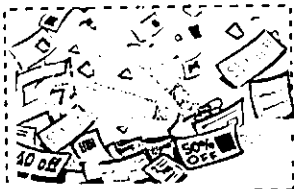


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Candidate forum

The non-partisan League of Women Voters will sponsor a candidates forum for the U.S. House of Representatives 11th District race, featuring Republican Kerry Bentivolio and Democrat Syed Taj, on Monday, Oct. 1, 7-8:30 p.m. at the Plymouth District Library, 223 S. Main St., in Plymouth.

Food trucks rallying at Novi's Art Institute today

The Michigan Mobile Food Vendors Association (MMFVA) and Northern Equities Group are teaming up to bring Detroit's food truck frenzy to Novi from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 27 at the Art Institute building in the Haggerty Corridor Corporate Park (28175 Cabot Drive, Novi).

For the first time, the Detroit area's best food trucks will head west into Novi for a daytime rally. Northern Equities Group, which owns and manages the Haggerty Corridor Corporate Park, has had success hosting individual food trucks such as Jacques Tacos and Chicken Shack for surrounding workers. The response to those food trucks has been so positive that the firm decided it was time to invite the MMFVA to rally the trucks for a bigger event. "Our tenants in the Haggerty Corridor Corporate Park love the food trucks and we see them as an amenity. The rally will showcase both the trucks and our park," said Matthew Sosin, Northern Equities Group president. Scheduled to serve up Detroit's best food truck cuisine are Concrete Cuisine, Green Zebra, Jacques Tacos, Treat Dreams and more.

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Important job



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Anthony Oo, 9, gets to try his hand at a fire hose with Novi Firefighter Mike Peters during Saturday's Fall for Novi event at the Novi Civic Center. Four-hour event. Every Novi department - like parks and recreation, older adult services, police and fire, and street maintenance were on hand to answer questions and demonstrate their abilities when possible.

Path use upsets residents

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

Pedestrian connections and bike paths are a valued part of the Novi community, which has over 200 miles of pathways and sidewalks. However, for two Novi homeowners there is one pathway through their back yards that is becoming more of a headache than a benefit. Yorkshire Place residents John Garbacik and Chris Janik are concerned about the City of Novi's plan to place signs for bikers along the 270-foot path that runs behind their homes on Emerald Forest Drive. "It's the change in use that has us upset," said Garbacik, who is

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CROP Walk

Churches join forces Oct. 6 to help feed the hungry

By Julie Brown Staff Writer

Margaret Connors worked as a missionary with a Christian organization in Mexico from 1997 to 2003. The Farmington Hills resident, who lived in California at the time, recalled a malnourished girl who died after being held in the missionary's arms. "It really impacted me," said Connors, who's chairing this year's Northville- Novi CROP Walk, set for



Margaret Connors

Saturday, Oct. 6. Registration will be 8:30 a.m. at St. James Catholic Church in Novi, with the walk beginning around 9:30 a.m. The young Mexican girl died about 100 miles south of the U.S. border, and Connors asked hospital officials if such

deaths were frequent. "They were so base," she said, recalling how she'd earlier spent money on entertainment at Sea World, "not knowing a stone's throw away children were dying. There are things we can do to stop it." Family reasons brought Connors back to metro Detroit. She heard a presentation at her church, Crosspointe Meadows Church of Novi, and volunteered to chair the local CROP Walk.

INFORMATION

For information on participating in or supporting the CROP Walk, call toll free (888) 297-2767. Online donations are welcome at www.crop-walkonline.org/novimi.

Church World Service will receive 75 percent of money raised. The remaining 25 percent will go to the Novi Emergency Food Bank, First Step shelter, Northville Civic Concern, and Redford Interfaith Relief. Connors is a teacher who's been a substitute and tutor in recent years, struggling a bit to get back into her profession.

She wanted to help. CWS has a number of components. "Hunger is one of their main focuses, but they do a lot around the world," she said. Water purification, blankets for the needy and other endeavors are coordinated by CWS. Last year's Northville- Novi walk raised \$13,789, with some 100 walkers each year the past three years. This is the 25th anniversary of the Northville- Novi benefit. Churches participating are: Crosspointe Meadows Church, St. James Catholic, Meadowbrook Congregational, Faith Community Presbyterian, Holy Family Catholic.

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School employees take wage freeze

Support personnel, food service contracts ratified

By Cal Stone Staff Writer

Contract agreements for support personnel and food service employees were ratified Sept. 20 by Novi's Board of Education, and neither includes wage increases.

Both groups had a two-year contract ending June 2013 and included a wage reopener option in the second year, so recent negotiations were for wages only.

"For food services, it's a frozen pay schedule — the same as 2011-12 for 2012-13," said Steve Barr, the district's assistant superintendent of business services. "They have three people getting their 'steps' with nominal costs to the district that add up to about \$1,000."

Steps are pay raises employees get after reaching certain seniority levels. Barr said there are 27 employees in food services, and their funding is separate from the district's normal K-12 operating funds.

Support personnel, which number more than 90, also took a wage freeze for this school year. And although some of those employees were eligible for step raises, none took it. With light snow last school year, neither group utilized either of the two furlough days allowed. Both will continue to pay 15 percent toward health care.

Teachers contract

The teachers have a similar two-year contract, with a wage

reopening option, through June 2013. That contract was ratified by the board at its Sept. 6 meeting. "They took two and a half furlough days, which amounts to about a 1.33-percent pay cut," Barr said. "They had about 130 people on step increases, which are 6- to 7-percent raises. They got their step raises and, in exchange, the whole group of about 400 gave back furlough days." The net effect was a cost of about \$35,000 to the district.

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Benefit yields more than \$12,000 for slain officer

A local Wixom business owner and a Wixom police officer made grown men cry (tears of joy) when they delivered more than \$12,000 to the West Bloomfield Police Department, in honor of Officer Patrick O'Rourke, a 12-year veteran who was tragically shot and killed in the line of duty earlier this month.

Eddie Osman, owner of the Osman Marathon Gas Station on Wixom Road, joined Wixom's Administrative Sergeant Charlie Yon earlier this week to present \$12,207 to West Bloomfield Police Chief Mike Patton and his staff for the Officer O'Rourke Family Trust, which will benefit the health, education and welfare of his family.

"There were tears coming from their eyes," Osman said of the presentation to West Bloomfield police officers. "They were so touched by everyone's kindness. You could see the tears in the eyes of the chief of police in West Bloomfield. It was amazing."

The \$12,000 donation was the result of an intense two-day fundraiser, in which Osman contributed 5 cents of every gallon purchased at the Marathon station across from the Wixom Auto Plant from Sept. 20-21. Customers who visited the station also received free coffee, donuts and hot dogs during the event. Fellow Wixom business owners, corporate entities and local public officials also contributed time and treasure to the event.

"They (the West Bloomfield police officers) were amazed by the generosity of the American people - and all the businesses in the great community of Wixom," Osman said. "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. The trust fund was established by West Bloomfield Township officials. Residents can donate directly to the trust fund at any Bank of America branch.

Sewing Expo returns to Novi this weekend

The American Sewing Expo returns to the Suburban Collection Showplace in Novi Sept. 28-30. "Beginner to expert sewers and crafters will find fashion shows, classes and shopping," said Janet Pray, show producer of the largest independent consumer sewing show in the country.

"This year, it is being held in conjunction with the Association of Sewing and Design Professionals' annual conference." The 19th annual show features accessories, embellishments, one of a kind fabrics and supplies, fashion sewing fitting, machine embroidery, needle arts, quilting, sergers and wearable art. Showgoers will see over 20 exhibits, fashion style shows and sewing challenge competitions. Over 125 exhibitors from 35 states, Australia and Canada will be displaying sewing machines, notions, threads, patterns, yarn, technology, kits, gadgets, embroidery designs, tools and other products. Techniques and tips will be taught at over 200 seminars, hands-on workshops and demonstrations.

Show instructors include couture expert and HDTV host of "Sew Much More" Susan Khalje; New York City Fashion Institute of Technology couture professor Kenneth King; fashion sewing expert and "Chanel and That Jacket" workshop teacher Claire Shaeffer; Quilting Arts TV and fiber artist Lynn Krawczyk; Sew News writer and founder of Labours of Love Heirloom Sewing Supplies Debra Justice; home seamstress and creator of Gertie's New Blog for Better Sewing Gretchen Hirsch; sewing blogger and owner of A Fashionable Stitch

Sunni Standing and other award winning fashion sewing designers including Linda McGeehee, Joi Mahon, Kathy Ruddy and Angela Wolf. Reality television competitions are the inspiration for the "Passion for Fashion Sewing Challenge" that begins as the show opens when 12 finalists design and sew garments for judging and a fashion show (similar to Lifetime's Project Runway and Bravo's The Fashion Show). Attendees can learn tips and techniques at make-take projects in vendor displays; as they sew their own project to take home at the Sew Party Café sponsored by Juki; and as they make a handbag and embellish it using their style and imagination at BagMania sponsored by Janome and Ghee's.



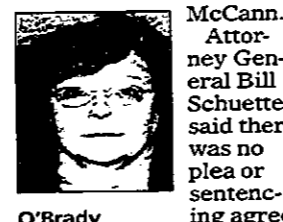
A sewing blogger and the owner of A Fashionable Stitch, Sunni Standing will be appearing on the Demo Stages and participating at the Sew Party Cafe where she will help attendees make either a covered belt or a wrist pin cushion.

The Innovation Generation Fashion Show Competition will be held on Saturday for 8-to-18-year-olds who know the sewing process and have made their own garments. Entries are prejudged and then worn by the contestants on the Expo Fashion Stage. A Dream Sewing Room sponsored by Brother will be given away on Sunday. Special exhibits will display cutting edge of fashion sewing, quilts, wearable art, Threads Magazine ASDP Challenge garments, Haute Couture Club stripe challenge garments, 2-D and 3-D fiber art showcase, Custom Home Furnishings Academy showcase vignettes, Passion for Fashion 2011 winner Erin Miller designs, American & Effrd "Out of the Box Quick Gifts Challenge" and Art of Cosplay costumes.

Attendees can test-drive sewing machines, see a fashion show, do some shopping, or watch a demo to get creative tips, discover fresh possibilities and be inspired for new projects," said Pray. "Sew" many possibilities to learn new crafts, brush up on techniques and find out how the experts do it at this year's show."

Ex-staffer pleads no contest to five misdemeanor counts

By Ken Abramczyk
Observer Staff Writer
A staffer for former Congressman Thaddeus McCotter pleaded no contest Tuesday to five misdemeanor charges in the congressman's petition scandal.



Lorianne O'Brady, 52, of Livonia, who worked as a scheduler for the former congressman, pleaded no contest in 16th District Court before Judge Kathleen J. McCann to five counts of falsely signing a nominating petition as circulator, a misdemeanor punishable by up to 93 days in jail. Her sentencing hearing is scheduled for Oct. 25 in front of

McCann. Attorney General Bill Schuette said there was no plea or sentencing agreement offered.

"As your attorney general, I have a duty to enforce the law and ensure public integrity," said Schuette in a prepared statement. "After a thorough investigation, my office determined that criminal acts were committed, and the appropriate criminal charges were filed.

"Our office will continue to prosecute the remaining defendants involved in this shameful violation of the public trust."

Schuette alleges that 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 five-term congressman for the 2012 Michigan ballot. Schuette revealed examples of petitions that were allegedly manufactured electronically by transporting signatures collected in previous election years onto 2012 nominating petitions.

After the signatures were declared invalid by the Secretary of State's office, McCotter said he was going to run as a write-in, then decided that he would not run in the 11th Congressional District in early June. On July 6, McCotter, who was not charged in Schuette's petition fraud investigation, resigned from Congress.

Three other former staffers also face charges: Mary Melissa Turnbull of Howell is scheduled for a preliminary exam on Sept. 27. Turnbull faces two charges: 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 misdemeanor punishable by up to 93 days in jail.

Paul Seewald of Livonia faces 10 charges: 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 misdemeanor punishable by up to 93 days in jail. Pleas of not guilty were entered for Seewald and Yowchuang at their arraignments on Aug. 10.

Yowchuang and Seewald are scheduled for a pre-exam conference on Oct. 9 and a preliminary exam on Oct. 11 in 16th District Court.

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Let there be light — if you ask for it

City of Novi amends street lighting ordinance

By Lianne Huhman
Staff Writer
The City of Novi updated its street lighting ordinance to reflect its current practice of paying for the

cost of placing a standard street light in the right-of-way along major roads at entrances to residential neighborhoods. According to Novi City Manager Clay

Pearson, this comes out of the evaluation done by the Department of Public Services. The DPS conducted a comprehensive review of the city's public street light system this past spring.

"This is really a modernization of our existing street light policy that we use when subdivisions come in and ask for lighting when developments are in place," Pearson said of the ordinance established in 1988.

A key point is that a subdivision must request this help. If it fits in the ordinance, the city would install a light and then pay for the operating costs of those lights for perpetuity.

Rob Hayes, Novi's Public Services director, said amending the existing policy would provide staff with clear direction on how to handle all types of public street lighting requests in the future.

Councilmember Andrew Mutch asked Hayes, because subdivisions may have multiple entrances, would each one get a light. Hayes said it would be for every entrance on a major road.

Mutch then asked would apartment complexes or mobile home parks get the same treatment. They would, and Mutch has an issue with that. He views these as commercial enterprises operating for profit. Mutch did make motion to exclude these, but it received no support.

New developments fall under the new language. Hayes said the amended policy also indicates that requests for all other types of public street lights (i.e., lights in the public right-of-way, but not along residential entrances on major roads), except for petitions to establish special assessment districts, would require the petitioner to pay all capital and operating costs for those street lights.

Another result of the street light review has DPS working with DTE to get inoperable lights working again and have credits issued for inaccurate electricity bills. Novi has received a credit for nearly \$34,000 in energy costs incorrectly billed to the city over the past seven years.

Weapons discharge ordinance
In other council decisions, the change to the

ordinance pertaining to weapons discharge was approved 5-2, with Mutch and Mayor Protem David Staudt as the dissenting votes.

The ordinance had language that prohibited possession and/or discharge of certain firearms while also allowing the police chief to issue permits as an "exception" to the requirements for the purpose of hunting. The hunting exception section has been removed because there is no provision for it in state law. In addition, the various "exceptions" to the discharge prohibition (gun ranges, archery ranges, etc.) were slightly re-worded for clarification.

Now, bow or archery practice will not be allowed in a backyard, which is what Mutch and Staudt disagreed with.

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Peace Parade



JACQUELINE UKROP

Orchard Hills Elementary School celebrated International Peace Day on Sept. 21 with a Peace Parade. Students decorated pinwheels to show what peace means to them and marched around the track outside the school. The colorful pinwheels were then planted in front of the Novi Civic Center.

Teaching how to keep learning more important than tools

By Steve Matthews
Guest Columnist

When I was in elementary school and I needed to do research for a report, I always could count on my handy Encyclopedia Britannica that sat on the bookshelf. There at my fingertips was all the information that I could want.



Steve Matthews

It never crossed my mind that the information in the encyclopedia was dated. As this school year begins, I read an interesting article on the website "edudemic.com" that identified ten things students won't need to know when they graduate. They include such things as how to use a computer mouse, how to read a paper map, and how to place data on a CD or DVD.

Reading this article started me thinking about how things change. The problem, of course, is that many of the things that we teach are necessary for the time that we live in but become outdated so quickly.

Take, for example, my encyclopedia experience. Back when I was in elementary school, that was the primary method for research. Now, however, our students can get up-to-date information from websites and researchers from around the world. The skill to be taught is research, not the methods of research have clearly changed.

I learned how to use a slide rule when I was in high school. Most people don't use slide rules these days. However, back when I learned how to use the slide rule, that was the only way to solve problems. It was important then but not so important now.

I also learned cursive writing. Now I don't use cursive writing at all. I used to say the only reason to know how to write in cursive was to sign the back of your paycheck. Now, with direct deposit, that is not even a reason to learn cursive writing.

There may be some who would suggest that fine motor skills and that it is part of the developmental process. Some of that may be true but the real point of writing is communication. Now we have so many more ways to communicate should we take class time to teach a skill that is, for the most part, never used?

These reflections eventually led me back to the students in our schools. During the first week of school I was in every building. I saw students of all ages excited about the first week of school. My responsibility is to ensure that these students are ready, not only for the challenges of today, but for the challenges of tomorrow.

Many of the tools that we use to teach our students will change over time. Some of the changes will be quite dramatic. As teachers, our goal is not to focus on the tools that we use to teach our students. We need good tools. We have good tools in our school district, thanks to the generosity of our community.

But the truth is the tools are not what are important. What is important is what we do with the tools. We must teach students how to learn, how to gather information, and how to communicate. If we focus our teaching on the tools, our students will always be behind. What we really are teaching is how to learn throughout our lifetime.

We must ensure that our students have the skills they need to learn. We must ensure that they know how to write, how to read, and how to calculate. But the most important skills that we need to teach our students are how to use these basic skills to solve the problems that our world faces.

I want our students to be able to grow and change as the world grows and changes. The skill I learned when I was in elementary school was not how to use an encyclopedia. The skill I learned, and the skill that was taught to me by the teachers that I had, was how to ask questions and find answers.

Our goal in Novi is not to spend our time teaching students the latest word processing program or how to use search engines on the computer. The skills that we are teaching are the skills that will last them over a whole lifetime of learning.

