 16.3 percent of sales in the second quarter of 2011. Gross profit was impacted by lower European volumes, unfavorable foreign currency movement, increased raw material prices, higher operating costs associated with vehicle launches, production transfers and expansion activities. These negative factors were partially offset by increased vehicle production volume, primarily in North America, and lean initiatives.

The aforementioned factors also contributed to a reduction of gross profit for the six-month period, moving to \$236.1 million from \$244.5 million in last year's comparable period.

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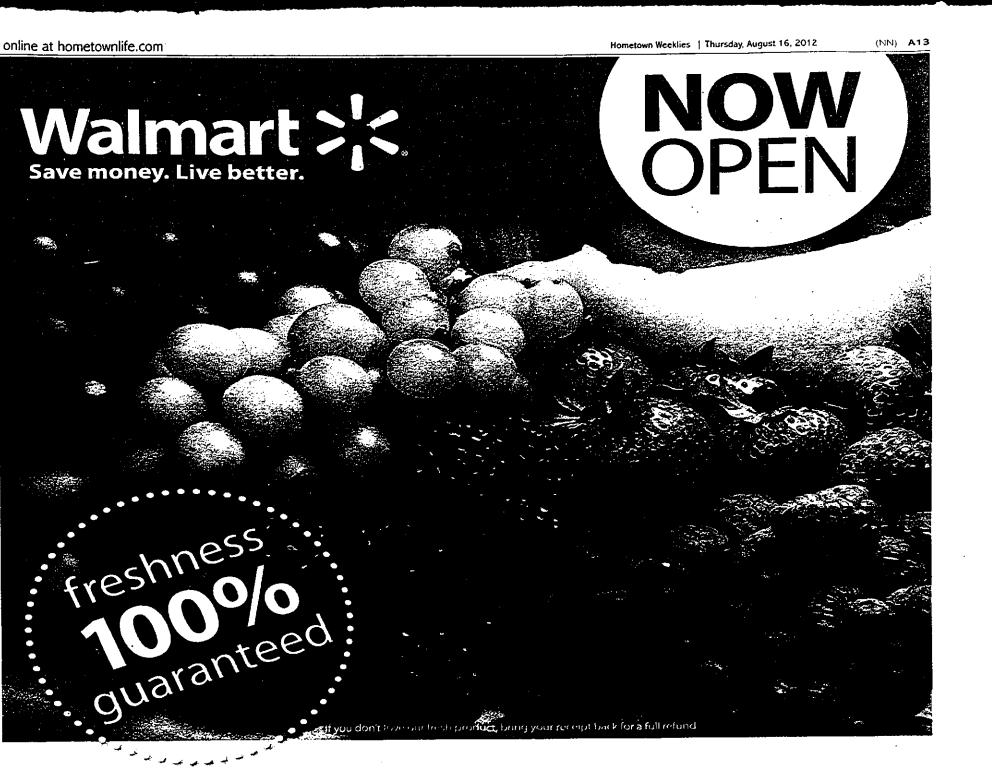
ment, but even more, it means we're succeeding in providing our customers the best shopping experience pos-sible," said Angie Michalak, owner of Once Upon A Child of Novi. "Portraying a standardized look and maintaining a high level of experience for my customers helps ensure a consistent brand

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# Soccer alumni to play in memory of former coach

#### By Chris Jackett

Every once in a while, a coach can have a lifelong impact on their players and, when that coach is gone, those players want to have an impact on others around

Novi soccer players from the past 25 years are returning to Meadows Stadium at noon Saturday for an alumni game in memory of former boys and girls soccer coach Larry Christoff, who passed away July 28, 2009, at age 66 after a lengthy battle with prostate cancer. "We actually got together with him briefly before he passed away," said Nichole Stocks, a 1995 grad who went by Nickie Borashko back in the day. "He had a really hard last year, so he had a great time.' Stocks, along with 1996 alum Erin Vogel and 1995 alum Bob Hart, have coordinated the coed alumni soccer game to benefit the Michi-



gan Institute of Urology,

A group of former Wildcat captains pose with former Novi coach Larry Christoff in 2009 a few days before Christoff lost a battle with prostate cancer. Several of the players are raising funds for the Michigan Institute of Urology in memory of their former coach via a coed alumni soccer game Aug. 18.



