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St. Catherine's Run For Jesus Sept. 22

St. Catherine of Siena Academy is pleased to announce its first annual 5K Run/Walk - Run For Jesus for adults and children on Saturday, Sept. 22.

The honorary guest and runner is Reverend Michael J. Byrnes, auxiliary bishop of Detroit. Enjoy live race commentary with Vic Faust, morning news anchor for Channel 7 WXYZ.

The 5K run/walk course will take runners along 12 Mile Road just west of Napier Road. Participants can clock their time at the finish. Water will be provided along the course. Advance registration is recommended for this event. The 5k run/walk starts at 8 a.m. with registration starting at 7 a.m. Registration fee is \$20 for adults (\$25 after Sept. 15) and \$10 for participants under 18. Register before Sept. 15 online (www.saintcatherineacademy.org) and receive a T-shirt.

Holiday Job Fair at 12 Oaks Sept. 26

Twelve Oaks will host a Holiday Job Fair, featuring more than 35 mall merchants who are looking to hire part-time and/or full-time holiday employees, from 3-7 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 26 in the Lifestyle Café Food Court. Applications for all participating merchants will be available, and some merchants may conduct on-site interviews.

Twelve Oaks Mall is a major regional shopping center located in Novi, Michigan at I-96 and Novi Road. Visit www.shoptwelveoaks.com for more information.



At the Novi Public Library's new business resource center, Julie Farkas, library director, and Ara Topouzian, economic development director for the City of Novi.

Business resources

Library, city partner to help Novi businesses grow, prosper

By Julie Brown Staff Writer

The Novi Library Business Resource Center draws quick praise from Julie Farkas, library director, and Ara Topouzian, the city's economic development director.

"It's connecting people who are looking to start a business," Farkas said of the center, which will have its grand opening 8-9 a.m. Tuesday, Sept. 25, at the library. "It's helping out our business community."

The collection, much already

available, started a year ago and includes print and online resources for business. There's a mentoring component, and library programming is included.

"It's another resource for them," Farkas said of Novi businesses, including small businesses.

The center is part of Novi's economic development goals, Topouzian said: "We wanted to see the library have a little bit more of an active role." That means an ability to help small businesses and others in Novi.

"The Novi library does an outstanding job for the residents," Topouzian said. "We wanted to put together something equally outstanding for the business community."

Marketing is one area local businesses need help with, he's found. "Small business needs vary," he said, and include help with a business plan.

The city has a Business Assistance Team, a "think tank" cross-section of specialties. "The Resource Center is going to be

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Backyard bow practice could become illegal

Novi looks to revise its discharge of firearms ordinance

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

The City of Novi is revising its weapons discharge ordinance to potentially include bow and arrows, which would be in addition to the current ban on discharging of any type of firearm within city limits (the exception being a lawful shooting range).

According to Novi City Manager Clay Pearson, this revision is meant to get the ordinance in line

with state law. One thing that would be removed is the provision that allows the chief of police to issue permits as an exception to the requirements for the purpose of hunting. It will be taken out because there is no provision for it in state law.

Pearson said the ordinance was written in a different time frame when Novi wasn't as built up as it is now. The ordinance was established in the 1970s and has not been revised since 1994.

Council member Andrew Mutch put out the question: Would residents with a larger backyard or more acreage be prohibited from bow or archery practice? They would be. Mutch said he is fine with getting rid of the language allowing the police chief to grant exceptions, but thinks bow and arrow activity should be further looked at.

Bow and arrow activity, Mutch said, is "something people could do in

their backyard, especially if you got an acre, five acres or even something a bit smaller, as long as you are doing it safely. And to say that would now be illegal is the question I have about the (revised ordinance) language."

Mayor Bob Gatt said he agreed with some of what Mutch said about considering archery on larger plots, but he added the opinion of the police chief should be considered.

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tor David Molloy said his concern with arrows was

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# Fundraiser for slain police officer set for Sept. 20-21

## Owner to donate 5 cents per gallon sold

Local business owners and community leaders are quickly organizing to help the family of Officer Patrick O'Rourke, a 12-year veteran of the West Bloomfield Police Department, who was tragically shot and killed in the line of duty earlier this month.

A major fundraiser has been scheduled for Sept. 20-21 at the Marathon Gas Station at 29330 Wixom Road, just north of the I-96 Expressway-Wixom Road exit, across from the former Ford auto plant.

Station owner Eddie Osman will open his doors at 6 a.m. Thursday and donate 5 cents of every gallon purchased by Marathon customers to the "Officer O'Rourke Family Trust," which will benefit the health, education and welfare of his family.

Osman's 5-cent donation campaign will last through Friday night. All customers who visit the Marathon station also will be treated to free coffee and donuts and free hot dogs during the two-day event.

O'Rourke, 39, of Fenton, was killed on Sept. 9 in the line of duty by a man barricaded in his home at the North Woods Forest subdivision near the intersection of Halsted and Pontiac Trail. O'Rourke left behind a family of three elementary school-age daughters and one infant son, and his widow, Amy. Officer O'Rourke is mourned as a fallen hero, who selflessly devoted his life to the safety and protection of the West Bloomfield community.

The trust fund was established by West Bloomfield Township officials. In addition to his 5-cent a gallon donation, Osman also will collect additional donations from his Marathon customers on Sept. 20-21. Corporate sponsors Marathon Oil Company and Atlas Oil Company already have made contributions to the Marathon fundraiser. Residents also can donate directly to the trust fund at any Bank of America branch.

For more information about the Marathon fundraiser, please call Osman at (313) 737-1820.

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## Skyline Plunge! Chicago



Sarah Rittner (right), formerly of Novi, was one of more than 50 brave participants who stepped over the edge 278 feet above State and Lake Streets on Sept. 8 as part of Skyline Plunge! Chicago. Hosted by the Respiratory Health Association, the raffle at the Wit Hotel raised more than \$68,000 for the association's local lung disease research and programs. Rittner had a special connection to this cause. Not only is she manager of lung health initiatives at Respiratory Health Association, she also rappelled to support a friend who lost her mother to lung cancer.

# Wildcat Tastefest: Support Novi athletics

Novi restaurants, entertainment, business sponsors and 'special guests' are putting their best fare forward on Friday, Sept. 21 at Wildcats Stadium as they support all Novi athletic programs through the Novi Athletic Boosters Club's premier fundraising and community outreach event, Wildcat Tastefest. Organizers of the sixth annual event are hoping for a wonderful late summer evening, and restaurants are planning dinner for over 3,000 people.

As in years past, there will be nine restaurants, two business merchants and corporate sponsors participating in Tastefest. Dinner menu items range from Subway's BMT & Turkey subs, Olga's Kitchen Snacks, Applebee's Specialty Salad, Pizzeria Marvelous' Chicken Bacon Ranch Pizza, Ribs & breadsticks, Buffalo Wild Wings' Traditional Wings, Qdoba's nachos burrito and bd's Kung Pao Chicken. For after dinner, attendees have the choice of Cold Stone's Sundae Bar treats and Biggby's Strawberry Crème

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# Money Manners: Library hosts financial planning expert

By Julie Brown  
Staff Writer

A new "Mind Your Money Manners" series is being offered by the Novi Public Library starting Sept. 26. Developer/lead presenter Northville resident Mark B. Robinson, CIMA AIFA (Certified Investment Management Analyst/Accredited Investment Fiduciary Analyst), will be featured in sessions at the Novi library.

"Mind Your Money Manners" presentations will be initially offered at six participating libraries simultaneously on Sept. 26, Oct. 10, Oct. 24, and Nov. 7.

"What we are looking at is the often-strained relationship we have with money," Robinson said. "What are our liabilities? What's our income relative to our expenses?"

The series was developed by Robinson in collaboration with Michigan State University Extension. MSU's expertise combined with his is "a collaborative effort," he said.

"We are using technology to disseminate this information to the far corners of Michigan," he said. "The earlier 'Your Money in the Balance' has been done more in urban and suburban areas, which the distance learning element will address in 'Mind Your Money Manners.' That will reach rural and outstate areas.

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Mark B. Robinson

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more on one," he said.

"Libraries in general are looking to play a more active role in the business community," he said. "Having a Business Resource Center in my eyes is fantastic. It's that extra effort to the business community that I like. I think it's just a major home run."

He applauds Farkas and her team for boosting Novi's business-friendly nature.

"We have really good databases and resources for them," Farkas said of businesses. A business collection is in place now, with the rest to be unveiled

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# WL Western wages war on cancer with pink-out Friday

Walled Lake Western High School and the Western Warriors football team, with the support of the Walled Lake School District Community, will host the Second Annual Warriors for Warriors (W4W) cancer fundraising event at 7:30 p.m. Friday, Sept. 21.

Three W4W charities will benefit: Susan G. Komen - Detroit Race for the Cure; St. Baldrick's Foundation; and the NFL's A Crucial Catch program in association with the

American Cancer Society. Last year's event was attended by close to 3,000 people, generating \$42,500.

