





Spring melodies

The Novi Choralaires

Tickets are \$12 for adults; \$10 for seniors Tickets are available now via cityofnovi. org and at the Novi Parks, Recreation and **Cultural Services Office**

(45175 W. 10 Mile). The Novi Choralaires is made up of men and women from Novi and the surrounding communities, brought together by a shared ⊀love of music and fellowship, For more.

information, visit "like" on Facebook. Additional performances taking place in Novi this spring include the Novi Civic Theatre's production of Disney's 'The Little Mermaid," May 3-12. Tickets are available online at

cityofnovi.org and at the Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services office. To learn more about creative art opportunities in Novi, visit cityofnovi.

and Novi Concert Band plan upcoming performances. The Novi Choralaires will present the "Rhythm of Life" at 7:30 p.m. the Novi Middle School Auditorium (49000 W.

11 Mile). The show will feature many classics about life and love, including "When I am 64" by the Beatles and "Circle of Life" by Elton John.

Portions of the major thoroughfare between Novi and Northville -- Eight Mile Road are getting a facelift this sum-The city of Novi agreed to a cost-participation agreement with the Road Commission for

upgrades slated for this summer project will include a number of non-motorized improvements. "Rehabilitating Eight Mile

Repaving and nonmotorized

By Lonnie Huhman

Staff Writer

Oakland County for the rehabili-

tation of the east-west road. The

Road is an important project for the city of Novi," Novi Director of Public Services Rob Hayes said, "because Eight Mile is an arterial road that carries nearly 9,000 vehicles per day and provides our residents with a key transportation link to the city's ITC Community Sports Park as well as to Maybury State Park in

Northville Township.' The Novi City Council approved the agreement with

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8 Mile work on the way

the RCOC for the rehabilitation from Beck Road to Napier Road in the estimated amount of \$174,476. According to Hayes, the city's share is \$523,428, but only \$174,476 is an "out-of-pocket" expense to be funded by the city's Municipal Street Fund. He said the other \$348,952 will be equally funded by the Oakland County Board of Commissioners and the Road Commission for Oakland County under the county's very successful Tri-Party

road funding program. The project includes the repair, mill and overlay of the exist-

ing road, along with a right-turn lane for southbound Beck Road at Eight Mile and a passing lane for eastbound Eight Mile at Gar-

The non-motorized improvements include:

· a striped bike lane on both sides of Eight Mile between Beck and Napier

· a mid-block crossing of Eight Mile near ITC Community Sports Park to facilitate a future regional trail

· a mid-block crossing of Eight Mile near Garfield to provide a future non-motorized connection to the Maybury State Park entrance.

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Many Novi postal carriers will be involved in collecting food donations during this Saturday's Stamp Out Hunger drive, including (I to r) Luanne Jones, Sherri McIntosh, Caryl McCarthy and

Stamp Out Hunger drive

Leave nonperishable food at your mailbox Saturday to feed the needy

Usually when you go to INDEX your mailbox, you're looking to see if the letter carrier has left you anything. This Saturday is the oppo site — the carriers will be looking to see what you've left. Hopefully, it'll be food to help feed locals in need. "Once a year, we ask that

people leave food at mailbox by 9 a.m.," said Sher-© 2013 Observer & Eccentric Media rie McIntosh, Novi's coordinator for Stamp Out Hun-Volume 27 Number 51 ger, the nation's largest oneday food drive organized by the National Association of CONTACT US

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 Delivery: (866) 887-2737 Letter Carriers and the U.S. Postal Service. It's held annually the secand Saturday of May. It began 21 years ago at a single branch and became so successful that it went

> nationwide a couple of years "There will be no address

the local event. "All the food stays in Novi and goes to local food banks - St. James Church and Faith Communi-

ty Church." She said that the need locally is as great as ever as both food banks are running low. "And this really bene-

fits the school kids who get breakfast and lunch at school when school gets out so they get nutrition throughout the summer," Items needed include any

non-perishable food (soup, cereal, peanut butter, boxed potatoes, etc.) You can leave items in your mailbox or on the ground in a box or bag. Last year, Novi's letter carriers experimented and gave out plastic bags. It paid

off big-time. "We weigh everything that comes in," McIntosh said.

missed," said McIntosh, now in her fourth year running of Novi last year. We asked everyone to step up, and we almost doubled - a little over 15,000 pounds of food.

This year, Gleaners donated 22,000 bags so every Novi residence will get one. "We've found when people get a bag, it's a lot easier for

them," McIntosh said. She and her colleagues will collect the food and bring it back to the post office for "We have an assembly line

going where we weigh and separate," McIntosh said. One church has a U-haul, the other has volunteers. We'll wrap it all up by the end of the day. We go until the last carrier pulls in. If it's 6 o'clock at night, then it it's 6 o'clock. We all stay until the last carrier pulls in."

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Automobile accident knocks out power

Driver injured in May 4 accident on Grand River

> By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

An automobile accident last Saturday in Novi caused some residents to lose power for part of the day and the driver to be transported to the

the accident investigation and alcohol is May 4, a 61-year not considered old Novi resident was driving eastto be a factor. bound on Grand

The driver was the only occupant.

River Avenue

hospital According to

Assistant Novi Police Chief Jerhefore 10:30 a.m. near Marty Feldman Chevrolet when he left the roadway. The man struck

a utility pole with his 2011 Honda, knocking out power to several area residences and businesses for approximately six hours as DTE Energy made repairs, Hart

"The driver was transported to an area hospital for treatment of non-life threatening injuries," Hart said.

The cause of the accident is still under investigation and alcohol is not considered to be a factor. The driver was the only occupant and no other vehicles were

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Contest winner will get wheelchair-accessible van

By Diane Gale Andreassi Staff Writer

Sometimes Breanna Strange, 11, is cooped up to get her from place to place is just too difficult. The South Lyon resident doesn't complain she just takes it in stride.

her mom, Kim, said. "She has a new wheelchair and it's so awkward and heavy, I don't take her out as much as I used to." Kim said. "I'll be going to the grocery store you go ahead to the store I'll stay here.' She knows how difficult it is for me to lift the chair, and she's so caring. I have been lifting her to her car seat and out into the van and out of the van. I've been doing this for years. I

have said we will get a

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can't afford it.' Life for Breanna and her family could change

if she wins a contest for van sponsored by National Mobility Equipment Dealers Association's Life Moving Forward event during National Mobility Awareness Month. In less than a week,

Breanna received more than 12,000 votes, but the family is hoping to get many more votes from strangers who will take a moment to vote at www. voteforbre.com. The Strange family,

The deadline is May 10. which also includes her sister, Peyton, 7, and her dad, Dave, started the competition April 15 and the voting began Feb. 25. But the disadvantage isn't

HAL GOULD I STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Breanna Strange, 11, and her sister, Peyton, 7, pose for the camera. The family is hoping to win an online contest for a

to continue moving forward in their quest. "We have gone viral on Facebook," Kim said "We have friends telling

friends telling friends." Votes are coming from all over the world. Kim said, recalling a recent moment when a strange approached her and said 'Is that Breanna? I've been voting for her and I

have family in Italy who have been voting for her.' The sixth-grade Centennial Middle School student has a knack for touching peoples' hearts – even people she hasn't met. Breanna suffers from the disease dystonia, a neurological move-

ment disorder that causes

painful muscle contrac-

tions, repetitive move-

"She is a normal 11vear-old girl stuck in a body that will not obey said, "She has an aura about her. She is the happiest child. If someone sorry you are sad. I'll pray for you.' She literaly says this from the bottom of her heart. She truly believes God is going to heal her. She touches a lot of people's hearts. She

has a way of dealing with it even on a bad day. She is never mad at anyone." It's not unusual for her to strike up a conversation with strangers by introducing herself. She usually leaves the new friend by asking if she

"She probably has more hugs from people in different states and countries than anyone on this planet," Kim said, "People say, 'I love that smile There's something about her. I just want to vote for

who will take a moment to vote at www.voteforbre.com. The middle school stuments and odd postures. dent is in the South Lyon Community Schools general education program with some special edu-

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cation classes to help her complete her work despite her involuntary movements. She's not mentally impaired. Breanna was in 45th place in a field of 1,000 people competing for the van. "My goal is close that gap," Kim said. "Every-

one is deserving. I just want to go with my story and keep my heart and prayers with my story. I feel for those people. Believe me. there are so many cases

Contest rules allow people to vote every day and multiple times a day as long as it's done on a different device or at a different IP (or Internet

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Donald Trump to speak at Lincoln Day Dinner in Novi

Oakland County Lincoln Day announced recently that Don ald J. Trump will be the key note speaker for the 2013 Lin coin Day Dinner to be held

online at hometownlife.com

Tuesday, May 21, in Novi. "I am honored to have the opportunity to share my thoughts and views with the Oakland County Republican Party and the great state of Michigan," said Trump. "As the oldest, largest and one of the most influential Lincoln Day Dinners in the country, I could not have been more pleased to receive this invitation."

"We are thrilled to have Mr. Trump headline this year's event," said Trott. "The LinDETAILS

The Lincoln Day Dinner will be held at the Suburban Collec-21. Additional special guests and information including time, ticket and sponsorship opportunities is posted on the Oakland County Republican Party's website at www.oak-

tion Showplace in Novi on May

coln Day Dinner is a tradition Oakland County has celebrated for 124 years, and it is only fitting that our keynote address is delivered by one of

Trump, who considered a presidential bid during the 2012 cycle, is a developer of quality real estate in the Unit ed States and abroad. His portfolio includes dozens of award-winning skyscrapers, hotels, golf courses and clubs. He is also a best-selling author, and star and co-producer of the NBC hit series, uate of The Wharton School at the University of Pennsyl vania. He currently serves as the chairman and president of

ognizable entrepreneurs and hilanthropists in the world.

The Trump Organization.



Donald Trump will speak this month at a GOP dinner in Novi.

event of the year for Michigan," said Jim Thienel, Oakland County Republican Party chairman. "It is an honor to welcome Mr. Trump and his unyielding enthusiasm for Republican causes to Oakland County."

NOVI NEWS BRIEFS

Free seminar – "Removing the Mysteries of

Probate Court" The Citizens Alliance for the Oakland County Probate and Circuit Courts will conduct a free seminar entitled 'Removing the Mysteries of Probate Court" at the City of Novi Older Adult Services - Meadowbrook Activities Center from 1-3 p.m. Thursday, May 16. This proenlighten and educate senior citizens and their may make informed decisions regarding

bate process. The City of Novi Older Adult Services - Meadowbrook Activities Center is located at 25075 Meadowbrook Road in

their estate planning

The seminar will provide attendees with information on wills, trusts, powers of attorney, how to begin probate proceedings, when to consider use of guardianships and

conservatorships and how "avoiding probate" could cause more harm than good. Panelists will include Jill Koney Daly, probate register for the Oakland County Probate Court, and attorney Peter R. Tochman, from The Law Firm of Peter Tochman n Southfield. Materials will be available and adequate time will be

available for questions.

and understand the pro To register for this free seminar, contact the City of Novi Olde Adult Services at (248) 347-0414.

Novi/Northville Relay for Life needs help fighting cancer

Soon, the joint community Novi/Northville Relay for Life will be here. It's a 24-hour walk, run and campout all helping to raise awareness and funds in the fight against cancer through the American Cancer Society on June

Many people in your community are volunteering right now, and i would be great for you to be a part of this tremendous event. Right now, the Relay is

still in need of teams to sign up and help in the fight. There is a meeting from 7-8 p.m. May 21 at the Novi Civic Cen ter for team captains and those who are inter ested in learning more. Or you can sign up your

team today at on the community website. Go to http://www.relayforlife.org/ and search for your community, Novi Northville. Everyone is invited to this family

event. For more information please contact Rachel Leas, Relay community representative, at (248) 663-3436 or rachel.leas@ cancer.org.

Bill Compton Run

The Walled Lake Downtown Development Authority (DDA) will hold its fifth annual Bill Troops 5K-Run and 1M-Fun Walk at 9 a.m. Sunraises funds for the Veterans of Foreign Wars Sims Wixom Post 2269 and Operation Hug-A-

ner of East Walled Lake Drive and Ferland Street ic Lakefront District. The event is open to dividuals and groups

This non-timed event

will start at the cor-

of all ages. For more information about the event, go to www.WalledLakeRun. org or contact Jennife Stuart at (248) 926-9004 or jstuart@walledlake

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full of local news from the Novi community and is updated often. There are several cool features at hometownlife.com that allow you browse through the latest news and features from your neighboring communities, too. So, bookmark www.hometownlife.com to be sure you're always in-the-know in your

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Novi Middle School students send salmon upstream

dents at Novi Middle School raised 73 salmon smolts, ranging from a few 2 inch runts up to good-looking 4-inchers, according to Matt Lubaway, Salmon in the

Classroom chairman. In the May edition of the Metro-West Steelheaders newsletter. Lubaway wrote the following about an April 27 event.

"Saturday morning Jim Robertson, Mark Davis, and I headed over to Novi Middle School to pick up our latest 'school' of Salmon. The custodian, Clarence Stevenson, again met us and let us in. We drained the 75 gallon tank siphoning water into a 100 qt. marine cooler, while simultaneously capturing fish in the nets and transferred them over. I think we were all thrilled to see many we still had

Just before we left Clarence find it amusing, really amusing I come into the classroom and every day they are a little bigger. I find myself starring at them and I am so amused'

We set out for Yates Dam in Rochester Hills and I arrived early as Jim and Mark drove the pickup with our cargo. While waiting I saw families around the Yates Cider Mill and invited them to join us as we released and we agreed on a location on the river with slack water cur rent which appeared ideal for the release. The families followed us over and anxious-



Novi Middle School students release salmon smolts into the Clinton River at Yates Dam in Rochester Hills on April 27.

finally the kids looked excited as As they gather around to

just can't believe how lucky we are to experience this." First we check the water temp and luckiv both our water and the Clinton River were nearly the exact same temperature at 10°C (OK you figure that out). As we pulled out the nets to again capture the smolts for release in to the Clinton River. one boy anxiously grabbed them both by accident. Soon afterwards we began 1 fish, 2 fish or 5

As we released the fish about 15 or 20 began to school together behind the back of a sandbar in the river. Too bad we missed that photo. But we watched the salmon in the river for some time, like excited parents watching our offspring

There's a place for everyone to help our district succeed

By Steve Matthews Guest Columnist

eams that are successful have people in the right place. ful lesson when I was nine



champions

the Orioles, and up being start out that way, but in

the end we won our league

In the first half of the

played for

We were so bad that we finished in last place in our division. The second half of the season we turned it around and won our division. That qualified us to play the Cubs in our version of the World Series. What was the differ

ence between the first half of the season and the second half of the season One key point was that the coach, my father, decided to help each of us find the place where we played the best instead of letting us play where we wanted to play. This was a very painful lesson for me.

My goal was to be a oitcher. How hard could it be I wondered? I had what I thought was the per-I practiced in my back-

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yard, throwing the ball into a target painted on our cement block wall. So the coach, my father, let me start one game.