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ESL residents enjoy discussing American lit

By Julie Brown
Staff Writer

The Novi Public Library offers an ESL (English as a Second Language) Book Discussion Group facilitated by Susan Marshall. It has been popular with advanced ESL students, giving them a chance to read and discuss American literature.

Additional fun has been meeting the author (Garth Brooks, author of "Racing in the Rain") or watching the movie version of the book ("Water for Elephants" by Sara Gruen).

Once a book has been selected, the library will get copies for each member to use for the eight-week session. The group meets at the

library on Tuesdays at 11:30 a.m. in the large meeting room on the second floor, every fall, winter, and spring quarter. This year, the fall session will begin on Oct. 2. The class is free as are all sponsored groups at the library.

This year, the library is adding an additional evening session on Thursdays starting Oct. 4 at 7 p.m. There will be three books to enjoy this year.

Growing need
Mary Storch, outreach librarian, oversees and plans the ESL programs. "We're at about a year and a half," she said. "This'll be the fifth book we've read."

"We have quite a diverse population and

INFORMATION

The Novi Public Library is located at 45255 W. 10 Mile in Novi. For more information on the ESL Book Discussion Group, visit www.novilibrary.org/Adults/ESL.asp. The program is free but people do need to register in advance.

I think there's a real need for this type of program. This is such a great way to practice their English," Storch said.

"She breaks down each book into eight weeks," she said of Marshall. Participants get vocabulary words, then come together to talk about the book.

"We need to give them a little something to talk about." The focus is on American history and culture, Storch said, and group members always add if

The Tuesday ESL Book Discussion Group is full, Novi resident Storch said, so newcomers would need to attend on Thursday.

Both of the ESL programs will continue. "They're tremendously popular. I don't see them going away," the librarian said. Idioms and slang challenge the readers who are learning English, she said. "We talk a lot about what American culture is like," Storch said.

The focus is more on conversation, not so much on grammar.

'Sense of accomplishment'

"I think they feel such a sense of accomplishment," Storch said of those who finish the

books. ESL readers are included in the fall Neighborhood Library Association Community Read, being held for the third time this year. "We encourage them to go to the programs," Storch said.

Lidia Madrigal of Novi has participated in the book discussion group since it started. She's originally from Mexico and finds it has helped her English conversation skills.

"I really like the choices that Susan (Marshall) and Mary (Storch) make," Madrigal said. "I really love to be part of this group with Susan Marshall. She's doing a great job. I really like it, to be part of this group."

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according to Barr. "Last year, their contract had two furlough days built in, but they never took them because we didn't have snow," he said. "One could look at it and say they're taking two and a half, but they never took the two from last year."

Administrators contract

The last group, whose contract has not been finalized yet, is non-union — the administrators. They don't have a salary schedule per se, like the other groups, but they do have furlough days. Barr said the majority of administrators took furlough days and a pay cut of about 0.75 percent last year.

"We said, 'If you want to help out for the good of the cause, take two days off and we won't pay you for them,'" Barr said. "In 2011-12, the only group that took them were administrators."

Negotiations
Barr, along with Bonnie Lobert, the district's assistant superintendent of human resources, negotiated the two recent contracts. The Novi Food Service Employee Asso-

ciation team was composed of Kim Edwards (MEA representative) and Terri Kasik, NTEEA president. The Novi Educational Support Personnel Association team was composed of Edwards and Mary Abraham, association president.

Barr said the negotiations overall were "pretty simple" and that the bargaining teams worked well together.

"All of the reps from the groups, we have a very good relationship with them," Barr said. "We bargained several times." Retirement reform in Lansing held things up as the district waited to see what effect it would have on Novi's budget. Although it passed in August, there are still several legal challenges that remain unresolved. The reform held flat the 24.46 percent the district pays to the state pension and health care fund.

"It was going to go to 27.37 starting next week," Barr said, "and that would've cost us about \$1.15 million." Any shortfall to fund the retirement system will come out of the school aid fund.

"They're (state) going to get it from us one way or another," Barr said.

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As of November 1, 2012, the following channels will be launched on the SDV system:

Regiment Living TV	Channel 143
GSN	Channel 190
Shop Zee 1	Channel 192
Shop Zee 2	Channel 193
Shop Zee 3	Channel 194
Shop Zee 4	Channel 195
Shop Zee 5	Channel 196
Shop Zee 6	Channel 197
Shop Zee 7	Channel 198
CVC HD	Channel 217
Shop NBC HD	Channel 221
HSN HD	Channel 282

The following channels will be changing location on the channel lineup:

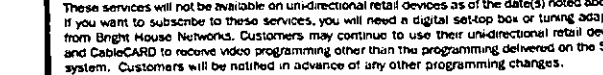
Liquor Channel	Will move from Channel 174 to 191
Shop NBC	Will move from Channel 177 to 199

As of September 28, 2012, the following channels were launched on the SDV system:

ESPN College Sports	Channel 517
ESPN College Sports 2	Channel 518
Sports Press	Channel 519
Sports Press	Channel 519

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CURTIS DROGMILLER

The Walled Lake Western High School volleyball squads (freshman, JV and varsity) had their "pink out" game Sept. 20. The girls all wore pink shirts and shoelaces and made signs if they knew someone battling cancer or who fell to the disease. They honored those individuals with two laps around the gymnasium prior to the JV volleyball pink out game.

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 participants. 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 or call Ellen Hulverson, NEF administrative coordinator, at (248) 449-1211.

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Markham aims to beat incumbent in commission race

Why am I seeking this position?
Oakland County has abundant resources, yet our government has been slow to react to the economic changes we have seen in our region. We have hundreds of empty factories and storefronts all over Oakland County. Our County Commission has spent more time in the last six months on partisan redistricting than they have on helping to put people to work. I want to bring the kind of energy and innovative thinking to Oakland County government that we see in other places, such as Grand Rapids and Ann Arbor. New jobs are created when people with good ideas find funding, space and workers.

maintain and improve our infrastructure. Our bridges, roads, waterways, government buildings and parks need to be maintained, made more energy efficient and accessible.
2. I will support and promote improved public transportation across the metro Detroit region. Bike paths, buses, local van service, light rail, and commuter rail can all be part of a system that provides flexibility for residents and businesses and promote the local economy. As I have walked our neighborhoods this summer, this is something the residents and business owners say they want and need.
3. I will support redevelopment and repurposing of empty factories and storefronts. We

GWEN MARKHAM
Age: 59
Years a Novi resident: 17
Community involvement: City of Novi Planning Commission, two terms; past president Friends of the Novi Theatre; volunteer musician, Northville public schools.
Related Experience: Two terms on the City of Novi Planning Commission, including two years as chairperson, during which time the five-year sidewalk plan was developed and Lakeshore Park began to grow. With the Friends of the Novi Theatre, I helped raise over \$25,000 for arts programming, equipment and the Civic Center sign.
Profession: I have spent over two decades in automotive and defense electronics manufacturing, first as a process engineer and later as a leader in operations management and quality assurance. In 2010, I worked for the U.S. Census, visiting homes in southwestern Oakland County. I now teach piano.
Education: Pontiac Central High School; Western Michigan University bachelor degree in chemistry
Family: Married to Dr. Bruce Markham; two sons, ages 20 and 24.



are second to none. However, since the year 2000, 175,000 jobs have been lost. County Executive L. Brooks Patterson's projections for full employment assume about 41,000 of those jobs will be replaced by mid-2013. If this is our goal, then we can expect to see empty factories and storefronts dot our landscape for decades to come. I believe we can do better. The county can play a more aggressive role in planning and promoting those policies that connect our communities with public transportation, bring new businesses to our empty buildings, and protect the unique natural resources and quality of life that we enjoy here in and Oakland County.
Why should voters choose you?
I will bring a unique blend of experience, education, and service to the position of county commissioner. My years in manufacturing taught me that good jobs are the foundation of any strong economy. The economic prosperity of a community, its employers and its people are interconnected. I have lived and worked in several states, including Arizona, Wisconsin and Michigan. This gives me an outsider's perspective and ideas for what's possible, and yet I grew up here and see a future built on a foundation laid decades ago. Our government needs people who have ideas, who look for solutions, and who want to make our communities stronger. I am a problem solver, and I am willing to work with anyone who wants to see Oakland County move ahead.

What will be your top three priorities if elected?
1. I will promote policies and investment that

need policies that support new and emerging business in places where former businesses were once located.

Do you feel Oakland County is moving in the right direction?
Oakland County has great potential for the future, and our natural resources

Why do you seek this position?
I have decades of experience, leadership and community involvement in Novi and Oakland County. I am an action-oriented person and have worked on committees for every major development in this city, including the committee that actually changed us from a Twp. to a City, the group that brought us Twelve Oaks Mall, the Novi Civic Center, Police Station, Gun Range, Novi Senior Center, Meadowbrook Commons Senior Housing, Novi Theater, Providence Park Hospital and the Novi Library. I have always energetically given 100 percent to issues that are right for Novi and the region. It is critical for Novi to have political leaders who are forward thinking, use common sense, are actively involved in the community, show up and work hard. That is what I have always done, and my work ethic has already resulted in a variety of reforms.

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BABEL BERNARD J.
Age 75 of Northville, passed away September 23, 2012. He was born on April 18, 1937, son of Bernard and Stella (nee Myers) Babel. Bernard was united in marriage to Ila Jane Hanes on November 6, 1976; they spent 36 loving years together. Bernie was a devout catholic and graduated from St. Theresa in 1955. He then went on to serve his country in The United States Army from 1958 to 1960 when he was honorably discharged. Bernie went on to become a hard working and valued employee of The Detroit News until his retirement after 24 years. He was an avid reader, enjoyed crossword puzzles, bowling, hunting, and golf. He loved spending time at his resort in the Upper Peninsula fishing, building campfires, making s'mores and playing with his grandchildren. He had a kind heart and was very generous in giving his love to his family. He is survived by his wife, Ila Jane; his children Jeff Weber, Ken (Barb) Weber, Mike Weber, and Amy (Gary) Wauriel; his nephews, Jim (Judith) Babel, Charlie (Sue) Babel, and Carol (Bill) Main; and his grandchildren, Jennifer, Samantha, Neil, Kayla, Ian, Trevor, Jack, Calvin, Paige, Kendall, Mitchell, and Fiona. He is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents. Visitation will be held Thursday, September 27, 2012 from 2:00pm with a Scripture Service at 7pm at Castlerine Funeral Home, 122 West Dunlap, Northville. A Funeral Mass will be held at Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church, 133 Orchard, Northville. He will be laid to rest at Great Lakes National Cemetery in Holy Memorial contributions would be appreciated to a charity of the giver's choice.

CURRAN, MARY ELIZABETH "BETTY"
South Lyon, formerly of Dearborn Heights, passed away September 18, 2012. Betty was preceded in death by her husband Vincent Curran. She is survived by her daughters, Fran (Ron) Crowe, Patricia (Jim) Burns, Sharon and Maureen Curran; sons, Dan and Mike (Linda) Curran; grandchildren, Colleen (Troy), Brad, Katy, Jamie, Brent, Kevin and Amber. A Memorial Mass will be celebrated on Friday, September 28, at 11:00 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 830 S. Lafayette St., South Lyon, Michigan. The family will receive friends 1/2 hour prior to the service at the church. Those desiring may make contributions in Betty's memory to P.O. Box 496, 90 Box 702458 Plymouth, MI 48170. The family is being served by Gorsline-Tancman Funeral Homes, East Lansing, Michigan. On line condolences may be made at www.gorslinefunerals.com

LINCOLN, PHYLLIS P.
Age 87, a longtime resident of Milford, passed away September 24, 2012. Preceded in death by Norman, her beloved husband of nearly 30 years, and son, Edward. She is survived by her daughter-in-law Joyce Marie Lincoln and Carol Lynn Lincoln; grandchildren, Dan and Gary R. Lincoln; granddaughters, Ingrid, Margaret A. (Maudie) Schulte, Merrin A. Lincoln, and Jessie P. Lincoln; great-grandchildren Joseph A. Schulte and Anna L. Schulte; sister, Yvonne (late Raymond Weatherly); also extended family and friends. Graveside Service at Acadia Park Cemetery, Beverly Hills, on Wednesday, September 26, 2012 at 2:30 PM. For further information, phone 248-684-6643. Soms, Milford or visit www.LynchFuneralDirectors.com

MAISONVILLE (SOMA) CHARLES EDWARD
Age 94, passed away peacefully September 19, 2012 with his wife and family at his side. He was born June 6, 1918, in Ford City, (which is now part of Windsor) Canada, to the late Edward and Clara (Dumochelle) Masonville. He attended parochial schools in Canada, and came over to the U.S. after the Second World War. He served in the Canadian Army in the Aleutian Islands. He was a proud member of the B.E.W. Local 58 for over 60 years. He was head electrician for the Detroit Race Course for many years and helped in the construction of many of their buildings. He also loved and owned race horses. He married Jeanette Barrett on June 26, 1962 and had four children: Elizabeth Anne, Paul Sohma, John Charles and Gregory Christian. He was an Electrician on the Alaska Pipeline and former owner of Bernhill Farm and Broadway Pizza. He was an accomplished artist and violinist. He loved nature and animals. When 10 years old, he met Anne and Paul Sohma. In years to come they became like his second parents. He was preceded in death by his parents, brothers and sisters. He is survived by his wife, children, nieces and nephews. Visitation was held on Sept. 22, Saturday, from 4:00 - 8:00 p.m. and Sept. 23, Sunday, 2:00 - 8:00 p.m. A funeral was held on Sept. 24, Monday 11:00 a.m. at Phillips Funeral Home, 122 West Lake Street, South Lyon, MI. Online guestbook: www.phillipsfuneral.com

LAFFERTY, DENISE
March 3, 1921 - Sept. 23, 2012.
Online condolences: obrienwilliamsfuneralhome.com

CHAMBERLAN, PATRICIA ANN
December 30, 1927 - September 17, 2012. Online condolences: obrienwilliamsfuneralhome.com

SCHULTE, BRIAN J.
Age 59, of Northville, passed away suddenly 9/18/2012. A funeral mass was held last Saturday at Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church.
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ORDAN, ALFRED G.
Sept. 2, 1950 - Oct. 5, 2012. In some ways it seems like yesterday and other ways much longer than October 3, 2011. With a little changing experience this has been. Our family and our lives will never be the same without you here on earth. We will love you forever and never will forget you! God gave us the best when He gave you to us. - Your Loving Family

SIROVEY, DANIEL
Age 91, passed away August 26, 2012. Burial with military honors were held on Sept. 21 at Great Lakes National Cemetery. By Phillips Funeral Home.

WILLACKER, JUDITH L.
April 11, 1945 - September 15, 2012. Online condolences: obrienwilliamsfuneralhome.com

Crawford seeks 2nd term as county commissioner

KATHY CRAWFORD
Age: 70
Years a Novi resident: lifelong
Community involvement: Former Novi City Council member; elected in Nov. 2010 Oakland County Commissioner District 9; past secretary and active member of the Novi Oaks Charter Chapter of American Business Women's Association; Novi Library Friend/Library Fundraising Committee and Library Jubilee Committee; Novi Senior Theater cast member; Friend of the Novi Theatre; member of the Women Officials Network; West Oakland Republican Club member; Oakland County Republican Executive Committee; founder of the Novi Town Hall Series; past chair and member of the City of Novi Retirees Association; past chair of the Providence Park Hospital Community Relations Committee; Member National Rifle Association (NRA).
Related experience: Currently appointed and serving on the following County Committees: Finance, vice chair of General Government, Planning and Building; appointed by Chair Gingell to the Oakland County Retirees Compensation Board; vice chair of Community Development Advisory Board; vice chair West Casting AdHoc; chair of Oakland County Senior Planning Coalition for Transportation; member of the county Legislative Committee, Prescription Drug Card AdHoc, OLHSA Executive Board, OLHSA Board, OLHSA Human Resource Development and OLHSA Fundraising, Committee.
Profession: Owner, Kathy Crawford Communications; author of several workbooks as well as memoir ("Two Broads Apart"). Retired after 30 years as a professional in the field of aging, and was Michigan's second senior director to be professionally certified. Frequent speaker and workshop presenter on a variety of topics, particularly aging issues.
Family: Married for 48 years to Hugh Crawford; three grown children; two grandchildren.



What will be your top three priorities if elected?
Balancing the budget without raising taxes. In August of 2012 the Board of Commissioners adopted the county executive's recommended budget for FY2013-2015 plus two additional years at less detail. These operating budgets ensure that the county is able to provide stable and quality services, fiscally financed through September 2015.
Economic viability: Continuing to nurture programs such as Medical Mainstreet, Emerging Sectors, Feet on the Street serving small businesses, business retention programs and more.
Planning for the unprecedented numbers of older adults needing a wide range of services as well as offering opportunities for older adults to remain in their community as healthy, active, valuable community members.
Do you feel Oakland County is moving in the right direction?
I do feel that Oakland County is moving in the right direction despite the economic climate.
Why should voters choose you?
Because of my years of experience and success at getting things done for Novi. Most things are simple...you identify a problem or a need based on fact and you work toward a solution. Solutions involve optimism, creativity and persuasion. You also need to be a collaborator, not just a complainer. That is the way I have always gotten things done.