The Western varsity football team will participate in a pink-out game against the Waterford Kettering Captains. The Western Warrior players will don pink football jerseys and the stands will be filled with fans and students wearing pink T-shirts. The 2012 T-shirts, designed especially for this year's pink-out foot-

### MORE INFO

Go to [www.WLWFootball.com/PinkWarriors.html](http://www.WLWFootball.com/PinkWarriors.html) or Facebook (Warriors for Warriors) for pink-out T-shirt sale locations and more information about the event. One can also contribute to the event by going to <http://wlcad.revtrak.net/tek9.asp?pg=products&grp=87&> and making an online donation.

ball game, will be the wearer's entry into the game and will be sold prior to game day throughout the community for \$15 each. To date, over

1,000 shirts have been sold. To kick-off the evening, a Warriors Survivor Parade will begin at 6 p.m. The parade is open

to those who have been touched by any form of cancer. Patients, survivors and those Warriors who wish to honor the memory of friends and family who lost their battle to cancer are welcome to join in the march. Participants only need to purchase a pink-out T-shirt to take part in the parade. Members of the band, cheerleaders, pomps and football team will lead the way into the stadium and around the track to recognize these

courageous individuals whose lives have been touched by cancer. "Following on the success of last year's event, we're very excited to again host this fundraising event in our community," said Western Football Head Coach Mike Zdebski. "We're very hopeful that this becomes an ongoing part of our charitable program to teach players about character development through leadership and community service."

# Walmart opens with donation to NEF

Novi's new Walmart Supercenter recently opened at the Novi Town Center, and Walmart officials already have shown their appreciation to the Novi community by donating \$2,500 to the Novi Educational Foundation (NEF).

The \$2,500 check was part of \$17,000 in community grants given to various Novi organizations from Walmart and the Walmart Foundation.

"We are very happy to have Walmart in Novi, and we thank their leaders for their generosity," said Geoff Wood, NEF chairperson. "The NEF works with local businesses and corporations to support educational and enrichment activities for our Novi stu-



Pictured (l to r) are Aaron Quimby, Walmart store manager, Ellen Hulverson, Novi Educational Foundation administrative coordinator, and Geoff Wood, Novi Educational Foundation president.

dents. The Walmart donation will be leveraged across the Novi Community School District to enhance the education of our students.

NEF is a student-focused organization dedicated to supporting instructional aspirations for Novi students. NEF members are proud to help fund differentiated instructional opportunities to Novi's diverse student population. NEF is committed to offering additional financing, so students and parents can reap the benefits of extra

educational choices. The new Novi Walmart is a 153,000 square-foot store. It will be open 24 hours, seven days a week. The Supercenter is expected to employ 300 people. The store includes a full-line of groceries including a bakery, deli, fresh produce, beer and wine. The Walmart also will have apparel and accessories, a garden center, health and beauty aids, an electronics department, pharmacy and photo center, according to store manager Aaron Quimby.



Novi High's marching band performs on Sept. 14.

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### NOVI SCHOOL BRIEFS

#### NEF golf fundraiser set for Sept. 28

The Novi Educational Foundation (NEF) will host the 17th Annual Charity Golf Scramble at 9:30 a.m. on Friday, Sept. 28 at the Tanglewood Golf Club on 10 Mile Road. Nearly 100 golfers participate each year in this event, which features food, raffles and plenty of fun and excitement. Hole-in-one, longest drive, closest to the pin and putting are just a few of the contests that reward the skills of the partici-

pants. The day's activities include lunch, trophies, awards and raffle prizes. Golf and dinner packages are priced at \$125 per player and \$450 per foursome. Hole sponsorships from individual, businesses and corporations are \$200 per hole. Registration is limited to the first 36 foursomes up to the day of the event. This year, registration/breakfast begins at 8 a.m. with a shotgun start scheduled at 9:30 a.m. Visit [novieducationalfoundation.org](http://novieducationalfoundation.org) or call Ellen Hulverson, NEF administrative coordinator, at (248) 449-1211.

# Brain's workings

## Psychologist focuses on helping with neurofeedback

By Julie Brown  
Staff Writer

Todd Nadeau, a psychologist and Northville native, is interested in how the brain works. With colleagues, he's using brain mapping, a diagnostic tool that works through an EEG functionality of the brain.

"An EEG does a beautiful job of revealing the source of the problem," said Northville Township resident Nadeau, 51, who recently opened an office in Novi, in addition to his Grand Blanc office.

"Talk therapy can only take you so far," said Nadeau, a therapist for over 20 years who's done the neurofeedback for about seven years. He earned a master of arts degree in psychology from Western Michigan University and bachelor's degrees in psychology and biology from Albion College.

Nadeau attended Northville schools, including the first class at Meads Mill Junior High, and is a 1980 Catholic Central High School graduate.

His new Novi office is at 23965 Novi Road, Suite 120, south of 10 Mile.

"I grew up in Northville so I've got a lot of family and friends in this area," he said. "It's worked out great."

His family had lived in Brighton. He's married to Julie and they have two daughters at Northville High, Hayley in 10th grade and Somer in ninth, as well as son T.J. in first grade at Ridgewood Elementary.

Nadeau works a couple days a week still in Grand Blanc, the other three in Novi. He can be reached at (586) 764-0637 or by e-mail at [todd.nadeau33@gmail.com](mailto:todd.nadeau33@gmail.com).

He works with those of all ages, including closed head injury patients, those with depression and anxiety or sleep apnea. Children with attention deficit and hyperactivity disorder are often helped with the form of biofeedback and don't need medication.

A cap with sensors is applied to the head in the procedure. Nadeau noted promising results with those who have onset of Alzheimer's, autism and learning disorders.

The scientific community and advocacy groups are coming on board, he said. "I think the biggest challenge is really physicians," he said, adding he works with a believing pediatrician in Grand Blanc who sends his patients.

Nadeau likes to start with the least intrusive treatment, although he's not



Novi psychologist Todd Nadeau uses a computer-based neuro-feedback system to help stimulate and grow the cortex of kids' brains - which can help in issues like ADD. Nadeau, wiring up his daughter Hayley, 15, for a demonstration, runs Novi's Performance Psychology.



Nadeau's system of neuro-feedback relies on one monitor to chart the elevation and location of brain stimulation (pictured here) and another monitor on which his subjects play computer games designed to work on parts of the brain that need guidance and development.

anti-medicine for all. "The mind's such a mystery anyhow," he said.

Some children who take medication have delayed physical growth or other side effects. Nadeau did 6,000 sessions last year and had good response.

"I've been in the community. A lot of it's word of mouth." He hopes to bring that to Northville-Novato now.

It's grounded in learning theory, he said. "We just reinforce the brain moving into more effective brain wave states."

Most patients are seen twice a week, and get to the point where they can stop treatment. Some with genetic issues like depression may have a life event that brings them back.

"They learn to manage it," said Nadeau, who's generally in Novi Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.



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Nadeau's son T.J., 6, is wired up for an EEG study which is designed to draw and stimulate more blood flow to the frontal cortex - a key part of the brain for continuing intelligence generation.

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# All American Pet Expo coming to Novi

## Suburban Collection Showplace hosting annual event Sept. 21-23

The Ninth Annual Pet Expo will be produced for the first time by nationally recognized event producer Steve Cantin and his team at All American Pet Expo! To be held Sept. 21-23 at

the Suburban Collection Showplace (46100 Grand River Avenue, Novi), the expo builds and expands upon the prior events by adding many fun additional attractions with an ultimate "World" themed

experience, which will include separate sections for patrons to visit and gain knowledge about a wide variety of creature friends, including dogs, cats, horses, reptiles, fish and birds.

The expo is also a shopping destination featuring a huge variety of specialty pet products not generally found in retail stores. Rescue groups and Shelters for many varieties of family pets will also be represented, and the event has a goal of facilitating 600 pet adoptions through the course of the weekend. The Mega Pet Adoption Sweepstakes offers all ticket holders and guests a chance to win a wide variety of fun pet-related prizes, as well as a family weekend stay at the Double JJ Ranch in Rothbury, Mich.

The All American Pet Expo is presented by All American Pet Resorts, Lakeshore, Royal Oak and Roseville, with new locations opening soon in Rochester and Plymouth.

Note that for 2012, dogs will be welcome on Fido Friendly Friday only.

The expo will offer a special introduction to 4H Clubs of SE Michigan. 4-H youth will talk about their companion animal projects, including feeding, grooming, health care, showmanship, agility and all the fun activities they do with their pets.

Through John Lege's interactive Parrot Education Program, expo visitors of all ages can learn about parrots in a variety-styled program that features music, magic, education plus fun audience participation with his highly-trained and hilarious parrot pals.

Brandlyn Farm will be offering a chance to meet both Suri and Huacaya Alpacas, and they will be demonstrating the fine art of spinning their beautiful fleece into yarn.

The expo is asking pet lovers to share their best look-alike photos. All

entries will win a prize, and the best and most identical entries will win gift certificates for a free stay at All American Pet Resorts and a shopping spree at Pet Smart.

The Great Lakes Zoological Society's Conservation and Rescue Center (A World of Discovery) in Ann Arbor will be onsite in partnership with the Michigan Herpetologists Association - with a wide spectrum of more than 50 reptiles and amphibians.

"Ask the Vet" live presentations will cover a wide variety of health care topics and products for all pet species with more than a dozen Michigan veterinary hospitals participating. Author and Animal Bowen Practitioner Diana McPhail will offer "hands-on healing" demonstrations and instructions for owners of pets large and small.

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Continued from page A1 through the Alliance of Rouge Communities," Ringle said. "You can pre-order them now on our website (www.cityofnovi.org) for pickup at the event. The cost is \$68.90 for the barrels and \$55 for the bins." A limited number will be available for purchase Saturday.

**New this year**  
 A comprehensive health fair - including flu shots, screenings and information booths - will be a new component to this year's Fall for Novi. "It's typically held in October. We had it for a few years and thought it would be great to line it

up with this event," said Rachel Zagaroli, Novi's Older Adult Services manager, who has been busy lining up vendors and sponsors.

A Visiting Nurse Association nurse will offer flu shots for \$25 (free with various insurance coverages). "We have usually about 150 people get the shots," Zagaroli said, "and we expect it to be higher this year."