A quartet of former Wildcats pose with former Novi coach Larry Christoff (left) during an annual breakfast gathering several years ago.

abilities to continue to

play past the age limit, no

students were allowed to

play MHSAA-sanctioned

sports if they turned 19

years old before Sept. 1.

Dompierre - who is S-

# MHSAA ruling allows waivers to age limit

#### By Sam Eggleston

When high school football practice started across the state last week, an Upper Peninsula player named Eric Dompierre was able to take the field with his teammates despite being 19 years old.

Dompierre, who has feet-2-inches, 140 pounds Down syndrome and turned 19 in January, was and plays receiver for the Ishpeming Hematites the first player to receive and his father, Dean. a waiver from the Michled a campaign this past igan High School Athspring and into the sumletic Association, which announced they had mer to allow for excepapproved his application tions to the rule. After a

vote from MHSAA memto waive the maximum ber schools, the ability age rule. Prior to this summer to request a waiver was when the ability to petiapproved. The waiver won't have tion for a waiver for students with certain dis-

an impact on every school, nor will everyone who applies be approved - but the Dompierre familv said it was a giant step in the right direction. "Jill and I are extreme-

ly proud of how Eric was willing to advocate for himself and for others in his shoes," Dean Dompierre wrote in an e-mail to the Detroit Free Press. "We're also very thankful to those people across Michigan and the nation

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who stepped forward to sign our petition. write letters, and/or spread the word in support of these young people. We appreciate the willingness of school personnel across Michigan to include them in high school athletics alongside their classmates for a full four

"We're especially happy for those other stu-dents who were able to secure their own waiver for next year. We wish them luck throughout their sports seasons." Northville doesn't have

any players who will be

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petitioning this year, but the school chose to vote in favor of the rule change.

"As a district, we voted yes," said Northville athletics director Bryan Masi. "I agree there had to be a middle ground and I believe the MHSAA took the correct approach.'

Masi said that people do need to understand that the age limit was in place for good reason. Players tend to be larger, faster and stronger in their late teens and the age limit protects the younger athletes. In addi-

tion, it prevents studentathletes from being started late in school just to give them an edge on the athletics field in their later years.

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A trio of forme Wildcat captains

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The ruling, said Masi. likely won't change the face of MHSAA sports. "I do not think it will have too much impact on MHSAA athletics," he said. "Schools still need to submit a request and the request will be evaluated by the MHSAA." For more information about MHSAA rules. please visit the organization's website at www.

mhsaa.com



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gathering former players from 1987 to 2010. Christoff.touched the lives of many former Wildcats before current coach Brian O'Leary took over both programs. Christoff coached the boys program from 1993-95 and the girls program from 1992-2001. He also previously coached at Schoolcraft College in the 1970s and Livonia Stevenson after a playing career at Michigan State University in the 1960s and then in Greece, as well.

His two sons. Lenny and Chris, had wrestled and played football for Novi before graduating in 1998. Upon retiring, Christoff moved to Tennessee, but moved back to Novi to be closer to family as his health deteriorated.

"He was a very unique coach when it came to his coaching technique, but his players adored him," Stocks said. "O'Leary has been a good help. Novi's had a great program and it just gets better and better every year. I'm interested to see how some of the older players interact with the younger girls."

About 28 players signed up for the Aug. 18 battle between Team Green and Team White. Captained by Hart and



The fall 1994 Novi boys soccer team poses with coach Larry Christoff (standing, far right).

on my knowledge of the 1998 grad Dave Stevens, players.'

> The game also features a heavy concentration of players from 1995-96 and 2003, when Stocks' sister. Andrea Borashko Stalter. graduated. A few grads from 2000 and 2006-07 may also be joining the lineup late.

Stocks said the idea came together when several of the 1990s players visited Christoff three days before he died for the aforementioned surprise barbecue. Stocks said he went into a coma the following day before passing away two days

"Christoff, we told him we would have another game. College was about college, not as much about having friends on the team.' Stocks said. "We were talking about it and finally got it together. It started out as a Facebook thing."