BuWalda & Cameron
Megan Denise BuWalda, of Novi, and David Martin Cameron, of Midland, were married June 23, 2012, at Shrine off the Little Flower in Royal Oak with the Rev. Anthony Camilleri officiating. The bride is the daughter of Robert and Joan BuWalda, of Novi. She attended University of Michigan and works for Carat, a media planning company for General Motors. Her attendants included Danielle Janowski, Natalie Hinks, Debra Hsieh, Rachel Mobio, Melissa Cameron and Megan Cameron. The groom is the son of Martin and Bernadette Cameron, of Midland. He attended University of Michigan and is a third-year medical student at Wayne State University. His attendants included Guolung Tan, Derek BuWalda, Scott Knaffla, Christian Stoffan, Joshua Munro, and Stephen Gee. A reception was held at Glen Oaks, Farmington Hills. The couple honeymooned in Mayan Riviera Mexico and will reside in Royal Oak.



Megan Denise BuWalda and David Martin Cameron

Milestones
Sabourin & Pridmore
Kit and Sharyl Pridmore, of Novi, announce the engagement of their son, David Harvey Pridmore, to Adele Marion Sabourin, daughter of Paul and Marggo Sabourin, of Sault Ste. Marie. The future bride graduated from Central Michigan University with a bachelor's degree in Finance in 2006 and University of Michigan-Dearborn with a master's degree in business administration in 2012. She is an assistant vice president at Comerica Bank. The future groom received a bachelor's degree in chemistry and math from Hope College in 2004 and a doctor of medicine degree from Wayne State University in 2010. He is a resident in urology at Royal Oak Beaumont Hospital. The couple reside in Royal Oak and are planning a Sept. 13, 2013 wedding in Plymouth.



David Harvey Pridmore and Adele Marion Sabourin

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Incumbent Rep. Crawford seeking second term

1. Why are you seeking this position?
I firmly believe that citizenship is not a spectator sport. For me, that means I have an obligation for public service and a focus on getting things done for you. Over the past four years in Lansing, I have leveraged my experience in business and government to bring a new perspective on the issues and challenges facing the 38th District. Simply put, I've been laser focused on creating a job-friendly environment for the State of Michigan. It's all about creating jobs and leading our state out of a decade-long recession. Just two years ago, we found

ourselves strapped with a \$1.6 billion deficit. That problem is solved -- we now have a \$500 million surplus. We're now well on our way to economic success in our great state.

2. What will be your top three priorities if elected?
Create a job-friendly environment: The way to solve Michigan's chronic budget problems is to solve the jobs problem. More jobs mean more money for schools, police protection, roads and community health.

3. Do you feel our state is moving in the right direction?
Yes.

4. In recent years, legislators have increasingly voted strictly along party lines. Do you see this as a positive, and how do you envision collaborating with members of the opposing political party?
We don't vote strictly along party lines. I am a strong advocate of our bipartisan caucus and working across the aisle when possible.

HUGH CRAWFORD

Age: 70
Years a Novi resident: all of them
Community involvement: Novi City Council - 15 years; mayor pro tem, Novi City Council - eight years; Southwest Oakland Cable Commission - 13 years; Novi Parks and Recreation Commission - 10 years; Novi Parks and Recreation Commission chairman - six years; Novi Lions Club; Multi-Lakes Conservation Association; Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce; Novi Chamber of Commerce
Related experience: Oakland County Board of Commissioners - eight years; vice chairman of the Board of Commissioners - two years; Oakland County Executive Committee, oversaw \$600 million county budget; past chairman of the Public Services Committee; National Association of Counties; Michigan Association of Counties; Finance Committee; General Government Committee; Parks and Recreation Committee; Airport Committee; Jail Overcrowding Committee; Emergency Telephone Service Committee; Commercial Mobile Radio Service Subcommittee
Profession: State Representative 38th District; retired from Xerox Corporation
Education: Graduated from Northville High School; some college; United States Marine Corp four years
Family: married 48 years to Kathy; three grown children; two grandchildren



government: We need to continue to make more reforms in government spending. We need to continue to streamline operations and make state departments more efficient, transparent and accountable.

3. Do you feel our state is moving in the right direction?
Yes.

4. In recent years, legislators have increasingly voted strictly along party lines. Do you see this as a positive, and how do you envision collaborating with members of the opposing political party?

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and corporations. The committee is spearheading the need to streamline all regulatory processes and is helping to create a better

climate for continued job creation. Support for K-12 education: Approving budgets in a timely manner. Support local flexibility in

sinking funds: Local school districts need purchasing options, so these funds can be used wisely to offset operational expenses. Smaller state

Tindall challenging incumbent for House seat

1. Why are you seeking this position?
As I am now retired I see this as an opportunity to give back to this State that has been so good for me and my family. However my main objective is to use my campaign as an opportunity to help re-elect President Obama. This president has been under constant attack even before taking the office to which he was democratically elected. The leaders of the Republican Party have publicly declared their #1 priority is to defeat

this President. At every turn as partisan officials and refused to work with this President, no matter our country's need of cooperation to solve problems. It is not my understanding of this being the way our system of government is supposed to operate.

2. What will be your top three priorities if elected?
No. 1: Restore public school funding, re-invest in our public schools.
No. 2: Promote and encourage Made in USA and Made in

CHUCK TINDALL

Age: 58
Novi resident: 27 years
Community involvement: Leader of grass roots citizens group that amended Novi City Charter; active letter writer to local papers.
Related experience: Never held public office but fought City Hall and won.
Profession: Union commercial carpenter (retired)
Education: Garden City High School (East) Class of 1972
Family: married 31 years to Carleen; two sons - Christopher and Chad, both Novi High School graduates



state is moving in the right direction. When you chose to tax people for losing a job and people who have worked long enough and sacrificed to earn a pension, you are not moving forward; you are going pretty low.

4. In recent years, legislators have increasingly voted strictly along party lines. Do you see this as a positive, and how do you envision collaborating with members of the opposing political party?
I do not see voting strictly along party lines as a positive.

3. Do you feel our state is moving in the right direction?
No, I do not feel our

Michigan. No. 3: Cut taxes on retirees and unemployed individuals.

One example of how I would have acted to collaborate with the opposing party would have been in supporting Republican Gov. Snyder (I'm a Democrat) in securing a deal for a new bridge to Canada. The new bridge is supported by nearly all organized parties except one and would be a boon to our economy. Yet the governor's own party, and that party only, has chosen to stand with the monopoly bridge owner at the expense of our citizens.

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PATHS

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also the president of the neighborhood home association.

Both said when they moved in they had no problem with the five-foot public walking path, but the plan to make it a designated bike path has them concerned. Garback said the city is planning on routing all of the subdivisions east of Yorkshire Place down the inclined sidewalk that is between their two homes.

"We found out when they came to install the signs on our lawn. There wasn't any communication with us on this change," Garback said. "This will be the closest bike path to any home in Novi."

Garback and Janik said the areas for the paths had been marked out, but things have been put on hold by the city. At the last Walkable Novi committee meeting, discussion on this subject had been postponed.

Plan adopted in 2011

In a report by Novi Planner Mark Spencer, the concept of neighborhood connector routes was developed during the planning process for the City of Novi Non-Motorized Master Plan, which was adopted in 2011.

Spencer said the plan lays out a systematic set of strategies to reduce the number of motor vehicle trips in the city and reduce energy usage. As a side benefit, increasing nonmotorized trips will increase the amount of exercise the city's residents get which should improve the health of those residents.

In response to the change in usage concerns, Spencer said that



Yorkshire Place homeowner John Garback stands on the pathway that the City of Novi plans to designate as a bike path.

since walkways are sidewalks, bicycles are permitted on the public sidewalk located in the public walkway easement that connects Cider Mill Road and Emerald Forest Drive.

The plan is to connect the route with the existing pathway system along Taft and 10 Mile roads and be part of a nonmotorized route that will connect subdivisions along the route with Fuerst Park, the Novi Library, City Hall, Novi High School and Power Park.

A budget was provided in FY 2011-12 for the implementation of the first three miles of bike

route signage to designate a bike route to and from the Novi Public Library through several neighborhoods north and south of 10 Mile west of Taft.

Another concern for the homeowners is if the path will be compliant with the American Disability Act. According to Spencer, this issue will not impact bicyclists. He stated existing facilities are not required to meet ADA requirements because signage is installed and the use remains the same.

The city has an ADA Transition Plan to systematically bring all sidewalks and pathways into ADA compliance.

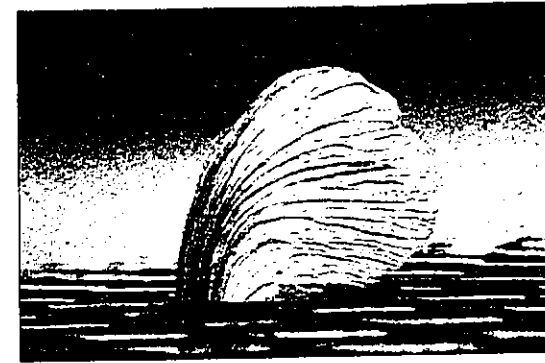
The recommendation made by Spencer to the Walkable committee stated "at this time staff recommends installing the neighborhood connector route signs as planned."

He said the connecting sidewalk will adequately facilitate additional bicycle traffic if users use caution. But added if problems arise after the establishment of the route, they consider alternatives or minor improvements along the route to improve the situation.

Garback and Janik say their fight may not be over.

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Close Encounters



An artists' reception was held yesterday in the Nancy A. Fox Art Gallery in the Assarian Cancer Center at Novi's Providence Park Hospital (southwest corner of Beck Road and Grand River Avenue) for Close Encounters: Shapes, Forms and Textures, a showing of original photography by the Photography Usions Group. It will be on display through Oct. 4 during gallery hours, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday. Please RSVP for the reception to (248) 465-5455.

CROP

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lic, Novi United Methodist Church, First United Methodist Church of Northville, and First Presbyterian Church of Northville.

"I've done similar things for other organizations in California," said Connors, involved for her first year. She noted infant mortality has dropped, yet 21,000 children die daily worldwide of preventable causes.

"It's a huge tragedy. In

America, we're so insulated by our wealth." Another child in Mexico worried he wouldn't be allowed to eat every day when he came to the mission.

The local CROP walk will start Oct. 6 at St. James Catholic Church, on 10 Mile west of Taft in Novi. It's a 5K with a shorter option as well. The event will wrap up with a concert, with Guernsey ice cream served at St. James Catholic. Absopure is providing water for walkers.

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Crutches stolen

1 An unknown suspect stole four crutches from the Henry Ford Health Systems center.

Sometime over the summer, the adult crutches went missing from a storage room at the location at 39450 W. 12 Mile Road. According to the Novi police report, no nurses or doctors had sold or issued the crutches, so it is assumed they have been stolen. The room was locked, but a variety of individuals have the security combination and access to the room.

Drunken Driving-Third Offense

2 A 45-year-old man was arrested for his third drunken driving offense after Novi police stopped him for erratic driving.

On Sept. 9, the police observed the driver weaving and crossing the lines and stopped him at 12 Mile Road and West Park Drive. The man said he had been at Lucky Strike.

After presenting police with a Mississippi driver's license, the man was asked to perform field sobriety test after the police reported smelling alcohol. He was given a breathalyzer and registered a .204 percent blood-alcohol content.

Larceny from automobile

3 A set of 4/22" chrome wheels and accompanying tires were stolen from a Escalade at Cadillac of Novi.

The incident reportedly occurred over the weekend of Sept. 8-10. Employees found the vehicle up on blocks with the tires missing. They are valued at \$4,600.

Pot stolen in B&E

4 A Novi woman had her apartment broken into and her medical marijuana stolen.

On Sept. 20, the woman, who lives in The Springs apartments on Spring-lake Boulevard, had been approached by three men she had met the previously while smoking on her patio, about giving them some of the medical marijuana. She refused and later left to go to CVS. When she came back she saw one of the subjects leaving her apartment.

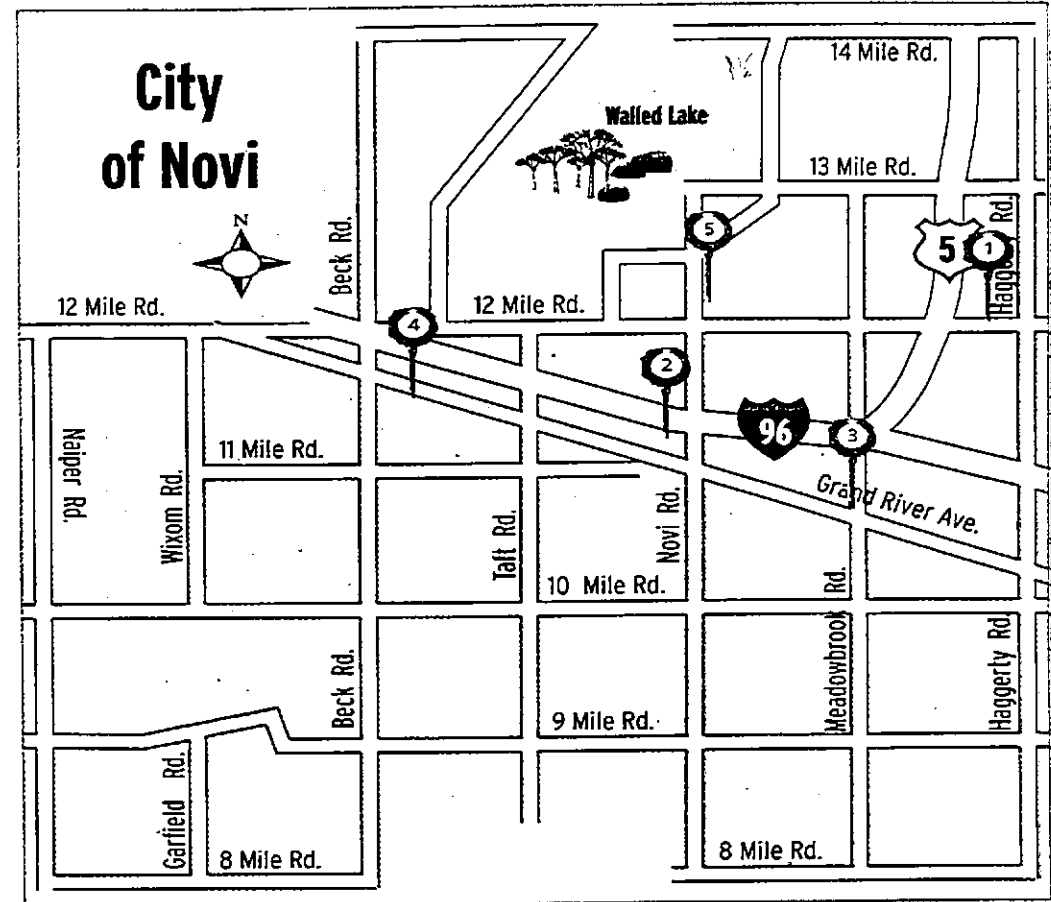
Her bedroom window had been pushed off its hinges and her prescription bottle containing the medical marijuana was missing. The case remains open.

Destruction of property at Twelve Oaks

5 A tree and some landscaping lights were damaged by a driver outside of Nordstrom at Twelve Oaks Mall.

On Sept. 15, an unknown subject was

NOVI POLICE BRIEFS



caught on video driving recklessly near the south entrance. The police report stated the sub-

ject's vehicle appeared to be a Dodge Charger. The car appeared to be leaving the area of Tin Fish

restaurant around closing time before it was taped running over the four lights and tree.

Compiled by staff writer Lonnie Huhman

UPDATES FROM YOUR CITY

Creative crafters encouraged to participate in Light Up the Night

The City of Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department will host the third annual arts and crafts show as part of the popular Light Up the Night event. The craft show will take place from 6-9 p.m. Friday, Nov. 30 at the Novi Civic Center. More than 2,000 people are expected to attend to event.

The cost to participate in the show \$30 and includes two tables and two chairs. Electricity is also available for an additional \$5 cost. Crafters keep all proceeds from the evening. Interested people should complete an application, which can be found at cityofnovi.org or the Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Office, located at 45175 West Ten Mile Road. The deadline for submitting applications is Friday, Nov. 9.

In addition to the craft show, Light Up the Night includes live entertainment, photo opportunities with Santa, refreshments, family activities. For more information, call the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department at (248) 347-0400 or visit cityofnovi.org.

On the Road with the Library!

Enjoy taking day trips but not the planning and driving? Then join our guides and local experts Kathy Crawford and Margi Karp-Opperer as they lead informative and enjoyable day trips to Holly, Lansing, and Detroit - including tours, special luncheons, and deluxe motor coach transportation.

The series continues with a day trip to Lansing on Oct. 4, featuring guided tours of the State Capitol and State Supreme Court, special visit/photo opportunity with State Rep. Hugh Crawford, and a charming luncheon at the English Inn. Then on Nov. 2, travel to Detroit with a docent presentation and tour of the Detroit Institute of Arts' Faberge: Rise and Fall special exhibit; luncheon at the renowned Rattlesnake Club, and motor coach tour highlighting Detroit's architecture.

The Novi Public Library is located at 45255 W. Ten Mile Road in Novi and the Novi Civic Center is located next to the library at 45175 W. Ten Mile Road. For more information on the On the Road series and other programs, visit www.novilibrary.org

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Heather Loftus and her son Michael, 9, check out some of the offerings at the Fall for Novi's perennial exchange tent.



Many local organizations and charities were on hand to greet residents at the Sept. 22 Fall for Novi gathering at Novi Civic Center.