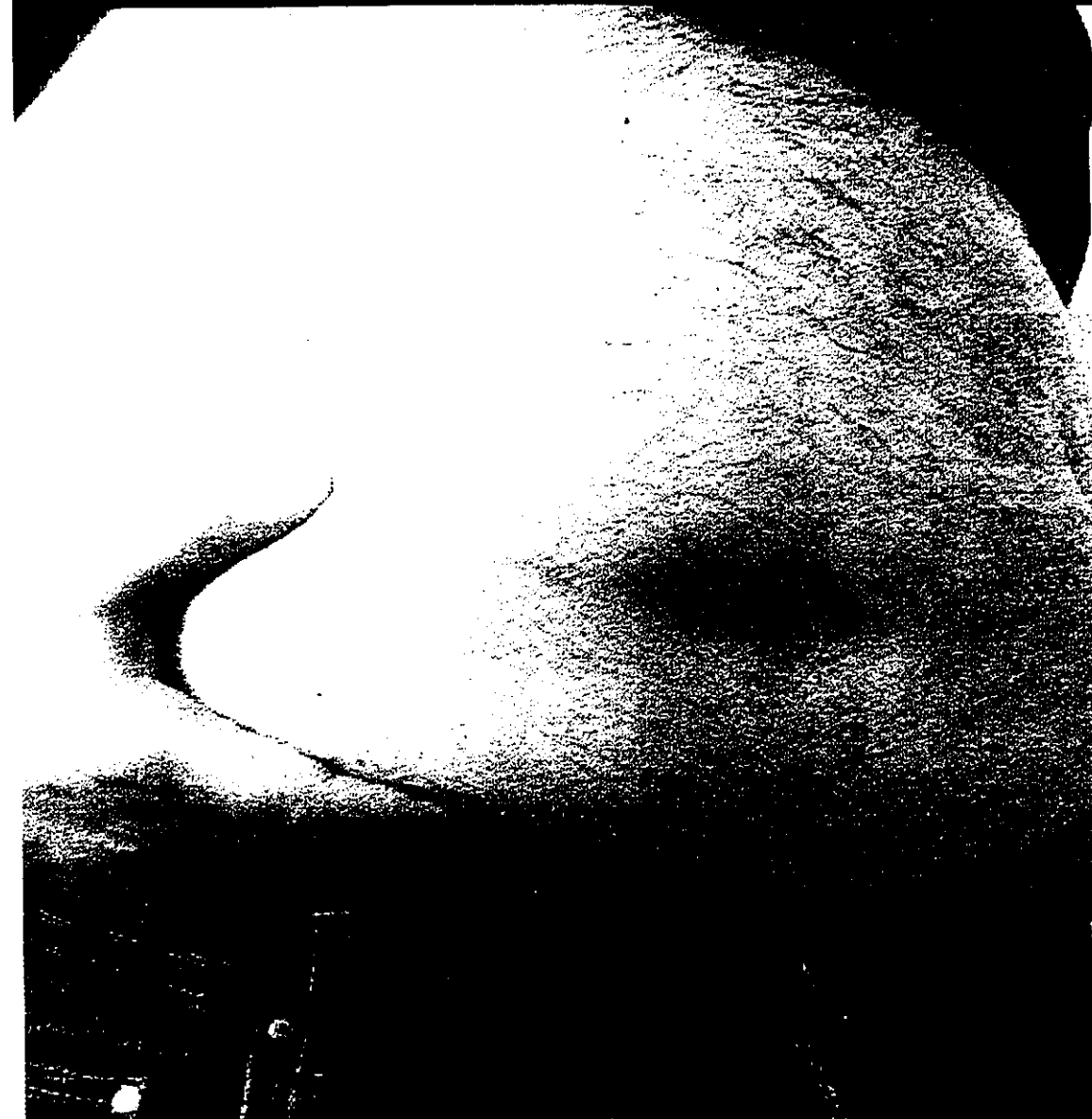
She said the health fair will also offer blood pressure checks, hearing tests, spinal alignments, posture tips, "all kinds of good, healthy advice and a lot of good takeaways, too."

Adults ages 55 and up, or folks with disabilities, can take advantage

of transportation to the event by calling (248) 735-5617 between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. today or Friday to arrange for a pickup Saturday. The service is available to anyone in the city and a 10-mile radius outside the city, Zagaroli noted. "The city has been sponsoring this event for over 10 years," Ringle said. "We expect probably in the range of 1,500 for attendance, and we're looking to grow it with the new components." For more information about Fall for Novi, visit cityofnovi.org or contact Ringle at (248) 735-5613 or rtringle@cityofnovi.org.

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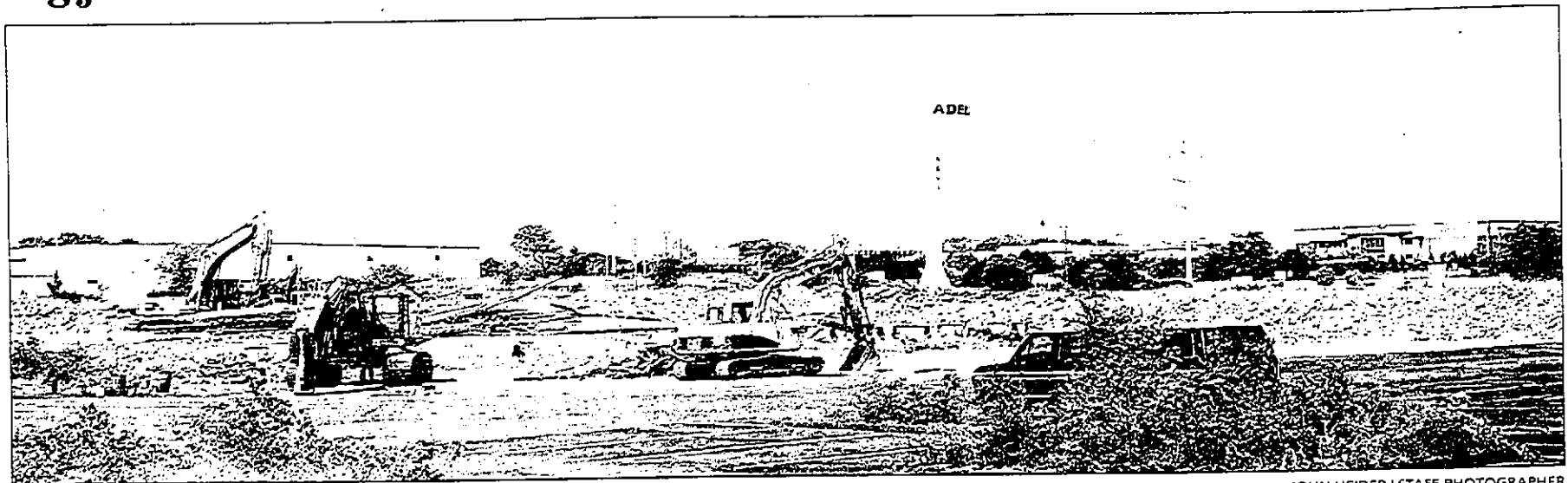
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Over \$1 million in improvements is set at Pavilion Shore Park

By Lonnie Huhman  
Staff Writer

Right now there isn't much to Pavilion Shore Park, which is located on the south side of Walled Lake in Novi. However, that will soon change once construction phases one and two are completed to help make it another fun community destination.

"Tons of potential," is how Novi City Manager Clay Pearson describes the park.

The City of Novi is moving forward on the nearly \$1.5 million improvement project at the park, located at 13 Mile and Old Novi roads. The city council approved a construction contract with V.L.L. Construction Inc., of Sterling Heights, for the project that is set to begin this fall and be completed in July 2013.

The city council approved over \$1 million out of its budget with the remaining balance of the funding coming from a grant award, the Park Foundation Contribution and Tree Fund.

Future improvements will include a parking area, restroom facilities, pavilion shelter, lakelake overlook with flagstone paving, terraced waterfront seating, naturalized shoreline and a boardwalk/pier. The first two phases will see almost its entire infrastructure put in, Mangum said. Parking and irrigation are two of the immediate priorities.

Mangum said in late 2010, the city was notified that the former Landings Property Grant (Pavilion Shore Park) was recommended for funding for initial development by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) for a Michigan Natural Resource Trust Fund (MNRTF) development grant.



Park improvements will begin this fall and are expected to be completed next summer.

land in March 2010. It was renamed after public input and a recommendation was given by the Park Naming Committee.

Late last summer the design aspect of the project got underway. And then in March, city council approved a MNRTF grant application for Pavilion Shore Park Phase 3, which would provide public access.

Councilman Andrew Mutch said he is pleased that many of the essential elements from handicap accessibility to parking and lake front access will be completed by next summer, which will allow it to be ready for community use.

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The site plan for Pavilion Shore Park.

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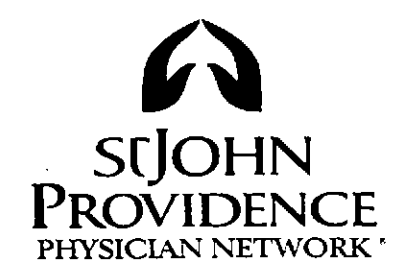
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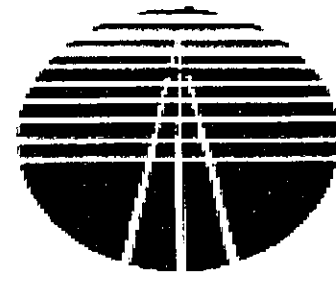


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The first - Wildcat Tastefest - takes place Friday at the Novi High School football stadium with the gates opening at 5 p.m. for restaurant service and a silent auction (held in the fieldhouse) for \$5 admission.

