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False alarm fees targeted by ex-police

Citizens Action Committee.

ment," Faulkner said.

Faulkner said that he received a

call from an individual business

owner who said that the firm was

billed \$6.970 for false alarms runs.

rassed to go to the police depart-

The \$6.970 did go to the police department and they kicked off

The ordinance reads that if a the

police department receives more

than seven false alarms from a

given location within one years

time, the property-owner will begin

to pay \$500 each additional time a

patrol car has to come out to the

business. The idea is to reimburse

\$147,000 in 1999 for false alarms.

Novi took in an estimated

The first alarm goes off and its a

"The second alarm goes off and

you get a letter and a copy of the

ordinance. If you're smart, you'll

But Faulkner admits that a lot of

the business people do not read the

ordinance before it's too late and

the bill has ballooned to thousands

"The police department is sup-

to protect and serve,"

the city for its expenses.

freebie. Faulkner said.

read the ordinance.

posed

Park cell towers

"A lot of these people felt embar-

False alarms and the price tags they bear questioned by former NPD officials BeGole, Faulkner.

RANDAL YAKEY

A group of Novi residents have brought a resolution on behalf of the Concerned Citizens Action Committee that would abolish, or at least reform, the current false alarm ordinance.

"I've been a resident of Novi since 1946 and retired from the police department in 1991," said Richard Faulkner, a former deputy police

"I have received a number of calls from people who have been charged as a result of the ordinance.

Faulkner said that he feels the ordinance is out of line. The grievance is expected to be brought to the Ordinance Committee today at 6 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center.

I told the individual there must be steps to take." Faulkner said. The one was billed for \$4,000 and the other was billed for \$3,800.

Former police chief Lee BeGole is

placed on hold phone towers at ice

RANDAL YAKEY

call waiting.

Request for cell

arena, sports park on

The City of Novi is looking over two proposals for cell phone towers on municipally-owned land.

According to city officials, the two sites considered are at the Community Sports Park, located at Napier and Eight Mile roads, and the Novi Ice Arena, located off of Novi Road near Ten Mile Road.

Trinity Wireless Towers Inc. and Sprint PCS both have contacted the city about renting locations for towers. Sprint PCS is looking at the Novi lce Arena as a possible site.

The tower at the ice arena, which could generate approximately \$75,000 annually, would be approximately 150 feet high and take up approximately three-quarters of a acre. The revenue could be a way to help make up the ice arena's current deficit.

"It's a significant piece of revenue for the city," said Councilman Louis Csordas. "It could be put to good use at the ice arena."

Councilman Hugh Crawford said that the city has missed out on too many opportunities to do something of this nature in the past, so no current opportunity for revenue

"It doesn't have the aesthetic feel, having them all over the city."

> Richard Clark, Mayor of Novi

should be turned away. At the March 6 meeting, the city council agreed that there was a need for a citywide plan on what to do about the proliferation of cell towers. There are currently 11 towers sites in the city, not including

"Without a plan, we're just whistling in the dark," said Council Member Michelle Bononi.

the two new requests.

"Many cities require the builder to provide a plan.

Mayor Richard Clark said that city should have some kind of policy and basically sent a message to the planning commission to get to work on that.

"It doesn't have the aesthetic feel, having them all over the city." Clark said. "We expect to see a master plan for these types of towers. Without a master plan. I will not be looking upon them favor-

The issue has been referred back to the planning commission for further review.

Hopping heart rates



Orchard Hills students, including Brian McClure at right, checked their own heart rates.

Orchard Hills kids jumped in to help fight cardiac disease

Elementary students know the ropes when it comes to fundraising.

By STEPHANIE FORDYCE Staff Writer

Orchard Hills Elementary students leaped into action the entire week of March 6. as they participated in the American Heart Association's "Jump Rope

for Heart" campaign.

The educational fund-raising event is held in thousands of elementary schools across the nation, raising money for medical research and programs that help prevent heart disease and

"The children really enjoy it," said Peggy Whitman, a physical education teacher.

"They've learned everything from how to check their heart rate to different styles of jump-

The campaign teaches students the benefits of physical activity, how to keep the heart healthy and that they can help save lives right in their own communities.

Whitman said the program is great because it not only educates students, but helps them think about their own lives. According to the American Heart Association, heart disease is the

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As seen on television last week, Novi High School senior Lara Phillips blds her heart on on "The Price is Right." She brought back home to Novi with her a new Cavaller Coupe and a grandfather clock. In addition, she and her mother Debbie Phillips met Bob Barker.

Her price was really right Guess who's got a brand-new Chevy?

■ "The Price Is Right" fan acts out a lifelong dream on television.

By STEPHANIE FORDYCE

"Lara Phillips, come on down! You're the next contestant on

These were not words the Novi High School senior expected to hear when she attended a taping of the game show last month. "I was so excited when they called my name," Phillips said.

"I never expected to be picked." Not only was she a contestant, but a winner of a brand-new car, a 2000 Cavalier Coupe in silver.

None of my friends even believed when I told them," Phillips They even laughed at me when I told them I was going to see the show. They said I'd never get on Contestant's Row.

'So when I told them, they thought I was jying. I had to have my mom convince them."-

Phillips, along with her mother Debbie, flew to California espe-

cially for the show in February.
"Ever since I've been ten years old, my grandmother always

told me that when I turned 18, we'd go see the show," said Lara So when the high school senior turned 18 on February 6, she

and her mother were on their way to meet Bob Barker. They flew out Los Angeles where they met up with her grandmother, aunt and uncle.

Debbie Phillips said that her daughter has always been a huge

"I mean, we have to revolve our summer schedule around The Price Is Right," she laughed.

Phillips said that she was bidding for awhile before she got the chance to join Barker on the stage.

"I was getting really nervous because it was getting close to the end, but on the very last game, I got on," she said.

Lara said that her bid on a grandfather clock advanced her to a game they call "Spelling Bee".

"It looks like a big beehive and there's thirty cards attached; The object of the game is to spell car with your pick of just five

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Community Calendar

Thursday, March 16

Novi School Board

The Novi School Board meets tonight at 7:30 p.m. at Novi Woods Elementary School, 25195 Taft Road. For information, call 449-1200.

The Novi Rotary Club meets at noon at the Novi United Methodist Church at 41671 Ten Mile Road. For information, contact Bob Limbright at 380-6500

Expo Boat Show

The 8th Annual Spring Boating Expo continues today through Sunday at the Novi Expo Center. For information, call 348-5600.

Friday, March 17

St. Patrick's Day

Today is the festival honoring the saint who cleared freland of snakes. For more information, consult your local pub.

Novi Theatres The Novi Theatres production of "Fiddler On The Roof" runs tonight and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 3 p.m. at the Novi Civic Center. Tickets are \$12. For information, call 347-0400.

Sunday, March 19

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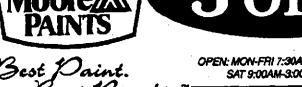
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Monday, March 20

Novi City Council

The Novi City Council meets tonight at 7:30 p.m. at the Novi Civic Cen-

The Jewish holiday Purim runs this evening and iomorrow, celebrating the deliverance of the Jews from a massacre.

The Novi Oaks Charter Chapter of the American Business Women's Association meets at the Wyndham Garden Hotel, at 42100 Crescent Blvd. Social hour is set at 6 p.m. and dinner is served at 7 p.m. Meetings are open to all working women. For reservations, call Audrey Gulley at (248) 624-1718. For membership information, call Bettie Johnson at (248) 960-9559.

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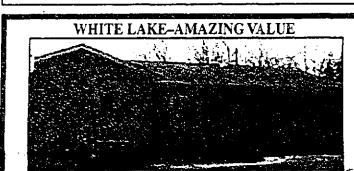
Total cholesterol screening by fingerstick method, will be offered 1-4 p.m., at the Botsford Center for Health Improvement-Health Development



Correction

The Spring 2000 Activities Brochure of Northville Parks & Recreation Dept., printed by Hometown Newspapers, contains an error. The correct information for the cover is: Registration Begins March 22

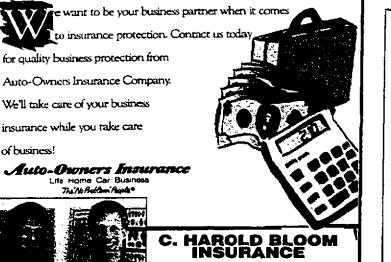
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Tuesday, March 21

Business Network International

The Novi Chapter of the Business Network International meets from 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. at Kerby's Coney Island at Eight Mile and Haggerty roads. For information, call (810) 323-3800.

Garden Club

The Novi Garden Club will meet at 1 p.m. in the Novi Civic Center.

Civil Air Patrol

The Sixgate Composite Squadron, Civil Air Patrol, meets at Parkview Elementary School, 45825 Eleven Mile Road, from 7-9:30 p.m. Adults and youths who have finished the sixth grade are welcome. Call 349-2669.

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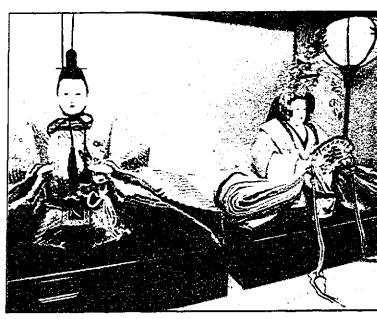
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Above: Orchard Hills students show some of the origami, rice treats and dolls they were given during their study of "Hina Matsuri" or the Japanese Girls' Day celebration. At right: A close-up of traditional Japanese dolls dressed in miniature

kimonos.