Falling for Novi



Navya Jayagopal, 2, enjoys a moment perched on her dad Guhan's shoulders during the Sept. 22 Fall for Novi event at the Novi Civic Center.



Jenny Gogan and her son Brady, 2, say hello to a mounted police officer's horse during the Sept. 22 event.

These photos and others in photo galleries at hometownlife.com are available for purchase. Contact Web Editor Larry Ruehlen at lruehlen@hometownlife.com.



Donovan Henson, 4, gets a hand down from a fire truck by Novi firefighter Dan Schultz during Saturday's Fall for Novi event.



Novi Woods student Elena Levina plants her peace pinwheel in the school's garden on Sept. 21 as the school celebrates International Peace Day.



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Promoting peace

Lorelai Maissano and Reagan Pennycuff, left, run outside Novi Woods on Sept. 21 with their peace pinwheels as the school celebrates International Peace Day. Students made their own pinwheels, wrote about their ideas of peace, and then planted them in the school's garden.



A group of Novi Woods Elementary School students make their peace pinwheels into a peace symbol on Sept. 21. The school celebrated International Peace Day on that date.

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OUR VIEWS

Taj for Congress

Canton trustee best choice for new 11th District

Voters in the 11th Congressional District will elect a successor Nov. 6 to five-term Republican Congressman Thaddeus McCotter, who resigned amid allegations his staff submitted fraudulent nominating petitions for his re-election campaign.

We recommend Syed Taj, a medical doctor and a member of the Canton Township Board of Trustees.

Taj is smart, moderate and represents the views of many vot-

ers in the recently redrawn 11th District, which includes the western Wayne County communities of Livonia, Canton, Plymouth and Plymouth Township, Northville and Northville Township, as well as several Oakland County communities including Novi, Novi Township, Milford, South Lyon, Lyon Township, Farmington, Birmingham and Clawson.

As the only Democrat on the Canton board, Taj works cooperatively with the six other



Taj

Republican members despite their political differences to reach good decisions for the entire community.

He's knowledgeable and thoughtful, and he has earned the respect of his colleagues and residents alike.

Congress needs lawmakers like Taj who are good listeners and are willing to reach across the aisle to find compromise.

Reducing hyperpartisanship in Washington is one of his priorities, as are aiding the economic recovery, supporting growing industries in Michigan, improving the health

care system and the Affordable Care Act, and supporting veterans.

He is the quintessential American success story, an immigrant who worked hard to achieve success and has passed the desire to obtain an education onto his children.

Taj supports increased border patrols to stop illegal immigration, but he wants to improve the immigration process so that foreigners who want to work professionally in this country can get here, just like he did.

We think Taj is a solid choice for the 11th District, comprised mostly of highly-educated voters who, like him, value level-headed thinking, compromise and cooperation to move the country forward.

OUR VIEWS

One-two punch

Crawfords represent area well at state, county levels

The Michigan House of Representatives 38th District includes Novi, Northville, Walled Lake, South Lyon and Lyon Township. The two-year term has been held for the past four years by Republican Hugh Crawford, of Novi, who is facing Democrat Chuck Tindall, also of Novi, in the November general election.

We applaud Tindall for being the only member of his party willing to take on this challenge in a GOP-heavy district. But, with virtually no experience whatsoever in politics, shooting for Lansing on one's debut in this field may be aiming too high. True, Gov. Rick Snyder pulled it off, and some voters will find Tindall's lack of experience a plus.

However, Crawford, has been representing his constituents for many years — via city council, as a county commissioner and now a state legislator. In short, he has spent a lifetime in public service.

In Lansing, he's been a champion of regulatory reform that will lead to job creation, whittling down the size of government; and focusing on K-12 education — all while reaching across the aisle to make it happen.

If you are happy with the direction Michigan is heading and believe the current Legislature is responsible for that, we encourage you to cast your vote for Hugh Crawford.

Kathy Crawford (Hugh's spouse) has an equally impressive resume of public service. Also a Republican, the incumbent Oakland County commissioner representing the 9th District is being challenged by Democrat Gwen Markham.

The commission will drop from 25 to 21 with this election, and the two-year seat for this district has been redrawn to include all of Novi and the Oakland County portion of the City of Northville.

Crawford was elected two years ago, and has brought her spirit of collaboration in problem solving to a variety of committees, including Finance. That's important to note because Oakland County has consistently been one of the most financially stable municipalities in the country by working on budgets years ahead.

She devoted 30 years to working with our senior citizens, and is a good representative to have in place as older adults begin requiring services that she understands inside and out.

We endorse Kathy Crawford for Oakland County commissioner on Nov. 6.



Kathy Crawford



Hugh Crawford

COMMUNITY VOICE

Do you think the Detroit Tigers will make the playoffs?



"They are going to have a hard time this season. Pitching has to step up and they need to beat the teams they are supposed to."

Ray Cata
Wixom



"No, they don't have the leaders to get it done."

Bill Stuart
Plymouth



"I don't think so. They have a tough schedule coming up."

Seth Dzikowski
Novi



"I don't think so. The odds are against them."

Tom Fahey
Novi

LETTERS

Vote yes on Proposal 4

After my third tour in Iraq, the day I was discharged from the Marine Corps, my grandma passed away. She was diagnosed with Alzheimer's and was forced into a nursing home, which I believe led to an early death.

I will be voting yes on Proposal 4 to keep home care a safe choice. Had my grandma been able to choose home care, she could have remained a strong woman, living happily in her own home — and she could have lived her last days in peace and comfort, as opposed to feeling lonely and intimidated by strange surroundings.

We need to vote yes on Proposal 4 to ensure that our loved ones aren't forced into nursing homes or other institutions.

Josh Mull, Operation Iraqi Freedom veteran (2004, 2005, 2007), U.S.M.C.
Wixom

Time for a change

This is in response to the letter to the editor in the Sept. 20 edition of the paper by Patrick M. Downey.

Unfortunately, Mr. Downey has based his entire letter on propaganda that has come from the current administration which has subsequently been proven false. Documents and communication from the Libyan government and the recent acknowledgment by the Obama administration have shown that the movie denigrating Islam was not the cause of the attack on the U.S. embassy in Libya. It has been established that this was a coordinated attack on one of our embassies by Islamists and, unfortunately, our State Department had absolutely no security in place for these unfortunate Americans.

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Every statement made in his letter was designed to obfuscate the fact that this foreign policy debacle is just one more reason to change our current leadership. I believe it was imperative for Mr. Romney to point out the absolute failure of our government and its flawed foreign policy and to not do so would have been to accept the status quo. How many countries, under the watch of the Obama administration, have left our circle of influence and are now under the influence of the Islamists? Under our current policy, it looks like it may be the whole Middle East. Is this progress? Not only has this administration failed the American people with their flawed foreign policy, but their economic policies are rushing our country to the brink of collapse. Can the Republicans do a better job? I know one thing for certain: If we continue to

follow the down the current path, we will all suffer greatly. Please view this video link. www.YouTube-nocookie.com/embed/EWSIdwitaAc?rel=0.

Mark McManus
Novi

Wake up, women

It is absolutely mind-boggling that women in Michigan have been so conned by Obama as to defy logic for their support of him, as reflected in a recent survey. They obviously have not been paying attention to results over the past four years. His not-so-sterling accomplishments (to name a few) includes a record number of people out of work; guns to Mexican drug dealers; killing innocent people all over the world with drone strikes; deciding which laws he will enforce and which he won't; doubling the deficit; and ruining the health care system.

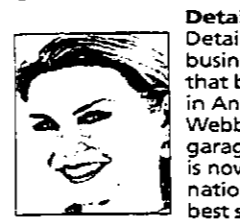
I'm convinced a lot of this female support is influenced by emotion than by logic, and are seemingly more impressed by image over substance. These are the same so-called independent voters who gave Granholm a second term when it was patently obvious she had not earned it based on her performance in the first term. This is "deja vu all over again" on a national level. Obama's first term performance disaster parallels Granholm's; which proves a lot of voters have short memories and/or are easily seduced by catchy political slogans. One thing I will say about Obama, he is often wrong but never uncertain. Hillary Clinton was right when she said he was not experienced enough to hold the top job. We should've listened to her four years ago.

Ned Hart
Northville

NOVI COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Novi events

MEET ANN WEBB
Time/Date: 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29
Location: Better Health Market in Novi at 42875 Grand River.



Ann Webb

Details: A business that began in Ann Webb's garage is now a national best selling Organic skin care product line. Ann Webb's passion for developing optimal skin care began at an early age when her own struggles with cystic acne were the driving force behind her mission for finding a solution to heal and develop beautiful skin. Ann traveled from her small town of Gueydan, Louisiana to research and educate herself about every type of skin treatment available.

BLOOD DRIVES

Time/Date: 8 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 30
Location: Our Lady of Victory, Northville

17TH ANNUAL NORTHVILLE-NOVI HOME TOUR

Time/Date: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 29
Details: "Three Centuries of Homes" — Hosted by the American Association of Contact: Karen Zyczynski, (248) 349-6342; www.aauwnn.org

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SAVVY SOCIAL SECURITY PLANNING WORKSHOP

Time/Date: 1-2:30 or 6:30-8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 23
Location: Novi Public Library at 45255 West 10 Mile Road

Details: Join wealth managers Walter J. Powrozek, CWS and Joseph J. Lezotte, CFP for the final presentation for 2012 "Savvy Social Security Planning: What Baby Boomers Need to Know to Maximize Retirement Income". This workshop will help you decide 1) when to start receiving benefits; 2) how to coordinate benefits with your spouse; 3) how tax issues can affect your benefits; 4) how to coordinate benefits with your other sources of retirement income; and much more. Reservations are free, but seating is limited.

MICHIGAN MADE ARTS CRAFTS JEWELRY SHOW

Time/Date: noon-8 p.m. first Fridays through December
Location: Atrium Of Novi, 43155 Main Street

BEREAVEMENT MEETINGS

Time/Date: 7:30-9 p.m. third Tuesdays
Location: Novi Civic Center (10 Mile between Taft and Novi roads)

NOVI SENIOR CENTER

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Business

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Time/Date: 7:30-9 a.m. first and third Tuesdays (except Nov. and Dec., which are just the first Tuesdays)

Location: Kerby's Coney Island, 21200 Haggerty Road
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Time/Date: 7-8 a.m. every Wednesday
Location: On the Border Restaurant, 21091 Haggerty Road (north of Eight Mile), Novi

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Location: www.novichamber.com or call (248) 349-3743

NOVI ROTARY CLUB

Time/Date: Noon every Thursday
Location: Novi Methodist Church 41671 W. 10 Mile Road

NOVI SENIOR CENTER

Location: 25075 Meadowbrook Road
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Queen bee

Macy's held its seventh annual Regional Spelling Bee at Twelve Oaks Mall in Novi Sept. 15. Kids from Grand Rapids, Upper Peninsula and even Columbus, Ohio participated in this event. Eleven-year-old Neha Seshadri, of Novi, won the championship after spelling "baroque" correctly. She wins prizes worth a total of \$1,600 which included an iPad 3, Kaplan Tutoring, Macy's & Scholastic gift cards and an autographed jacket from Radio Disney.

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The Big Salad's biggest drawing card and exclusivity by far is their entree salads which are featured as a main course instead of a side dish.

The Big Salad to open fourth restaurant in Novi

The Big Salad — a chain of restaurants in metro Detroit serving fresh, custom-made salads, soups, healthy and hearty sandwiches and a wide range of sandwiches — plans to open its fourth location on Sept. 25 at the Novi Towne Center.

John Bornoty

The Novi restaurant is The Big Salad's second company-owned location and will serve as the corporate training center for franchisees and a test bed for new menu items. The new restaurant will also

be the largest in the chain with a spacious dining area that will include a conference table section to accommodate business meetings.

"We're extremely excited about our new restaurant," said owner and founder John Bornoty. "It will be our flagship location, within easy driving distance from the most populated Metro Detroit areas and a place where customers can enjoy our latest and greatest menu items."

An enhanced menu will debut when the new restaurant opens, including new salads, sandwiches and soups which will be rolled out to the chains other locations

by the end of the year and at two new franchisees which will launch in 2013.

The Big Salad's biggest drawing card and exclusivity by far is their entree salads which are featured as a main course instead of a side dish. With three types of lettuce (Iceberg, spinach and romaine), 30 vegetable toppings, 30 dressings, eight meat and seafood toppings, and eight dry toppings, there are over 17 million possible custom combinations salad chefs are able to construct for customers.

"I wanted to create a specialty restaurant, where salads are the main course of a

meal that is made for our guests, not by them, and to their exact specifications," said Bornoty of the idea that is the foundation for his chain of restaurants. "The Big Salad is a restaurant where the number of fresh toppings seems limitless, the lettuce is continuously kept crisp and cold and the salad ingredients are not handled by the masses, but by one associate who is dedicated to making customers the best and freshest salad possible."

Bornoty opened the first The Big Salad in 2008 in Grosse Pointe Woods. He has since opened two franchisees, in Troy and Royal Oak.

NOVI BUSINESS BRIEFS

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Signature Associates has negotiated the lease of 2,400 square feet of industrial space located at 50164 Pontiac Trail, Wixom.

Steve Kozak of Signature Associates represented both the landlord, Naccarato Industrial and the tenant, Omni Controls. Omni Controls is a leader in the Fluid Power Industry, advancing and innovating all manner of fluid and air filtration systems and flow monitoring devices.

OAKLAND COUNTY BUSINESS WORKSHOPS

Business owners and entrepreneurs who need assistance are invited to attend seminars in February offered by the Oakland County Business Center. Business Basics workshops are now offered in 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 online at www.advantageoakland.com/expand, or call (248) 858-0783.

QuickBooks Essentials

Sept. 27
Session One: 9-11:30 a.m.

Session Two: 12:30-3 p.m.

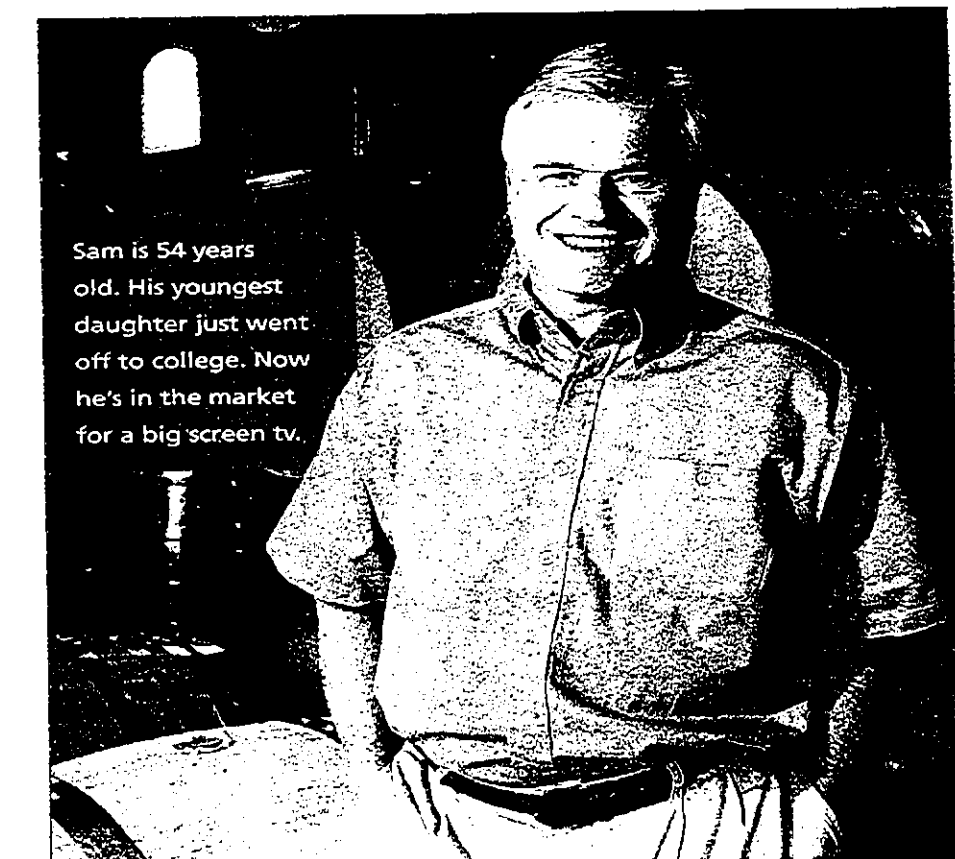
This introduction to small business financial management provides an overview of accurate recordkeeping, report interpretation and utilization, and management of the variety of tools provided in this system.

Session I
• Basic accounting terminology
• New company file setup

FUTURE WORKSHOPS

- OCTOBER
- 2: FastTrac NewVenture
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- 4: Business Research: Feasibility to Expansion, Oxford Twp. Library
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- 11: Fundamentals of Starting a Business
- 11: Team SBA Financing Roundtable
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A house in Canton, with roof-mounted solar panels, to be featured on the 2012 Srinergy Solar Tour.

Srinergy to host tour of solar installations

Michigan-based Srinergy will host a free bus tour of residential and commercial solar installations from 1-5 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 6, beginning at Srinergy's headquarters (24371 Catherine Industrial Drive, Suite 231 in Novi).

The Srinergy Solar Tour 2012 will be with information and refreshments in Srinergy's offices, followed by a bus tour showcasing a variety of Srinergy-installed solar PV systems including projects in Novi, Farmington Hills, Canton, Detroit and Ann Arbor. The event is open to the public. There will be a requested donation of \$10 each for Srinergy's Solar4Schools Campaign, which promotes the education of solar energy throughout schools in the area. Reg-

istration is required and details are available at <http://srinergytour.eventbrite.com>.