This is the major fundraiser of the Novi Athletic Boosters Club, which last year celebrated raising \$1 million over a 10-year period.

Now in its sixth year, nine restaurants are preparing food in anticipation of more than 3,000 hungry guests before the Wildcats take on South Lyon in gridiron action.

As this year's chairpersons - Ray Notarantonio, Angela Johnson, Jack Kilger and Kim Morris - note, this is truly a "community event" that brings together parents, students, fans and businesses to enjoy food while raising funds.

What those funds go towards is definitely worth noting. The Boosters' mission is to support Wildcat athletics with training, facility improvements and equipment. Just three months ago, the club approved \$20,000 for football shoulder pads, volleyballs and carts, an athletic shed, uniforms and more.

And prior to that funding, the Boosters gave four \$1,000 scholarships to Novi student athletes.

Scholarships are the key focus of funds raised at Schoolcraft's 21st annual Culinary Extravaganza from 2-5 p.m. Sunday at the college's VisTaTech Center.

There will also be a silent auction, a wine tasting seminar and the chance to learn about healthy food with Schoolcraft's certified master chef, Jeff Gabriel - but teasing your taste buds is the main attraction.

Numerous restaurants, pastry shops and beverage vendors will offer patrons unlimited samples of food and beverages for just \$50 (\$20 of which is a charitable contribution) in this premier fundraiser for the Schoolcraft College Foundation.

For more than four decades, the Foundation has helped remove financial barriers to higher education by providing scholarships.

Compared to many colleges, Schoolcraft's tuition could be considered modest - yet there are many students who can't afford it without financial aid. Funds raised at the Culinary Extravaganza will eventually help these individuals better their lives by improving their skills and career opportunities.

Additionally, funds will go towards grants for unique ideas developed by the college's staff and faculty that enrich the campus community and learning experience at Schoolcraft. More than \$1 million in grants have been awarded by the Foundation in the past 20 years.

Your on your own Saturday, but Friday and Sunday are a double-header to feed your stomach and your soul.

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### COMMUNITY VOICE

#### Are you worried about West Nile virus?



"I think about it, but don't worry too much about it. My kids play outside, but I'm not too concerned."  
Joyce Harvey  
Novi



"Yes and no. I hope I don't get it or die from it, so I guess I'm thinking about it a bit."  
Leah Honore  
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"Yeah, mostly because I'm a grandmother and kids like to play outside, so I think about my grandchild."  
Diane Lloyd  
Novi



"No, we're way too east of the Nile. (But in all seriousness) I take precautions and use bug repellent."  
David Fritzzges  
Novi

### LETTERS

#### A little R&R, anyone?

For those of you whose political views are being shaped by late night television or campaign sound bites you're likely convinced Mitt Romney is a rich, racist, tax-evading felon who wants to pick our pockets to enrich millionaires and billionaires, keep women barefoot and pregnant unless they're willing work cheap and pay for their own contraceptives and seniors getting thrown over the cliff by changing Medicare as we know it.

In the midst of all this alleged mayhem Romney and co-conspirator Paul Ryan (R&R) have found the time to craft a well-conceived five-point plan to stimulate job creation and economic growth and a plan to create energy independence by 2020 forcing Saudi Arabia to find other sources of revenue they can use to train people to fly into our buildings. They also plan to lower individual and business taxes for us all and keep Medicare as we know it available for everyone even when competitive plans debut in 10 years.

You can then compare the Romney campaign rhetoric to that of his competitor most of which is referenced in paragraph one. Your decision this November should be quite clear - a little R&R or a little BO.

Jack Belisle  
South Lyon

#### Win at any cost

Act I: A violent protest at the U.S. Embassy erupts as a result of a vicious, blasphemous movie that denigrates Muslims and their Islamic faith. Fearing for their safety, the embassy, with President Obama's permission, issues a statement that commiserates with the offended Muslims and denies that the movie reflects the view of Americans.

Act II: Meanwhile, the U.S. Consulate in Libya is attacked, Ambassador Chris Stevens and three security officers are killed.

Obama gathers the incoming facts, consults his key military and foreign affairs advisers, prepares a unified strategy and proclaims the intended actions of the United States to apprehend and punish the responsible parties.

Act III: Simultaneously, candidate for commander-in-chief Romney, confused, believing the Cairo embassy's apology was for the events occurring in Libya, draws, fires, and aims (a day later) at Obama's apologetic stance regarding the despicable movie.

Act IV: Realizing Romney's premature rush to stupidity (He apparently feared missing the 11 p.m. news and broke his own promise not to politicize 9/11), the Republican propaganda machine, after a momentary wave of embarrassment over Romney's premature outburst, gathered its media guns and commenced firing a continuous barrage of distortions, and unsubstantiated claims questioning the ability of President Obama to conduct foreign affairs. There seems little effort to flaunt Romney's foreign policy expertise except his foreign policy adviser Richard Wilson's claim that the Libya crisis would not have occurred if Romney were president.

Applying such omniscient logic one can say if Gore had been president, no 9/11; if Wendell Wilkie, no Pearl Harbor; if Stephen Douglas, no Civil

War.

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#### War.

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Patrick M. Downey  
Novi

#### Leadership test failure

Republican presidential candidate Mitt Romney made the decision to politicize a tragedy. When the American Consulate in Benghazi was violently attacked, resulting in the death of U.S. Ambassador Chris Stevens and three other Americans, Romney asserted that the Obama administration sympathized with those who waged the attacks.

This statement not only demonstrates Mitt Romney's reckless disregard for the truth, but also displays his self-serving political opportunism as well as poor judgment. Statements from the Cairo Embassy and Secretary of State Hillary Clinton never expressed sympathy for the attackers. In fact, the Obama administration condemned the attacks.

When this tragedy occurred, Mitt Romney could have acted as a patriot and a leader. Instead he chose to act as a political opportunist. This is another critical leadership test failed. Does anyone believe that this man should be commander-in-chief?

Jill Farber-Bramson  
West Bloomfield

#### Show compassion to homeless

I grew up in a family devoted to helping the poor in inner-city Detroit. To this day I still help at a nonprofit that reaches out to the men living on the streets. I have become somewhat of an expert on the homeless, from my two evenings a week volunteering.

The concerns raised over the homeless woman hanging out at the park seemed "I don't want my kids to see the downside of life in this world," than a real physical threat.

The homeless to fear are not the ones you see, but the ones you don't see. I do my weekend shopping very early in the morning; I have become aware over my seven years living in the area that South Lyon has far more homeless than most residents would believe.

I cannot explain how it is that I see

someone and know that they are homeless, but from helping them out over the years; it has become a sixth sense.

Among those living out of sight, are some that have so given up on life that they have become the criminal element? Their belief is if no one knows that they exist, no one will look for or suspect them when committing a crime.

To me, the big outcry over the homeless should not be how to drive them from public view with law changes, but what happened to the safety net that was supposed to catch them before they hit the bottom, like that poor homeless woman.

Yes, I suspect that she had a few issues, employed at the lower levels in the good times. But now in a recession, a lot of people have moved down a few levels, which led to a lack of job chances for many. I have known a lot of homeless men who have come from some good areas of metro Detroit: auto executives, lawyers, bankers and other professions that most consider to be at the top.

Some will say "they are not my problem." In one sense, they are right, but they are wrong. Maintaining safety nets to catch those who are falling prevents most from becoming lawless nothing-to-lose individuals that we all should fear.

South Lyon should leave the laws alone. There are enough already on the books. Just enforce those, like cleaning up after yourself in public places (littering). Then investigate how such a big hole happened in the safety net that let a woman like Lori slip through with her only hope being of turning 62 so she can collect Social Security that she earned over a lifetime of work.

People in the area are warmhearted, caring people. Use this incident to show that great caring heart.

John C. Kelly  
New Hudson

#### Governor's courage

Gov. Snyder has again shown courage and vision in negotiating the lease of Belle Isle. For 50 years I've enjoyed visiting Belle Isle but have seen it deteriorate to the dilapidated overgrown mess that it is today. Detroit will never have the money to restore it. Operated as a State Park it will again become a jewel of the Detroit Metro area as Central Park is to New York, as Kelllogg Park is to Plymouth on a more familiar level.

The governor has demonstrated leadership in promoting a new international bridge. It is not in our best interest to have international border crossings that are privately owned or monopolized. It is government's job to assure our security and to promote commerce. This bridge will pay huge dividends in terms of commercial growth for our state.

The governor helped rein in the state's run-away health care expenses by limiting the state's contribution to health care for government employees. While that change has personally been painful to me financially, it was necessary as the cost trends were clearly unsustainable. This move is a major step in moving Michigan forward to meet our future challenges.

Mike Gerou  
Canton

## Water project quenches runners' thirst

### FIREARMS

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By Cal Stone  
Staff Writer



Novi residents Tony Hobart (pictured) and Billy Downs are co-captains of a large group of local runners heading to Chicago in October to run in the marathon.

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bie Murphy, a neighbor of Downs who caught the excitement.

"Billy has just got so much energy and passion for doing something that's productive," said Murphy.

She started the "painful" training in June, and noted that some will have to walk the Chicago Marathon due to injuries - "but they're committed to finishing it," she said.

The group meets at 7 a.m. on Saturdays behind the First Presbyterian Church in Northville. This past weekend, they did a 20-mile run, and this Saturday's will be 12 miles. Each member is supposed to run at least three other times during the week as well.

"Most are sticking to the plan," said Murphy, who was a sprint-

ville gail who every week writes with side-walk chalk motivational things (on their path).