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The program is funded by a federal grant, with a percentage of local matching funds and in-kind donations from the City of Novi.

their homework and therefore away from drugs.

council meeting to offer any support for the program. If you cannot attend the meeting, you may submit a

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Girl's Day Students celebrate Japanese tradition By STEPHANIE FORDYCE The dolls are considered too pre-In Japan, combine dolls, spring cious for play, Instead, they are peach blossoms and little girls and displayed in the best room of the "It's nice for children to you've got something to celebrate. house. The dolls represent the Kathy Brandau's second grade emperor and empress and are class at Orchard Hills recently par- arranged on a platform covered

Girl's Day.

girl's growth and happiness.

some of the historic dolls.

ticipated in this uniquely Japanese with red carpet. radition called "Hinamatsuri" or The display includes dolls to represent palace staff and miniature Hinamatsuri is an occasion to furniture. The dolls are very expencelebrate and pray for a young sive and fragile, as they are made of fine porcelain and dressed in On March 3, mom Rieko Oki layers of silk. The dolls are not for made beautiful origami baskets for playing, but for viewing only, each child filled with rice cake and Around the doll display are soft cubes, which is the traditional food pink and white peach blossoms. for the festival. She also made The flowers symbolize the gentle-

These dolls are so delicate and so precious, it was wonderful for two to three weeks before the special prayers before casting Rieko to bring them in," said Bran-cial day and sweets are placed the dolls out to sea in large wooden before the dolls to be "eaten" by "It's nice for the other children to

learn about other customs and cul-Japan, it is said that if you leave Oki explained that the word the Hina dolls out for a few days "Hina" means small doll. Nearly after March 3, "your daughter may every Japanese girl owns a special miss the chance of ever getting set of these dolls. The dolls may have been bought especially for her Therefore, as soon as the Hinaor have been in her family for many matsuri is over, the dolls must be Yaniasaki, bring in some of the

carefully placed back into their dolls.

learn about other cus-Lisa Brandau.

boxes and stored away for next

It is also believed that a person's illness or bad luck can be transferred to a doll. Families who are origami pictures and brought in ness, sweetness and peacefulness worried about their children's health or well-being can donate The dolls are put on display for dolls to a shrine. Shinto priests

> "This is really cool, " said second Brandau explained that in grader Amanda Pastoor. "It would be nice if we had some-

thing like that. Oki's daughter Chiori, said she was glad to have the other students learn about Hinamatsuri and have her mom and friend, Mariko



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man, to put down the the weapon, a noticed a heavy smell of intoxicants. and asked him about items in his equipment into the truck. the man tailed to respond. At one - pockets. The man responded: "I-Police say the found approxi-

mately six grams of marijuana on According to the reports, the office the suspect. The suspect was taken -The subject said he smelled of er "suff armed" the suspect who - alcohol after a restaurant patron

was subdued and "double hand" spilled a "White Russian" on him. According to police, the fight The man was placed into custody - broke out after an argument about who kissed the suspect's girlfriend. Police continue to investigate the

EQUIPMENT

softwer adentified himself and - na after a fight broke out on Tues- - Police took a 17-year-old Westad the man to drop the weapon. day, March 6 in the parking lot of land teen and a 22-year-old Can-ek, but did not consume any alcorelated to notice reports, the the Red Lobster restaurant located ton man into custody for possess hole isking table? Police report that Police say that while they quest According to police, the men teen had been consuming alcohol. the Novi Police Department at (248) we officer reportedly asked the tioned a man about the fight, they rented the truck where the stolen. She was issued citations for oper- 348-7100.

reports indicate that the 22-year—the influence of alcohol. old admitted to stealing equipment — Police took the teen into custody in Canton and Novi. The 17-year old apparently told police that he was paid \$20 for helping load the

SHOPLIFTING MOM ARRESTED. The report indicates the men may have stolen equipment from A 25-year-old Canton Township the Twelve Mile and Haggerty roads woman was arrested after stuffing

The teen was stopped by Novi

police after running the red light on

westbound Twelve Mile Road near

According to the suspect's state-

ment to police, the teen had been

hanging out in a bar in Hamtram-

According to police, there have Mall into a stroller occupied by her been a number of thefts on the two-year-old daughter on Thurs-Farmington Hills side of Haggerty day, March 8. Road over the past few weeks. According to reports, the woman took merchandise and attempted

to hide it inside the child's stroller. RED LIGHT RUNNER ARRESTED The woman was seen attempting to A 19-year-old Milford teen was hide the merchandise over closed arrested after reportedly running circuit television. red lights through Farmington The woman was the second per-Hills and Novi on Saturday, March son arrested in as many weeks for

> hide stolen materials, according to police reports. The woman was issued a citation from police, but was not taken into custody because of the two-year

using their children's strollers to

Citizens with information about sion of stolen property on March 9. Police reports indicate that the the above incidents are urged to call

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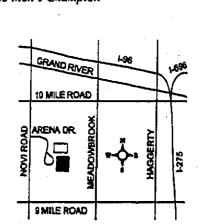
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Novi Briefs

Money and management

city council, scheduled for Saturday, March 18.

Negotiations are proceeding with City Manager candidate Richard He According to Tia Gronlund-Fox, the city's human resources specialist, Helwig's salary is expected to be somewhere between \$90,860 and

Helwig will receive approximately four weeks vacation time, including three weeks this year. The manager-elect has also been offered \$500 vehicle allowance per month. Helwig is expected to be at the next negotiation meeting with the

Helwig, who was selected to take over for retired City Manger Ed Kriewall, is the current Assistant City Manager of Dublin, Ohio, a suburb He is a Harvard graduate who began his career as a systems analyst for the city of Dayton, Ohio.

Volunteers needed

Providence Medical Center in Novi is seeking volunteers to help customers with their health needs in the library and in various other positions throughout the center. The Health Education Library at Providence Park in Novi offers free career at the Record in 1997 as a tor at the "Sault Evening News," a

information on health-related topics, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer or would like more infor- In June 1999, he was promoted to "Gaylord Herald Times," working mation, please contact Mary Watson, RN at 248-465-4110.

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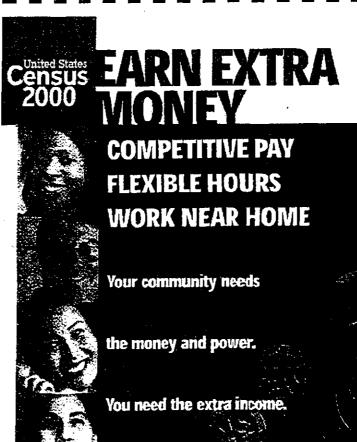
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"It came down to a coin flip. I was

At Gaylord, he earned a first

place award for human interest

feature writing from the Michigan

Davis said early on his career

pers chain.

sion," he explained.

for of the Northville Record, the sis-staff we have," he said. ter publication of the Novi News. He will take over the job from Bob Jackson, who was recently promoted to managing editor of

"Lam confident that Chris will do sense of community, has sound editorial judgment, is fair-minded unorthodox. and brings an extremely creative

style to the newspaper," Jackson "I'm sure Chris will do a great job

in Northville." reporter covering the City of six-day daily in Sault Ste. Marie. In Northville and Northville Township. August 1996, he moved to the copy editor and Living section edias a reporter on the municipal govfor the Northville Record and ernment and schools beat. Novi News. Since Jackson's departure in late December, he has served as interim editor of the

enthusiastic about his new posi-

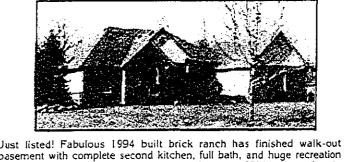
"I'm proud of the product that we "I always thought that I would

goal was to become a newspaper

put out and I'm optimistic we can eventually, but I always thought it

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Chris Davis has been named edicarry on that tradition with the fine would take longer than it actually did." he said. "Things fell into place for me and He follows in the footsteps of Samuel Little, who founded the I'm glad they did." Davis graduated from Novi High publication as the "Wayne County Record" in 1869. The publication is

School in 1992, where he was on Homelown Newspapers' Oakland now part of the Homelown Newspa- the swim team. The son of Novi residents Ed and Sue Davis, he grew Davis earned a bachelor's degree up in Village Oaks subdivision and a fine job for the readers of the in journalism from Central Michi- is now a new homeowner in the Northwille Record. He has a good gan University, but his method of city. His wife, Emily, is the head picking a major was rather athletic trainer at Southgate

> torn between print and broadcast the adult committee for Boy Scout journalism. I couldn't make a deci-Troop 327 of Farmington Hills. His first job after he was gradu-

ated in 1996 was as business edi- News.

A former boy scout, he is now on named new editor of the

Novi resident Chris Davis was Northville Record, succeeding Bob Jackson, who was recently promoted to a managing editor position at HomeTown Newspapers.

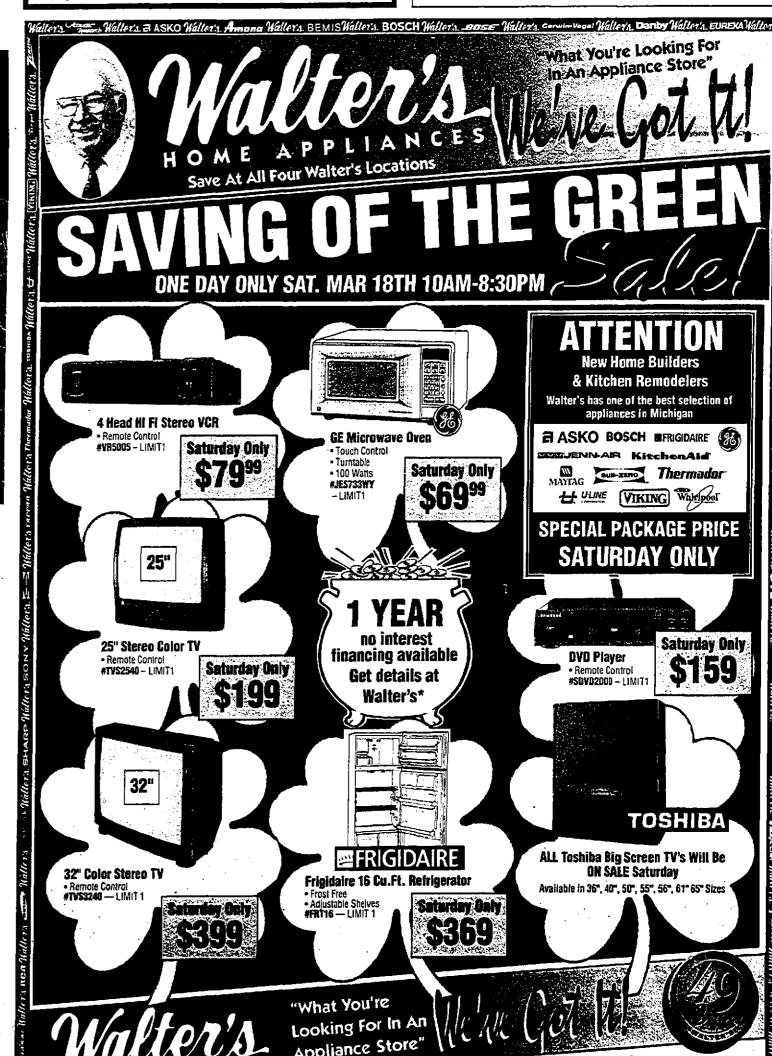


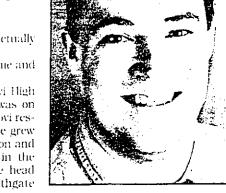
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He was a deputy sheriff for Course to into Read Commission shall his retirement in 1974. The dender. Le covered was Hines. March 7 at his residence in Novi. hath from Vorthalle to Dearborn. John February 1945 to August Ada (Hickey) Boetsch. A Go as part of the Asian Pacific Heaver The was a surgical technic. Kelsey Haves Co. after 40 years of Brasseur, January Gravelle, and chair who also had a sharp shorter - service. He was supervisor of their - Donnie Gravelle, and two grandonle qualities tion Mr. Bard received the meritorious - his retirement.

cuit award, the Army of Occupaestable timedal. He was part of the No. 475 F&AM. test intentry, south division medio al detachment M: Bird was a member of the Chuck (Robyn) of Hawthorn choice would be appreciated. V.F.W. Fost No. 4012 in Northville, Woods, Ill., and Gary (Marcia) of where he served as post comman- Highland; one daughter, Caroline HAROLD G. CRISMAN

der danne 1956 57. He is survived by a daughter. Grace Light of Novi, formerly of Ply- ten grandchildren. months three grandchildren.

bit's go exploring!