I lasted one inning. walked six batters, hit two others, and struck out the side. As I was standing ber hearing adults suggest that perhaps anoth to pitch. And they weren't saving it in a very nice

I remember my father trying to be encouraging He let me get through the inning. I cried as I came to the dugout. He stopped me, looked me in the eye. and said, "I don't think you are a pitcher. But I bet we can find a place for you.' In the final, deciding

game of the World Series

later that summer, a high, foul pop fly drifted toward slowly circled under the pop fly and made the catch right up against the dug-

out fence. It was one of the

best catches that I ever

I jumped for joy, hugged anyone who was near me. and thought of what my Dad had told me. Everyone has a place.

My dad was right everyone does have a place. More importantly teams function best when they can help the team succeed.

Parents and school employees help our students succeed when we find the places where we

Some of us teach. Some of us drive busses. Some of us fix computers. Others help students with homework. Others

and eat healthy food. All of us try and encourage and support our students. All of us pay attention to each and every student trying to identify what we can say

make sure our students

get the rest they need

Here in our district we have people who have found a place where they can contribute and where they help our district succeed. Even though I have only been in our district for a short time, I have met some wonderful people and seen these people in

not meant to be a pitcher. But he also knew that I could help our team suc ceed. His commitment to making sure that everyone on our team knew that they had a contribu

tion to make was one of

the keys to our success.

I feel the same way about the commitment of the people in our district who help to make us a great team. Everyone in our district has a place. And everyone helps us

superintendent of the Novi district. He can be reached at smatthews@novi.k12. mi.us; (248) 449-1204; www.twitter.com/docsmatthews: or www.novisuperin tendent.blogspot.com.

Steve Matthews is the

NOVI SCHOOL BRIEFS

Bottle, can drive

Spring cleaning time at your house? Bag un those empties for the annual Spring Can and Bottle Drive from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sat-

Novi High School Band and Colorguard students will be going door to door collect support the Band Program. Returnables also will be accepted at Novi High School (10 Mile Parking lot) if you'd like to drop

A Parent's Guide to Education in Michigan

What is the state's responsibility toward educating its population? Find out at a special seminar, A Parent's Guide to Education n Michigan, from 6:15-9 p.m. Monday, May 13 in the Novi Middle School auditorium. topics include student performance and fessional development and evaluation; and public finance of education.

JoAnne Purtan of Channel 7 TV will moderate; a panel discussion will be followed by

Doors open at 5 p.m.; seating is first come,

Novi High one of nation's best Novi High School is ranked the 319th

(up from 472nd last year) best high school in the nation, according to the Newsweek/Daily Beast Best High Schools. The home of the Wildcats was also named the sixth highest ranked high school in Michigan (up from 11th

Based on how data is collected - compared to last year's performance -Novi's scores show a 2-percent increase in graduation rate, an increase in Advance Placement and International Baccalaureate tests taken, a 4-percent increase in college-bound seniors, an 11point increase in SAT scores, and a .2percent increase (from 3.6 to 3.8) average score on AP tests.

The ranking highlights the best 2,000 public high schools in the nation those that have proven to be the most effective in turning out college-ready grads. The list is based on six components: graduation rate (25 percent), colege acceptance rate (25 percent), AP/ IB/AICE tests taken per student (25 percent), average SAT/ACT scores (10 percent), average AP/IB/AICE scores (10 percent), and percent of students rolled in at least one AP/IB/AICE

course (5 percent).

Visit http://www.thedailybeast.com/ newsweek/features/2013/americas-besthigh-schools.html for the full list and

Oakland Schools Technical Campus students get DENSO scholarships

This year, the Oakland Schools Education Foundation received 79 applications and awarded on Monday 17 scholarships to deserving high school seniors attending the four Oakland Schools Technical

The scholarship program began in 1991 with a \$300,000 endowment by DEN-SO and has evolved into the current program, a partnership with the Oakland Schools Education Foundation, where the top students (announced at the event) receive a \$2,500 scholarship and the remaining students receive \$1,000-\$2,000 each. Scholarships are awarded based on the applicant's personal goals, academic achievement in technical fields, internships, work experience, and financial need. The scholarships may be applied to any accredited post-secondary institution for tuition, books, and other courserelated materials and fees.

The Oakland Schools Technical Campus Southwest (Wixom) students, cluster and post-secondary institution they plan to attend are:

· Melissa Baxter, biotechnology and environmental science, Michigan State University Devon Gosley, health sciences, Oak-

land University Jerrell Allen, engineering/emerging technologies, Western Michigan Univer

 Annamarie Salazar, business management and technology, Oakland Community College

 Zachary Taylor, business management and technology, Michigan State University

 Michael Maxwell, culinary arts/hospitality, Culinary Institute of America · Amanda Magretta, business manag ment and technology, OCC/Oakland University, Michigan State, Wayne State or Grand Valley State University

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Partnering with USTA to Expand **Summer Tennis** Leagues

Schoolcraft College's Continuing Education and Professional Devel opment department will be expanding its partnership with the I Inited States Tennis Association (USTA) this summer to host seven additional tennis teams. The USTA League is the country's largest recreational tennis league, helping more than 800,000 participants nationwide get onto the court, have a great time

and step up their game. The league is organized as competitive team match play. Teams are comprised of a minimum of five to eight players depending on division. Teams and matches are set up according to NTRP ratings so teammates and opponents will be at similar skill levels

Schoolcraft's CEPD programs include a variety of tennis classes and tennis camps for youth of all ages and sponsorship of junior tennis tour naments each summer. Call (734) 462-4408 or visit www.schoolcraft.edu/ cepd for more informa

New class in bioethics

The Philosophy Depart ment will offer PHIL 257 Bioethics, a three credit class, this spring for the first time. The seven-week class will meet from 1-4:10 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays begin ning Monday, May 13.

This course introduces students to a variety of ethical issues having to do with biology, health,

will be introduced to eth ical theories and will crit ically examine various central issues in bioethics. Topics may include end of life treatment, abortion, allocation of scarce materials, organ donation, the vaccine debate, animal rights. informed consent, justice and healthcare, genetic engineering and the meaning of life/death and

and medicine. Students

Disney Institute Seminar in **Healthcare** in September

technology.

Schoolcraft College's Continuing Education and Professional Development Department on Monday, Sept. 16 welcomes the Disney Institute and its one-day sem inar on Building a Culture of Healthcare Excellence. Engaging Disney Institute profession al facilitators will share Disney strategies and philosophies used by its businesses all around the world, and how

those key insights have been applied to numerous organizations in the healthcare industry. This seminar will teach how to create a sustain able culture of service of Northville. that can lead to a competitive edge for healthcare organizations. While it isn't the first time this seminar has been offered

in Metro Detroit, it will mark the very first time it's being offered to a public audience. Reg-"Kids always ask me istration is currently how I'm doing in school, underway. Space is limsaid McDonald, mom to three grown children, the tion call (734) 462-4448

Top WSU honor motivates parapro to keep striving

Karen McDon ald, a paraprofession al at Meads Mill Middle chool, has been with the Northville school district 12 years. The Wixom resent recently garnered national kudos with an award through Phi Alpha society for history schol-

"To get this award was really nice," said McDonald, a 1975 Northville High School graduate. She earned a bachelor's degree in telecommunications in her younger at Wayne State University for a second bachelor's and teaching accred-

"It was a really nice ceremony," she said of the recognition. "It's an award for academic excellence in the history department."

She works at Meads Mill with kids who struggle academically. "I do love it, it's a great schoo district." McDonald said of Northville, where she'd like to teach. "It is such a growing area," she added

The award helped to motivate her when driving to the WSU campus after work didn't appeal especially this long past winter. She was encouraged by her students.

voungest 29. "They were supportive and congratu-



Meads Mill paraprofessional Karen McDonald was recently recognized with an award by Phi Alpha Theta - a national honor society for history scholars

Colleagues including Principal Sue Meyer were also quick to congratulate her. Meyer earned her doctorate when McDonald had started at Meads Mill, and that helped inspire the paraprofessional to return to school.

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return to school. "If you have more goals, just keep working 'That's what inspired

mate since elementa-

"Education is vital," she said, noting she

> it was like to be a student. "I had pressures or me from my classes. You have to prioritize your

That's helped her in her work as an educator. McDonald anticipates a 2014 Wayne State gradu

ation: "I felt good about it

sometimes forgot what

has been there," she said of the award.

Friend Kim Peragine of Northville was a classry school. "I think it's benomenal that some body of her caliber gets a national award," Peragine said of the lifetime membership in Phi Alpha Theta, "She is so inteligent. This is a woman who's super. The only challenge is financial

Peragine praised McDonald's impact on students. "She's so inspiring with the kids She's great with these

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The Walled Lake Consolidated School District received commendations from the Michigan Department of Education for the

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with the new meal pattern. A Validation Review of the performance-based reimbursement certification was conducted at Walled Lake

April 17-18 by a member of the Michigan Department of Education

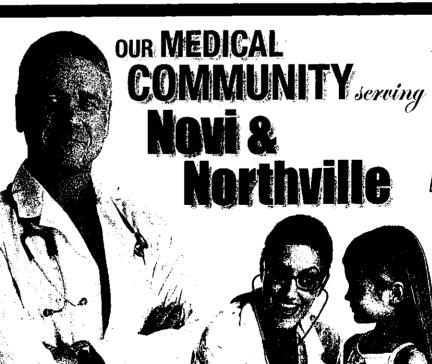
The MDE recognized Janet Allen, Food Service director, and her staff for their courtesy and cooperation during the review

"Mrs. Allen is responsi-

ble for both the Walled Lake Schools and the West Bloomfield Schools Food Service Departments as a result of

a collaborative agreement that began this year. She is efficient, adheres to all state and federal Food Ser

quality, nutritional school lunches for more than 21,000 students in both districts. Indeed this is impressive and we salute her for her excellent work," said Kenneth Gutman, superinten-









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Communities pitch in to make pathway a reality

Eight Mile repaving includes path to Maybury

By Lonnie Huhmar

Walkers, joggers and bicyclists, rejoice — the non-motorized con-nection to Maybury Park is com-

In conjunction with the Oakland County road project to repave Eight Mile from Taft to Napier roads this summer, three local municipalities (Novi, Northville Township and Northville) as well as two counties (Oakland and Wayne) have has been working toward getting this pathway add-

The pathway will start just west of the North Beacon Woods neighborhood and go to the Beck Road intersection where there will be a pedestrian crossing.

Township's contribution Northville Township is giving \$125,000 toward the Eight Mile Road repaving project that includes a pathway making the non-motorized connection to Maybury State Park more of a reality. Township trustees unanimous ly approved allocating the funds as part of an agreement with the Road Commission for Oakland

County and the city of Northville. Most of the money — \$100,000 of it - will come from what was set aside for pathways in 2013 and the difference will be made up by Metro Act funds, which come from a state-led program that helps maintain public right-of-

"A lot of residents have indicated they like walking and connectivity and pathways. It's a shame really that Maybury Park hasn't had good access, pedestrian access, bike access to it," township Trustee Mindy Herrmann

She doesn't expect it to happen this summer, but Herrmann said

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According to the cost-participation agreement, Eight Mile will be resurfaced and a non-motorized pathway will be constructed.

The total project cost is \$1,655,000, which is just for the area within Northville Township under the jurisdiction of Oakland County. The local match needed is \$597,000. A little more than \$208,000 of that will come from Tri-Party funding along with the city of Northville which is contributing \$85,477, and the township's \$125,000 for the construction of a non-motorized path-

The road commission will contribute \$178,500 toward the local match as well as any costs that go above the aforementioned contributions. For the road project, the Oakland road commission has budgeted \$4.6 million for the Taft to Napier repaying. More than \$520,000 for the repaving project is through Tri-Party

the hope and eventual goal is to get an agreement from park officials to have a cut-through into the park on the west side of Beck. According to Northville Township officials, the county road commission, as part of the project, has offered to include filling a gap in the sidewalk/pathway system from the west side of Wood bend Drive to Beck. This will be similar to the pathway along the west side of Haggerty Road that last year. The cost of this connectivity improvement would have to be borne by the township.

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In addition, there will be pedestrian ramps and signals at all four corners of the intersection of Beck and Eight Mile. According to Novi's DPS, the total cost of the project is estimated to be \$3,015,000, of which \$1,732,500 is funded with federal grant funds.

Time line The section of Eight Mile between Taft and Garfield is expected to be

section between Garfield and Napier in 2014. According to Novi Engineering Manager Brian Coburn and Aaron Staup, construction engineering coordinator, if construction begins by August, it is hopeful the project will be completed by the end of September 2013.

They said the sched-

completed in 2013 and the

ule is dependent on the mostly repair joints along acquisition of easements, including an easement at section of Eight Mile to remove the spoiling joints the northwest corner of Beck and Eight Mile for that have large, hazard. the Beck right-turn lane. ous potholes. Two-way traffic will be

The existing asphalt intersection of Center Street and Eight Mile in the city of Northville will he fully reconstructed to include some minor turnlane widening. This intersection will be replaced in two stages with new asphalt pavement. The first stage will constitute a closure of Center Street, south of Eight

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Traffic is expected to detour east to Griswold. then to Main Street and back to Center Street. Construction of this project will start around the beginning of July, with anticipated completion anticipated by Septem-

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maintained throughout

the construction period

with no proposed detours.

This project is in con-

junction with Eight Mile

rehabilitation work

roads, which is in the

between Beck and Taft

jurisdiction of the city of

Northville and Northville

Township. However, the

two projects have differ-

ent funding sources. The

Michigan Department of

Transportation is respon-

the project since federal

More on Eight Mile

Eight Mile being worked

The other portion of

on this year is between

Center Street and Mead-

owbrook Road. Accord-

County is proposing to

ing to Novi's DPS, Wayne

sible for administering

funds are being used.

Novi library awarded for quality services

The Library of Michigan has awarded the Novi.Public Library a certificate of completion for meeting the Essential Level requirements of the Quality Services Audit Checklist (QSAC). To earn certification, the Novi Public Library dem-

onstrated its competence in seven categories of achievement including Human Resources; Governance/Administration; Services: Collection Development; Technology; Facilities and Equipment; and Public Relations/Marketing

With more than 400 volunteers, and 70 staff members, Novi Public Library is dedicated to the communit and each visiting individual, along with providing the best environment for their "We are proud that the

Novi Public Library has done such good work in providing services deemed 'essential' by the Library of Michigan," said Mark Sturing, Library Board president. "By focusing efforts on these key areas, our library has shown a strong ment to customer

QSAC has defined "essential services" - the basics of all library service - as relatively low-cost standards that every library can and

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"Two years in the making, QSAC represents the work of more than 100 library directors, trustees and staff members who together created measures of quality for our state's public libraries," said State Librarian Nancy Robertson. "The staff of the Novi Public Library is to be commended for achieving a vital milestone in library

Bike Rodeo focuses on fun. fitness and safety

May is National Bike Month, and in celebration. the City of Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department, American Cycle and Fitness, and the tor City Mountain Biking Association have partnered to offer a free Bike Rodeo from 6-8 p.m. May 24 in the north parking lot of

Novi High School. This program is geared towards kids 5 to 12 years of age and will include an appearance from members ment and stations including Bike Inspections, Start and Stops, and Rock Dodge. Each participant will leave with a special prize from the event. Pre-registration is not required; bring a bike and helmet.