"We're out there at 7, so she's got to be out there at 6 a.m. or before! It's been really great. The people I've met are amazing."

She said one of their runners lost 86 pounds in training. Another member organized a 5k run and raised \$10,000 for the team.

"People are using this as a means of changing their lives and helping other people," said Murphy. "And it gives people the opportunity to connect their faith in an active way."

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that they also travel a great distance. And even if a resident has a large yard, the police would probably still be receiving a lot of complaints by neighbors. He cited a situation last year in which residents in the area of Eight Mile and Garfield roads issued a lot of complaints about some hunters who were out on a plot of land hunting geese.

"The intent is so we don't have people discharging firearms, discharging bows and arrows throughout our community," said Molloy. "We've just become way too congested to have that type of activity going on for the safety of everyone."

Exceptions would still remain for licensed facilities like archery or shoot-

ing ranges.

The revision report also states that although this ordinance revision is not a legal ban on hunting, it is a legal ban on the discharge of a firearm, which could be construed by some as reaching the same result as a ban on hunting since a hunter would be legally prohibited from discharging a firearm, even for hunting.

The hunting ordinance has not been modified, so the police chief would still follow procedures already in place regarding hunting permits.

The first reading of the revision was approved by the City Council at their Sept. 10 meeting. The second adoption could come at the next meeting on Sept. 24.

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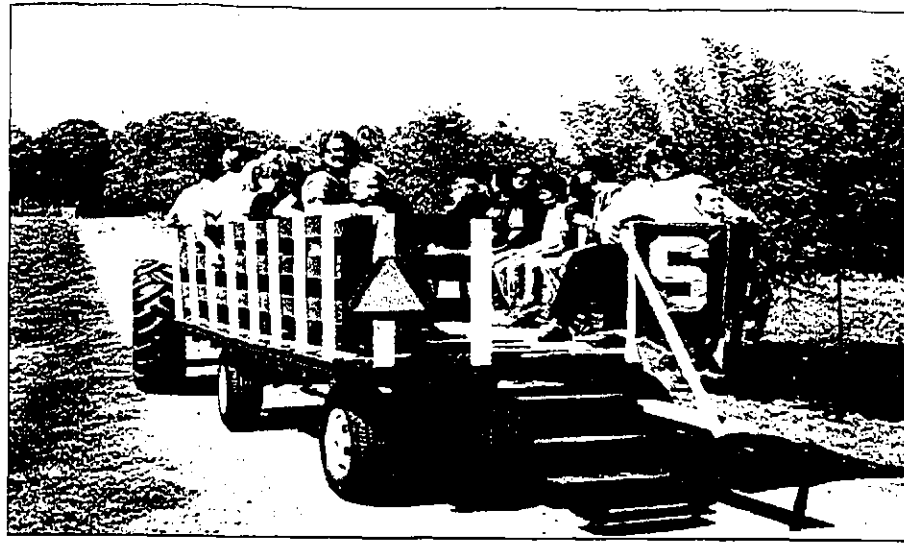
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Fall Fest-goers got the chance to ramble around the farm property on the back of a tractor.



Kyle Olsafsky, 4, hoists a pumpkin up at the Sept. 22 Fall Festival hosted by Novi Tollgate Farms...



Part of the Oakland Ramblers: Art Durow, left, and Barry Weeder on mandolin, entertain at Tollgate Farms' Fall Festival on Sept. 22...

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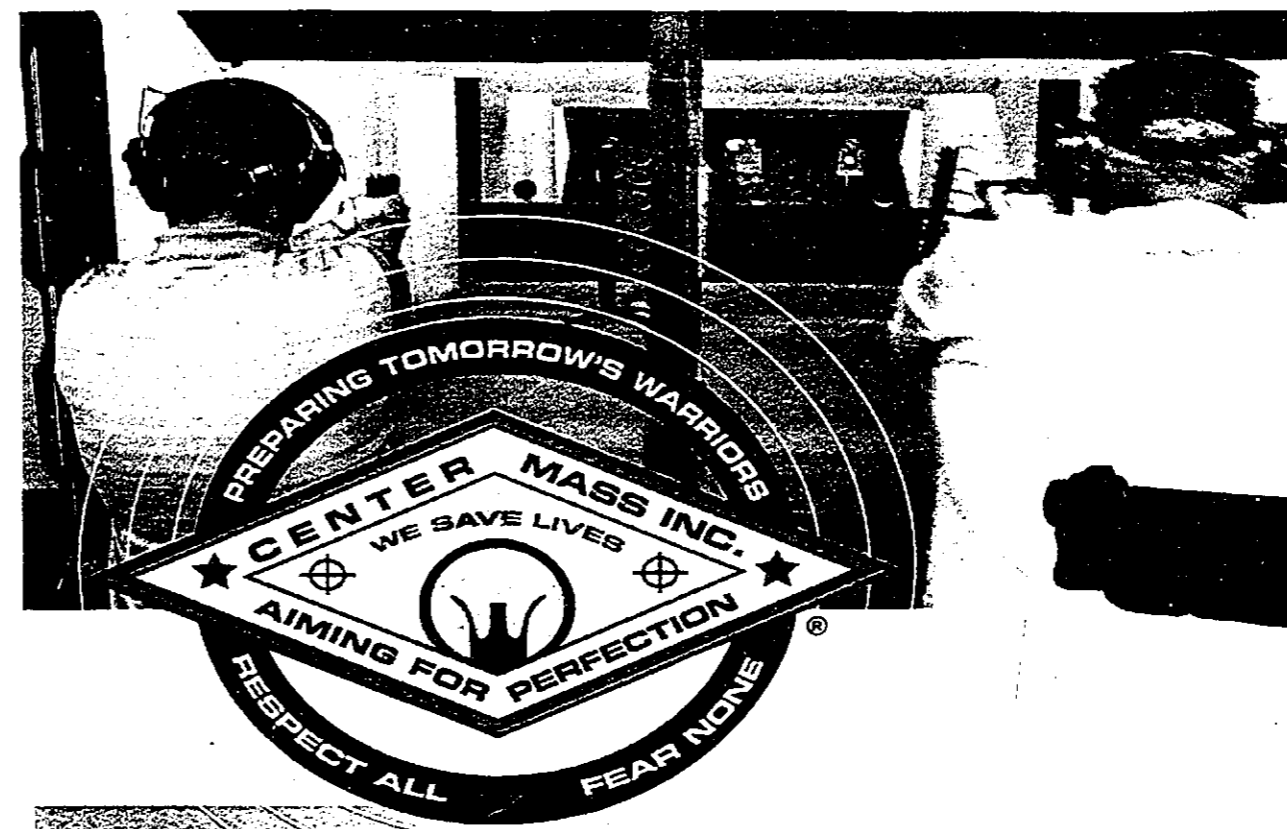
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#### Swart promoted at Trimas

Trimas Corporation, a diversified global manufacturer of engineered and applied products, announced that Novi's Paul Swart was named controller and chief accounting officer. He previously held the position of vice president and corporate controller and will continue to report to Mark Zeffiro, chief financial officer. In this role, Swart will be responsible for the oversight of the company's technical accounting and compliance of accounting policies and rules, fulfillment of regulatory reporting and disclosure requirements and oversee the accounting and budgetary processes for corporate office departments and other centrally handled accounts. He also has accountability for company-wide payroll security and compliance, and the financial review and approval of company-wide significant commercial contracts, capital expenditure appropriations and real estate transactions.



Paul Swart



Sehrish Salah-Ud-Din

#### Sehrish Salah-Ud-Din gains experience in Novi as fellowship recipient

Every year, the Michigan Local Government Management Association (MLGMA), in cooperation with two state universities in Michigan, offer two graduate students fellowship opportunities to serve local communities and gain valuable public administration experience. This year, the City of Novi was chosen to host Eastern Michigan University student Sehrish Salah-Ud-Din for this prestigious fellowship.

During her 12-week fellowship, she assisted the city in planning to fill employment needs for city departments, something she said "many local governments are not practicing." Most recently, she presented to the Novi City Council a Title VI Non-Discrimination Policy - a collaborative project with the Michigan Department of Transportation tied to federal road funds. Title VI assures that "No person in the United States shall,

on the grounds of race, color, or national origin, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefit of, or be otherwise subjected to discrimination under any program or activity receiving federal assistance."

According to Sehrish "by implementing the Title VI policy and the other related programs, the City of Novi will be situated, even more, to better serve Novi's ethnically diverse population. Additionally the Title VI policy helps promote further equality and non-discriminatory actions."

Upon completion of her fellowship, Sehrish will return to Eastern Michigan University to complete her master of public administration degree. She anticipates graduating in December and seeking a position in Oakland County in city management.

#### Munugala takes second in bee championships

The nonprofit North South Foundation and University of Michigan hosted more than 1,200 of tomorrow's scientists, professors, mathematicians and business leaders at the 20th annual National Academic Championships Aug. 18-19.

The tournament was the final step for young Indian-American bee winners from across the United States, in categories such as spelling, vocabulary, geography, math, science, essay writing, public speaking and brain bee.

Novi's Karthik Munugala placed second in the senior public speaking bee division. The competition draws students from elementary school through high school, competing for scholarship money and the recognition of their peers.