When Stocks last played at Meadows Stadium, the middle school was next to it, rather than the three elementarv schools, bus vard and administration building that currently surrounds the site at 45825 11 Mile Road, sharing a parking lot with Parkview Elementary.

ing, Stocks said the boosters will open concessions for snacks and admission to the event is free, although cash or check donations payable to the Michigan Institute of Urology will be gladly accepted. Donations in Christoff's memory can also be made at www. miurunfortheribbon.org. The group's goal is to raise \$500-\$1,000.

Several other alumni who cannot play due to health, pregnancy or collegiate restrictions - are expected to attend what could end up as a homecoming-like gathering for several former Novi

helm as a game official. Although T-shirts for the game have been ordered, Stocks said other alumni interested in playing could fill a few more roster spots by contacting her at nborashko@hotmail.com or (231) 709-0121. All players will have to sign a

liability waiver at the field and encouraged to arrive at 11 a.m. "If there's a few people still interested, bring a white or green T-shirt," Stocks said For more information. contact Stocks or visit www.facebook.com/ groups/176557825720061

or www.bit.ly/novialum-Chris Jackett is a freelance writer and

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#### COCAL SPORTS

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#### **Tourney champs**

The 12U Northville Bronco girls fastpitch softball team won the NSA Vengeance Kickoff Tournament in Armada last weekend. The Broncos went 6-0 in the tournament to win the 12U division. The first day was pool play and the Broncos stormed through with three convincing victories to secure a top seed in their pool entering the elimination round in day two. During the second day, the Broncos won the first game decisively, and then battled to the finish in a hard fought semi-final game against a very solid St. Clair team. In the championship game, the outsized Broncos saw their opponent, the Shelby Impact, grab a three run lead in the top of the first inning. The unfazed Broncos responded with two runs in the bottom of the inning and sent a message to their opponent that this would be a battle. The game saw several lead changes before the Broncos secured the lead for the last time in the bottom of the fifth inning, winning a wild affair by the score of 9-8. All 12 lady Broncos played and contributed significantly, and several outstanding efforts came from unstoppable shortstop Kiera Borthwick, third baseman and power hitter Makenzie Kamm, relentless pitcher Kayla Shaw who pitched the majority of the innings of the entire tournament, and hammering Sammie Noles who pounded many hits into the outfield contributing several runs during the tournament. The Broncos continue the undefeated league play this week with a double header at home at Millennium Field on Tuesday against the South Farmington Wildcards.

Northville pom clinic

Northville High School pom pon program is roudly sponsoring a Pom Clinic for 2-8 grade girls. Participants will learn pom skills and an age-appropriate routine that will be performed at halftime for the Friday night varsity football game on Sept. 7.

The Clinic runs Sept. 4-7 from 7-8:30 at the high school. Please register by Aug. 22. Cost is \$70. Contact Christine Green with questions at

(248) 347-3713 or christinecg2012@gmail.com. **Northville Parks** 

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and the South Lyon Soccer Club for the Escape Soccer Skills Challenge. The South Lyon Soccer Club event will be Aug. 28 from 5-8 p.m.

Boys and girls, ages 8-13, will compete in a series of challenges designed to encourage teamwork, improve their soccer skills and most importantly, have fun. Additional information on the Ford Escape Soccer Skills Challenge as well as the related sweepstakes contest to enter for a change to win a twoyear lease of a 2013 Ford Escape can be found at www.fordescapesoccerskillschallenge.com/findevent.

Participants will receive points based on their performance of the six different soccer kills (Toe Taps, Foundations, Juggling (right and left foot), Dribbling (right and left foot). The topscorers, a boy and girl from each age group, will be awarded a trophy at the end of the event. All participants will receive a souvenir scorecard for their efforts as well as a two month iSoccet Plus membership. Local winners will be invited to participate in a Regional Finals event in late September or October to compete again for a trophy and other prizes.

# **Detroit Catholic Central already** getting attention

**By Sam Eggleston** 

rocks ranked on the list, but they won't be Getting attention the only players receiv from collegiate level programs is nothing offers this year. ing new for the Detroit One player that is get-Catholic Central Shamting talked about in the Division I ranks is rocks football team. It defensive end Dylan is just about every year Roney, who has been that the varsity team, getting plenty of attenunder the guidance of tion from Michigan Tom Mach, sends at State and was recently least one player to the Division I ranks.