In the case of inclement

weather, the Bike Rodeo should achieve. They are helpful guidelines to librarwill take place inside the Novi Civic Center.

> Fitness and fun for wee ones

The City of Novi Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Services and One Training Fitness will continue their successful partner ship offering children fit ness classes. News spring sessions of Parent & Baby Yoga, Babies on the Move, and Wee Fit begin May 14 and registration is going on now via cityofnovi.org.

Parent and Baby Yoga, designed for newborns to crawling age, works with gentle Yoga & Pilates postures and exercises and provides an opportunity for parent and baby to develop an awareness of their bodies and each other. Empha sis is on relaxation and bonding, facilitating a calm environment for parent and baby. This class takes place on Tuesdays from 10-10:30 am and is \$48 for the sixweek session.

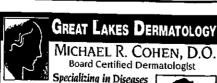
Babies on the Move is

a playful and fun class for both child and parent. Babies from crawling to 2 years old love to be active and movement is encouraged with exercises promoting rolling, crawling scooting, bouncing and more. This class is often a child's first opportunity to learn from an adult oth er than a parent. This class from 10-10:30 a.m. and is

\$48 for the six-week session Wee Fit allows young kids to move and play in a safe environment, Children. two to five years ok enjoy popular, interactive games, obstacle courses, songs, circle time and more. This class has sessions on Wednesdays from 10:45-11:30 a.m. or Thursdays 10-10:45 a.m. and is \$60 for the

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Novi's Lindsay Webster (Ariel) and Sophie Psiakis (Flounder) are featured in the Novi Civic Theatre's latest production, Disney's "The Little Mermaid Jr." The show opens Friday, May 3 and tickets may be purchased online at cityofnovi.org or at the Parks Recreation and Cultural Services Office, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road. Performances are 7 p.m. Saturday, May 11; and 2 p.m. Sunday, May 12. Ticket are \$12 per adult and \$6 per child (age 3-17) and senior (age 60+). All seats reserved. For more information and to learn more about the Novi Civic Theatre, visit cityofnovi.org or call (248)

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Attorneys Bieske and Alfonsi

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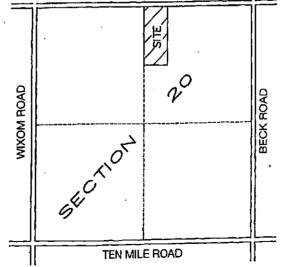
CITY OF NOVI PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Commission for the City of Novi will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, May 29, 2013 at 7:00 P.M. in the Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider OBERLIN SITE PLAN NUMBER 12-33. 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider <u>Obertain Site Frant Robbert Assos</u>

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MILE ROAD WEST OF BECK ROAD FOR OPEN SPACE PRESERVATION OP. TION, PRELIMINARY SITE PLAN, WETLAND PERMIT, WOODLAND PERMIT AND STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN APPROVAL. The applicant is proposing 50 single-family detached homes with associated infrastructure. Plans are a for review at the Community Development Department in the Novi Civic Center.

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All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments may be heard at the hearing and any written comments may be made to the Community Development Department, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 during the City's regular business hours, Monday thru Friday, from 8:00A.M. to 5:00P.M., and must be received by 4:00P.M., Wednesday, May 29, 2013.

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six-week session Classes will take place at One Training Fitness located at 40400 Grand River Avenue. A FREE demo day for all three classes will take place on Wednesday May 8 with Parent-Baby Yoga at 9:30 a.m. Babies on the Move at 10:15, and Wee Fit at 11 a.m. The summer session will begin in July. For questions, please call the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Depart ment at (248) 347-0400.

To learn about additional child friendly program fitness classes, and sport leagues, visit cityofnovi org and choose the Engage!

Tech classes for 50 and up

Tech Talk classes, offered by the City of Novi Old-

er Adult Services, are designed for those 50 and becoming more tech savvv. The classes will introduce smart phones, buying and selling on the Internet, and using technology to remain

Each class will be held at the Novi Civic Center. 45175 West Ten Mile Road etween 6:15-8:15 p.m. and \$15 per resident and \$18 per non-resident. Pre-registration required for each class. *Monday, April 15 Using

Technology to maintain your Independence Register is available online or at the Older Adult inside the Novi Civic Center. For more information call (248)347-0414, To learn more about older adult programs in Novi, visit cityof-

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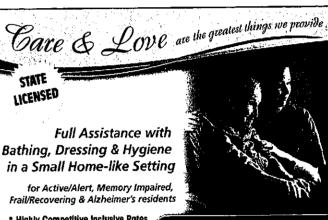
ble figuring out Microsoft word, want to learn more about your e-mail, or interested in Skype, the Novi Public Library has free training to help you.

Classes are offered throughout certain months and are held at different time slots. All classes will take place in the computer lab on the second floor at the library (45255 W. Ten Mile Road). Each class lasts anywhere from a half hour to an hour. Pre-registration is required.

PowerPoint Basics Intermediate Word, Sky pe Essentials, and Excel Basics are a few of the com outer classes: check out the library's website for more es and to sign up. Registration is available online at novilibrary.org. For more information or

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Prom memories abound



Jade Antolec, left, and Alyssa Yarrish greet each other with a hug as the prom begins around 7 p.m.

Diamond Center teems with Novi High students as their 2013

gins on May 4.









A couple of Novi High students goof off at the start of the



Matt Nutile gets some help pinning his boutonniere to his lapel from a nice young lady at Novi's 2013 prom.

Holly Holshouser and Alex Sekvloski walk into Novi's 2013 prom on May 4.

SEMCOG reports on the public's view of infrastructure

SEMCOG, the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments, has released the results of an extensive regional survey conducted to understand what the public thinks about southeast Michigan's infrastructure network - roads, bridges, transit systems, rail, airports, water systems, sewer systems, ports,

and recreational trails and pathways. Overall, the vast majority of residents feel that the region's infrastructure condition is deteriorating, while perceptions of water and sewer systems are strong, with the majority of residents rating their condition as good/excellent. One exception is the City of Detroit, where fewer than half of residents rate these systems as good/excellent.

Water and sewer conditions also are expected to stay the same or get better, according to the survey.

The survey also shows that: The outlook for the transportation system is much more pessimistic. Roads are only rated good/excellent by 25 percent of residents, and most people predict road conditions will stay the same or get even worse in the future.

By a ratio of 2:1, residents rate the current transit system as fair/poor vs. excellent/good, and nearly half expect the transit system condition to stay the

While most residents believe they understand how infrastructure is funded, about 25 percent of residents answered "not sure" or "don't know" for

all specific funding questions. Furthermore, one third to one half of respondents gave incorrect answers to specific funding questions. Of particular note, 51 percent mistakenly believe that most road funding comes from local property taxes.

Few believe the current level of funding is adequate (29 percent). Nearly half believe the current ways of funding infrastructure won't work in the future (49 percent), 70 percent indicate more funding is

needed. But, 73 percent also say the amount of funding is not the problem; it's how efficiently we're using it. Slightly more people (51 percent) would rather pay for roads based on the number of miles they drive rather than the current method based on the amount

reduce costs rather than pay more for

Using a less congested route (80 percent),
Reducing the amount of water used

each day (78 percent).
Traveling earlier/later to avoid the

willingness to engage in action when

presented with either/or choices: Most would rather live with current levels of traffic congestion (63 percent) than pay more to reduce traffic congestion (37 percent).

(55 percent) than pay more to fund road improvements that reduce traffic congestion (45 percent).

percent) also believe "we must reinvest in the region's infrastructure so we can prosper economically." Residents agreed that to prosper economically requires reinvestment in infrastructure and they understand that this will save money in the long run.

Residents also have strong opinions about the road system, with most strongly agreeing that "better roads will extend the life of a vehicle" and that "the condition of our road system directly impacts each one of us."

SEMCOG will use the results of the survey to complement a myriad of planning activities, most notably development of the 2040 regional transportation plan and to inform its policies and

SEMCOG is the only organization in southeast Michigan that brings together all governments to solve regional challenges and enhance the quality of life for the seven-county region's 4.7 million

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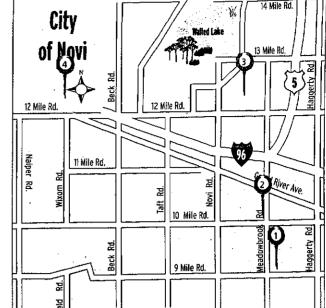
The survey reveals that the public is services. The most popular options are:

percent), Refraining from using the dishwasher and washing machine during peak hours (81 percent),

rush hour (76 percent).
The survey also reveals the public's

Most would rather carpool to work

The vast majority of residents (80



NOVI POLICE BRIEFS

Larceny at Lifetime Fitness

A man had some cash and a cell phone stolen while working out at

The man reported to Novi Police that \$28, a credit card and Droid phone were taken from his locker, which had been damaged. Another similar incident was reported to police that had a locker pried open and personal items snatched.

Breaking and entering on Willowbrook

2A Novi home was broken into recent-ly and a number of items were stolen by an unknown suspect.

On May 2, a homeowner on Willowbrook noticed something amiss after coming home and finding a door into the residence kicked in. The items taken include a Nintendo Wii, games, Dell laptop and jewelry. The case remains open and is under investigation.

Cocaine possession

3A suspicious vehicle at South Univer-sity on 12 Mile Road led to an arrest

On May 2, Novi Police were called to the location at 41555 12 Mile. A man was found asleep inside the car. Police reported seeing a prescription pill bottle on the passenger seat, and asked him if they could see it. It was reported that a variety of pills as well as white substance was found inside the bottle. The substance reportedly tested posi-

8 Mile Rd

Cash stolen at CC

tive as cocaine.

4\$150 in cash was stolen from a Cath-olic Central student's wallet while it was being stored inside the school's

band room. On May 2, Novi Police responded to the report of a larceny at the school on Wixom Road. The student left the wallet inside a bag that was stored in the room while participating in Track and Field practice. It was reported there have been other similar incidents at the

There is video surveillance that is being looked at and the case remains

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Two local businesses in Top

Twelve Oakland County companies,

Wixom's Panther Global Technologies.

were honored during the "Michigan Cel-

ebrates Small Business" awards dinner

nesses named to the Michigan Top 50 to

In 2012, six Oakland County companies

"We've had our strongest two-year peri-

George Fulton and Don Grimes predicted

the county will add 42,000 jobs by 2015,"

said Oakland County Executive L. Brooks

To be eligible for the award, candidates

must be privately held, commercial enter-prises with the intent and capacity for

further growth. Companies must employ

and have between \$750,000 and \$50 mil-

lion in annual revenue or working capital

The other Oakland County companies

honored are: Check Corp (Troy), Daycare

Works; Daycare Works (Rochester); Kyy

Oak); Mills Pharmacy & Apothecary (Bir-

mingham); NITS Solutions Inc. (Farming-

ton Hills):: Plymouth Technologies (Roch

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niestowatch.org, the 2013 honorees gener

ated \$333 million in total revenue in 2012,

a 29 percent increase in total annual rev-

al revenue is projected to increase to \$486

enue compared to 2011. The total annu-

The companies employed 1,448 full-time employees (1,284 in Michigan) and

project 360 new jobs will be created in

2013 (295 in Michigan). Winners were selected by Michigan-

The International Council of Shopping

Centers (ICSC) 43rd Annual Michigan

IDEA Exchange and Alliance Program

will convene on July 18 at The Suburban

Collection Showplace in Novi for a morn-

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Paul Glantz, co-founder

INE Entertainment; a

nd chairman of EMAG-

nunicipal runway devot-

ed to success stories from

six Michigan communi-

ties: 12 interactive round table discussions; a retail

runway; a luncheon key-

note address by Kim Yost, CEO of Art Van Furniture; and two

On July 17 attendees will enjoy a round

of golf (shotgun start at 10:30 a.m.) fol-

Anyone interested in retail develop-

ment, filling empty storefronts and con-

this is Michigan's largest retail confer-

ence of the year as more than 500 inves-

tors, retailers, public officials, develop-

fessional service providers will be in

ers, DDAs, economic developers and pro-

necting with investors, should know that

lowed by a cocktail reception from 5:307:30 p.m. at Shenandoah Country Club

According to Michigan.compa-

Hills) and Sentio (Southfield).

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NOVI **NEWSMAKERS** New staff joins FTC&H's Novi office

Two new members have joined the Novi office of Fishbeck, Thompson, Carr & Huber, Inc.

Maria Sedki, P.E., senior civil engineer, graduat-ed from the University of Michigan with both M.S. and B.S. degrees in civil/ environmental engineering She is a licensed professional engineer in Indiana Michigan, Ohio, and Texas, and brings 19 years of experience to FTC&H. Sedki's projects have encompassed sanitary sewer sys tem design and rehabilitation, pump station and water system design, state revolving fund project plans and associated grant applications, flow monitor studies, sewer system evalcharge elimination programs, and sewer inspec-

She has also been involved with many project management and department leadership responsi-

Michael M. Hardin. mechanical engineering specialist, has worked in the HVAC controls field for 12 years as a lead sys tems technician, project manager, and most recent ly field engineer. Hardin has an extensive controls and commissioning background and specializes in new commercial and indus trial construction projects. He attended Wayne Couny Community College and holds certificates for boiler and chiller operation as well as refrigeration.

Alampi honored

Business advisory firm Alampi & Associates, LLC announced that its founder and managing director, James Alampi, was recent-ly recognized by TEC Canada as its 2012 American

Fennelly & Boni Danielle Therese Fennelly, of Novi, and Kevin Angelo Boni, of Oxford, were married April 20, 2013 at St. Mary Parish in Royal Oak with Rev. Scott Burnia officiating A reception was held at Italian American Ban-

quet Center, Livonia The bride is the daughter of Pat & Susie Fennelly, of Novi. She is a graduate of Novi High School and Central Michigan University. and she works for CBS

The groom is the son of Frank and Martine Boni, of Oxford. He is a graduate of Oxford High School and Central Michigan University, and he works for Flagstar Bank.





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Kelly & Browne Elizabeth Kelly, of St. Clair Shores, and James Browne, of South Lyon, are engaged to married Nov. 16 in Novi. The bride-to-be is the daugh ter of Michael and Mary Kelly, of St. Clair Shores. She is a 2005 graduate of South Lake High School and a 2012 gradu-

ate of University of Michigan. A pharmacist, she works for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan. The groom-elect is the son of Douglas and Linda Browne, of South Lyon. He is a 2001 grad uate of South Lyon High School and a 2007 graduate of Law-rence Technological University. He works for TRW Automotive





Elizabeth Kelly and James Browne

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Michelle Otis and Timothy Reiter II

Michelle Lee Otis and Timothy

The groom-elect is the son of John and Cathy Haithcoat, of Ferndale, and Timothy Reiter, of Ferndale. He graduated from Ferndale High School. He earned his bachelor's degree from ITT Technical Institute, and is works at M3 Engineering in Chandler,

A July 13 wedding is planned with Rev. Tab Martin officiating. A reception will be held at the Roostertail, and the couple will honeymoon in Jamaica and reside

The bride's attendants will include Rachel Otis, maid of honor; Avery Haithcoat, flower girl; and bridesmaids Andrea Tubbs, Darya Velikanova, Ashlee Ybar-

The groom's attendants will include Scott Haithcoat, best man: Brayden Ratering, ring bearer; and groomsmen Nick Reiter, Chaz Grabke, Bry-Chris Schnitzki

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The official State of Michigan Web site has undergone a facelift, and the redesign of Michigan.gov is now using a responsive design that detects a visitor's screen size to automatically adjust the full site content to display correctly. This is especially helpful for those who visit the site from a mobile device, ensuring an optimal viewing experience

The number of visitors to Michigan. gov has increased 6 percent over the last year, as more and more citizens are visiting the site to get the government services and information that they need. Currently, the site averages more than 3.1 million unique visitors per month. Over 5.6 million visitor sessions were detected from mobile devices during the first quarter of 2013.