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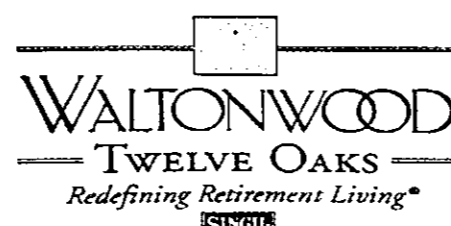
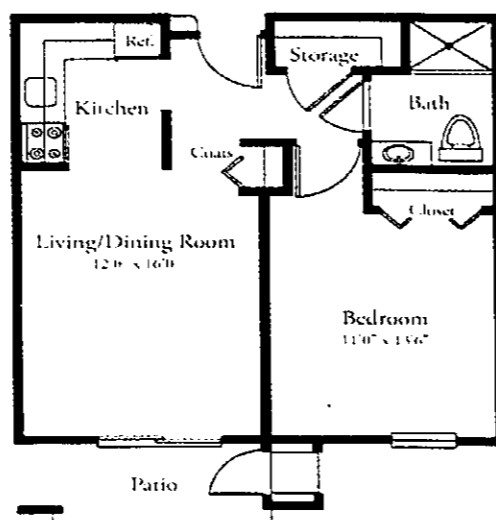
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## Shamrocks earn second win of season

Catholic Central rolls over visiting Canadians

By Sam Eggleston  
Correspondent

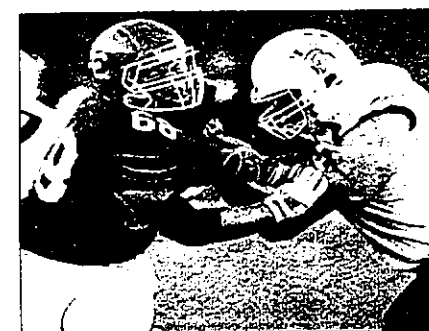
After two tough losses against squads from across the Ohio border, the Detroit Catholic Central Shamrocks made it clear to another over-the-border visitor that they are still a team that knows how to win. The squad, coached by Tom

Mach, earned a lopsided 42-0 victory over Niagara Academy last Friday. The Spartans made the trek from Ontario, Canada to play in the contest.

Leading the way for the Shamrocks was none other than warrior Anthony Darkangelo, who carried the ball 10 times and put up 79 yards on the night. Catholic Central also relied on the arm

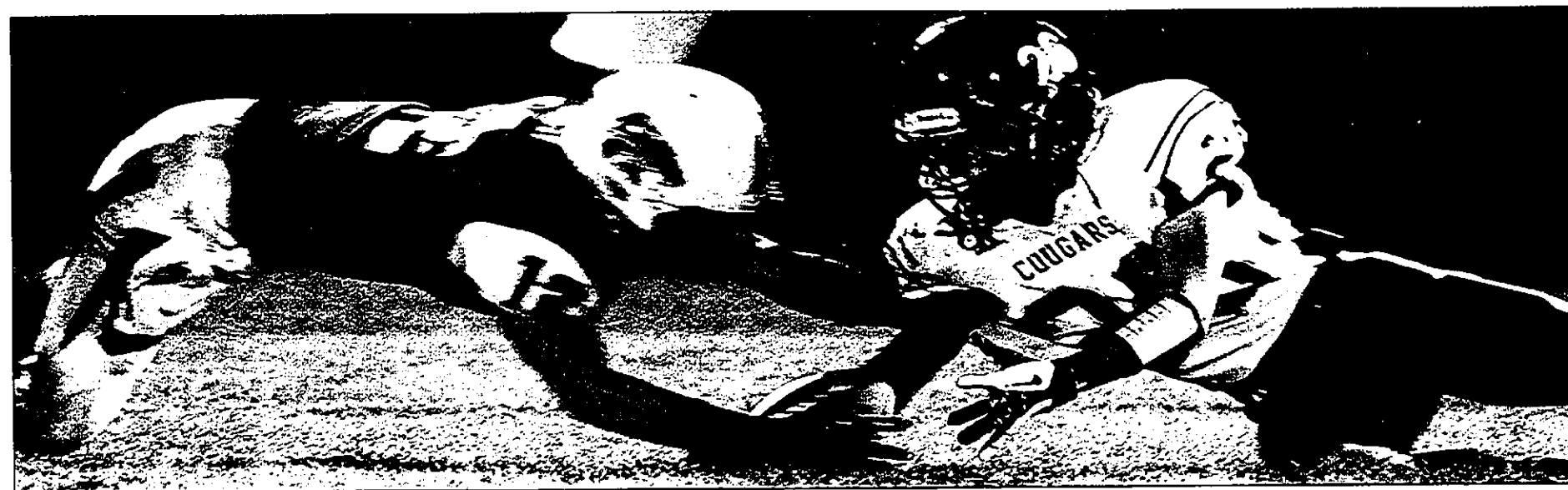
of Garrett Moores, who went 4-for-6 and threw for 58 yards and a touchdown in the victory.

The victory puts the Shamrocks at 2-2 as they head into the Catholic High School League portion of their schedule. They will play DeLaSalle at home on Sunday. The pilots are also 2-2 on the



Catholic Central Shamrock Alex Galiyas grapples with Niagara Academy lineman Ryan Farr during the teams' Sept. 14 game in Novi. Niagara is a sports academy school in Ontario.

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Wildcat Blake Boron pounces on — and gets — a fumble during Novi's Sept. 14 game against South Lyon East. East's Raymond Tague, right, tries to retain possession for his team.

## S.L. East gets program's first-ever win over Novi

Cougars win 26-23 in overtime thriller on road

By Chris Jackett  
Correspondent

**ON TAP**  
Novi's football team (0-4, 0-2 KLAACentral) hosts South Lyon (2-2, 1-1 Central) 7 p.m. tomorrow and visits Livonia Stevenson (4-0, 2-0 Central) 7 p.m. Sept. 28. The Lions are coming off a 12-7 loss to Stevenson at The Jungle. Each of Novi's first four games have featured more points on offense (7, 12, 13, 23) and fewer points allowed on defense (45, 34, 30, 26) than each of the preceding games.

When the final whistle blew late Friday in Novi, it was an ending long in the making, but not for the home team. Visiting South Lyon East (2-2, 1-1 KLAACentral) defeated Novi (0-4, 0-2 Central) in a

tight 26-23 overtime contest for the program's first-ever victory over the Wildcats.

It took the Cougars five tries, but this was the payoff was sweet for many East seniors because Novi coach Todd Pennycook had coached some of the Cougars during their freshman year before

leaving the East varsity coach position for Novi. "It's just awesome," said East senior quarterback Cam Thomas, a Western Michigan University recruit. "Being our old coach, this is like our archenemy right now. I'm so happy beat them. The team played great. Everything just

came together. We made a couple mistakes, but we battled back and, boy, it feels good. It feels real good. "The whole team came together, came as a family. Our whole thing was be as a family this year and we

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## Wildcats stumble vs. top competition

Mustangs, Mercy, Fenton clip 'Cats in uncharacteristic week for program

By Chris Jackett  
Correspondent

It was a busy week for Novi's volleyball squad, who ended up doubling their number of losses on the season. However, the No. 9 Wildcats are still 18-6 (2-1 KLAACentral) after going 5-3 last week. Novi's week began with



Alexa Silversides, left, greets teammate Jordan Massab during their Sept. 6 game against Livonia Stevenson.

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## Wildcat lady harriers look to bridge gap

Mullins, Lonergan nearly two minutes ahead of teammates in 5k races

By Chris Jackett  
Correspondent

The first dual meet of the season showed promise, at least for two of Novi's girls cross country runners. Senior Jackie Mullins and sophomore Hannah Lonergan provided a strong combo Sept. 11 against Livonia Stevenson. Mullins finished first in 20 minutes and 50.9 seconds, while Lonergan was third in 21:11. However, the Spartans took not only second place, but fourth through 12th, pushing third Wildcat Karl Grandstaff to 13th with a time of

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**ON TAP**

Novi's girls cross country squad (0-1) was scheduled to host South Lyon (0-1) two days ago before competing in the Jackson Invitational 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Ella Sharp Park and then visiting Grand Lake State Park. Novi East (0-1) will race Tuesday.

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# Buhas power through Marian, 'Cats come up short

## Novi set to open league action tonight vs. Northville

By Chris Jackett  
Correspondent

Although they split the dual meet by winning six of 12 events, Novi's swim and dive team ended up on the wrong end of the scoreboard last week when Bloomfield Hills Marian came to town. The Wildcats (2-2) started off with a victory in the 200 medley relay in 1:52.91 by senior Andrea VanderMey, freshman Lauren Kim, sophomore Mallory Buha and senior Maranda Buha. "We came up 16 points short of the win but the girls raced hard and fast," Novi coach Annette VanderMey said. "The swim fans in the stands really

got to see some exciting close races and fast swims. The girls are continuing to swim and dive stronger than ever and are really racing well." Marian went on to win the other two relays, taking the 200 free relay in 1:41.38 and the 400 free relay in 3:38.81. The Novi team of seniors Janice Burnett, VanderMey, Kelsey Shurmur and Kara Berg finished second in the 200 free relay in 1:44.85, while the Buha sisters, Berg and freshman Alexandra Cortez finished second in the 400 free relay in 3:40.20. The 'Cats got several other individual top-three finishes, led by Mallory Buha, who won the 200 individual medley in 2:11.93 and the 100 butterfly

in 52.78 seconds. Shurmur added a third-place 100 fly finish in 1:04.08. Sister Maranda Buha also got an individual win in the 50 free in 25.02 seconds, while also finishing second in the 100 free in 54.61 seconds, trailing a winning Marian time of 52.78 seconds. "The Buha sisters, Maranda and Mallory, continue to score big for us. Together, they contributed 34 of our 84 points," Annette VanderMey said. Berg was third in the 100 free in 56.30 seconds. She also earned third in the 200 free-style, which Marian won in 1:55.16. Seniors Rachel Appelbacher and Jillian Odom provided a one-two punch in the 1-meter

dive with scored of 212.5 and 183.4 points, respectively, while Andrea VanderMey capped the Novi victories in the 100 back in 1:10.86. Senior Dana Morgan was third in the 100 back in 1:05.45. "Senior Andrea VanderMey's 100 backstroke was a nice win for us, an encouraging sign that her recovery is going well and she may be able to contribute more to the team down the homestretch," Annette VanderMey said. Cortez added Novi's only other top-three finish, landing third in the 500 free in 5:38.70, while Marian won in 5:18.14.