This year will be no different. Defensive end and running back Wyatt Shallman already made it clear he'll be headed to the University of Michigan in 2013 and offensive guard Derek Edwards will be player at Central Michigan University.



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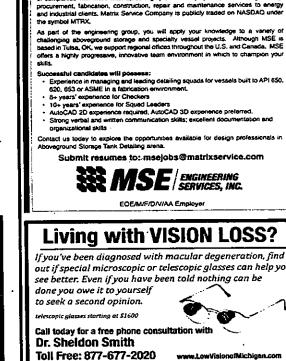
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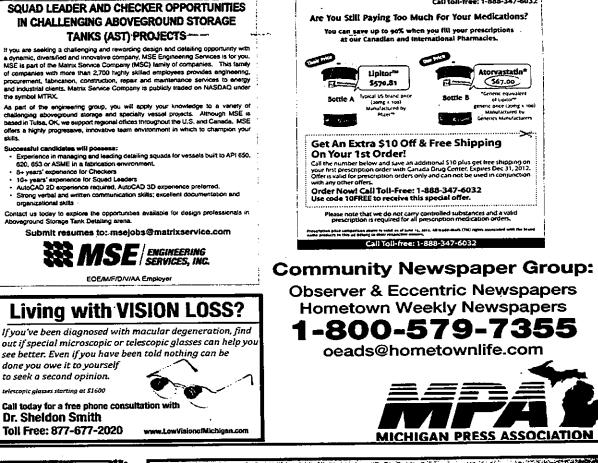
discussed as a potential prospect for the Wisconsin Badgers. The Shamrocks are expected to be pre-sea-son favorites when the polls are released. They were favored to win the Division I state championship but bowed out to Detroit Cass Tech, 49-13. VOICES & VIEWS: COMMENT ONLINE

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#### Novi Black wins Palomino AL Championship

Novi Black, representing NYBL, won the Palomino American League Championship with a 6-5 win over the Livonia Braves. The team reeled off eight straight victories

to finish the season. Pictured (from left, back row): Asst. coach Ron Breaugh, Matt Brasil, Mark Breaugh, Mike Beaton, asst. coach Dave Beaton, Andrew Breaugh, Austin Dixon, Brandon Rademacher, Manager Tim Rush. Front row: Kiefer Haffey, Kyle Lash, Austin Wertheimer and Eric Lash. Not pictured, Luis Carrasco.



**Broncos kick up title** 

The U12 Northville Bronco sweep "Battle by the Bays" Traverse City Baseball Tournament. The Broncos dominated the four team tournament with a 4 and 0 record defeating West Michigan Clubhouse, Kingsley and beating Petoskey twice for the Championship Trophy.

Front row (from left): Nick Fegert, John Lobbia, Scott Granzotto, John Jeannotte; Back row: Coach Fred Stinebiser, Matt Stinebiser, Cooper Smith, Coach Mike Granzotto, Stephen Ernst, Mattie G and Jack Sargent.



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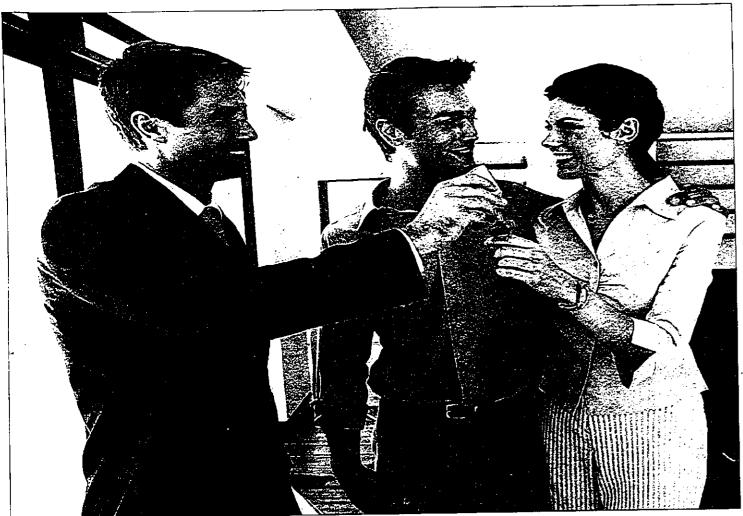
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Making a prudent decision about buying a house comes down to an honest assessment of what you can afford.