"We are continuing to drive efficiency and save time and money for the taxpayers," said David Behen, Chief Information Officer for the State of Michigan. "We are transforming the way govern-ment meets the needs of our residents. We remain focused on making Michigan one of the most innovative, efficient and

responsive governments in the world.' Not only does the new responsive design improve the experience for the user, it also saves the state time and maintenance costs by presenting one single site for all devices. Site managers no longer have to manually adjust content to display accurately based on the

The site also has a freshly updated theme using a soothing color palette. In addition, social media presence on the site has been enhanced, calendar features have been improved, government transparency and fiscal accountability is easy to access, and there is enhanced web-based communication for citizen

feedback and engagemen Michigan gov has long been recognized for excellence, consistently placing in the top 10 state government Web sites in the country. These latest improvements keep Michigan on the path to continue the site's impressive

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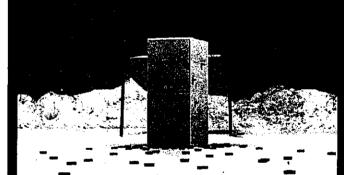
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Age 54, passed away May 2013. He was born on July 1958, in Dearborn, son of Ger

1958, in Dearborn, son of Gertals & Patricia Sparrow. Tim is survived by his beloved finace? Shirley; his loving children: Share, Stephanic and Brandon; his parents: Gerald & Patricia Sparrow; his siblings: Robert & Lauric, Steven & Sherry and Pamela & Russell Baltazar; his afternoon of the property of the patricia sand nephrons: Sharmon, his-

ces and nephews: Shannon, Jus-tin, Sara, Brian Scan, Cory, and Dana. He is also survived by Shirley's children: Amanda Law

tion was held on Sunday, May

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Of Farmington Hills, M was born July 5, 1921, i Detroit, MI and die

in automotive engineering and design for 36 years, 27 of which

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graduated from Cass Tech High School in 1939 and went on to carn a Bachelor's degree from Lawrence Tech in Mechanical

photo reconnaissance intelli-gence squadron/CBI division in WWII. There he exchanged hun-dreds of love letters with his fu-

ture wife Anabell, including one

mediately upon his return i 1946. Charlie was also active i

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the Amenian community, serving in many church groups in-cluding the choir, Knights of Vartan, and Parish Council. Charlie is the beloved husband of the late Anabell. The loving father of Thomas Sr. (Linda) Stamboulian and Jinnny (Patri-cia) Stamboulian, proof grandfa-ther of Thomas Jr., Charles, Kristen, Jessica, Michael and Ani. Dear brother of Nevart (the

Ani. Dear brother of Nevart (th

late George) Godoshian and the late Sevart (the late Steve) Karakashian. He will also be

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Age 69, passed away May 5, 2013. He was born on August 6, 1943 Margaret "Margie" Gregory Lyers, 93, died peacefully hursday, March 28, 2013, at the Howing several years of failing alth. She was the widow of the was a dedicated employee of Milford Fabricating, formerly lo-cated in Detroit. He was an avid NASCAR fan and was involved te Arthur Monroe Avers who date Arthur Monroe Ayers who died in 2006. Margie and Art were long-time residents of Wellston, Ohio, then moved to Northville, Michigan in 1970. Born May 22, 1919, in in go-cart racing, winning sever-al awards. Gary was a kind and likeable man. He will always be Wilkesville, Ohio, Margie was the younger of two daughters born to the late Charles and Al-ma Bosworth Gregory. She was also preceded in death by her sisas his health began to fail, Gary continued to make friends in the nursing home. Gary was a loving and devoted husband, father and grandfather. He is survived by his beloved wife of 31 years, Susan; his children: Scott Gordinia. Robert & Trace. iso preceded in death by the sis-er, Edna Gregory Hutchison, formerly of Jackson, Ohio. She is survived by her son and laughter-in-law, Charles and Carolann Ayers of Northville, Susan; his children: Scott Gordinier, Robert & Tracy lichigan; grandson Dr. Gregory yers, his wife Patricia, and Butsky and Danielle Starner; his father, Jule Gordinier; his grand-children: Kimberlyn, Dylan, Kennedy, Raeanne, Ryan, heir children Joshua, Jordan, nd Jeremy, of Eastsound, Washper, Montana; and several nieces and nephews. The family is beers: Terry & Terri Gordinier, Larry Gordinier and his sisters: Sandra & David Davies, Cynthia & Shaun Mattes and many nie-ces, nephews and loving friends. g served by Peinert - Dunn Fu-tral Home in Waterville, Ohio, private memorial will be held a later date, with burial to folow at Ridgewood Cemetery in Vellston. The family wishes to mother and his four best friends A private family service will be held. Online guestbook at www.phillipsfuneral.com Wellston. The family wishes to express their sincere gratitude to staff members at the Browning Masonic Home in Waterville, the Perrysburg Care and Rehabilita-tion Center, and Hospice of

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Age 40, passed away May 1, 2013. She was born on May 29, SALLY J. in Ann Arbor, to Harold and Sharon Harrah. She was a mem-ber of the South Lyon Special Stars and participated in Special Olympics. Christi was very ghter of the late Lyle & Donately involved for more than 35 years with the Odd Fellows and likeable and had many friends She was known for her caring, selfless nature, always had a smile, she was very happy and so was a dedicated nurse, who had an endless love for helping when needed. 'She was emhers. She will be missed and erished. Sally is survived by the beloved husband, Edward; ving sons: Dean Beckstein and ployed by Larry's Foodland for many years and enjoyed working there. Christi is survived by her loving mother, Sharon; loving form (fiance' Lori Leja)
Beckstein; grandchildren: Ashley and Cody She is also survived by her brothers: Norman
(Sharon) Bryan, Lyle (Barb)
Cubberly, Fred Cubberly and aunts, uncles, cousins, her foste family, the Michael Haapala Family, and many friends. She Family, and many friends. She was preceded in death by her father Harold in 2007. Visitation was held on May 3, Friday, from 2:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. with a Scripture Service at 7:00 p.m. at Phillips Funeral Home, 122 West Lake St., South Lyon. A funeral mass was celebrated on May 4, Saturday, at 10:00 a.m. with final visitation from 9:30 - 10:00 ean (Ellen) Cubberly; her siss: Barb (Bob) Hiser, Susan and Jackie (Ken) Hamilton n death by her parents and her brother Edward. This big family brother Edward. Ints oig ramly is all courtesy of Lyle and Donna Cubberly, who she now joins in heaven. Visitation will be held on Tuesday. May 7, from 3:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. with an Odd nal visitation from 9:30 - 10:00 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 830 S. Lafayette, South Lyon. Memorial contributions may be made to South Lyon Spe-cial Stars, c/o Rose Butkovich. Fellows service at 7:00 p.m. at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, 814 Hidden Creek, South Lyon, MI 48178 or Leader Does for e Blind, 1039 S Rocheste Wednesday, May 8, at 11:00 h.m. at the First Presbytenar

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MACQUEEN DOUĞLAS March 24, 1942 - April 22, 2013 By Julie Brown

Nancy Henzi of Livonia was walking with the "Madison Hope Henzi" team for the March of Dimes April 27. She and husband Matt lost their daughter on Christmas Eve 2007, and have walked each year since then, also in honor of son Knox, 2 1/2.

"Great," she said of their son's health prior to the six-mile March for Babies' start. "Dancing and looking at police cars." Knox made it through most of the six miles before needing a ride.

"We're so grateful for the March of Dimes," his mom said. "The organization means the world to us. They were there just to be supportive. There's so nuch research they do to give each baby a healthy start.

Rolland Walt of Farmington Hills is a proud 88-year-old who's a regular. This'll be my 40th year, consecutive ly," said Walt, who received special recognition that morning. "I'm walking for babies. I have healthy grandchildren and healthy children and I'm grateful

Much of his family attended the Hines Park event, which began and ended at the Nankin Mills area in Westland and moved onto Livonia. Walt has three children and five grandkids. "All of my grandchildren are great," he said with a smile when asked about the coming gen-

"Years ago, we worried about polio," Walt recalled. When the vaccine was developed and polio disappeared in western countries, the March of Dimes

moved onto premature births. "I get together with my family for a worthy cause," Walt said. "The March of Dimes is one of the first to walk for a worthwhile charity.'

His dad had a store and would collect dimes to fight polio through the March of Dimes. Walt's proud of there being fewer premature babies: "It's getting lower every year and that's what we're walking for. I'm just glad to be 88 years old and do the six-mile walk."

He walks regularly for fitness. "Forty years ago, it didn't mean anything, Walt said of fitness walking. "That's something new."

A tree was planted in Walt's honor in Hines Park, drawing a round of

Walking the route was Cynthia DeVerney of Garden City, walking in honor of her late mom and Cynthia's sister who had a birth defect. "She died when she was five days

old," said DeVerney, whose mother died 20 years ago. She was accompanied by daughter Michelle DeVerney of Leonard, Mich., and grandchildren Jasmine,

Caitlyn and Kale. "It means a lot to support well babies," Cynthia DeVerney said. "That's basically what the March of Dimes has done. I'm just glad it's a beautiful day. This is

Skies were blue and temperatures rapidly climbed as walkers, many in disinctive T-shirts, made progress. Some T-shirts bore babies' images.

Walkers included Gloria Penrod of Livonia and daughter Amanda Penrod, 27. also of Livonia. "I've just been doing this about the last eight years," Gloria Penrod said. "I

enjoy it. Just good exercise, too. Raising

Mom and daughter

money for the babies." She has friends who've experienced premature births. "It takes a lot of care and a lot of money, especially if you don't have insurance," said Penrod, who likes March of Dimes educational efforts. Her daughter, an Allen Park Cabrini High graduate who also studied at Henry Ford Community College,

At the site, sponsored by Ford Motor Co. and the UAW, was state Rep. Robert Kosowski, D-Westland. He and wife Liz have two children, Andrew, 11, and Aus-

"Knowing that I have two healthy kids at home, I'm very blessed," Kosowski said. He agreed premature births and infant mortality are major policy issues.

"It's where we start off at," Kosowski said. "There can never be enough mon-The Northville Fire Department had volunteers at the end passing out pop-

corn. "We've done it for several years," said firefighter/EMT John Sassaman, a Northville Township resident. They have their own popcorn machine, and do the March of Dimes March for Babies as well as many city of Plymouth and Northville events. Sassaman was joined by Matt Samhat,

Corey Devers, Mike Wroblewski, Alex Loiselle and Mike Asher, all firefighters. "We've gone through a fair amount of popcorn," added Sassaman, agreeing the walkers had built up an appetite.

Barbara Bennage of St. Clair Shores is

site coordinator/community director for the March of Dimes. The local goal was \$530,000, she said, with money still com-"We do anticipate hitting our goal,"

said Bennage, adding you can donate online at www.marchofdimes.org under "Donate." "Awesome," she said in summing up the event. "The people that come out to walk in honor of their babies. We had a

Hines Park walkers and about 200 vol-"We couldn't do it without the volunteers," Bennage said.

great turnout." There were about 2,000

CREW introduces high school girls to commercial real estate world

Susan Cook and Eileen McCarthy are new board members of Commercial Real Estate Women (CREW) Detroit, which held its sixth annual CREW Careers program May 7 at Quicken Loans in downtown Detroit.

Cook serves as a board director, membership liaison, and McCarthy as director, professional development liaison. Cook is with Cardno ATC Environmental Services in Novi, while McCarthy is with McCarthy & Smith, Inc. in Farm-

CREW Careers is an outreach program designed to introduce young women to the various career opportunities within the commercial real estate industry. The program allows local students to become "developers for the day" through hands-on, interactive and inspirational activities.

While educating the young women on possible careers opportunities, the program also enhances their interpersonal. presentation and networking skills.

"CREW Careers doesn't just teach these young women about careers in commercial real estate," said CREW member Alicia Buisst, event emcee and co-developer of the program format. "Through their experience in the program, these students demonstrate to themselves that they have what it takes to be a success in life. CREW creates an environment that results in a 'life directing' experience for both students

and CREW members alike." Roughly 40 young women from Detroit Public Schools' vocational Golightly Career and Technical Center prepared for this year's event. By attending in-school CREW member presentation modules, they learned the commercial property development process and how real estate transactions transpire before the main event, which was hosted by Quicken Loans.

"Ouicken Loans is excited to be hosting CREW careers for the third year running," said Melissa Price, director of facilities at Ouicken Loans and member of CREW Detroit. "The event is an amazing opportunity for these young ladies to learn about the opportunities available in our field, receive one-on one mentoring and earn an opportunity

CREW Detroit members volunteered in various capacities for the event. ers and ambassadors while others helped out as greeters and general vol-

The 9a.m.-5 program's morning consisted of CREW member presentations, speakers, skits that illustrated the right and wrong ways to act in the business world, networking and other activities. Students were then presented with a design challenge - to redevelop a real piece of real estate in the city of Detroit (i.e., a vacant building, piece of land or a certain square footage of building

CREW Detroit team advisors helped guide the students as they discuss, plan and create their vision for the space. Each team presented their ideas to a panel of judges comprised of local real estate professionals, city government personnel, and members of the media

space) - and were assigned to a team.

and CREW Detroit. CREW Detroit has presented CREW Careers since 2008 to more than 150 Detroit Public School high school girls, two of which now present at CREW Careers as college students.

The number of girls participating in the program continues to grow each year. Quicken Loans is in the Chase Tower at 1050 Woodward Ave. in Detroit.

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Carnegie Hall pianists perform with Orchard Lake orchestra

guchi will perform with the Orchard Lake Philharmonic Society Symphony Orchestra at St. James Catholic Church, 46325 10 Mile in Novi.

online at hometownlife.com

"It's All about the Piano" will feature solos and concerti by both artists, performed on a new Steinway piano for the church. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$10 for students. Both musicians have played

times each. Yamaguchi, A Michigan resident who is nine vears old, was first chosen to perform there at the age of six. In addition to performing at Carnegie Hall, Yamaguchi was the youngest planist to place

in the top three of her division in the 2012 International Russian Music Piano Competition. Yamaguchi won first-place in the National Federation of Music Clubs composition conoutstanding community service for the many concerts she plays for senior centers. Gargiulo is a world-renowned

pianist who has performed in the world's top venues, including the United Nations' Dag Hammarskiold Auditorium in New York and the Seymour Theatre Centre in Australia

Born and educated in Italy with dual U.S. and Italian citizenship, Gargiulo studied at

the Verona State Conservato-

and the Moscow State Conservatory. Highlights this season include the release of his seventh CD, No Smoking.