Services were held on Monday, Warth, 43 at Schröder Howell Forerd Home, Plynouth with the Rev. J.J. Mech officiating Interbe appreciated by the family.

 Memorials to the V.F.W. Post No. Laty of Gas a Coursel Church in 4012 in Northville would be apprescrated by the family.

August Lee Boetsch, 79, died

AUGUST L. BOETSCH

He was born in Coldwater, Mich. Mr. Bard served in World War II. March 2, 1924, to Lee August and Mr. Boetsch retired in 1982 from drafting department at the time of children, Rocky, Tina, Travis, Jere-

He was a 32nd degree Mason to a medal for Japan and the good - and a member of Findlater Lodge - March 11 at O'Brien Chapel/Suffice van Funeral Home of Novi.

Mr. Boetsch is survived by his wife Carolyn S. of Novi: two sons. Memorials to the charity of your (Marty) Phelan of Traverse City: one brother, Jack of Canton; and

 Memorial services were held on William D. Light of Ann Arbor, Peter - Friday, March 10 at the First Unit-4. Light of Novi, and Susan L., ed Methodist Church of Northville, form I Smootk of Saliner and one owith the Rev. Dr. Douglas W. Vergreat grandeluld, Craig Robert Sin- non-officiating, Interment was in past president of Lakeland Golf Pendovich; and John Pejakovich; Acacia Park Cemetery. Mr itad was preceded in death. Arrangements were made by ie, his wife of over 50 years. Northrop-Sassaman Funeral bara; sons, Dean (Anital, Donald grandchildren,

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PATRICIA A. CAUDLE

pital, Farmington Hills.

She was born in 1942.

Patricia Ann Caudle, 57, et Livo-

nso thed March 7 in Botslord lies

Ron and Hershelt daughters, Julie

Services were held on Saturday

He was born Dec. 12, 1927

Mr. Crisman was an avid our

gan Hospital.

and Country Club.

or the charity of your choice wonly. Church in Farmington. Arrangements were made by O'Brien Chapel/Sullivan Funeral Home of Nova

 Memorials to Christ Child Society e76 Tribute and Memorial Fund Charperson, 15751 Joy Road. Mrs. Caudle is survived by her. Detroit, MI 48228 would be apprehusband, Hershelt sons, Robert, crated.

and Peggy: siblings, Marlene DELLA I. MURPHY

Shirley, Peggy Olson, Jackie Della L. (Mailen: Murphy, 78, died March 9 at her residence in

Mrs. Murphy is survived by her

She was born in 1921.

husband, Kevin sons, Richard (Marye Mullen, Kenneth (Betty) Mollen, Kevin (Caroli Mullen, Michael (JoAnne) Müllen, and Joseph (Shawni Mulien; daughters, Maureen (David) Melntosh, Madelyne (Patrick) Mulcahy, Melame Dunne, Mary Kathryn (Stephen) March 6 at the University of Michie - Patricia (Dan) Faiser: three-stepsons, Keym J. (Susan) Murphy. Brian Hamelai Murphy, and Paul United Murphy: one stepdaughter, doors person, He was past presi - Margaret Mary (Thomas) Modelski; dent of McInerney Miller Bros. and two brothers. Stephen (Annie) one sister, Elizabeth Pejakovich: 31 He is survived by his wife, Bar - grandchildren and three great-

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Mrs. Murphy was preceded in Walsh Resilient Flooring Co. of Jones (Mary), daughter, Gil Anne - death by her former husband, Ken- - Detroit for 20 years and as a broand stepson, Martin Murphy.

Livonia. Interment was in Holy tive Easter retreats. One of his Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield. great achievements was his lovalty Arrangements were made by to his friends. He took pride in his ancestry and O'Brien Chapel/Sullivan Funeral had a love of everything Irish. One of his highlights was traveling in The family would appreciate Ireland and kissing the Blarney

memorials to the following: Most stone. Holy Trinity Church, 1050 Porter St., Detroit, MI 48226-2492; St. Patrick Church, 58 Parsons. Detroit, MI 48201-2002; The Kelly (Ferdi) Olgun, Shannon (Lee) Capuchins, 1740 Mount Elliott, Detroit, MI 48207-3496; or Angela Qualls; one sister, Mary Joan Hospice, 14100 Newburgh Road, Livonia, Ml 48207-3496.

JAMES E. WALSH JR. James E. Walsh Jr., 74, died

March 6 in Beaumont Hospital,

He was born March 28, 1925. Walsh attended Gesu Elementary School, Detroit, was a Harold G. Crisman, 72, died. Tidey, Elizabeth (Dean) Gow, and graduate of the University of Detroit High School, and a 1943 graduate of the Missouri Military

Center or the University of Detroit He served aboard the USS Libra High School would be appreciated in the Pacific during World War II.

his retirement in 1990.

A patron of Manresa House, Mr.

Mr. Walsh is survived by his wife

Eve: daughters, Mary Catherine,

Jeanne Marie, Patrice, Maureen,

Bronstein, Erin, and Shalyn (Steve)

James; and grandchildren, Keira.

Brenna, Jeremy, Megan, Laura,

Charlie, Meral, Melisa, and Olivia,

son, James III.

He was preceded in death by a

Services were held on Thursday.

March 9 at St. Colman of Farming-

ton Hills. Interment was in Holy

Sepulchre Cemetery of Southfield.

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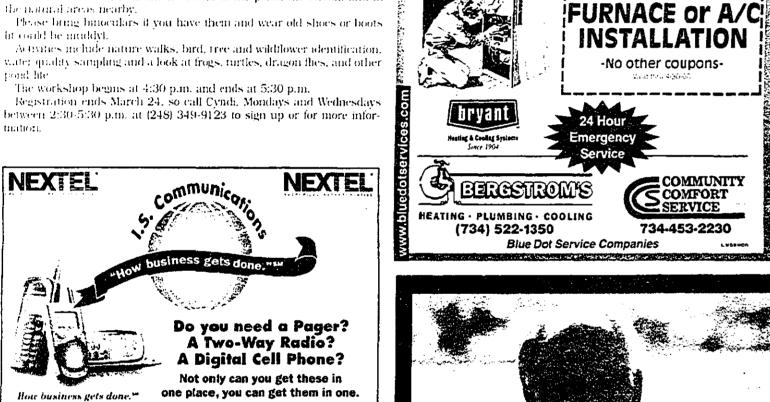
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Middle School: Dawn Wilfong, Heather Balon, Melissa Doolin,

Dallas Odom, James Gee and Alissa Wagner. From Novi High:

Dallas Odom, James Gee, Alissa

By STEPHANIE FORDYCE

Novi students' imaginations were soaring recently as Novi High - Food of Life... Play On! School, Novi Meadows, Orchard Regional Competition at Waterford Mott High School.

different age levels participate in undergoes a change in physical tournaments that allow their imag- appearance during the team's premations to shine.

Novi's participation in Destinaand parents will become involved in this unique opportunity to develon creativity, self-reliance and per-

Awards were based on each competition.

wonderful program that really difficulty. encourages kids to act indepen-

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a musical performance that tells a U.S. and other nations. Students at prop or piece of scenery that

that "next year even more students" challenge entitled "Eggsploration."

team's demonstration of a solution challenge asks students to move to a long-term team challenge, as five eggs through an obstacle well as on-the-spot reactions to course without breaking them. The instant challenges. Teams chose eggs have to be transported over one of six nationally standardized walls, gaps and be passed through long-term problems to solve for the a moving device. The team also cre-"Destination ImagiNation is a are evaluated on originality and

> "We're not allowed to touch the egg while we're moving it either."

transport it." Make way for Novi Middle School's "Green Team" under par-

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High School team led by Doreen Lloyd for their first place finish in

In this challenge, students create

Hats were also off to Clair Fry-Michael Webber.

Fryatt explained that in this Here are the Novi Community School District's First Place ates two additional obstacles that champions from a recent Destination ImagiNation competition.

their challenge, "If Music Be the

Team problem-solvers included: Hills and Novi Middle School Neil Cox, Angela Doolin, Ken Gee, placed with several top finishes in Ruchika Khetarpal, Scott Lloyd, the Destination ImagiNation Erin Roberston, and Ann Salo. Destination ImagiNation, a glob-story or creates a mood, all without al. youth-oriented, creative prob- the use of written or spoken lanlent-solving program, is a non-prof- guage. The team must include an it organization sponsored by the original musical instrument and a

tion ImagiNation is coordinated by att's Novi Meadows team, which parent Cathy Gee, whose hope is took a first place finish in their Team members included: Dan Fryatt, Eric Johnson, Glen Martin, Jeff Wardrope, John Webber and

"You could tongs or bowls t

Scott Lloyd, Erin Robertson and Ann Salo. took first place in their team challenge entitled 'Fruit Roller Coast- Heather Balon, Melissa Doolin, Congratulations went to the Novi ent coach Roger Wilfong, who also

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Wagner and Dawn Willong. object is to move the balls through the course as fast as possible. "You took the best time out of hree trial runs," he said.

"We took first place in the competition with 6.6 seconds." Ted Shively's Orchard Hills team weight. also competed in the "Fruit Roller" a third place finish in their divi-

Team members included: Amanda Costello, Elizabeth Díaz, Melissa Lavoska, Erica Shadwell, and Mary Beth Shively.

Also choosing the popular "Fruit Roller Coaster" problem was the fourth place Novi Meadows and Novi Middle School combined team, coached by parents Cathy Gee. Lori Heinowski, and Judy

Chadsey. Team members included: Elizabeth Chidsey, Elizabeth Gee. Allison Lloyd, and Jason Margolis. If Music Be the Food of Life... Play On!" earned a third place rib-Kristen Thomas, John VanDusen, gan University in April.

and their coaches Karen Cunningham and Karen Wray. Hills team proved that "It's Not website at www.dini.org.

Cathy's son, James explained fourth place finish in their division. that in this challenge, teams are Team members included: Matt encouraged to learn what happens - Evans, Paul Fritschen, Joshua as transportation systems are Goings, Andrew Harrington, Aaron designed to go faster by designing a Letzeiser. Laura Reyes, and Gra-

roller coaster for tennis balls. The ban Smith. required to "play with their food" by designing and building a structure made entirely of pasta and glue. The team's project is scored based on how efficiently it supports

Coaster" challenge, bringing home tion ImagiNation competition was Parkview's team which included laclyn Gendloff, Vikas Kodali, Jonathan Lichorobiec, Brian Lloyd

and Joey Shada. Glenn Martin said Destination ImagiNation is a great way to meet other kids and a great way learn. "It's not only fun, but it's educa-

Dale Odom said that he really enjoys the program and will sign

Jest Warderope agreed and added. 'I would encourage other Kristin Heinowski, Jacob Huntly, kids to get involved. I think they'd

bon in the intermediate division for first place teams from Novi High Novi Meadows students Rachael School, Novi Middle School and Cunningham, Bryan Glick, Kristen Novi Meadows will go on the the Hart, Raquel Naboty, Travis Rosek, state competition at Central Michi-

more information on the program Coach Pam Fritschen's Orchard visit the Destination ImagNation



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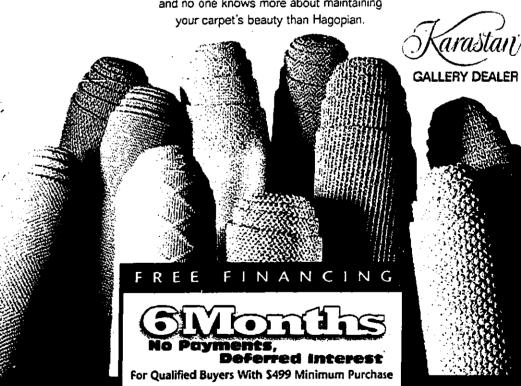
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"The consortium is bringing in sussitering that Babrieliak had accountants and finance people." The city could be in for a somewhat tougher time than usual during budget time this April if no superintendent of public works. At the time of Smith's firing, It seemed like he was doing an - replacement for Babinchak is going through the budget process analyters and did set the conference did say that there did continue a treasurer or city clerk. somewhat political," seem to be an apparent lack of Lorenzo said she wasn't sure how

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process, but she did say the treassince Craig Smith was fired last. Klaver said that Smith was not

However, a new city manager, department, Richard Helwig, has been selected We've advertised, but we haven't als.