**ON TAP**  
Novi's swim and dive squad (2-2) kicks off league action tonight when Northville comes to town before hosting Plymouth South Sept. 27, both at 6 p.m.

The 100 breast against Marian's senior Allison Biskup," Annette VanderMey said. "The noise level in the pool was ear piercing, Novi was touched out by 0.09 of a second but it was a personal best time for Lauren."

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# Spartans run over Wildcats

## Barnes strides to front of pack, lacks help from teammates

By Chris Jackett  
Correspondent

Livonia Stevenson simply had too much firepower for Novi's boys harriers last week. The Wildcats (0-1) lost a 19-44 decision Sept. 11 to the Spartans (1-0) on Novi's home course at Cass Benton in Northville despite a personal course record by junior Brian Barnes, who finished second overall in 17 minutes and 19 seconds. "Our game plan was to break up the top two runners with Brian Barnes, and then have our pack race their pack," Novi coach Robert Smith said. "I really thought it could have been a close meet. Barnes ran a nice race. I think he now knows that he can make his move a little earlier. If he can push mile two he will run a sub-17-minute race."



PHOTOS BY ROBERT SMITH

Novi harriers Cameron Richman (left) and Cameron Misko finished close together during a Sept. 11 dual race against Livonia Stevenson. Richman was 13th in 18:36 and Misko was 15th in 18:42.

### ON TAP

Novi's boys cross country squad (0-1) was scheduled to host South Lyon (0-1) two days ago before competing in the Anchor Bay Invitational 4 p.m. Friday at Stoney Creek and then visiting Island Lake to face South Lyon East (0-1) 4:10 p.m. Tuesday.

Our pack held together nicely, but it was out of the race way too early," Smith said. "Our past two weeks of training have been extremely intense. We ran the race with 'heavy legs.' This is part of our training regimen. Now that we are



Novi junior Brian Barnes was the top Wildcat finisher Sept. 14 at the Spartan Invite in East Lansing, finishing 11th overall in 16:43 at a meet where 40 schools had teams racing.

in the competitive part of our schedule, we will start seeing some faster times. I am looking forward to racing Stevenson again."

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### Basketball tryouts

Novi Cats Travel Basketball will be holding open tryouts for fifth and sixth grade boys for the winter season on Monday, Oct 15 and Tuesday, Oct 16 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at Novi Middle School. To be eligible, you must reside in the city of Novi. Tryouts for fourth, seventh and eighth grade boys will be later this fall. Questions can be directed to Billy Downs at (248) 767-0034. Cats basketball reminds fourth through eighth grade boys about open gym basketball nights at Novi Middle School, main gym on Mondays, Sept. 24 and Oct. 1 and 8 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. for fourth-sixth grades and 8-9:30 p.m. for seventh and eighth grades. For more information, visit [www.novicatsbasketball.com](http://www.novicatsbasketball.com).

### HARRIERS

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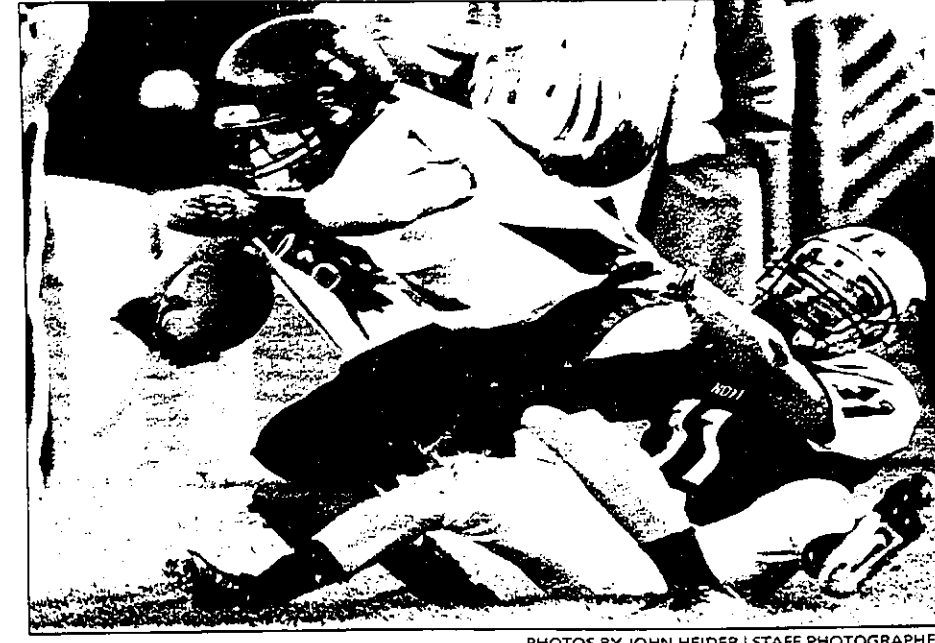
23:49.1 and giving the Spartans a 24-40 victory. Grandstaff was followed by sophomore Victoria Giese in 14th in 24:09.4 and newcomer Mitchell in 15th in 24:55.5.

Times generally improved for the Wildcats at the Sept. 14 Spartan Invite on the Michigan State University Forest Akers East course in East Lansing. Mullins finished 13th overall in 19:51, followed closely by Lonergan at 18th in 19:58. After the two Wildcat leaders, there was again another big dropoff as junior Karissa Koomen finished 13th overall in 21:38. Another big gap had Giese finish 209th in 23:55, within sight of sophomore Samantha DeLisle (21st in 24:09) and junior Claire Backus (22nd in 24:56).

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Wildcat teammates Lucas Buck, left, and Mark Ryan celebrate a turnover from South Lyon East.



Novi Wildcat Robbie Deighton, right, hauls down a South Lyon East player during the teams' Sept. 14 game.

### FOOTBALL

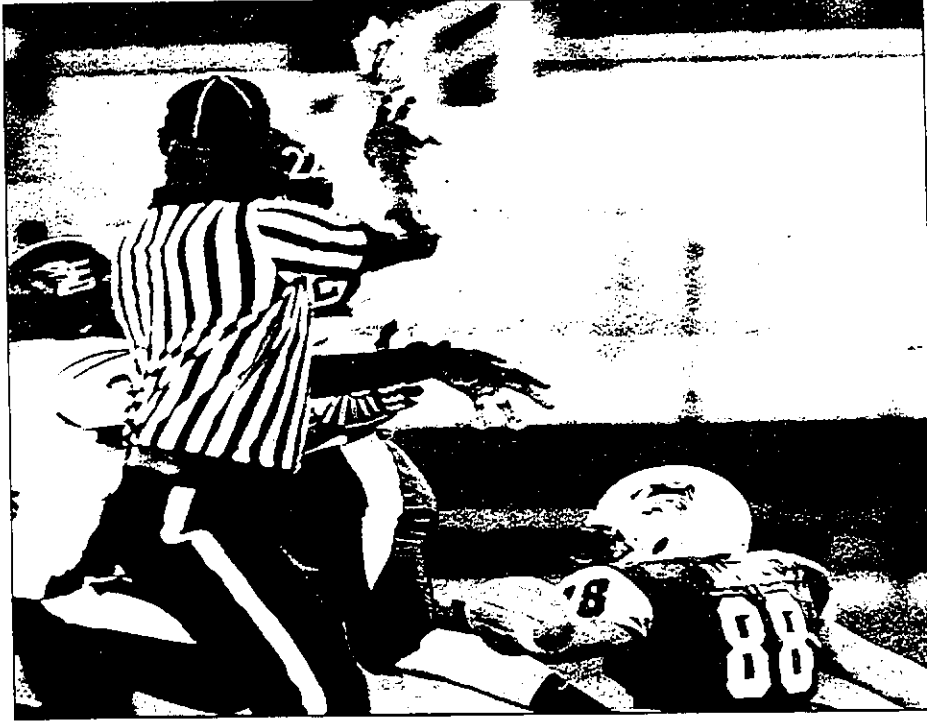
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Neither team led by more than seven points throughout the game, which was tied at 10 at halftime and 20-20 at the end of regulation. Starting on the 10-yard line, Novi had gained five yards in overtime before senior Justin Danks nailed a 22-yard field goal, his third of the night, all which were 21-22 yards out, for a 23-20 lead.

East got the ball at the 10 and took one crack at a rushing play that gained three yards before a flick of the wrist by Thomas (18-for-27, 234 yards, two touchdowns, one interception) found junior receiver Wade Morris (100 yards, two touchdowns on eight catches) in the back right corner of the end zone for the game-winning touchdown.