Gargiulo is the founder and artistic director of the Water Island Music Festival in the Virgin Islands and is the artistic director of Crossing Borders, a Hunter College program that presents foreign artists currently living in New

He is the founder of

16000children.org, which brings together musicians, artawareness for hungry children around the world.

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OUR VIEWS

Lace up

Emergency Run proceeds will aid Boston victims

For the past three years, the city's police and fire departments have been teaming up with Novi's Providence Park Hospital, Sam's Club and Running Fit to present the Emergency Run - a 5k run and one-mile stroke walk.

Nearly 400 participated last year on the hospital's campus on the southwest corner of Grand River Avenue and Beck

But expect that number to climb for this Saturday's run for two reasons: it has grown in popularity each year, and the Boston Marathon bombings.

Within an hour of the April 15 tragedy, Boston Mayor Tom Menino said support was coming in from business leaders and local philanthropists who were "heartbroken by the impact this hideous tragedy has had on individuals, their families, and friends. And they want to do everything they can to help these people physically and psychologically in the future.

He and Massachusetts Gov. Deval Patrick formed One Fund Boston Inc. to aid the people most affected by the April 15 tragedy, with a cornerstone donation of \$1 million coming from Boston-based John Hancock

"I am humbled by the outpouring of support by the business community and individuals who are united in their desire to help," said Patrick. "At moments like this, we are one

THE ONE FUND state, one city, and

one people. That feeling of 'one' has extended well beyond Boston, and will be displayed Saturday as proceeds from this

year's Emergency Run will benefit the One Fund Boston Inc.

For the past three years, the Emergency Run has been a compliment to healthy Novi initiatives and enhances the partnerships with those who provide emergency services to the Novi community, according to David E. Molloy, director of Public Safety and chief of Police.

But the run means a little more this

time around. "It is an honor to this year donate proceeds from the event to benefit the health and safety of another community and the victims impacted by the horrific events which occurred at the Boston Marathon,' said Molloy. "I encourage all Novi community and business members to join the Emergency Run and share how this spirit lives, too, in our community and assist

those impacted." The event will include a HealthFest, open to all community members offering informational booths and displays; a Kid's Korner; the opportunity to interact with emergency first responders; and refresh-

On-line registration is available at noviemergencyrun.org, and registration forms are also available at the Novi Police Department, Providence Park

Hospital and Running Fit-Novi. The pre-registration fee is \$28 for the run and \$12 for the walk; free for children 8 and under. All pre-paid registrants

will receive a dry-fit T-shirt. Registration and the HealthFest begin at 8 a.m. with the run/walk beginning at

9 a.m. Awards will be given to the top three finishers in each race category with all participating children receiving a medal.

But the big reward this year will be part of the healing process in Boston. As of Monday, the combined public and corporate donations to One Fund Boston were approaching \$29 million.

Participation in Saturday's Emergency Run is highly encouraged, but you can also make a direct contribution by mailing a check to One Fund Boston Inc., 800 Boylston Street #990009, Boston, MA 02199. Visit https://secure.onefundboston. org/page/-/donate9.html for more infor-



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One in three people in the United States will be told the words, "You have cancer." Volunteers from the Novi and Northville communities are helping in the fight to make sure that stops happening. It is estimated that over 18,000 residents in Wayne and Oakland counties will be diagnosed. Out of that number, over 6,000 are estimated to not make it to their next birthday

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Fundraiser thanks

Novi Public Library would like to send a big thanks to the community, sponsors, donors, event committee and all who contributed and participated in the third annual Book It! Fundraiser on April 26. Raising \$11,600 to benefit the Fiction and Electronic Book Collections. this Diamonds and Denim-themed threehour night filled the library with over 150 guests. An immense amount of time and dedication went into planning this event, and the library genuinely appreciates everyone involved, including the eight sponsors: Steve & Rocky's Restaurant, Chasing Fotos, Walmart, Twelve Oaks Mall, Novi Town Center, Global Office Solutions, Menchie's Frozen Yogurt and Providence Park Hospital.

When the doors opened at 7 p.m., guests were entertained with live music by the talented Sundowners Duo, enjoyed delicious cuisine from Steve & Rocky's Restaurant, and got the chance to participate in a live and silent auction led by Novi Mayor Bob

This featured an assortment of outstanding prizes from over 70 local businesses and individuals including: 350 Car Wash, Aggie Dorchy, Bagger Dave's, Buffalo Wild Wings, Black Rock Bar & Grill, Border Cantina, Brian & Lori Burke, Busch's Market, Carrabba's Italian Grill, Cassell & Associates, Chamber Music Society of Detroit, China Café, Coca-Cola, Dairy Queen, Diamond Jim Brady's, Doc Fletcher, Elle Studio, Famous Dave's,

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GUEST COLUMN

If someone's life depended on it, could you spot a stroke?

By Dr. Bruce Silverman

very 45 seconds, someone in America has a new or recurrent stroke. A stroke is an injury to part of the brain. It is often called a "brain attack". May is National Stroke Aware ness Month.

A stroke occurs when blood supply to a part of your brain is interupted or severereduced, depriv



ng brain tissue of oxygen and nutrients. Within a few minutes, brain cells begin to die at a rapid rate. This is critical because your body

brain cells. Stroke is a medical emergency and every second counts. Prompt treatment of a stroke could mean the difference between life and death - or between recovery and disability. Early treatment can minimize damage to your brain

and potential disability. Knowing the signs and symptoms of a stroke may make it possible for you or family member to get prompt treatment. Remember the signs and symptoms of stroke usually occur suddenly - and frequently there is more than one

If you or someone you know experiences one or more of the

signs of stroke, get help immediately. Stroke warning signs are: 1. Sudden numbness or weakness of the face, arm or leg, espe cially on one side of the body 2. Sudden confusion, trouble speaking or understanding. 3. Sudden trouble seeing in one

or both eves. 4. Sudden trouble walking, dizziness, loss of balance or coordi-

5. Sudden severe headache with no known cause It is important for you to know the warning signs of stroke. Learn as many stroke symptoms as possible so you can recognize stroke and respond as quickly as possible If you notice these warning signs,

1. Note the time the symptoms first occur 2. Call 9-1-1 immediately.

Noting the time when symptoms first appear is important to your healthcare provider because it can affect patient treatment decisions. All treatments that may help reduce the effects of stroke have a common factor of time sensitivity. St. John Providence Health has pioneered a program called Code Stroke. Through Code Stroke the hospital communicates with a

team of stroke experts, including a

radiologist, neurologist and neurovascular specialist within minutes of a patient arriving at one of our network hospitals. St. John Providence Health is a national leader in quickly and accurately administer ing to patients 'tPA' - a drug that can literally stop a stroke. This is an important point because with stroke, every second is an opportu nity to save brain tissue. St. John Providence stroke cen-

ters are certified by the Joint Commission on Accreditation of ealthcare Organizations (JCA-HO) as Primary Stroke Centers. This certification program was developed by JCAHO in collaboration with the American Stroke Association. Primary Stroke Center certification recognizes the fact that St. John Providence Health makes exceptional efforts to foster better patient outcomes

Dr. Bruce Silverman is a neurologist at St. John Providence Health System. He is the medical director of Neurosciences for Providence and Providence Park Hospitals and a member of the health system's Michigan Stroke Network, He focuses on Medical Neurology, Electrodiagnostics: EMG, EEG. Evoked potentials, Carotid Ultrasonography, and Botox Therapy. His offices are in Novi, Farmington Hills and Southfield and can be reached at (866) 501-DOCS (3627).

Blue vs. Green

U-M, MSU ADs bring friendly rivalry to chamber event

By Kurt Kuban

Dave Brandon and Mark Hollis know a thing or two about the word rivalry. They've been locked in a pretty intense one with each other ever since Brandon took over as athletic director at the University of Michigan in 2010. Hollis, who has been athletic director at Michigan State University since 2008, knows how important it is that his Spartans do well against Brandon's Wolverines -

Despite that rivalry, Brandon and Hollis have developed a friendship, born of mutual respect and the common experience of running big-time athletc departments in the highv competitive Big Ten Con ference. That friendship was on full display April 26 at the Laurel Manor in Livo nia when the two headlined a luncheon put together by the chambers of commerc from Livonia, Northville, Plymouth and Westland. With more than 400 peo

ple in attendance, the two athletic directors traded barbs, discussed their phi losophies about running bigtime athletic departments and developing student athletes, and also the pressures they feel from alumni to produce winning teams. After both men made brief remarks, there was an

entertaining question and nswer period, as they field-

down a rumor that he was considering a run for Carl Levin's U.S. Senate seat. He said he was more wor gan State.

grams, most notably the pasketball team's recent

leyball final four run, and national championships by the men's swimming/div ing, men's gymnastics and cheerleading teams. At the same time, he stressed the academic achievements of the school's student ath-"It's been our best academic year," he said.

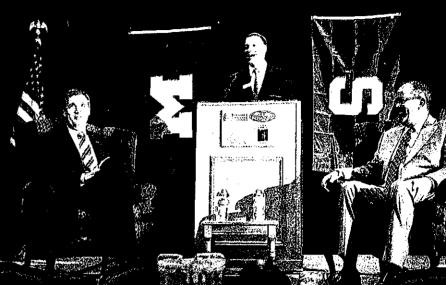
All of the recent success has led to double-digit increases in ticket sales, which he said are very important to the department's \$130 million annual budget. The football program produces 75 percent of the revenue, with men's basketball producing a small profit, and the men's hockey team break ing even. The rest of the 28

ed questions from those in In one of the more humorous moments. Brandon shot

ried about beating Michi-"You'd have a better chance of running for U.S. Senate," Hollis shot back

Brandon, who is Michigan's 11th athletic director, talked about all the recent success of the various pro-Final Four run that ended in a loss in the NCAA championship game. But he also mentioned the women's vol-

necessarily in favor of it.



Livonia Chamber President Dan West fires questions for athletic directors Dave Brandon and Mark Hollis.

Green.

Hollis, who is the 18th athletic director in MSU tant participant. history, said his budget i ed about the difficulties of operating winning programs, while at the same time trying to keep the focus on turning out future community leaders.

'We are creating oppor tunities for hundreds of student athletes, and teaching them how to be leaders. That is very important to us," Hollis said.

While they agreed on much, Hollis and Brandon seemed to have opposite views when asked their nions on the new playoff format for Division 1 football. Hollis said he was in favor of a playoff system, saying the four-team format was "a move in the right direction.".Brandon said he was supporting the new format, but wasn't

the Plymouth Communi-He called himself a "relucty Chamber of Commerce, to voice their lovalties by shouting "Go Blue" or "Go

"I don't know where this process ends," he said. "I worry about these young guys having to play 15 games. I know the last couple years at the end of our bowl games, the plane ride home looked like a Medi-

Despite their rivalry, both men said they had mutual respect for one another and understand the pressures they both endure.

"We both want to beat the crap out of each other on certain days, but we are also both in a stewardship role trying to make our schools better, our conference better and our state better." Hollis said There were many U-M and MSU alums in attendance, and they were

encouraged by Livonia

Mayor Jack Kirksey and Wes Graff, president of

"They were very fun-

That's what everyone want ed to hear," he said Livonia Chamber President Dan West said the event was a big success, the fact that the two athletic directors are a big draw,

"I liked Brandon more than I thought I would. He was pretty funny," said the MSU grad. Not everyone in the audi-

Traci Sincock of the

Northville Chamber of

Still, she said Brandon

Commerce was definite

ly on the "Go Green" side.

made a favorable impres

ence was a MSU or U-M fan, Some, like Plymouth's Fred Hill, were a bit indifferent to the whole Spartan-Wolverine rivalry thing, Hill's loyalties are with his alma mater, Ohio State University, a noted foe of both schools. Despite that Hill said he really enjoyed the event, especially the good-natured banter between Brandon and

ny, especially the way they were picking on each other and attributed it not only to ous chambers were able to partner together. He can

definitely see similar partnerships in the future. "We're really happy with the turnout. It's good to be able put multiple chambers together, because you are then able to attract big speakers like this," West said. "It's also good for the various chamber members because of the new netvorking opportunities. It offers the chance to bring in some new faces, and

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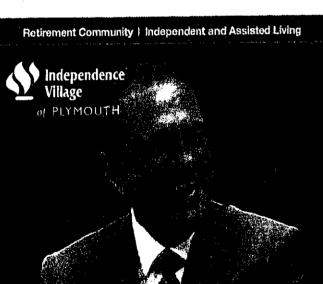
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Mustangs take first in NextTee invitational

Northville defeats eight of top-10 ranked Division I teams

By Sam Eggleston

If you follow high school golf, you probably didn't even have Northville on your radar this

No one would blame you, of course. But that was before the Mustangs came out in the Next-Tee invitational on Monday and beat everyone - including eight of the top-10 ranked teams in Division I.

"This is beyond amazing," said coach Jeff Balagna. "These five guys have worked really hard this year and all off season to get to this point. They really deserve the honors that were thrown their way this afternoon.

"They all played very smart and kept it together. It's a long grind during some of these

er. Northville's vic-

tory put them one

stroke ahead of

which finished

third overall, and

led them to victory

Rochester Adams,

and knew the game plan."

Northyille shot a team total of 288, which tied them with Lake Orion for the top spot until they earned the victory with a fifth-score tie-break-

The Northville Mustangs boys golf team will be back on the links when they play today at Novi before playing Tuesday at home against South Lyon at 3:30 p.m. The golf team will then host from today at 3:30 p.m.

lic Central, Muskegon Mona Shores, Lakeland, Plymouth Battle Creek Lakeview and Brother Rice. Those schools are ranked No. 1 through No. 6, respectively, in Division I cur-

rently. They also topped Jackson Lumen Christie, ranked No. 2 in Division III, and Country Day, ranked sixth in Division II. The entire victory came down to the final

hole where Todd Goebel was three over par. Northville thought a 73 from Goebel would be good enough for the team to win, but the senior wasn't so sure.

"Rather than listening to my advice and laying up on the final hole, a par five, he went fro the green in two and made birdie," said Balagna.
"At the time we thought we had won. We were
unaware that Lake Orion had also turned in four outstanding scores.

"If Todd would have listened to me and only made par, we would not have won. He was feel ing good and knew he had the shot in his bag. What a way to finish the tournament.' Goebel finished with a 72 — two above par on the challenging Oakland Hills Country Club

Please see GOLF, B3



The Northville hove golf team poses with the trophy win Monday night. Pictured (from left) are Andre Sarokin, Andrew Stevens, Matt Evasic, Todd Goebel Brad Minniear and coach Jeff Balagna.

Cranking out the hits! Wildcats finding their offense at just the right time

> The Novi baseball team hosted a doubleheader on Wednesday. The Wildcats will finish their postponed doubleheader with Northville on Thursday at Northville. They host a three-team tournament on Saturday with Detroit Country Day and Rochester participating in the annual breast-cancer awareness fundraiser

ON TAP

Ryan Caputo had three walks, a hit and two RBI. Bryan Klosthe fourth inning when the Wildcats RBI, Mitchell, Tyler Whitehead and Mario Ferrini started and earned Nick Shelar also had hits. An RBI by Andrew Stefan ended the game for just two hits. He struck out five and

didn't walk anyone in a solid effort. Michael Mitchell pitched in relief, On Friday, the Wildcats dropped going an inning for the winners. Four Wildcats had multi-hit games. Both Ferrini and Keaton Figurski each went 2 for 3 with a run scored and an RBI. Kyle Matel went 2 for 4 with two runs and Blake Boron went Novi had better luck with Livonia Stevenson last Wednesday. After

a pair to Utica Stevenson. They lost the first game 11-6 and the nightppener, the Wildcats pounded out a 15-6 win in the nightcap.