Smith lasted only 22 months in The superintendent of the Novi recently lost its longtime the city. No replacement has been Department of Public Works is in to manager and the don't have a "Apparently, we were the last to City Manager Ed Kriewall to retire- named for Smith and there doesn't charge of maintaining city roads ment and City Clerk Tonni appear to be a replacement coming and snow plowing in the winter.

officials. the cry has also been without a help build, renovate or reconstruct. The Novi City Council named. Klaver said that the Director of ulating about how things were Deputy Clerk Nancy Reutter as Public Services Anthony Nowicki going with respect to road con-"The governor came into the City interim clerk on Feb. 7. Assistant and the Superintendent of the struction Many In Tem Laura Lorenzo of Detroit to try and improve. City Manager Craig Klaver is inter- Sewer, and Water Department. According to the DPW Foreman, Bruce Jerome are looking after the Rick White, the department is

being run by a number of individu-

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Focus on Family is March 18

There's still room available for the annual "Focus on Family Workshop this Saturday, March 18. Keynote speaker, Nancy Moore of the Franklin Covey Educational Division, will present "Seven Habit of Highly Effective Families: The Disappearance of the Kitchen

The presentation will cover principles of living, with emphasis on practical ideas and applications for enriching quality family and community relationships.

Many resources on a variety of subjects will be provided for par-

Other topics which will be offered as breakout sessions include: "Parenting with Love & Logic," with Dave Ascher a lifth grade teacher at Novi Meadows, "Protecting Our Children on the Internet" with Novi Police Detective Tom Lindberg, "Motivating Your Child to Health and Fitness" with Manny Agah. MD of Providence Hospital. "Living and Learning in Culturally Diverse Communities" with Prevention Services Director Julie Stitt. "Setting Boundaries for Your Teenage Child" discussing the consistency of discipline, communication, and trust, and "Communicating in Conflict with the Younger Child about finding healthy, respectful forms of responding to the challenges and power dynamics that affect every

The workshop is offered to community members by Novi Community Education in partnership with Target Stores.

In keeping with their tradition of community involvement. Target Stores presented a grant of \$4,500 to Novi Community School District to support the annual workshop. The Focus on Family Workshop

will take place at the Novi Community School District's Instructional Technology Center on Taft Road between Ten Mile and Eleven Mile. The workshop is from 8:30 to 12:00 and includes a continental

Tickets are \$2.00 per person in advanced, and \$4 at the door. For more information, call 248-449-1206.

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Grand River Avenue to be widened in 2001

Beck Roads is expected to be future." widened from three lanes to five

estimated at \$6.4 million. RCOC Spokesman Craig Bryson. would not construct the inter- "They want to shut down Beck project going, SEMCOG is respon- inconvenienced, it was imperative

Grand River between Wixom and funds will be available in the as to not delay the interchange exiting, they want to make sure eral funding.

The total cost of the project is The road commission may not Schmid said that she has been ed a year later in 2003. That price tag will include engi- ject for at least ten to fifteen years. the Grand River project started to held talks with the RCOC and the right-of-way acquisition, said "We were told by MDOT that they struction of I-96.

"Our board is confident the

Bryson said that the Michigan Oakland County Commissioner they start." sometime in the year 2001, accord- Department of Transportation Kay Schmid, R-Novi, said the The I-96 Interchange construct traffic volumes throughout the ing to officials at the Road Com- (MDOT) doesn't want conflicting improvement to Grand River will tion at Beck Road is expected to Oakland County but especially in mission for Oakland County projects going on at the same time make the interchange replacement begin in 2002, with the Wixom this area, the plans to widen Grand

receive federal funding for the pro- urging the road commission to get In a coordinated effort, Schmid I-96, said Schmid.

future federal funds to get the pro- Beck Roads until the Grand River exiting eastbound will get off at Transportation Improvement Pro- completed prior to 2002.

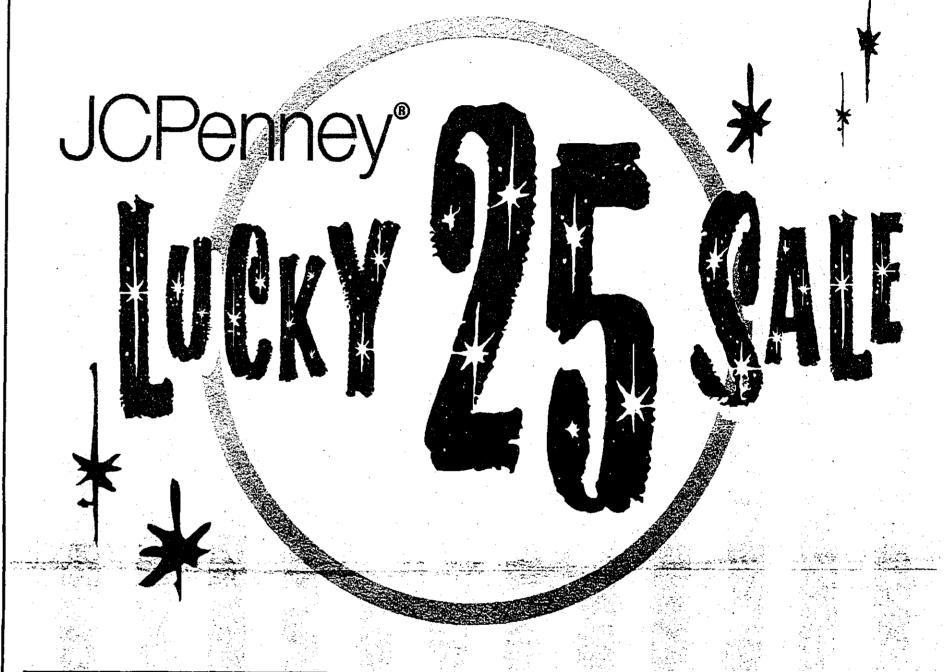
that the road is widened before

"We've decided to get it done, so "With all the traffic that will be the TiP before it is eligible for fed-

"With the significant increase in easier on commuters along I-96. Road interchange start-up expect—River had to be accelerated to pre-

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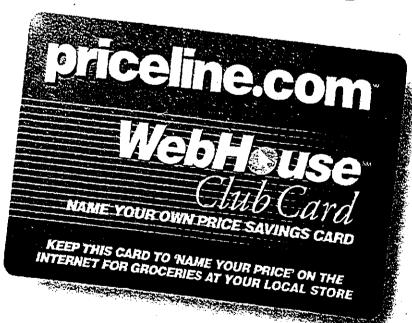
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Local Democrats decry caucus system used this election

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Democrats settled on a caucus Gov. John Engler. system after state Republicans results from an "open primary." only primaries in which voters are held its caucus run-off between includes Livingston, Ingham and Michigan. asked to declare their party affilia- Gore and former New Jersey Sena- northwestern Oakland counties. Southfield's Roger Hane likewise would adopt what I believe is a very behind Al Gore," he said.

be party members who decide whom the nominee will be. But Republicans in Michigan may have learned a lesson, due to the crossover voting seen Feb. 22.

Hopefully, this will bring Republicans back to the table so we can

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find a way to do it (hold primary - had announced his withdrawal - compared to Gore's 1.289. elections) on the same day," he from the race just two days before. In the 9th District, in northern said, "I'd prefer to see a primary," Tops on Gore's list is improving Presidential candidate Al Gore Former Gov, James Blanchard. That made the caucus a "non-compared to Gore's 583. In the problem declaring party prefer-ing the enactment of a strong

site in the Ramada Inn to cast his attended.

tor Bill Bradley. But then, Bradley There, Bradley received 520 votes was unhappy with the process.

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the voting was scheduled to occur. Oakland, Bradley won just 99 votes but a closed primary. I have no the quality of health care, includfared well with Democratic voters on hand at the party's Southfield event," even to many who still 12th, in southeast Oakland, it was ence, It would be at regular polling patients' bill of rights. Also set as Gore, 1.003, Bradley, 278, And in places,* But the party's use of caucuses, first vote in a caucus, also said he Out of the total of 19,160 votes the 13th district in western Wayne, State Senator Gary Peter. Decretion, including a commitment to rather than a primary election, did dislikes the system. He said he had cast in the caucus, some 15,478. Gore tallied 1,128 to Bradley's 435. Bloomfield, spoke on behalf of Gore increased preschooling for young-

instituted the primary election in were submitted ahead of time as . In the 11th congressional dis- before the balloting Saturday. He sters and financial security. "It kind of defies openness," said—which voters were asked to declare—absentee ballots by mail, according—trict, in southwest Oakland, Gore—said Gore would keep the economy——Southfield's Frederick Strickland Southfield Caucus Site Manager party preference, but that system to the figures released by party, gathered 1,254 to Bradley's 379. moving forward and he noted that spoke on behalf of Bradley, urging Paul Condino, who is also a mem- was used only in one election. And that means they were east. Only about 50 Democrats gath- most voters nationwide, when voters, "Don't be afraid to vote for before it was dumped by current before Bradley announced his deci-ered in the Ramada Saturday polled, give the current administra-Bill Bradley." That is the only way morning. That system increased participa- Gore collected 15.853 of them. Among them was Maxine Hill- "But what do we do with this message of helping the 14 million

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tion the credit for the economy.

Participation was lower than the tightest race was in the 8th ry, just as the Republicans used in running surpluses...Al Gore has and promoting racial unity will be expected Saturday when the party Congressional District, which nominating their candidate here in some very sound plans for what to moved forward. do with it, while George Bush

man of Southfield, a self-described prosperity?" Peters asked. "That's who are still living in poverty, prodistrict in the state. Nonetheless, would much prefer an open prima- eliminated the deficit and we are care, enacting gun control laws

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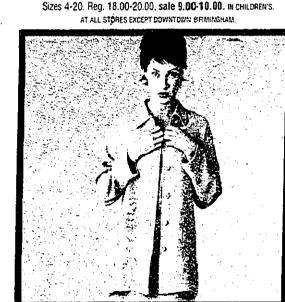
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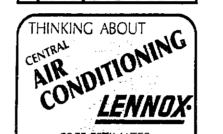
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Above: Casey Hill is joined by his mom, Susan Hill, brother Marcus, far right, and father Dave Bickenstaff for lunch Friday afternoon at Village Oaks Elementary School. At right: Village Oaks third grader Devon Howard is joined for a VIP luncheon by his grandmother Gwen Leapheart Friday afternoon.