Srinergy is joining the American Solar Energy Society (ASES) and hundreds of solar-savvy installers and grassroots organizations throughout the United States to showcase more than 5,000 solar-powered homes, schools and businesses — in Michigan and across North America — for the 17th Annual National Solar Tour, the world's largest grassroots solar event.

The event offers the opportunity for participants to visit solar-powered homes and businesses in the Detroit Metropolitan area and introduces the public to solar technologies that friends and neighbors are using

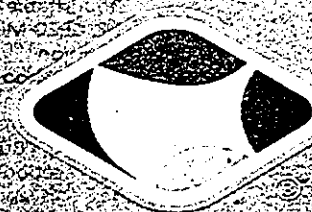
to reduce monthly energy bills and improve property values as they assert their energy independence and create a cleaner community.

Last year's National Solar Tour attracted more than 150,000 people in 49 U.S. states and Puerto Rico.

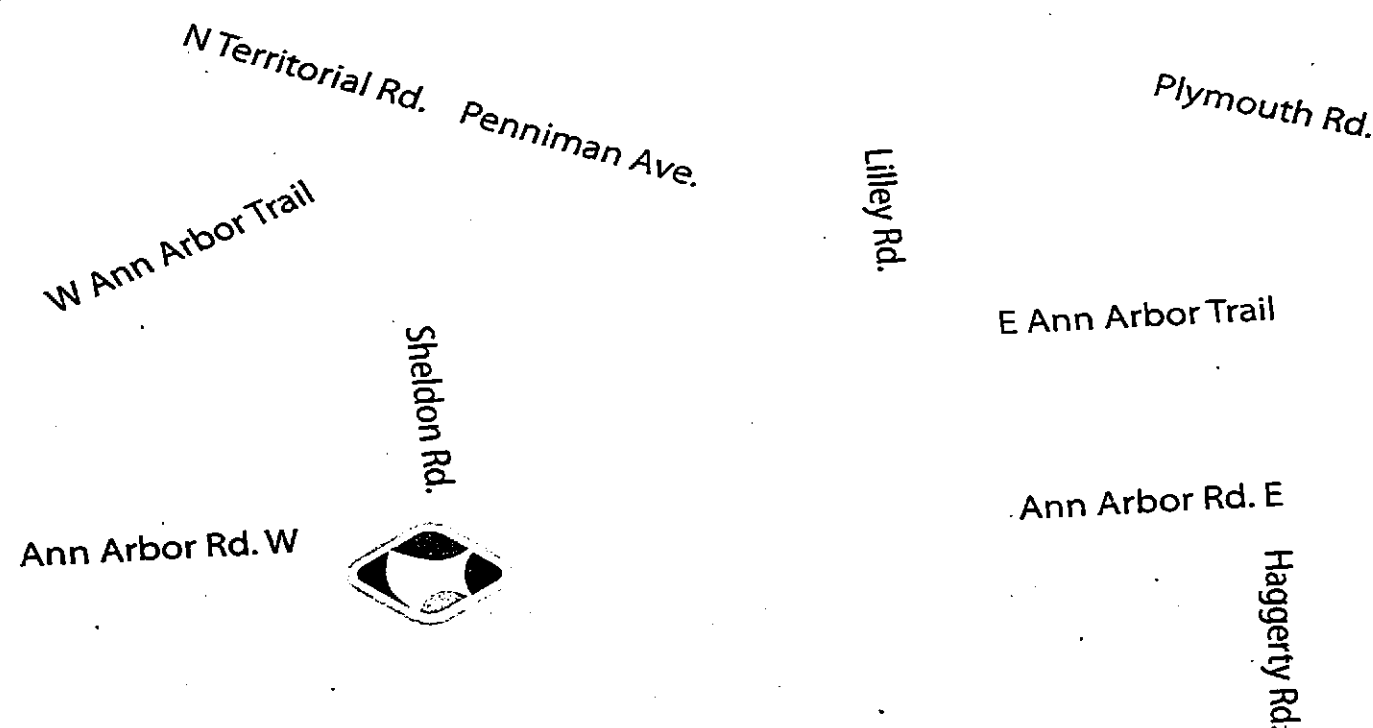
Tours afford participants the direct perspectives of homeowners and installers about the costs, processes and economic and environmental benefits of going solar. The tours also give Michigan-ers a glimpse at how a variety of solar systems look in and around structures with different architectural styles. It demonstrates an array of clean, effective, practical and economical solutions available right here, right now.

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Candidates pull no punches in prosecutor's race

By Jay M. Grossman
Eccentric Staff Writer

Let's just get it out of the way: Politically speaking, Jessica Cooper and Mike Bishop do not like each other. The two are running for Oakland County Prosecutor. Cooper was first elected to the job in 2008. Four years later she's mounting an aggressive campaign to keep it.

"I want the public to understand how important this race is," said Cooper, who spent 28 years on the bench. "I run a professional office — I'm very proud of what we've done. For me, I have a love of the law. It's what I do best."

Bishop, who spent 12 years serving in the Michigan Legislature before he was term-limited out of office in 2010, believes he can bring a more compassionate approach to the job. "I don't doubt for a second the rank-and-file at the prosecutor's office is the best you can get," he said. "But I think the focus has fallen off the victim's side, and more on the conviction rate. To me, it seems there always has to be this fist-thumping on the table and all this talk about 'rough justice.' I get that, but we also have to be very careful to respect and dignify the rights of victims of crime."

DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVES

Bishop is 45 and Cooper is 66. Cooper is a Democrat, Bishop a Republican. They both agree the office should be nonpartisan.

Bishop grew up in Rochester Hills under the roof of Don Bishop, a pop-

ular public figure who spent years in county and state politics. A University of Michigan graduate with a law degree from Detroit College of Law, Mike Bishop eventually took over his father's district. He's now raising his own family in the Rochester area, and like his dad, he's built a solid constituency.

"I remember my dad working on the (Gen. Ford) campaign," he recalled. "I remember conversations with my dad about Nixon resigning. There were plenty of political conversations around the dinner table."

Cooper's dad died before she was born. She grew up in Detroit, a Cass Tech graduate with a law degree from Wayne State University. She was in her senior year at high school when her mom passed away.

"I was orphaned by the time I was 17," she said of her childhood. "We never had money and I never considered myself very stylish. But I know the one thing I had was my intelligence. I have confidence in my ability."

If there's one area where they're alike, it's in campaigning. Both are relentless. Each time he ran for state House and Senate, Bishop was the clear favorite. His only real defeat came in 2010, when he lost to Bill Schuette in the Republican primary for state attorney general (Schuette is now endorsing him). In 1996, he ran for a regent spot at U of M and lost that, too.

Cooper, who lives in Beverly Hills, has won all her major races. Her first political victory came in 1978 against an incumbent judge in Southfield's

OAKLAND COUNTY PROSECUTOR

The county prosecutor serves a four-year term and is paid \$149,942 annually. The office has 95 attorneys, plus a support staff. They handle between 14,000 and 20,000 criminal cases a year.



Bishop



Cooper

46th District Court. She then served on the Oakland County Circuit Court and Michigan Court of Appeals.

Her only defeat came in 1996 when she ran as an independent for state Supreme Court. She's already outspent Bishop by a margin of nearly 2:1 (about \$100,000 to \$50,000) and has no plans of slowing down. Her message in the campaign is very clear: She has the necessary experience to run the prosecutor's office — and her opponent does not.

TRADING PUNCHES

Bishop's career has mostly been about politics. He's been with some private law firms (most recently Clark Hill in Birmingham) and he has a real estate license. Early in his career he prosecuted local cases for Orion Township and South Lyon.

He acknowledges one of the main reasons he got into the prosecutor's race is because Oakland County Executive L. Brooks Patterson recruited him. "He was concerned the leadership in Oakland County was slipping away," said Bishop.

"If money, fame or glory were my motive, I would not be in this race. I genuinely think this is the right thing for me to do

have changed in 36 years. Forensic science has changed in 36 years. I don't know how strongly I can say you can't have someone without experience or knowledge in that office."

THE BARRY KING QUESTION

Part of Bishop's campaign strategy revolves around Barry King, who's the father of Timothy King, the Birmingham boy who was abducted and murdered by the so-called Oakland County Child Killer in 1977.

King believes his son's likely killer is Christopher Busch, a convicted pedophile and the son of a prominent General Motors executive. Busch committed suicide in his family's Bloomfield Township home in 1978, almost a year after the King abduction.

King, who's an attorney, has publicly feuded with Cooper over the limited amount of information her office has released to him on the investigation. Bishop thinks King should be allowed to see the files.

"This is what I would do," Bishop said. "I would have this gentleman come into my office and sit with me, and probably another attorney, and go through the files together. I would share with him everything we know. We could easily depurize him at that point in time if that's necessary and have him sign a non-disclosure document. It's as easy as that. Give the man an opportunity to see what happened to his son. Even if there's nothing in the files, let him see that there's nothing."

Cooper scoffed at the suggestion.

"He thinks we can depurize the parent of a child who was murdered?" she said. "Here's the deal: It's called a conflict of interest, and I think it's something Mr. Bishop should learn about before he runs for prosecutor. Mr. King has a vested interest in this case... If this case should ever go to trial, Mr. King is going to be a witness."

Cooper went on to say she's shared as much information with King as "we can legally give him." She also said DNA technology may ultimately assist in the apprehension of a suspect.

"If it gives him peace that Mr. Busch was the person, then believe it," she said. "But we are going on with the investigation."

NO HANDSHAKES

To be sure, they've both taken their lumps publicly. Cooper has been criticized for her aggressive prosecution of medical marijuana cases, while Bishop took plenty of heat in the state Senate for his handling of the Ambassador Bridge issue — not to mention his cantankerous relationship with former Gov. Jennifer Granholm.

In terms of operations, the two argue over the county's drug and sobriety courts: Bishop believes the prosecutor's office should be involved, while Cooper said the budget won't allow it. Bishop counters putting first-time minor drug offenders in jail is more costly and less effective.

Otherwise, it's really a personality clash and whether Cooper's judicial experience trumps Bishop's political background.

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Extravaganza



SUE ROSIEK

At the Schoolcraft Culinary Extravaganza on Sept. 23, Steve Allen cuts heirloom tomatoes that he picked from his garden earlier that day. He is co-owner of Steve & Rocky's (on Grand River in Novi), the longest participating restaurant at the Extravaganza. The 21st annual event raised money for Schoolcraft College students scholarship and the Culinary Arts Program.

RACE

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"Jessica Cooper has been a judge for a long time," said Bishop. "She's had a one-way perspective. She's never had to collaborate — she just had to issue justice. Now that she's off the bench and required to work with the public, she's like a square peg trying to fit into a round hole, and her staff has suffered from it."

Cooper said her staff is one of the best in the country, and that office morale is fine. She dis-

misses Bishop as someone running just to keep his name in the spotlight. "I'm sure he's a lovely person who has lovely ideas, but this is a profession that requires highly technical knowledge," she said. "We don't have catch-and-release on these crimes. If we don't get a conviction, that person goes free. If we charge the wrong thing, then we've done an injustice. Honestly, I don't even think he knows what he doesn't know."

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Grand re-opening



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Novi Town Center celebrated its grand re-opening on Sept. 13 with a performance by the Novi High School drumline, the jazz duo of Mark LoDuca & Andy Perri, and food and beverages provided by Diamond Jim Brady's. Shown (l to r) are Jim Clear, general manager of the shopping center; owner Simon Properties' Myles Minton, Michael Hupp, Richard Zalatoris, Gary Gowdy and Charles Boulard; Clay Pearson, Novi city manager; Whitney Stone, of 2 Stones Events; and Stephanie Kwapisz, Novi Town Center office administrator.

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- 6:55 p.m. Ribbon cutting ceremony to unveil the 45 life-size Skeleton displays created by Begonia Brothers that will inhabit the downtown during October
- 7:00 p.m. Concert by Social Bones

Street side food vendors from a few favorite Northville eateries, including Paramenters, and Pizza Cutters will also be part of the evening's festivities and don't forget Northville's popular First Friday Experience is also taking place from 9 p.m. at the galleries and other participating shops in town!

October & November in Northville!

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Farmers Market Thursdays Now thru October 25 (8 a.m. - 2 p.m.)
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Walled Lake Western's Mike Camilleri (right) attempts to take the ball away from Novi's Tyler Holt Sept. 22 during the Wildcats' 1-0 win at Western.

Wildcats refuse to play dead, squash Lions

Novi football runs through South Lyon 43-6

By Chris Jackett
 Correspondent

As steadily as the rain drizzled down at Wildcat Stadium in Novi last Friday, everything was finally clicking for Novi's football team.

Novi's football team (1-4, 1-2 KLAAs Central) steamrolled through South Lyon (2-3, 0-3 Central) 43-6. It was not a gradual buildup either, as the 'Cats led 20-0 at the end of the first quarter and 33-0 by halftime.

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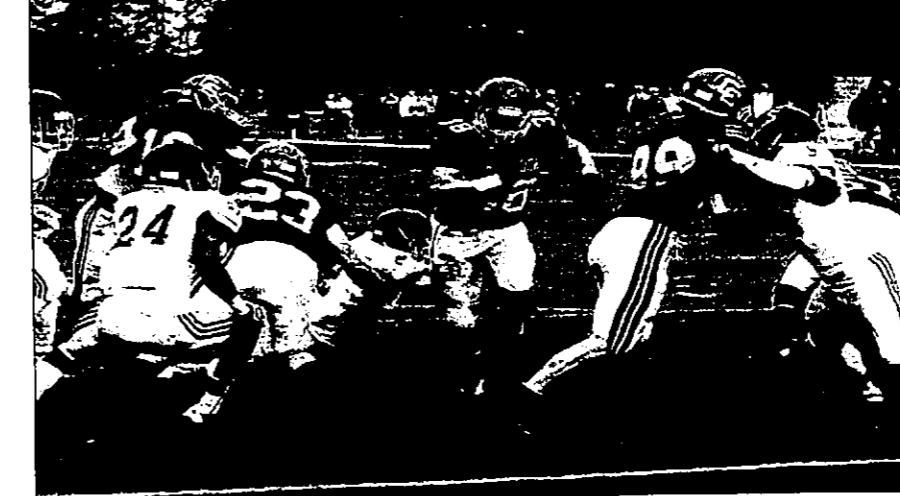
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Detroit Catholic Central squeaks by rival DeLaSalle

Anthony Darkangelo runs for three touchdowns

By Sam Eggleston
 Correspondent

In the game of football, you expect your quarterback to be a scoring threat no matter if your squad is focused on running or passing the ball in its offensive scheme.



CC's Brandon Malinowski (23) and Dylan Roney (89) clear the way for an Anthony Darkangelo (48) touchdown.

But who knew a quarterback could be a scoring threat when it comes to field goals? Detroit Catholic Central quarterback Garrett Moores keeps surprising the folks in the stands when it comes to what he's able to offer the Shamrocks in terms of scoring potential. The senior has helped make

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'Cat netters win KLAAs division title, knock off two ranked opponents

No. 2 Novi defeats No. 4 Northville 7-2

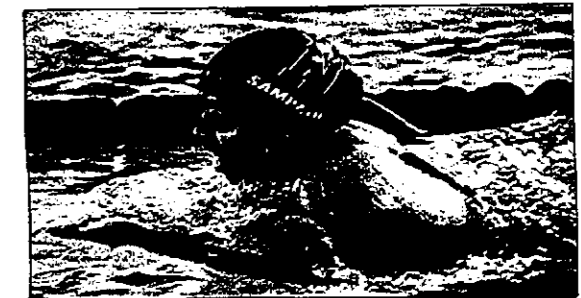
By Chris Jackett
 Correspondent

As the Wildcats' boys tennis team gets deeper into their season, they just keep winning. It didn't matter that last week's competition was all ranked opponents. Novi (5-1, 4-0 KLAAs Central) rolled and showed that they fit the mold as the No. 2 team in Division I, winning the Central Division title in the process. The 'Cats defeated baseline rival and fourth-ranked Northville 7-2 Sept. 18 before visiting No. 10 Saline for an 8-0 victory.

"I thought we played two very good matches against Northville and Saline," Novi coach Jim Hanson said. "We've had an excellent start, one of the best starts we've ever had."

Novi sophomore Tim Wang (15-2) continued to play solid competition against two of the best high school tennis players in the state, losing 6-4,

Please see TENNIS, B4



Novi Wildcat Swathi Sampath swims during a Sept. 20 home meet against Northville.

Final event gives Mustangs edge over Wildcats

Trio of 'Cats rack up individual points for Novi

By Chris Jackett
 Correspondent

The determining factor in last week's baseline rivalry girls swim and dive meet came down to depth. And it was Northville (1-0, 1-0 KLAAs Central) that had about two points more worth of depth on Sept. 20, as the Mustangs defeated Novi (2-3, 0-1 Central) by a 94-92 margin that wasn't decided until the final two events.

ON-TAP
 Novi's swim and dive squad (2-3, 0-1 KLAAs Central) is set to host Plymouth-Salem 5 p.m. tonight before competing in the Waterford Motz Invitational Friday and visiting Livonia Stevenson 6:30 p.m. Oct. 4.