Despite the opening loss, the Wildcats showed plenty of fight. Down 1-0 in the seventh inning, Klosterma singled and then Caputo delivered a perfect bunt single. With runners at second and third and no outs, Figurski singled to tie the game at 1-1.

But with runners at first and third and still no outs, the Stevenson pitcher struck out the side to keep the game deadlocked.

In the bottom of the inning, Stevenson loaded the bases and scored the winner on a one-out error. Ferrini, Figurski and Grant Wheeler also had hits.

Ryan Davis had an outstanding outing on the hill for the Wildcats. The senior allowed no earned runs and five hits in 6% innings. "It was a gutty performance because he was fighting an injury," Green said. "He

In the second game, Novi took a 3-0 lead only to see Stevenson score six straight runs. But the Wildcats

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Shamrocks go through week unbeaten

dropping a close 2-1 game in the

Squad picks up three big wins, including OT thriller over Cranbrook

By Sam Egglestor

By Terry Jacoby Correspondent

The Novi baseball team is starting to hit on all cylinders as they racked

up 11 runs in an 11-1 romp of West-

Novi improved to 8-8 overall and

"Yeah, we played pretty good base-ball," Novi coach Rick Green said.

"We had some pretty big hits. And

I thought we communicated much

They had a number of big hits in

broke the game open with six runs.

the win. The senior went four innings without allowing a run and

2 for 2 with a run scored.

land John Glenn on Monday.

stand 6-2 in the KLAA.

better on defense.'

As a coach, Detroit Catholic Central lacrosse helmsman Dave Wilson On one hand, he watched as his team easi ly picked up

Orchard

Marv's, 18

ON TAP The Detroit Catholic Central Shamrocks lacrosse team will be back in action when

2. and Ann Arbor Pio-Catholic High School neer, 10-4. League tournament On the other, he got to Saturday at 7 p.m. They will then play Tuesday at Troy Aththe nail-biting overens at 7 p.m.

gainst rival Cranbrook, 14-13. "Both teams played hard," said Wilson of the Cranbrook game. "It was a hairy game, which is usually the case between these two teams,

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CC attacker Jack Van Ackers wheels around a Orchard Lake St. Mary's defender on April 30 on his way to scoring the first of the Shamrock's goals that game.

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Wildcats play Okemos to 2-2 draw

played South Lyon

East on Tuesday, host

day. The Mustangs are

ranked eighth in the

state. Novi also hosts

Adams at 1 p.m. on

Saturday.

the goal.

10th-ranked Rochester

Okemos would score

again with 3 minutes

left in the first half on

a scramble in front of

"In the first half

Okemos had the wind

and for us to be tied 2-2

going against the wind

to be, as the game was

"In the second half we

applied a lot of pres-

sure and had six great

scoring chances to one

made some good defen

sive plays and we had

some near misses. "

Novi finished with

five corner kicks to

Wildcats had 17 shots

with 9 on goal while

Okemos had 7 shots

On Thursday, Novi

Dircks had three

crushed South Lyon 8-0.

at hometownlife.com

with 5 on goal

for Okemos, but they

quite even up to that

point," O'Leary said.

seemed like a good spot

Northville on Thurs-

By Terry Jacoby

The Novi soccer team played to a 2-2 tie on Friday with Okemos in a battle between two top-five ranked teams in the state and the last two state champions.

The Wildcats (7-1-2 overall) are currently ranked No. 3 in the state with Okemos ranked fourth.

"It was a great high school soccer game with lots of excellent nlay from both sides. said Novi coach Brian

O'Leary. The Wildcats opened the scoring just 4 minwhen Kendall Kramer sent a cross into the box where Chloe Allen calmly settled the ball and beat the keeper into the side netting for the early 1-0 lead.

Just 5 minutes later, Novi scored again. Cat Nussion took the ball down the right sideline and played a great ball into the box that Erin Dircks finished for the 2-0 lead.

Okemos would respond 10 minutes later as their first-team all state forward found a little space behind our defense and made us pay for losing track of her as she received a

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ON TAP Sydney O'Donnell each scored twice. Jessie The Wildcats, who Parvana also scored for

> the winners. Assists went to Parvana (two). Direks (two). Allen, Amanda Minassale, Kaylin Hoomaian and Kramer.

Stevenson

On April 29, Novi defeated Livonia Stepass over the top and venson 7-0. "In the first half we fired it into the net.

had the wind but would only get out to a 2-0 in the half," O'Leary said "Stevenson did a good job of getting players tling up the middle of the field, "

The first was scored when Dircks crossed a hall from the end line that went over the goal ie's head and O'Donnell scored from the back post. The second goal was scored when Dircks found Allen on a nice split pass.

The game stayed 2-0 until 14 minutes left in the game when Novi would score five times. Goals were scored by Allen (two), Parvana. Dircks, and O'Donnell, with assists going to Parvana, Taylor Paylika. Katrina Koomen and Megan Riley. Jade Antolec made four

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Wildcats lacrosse earns a spot in KLAA title game

By Terry Jacoby

The Novi boys lacrosse team edged Salem in a close game last Friday to set up a showdown with Brighton on Friday. The winner of the Novi-Brighton match will claim the KLAA championship. Knocking off Salem

wasn't easy but it was a great step in the right direction after an impressive 8-7 win. "This was a back and forth game all the way to the end," said Novi coach Eric Hoffman.

Salem tied the score

with 3 minutes to go in the game. "Salem had control of the ball and looked like they were gong to take the lead," Hoffman said. "Mitch Adams made a great stick side low save with 1 minute to go. After clearing the ball,

Novi called a time out. "We had a play set up for Justin Danks to take the ball from the wing and either take a shot or feed the crease," Hoffman said, "Justin beat his man and a slide came early. He passed the ball to the crease. John Van-Dermay caught a low saves in goal for Novi. crease to score the gamewinning goal with around

Hoffman called it a

The Novi boys lacrosse team hosts Brighton at 7 p.m. tomorrow in a KLAA crossover. The Wildcats also host Flint Powers at 7 p.m. on Thursday, May 16. The girls team plays Friday at Farmington Harrison and at Dexter on Tuesday.

ON TAP

Novi held off Salem the last 40 seconds of the game to stay undefeated in the Kensington Conference in the KLAA.

Walled Lake Western

Last Wednesday, Novi knocked off Walled Lake Western 16-5.

Lucas Buck led the scoring with six goals. Danks had four goals and Chris Kennedy had two goals and two assists. Austin Nicholsen, Alex Caprara, Mark Ghannam

each scored a goal in the win and Nick Gasporotto scored his first of the Defensively, Scott Schramm and Tommy McMaster each had four ground balls. Scott Schramm and Steffan Werth each had two takeaways one. Mitch Adams had

seven saves on eight shots and Jake Bielenda had three saves on seven shots, "This game was a full team effort," Hoffman said. "Everyone on the team got a lot of play ing time, which will help us going into the play-

Troy Athens Last Thursday, the Cats lost to Troy Athens 10-1. Nicholsen had Novi's lone goal with an assist from Kennedy. Mitch Adams played a good

victory over South Lyon

They are swinging for perfection.

And so far, so perfect.

improve to 4-0 in the KLAA.

Fegert had a 41 in the win.

win over Salem at Fox Hills.

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the state.

McMaster had two. "Athens had a good

close with 16 saves. Scott

Schramm had three

takeaways and Tommy

game plan and worked it to perfection," Hoffman said, "We were a little too confident going into the game after the game on Wednesday. As a team we learned that you can't overlook any opponent.

Girls lacrosse in Ladywood tourney

The Novi girls lacrosse

of the games had a score

keeper," said Novi coach

And the Wildcats cer-

tainly had fun, until they

had to leave for a differ-

lost one and forfeited

ly," Warda said.

the last two because my

"We won three games,

girls had prom and had to

leave the tournament ear-

The Wildcats were com-

ing off a tough 10-9 loss to

"Throughout the game

it was neck and neck and

minutes left to play with

the score being 9-8," War-

da said, "But at 1:46, they

scored to tie the game up

With just 56 seconds

left, Northville scored the

"It was a very intense

with fans from both Novi

and Northville cheering them on." Warda said.

defeated Salem 13-12.

NOVI ROUNDUP

Wildcats linksters improve to 4-0 with

The Wildcats carded a 154-166 win last Thursday to

Garret Buckley fired a 37 and Brad Kozinski and

The Wildcats played tough last Tuesday in a 151-165

Fegert led the way with a 37. Buckley, Kozinski and

Jason Carless each shot a 38 for the Cats. Billy Ulle

The varsity team played in the Seaholm Invitation al at Birmingham C.C. on April 29 and finished sixth with a score of 306 against some of the top teams in

Wenzl and Kozinski both carded a 75 for Novi. Buck-

Erik Czekaj was the medalist with a 76. Blake Car-

rick was fourth with an 80 and Matt Kelley took fifth

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with an 81. Connor Patterson fire an 88 for Novi.

The Novi golf team played in the Suntel Classic at Oakland Hills-North Course on Monday and had

ley and Fegert shot 78s and Carless fired an 84. The JV squad participated in the Novi Invitational at Coyote Golf Club on April 29 and finished in third

Mike Wenzl each shot a 38 to lead the way. Bryan

The Novi golf team isn't swinging for the fences.

and suspenseful game

we were up with only 2

Northville last Monday.

Caitlin Warda.

BASEBALL team played in the Ladywood Tournament on Sat-Continued from page B1 urday where the Wildcats had an impressive showstormed back with 10 ing. The format of the runs in the fifth to take tournament is six 24-mincontrol to stay. ute games with each team Caputo started and was playing about 120 minrelieved by Myers, who utes of lacrosse. got his club out of a big "It was a tournament m and keep the game that was for fun and none

> two innings and didn't allow a run to earn the victory. Mitchell ripped a bases-clearing triple for the Wildcats, Wheeler had two hits and two runs

close, Luke Bageris went

ROUNDUP

matches against Steven

son at Fox Creek on Tues-

The Novi track and field

team split up last week-

end because of prom and

the Wildcats came away

mances at both meets.

WCCC on Thursday.

Novi track

impressive

online at hometownlife.com

LACROSSE

Continued from page B1

The Shamrocks and the

Cranes pushed the game

right to the limits and the

contest kept everyone in

the stands on their feet

Cranbrook looked

poised to win the game

as they brought the ball

down the field and made

a hard move toward the

fired a well-placed shot at

the net, but Detroit Cath-

olic Central senior goalie

Jon Conley made a great

save and then immedi-

goal. A Cranes player

right to the end.

and this one was a one

goal game most of the

Figurski had a hit and three RBI. Turk had a hit and scored two runs and Bageris, Caputo and Stefan each had hits. South Lyon East

Last Tuesday, Novi swept South Lyon East. distance to earn the win in a 10-0 victory in five innings in the opener.

one walk and struck out Mitchell Hall was 3 for

On Friday, the Wildcats

attended the John Run-

yan Classic and on Sat-

Sunshine Invitational.

squad defeated North-

Hannah Lonergan

ville while the girls lost to

broke the Sunshine Invi-

tational 800-meter record

Kerrie McMahan broke

the school record in the

the Runyon Relays.

the Mustangs.

on Saturday

urday the freshmen and

sophomores attended the

As a team the girls won

He allowed just two hits.

Van Acker has he picked up 10 total points in the victory. Sean Birney, a iunior midfielder, had a strong game as well, pick ing up three goals in the The Shamrocks had a

similar outing against the Pioneers of Ann Arbor as Birney notched three goals, Senkowski had two and Van Acker had one goal and three assists. Conley and Chris Naubert split time in goal and held the Pioneers to

3 with two runs and two

Wheeler and Boron all

In the nightcap, Novi

innings to earn the win.

won 7-5 as Hall went four

had two hits.

had hits.

RBI. Mitchell (two RBI),

three goals. John Giampetroni led Cranbrook with five goals

had a double and two RBI

while Ferrini had a hit

ately fed a short outlet

pass to Marc Longe, who

cleared the ball, weaving

into the Cranbrook defen

sive zone, and then fed a

perfectly-placed ball to

released a hard shot on

the net for the win.

Wilson said.

goal the found the back of

"It was a great game,"

Senkowski had two

goals in the game while

had four goals and senior

attack Alec Gilhooly had

Jack Van Acker, a juпior.

wski, who then

turned and launched the

oall 50 yards to senior

Jarzynski. The senior

GOLF Against St. Mary's, the Shamrocks didn't have to Continued from page B1 push the game into over time instead following North Course but, surprisingly, that wasn't the

top showing for Northville on the day. Instead, iunior Andrew Sarokin who shot a staggering 67 – three under par – to tie for first-place overall "What can you say

said Balagna, "He is the leader of this team and his scores show it. Three under on a course like Oakland Hills North is just outstanding. He is quietly putting together an All-State-caliber just four scores between season. He has finished towards the top of every tournament and has been

> Goebel finished second on Northville's squad

the team low each time

while Matt Evasic, a senior, shot a 74. Junior Brad Minniear carded a 75 on the day and junior Andrew Stevens shot a 76 - the fifth score that proved to be the deciding factor in Northville's vic

tory in the tournament. "Í can't even begin to tell you how happy I am for Matt. Brad and Andrew," said Balagna. A team is only has good as their three and four scores, and these three guys have been amazing. If one guy has a bad round, the other two pick up the slack. Today all three of them played outstanding."

Balagna entered the tournament not sure what to expect. He said he discussed goals with the team before play began and hadn't even brought up making a run for the

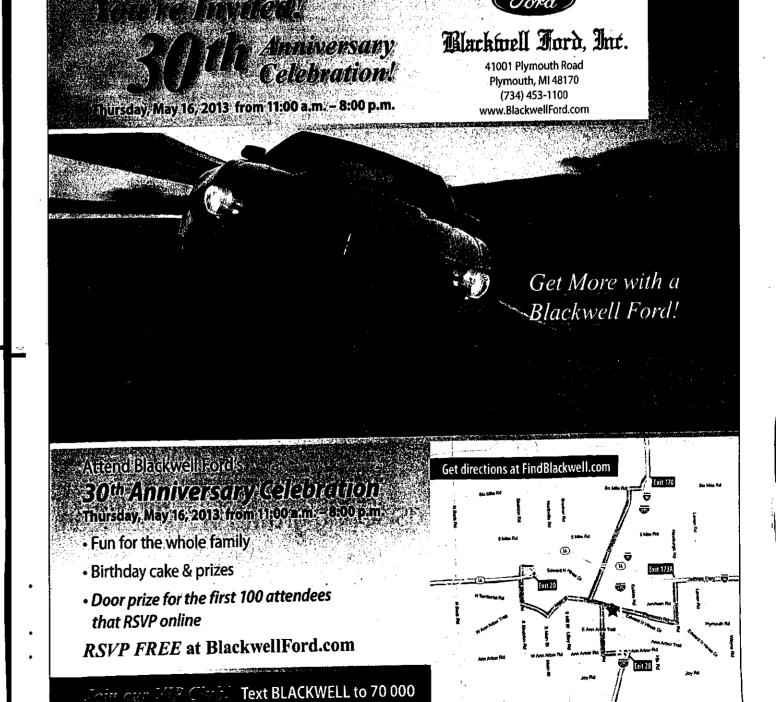
"Last week we turned in a score of 309, which was eighth in a very tough field," he said, "I was very pleased with that finish. I told the boys that another top-10 finish in today's tournament would

"Apparently that wasn't good enough for them." Balagna said his team will be looking to capital ize on victory and use it to continue to build success for the remainder of the vear.