# Buying a home: Prepare by getting your finances in order

For those considering buying a home, the current real estate market presents some unique opportunities. One of the side effects of the economic roller-coaster ride of the past few years is that home prices have gone down and more homes have gone on the market.

For buyers, that means more choices and better deals. However, those same tumultuous years also can also teach buyers a lesson: Make smart buying decisions and be wise with your finances.

Impulsive buying is never a good idea when it comes to a purchase as significant as a home, but it was something of a trend at the height of the nid-2000s. Now, with banks lending far more cautiously, you need to be absolutely certain that your finances are in order — and healthy — to be able to ge

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your purchase There are a number of steps you can take to get ready to buy a home, and you might need to work on them simultaneously. Consider that you'll need to start saving, if you haven't already, but you'll also need to review your credit score and do what you can to either maintain it or work toward healthier credit. Both of these tasks will help make the home-buying process better for vou.

Your credit is an important factor in determining the terms under which you can get a mortgage. Broadly speaking, the better your credit is, the more positively you'll be viewed by lenders - and that can lead to better interest rates. And because vou'll be paying off your home for years to come, it's important to

Start by checking your credit report. You're entitled to one free check of your report, from TransUnion and other credit reporting agencies every year. As much as you need to check your report to find out what shape your credit is in, it's also essential to review it for inaccuracies or fraudulent activity, both of which can have a negative impact on your score.

If your credit health needs some work, start taking action immediately. Paying bills on time, reducing your overal debt and limiting new credit inquiries can all help to build your credit — but be patient, as it can take time for your positive actions to take effect. Nevertheless, the sooner you make the effort, the sooner you'll see results. Making a prudent decision ut buying a house comes

down to an honest assess ment of what you can afford. Keep in mind that you might be approved for a loan that's larger than what is practical for you to afford. While it may be tempting to buy a pricier house, the stress of struggling to make payments could diminish your enjoyment of your new home and even put you at financial risk. One rule of thumb is that most borrowers can afford a home loan that runs about 2½ times their annual salary.

Buying a home is a complex process, but one that is ultimately very rewarding when done right. By organizing your finances well in advance, you'll help set yourself up for success. For more information about credit and buying a home, visit www.transunion.com

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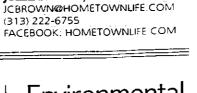
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### Environmental contamination may play a role

#### By Robert Meisner Guest Columnist

Q: I am wondering in a ondemnation matter whether evidence of environmental contamination and remediation costs is admissible to reduce the condemnation award?

A: There was a recent decision out of Illinois which found that evidence of environmental contamination is no different than evidence of a leaky basement, a cracked foundation or a dilapidated roof. The court reasoned that if the dam age and costs of repair would influence a purchaser in deter mining how much to pay for the land, then such evidence is relevant to fair market val-

ue and admissible in a condemnation proceeding. It should be noted that only 12 states have addressed this issue and a slim majority has allowed



consideration of contamination and mediation costs in determining fair market value. You are best advised to consult with your real estate lawyer.

Q: I have always thought that when you are enforcing a deed restriction, the court will balance the equities, so to speak, in terms of the enforceability of the restriction. What do you think about that? A: While each case is unique

to its own facts, in a recent appellate decision out of Rhode Island, the court reasoned that a land owner that deliberately violates restrictive cove-

nants must remove the offending structures without the benefit of the balancing of equities. The court indicated that, ordinarily, if enforcement of a restriction disproportionately harms the defendant with little benefit to the plaintiff, a court may balance the equities, but the benefit of that doctrine is generally reserved for an innocent party that proceeds with out knowledge that he or she

is encroaching upon another's property rights. If the parhowever, are not innocent, and they construct a home that they knew violated at least some of the restrictions in that particular case, they will be ordered to tear down the

premises.

Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and author of Condominium Operation: Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track, second edition, available for \$9.95 plus \$1 shipping/handling. He also wrote Condo Living: A Survival Guide to Buying, Owning and Selling Condominium, available for \$24,95 plus \$5 shipping/ handling. Call (248) 644-4433 or visit bmeisner@meisner-law.com. This column shouldn't be construed as legal advice.

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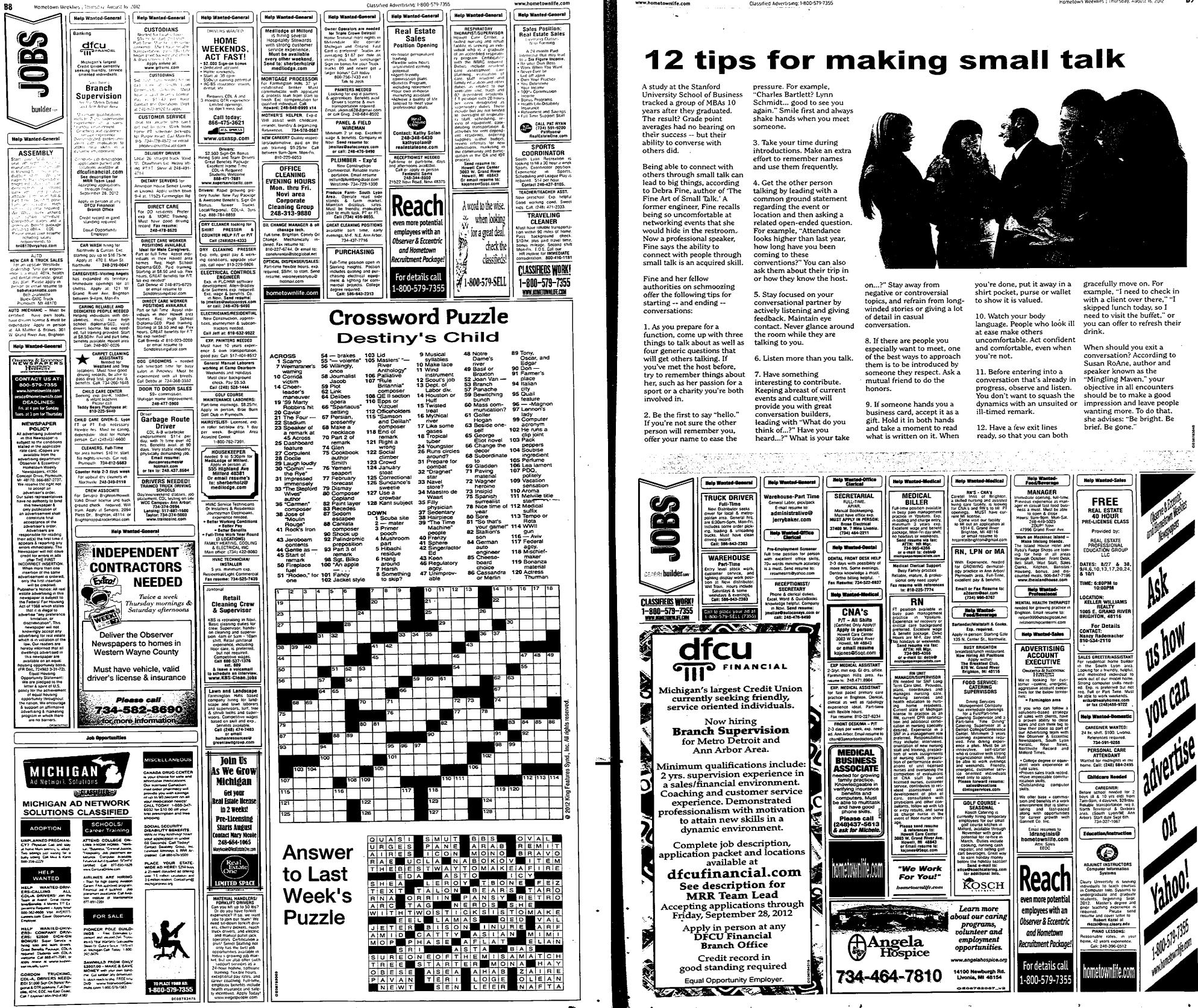
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