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'Cat golfers keep in division title hunt with pair of victories

Cojei sets pace as Novi vies for last two league victories

By Chris Jackett
Correspondent

With a pair of victories last week, Novi's girls golfers are still in the mix of a three-team race for the KLAAs Central Division title.

The Wildcats (6-2) defeated Livonia Stevenson (2-6) 189-213 and Plymouth Salem (1-7) 196-212 to stay in line with both South Lyon (7-1) and Northville (6-2).

Novi's first victory last week came Sept. 17 against Stevenson, where junior Lauren Cojei was the match medalist with a score of 42.

Also contributing to the victory were senior Anna Greulich (47), sophomore Katelyn Henry (50) and junior Hannah Wagenberg (50). All four of Stevenson's scorers had between 50-56.

The 'Cats got a break between dual meets for the Oakland County Championships Sept. 19 at Pontiac County Club. Novi finished 13th with Cojei's 87 leading the way, followed by senior Allyson Krack (82) and Greulich's 94. All three landed in the top half of the 95-golfer field.

It was then back to division play Sept. 21 as Novi's golfers visited Salem for their second dual meet victory of the week. Cojei was match medalist again with a 44, followed by senior Sabrina Legace's 50 and a three-way tie from Stepha-



Wildcat golfer Ally Krack in action on Aug. 28 at Tanglewood Golf Course in South Lyon.

ON TAP

On deck for Novi's girls golfers (6-2) this week was the Milford Invitational Monday and dual matches two days ago against South Lyon East (2-6) and 3 p.m. today against South Lyon (7-1). A Novi victory in the latter match could create a tri-championship with Northville and South Lyon heading into the KLAAs Tournament 9 a.m. Tuesday at Salem Hills.

nie Ragatzki, Greulich and senior Lauren Henry, who all had 51. Salem's top four all had between 52-55. Although a variety of girls are contributing to

the varsity success, the junior varsity squad continues to impress by winning the Novi JV Invitational Sept. 17 and then defeating Salem 221-240 to remain undefeated in division play. At the Novi JV Invite, the Wildcats' 399 team score got the best of South Lyon's 406 and Farmington Hills Meyer's 415 as the closest two competitors. Sophomore Avery Ragatzki's 95 tied for tournament medalist, while sophomore Madison Kroetsch's 97 took third, Morgan Krupic's 101 took eighth and sophomore Claire Kalina's 106 was 12th among a field of 75 golfers.

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

Wildcats earn sixth shutout in eight games

Novi field hockey going strong into second half of division play

By Chris Jackett
Correspondent

With a fifth-straight shutout, Novi's field hockey team swept the first half of their first season in a tougher division.

The Wildcats (7-0-1, 6-0-0 Division II) defeated Saline (3-7-0, 2-4-0 Div. II) 2-0 Sept. 19 and Farmington (1-8-0, 1-4-0 Div. IV) 8-0 last Friday with six regular season games remaining. The Hornets didn't roll over easy though, holding onto a scoreless half-time on the road. However, the 'Cats would take the lead in the second half on a give and go off an offensive corner. Junior Megan Paul fed the ball to junior Lizze Malear off the corner and she passed it back to Paul for a tipped shot into the goal.

A few minutes later, senior Lauren Brown dribbled into the circle and ripped a hard shot into the back of the cage for a 2-0 lead that would stand as the final score as the defense held up their end of the game plan and Lola Teran and Katrina Koomen split the shutout in goal.

"Our structure and our transfers have helped to work the ball out of the back, across the field and up to our forwards," Brown said.

When Novi came to town two days later, the two-division gap was too much for the former rivals as the Wildcats steamrolled the Falcons. Lauren Zampilas set Tiffany Ghanam up for the first goal, right off the bat for a 1-0. The 'Cats kept up the pressure as Brown, Malear and Morgan Statelyk all goals of their own for a 4-0 halftime lead thanks to assists from Kerri Masserant, Malear and Ghanam.

"I feel that we work so much better

ON TAP

Novi's field hockey team (7-0-1, 6-0-0 Division II) was scheduled to host Ann Arbor Greenhills (3-5-1, 2-3-1 Div. II) Monday before visiting Dearborn (1-7-0, 1-3-0 Div. IV) 7 p.m. tonight, Grosse Pointe South (1-5-1, 0-5-0 Div. I) 6 p.m. Monday and Academy of the Sacred Heart (3-3-4, 1-2-3 Div. II) 6:15 p.m. Wednesday for a road trip of sorts. One more Div. II victory would clinch the title.

with one another on the field," senior Stephanie Eiler said. "This year I realized we are more intense during the games and we have the drive to win every time, regardless of who we are playing."

The offensive onslaught kept flowing in the second half, starting with Masserant setting Statelyk up for a goal, followed by a tip in off a penalty corner by Paul. Megan Murphy and Lauren Zampilas added late goals off assists from Amanda Minnisale and Kaleena Sedgi to lock up the 8-0 victory.

"I think our team mentality on and off the field is strong," Paul said. "The great speed we have along with our new structure really emphasizes the teams talent individually and as a whole."

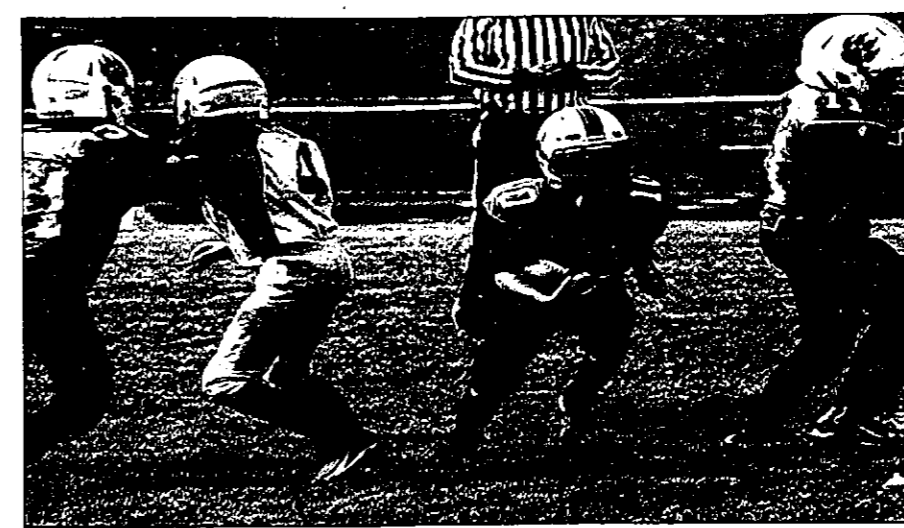
"We have some great returning and new additions to the team that have worked to improve their skills and it shows. Also, having two coaches on the sideline really gives the team better individualized teaching and attention to detail, which has made a difference this season."

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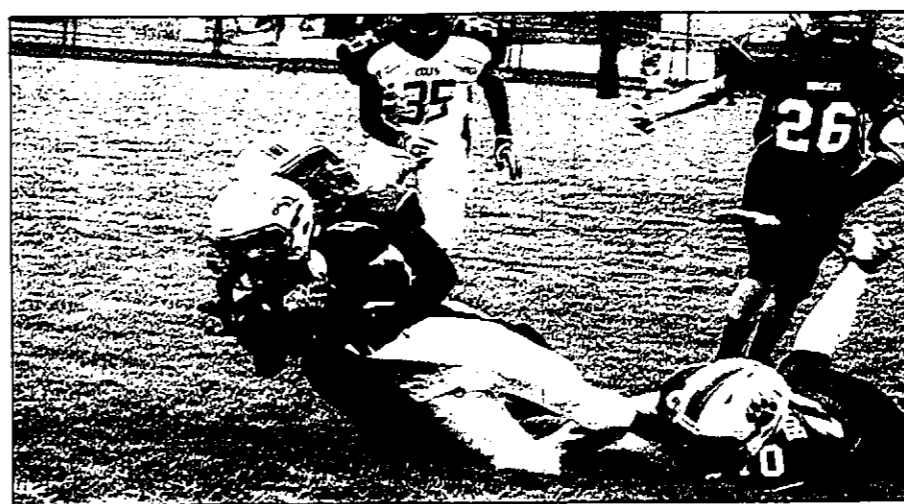
Varsity posts 28-8 victory over Colts

The Novi varsity Bobcats (4-0) defeated the Northville Colts (0-4) in convincing fashion by a score of 28-8 on Saturday. The Bobcats running game, led by Anthony D'Annibale's 114 yards on just eight carries and two first quarter touchdowns, proved too much for the Colts. Although marred by two uncharacteristic fumbles early in the first half, the Bobcats bounced back, posting 28 first half points on additional touchdown runs by Ian Patterson (11 yards) and Suhas Chintalapuri (59 yards), to put the game out of reach. Once again, Blake King excelled on special teams, kicking the ball well and making two out of three PAT's to add to the Bobcat scoring. Many of the Bobcats successful running plays were highlighted by excellent blocks from Connor Moore, Ryan Welch, Andrew Calhoun, Rakin Parker, and Patterson, who all helped spring D'Annibale on several of his long runs. D'Annibale also added a spectacular punt return of 57 yards, setting up Patterson's touchdown run in the second quarter.



Novi's Jack Beno (10) runs for one of his two touchdowns.

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Novi Varsity Bobcat Stephen Cadwell (92) makes a big tackle in Saturday's game against the Northville Colts.

PHOTO BY NANCY LYONS

field tackle on one of the Bobcats' kick-offs. — By Eric Smith

Freshmen falls short against Northville, 24-12

The Novi Bobcats Freshman team (1-3) fell short by a score of 24-12

to the Northville Colts (3-1), on Saturday. Despite the loss, quarterback Jack Beno had 16 carries for 112 yards and two touchdowns, with runs of 35 and 27 yards. In a close first half the Colts picked up their second touchdown with just under a minute left to

give the Colts a 12-0 half-time lead, that provided the decisive difference. In the second half both teams exchanged touchdowns. The Bobcats' defense was led by Alex Vargas, Ethan Cooper, Gavin Parenti, and Malik McGhee. — By Chris Parenti

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Wildcat harriers edge Lions

Barnes sets new home course best, Hall steps up in bigger role

By Chris Jackett
Correspondent

Novi junior cross country runner Brian Barnes continued to shine last week, helping the Wildcats edge out South Lyon in a dual meet and place well at the Anchor Bay Invitational. With a personal course record of 16 minutes and 56 seconds, just two seconds off his overall personal best, Barnes finished first individually at the Sept. 18 dual meet, which the Wildcats (1-1) won 28-29 over South Lyon (0-2).

"We knew going in it was going to be close, and this is as close as it can get," Novi coach Robert Smith said. "There were many mini races within the contest. Our guys knew their assignments, and we executed it to perfection."

Sophomore Nate Hall gave the Wildcats the third-place runner in a personal course record of 17:36 after battling through a pack of Lions that made things tough by capturing fourth through sixth place after another teammate finished second.

"Had Nate run six seconds slower, we would have lost the meet by one point instead of winning by one point," Smith said. "Nate was our MVP of the meet. With South Lyon taking four out of the top six slots we were still in a world of hurt."

Novi's pack of seven runners took seventh through 13th place, so the combined Novi scores of first, third, seventh, eighth and ninth got the best of the Lions' top five runners. The Novi pack consisted of Cameron Misko (seventh in 18:12), Collin Thomas (eighth in 18:17), Sahisnu Malapati (ninth in 18:19), Joost Plaetinck (10th in 18:24), Phil Baeza (11th in 18:24), Ben Jenkins (12th in 18:25) and Cameron Richman



ROBERT SMITH

Sophomore Nate Hall chases down a South Lyon opponent Sept. 18 during Novi's 28-29 victory. Hall passed the Lions' runner to finish third in 17:36.

ON TAP

Novi's boys cross country squad (1-1) was scheduled to visit Island Lake to face South Lyon East (1-1) 4:10 p.m. two days ago before competing in Friday's Waterford Mott Invitational at 3 p.m. Next up for the 'Cats is Saturday's Saline-hosted Legends Meet at Huron Meadows 9 a.m. and then a 5 p.m. Tuesday dual meet at Cass Benton against Baseline rival Northville (2-0).

(13th in 18:32).

"It was a great show of team strength," Smith said. "You can't win meets without a strong pack."

Carrying momentum into last Friday's Anchor Bay Invitational, the Wildcats finished fifth in a field of 15 teams, led again by Barnes' ninth-place finish of 17:01.

"It was surprisingly strong competition," Smith said. "We

don't usually see teams from the far east side, so it was a bit of an unknown going into the race. It was a pleasant surprise to have a competitive race."

Also earning points for the varsity race were Hall (29th in 17:47), Tim MacPherson (31st in 17:53), Thomas (36th in 18:01) and Malapati (38th in 18:04) also earned the points for the team score. Plaetinck (40th in 18:09) and Misko (48th in 18:21) rounded out the varsity competitors for Novi.

In the junior varsity race, Jenkins won first overall in 17:50 as Novi took 10 of the top 20 places. Also within the top 10 were Michael Dickmann (fifth in 18:01), Baeza (sixth in 18:08) and Richman (10th in 18:17).

"We are a pretty good dual meet team," Smith said. "In head-to-head competitions, we can run everybody at once. With 22 guys already breaking 19 minutes this season, we have the chance for many guys to step-up and help in the scoring."

TENNIS

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6-0 to Northville's Tyler Gardiner before defeating Saline 6-3, 6-4.

At two singles, sophomore Andre Liu (14-3) suffered the Wildcats' only other loss in either match, dropping a 6-3, 6-3 decision to Northville freshman Connor Johnston before defeating Saline 6-3, 6-2.

"Northville, obviously our baseline rival here, is very strong at the top," Hanson said. "I thought Tim and Andre played good matches against them, but obviously didn't pull it out."

Freshman Koushik Kondapi (17-0) and senior Pavan Rao (16-1) cruised through their respective three and four singles flights with relative ease. Kondapi defeated Northville senior Nathan Albonelli 6-1, 6-2 before clearing out Saline 6-1, 6-0. Rao defeated Northville senior Rahul Raj 6-0, 6-1 before beating Saline 6-1, 6-1.

"Koushik Kondapi played a tough, very long match. They're both back court players, so they had long rallies," Hanson said. "Pavan Rao continues to roll. He's playing extremely well right now. We haven't had this kind of depth. This year we have it in both singles and doubles."

Novi's doubles flights fared just as well, sweeping the competition from both Northville and Saline. Junior Andrew Ying and senior Jason Carless (12-1) led the way at one singles, defeating Northville 6-0, 6-0 and Saline 6-0, 6-1.

In two doubles action, senior Nishant Kakar and junior Michael Chang (16-0) beat Northville 6-1, 6-2 and Saline 6-1, 6-4.

"In doubles, we played extremely well," Hanson said. "Northville challenged us in a few flights."

Senior Jon Thompson and freshman Max Anderson (15-1) had the biggest test at three doubles, winning the first set against Northville 7-6(8) before rain kicked in and held the second set over until the

ON TAP

Ranked No. 2 in Division I, Novi's boys tennis squad (5-1, 4-0 KLA Central) has a busy week ahead with KLA cross-overs against all three other KLA division champions, duals against the other top two teams in Division I and a tournament that features two more top-10 teams in Division. Novi was set to visit North Division champ Walled Lake Central Tuesday, host West Division champ Grand Blanc today, host No. 1 Ann Arbor Huron Friday, visit East Lansing 8 a.m. Saturday for a quad meet with East Lansing, No. 6 Traverse City Central and No. 10 Port Huron Northern before hosting South Division champ Plymouth Tuesday and No. 3 Bloomfield Hills Brother Rice Wednesday. All dual meets are at 4 p.m.

next day, which was forfeited by Northville due to one of the Mustangs being ill. The 'Cats finished off their week with a 6-0, 6-3 win over Saline.

Juniors Shashank Chitta and Kevin Xu (16-0) remained perfect at four doubles, dispatching Northville 6-0, 6-4 and Saline 6-4, 6-0.

"One thing that has plagued us all year long is sometimes we relax a little bit in a match and the other team gets a little life," Hanson said of second set rallies by opponents.

Seniors Achuta Doddipati and Harrison Halley debuted at five doubles together with a 6-3, 6-3 victory over Northville to cap the successful week of matches.

Novi's big quad meet Saturday against No. 1 Ann Arbor Huron, No. 3 Birmingham Brother Rice and Div. III No. 1 Detroit Country Day - who defeated both Novi and Brother Rice in dual meets earlier this season - was rained out. The Huron and Rice matches have been rescheduled as dual meets.

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the team a dual threat this year by offering up strong passing skills. But, last weekend, he proved to be even more valuable to the squad, kicking a 44-yard field goal in the fourth quarter and then the winning extra point in overtime to help his team defeat rival DeLaSalle, 31-30.

The game was as close and as physical as anyone might have suspected it would be heading into the Catholic High School League Central Division contest.

"We always expect an extremely competitive and physical game when we play DeLaSalle," said assistant coach Michael Mach. "We have tremendous respect for them. They had a tremendous game plan and it showed- they gave us all we could handle and more, especially with their offense."

It was an offense that found quarterback Giovanni Rescigno throwing 220 yards with a 20-for-28 passing performance while running back Damorria Lilly ran for 117 yards and three touchdowns on 18 carries.

"Gio Rescigno is an outstanding player and he's given us a lot of credit. They rose to the occasion, in the face of all the ups and downs of the year thus far and with all the distractions that come with Boys' Bowl week. We had our best week of practice to date this past week and I think it showed on the field Sunday."