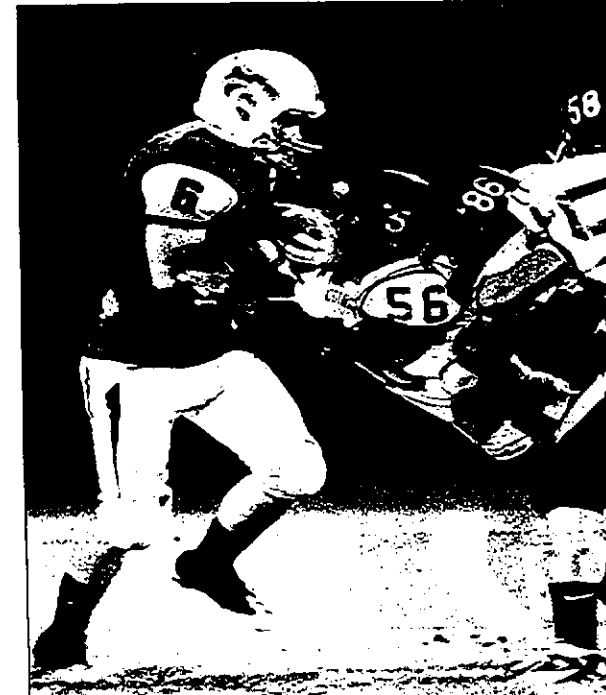
"It was awesome," East coach Mike Lindman said. "Obviously, we've never beat them and they're just a tough competitor. It was just a big game for us. There's two schools that we look at as rivals, South Lyon and Novi, so it was kind of a big game."

"It's just weird to get so finally. This is the fifth year for varsity sports and we've struggled, obviously. We've had three wins the past couple years, we had about 16 players coming back off of last years team and an 8-1 JV team, so we thought we had a little bit of depth and I think this is the best football team we've been able to field at East since we've become a school."

On paper, the game was as close as it was on the field, but showcased two contrasting styles. East gained 234 of their 331 yards in the air, while Novi gained all 354 of their yards on the ground. Novi junior quarterback Isaac Burgess was 0-for-3 on pass attempts. Additionally, both teams amassed eight penalty flags and 13 first downs apiece.



Novi's Justin Danks tumbles to the ground after being interfered with on a pass play—as evidenced by the yellow referee's flag flying toward him.



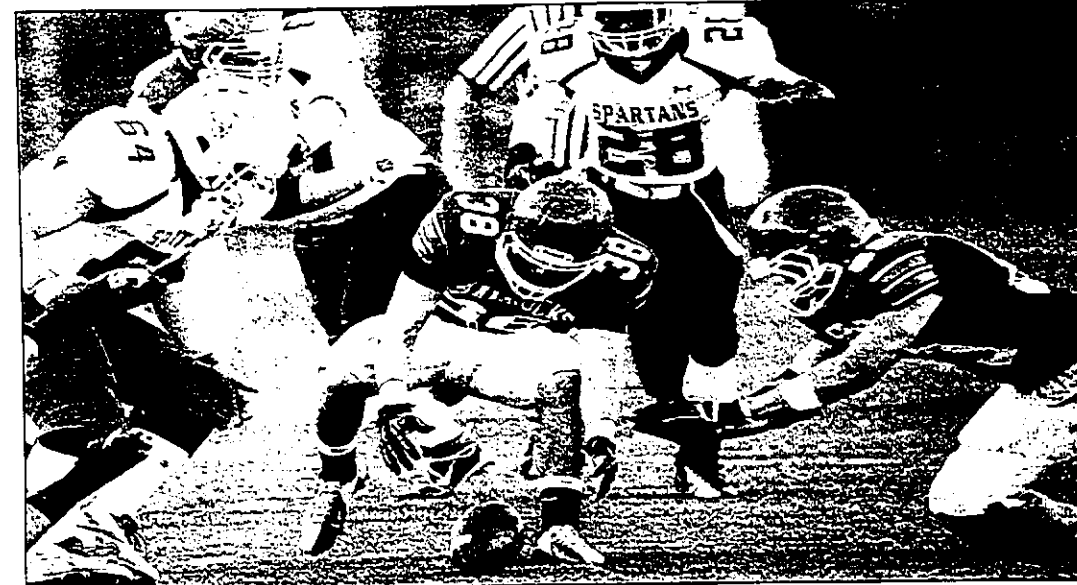
Wildcat Matt Forch is stopped by South Lyon East's Peter Minding during their Sept. 14 game.

### SHAMROCKS

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year after falling to Brother Rice in a CHSL game last week, 28-0. The Shamrocks aren't worried about their 2-2 record right now. Michael Mach, assistant varsity football coach, said after the second loss of the season that the team knows what their priorities are and an undefeated record was never one of them. "All of our benchmark goals—Central Division title, Catholic League title and State title—are still within reach," he said. "We're 0-0 in the league and still have a margin of error for getting to six wins (in order to guarantee a playoff spot). We just need to go out and start turning this thing in our favor, one game at a time."

The Niagara Academy Spartans are now 1-2 on the season. Sam Eggleston is a freelance writer and former staff sports writer for the Northville Record and Novi News.



CC's Anthony Darkangelo, center, pounces on a fumble during the Shamrock's Sept. 14 home game against Niagara Academy.

### FALL 2012 HIGH SCHOOL VARSITY SPORTS SCHEDULES

#### Novi Wildcats

**FOOTBALL**  
All games at 7 p.m. unless noted  
9/21 South Lyon (Tastefest)  
**VOLLEYBALL**  
All matches 6:30 p.m. unless noted  
9/21 @ South Lyon  
9/25 @ Livonia Stevenson  
9/27 Plymouth Salem  
**BOYS SOCCER**  
All games at 7 p.m. unless noted  
9/20 6 p.m. @ South Lyon East  
9/22 1 p.m. @ Walled Lake Western  
9/25 Northville  
9/27 Plymouth Salem  
**BOYS TENNIS**  
All meets at 4 p.m. unless noted  
9/20 @ Saline  
9/22 Novi Tournament  
9/25 KLAAC Crossover @ North  
9/27 KLAAC Crossover vs. West

**GIRLS SWIMMING**  
All meets at 6 p.m. unless noted  
9/20 Northville  
9/27 Plymouth Salem  
**BOYS CROSS COUNTRY**  
9/21 4 p.m. @ Anchor Bay Invitational (@ Stoney Creek)  
9/25 4:10 p.m. @ South Lyon East (@ Island Lake)  
**GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY**  
9/22 10:30 a.m. @ Jackson Invitational (@ Ella Sharp Park)  
9/25 4:40 p.m. @ South Lyon East (@ Island Lake)  
**GIRLS GOLF**  
All meets at 3 p.m. unless noted  
9/21 @ Plymouth Salem  
9/24 12 p.m. Milford Invitational (@ Preswick)  
9/25 @ South Lyon East  
9/27 South Lyon (@ Cat-tails)

**FIELD HOCKEY**  
All games at 4:30 p.m. unless noted  
9/21 Farmington  
9/24 Ann Arbor Greenhills  
9/27 7 p.m. @ Dearborn  
**EQUESTRIAN**  
All meets 8 a.m. at Huron Valley Equestrian Club in Milford unless noted  
9/22 District Meet 3

**Catholic Central Shamrocks**

**CROSS COUNTRY**  
9/22 11:30 a.m. Catholic Central Invitational  
9/24 4:30 p.m. O.L. St. Mary's  
**FOOTBALL**  
Games at 7 p.m. unless noted  
9/23 1 p.m. DeLaSalle (Boys' Bowl)  
**TENNIS**  
Games at 4 p.m. unless noted  
9/22 8 a.m. CC Invitational  
9/24 @ U of D  
**SOCCER**  
9/20 5:30 p.m. @ DeLaSalle  
9/25 7 p.m. @ U of D  
9/27 4:30 p.m. @ Detroit Western

#### Northville Mustangs

**BOYS CROSS COUNTRY**  
09/22 TBA @ Catholic Central HS (Invitational)  
09/25 3:50 p.m. Salem HS  
**GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY**  
09/22 TBA @ Catholic Central HS (Invitational)  
09/22 10 a.m. @ Jackson HS (Invitational)  
09/25 3:50 p.m. Salem HS  
**FOOTBALL**  
All games start at 7 p.m.  
09/21 Livonia Stevenson HS  
**GIRLS GOLF**  
09/20 3:30 p.m. @ Livonia Stevenson HS  
09/24 noon @ Milford HS (Invitational)  
09/25 3:30 p.m. Salem HS  
09/27 3:30 p.m. @ South Lyon East HS  
**BOYS SOCCER**  
09/20 7 p.m. Salem HS  
09/25 7 p.m. @ Novi HS  
09/27 7 p.m. South Lyon HS

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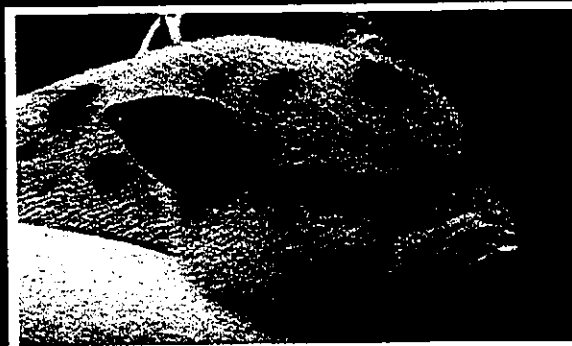
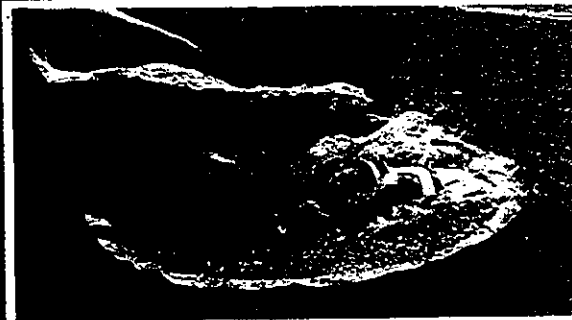
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