"At least for one day people in the golf commu-nity can talk about Northville High School," he said. "Hopefully, we can build on this and carry some momentum for the rest of the season. It is great that we won today. but these boys want something bigger. They will not settle with just this tournament victory."







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Dan Sims, Nick Noles and Conor Naughton finish one-twothree in the 3200m run. Sims set a new school record at

ON TAP

The Northville Mus-

tangs boys track and

again when they partici-

Sean Wagner went 13

Sims, Noles and Naugh-

nate in the conference

meet this Saturday.

Boys track stars continue to excel

By Sam Eggleston

It took some video replay to verify the feat. but Northville's Dan Sim is the school record holder in the grueling twomile run.

Sims turned in a time peted against Novi in a dual of 9:30 54 in the Livomeet and took a 74-63 loss. nia Stevenson Invitation al to create a new record for the two mile last feet on the pole vault for his season-best performance while freshman Leo Keys jumped 19-feet-3-inches in the long jump.

ton took first, second and third, respectively, in the two mile while Anthony Sourges and Flanagan went first and second in tured a third-place in the hurdles for Northville

second in the 100 dash. Last weekend, the Mus tangs also sent a team to compete in the Farmington Hills Harrison fresh man and sophomore invi-The Mustangs also took tational against 10 other

Jacob Kamm took fourth in the 400 while the team of Kenny Goolsby and Haden in the long-jump relay with a combined leap of 28-11. The pole vault his best time in the mile, relay of Andrew Denrunning a 4:39.95 for fifth while the 4-by-800 relay niston and Ahmed Kamran took fourth while team took fifth, as did a

Northville soccer team splits week

By Sam Eggleston

LOCAL SPORTS

The Northville Mustang suffered their second loss of the seato the Salem Rocks in Central Divi

The Mustangs, coached by Eric Brucker, found themselves chasing a highly-energized Salem squad around the pitch for much of the first half and the end result wasn't in Northville's favor as the Rocks took home a 1-0 victory.

record to 10-2-2 overall while Salem climbs to 8-3-1.

'We came out flat today and Salem jump on us early," said Brucker, "They were organized and had us chasing for the first 30 minutes. After we calmed down, we were able to dictate play and created scoring chances."

Unfortunately, Salem's lone goal in the 32nd minute of play was all they would need to earn the victory. It wasn't their only scoring opportunity, however, as the rocks fired a shot from just 14 yards out about 10 minutes into the game following a scrum for a loose ball in front of the Mustangs' net. Sophomore Sarah Castellano saved the goal for Northville, blocking the shot with her face to keep the game

The Rocks had a second chance just four minutes later when one of their players was tripped from ON TAP

The Northville Mustangs girls soccer team returns to the pitch when they play today at Novi at 7 p.m. Saturday. The team will then play at home Tuesday at 7 p.m. against South Lyon. Northville is also sched uled to play a week from today at South Lyon East at 6 p.m.

penalty kick. Senior goalie Kiki Hilmer had to sprawl out in goal for Northville to keep the ball out of the net, but her acrobatics kept the game at 0-0.

Salem's goal at the 32-minute mark came off a rebound as Emma Tardiff collected it and fired it home for the score and the 1-0 lead. The Mustangs looked to tie it four

minutes later, sending in a corner kick that floated into the box from the right side. Northville collected the hall and fired a hard shot at Salem's goal that was deflected by the goalie as she dropped to her knees to prevent the score. Northville junior Kyra Dahring collected the rebound and fired it home as the goalie falls backward into the net in an attempt to make the save. Inexplicably, the ball is swiped back out of the net and no goal was

"Scoring goals and denying goals create big momentum swings, said Brucker, "In the early going it was all Salem. Kiki came up huge with the penalty kick save

and the momentum swung in our favor. The Salem goal brought the momentum back to them." Northville controlled the play throughout the second half and

even fired a goal off the inside of the left post off a shot by junior Gabby Mencotti but they weren't able to find a way to get into the net for the tying goal.

Northville 4, Stevenson 0 The Northville Mustangs secured a victory over Livonia Stevensor last week with a shutout to keep them atop the Central Division standings.

"The stats show a great team effort tonight. Four different scorers. Three different players registering assists," said Brucker. "I'm pleased with this all-around performance. It was a very chippy game with hard hits and tough tackles. The girls played kept their composure and chalked up another vic-

The Mustangs had several big moments in the win - including goals from Mencotti, Kacey Cerretani and senior Gabbie Guibord.

The highlight of the night was the first goal of the night, which proved to be the game winner. The score was junior Jenny Willerer's first goal of the season. She took a pass from junior Ashley Peper and float ed a shot over the Spartan goalie from 14-yards out to score and give Northville a 1-0 advantage. Hilmer earned the shutout with

Mustangs scoring lots of runs

By Sam Eggleston

Northville's baseball team put up 41 runs over the past four games something no coach is

going to complain about. Unfortunately, even with all the scoring, the Mustangs only managed to split the week, earning wins over Wayne Memorial, 16-1, and South Lyon East, 15-0 and 17-7, while taking losses of 12-7 and 2-1 against an alwayspowerful Southgate Anderson team.

good week," said Kostrzewa, "We seem to have found a better groove ffensively scoring a lot of runs this week. The pitching and defense were pretsolid in wins over South Lyon East and Wayne. The week unfortunate-

ly culminated in 2 losses versus Southgate.' Against South Lyon East, the Mustangs iumped out to a 2-1 lead in the first inning and hen tacked on six more runs in the second as they put the rest of the game in cruise control for the

victory. The team added

By Sam Egglestor

Chalk up two more dual

meet victories for the

tennis team and a huge

victory at the Midland

Winning, it seems, is

Quad tournament last

becoming old hat for

Northville Mustangs girls

ON TAP

tangs baseball team will be back on the diamond when they host Salem Saturday at 10 a.m. before playing Monday at John Glenn at 4 p.m The team will then play Wednesday at home against Livonia Steven son at 4 p.m.

one run in the third, four in the fifth and four more in the sixth to get the victory in just six innings for a mercy-rule finale. Leading the way with three hits and six RBIs

was Zach Wilds, while Thomas Huber added three hits and four RBIs in the victory and Jake Slominski had three hits. Evan Flohr, Sam Houston and Tim Eis split time

on the mound for North-In Northville's other win over East, the Mustangs took a 15-0 victory in four innings while not allowing a hit off the pitching of Houston and Taylor Turner, Combined they struck out three and

walked three.

ON TAP

ern at 4 p.m.

The Northville Mus-

tanos girls tennis team

will be back on the court

when they play Saturday

at the KLAA tournamen

with a 4 p.m. start. The

team will then play Tues

day at Port Huron North-

tral Division and played

Walled Lake Northern

ners of their respective

The Mustangs scored 12 runs in the opening three innings, including two runs scored and an RBI by Wilds.

Northville 16, **Wayne Memorial 1**

Against Wayne Memorial, the game was over before it could really get going as the Mustangs won via the 10-run mer cy rule at the end of the third inning.

The squad put up 10 runs in the first inning and three in each the second and the third for the victory while giving up just one run in the first to the Zebras. Huber and Brad Van-

Hulle split time on the mound for the win while Huber led the offense with two hits. Picking up three RBIs was Wilds while Slominski, Van-Hulle, Brandon Patrone and Evan Wieland had two RBIs each.

Southgate Anderson 12-2, Northville 7-1

The Mustangs just couldn't put together the game they needed to take

played in a quad at the

ter. There, they defeated

Mason with several excit-

Midland Dow. Trov and

several that lasted over

Northville earned 20

while Midland Dow took

points for the victory

second with 14 points.

spot with Emma Wor-

Five of Northville's

eight flights took the top

winning No. 2 sin-

gles, Anika Mulkerii and

Danielle Romano win-

abeth Sakorafis and

Jordan Hermiz taking

ning No. 1 doubles, Eliz-

two hours each.

Midland Tennis Cen-

Tennis team on an absolute tear

one away from Southgate Anderson as they fell in the perennially powerful

Northville hit the ball

hard but couldn't find

any gaps. They picked

up the lead late again but

couldn't hold on as South-

gate rallied for the vic-

Eis threw 7.1 innings

and kept the game close.

"He did an outstanding

job, but a couple of defen-

sive mistakes in the eight

led to the Southgate walk-

off win," said Kostrzewa.

Southgate Anderson

eight and Northville had

a chance for an inning-

ending double play but

first at No. 2 doubles,

Chloe Page and Paige

Baal winning No. 3 dou

bles and the final victo-

ry coming from the No

4 doubles team of Libby

Ouinn and Shannon Wil-

had what was likely the

most exciting match of

the tournament. They

had a three-set victory

over Troy in the second

set was won in a seven-

Mustangs jumped out to

the tie break in the third

point tie breaker. The

The No. 1 doubles team

failed to execute, leading

loaded the bases in the

"In the 12-7 loss we were not fundamentally sound at all committing several mental and phys-

ical mistakes on defense that lead to the loss," said Kostrzewa, "Offensively we battled and had the lead late in the game, but we made way too many fundamental defensive mistakes and Southgate was able to capitalize. In the second game,

singles matches. Erin Day (No. 1 singles) and Allison Lollo (No. 4 sinor the Wildcats. Novi freshman Youna

singles and sophomore 1 at No. 3 singles. The Cats continued their dominance in the doubles as they took all

six matches. Caitlin O'Brien and Amy Zhou won 6-1, 6-3 at No. 1 doubles; Rachel Bai-6-0, 6-4 at No. 2; Rebecca Chen and Asawari Kanit

ON TAP The Novi tennis team

played Canton on Tues day and defending state champion Grosse Pointe South on Wednesday. The Wildcats will host the KLAA "A" Tournament on Saturday featur ing the top three teams in each division, including Novi, Northville and

Salem. The tournament begins at 8 a.m. and will feature matches at both the high school and middle school. kar won 6-0, 6-0 at No. 3

singles; and Harika Bollineni and Melanie Murphy won 6-1, 6-1 at No. 4. At No. 5 doubles, Melisa Bunio and Prasanti Ravipati won 6-4, 4-6, 7-5 and at No. 6 doubles Shakila Khan, Carolyn Zhang and Abigail Swain teamed up for a 6-7 (5), 6-

The Wildcats lost in straight sets against a sol id singles team for West But Novi won four of

Last Wednesday, Novi

losing only at No. 1 doubles as O'Brien and Zhou lost 6-3, 2-6, 7-6 (7). Fawaz won 7-5, 6-2 at

At No. 5 doubles, Shakila Khan and Carolyn Zhang won 5-7, 6-2 (10-6).

Last Tuesday, Novi

Knights upend previously undefeated Troy

The Northville Knights

Rugby Football Club will

be back on the pitch

when they host Shelby

their home field at Livo-

of the contest with relent-

all-around play but it took

a 40-meter run by flyhaif

hails from Novi, with just

Bastien Dupessey, who

two minutes left in the

less rucking and strong

today at 5:30 p.m. at

nia Stevenson.

ON TAP

By Sam Eggleston

The Northville Knights Rugby Football Club knew heading into their contest against Troy that they would have to play a fundamentally-sound game in order to stand a chance at winning.

When all was said and done, a strong first half and the ability to overcome mental errors in the second half left the Knights with a victory over the previously-und feated Troy squad, 15-12.

Troy came into the contest with a 4-0 record and stood atop the division standings while the Knights boasted a 1-1-1 record following a tough 16-15 loss toe Howell the week before. Northville came out

strong, however, and dominated the first half

The team is now 5-6 overall.

game to secure the victory. He snagged a loose ball that squirted free from the ruck and scampered down the sideline, untouched, for the score and the victory. A strong defensive stand as time expired led

to the end of the game as

scrum half Matt Stoner disrupted a late Troy line-NORTHVILLE ROUNDUP

Northville picks up two wins er had two goals and Nate Ray had two goals and an assist. Picking up a goal The Northville Mustangs boys each were Alex Melucci, who also had lacrosse team secured a 13-5 victory three assists, John Cooke, who had five over Plymouth last week after collectassists, Kevin Piwowar and Alex Fuller ing a 14-6 win over Salem.

Against Salem, Chase had four goals and two assists while Cooke had three Against Plymouth, the team followed goals and four assists and Fuller had the lead of Joe Chase, who poured in five goals and had an assist while Jake Fullthree goals and three assists.

It's Time To Plant! Novi softball runs win streak to five games

Daschke had six strike

three hits to earn the win

In the second game, the Wildcats pounded out

d pitching performance

from Tarrant. The junior

allowed just two hits and

a 15-5 win behind a sol-

outs and allowed just

By Terry Jacoby

online at hometownlife.com

The Novi softball team is on a roll. A five-game roll. And while there is still plenty of room for improvement, the Wildcats (7-7 overall) are proving they have plenty of talent on the roster.

The Wildcats took a pair from Westland John Glenn on Monday, including a dramatic 8-7 comeback win in the opener in eight innings. Novi was down 7-5

with two outs and no one on base in the seventh inning. With two strikes Sam Troher battled and managed a single to keep the game going. Casey more, followed with a base hit. Senior Miranda Hanby hit a fly ball to the outfield that was misplayed allowing Troher and Lawler to score and

tie the game.
In the eighth inning, Kailey Oppat drove in the pitched in relief to get the

Lawler and Jenna Lowney each had two hits for the Cats. Troher, Hanby and also had hits in the win.

The Novi softball team plays its makeup game Thursday against Northville. The Wildcats also play Saturday at a tournament in Royal Oak

ON TAP

ond game, 7-3. Mallory Daschke earned the win. allowing six hits, three walks and two strikeouts The game ended with a diving catch in the outfield by Brooke Embley, who turned the grab into a game-ending dou-

Oakley had a huge day at the plate. The senior third baseman had two singles, a double and two RBI. Oppat had a triple and Loia Teran and Anna

Royal Oak Last Thursday, the Wildcats swept a double header from Royal Oak. Oppat helped lead the

offense in the opening game 8-1 victory. The senior had two walks, a triple, a home run and two RBI. Hanby had a double and two RBI and Lowney

drew two walks. Troher.

Daschke and Oakley all

had hits for the Wildcats.

three earned runs in the Jenna Lowney led the offense with four hits and Oakley delivered a double and two singles.

Oppat, Lawler and Tro-

her had two hits apiece.

Daschke had a triple and two RBI. Tarrant, Teran and Embley also had hits.