One player who truly shined for the Shamrocks was senior running back Anthony Darkangelo. He ran for three touchdowns in the game, including the score that tied

ON TAP

The Detroit Catholic Central football team will be back on the gridiron when they visit the University of Detroit Jesuit High School at 1 p.m. Saturday.

the contest in overtime to allow Moores to kick the winning point through the uprights.

"Anthony is the heart and soul of this football team," said Mach. "I would go on record as saying he is the best football player on our team, and our team's unquestioned leader. He does everything we as coaches ask of him and does it 110-percent. In many ways he's a throwback-a hard-nosed player who does things without a lot of flash. He's a physical running back but he also has the speed to break it long for a touchdown at any moment."

"Anthony thrives on being challenged and approaches everything with tremendous humility. Whether we need a guy to carry the ball 20 times and wear down a defense, or need someone with the talents and speed to break one big play, 'Darko' is our guy."

The Shamrocks climbed to 3-2 on the season with the victory and are 1-0 in the CHSL. DeLaSalle is 3-2 on the year and 0-2 in CHSL play.

"Obviously it's a big win for us, both for our goals this season and for the morale of our team," said Mach. "We faced some tough opponents in the non-conference slate that challenged us as a team, but to be a 1-0 in the Central Division is a big lift. Getting into league play was a fresh start for us, and to get that first league win in such an emotional and meaningful way-by winning Boys Bowl-is a big boost for our football team going forward."

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FOOTBALL

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their hearts out." Novi coach Todd Pennycuff said. "This was just a great effort by our kids, our student body was there supporting us. They had their pep rally this morning and I think it energized the kids with the student body. This was a school win all the way around. I think we saw what that energy team and we were just a transformed football team tonight."

It was just 3:40 into the game when Novi freshman Emanuel Jackson (73 yards, two touchdowns on eight runs) ran 30 yards up the right side for a touchdown.

Although the extra point attempt failed afterward, Novi senior Blake Boron would pull in an interception less than 90 seconds later to set up a new drive from the Lions' 30 yard line. That drive would end with a 13-yard touchdown run up the right side by Novi senior Matt Forche (101 yards, two touchdowns on 11 runs). Senior Justin Danks' PAT made it 13-0 early.

With 14.4 seconds left in the first quarter, Forche would add a 15-yard touchdown up the right side. Another Danks PAT later and it was 20-0.

"I figured they'd pound the ball tonight and go into their style of ball and just keep pounding and stuff like," South Lyon coach Mark Thomas said. "Not like us with our option center. Danks' PAT made it 27-0 with 5:25 to go until halftime."

"Our running backs did real well," Pennycuff said. "I think we had one fumble that we may have lost, but I think they played real well and everybody just really concentrated on ball security."

"It was a real group effort, a family. I saw us come together as a family and really ready to play. We elevated ourselves, which we really needed to do."

The ensuing Lions drive didn't do South Lyon any favors, as senior quarterback Andrew Garcia (2-for-5, 10 yards) would be

forced to leave the game after hurting his hand during a collision.

"With all of these other injuries, I don't know what I've got left," Thomas said. "Like we told our players, they are not an 0-4 team. They're bigger than we are. We got off the bus and we didn't get started right away. We've got the injury bug. That's no excuse. We didn't play very well tonight."

On the first play after a fair catch kick-off, Novi junior Jeffrey Baker (147 yards, one touchdown on 13 runs) powered up the left side for a 63-yard touchdown run with 2:10 remaining. A Forche conversion rush failed, but the Wildcats took a 33-0 lead into the break.

Danks added a 26-yard field goal 4:35 into the second half to make it 36-0 before the Lions could get on the scoreboard. Starting at their own 8-yard line, South Lyon drove the ball 92 yards in five plays, with the bulk coming on a 45-yard touchdown reception from sophomore quarterback Anton Skupin (5-for-12, 84 yards, one touchdown, one interception) to senior Connor McReel after a short pass on the right side for McReel's only catch of the night. A PAT by senior Tyler Marcus cut the score to 36-6, but that would be as close as the Lions would get.

Thomas also credited McReel, who had a game-high nine tackles on defense, for his no-quit attitude.

Novi senior Rob Armiak (65 yards, one touchdown on two runs) would kick on a 62-yard touchdown run up the center just 1:37 into the fourth quarter to cap the scoring. Danks' PAT made it 43-6.

Novi junior quarterback Issac Burgess didn't take any chances with even a single throw last week, but kept the handoffs rolling to his running backs as they combined for six touchdowns.

After amassing a combined 55 points in the first four games, the 43-point showing came off 400 total yards of rushing offense for Novi. The Lions were only able to muster 154 yards (60 rushing) against the Wildcats last week in game that resembled last year's wet match-up at The Jungle in South Lyon. However, Novi didn't have the same trouble adjusting to the wetness and even converted six of nine third downs and their lone fourth down Friday.

"We as coaches didn't anticipate anything like this," Pennycuff said. "We played unbelievably. Our kids took it up five levels."

SPORTS BRIEFS

Women's lacrosse training clinics for new officials

The Michigan Women's Lacrosse Officials Association (MWLOA), a Michigan-based, US Lacrosse-endorsed non-profit, is hosting a series of clinics throughout the state over the next four months for adults interested in officiating women's lacrosse. Each clinic is geared to give new officials - and those who would like to enhance their lacrosse officiating skills - the opportunity to learn the basic rules, penalty administration and positioning concepts as one

begins the journey to becoming an official of the fastest sport on two feet.

The clinics take place Wednesdays, Oct. 17 and 24 (Grand Rapids), Nov. 7 and 14 (Brighton), and Jan. 16 and 23 (Birmingham); and Saturdays, Nov. 10 (Grand Rapids) and Jan. 26 (Birmingham).

All adults aged 18+, who welcome the challenge of learning or officiating a new sport are encouraged to sign up and attend one of the clinics. Games are played Monday through Saturday from March until June. The cost for the six-hour clinic is \$50

and includes membership within MWLOA. Membership in US Lacrosse will be required after completion of classroom and prior to any on-field work. Simply email Elaine Torvinen at mwloaSecretary@gmail.com for additional information or to sign up for a clinic.

Basketball tryouts

Novi Cats Travel Basketball will be holding open tryouts for fifth and sixth grade boys for the winter season on Monday, 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.

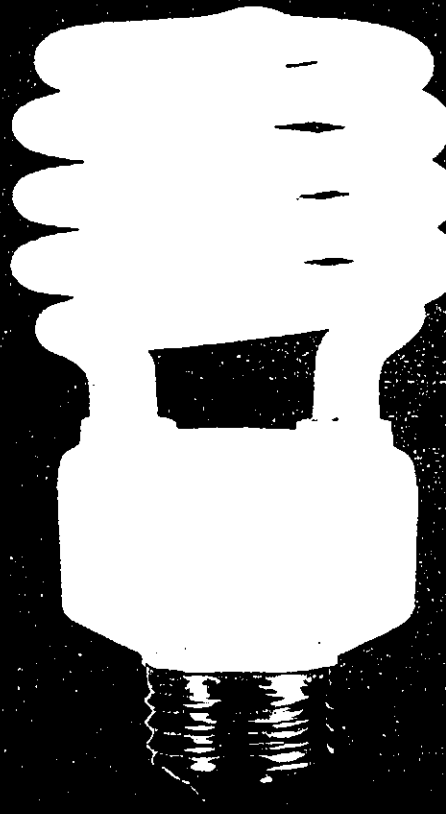
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"It was a tough, hard fought meet loaded with fast racing which came down to the last relay to decide the winner." Novi coach Annette VanderMey said. "The meet actually came down to the last B relay. We needed to take third."

The Mustangs took first, second and fourth in the 100-yard breaststroke to outscore Novi 12-3 and take an 88-84 lead heading into the 400-yard free relay. Northville won the 100 breast in 1:07.82, with Novi freshman Lauren Kim earning the Wildcats' lone top-three finish at third in 1:10.74.

The Wildcats went on to win the 400 free relay behind the work of senior Maranda Buha, freshman Alexandra Cortez, sophomore Mallory Buha and senior Kara Berg in 3:41.03, but Novi also needed either second or third place in the event to win the meet. Northville took both second and third, with the two points earned by the third-place squad being the difference maker. There were 2.64 seconds separating the third-place Mustang quartet and the fourth-place Wildcat squad.

The rest of the meet was filled with close finishes. Although Novi won seven of the remaining 10 events, the Mustangs took many of the other point-earning positions.

The other two relay events were split, with Northville winning the 200 medley relay in 1:52.88, just 0.11 ahead of senior Andrea VanderMey, Kim, senior Kelsey Shurmur and Berg for Novi.

The 200 free relay had two Novi teams in the top three, as both Buhas, Cortez and senior Janice Burnett won in 1:42.13, qualifying them for the state meet. Jenny Chang, Lindsey Vaughan, Kim and Shurmur finished third in 1:49.31 for Novi.

Berg captured two individual events for the Wildcats, the 200 free in 2:00.93 and the 500 free in 5:23.83, but the Mustangs took second and third in both.

"Kara Berg swam two great races to bring home 12 points individually, as well did Mallory Buha and Maranda Buha," Annette VanderMey said.

Mallory Buha also had a pair of individual victories, winning the 200 individual medley in 2:09.72 and the 100 backstroke in 58.21 seconds. Although Northville took second and third in the 200 IM, Andrea VanderMey took second in the 100 back in 1:00.87. VanderMey also took second in the 100 free in 56.80, behind Northville's 56.08 seconds.

Older sister Maranda Buha was the third Wildcat to win two individual events, taking the 50 free in 24.77 and the 100 fly in 1:00.01. Novi also got third place in each event, coming from Burnett in the 50 free in 26.42 and from Shurmur in the 100 fly in 1:03.34, which qualified her for the Oakland County Championships.

The Mustangs got the 1-meter dive victory with 215.05 points, but seniors Rachel Appelbacher (214.55) and Jillian Odum (200.55) provided a two-third punch.

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



Novi's Isabelle Glancy, left, and her teammates gather together before beginning their Sept. 6 match against Livonia Stevenson.

NOVI SPORTS ROUND-UP

By **Chris Jackett**
Correspondent

Lady harriers seek to close gap in race times

Sixty-one schools were represented at the Sept. 22 Jackson Invitational at Ellis Sharp Park and Novi's top two harriers fared well within the large field.

Senior Jackie Mullins finished 20th in 19:25.5, while sophomore Hannah Lomergan was 28th in 19:47.10. However, their teammates were roughly four minutes off pace. Freshman Sydney O'Donnell and sophomore Victoria Giese were Novi's third and fourth runners, respectively. O'Donnell was 144th in 23:39.7 and Giese 145th in 23:40.2.

South Lyon edges out Novi volleyball

Plans to repeat as KLAAs champions may be on hold as the Wildcats' volleyball team has dropped its second Central Division match of the first half of the season. After beating South Lyon East (1-7-1, 0-5 Central) 25-19, 25-15, 25-10

on the road Sept. 18, Novi (19-7, 3-2 Central) lost 25-21, 17-25, 28-26, 26-24 in a Sept. 20 nailbiter at South Lyon (9-6, 3-2 Central).

Senior Kacey Sheldon combined for 29 kills and 28 digs against the two South Lyon schools, while junior Isabelle Glancy had 28 kills. Junior Emily Robb combined for 73 assists.

The Wildcats looked to get back on track two days ago at Livonia Stevenson (13-12-1, 2-3 Central) before hosting Plymouth Salem (2-3, 2-3 Central) tonight, visiting Northville (23-0-3, 5-0 Central) Tuesday and hosting East Oct. 4. All matches start at 6:30 p.m.

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NOTICE OF CLOSE OF REGISTRATION FOR THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2012 FOR City of Novi

To the qualified electors of the City of Novi, County of Oakland, State of Michigan: NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Novi City Clerk's office, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375, will be open October 9, 2012, from 8:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. as the last day to register to vote in the November 6, 2012 General election.

If you are not currently registered to vote in the City of Novi at your current address, you may do so in any of the following ways:

- In Person:**
 - At the Novi City Clerk's Office, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road or at the office of any County Clerk during normal business hours.
 - At any of the Secretary of State Branch Offices located throughout the State during normal business hours.

Registration Applications Available Online to Register by Mail: Mail-in voter registration applications may be obtained by going to: <http://cityofnovi.org/Resources/Library/Forms/VoterRegistrationApp.pdf>. Complete the form, sign and deliver it to the Novi City Clerk by one of the following methods:

- Email to election@cityofnovi.org
- Place in drop box at Novi Civic Center 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375
- Place in U. S. Mail to Novi City Clerk, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 by the close of registration deadline, October 9, 2012

Note: Persons who register to vote by mail are required to vote the first time in person unless they have previously voted in person in the State of Michigan or are at least 60 years of age or are physically unable to attend the polls.

The November 6, 2012 General election will be conducted in all 21 voting precincts of the City of Novi for the purpose of:

FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING CANDIDATES OF ALL PARTICIPATING POLITICAL PARTIES FOR THE FOLLOWING OFFICES:

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| PRESIDENTIAL CONGRESSIONAL LEGISLATIVE STATE BOARDS | President and Vice President of the United States
U. S. Senator and U. S. Representative in Congress
Representative in State Legislature
State Board of Education, University of Michigan Regents
Michigan State University Trustees,
Wayne State University Governors |
| COUNTY | County Executive, Prosecuting Attorney, Sheriff, Clerk/Registrar of Deeds, Treasurer, Water Resource Commissioner, and County Commissioner |
| JUDICIAL | Justice of the Supreme Court Incumbent Position
Justice of the Supreme Court Incumbent Position Partial term ending 1-1-2015
Judge of Circuit Court - 6th Circuit - Incumbent Position
Judge of Circuit Court - 6th Circuit - Non-Incumbent Position
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Judge of District Court - 52-1st District - Incumbent Position |
| LOCAL SCHOOL | Members of the Novi Community School District - (2) 6 year term - Precincts 1-7
Precincts 13-16 and Precincts 20 and part of 21
Members of the Northville Public Schools - (3) 4 year term - Precincts 17-19 |
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and for the purpose of voting on the following proposals:

- 12-1 REFERENDUM ON PUBLIC ACT 4 OF 2011 - THE EMERGENCY MANAGER LAW**
- 12-2 PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION REGARDING COLLECTIVE BARGAINING**
- 12-3 PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION TO ESTABLISH A STANDARD FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY**
- 12-4 PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION TO ESTABLISH THE MICHIGAN QUALITY HOME CARE COUNCIL AND PROVIDE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING FOR IN-HOME CARE WORKERS**
- 12-5 PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION TO LIMIT THE ENACTMENT OF NEW TAXES BY STATE GOVERNMENT**
- 12-6 PROPOSAL TO AMEND THE STATE CONSTITUTION REGARDING CONSTRUCTION OF INTERNATIONAL BRIDGES AND TUNNELS**

Northville Public Schools, General Obligation unlimited Tax Bond Proposal for Instructional Technology and Equipment Purposes in the amount of not to exceed \$20,870,000. Full text of the ballot proposal may be obtained at the administrative offices of Northville Public Schools, 501 W. Main Street, Northville, MI 48167-1582 (248) 348-3400.

Walled Lake Consolidated School District - Proposal for Building and Site Sinking Fund Millage Renewal Proposal. Full text of the ballot proposal may be obtained at the Novi City Clerk's office, 45175 W. 10 Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 (248) 347-0456.

Maryanne Cornelius, MMC, City Clerk
248-347-0456

Novi soccer edge Western in battle of Pontiac Trail

By **Chris Jackett**
Correspondent

Although it was a non-league contest, last Saturday's match-up on the hill at Walled Lake Western provided a tune up as both teams head into a do-or-die stretch as both vie for KLAAs division titles. Novi (7-3-2, 3-2-1 KLAAs Central) prevailed 1-0 Sept. 22 at Western (5-5-1, 4-3-0 North), giving the 'Cats a three-game winning streak.

Each team got solid opportunities Saturday, with Western's Chance Davies firing shots off for the Warriors three best chances in the first half, but each was wide of the mark or saved by Wildcat netminder Tommy McMaster (seven saves, seven grabs off the line). "It was a good non-league game for us," Novi coach Brian O'Leary said. "We talked about before getting ready for the state tournament and the only way to get ready for the state tournament is to play in close games. It was a good game for us to have. It was close throughout and you make a couple key plays, you win. Or you don't make a couple key plays, you lose. And we made a couple key plays."

The Wildcats' best first-half chances came on in-bound plays served out of the corner, usually by Matt Kiura, but shots by Stevie Caruso and Clay King missed the mark. Tied 0-0 at halftime, a dipping shot by Western's Steven Massie 3:45 into the second half was blocked by McMaster. It was one of the last good chances the Warriors would get.

From there, the Wildcats - who had 13 shots on the day - rattled off chance after chance, causing Warrior netminder Jim Hague to come up with some saves worthy of the highlight reel on "SportsCenter." Tyler



Walled Lake Western's Mike Camilleri (right) attempts to take the ball away from Novi's Tyler Holt Sept. 22 during the Wildcats' 1-0 win at Western.