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Village Oaks students invite guests for lunch

y STEPHANIE FORDYCE

The Village Oaks cafeteria was recently packed with the family and friends of students, as they celebrated their fifth annual "VIP"

On March 10, the children were allowed to invite up to three special guests of their choice to come and spend their lunch hour with them. "It really strengthens that link between home and school, especially in a fun way," said Sally Denoyer, a mother of three Village

Sally's daughter, first grader Dana, not only invited her parents, but her babysitter, Marsha Forter, "It was very thoughtful of her," Forter said

School secretary Pat Kortland said "VIP Day" is something the children really look forward to.
"It's a great opportunity for the students and parents to spend time together and for the parents to be involved with the school." she

"The parents and the kids really enjoy it."

Novi mom Rhonda Kotzen said she was honored to be invited by the said was a Avent Molnityer.

"Anytime I can spend with my

son is great," she said.

First grader Kelli Smith invited her mom Nicole Smith and her uncle Wayde Wood.

"I'm really glad they could come and have lunch with me." said Kelli

"This is a great opportunity to spend time with my niece and I'm happy to participate," he said. "It's a lot of fun. I'm glad to be a



Anna-Rose Moses holds onto her mom Sharon's hand during : Friday afternoon's fifth annual Very Important Person luncheon at Village Oaks Elementary School. Kids asked favorite guests.

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Census reports due April 1, all must be counted

and RANDAL YAKEY

Government officials have come o a consensus on this year's census — everyone needs to be count

The reasons are simple; knowing basic information about beoble such as where they live and how many are in their family, helps determine where about \$180 bilfrom in tederal money goes and how maich government representation they receive.

For example, said Mike Price, media specialist with the Detroit regional branch of the U.S. Census Bureau, the census will help determine spending on roads.

*One question deals with asking people what roads they will be onfrom 6 a.m. to 9 a.m. during the day," Price said.

"That information will help detertime where spending on roads is most necessary.

The census also is used in the state's formula for determining aid. A census has been taken every 10 years since 1790, when Thomas Jefferson commissioned a count of the original 13 colonies. Since then, the census has been used to present a "snapshot" of demographic information.

Most people will receive, or already have received, a basic questionnaire with eight questions, Price said. One out of every six peo ple, however, will receive a questionnaire with 34 questions that

are more specific. The census questionnaires are due by April 1. According to the bureau, 65 percent of the U.S. population mailed back their forms on time in 1990. In western Oakland and Wayne counties, the return rate was between 72 percent and

responding is mistrust and the

bureau can't share answers with the IRS, FBI, welfare, immigration or any other government agency, for crew leaders. More information Census workers who share informacy be obtained by calling (734) mation are subject to a \$5,000 fine 632-0300.

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 Currently, census questionnaires have been delivered.

April 1, 2000, Census Day: mail back forms are due.

March-May 2000: census takers visit housing units in rural and remote areas.

Late April-early July 2000: census takers visit housing units that didn't return census

Oct.-Nov. 2000: all field work completed.

Dec. 31, 2000: apportionment counts delivered to the presi-

April 1, 2001; all states receive

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

redistricting counts.

and a five-year prison term And while bigger cities such as about making sure everyone gets counted. Novi officials are strongly encouraging residents to ge involved in the census "Absolutely," said Mayor Pro

Tem Laura Lorenzo. "They should get involved by the sheer fact that the census has a lot to do with funding for the city." The Census Bureau is looking for idea information submitted will be - workers to help track down those shared with other agencies. Price - who don't mail back forms by the April 1 due date

> The positions are \$13.75/hour for census takers and \$15.25/hour

Fire Log

The following is a complete list of Medical, 43159 Crescent, 7:04 the emergency runs of the Novi Fire Department for the week ending. Building fire, Twelve Mile and M-5, March 12. Each incident is listed by type, location, time and the Engine and Squad number which responded to the call.

MONDAY, MARCH 6 Medical, 39555 Neston, 12:39

a.m., Squad 1. Car fire, 31275 Haggerty, 8:44 a.m., Engine 2. Medical, 31185 Wellington, 10:51 a.m., Squad 2. Medical, 29901 Charlemagne,

12:43 p.m., Squad 2. Medical, 43075 Crescent, 1:47 p.m., Squad I. Medical, 40000 Eight 2:59 p.m., Squad 3. Trash fire, Beck and Iroquois, 3:50

p.m., Engine 1. Medical, 41710 Manor Park, 9:29 Medical, 40000 Grand River, 11:11

p.m., Squad 1 TUESDAY, MARCH 7

Service, 30136 Rousseau, 12:29 a.m., Squad 2. Medical, 30136 Rousseau, 12:51 a.m., Squad 2. Injury accident, I-96 and Beck Road, 7:49 a.m., Squad 4.

a.m., Squad 2. Medical, 48152 West Road, 10:05 a.m., Squad 2. Mutual aid. Livonia Fire Department, 10:25 a.m., Response 506.

Medical, 48152 West Road, 9:41

Service, 624 Fleddermouse, 10:31 a.m., Squad 4. Gas leak, 45704 Irvine, 2:56 p.m., Engine 4. Car fire. Novi and Eight Mile Road.

5:32 p.m., Engine 3. Injury accident, I-96 and Beck Road, 5:47 p.m., Squad 1. Fire alarm, 41204 Bridge St., 9:08 p.m., Engines 1, 2.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8 Medical, 45182 West Road, 12:30 p.m., Squad 2. House fire, 21748 Connemara, 4:38 p.m., Engines 1, 3.

p.m., Squad 1

a.m., Engines 1, 3, p.m., Squad 2.

p.m., Squad 3.

Engines 1, 2. p.m., Squad 2.

a.m., Squad 2. 1:10 p.m., Engines 1, 2. Crowe, 1:18 p.m., Squad 1. 6:17 p.m., Engines 1, 2.

Fire alarm, 24429 Holyoke Court, 10:58 a.m., Engine 4. a.m., Engine 3. Trash fire, Paramount and Monticello, 12:35 p.m., Engine 2. Trash fire, 163 Monticello, 6:19

11:09 p.m., Engines 1, 2,

THURSDAY, MARCH 9 a.m., Squad 2

Fire alarm, 23333 Willowbrook, 3:45 p.m., Engine 3. Medical, 42500 Arena Drive, 8:21

FRIDAY, MARCH 10

5:16 a.m., Engines 1, 2. p.m., Engine 4. p.m., Squad 2. p.m., Squad 2.

Trash fire, Taft and Ten Mile Road. 7:34 a.m., Engine 1.

injury accident. Novi Road and Building fire, 27790 Novi Road, House fire, 21820 Gartield, 7:21 p.m., Engines 1, 4.

Dryer fire, 22862 Balcombe, 11:15 p.m., Engine 2. Medical, 26247 Ohio, 9:34 p.m.,

Medical, 45182 West Road, 6:31

Fire alarm, 21875 Haggerty, 11:39 Medical, 31051 Woodstone, 12:09

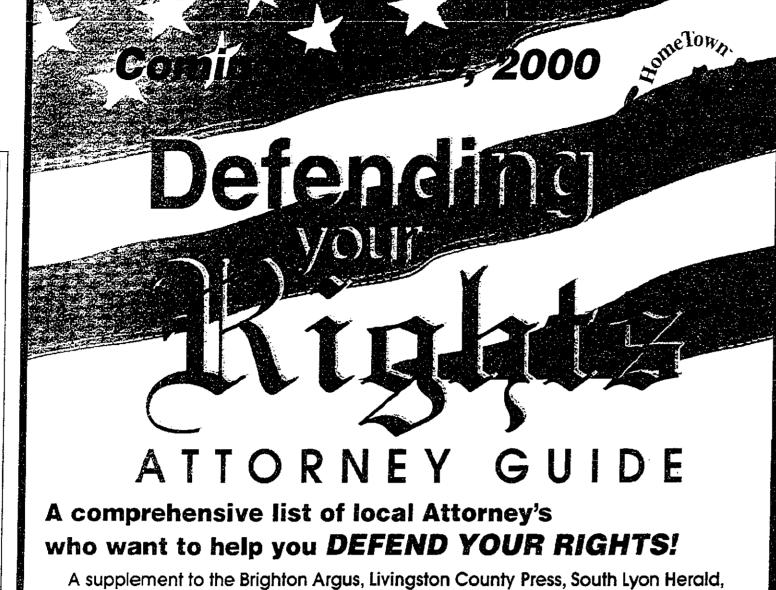
Building fire, 30047 Rousseau, Fire alarm, 47350 Balger, 1:12 Medical, 48152 West Road, 2:55 Medical, 30229 Rousseau, 3:31 House fire, 30117 Joliet, 5:40 p.m.,

Medical, 30865 Golden Ridge, 8:40

SATURDAY, MARCH 11

Medical, 45655 Timberlane, 8:35 Building fire, 27790 Novi Road,

Squad 4.



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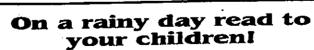
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Grocery jockeys for market share

N & Y Properties of Southfield, Developers of the \$40 million project Novi Gateway Village, have been sent back to the drawing board to come up with another version of the plan that would "fit" better with the city's designs for its ling concept. You don't have good

City council members have questioned the need for a new grocery store so close to Vic's World Class Market at Grand River and Market Street, the original anchor of the Main Street project.

Meanwhile, Vic's has been

the N & Y development is proposed for the corner of Grand River and Meadowbrook. Nona said that the project is still in the early stages, but that they are equested by council.

oncerns of the council," said Nothing is for sure right now. It still in the planning stages."

To date, the council has rejected the plan submitted by N & Y Properties and Triangle Development Company, saying that the proposed

River into a hodge podge of strip malls," said John Bernard, of Every employee is guaranteed a Bernard Real Estate Services, a leasing consultant for Evergreen

"We were surprised by the housaccess from Meadowbrook (road)." Evergreen III is led by Jim Chen. "Mr. Chen and I believe they have a nice design and a drug store or a

from a planning stand point, you don't want to turn that into a strip The area's future is complicated

by the merger plans of Vic's World Class Market in Novi (and Bloomfield Hills) with Ann Arbor based Busch's supermarket chain. Busch's will run the store operations at the Novi and Bloomfield

However, the market's founder, Vic Ventimiglia Jr., has a threeyear contract to oversee 11 Busch's stores, according to Vic's General and grocery enterprise, its really We are trying to adhere to the Manger Ron Ventimiglia, his broth-Ventimiglia said that the deal

> between the two companies was "They want what we have and we have what they want," he added. "It is a great opportunity for us

"We don't want to turn Grand ent," continued Ventimiglia

Bloomfield Hills store and the Novi store will are part of the merger. but the Beverly Hills will remain

> not aware of any name changes "The jury is still out on what we spokeswoman for Busch's

talents. We call it a creative acqui-The Busch markets currently have eleven stores in the Ann Arbor

According to Conlin, Busch's has ton Hills and a third market in Ann area.