Last Wednesday, the

Wildcats split a doubleheader with Livonia Ste venson. The Cats allowed five unearned runs and managed only three hits er, Greulich, Oppat and Lowney had the hits. The Wildcats bounced

back with a 6-4 win in the second game. Tarrant allowed just two hits and two walks and overcame four errors behind her to get the win

Oppat again had the big stick with two doubles and two RBI. Lowney, Troher, Hanby and Teran

Novi tennis bounces back with win over Grand Blanc

By Terry Jacoby

The Novi tennis team bounced back from a rare loss with a 7-2 win on Thursday over Grand Blanc. The Wildcats improved to 8-2 on the season and are 6-1 in the

The two teams split the gles) both came up short Lee won 6-0, 6-2 at No. 2

fell to host West Bloomfield 5-4 in a close match.

Bloomfield. the five doubles matches.

Rachel Bailey and Dina No. 2; Rebecca Chen and Asawari Kanitkar won 6 4, 6-4 at No. 3 singles; and Harika Bollineni and Melanie Murphy won 6-4, 6-0

defeated host Lakeland 8-1. Lee won 6-3, 6-4 at No. singles, Sridar won 6- 6-3 at No. 3 singles and Lollo won 6-4, 6-3 at No. 4

All six doubles teams

out, causing a knock-on to

end the match and solid-

Northville climbed to 2-1-

1 on the year with the win.

The team had a strong

first half showing in the

victory as they went up

3.0 to take an early lead

put in a 20-meter penal-

when Ricky Lensczewski

ty kick, and David Borth-

wick added to that score

with a try on a pick-and-

go off the ruck from five

meters out to end the

first half. Lensczewski

added the two-point con

version to put Northville

on top, 10-0, heading into

Unfortunately, despite

solid pressure from the

ly mental mistakes and

two tries as time fell off

Knights, several cost-

turnovers helped Troy

ify the victory for the

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weekend. His time was so close to the previous mark of 9:30.8 that officials used a video replay to confirm his new mark "Dan took second in the mile, but he got what he came for in the two the Northville school record," said first-year Brandon Langston. Northville also had a big success from Jason Ferrante, who ran a per sonal-best time of 1:56 while winning the 800-

first in the distance medley relay in 10:40 while the spring medley relay took first by less than a second with a time of 2:31. The 4-by-100 relay team took fourth overal. Conor Naughton earned

sixth was the pole vault relay and the high-jump

4-by-1,600 team. Taking

Coleman breaks two school records

If distance runner Rachel Coleman was looking to make an ever ville High School, she

By Sam Eggleston

can consider that mission accomplished. Coleman, a junior already holds several records at Northville, but she set the mark for two more last week when she ran in the Golden Triangle Invitational in Saline with the school's girls

track and field team. Coleman set a new mark in the mile — a record she had previous ly set - with a time of 5:05.7. She went on to create a new all-time record in the two-mile run as well, completing the race

in an impressive 11:11.35. "Rachel ran two great races," said first-year head coach Tim Dalton. "She is incredibly talented and it clearly showed Northville also collected a second place fin-

Emma Herrmann ran her

ish in the 100-meter hurdles with the stellar running of Lauren Rodriguez while the 4-by-800 team took third in 9:33.9 - the nia Stevenson Invitation team's fastest time so far al last weekend. There, this season. In the 400-meter event, freshman Lindsay Walters ran to third place while Morgan Robert-

The Northville Mustangs girls track and field team will be back in pete in the conference meet Saturday.

the two mile, finishing in

Two true standouts at the meet were senior Alexa Abbott and her freshman sister, Chloe liminaries, semifinals 200 dash, Alexa Abbott finished the day with a fourth-place showing in

Northville also ran a dual meet against Novi and walked away with a victory, 78-59.

Northville captured first-place finishes in the the 4-by-100, the 4-by-400 and from Rodriguez (100 and 300 hurdles), Alexa Abbott (100 and 200 dash). Erin Zimmer (mile run), Robertson (800 run) Northville also sent a squad to run in the Livo

best time this season in and Aya Pickett took 10th. big wins on the season.

freshman Haley Harris took 10th and sophomore the mile while Audrey Baetz, a junior, took 17th son took fourth in the 300 The 4-by-100 relay team ran to fifth in the 800. of Jamie Allcorn, Lidia Drury, Emily Katynski

ON TAP

the sprint medley relay

team of Kamm, Adam

Ghabra, Nick Milews-

ki and Nick Martin took

Abbott, Together they ran eight races each with preand finals in the 100 and

> The Mustangs collect ed victories over Walled

week.

Lake Northern, 9-0, and Brighton, 9-0, in crossover divisional play last week. The team, coached by Linda Jones, finished Mustangs seeing growth in softball team

By Sam Eggleston

Five games in two

exhausting, doesn't it?

couple of days, but they

If that weren't enough, the Mustangs made the trek to Midland and

ON TAP days sounds absolutely For the Northville soft ball team, it was indeed a tiring experience, but a Wednesday at home fulfilling one as they not only played through five son at 4 p.m. games in a span of just a

The Northville Mus-

The team played in the

tangs softball tèam will be back on the diamond when they play Monday at John Glenn at 4 p.m. The team will then play against Livonia Steven ton, 6-1.

Michigan Stars Invitation- as she batted a .500 over

al last weekend, hosted at Grand Blanc. Northville nicked up wins against Birmingham Seaholm, 12-4, Warren Cousiпо, 9-8, and Traverse City West. 12-6. They did take their ever, falling to Brandon, 8-2, and North Farming-Northville followed the

lead of freshman Shan-

non Rounsifer on offense

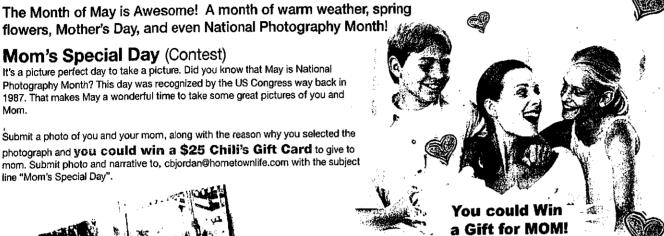
the entirety of the tour nament while junior Allie Chapekis hit .438 Zwarka and Jessica Jones shared time on the mount throughout the weekend The team suffered an additional loss on Monday evening, falling, 7-4, to a tough Livonia Churchill

Northville is now 2-7 in the KLAA and 5-12 over**May: A Picture Perfect Month** The Month of May is Awesome! A month of warm weather, spring

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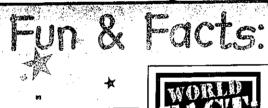
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Help Like Santa

Do you think Santa is busy only at Christmas time? No. Santa is busy all year round. Here is what Santa does. Santa goes to people and tries to teach them "How you can be of help to the needy people"

One day Santa was on a teaching mission. He met a rich and rude fruit market owner, Mr. Captain Grumpy. So Santa talks to Mr. Captain Grumpy and Santa explains how important it is to help the needy people. So Mr. Grumpy agreed to send ten boxes of fruit to Santa.

Then comes the first month and Mr. Grumpy makes ten boxes of fruits ready to send to Santa. He calls one of his poor employees, Mr. Walker and tells him to take these ten boxes of fruits to the North Pole and deliver them to Santa

Mr. Walker is very happy to take the fruits to the North Pole because he is excited to meet Santa Claus. He takes a carrying pole and puts five boxes on one side and five on the other side. He puts the carrying pole on his shoulder and starts the Journey

The journey was long and tiring. Mr. Walker was hungry. He doesn't think he can walk anymore without eating some thing. He doesn't have anything to eat except juicy fruits for Santa. So he decided to eat a box of mangoes. Even though he's working in the fruit market, Mr. Grumpy never gave him a single fruit to taste. Now he opens the box and sees the perfectly ripe manages. He finishes the whole box of mangoes and delivers the 9

Mr. Walker may be a poor person but he is a very honest person. When he comes

boxes of other fruits to Santa Claus.

back from the North Pole, he goes to Mr. Grumpy and tells the truth that he ate one full box of mangoes because he was so hungry. Mr. Grumpy gets really mad, he beats Mr. Walker and throws him out of the fruit market. Mr. Walker gets up and walks away crying.

A few days later Santa comes and meets Mr. Grumpy. Santa tells Mr. Grumpy "THANK YOU FOR ONE BOX OF MANGOES"

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Forcible

entry suit

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By Robert Meisner

Q: My parent's home has been foreclosed upon, but I have

notice that the agent for the closing purchaser intended to enter the mises and remove my parent's

belongings while I was out of town

lowever, the agent entered the premises, removed the belongings

changed the locks, and affixed a

Do I have any basis to sue for

"no trespassing" sign to the door.

forcible entry and detainer as well

as conversion, which I am told are

A: Probably not based

upon a recent decision from

on similar facts found that

enter a premises unlawfully

detained had long existed at

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a land owners right to re-

the State of Maryland which

remained in possession despite

Survey says: Buying a home can bring a young couple closer together

By Julie Brown

Joe and Katie Allen are working to move into their new Superior Township home, which they've been fixing up the last six months

"Hopefully getting to the end of it," he said. "Classic money pit." In the meantime, the Allens, both 32, are staying with their children, 3 and 5, at her parents' home in Canton. The Allens sold their first Canton home in January. "Longterm value" is what he cites as

an advantage of owning. 'We don't usually struggle to be on the same page," he said. He's the "make it happen person" on the home while his wife handles interior design.

They're doing 90 percent of

the work themselves, and knew what it would cost, said Joe Allen, who owns an industria parts distribution company. His wife is a homemaker. Advice he'd give to other young couples buying a home

depends on the person and situation. Allen cautions against major changes if you're not on solid footing in your relation-

ship now You need to prepare, he said, have your down payment in place and anticipate costs.

"Just have a good willingnes: to roll with what comes along,' and plan, he said. It's good to learn from others' experiences, Allen added. John North, chief operating

officer of Troy-based Coldwell ker Weir Manuel, agrees. " think it speaks to the value of home ownership," said the 50year-old Birmingham resident A recent survey done by Coldwell Banker Weir Manu-

a relationship. Millennials are waiting later to marry, North said. "Their belief that home ownership is part of the American dream, I think young people are acutely

el showed that many couples

18-34 are buying homes and, if done right, that can strengthen



North purchased a home before he was married, and now lives with his wife in Birmingham. He too has words of wis-

needs and wants, and be willing to compromise," North said. must be open about finances. Planning ahead, even 10 years

tial, he said, as is having fun. "There's probably nothing more rewarding," North said. "Enjoy t, have fun with it." ment on the financial aspect

North said. "Prices are on the rise pret-

more jobs. We're encouraged and excited about the future.' He said younger couples now are career-focused but also

dom for younger couples.

ers. "It helps bring a family They have to decide their

Honesty's essential, and couples down the road, is also essen-

He agreed with Allen's assess of owning a home. "There's no question that home ownership throughout the years has prov-

ty much across the board," Realtor North, in the field with CBWM for 15 years, said of the local market. "We're encouraged about the fact Michigan's doing a great job of attracting

made together. interested in home ownership

"We see the value of it, we know what it means to have a home." North said of older buy-

He's been with CBWM his entire real estate career, and is encouraged by the local market. "Homes are available in every price range." North said, noting recent events have made bigger homes more

affordable for younger cou-The new study from Coldwell Banker Real Estate LLC uncovered that about one in four married couples between the ages of 18-34 purchased their first home together before their wedding date, compared to 14 percent of those ages 45 and older. According to the sur vey, 35 percent of all married couples purchased their first home together by their second

wedding anniversary, and 80 percent of married homeowners who purchased their home while married said it did more to strengthen their relationship than any other purchase they

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Q: We have a policy that allows one dog at the condominium with no size, weight or breed limitations. A coowner wants to bring a pit bull into the about that dog staying here. What can

A: You may not have any basis to keep the dog out unless you amend your bylaws to restrict certain types of breeds. However, while Michigan has a strict liability policy with respect to dog bites, not all states do which led to a decision by the Maryland Court of Appeals which had to deal with the "one-bite rule" which holds that a victim must prove that the dog was dangerous or the bite was due to the negligence of the dog owner before liability is established However, the Maryland Court of Appeals rejected the onebite rule when the dog is a pit bull saving that pit bulls are inherently dangerous," and a dog owner — and a landlord who allows the dog to reside in a rented apartment - could be held strictly liable. Moreover, the court in that case said "it is not necessary that the landlord (or the pit bull's owner) have actual knowledge that the specific pit bull involved is dangerous." Similarly, in a recent Kentucky Supreme Court case, the ruling was that a landlord who permits tenants to keep dogs could be as liable for the dog bite as the owner of the dog. You are best advised to speak with your community association attorney and/or if you are a landlord to take the appropriate precautions.

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Over the years, Robert Half International has surveyed hiring managers and workers, asking them to recount the biggest interview gaffes they've either seen or heard about. Following are some of the most unforgettable responses -- and suggestions for avoiding a similar fate.

Don't forget your people skills

• "An individual applied for a customer-service job, and when asked what he might not like about the job, he said, 'Dealing with people."

 "The applicant told me if she had realized it was our company, she wouldn't have shown up for the interview."

 "When asked by the hiring manager why she was leaving her current job, the applicant said, 'My manager is a jerk. All managers are jerks."

No matter how well vou've However, it is appropriate to prepared, you might find that ask about the position itself, nerves get the best of you in even during the early rounds of the heat of the moment. You interviewing. For example, you wouldn't be the first person to might inquire about the person stick your foot in your mouth, who last held the role or about judging by the examples above. the types of professional development opportunities the

Don't dress down

. "A person came to the in terview in pajamas with slip-

"The candidate arrived

with a snake around her neck She took her pet everywhere." · "One job candidate left his dry cleaner tag on his jacket

and said he wanted to show he

 "An applicant wore the uniform from his former employer."

was a clean individual."

No matter how casual a potential employer's work environment seems, dress to impress. That means wearing a suit or other similar profes sional attire.

It's highly unlikely a hiring manager will knock points of if you show up to the interview slightly overdressed. However, coming in casual attire may give the impression that you're not serious about the position or cause the interviewer to

don't take any chances.

Don't be dishonest

· "After being complimented on his choice of college and the GPA he achieved, the candidate replied, 'I'm glad that got your attention. I didn't really go

manager's phone. She proceedcalled in sick to her boss."

If you've been on the job hunt

to stretch the truth during the interview in order to make yourself seem more qualified. After all, what's one little white

question your professionalism. This is one of those small details that can speak volumes, so

ing a meaningful contribution there."

> · "After arriving for an early morning interview, the iob seeker asked to use the hiring ed to fake a coughing fit as she

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But keep in mind most employers conduct reference or background checks prior to extending an employment offer. And in the age of Google and social media, it's easier than ever to uncover false information. If that happens, you can be guaranteed you won't be offered the position, and your professional reputation can suffer irreparable harm.

Even if your lie isn't uncovered right away, you could be setting yourself up for failure. If you exaggerate your skills or experience, you may not be able to successfully complete the position's duties once hired. It's best to give the hiring manager an accurate depiction of

your abilities so both you and the employer can be confident the job is right for you.

The bottom line: It's never OK to lie during the interview, no matter how small the fib might seem. Always stick to the facts and build a case for the position you seek based solely on your actual skills and experi-

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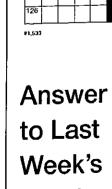
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