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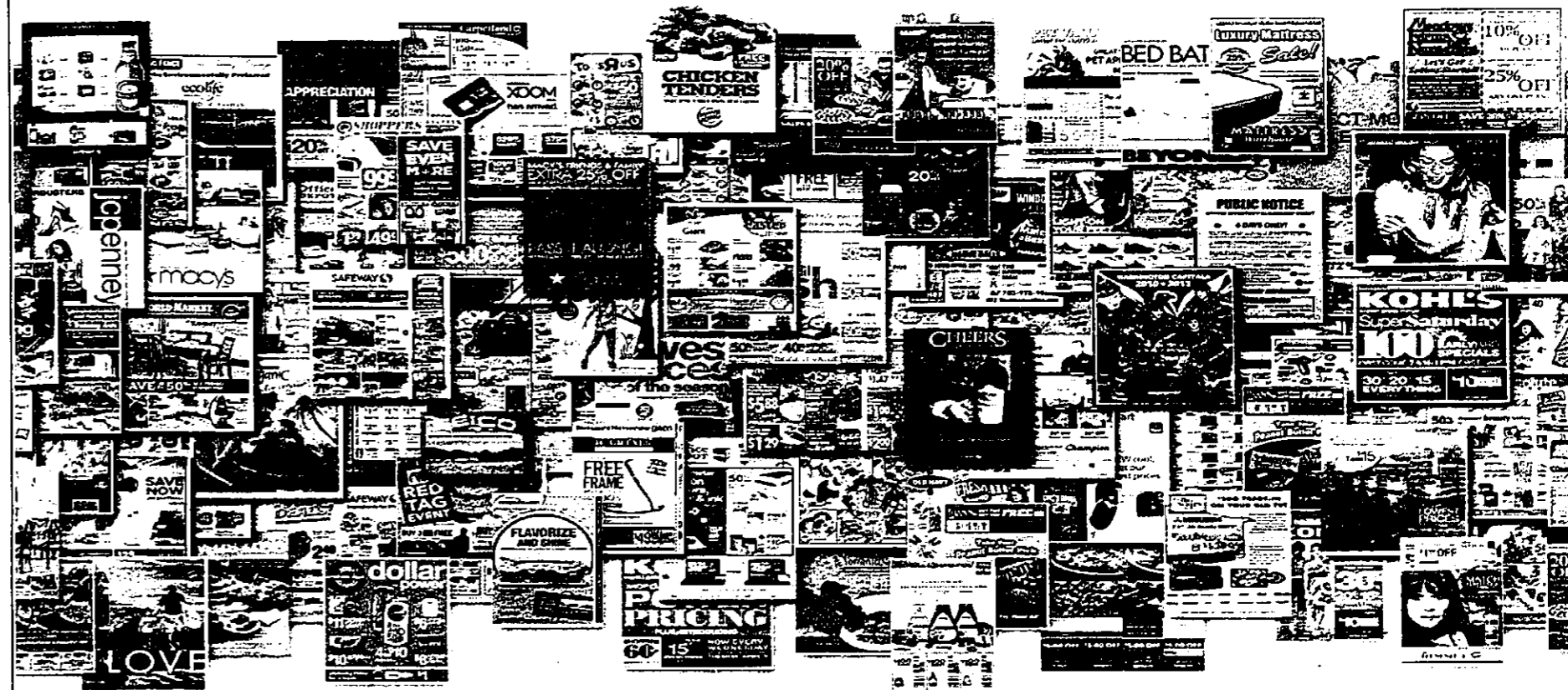
Novi's unranked boys soccer team (7-3-2, 3-2-1 KLAAs Central) was scheduled to host a string of tough division opponents, starting with No. 14 Northville (8-4-2, 3-2-1 Central) two nights ago, No. 6 Plymouth Salem (9-2-3, 4-1-1 Central) tonight, No. 15 Livonia Stevenson (6-1-4, 4-0-2 Central) Tuesday and South Lyon (3-4-3, 0-4-2 Central) Oct. 4. All games are at 7 p.m.

Holt even had one shot 12:25 into the half that Hague tipped so it hit off the crossbar and bounded away.

"Jimmy did well in the goal, made some great saves," Western coach Dan Turner said. "He's a good goalie. He won the national championship with U17 Jags, I think. It was a good game. We played OK. We didn't do great. We needed to move the ball better."

With gaps in the center and left side of the field opening up, Kiura, Don Nakashima and Holt caused headaches for the Warrior defense, which continued to hold Novi off and nearly create some counterattack opportunities.

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Family home will always hold a special place in my heart

By Julie Brown
O&E Staff Writer

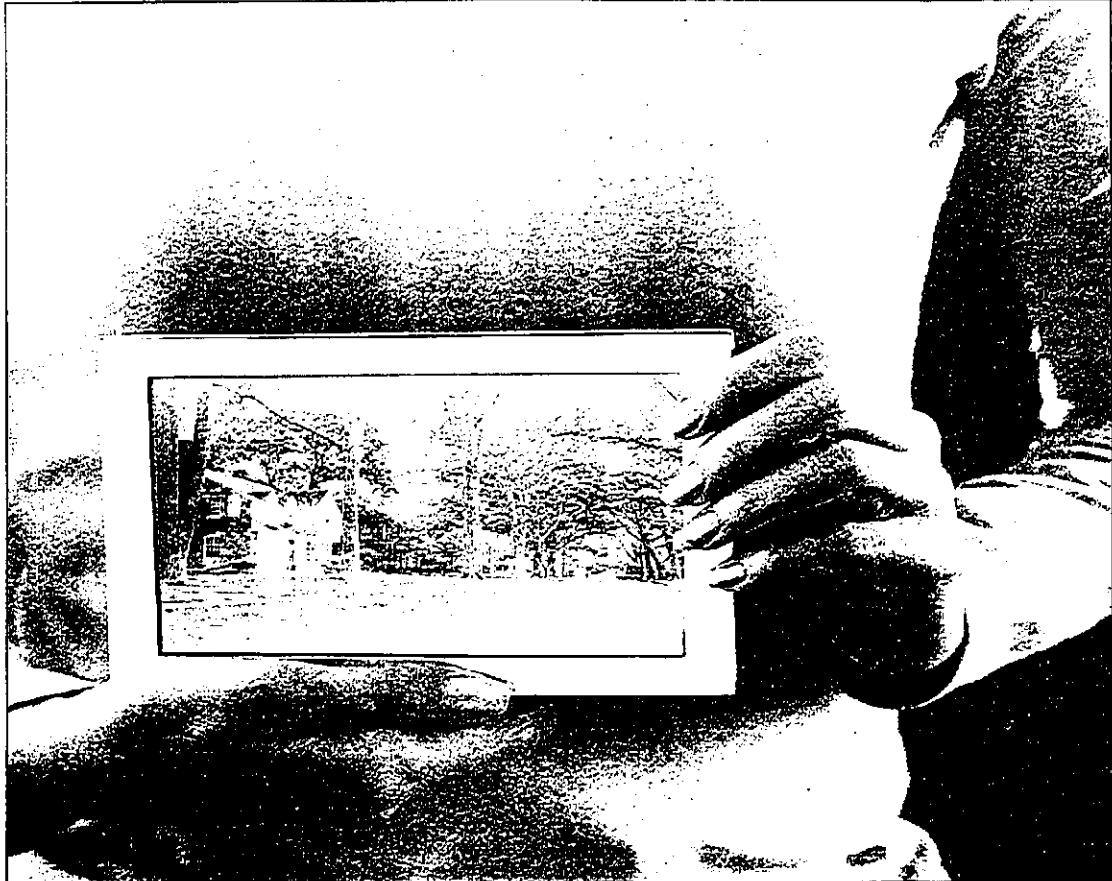
That recent Tuesday held a double dose of good news at the end of the workday. Our niece called to announce her engagement, and my husband and I were ecstatic. Her sister is also getting married next year and in the throes of wedding planning. Both young women plan 2013 weddings, one in June and her sister in the fall, which brought back fond memories of our own Sept. 9, 1989, wedding.

The second call was more commercial but also carried an emotional wallop. My sister called to say that our parents' house, after just over a week on the market, had received a respectable offer.

I'd heard from Realtor friends and sources that good homes in good neighborhoods are going fast now, receiving multiple offers within days of going on the market. Even so, I was unprepared to say goodbye to our homey four-bedroom colonial in Bloomfield Township.

I moved, while still single, to a Plymouth Township bungalow in 1988 and am used to that being home now. It's a great neighborhood and we've been happy. Still, part of me clings to that childhood home, where I moved in as a 6-year-old first-grader excited about having my own room.

My sister and I had shared a room in our previous Royal Oak home. My own room meant decorating decisions, having friends over and even inviting my sister, older by two years, to sleep over, a Christmas Eve tradition we shared for years. Like most sisters, it wasn't all sweetness and light, but she was kind enough to let me for several years she thought she'd heard Santa's reindeer on



the roof. We found our beloved dolls in the garage of our parents' home, much of their hair "loved off." Family photos brought back so many good memories, even if we weren't sure who all the people were. Our dad died in 1999 at age 74, and we lost mom this past April at a still-spry 85. My sister and brother-in-law did the lion's share of cleaning out and sprucing up the Bloomfield house, with my husband and me joining them on weekends. There's still the door frame where our parents marked our heights in pencil by name, although it's been painted over. I found some college correspondence — letters! — I'd written and received. It was as

if my grandmas and great-aunt in St. Louis, Mo., were with us again. A freshman year letter from a girlfriend at another Michigan college revealed her excitement at going to a dance with a young man who was a sophomore. I've adapted to e-mail as necessary, but was still glad to find that treasure trove of letters.

Some of the homes in my parents' neighborhood have been rear-downed, replaced by larger and newer homes. My sister held out hope that a new young couple or family would find our home appealing, and build some memories of their own there. It looks like that's going to

happen, and we're glad, both for them and for ourselves. The Plymouth Township home I share with my husband was previously home to an older couple; we've made some changes, but I hope they're looking down and happy with what we've done. Homes are certainly an investment, and that part of them has been a challenge in recent years. I'm glad to know my childhood home will be home to a new family, and wish them all the best.

Julie Brown is presentation editor for the Observer & Eccentric/Hometown Newspapers. She can be reached at jrbrown@hometownlifestyle.com.

Learn about condo operations

A four-week course on Successful Condominium Operation is being offered by real estate expert Robert Meisner beginning Oct. 2. It is designed for persons who are interested in serving on a board of directors of a condominium, cooperative or community association, as well as developers and managing agents who are assisting these boards. All attendees receive a complimentary copy of Meisner's booklet, *Condominium Operation: Getting Started and Staying on the Right Track*.

Participants will learn about:

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- The legal and fiduciary responsibilities of directors and officers.
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- How the statutes in the State of Michigan affect officers and directors of a condominium and/or homeowners association.
- Parliamentary procedures and the four essential audits.
- Solving problems with developers concerning abandoned projects.

The program will be held 7-9 p.m. on Oct. 2, 9, 16 and 23 at the Meisner Law Group offices at 30200 Telegraph Road, Suite 467, in Bingham Farms. Meisner is the founding member of The Meisner Law Group, P.C. He has represented homeowners, condominium owners and community associations, developers and builders in all facets of operation, throughout his more than 40 years as an attorney, as well as general counsel to the United Condominium Owners of Michigan since its inception.

Cost of the course is \$95 per person; \$85 for resident attendees from same association. Go to www.meisner-law.com or call (248) 644-4433.

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		32953 Summers St	\$160,000	11517 Spencer Dr	\$185,000
		GARDEN CITY	\$98,000	REDFORD	
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		33070 Barton St	\$63,000	59100	\$70,000
		33425 Florence St	\$80,000	25961 Gordian Hwy	\$65,000
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		18968 Brentwood St	\$48,000	20810 Walkenden	\$30,000
		2010 Brenton St	\$150,000	3275 Tecumseh	\$45,000
		25417 Brookline Dr	\$215,000	20810 Walkenden	\$30,000
		11565 Cavell St	\$55,000	WESTLAND	
		28465 Cleveland St	\$106,000	31757 Arenac Ct	\$32,000
		18514 Flamings Blvd	\$102,000	21202 Cooley Blvd	\$103,000
		9912 Fairfield St	\$100,000	4259 Dowling Ct	\$90,000
		14312 Fairway Dr	\$107,000	5875 Huff St	\$190,000
		12514 Flamings Blvd	\$107,000	29128 Manchester St	\$22,000
		35413 Gardner St	\$260,000	7421 Manor Cir	\$33,000
		38560 Grenada St	\$139,000	33043 Melton St	\$70,000
		8863 Hazel St	\$150,000	20210 Wyfield St	\$89,000
		10005 Hubbard St	\$83,000	662 Ravencrest Ln	\$84,000
		36969 Lancaster St	\$156,000	34344 Somerset St	\$53,000
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338 Cherry Hill Pointe Dr \$128,000
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48606 Greenwiche Cir \$280,000
7305 Haverhill Ct \$405,000
8712 Holly Dr \$117,000
44845 Leslie Ln \$194,000
8391 Orhan St \$237,000
42417 Redfern St \$100,000
2409 River Woods Dr N \$230,000
1945 Southbridge Dr \$106,000
46842 Spinning Wheel Dr \$155,000
4195 Strathmore Ln \$135,000
403 Sylvan Dr \$392,000

1253 W Crystal Cir \$157,000
6178 Wintery Dr \$154,000
47208 Woodlawn Dr \$236,000
46743 Woodside Dr \$267,000
47097 Yarmouth Dr \$335,000
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33070 Barton St \$63,000
33425 Florence St \$80,000
31335 Rodwin Ave \$69,000
28856 Sheridan St \$40,000
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32953 Summers St \$160,000
20009 Sunbury St \$98,000
11055 Sunset St \$151,000
1617 University Park Dr \$40,000
29699 W Chicago St \$80,000
NORTHVILLE
15991 Brook Trout Ln \$135,000
19460 Carmine Ct \$135,000
40477 Delta Dr \$370,000
48341 Four Seasons Blvd \$140,000
48223 Gardenia Ct \$160,000
18889 Heather Ridge Dr \$589,000
16074 Johnson Creek Dr \$144,000
16145 Johnson Creek Dr \$147,000
10848 Midway Ln \$125,000
20165 Silver Spring Dr \$58,000
48687 Stoneridge Dr \$540,000
20259 Sunnyside Dr \$370,000
PLYMOUTH
14732 Greenbrier Ct \$200,000
11751 Hopkins Dr \$455,000
48200 Joy Rd \$44,000
543 Leicester St \$205,000
5022 N Newport St \$197,000
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40638 Harvey Dr \$62,000

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Career advice for people who prefer texting over talking

Debra Auerbach, CareerBuilder Writer
 "Hi QT. Hope ur hvn a GR8 day! RU coming out 2nite? TML so we can goss. TTYL!"

While you might be scratching your head trying to decode that sentence, it's an example of what a typical text message written by a teenager might look like. Texting has become the main form of communication for many teens, and text "shorthand" is often used to save time. According to a study by the Pew Internet Research Center, U.S. teens are talking on landlines and cell phones less, using smartphones more, and averaging 60 texts a day.

And while studies show that as people get older, their texting habits may decrease, they're still doing it all throughout college. Many are so hooked that they can't even get through a class without sending a text message; a University of New Hampshire study found that 65 percent of college students surveyed are sending around one text message per class.

Helping to ease the communication transition since texting has yet to become the norm, or even an acceptable practice, during the job-search process, some college students nearing graduation may need a little help adapting their communication skills for



the business world. Recognizing this communication gap and knowing that those new to the working world will be faced with fierce competition for jobs, college-to-workforce transition training is gaining in popularity.

Lynne Sarikas, executive director of the MBA Career Center at Northeastern University, says that their students can take courses on anything from business etiquette to dressing for success. Students also have the opportunity to meet with employers for communication styles, work ethic and on-the-job behavior.

"Employers still highly value communications skills -- both oral and written -- and expect students to perform in that environment," Sarikas says. "One of the critical aspects in addressing the gap is to manage expectations. It would be wrong to chide students for inappropriate behavior if they are never told what constitutes appropriate behavior."

Elizabeth Venturini, founder of the college career-strategy organization Scholasticus, also saw the need to help young adults who have moved toward less real conversation and more technology-driven communication. She

recently rolled out a workshop called Charm School for the College-Bound to educate students on the importance and essential skills of business etiquette.

"Etiquette matters more than ever in today's technology-charged society," Venturini says. "In an age when it is second nature for so many young people to text [rather than] talk, knowing business etiquette is critical as they prepare for college and future employment."

Venturini shares the following four tips to help new job seekers brush up on their business etiquette:

1. Connecting while chatting: One-word answers may work well
2. Take your eyes off the screen: Off and away is the answer for how to carry your cell phone when you are meeting someone who has the power to take your future up, up and away.
3. A real smile, face to face, beats an emoticon every day of the week: Look people right in the eye and make a genuine connection with a smile that speaks volumes about your confidence.
4. Stand up and show up: When meeting someone for the first time, stand up and take notice of the person who can open the door to a world of new career opportunities. It's a quiet and compelling demonstration of respect.

Crossword Puzzle

Consonant Sextets

ACROSS
 1 Hoier...
 5 Cow sounds
 9 Blueprint...
 15 Not very much at all
 19 Procure off-site, as in construction
 21 Novelist
 22 "Luvit La Vida..."
 23 Bodybuilding regimen
 25 Out as London
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Answer to Last Week's Puzzle

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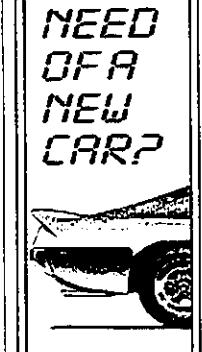
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