Vic's market is the centerpiece of open for business But Bernard contends that

"glut" of markets that resemble Vie's in the new downtown area will cause vacant store fronts in the

gy and we will be providing the tal- downtown the city hopes to "Our talent is our employees. Novi and Oakland County plan-

ners designed the concept; Evergreen ill stepped in to develop it. "I think the gourmet market is in... an overlap already," said Baird. "We'd like to see complementary

coulets for what is already in the cerns the city council has about Novi Gateway Village, including

Former mayor Matt Quinn. speaking on behalf of the developers, has questioned whether or not "We're going to be blending out a portion of property on the site was actually a wetland or only considered so because of a drainage

issue from another city. Quinn said that the County Ep cure site near where the new devel opment is situated could be plans for a new market in Farming- responsible for the wetland in the

Environmental Specialist for JCK & Associates, the area deemed as wetland by the city is a "result of man-made disturbances to the soils, as a result of earth-moving

reports indicates that the wetland

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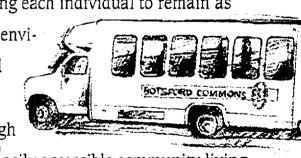


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Lara Phillips competed successfully on "The Price Is Right." Here she shows her game nametag and the shirt she wore.

Novi High senior will cruise town in game show car

and what you do," Lara Philips

Each person only gets a couple

seconds to win the interviewers

"The group before us had a bunch of college kids, so the inter-

viewer asked her what she was

studying, and she said Wait. I'm

"I think just that little burst of

Lara and her mom also said they

"I thought the Price Is Right was

"It always seems like the contes-

tants are running for ever down

those aisles forever. But the studio

The show, which aired last week.

"It was really cool, because the

After graduation, she is planning

school let everyone watch it in the

on attending Hanover College in

The only bad thing is that freshmen aren't allowed to have cars on

Lara Phillips said her new car

But her mother said she'll have

to share it with her younger sister.

That's no problem for this gradu-

"I just can't wait for it to arrive."

nance in Troy allows time for the business to correct any problems

In the Troy ordinance, after one

they may have with false alarms.

and the grandfather clock will be

delivered within six to eight weeks

campus," she laughed.

had Novi High School buzzing.

classrooms," Lara Phillips said.

is really tiny. The whole show is

ruge," said Debbie Phillips.

Continued from 1 Debbie Phillips explained that on said.

the back of each card is a letter. The letters are either a C, an A, and a R or there's two cards that say

Jara Philips had a critical deci-"And there's eleven C's, eleven As and six R's. Each eard is worth

\$500, so at the beginning they ask still in high school," laughed Debyou if you just want to take the bie Phillips. \$2,500 or risk it for the car," her mother explained. "Against my better judgment, slic — energy is what helped her get on."

risked it, and low and behold she But the excitement didn't stop were really surprised at how small in the "big wheel" with just 65

cents, which moved her to the showcase showdown. "Well, I had my pick of either the first or the second showcase," Lara-

"So I hid on the first one, which included trips to Switzerland. China, and New York, And I bid \$16,011, going over by just \$600." Lara said she didn't mind. though, because a cute little grand-

mother won instead. "She had five children, all in their fifties and sixties, and as a Christmas present, they took their mom to see Bob," said Debbie

"And the strangest coincidence was she was from Midland, Michi-

Lara and her mon both agreed. Bob Barker was was a real doll. "He was very friendly and down to earth," said Debbie Phillips. "He'd let the audience members ask him and the staff questions and then she'll be ready to drive it and he showed off his tie. He was around town.

The Phillipses explained that prior to entering the studio, each audience member gets interviewed. A group of ten people go at a time and are asked to give a brief They ask you where your from she said.

False alarm fee rules under review

Faulkner said.

"They are penalizing the person. rather than fixing the problem. In a lot of cases, these people pay a lot

year the slate is wiped clean. of money in taxes to the city." is an open-ended ordinance, which The only ordinance that even comes close to it is Troy's." means the false alarms count con-Faulkner said, noting that the orditinues even after a year's time.

Cooke Middle Schoolers win "America and Me" essay contest

Three students from Cooke Mid- Several thousand eighth grade dle School have been named local students from nearly 500 Michigan winners in the 31st Annual Amer-schools participated in the 1999ica and Me" essay contest spon- 2000 contest. This year's topic was sored by the Farm Insurance "My American Hero for the 21st

Kowalski's essay will advance to Winners Rachel Kowalski won first place: Erin Gruley, second: the state level competition. From and Kim Warnke, third. All here the top 10 essays in Michigan will be announced in April. The top received certificates of achievement and Kowalski's name will be 10 state winners will receive plaques, cash and U.S. savings engraved on a plaque for permabonds valued from \$500 to \$1,000.

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On the block

ica, Michigan Chapter, checks out some of the items up for bidding at the Novi Hilton event. The Novibased PVA chapter, along with the chamber, is the beneficiary of the fund

dent Steve Myers and Council Member Lou Csordas chat with the guest speaker at the Novi Chamber of Commerce's auction, former Detroit Police Chief Isaiah McKinnon, while Izumi Suzuki Myers enjoys the discussion.

At left, Ken Huber, with the Paralyzed Veterans of Amer-

The local beautiful people filled at their meeting on May 16. the Novi Hilton on Saturday.

crowd with checkbooks in hand

What a night!

Annual chamber auction draws a

dressed to the hilt, some looking could be announced earlier. for an auction deal, but mainly to according to chamber of commerce help support the Novi Chamber of officials. Commerce and the Paralyzed Vet-"It's only money," Glen Rairigh, erans of America, Michigan Chapthe auctioneer for the evening, kept

Rairigh, a member of the Amerier for the Novi Chamber of Com- can Auctions of Lansing, which merce. Former Detroit Police Chief specializes in art and antiques, was Isaiah McKinnon was on hand to helped by two assistants - current deliver the keynote address on Miss Michigan Audrie Ann Cherhelping others, especially children. nauckas and Miss Michigan 1998. With the food and drink in abun- Laura Frances Welling, were both dance, there was a steady stream on hand to entice bidders to "go of interested auction-goers looking higher." It worked.

over the items at tables lining the "Getting my thugs to work them over." Rairigh called it as the beau-Champagne for the price of \$20 a ty queens urged participants to up glass and a chance to win a \$1,100

The street sign at the Novi Civic All the key local players were in Center will be changing. The sign attendance. Novi Expo Center Preswhich bore the name of Jamey ident Blair Bowman could be seen Kramer for the last two years will Council Member Hugh Craw-

ford, dressed in his tuxedo, 52-1 There were also goodies there for District Court Judges Michael those diehard sports fans to bid on. Batchik and Dennis Powers. State A San Francisco 49ers football hel-Senator Bill Bullard, R-Milford, met signed by Joe Montana: a State Rep. Nancy Cassis, R-Novi poster of the 1968 Detroit Tigers Mayor Richard Clark and his wife, signed by the likes of Willie Horton. Bill Freehan and, ves. even Denny McLain, the list goes on.

Peter McLallen, husband of former Mayor Kathleen McLallen, was Other goods included a Detroit the winning bid for a puppy, a com- Redwings hockey pucks signed by the great Gordie Howe, Alex chased at the chamber auction two Delvecchio and the late Sid Abel; years ago. The price? \$500.

hallway and dining hall.

diamond kept patrons buying.

bar, trying not to spill anything.

Diane, all made the scene.

will announce the total take for the Brooks Robinson, George "Sparky" auction sometime in May, possibly Anderson, Jim "Catfish" Hunter, Nolan Ryan and Detroit Tiger Hall There is a chance the number of Famer Hal Newhouser

loneymooners comic book signed Audrie Meadows, an auto graphed photo of The Monkees yeah, Davy, Mickey, Mike and Peter) and a signed portrait of former President Jimmy Carter.

leather pillows and the DoubleTree Hotel offered up a over-night din-

Miss Michigan modeled one of the evening's buys, a diamond necklace and ear-rings set. But the message of the evening

was not missed. The PVA needs the money to continue their research

The Paralyzed Veterans of Ameri carrying drinks in from the main be no more. Dr. Allen Tuchklaper of ca (PVA) is a congressionally-charthe Novi Family Dental Center was tered veteran's organization serving the disabled since the end of World

PVA is a one of the largest contributors to spinal cord injury

The Michigan Chapter, headquartered in Novi. also supports local spinal cord injury research projects at University of Michigan, Michigan Rehabilitation Institute

The Novi Chamber of Commerce Rose. George Kell. Phil Rizzuto. have been shared with the PVA.

March is Parent Awareness Month

The Northville Council of PTA's are celebrating Parent Awareness month in March. The council will be holding work-

shops throughout the month. More information on the upcoming schedule may be obtained by calling Cathy Ponder at (248) 348-4238 or Val Corbin at (248) 349-

Parents and residents of Northville and its surrounding communities are welcome to attend any and all of the free events. Visitors who attend an event

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Doctor honored for breast care center

Providence Hospital and Medical — It was Dr. Selis's concern over Centers officials say a major step in the lear and worry of women responding to the needs of women - patients dealing with breast cancer o the community was taken when that helped create the Breast Care the Kenneth Sr. and Mary Elliott - Center. The center provides on-site and Family Breast Care Center collaborative care between radioloopened at the Providence Park gists and surgeons within a single

The center gives the women who same-day results. come to us the opportunity to have a work-up in a single day - whether often compounded by long waits for it is for a routine screening or if results. This has been virtually says Dr. James E. Selis, medical said. director for diagnostic imaging and — The Elliott Breast Care Center is

comprehensive center. thropic organization of physicians ends for service. ospital and Medical Centers.

facility, often making possible The anxiety that women feel is

there is a problem with the breast" eliminated at the center." Dr. Selis

the physician responsible for the a 5,500 square foot facility conception and opening of the equipped to provide all aspects of breast care. There is also a radiolo-Dr. Selis will be honored by his gist on site to ensure that mampeers on March 18 at the Provi- mography screenings are interpretdence Health Foundation Friends ed so that any necessary follow-up Ball. He will be recognized as is done immediately. The center "Physician of the Year" by The has a focus of accommodating Caduceus Society of Physicians, those with hectic schedules by The Caduceus Society is a philan-staving open evenings and week-

that are committed to advancing Approximately 12,000 patients the healing mission of Providence - are seen through the Breast Care Center annually





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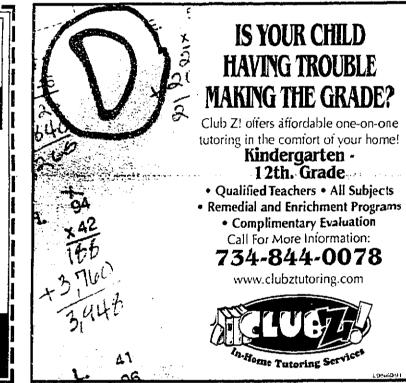
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City clerk search narrowed to two

hey will begin reviewing candi- member of the International Instidates for the new city clerk posi-tute of Municipal Clerks.

According to city officials, there Lake City Manager Phil Vawter were originally seven candidates said, noting that Cornelius has for the position as of last week. been asset to the city, as well as an That number has been reduced to effective city clerk.

Saathoff. Both candidates have

The Novi City Council has set president of the Michigan Munici-Saturday. March 25 as the day pal Clerks Association, as well as a

"We'd hate to lose her," Walled Walled Lake, with a population of

Still in the running are Walled approximately 7,500 people, is Lake City Clerk Maryanne Cor- approximately the same size Grand nelius and Grand Blanc City Blanc, where the 1990 census list-Clerk/Finance Director Richard ed the population at 7.760. Saathoff, a graduate of Western worked in their respective munici- Michigan University, is also a

palities as either clerk or assistant member of Michigan Municipal clerk for over ten years. Clerks Association. Grand Blanc Cornelius, who has attended the officials could not be reached for Michigan State University Munici- comment by deadline. pal Clerks Institute, is presently

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Woodlands Review Board, of the City of Novi, will hold a meeting on Monday, March 27, 2000 at 4:30 p.m. at the City of Novi, Community Development Conference Room, Novi, Michigan to review the Woodlands Review Board Permit Application for Michelle A. Ladwig, 245 Herman

ALL INTERESTED PERSONS are invited to attend. Any written comments may be sent to the Department of Public Works, Karen Amolsch, 45175 West Ten Mile Road, Novi, Michigan 48375, until 3:00 p.m., Monday, March 27, 2000.

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NOTICE — CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR TEMPORARY USE PERMIT TUP 00-007

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mutual Electric Co., Inc. is requesting a Temporary Use Permit to allow a storage trailer on the project site for Haggerty Corporate Office Complex, from March 22, 2000 through March 22, 2001. A public hearing can be requested by any property owner of a structure located within 300 feet of the boundary of the property being considered for temporary use

This request will be considered at 3:00 p.m. on March 22, 2000, at the Novi Civic Center, 45175 West Ten Mile Road. All written comments should be directed to the City of Novi Building Official and must be received prior to March 22, 2000. SARAH MARCHION RECORDING SECRETARY

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The Northville Public School District reserves the right to reject any and all bids submitted or to waive any informality. (3-9/16-00 NR/NN 957288)

NOTICE — CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR BIDS **TOWER PAINTING**

The City of Novi will receive sealed bids for Tower Painting according to the specifications of the City of Novi. Bid packages are available at the Office of the Pur-

Sealed bids will be received until 3:00 p.m. prevailing eastern time, Thursday, March 30, 2000, at which time proposals will be opened and read. Bids shall be

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NOTICE — CITY OF NOVI **REQUEST FOR BIDS** TOWNSHIP HALL PAINTING

The City of Novi will receive sealed bids for **Township Hall Painting** according the specifications of the City of Novi. Bid packages are available at the Office of Sealed bids will be received until 3:00 p.m. prevailing eastern time, Tuesday, larch 28, 2000, at which time proposals will be opened and read. Bids shall be

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Garfield home levelled by fire

A Garfield Road family is spread through out the strucextremely lucky they were able ture. to escape a fire fire that claimed . Fire officials say the alarm their home on Saturday, March came in at approximately 5:16

According to fire officials, the Rousseau. arrived, the fire was already approximately \$24,000. shooting through the roof of the

\$450,000. before," said Novi Fire Chief garage Arthur Lenaghan, "People keep them too close to the house."

• A mobile home was March 10 after a fire broke out in a bedroom of the home and

a.m. from the 30,000 block of

home located at 21820 Garfield - The home was considered a caught fire after a barbecue was total loss. The woman in the left unattended and too close to home said she had no insurthe house. When fire truck ance. The home was valued a

• Novi Fire fighter battled a The loss was estimated at garage fire in the 41000 block of Twelve Mile after a rubbish fire "We've had that happen had blown debris into the

Three vehicles were destroyed there on Wednesday, March 8. According to fire officials, the garage was a total loss of destroyed by fire on Friday, approximately \$30,000.

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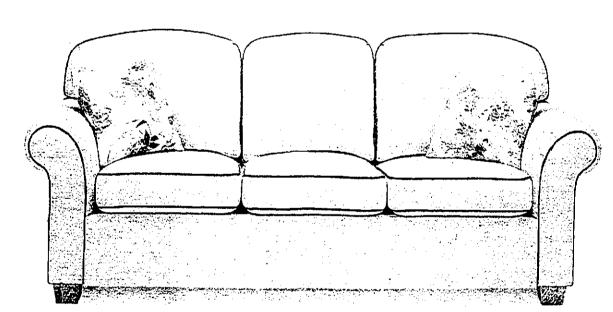
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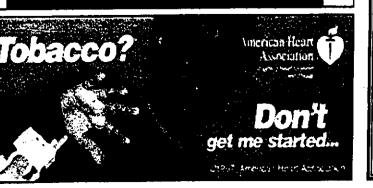
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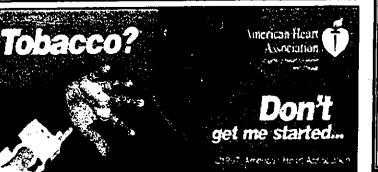
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It's not very often that we'd write something like this, but please - put down this copy of the newspaper and fill out your Census 2000 form.

A head count of the citizens United States, which is man dated by the Constitution, is ongoing. The questionnaires were mailed out earlier this week. If you're reading this and haven't received yours yet, a quick call to your local census some people have major reseroffice (734-632-0300) is proba-vations about handing out per-

Most people will receive the ton, carte blanche. short form, which asks for the names, ages, races and rela-thing with the Census departtionships of the persons at a ment. They've pushed it in virgiven address. About one in 25 tually every mailing and pubforms are a bit lengthier, and licity item we've seen, reassurask other questions about resi- ing Americans that the persondents at the address.

Obviously, the apportion- the Census department. ment of members of the U.S. House of Representatives is one of the significant uses of the Census. But closer to Novi. consider things like:

 Funding for schools and HeadStart programs: Dollars for reconstruction of

torn-up roads; • Environmental cleanups and money for the Great Lakes.

Cash for seniors programs.

The same dollars that other simply because some people your part to make your comdon't put a pen to the paper munity a better place.

Time means more than money



shame. Waste other people's time when they have to work extra hours on the job.

rude. They should. No. I'm not just waxing philosoph-

have two incomes just to pay the bills. Suburban living can even when they ask for it. come with a high cost. Add to that busy school and activgets very short indeed.

One of the biggest consumers of our time is work. And it wasn't that long ago that the captains of industry in our

economic boom might be slacking a bit this year. Meritor spend more of it with our loved ones. Automotive Larry Yost said he believed that was not necessarily bad. "Given all the overtime that we have all been ance our work and families, because people have been 8219 or by e mail at mmalott@homecomm.net

What is life but time? The time we — Another sign of positive change comes in the form of a are allotted on this planet, alive new bill, now awaiting consideration before the state and awake and drawing breath. House of Representatives. House Bill 5262, sponsored by Each of us only gets so much. Rep. Susan Tabor, R-Delta Township, would allow Michi-Waste your own time and that's a gan workers to take "comp time" rather than overtime pay

and you are frittering away bits of They couldn't be mandated to make such a trade. Nor their lives. No wonder Americans would an employer have to give the time off. Rather, the find time wasters so extremely bill just allows them the ability to reach such an agreement as long as they both are willing.

As it stands, federal law prohibits such comp time ical. In today's society, we have all trades. Under the federal minimum wage act, time can be gotten very busy. Time, already a traded, but only within a give work week. For any extra precious commodity, is made all hours worked in a single week, time and half pay must be the more treasured because of our given. When enacted, the rule was well-intentioned. It's hectic daily schedules. We pack into each day work and purpose was to make sure workers got their overtime pay nome life, our civic responsibilities and what recreation we—and weren't forced to put in extra hours for empty promiscan find. We have to balance our schedules against those - es that time would be given back to them sometime in the

In our communities, many couples find they have to But now, companies can't give comp time to workers,

HB 5262 would create an exception to federal rules for ity schedules on the part of today's youngsters and time employees in Michigan, allowing workers to get an hour an a half of comp time for each hour they work over instead of pay, if they want it.

This is a family-friendly bill that protects workers country were telling us that we needed to spend longer "rights," said Tabor. "Under this legislation, working parhours at work to be competitive in the global marketplace. ents can work overtime and feel secure in the knowledge The Japanese were out pacing us, they said. If we were that they will be able to make up that time with their famstay up with them, we had to work longer hours. Never lilies later, For many families, the time spent together is mind that as the average Japanese work week got longer. more important than the extra money earned by working health problems like ulcers and heart disease were also on overtime. It gives employees the opportunity to choose what is important to them.

Fortunately, there are signs that a change in attitude is No, it won't solve all the time crunches we experience in coming. For one, I heard this comment from an automotive our society. But at least, it will remove an artificial barrier company CEO earlier this year. Speculating that our long to our being able to manage our time a little better and

Mike Malott reports on the local implications of state and putting in, it is really important that we get back into bal-regional events. He can be reached by phone at (248) 634-

In Focus

By John Heider





Linda Barnes won a tin of biscuits for her

Border Collie, Jud, for getting him a license in Northville's "Lucky Dog" contest...

a.m.) when the students move on to middle school. The new starting times will follow a natural progression from oldest to youngest students. Although older students may prefer to sleep in, after-school jobs and school-sponsored sport-

students are home first. As an involved parent in the school system, I understand the limited funding available to the school district. Many people concommunity that they assume the

every bottle of booze sold in Michigan. And income to the state from the purchase and er@homecomm.net

what they are given. I would much front page.

Board and administration have How come their political wrestled with many tough issues thoughts and endorsements are over the past several years. The not featured on the front page new elementary will change many when they attend a special affair or things in the Novi School District. I go shopping at Twelve Oaks? Will am very appreciative of the fact rot their political thoughts and that it is a school of choice. This endorsements carry the same empowers Novi parents to make weight and impact as Tipper Gore's some important educational choic- or George Walker's whatsheres for their children and also name's oral platitudes? tricting. I would guess most par-ents are very happy that school campaigns use and abuse the best that it should be taught, but

change for the children of Novi. I front page story. At best it should We need to respect parent's have full confidence that many of have ended up as a captioned pic- wishes, the Northville school disthe extras at Deerfield will be ture on page 12 of the paper. If this trict's opinions, the student's comincluded in the other elementaries type of journalism continues, we fort level. Do this by sticking to the Thank you again to the Novi featuring the thoughts and School Board and the administra- endorsements of the politicians' tion for your efforts on behalf of all trash collectors on the front page.

the students in the district. I appreciate the homework you've done and the tough decisions you've made to maintain the stan-Although all of the decisions are not popular all of the time with all of the parents, please understand that there are a lot of parents in the

week's issue about people coming the pros and cons and whether to Novi to stump for politicians. Novi really needs to give tax abate-Accessibility to these people and ments? Please give us readers media control were key points in more than just the fluff!! Thank

But the broad, unanswered cially the newspapers - promote and perpetuate this type of foolish-

ness and hypocrisy? Simply consider who Tipper Gore is - and who she is not! She is a lady. Perhaps a nice lady, who happens to be married to a rich, uninspiring and somewhat dimwitted character who is seriously associated with an amoral, untrustworthy politician who never held a decent, honest job in his life. Tipper Gore has never - to my

appointed to any public office. certain other spouses and bends Farmington Hills. "Rec Briefs" were over backwards to give them frontpage coverage. Why? And why does the media have such hypocrit-

ical standards? State Attorney General Jennifer

Mom likes early start at Novi Meadows distributed their new brochure about their Parks and Rec. programs and Seniors activities well

> per chain doesn't care about Novi, only about your own home town. We look forward to a change in attitude and coverage. I certainly hope the issue of March 16 is better!

NO PROPS FOR SEX ED. CLASS

Sex education should be taught

darents – these are your kids. The manner in which it is taught is at

with props. Clinical lectures might be boring, but that is a comfortable ing be done that desensitizes any subject? Should there be any impressions given to our kids of additional options, thereby negating rules formed by parents? Statistically, the school district sees a need for this type of education,

reporting done by the staff regard- cess of approving a mandatory Ann Spitz ing some issues of real concern to class. Materials involved are conthis city and its residents, i.e. the troversial. Concerns could be situation with Garfield Road and raised with the process of approval our city officials setting policy for by the advising committee made up council without council's approval. of administrators, teachers and How about an in-depth report on parents. With short time involved, Health could be an elective. Or a

specifically alcohol, drugs and sex

when new material is available for viewing?

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this material is presented. The

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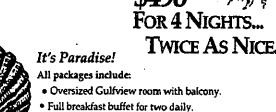
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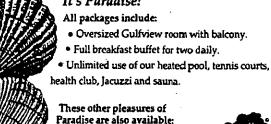
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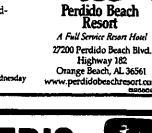
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Quote of the Week

bled. You respect that God plays more of a role in this than science does at times."

> Dr. Howard Terebelo Lead physician in clinical trial for skin cancer at Providence Hospital.

This newspaper welcomes letters to the editor. We ask, however, that they be issue-oriented, confined to 400 words and that they contain the signature, address, and telephone number of the writer. The writer's name may be withheld from publication if the writer fears bodily harm, severe persecution, or the loss of his or her job. The writer requesting anonymity must explain his or her circumstances. Submit letters for consideration by 4 pm Monday for that Thursday's paper. We reserve the right to edit letters for brevity, clarity, libel, taste and relevance. The week prior to an election, this newspaper will not accept letters to the editor that open up new issues. Only responses to already published issues will be accepted, with this

Submit letters to: Editor, The Novi News, 104 W. Main, Northville, MI 48167

If the potential loss of federal contributions and assurances of confidentiality aren't enough spending too much time at work," he said. to get you to put a pen to the paper, try this one on for size:

As it says on the envelope,

jail time and stiff fines can be

handed out for those who don't

take the time to fill out the

We hope motivation rather We're talking about billions than threats are enough to get and billions of dollars up for readers to do one of the very

Do it now. Get it done. Then communities will take from us. take solace in knowing you did

and answer a few simple ques- When you stop and think about it, ten minutes every ten

Given the air of distrust cir- years isn't asking too much. Help wanted at city hall

ing challenges ahead of him. rebuilding the staff roster at shouldering an increased work the Novi Civic Center. Like load for eight months. And other businesses, this munici- that is ridiculous. City officials pality has been plagued by a say they haven't found the high turnover rate recently. For right applicant yet. various reasons, the city man- Well, start looking harder. It's ager has retired, the city clerk not fair to the staff that they

Novi News

"You can never help but keep learning and be hum-

Hey, are you with me on this?

Good boy



you're a rotten parent?

Is it just me, or do your kids fight- parents that our kids say to us, we would currently be ing over the computer make the missing teeth?

Is it just me, or are your kids warm Andy of Maybury? and affectionate at home, but when you're in public with them Is it just me, or are your kids con-

they're still smarter than you? Is it just me, or do your kids talk to the teacher's fault? you twice a day - (1) When they

Is it just me, or if we had said some of the things to our television show.

want a ride: (2) When they want some money? Is it just me, or are your kids involved in baseball, wrestling, floor hockey and theater and yet they're still

Is it just me, or if your kids catch you kissing your spouse, are they totally grossed out? Is it just me, or if you do nine things for your kids, but you don't do the tenth thing, that cancels out the nine and

do you realize that without them, your life would be much less worthwhile and certainly less meaningful?

I don't think it's just me. Steve Cash is a Novi resident who has a public access

efforts of the Novi Board of Educa-

with

for that matter—he develop?

business to Madi- and powerful lobbies in part.

about fine wine. One of his favorites is in 1933 and each state was able to choose cold

Screaming Eagle, a cabernet sauvignon whether to become a "control" or "license"

made in California that has achieved cult state in the sale and distribution of alcohol,

to offer it are forbidden by state law to buy state-owned and run retail liquor stores.

brown wrapper, of course, because that's and wine. This is the celebrated (and

How come there's no price competition to lation in Michigan, in which no maker of

buy booze in Michigan? Simple. State law wine, beer or spirits may sell directly to

imported Beefeater

pays \$16.79 a fifth.

status among connoisseurs. He can't get it Michigan chose control.

gives the Liquor Control Commission the retailers or the public.

son, Wisconsin, where the market for booze

of course, but who's gonna catch him.

in Michigan because wine wholesalers

don't stock it and retailers who might want

authority to regulate the sale of distilled

wine directly from the wineries.

I would like to applaud the

tion and the administration for

finally changing the school hours

for Novi Meadows. Students, teach-

ers, faculty and parents have

3:45 p.m. dismissal means these activities end at 4:35 p.m. This

leaves little time for and other

activities (such as dancing, gym-

nastics, etc.) and the additional

homework and projects assigned at

this level. Until your fifth or sixth

difficult to comprehend how impor-

tant an earlier day will be to these

children. The new start time will

also ease their transition to middle

school. Now there is a hour and a

half change (from 9:15 a.m. to 7:45

requested an earlier starting time for years. I know the board made more busses than we need these changes with the utmost consideration for all students at every grade level in the Novi School District. You can't please everyone all of the time. It takes the insight of a dedicated group to persevere and look for the best plan possible Upper elementary students have an increase in homework and extracurricular activities offered through the school (such as photography club, science club and

prefer that funding be spent at the Mayor Clark and council memclassroom level rather than on bers Bononi and Csordas are also

Liquor control is aged and rare

And my friend who gets his Screaming

How could such an absurd situation

is open to competition, he buys a couple of Prohibition. He and his friends used to lots of money off a regulated non-competi-

bottles at \$14.49 each and tucks them into drive to the banks of the Detroit River down tive market, while the beer and wine whole-

his carry-on. He's violating Michigan law, by Trenton to meet a rum runner, who saler lobby is too powerful to let the legis-

Another friend of mine is passionate from Canada. So when Prohibition ended the ordinary consumer is left out in the

sion of control did not involve monopoly

But the Liquor Control Commission (LCC)

So he orders his Screaming Eagle wine orders and buys spirits from supplies and porting it. I very much doubt if a confirmed

arcane) "three tier" system of alcohol regu- today's world.

on the Net from California. It's shipped sells them to retail liquor stores, while pri-free market governor like John Engler

spirits. In practice, that means the Com- through the LCC, does very well out of this your comments, either by voice mail at (734)

mission sets the uniform price for virtually controlled, anti-competitive system. Net 953-2047, Ext. 1880, or by e-mail at ppow-

directly to him in Michigan ... in a plain vate wholesalers supply retailers with beer would have tolerated the situation."

Wisconsin or Illinois.

A friend of mine because there is no market competition, wholesaling of all spirits and the establish-

likes to make his prices in Michigan are far above those in ment of uniform prices was \$105 million

Beefeater at his retailers may get their wine is from Michi- also very profitable. To maintain a local wine and spir- gan wholesalers. And if wholesalers don't monopoly achieved by state law requires its retailer - or any want to carry cult wines because demand vigilant lobbying. And, surprise, one of the other wine spirits is slim, that's just too bad for consumers. strongest lobbies in Lansing is the Michi-

So when he flies on State of Michigan in part. And entrenched the legislature with special interest money.

Eagle off the Net is violating the same state wholesalers who by law are the only law that says that the only place Michigan sources for beer and wine distribution are

History in part. Continued avarice by the site for many of the fund-raisers that infest

My father used to tell me stories about hum. Situation normal. The state makes

smuggled wine and booze across the border lature ever take away its monopoly. And

Unlike some other states, Michigan's ver- hadn't been a state bordering on Canada

Make no mistake. The State of Michigan, that owns this newspaper. He welcomes

for the fiscal year just past.

Although no numbers are available, the

gan Beer and Wine Wholesalers Associa-

tion, whose notorious "Red Room" is the

History. Avarice. Powerful lobbyists. Ho

As Jacqueline Stewart, the former L

Brooks Patterson staffer who is now the

Chair of the LCC, told me: "If Michigan

with a history of smuggling during Prohibi-

tion and if there wasn't so much profit in it

for the state with such a strong lobby sup-

It's sad, but that's political reality in

Phil Power is chairman of HomeTown

Communications Network Inc., the company

allowed the district to avoid redischanged. To me, that would have every time. been a very emotional and difficult

ing events after school necessitate the high school starting earliest. As the parent of an elementary and an upper elementary student. I am very happy with the changes. Although the new times will cause some adjustments, I feel the benefits will be worth any inconveniences caused. I have a difficult time getting my first grader up at 7 a.m. She will be a much more pro-

many parents who depend on older siblings to help with after-school care will be grateful that the older

The political hacks and button

The Tipper Gore story was no the core. will soon have front page stories cold facts, not interactive teaching

dards of excellence in education. INVESTIGATE CITY HALL Many of us who read the Novi district who appreciate the recent News would really like to see more changes made in the school sched- of the issues brought before counule. If there is to be any reconsid- cil covered. It would really be nice eration, please poll parents at every to see some real investigative

regarding wetlands in a Detroit Subject: MEDIA MADNESS & newspaper? It does not seem our city officials are upholding the wet-Your editor Jan Jeffres wrote a land laws. How about an in-depth core part of this curriculum thought-provoking article in last article regarding tax abatements,

LOCALIZE LIVING SECTION

Oakland County Parks and Rec.

this article. you for your attention.

I'm sure it was too late to fix for the last issue, but I thought it was worth noting the contents of the NOVI News Living section for last week (March 9, 2000). The front page was on Northville's building inspector, with the bottom story on Tipper Gore is not a politician. the Northville Business Expo. "Community Events" contained, in order - Western Wayne County, knowledge - run for any political Northville, Northville, Northville, office, nor has she every been Northville, Novi (without saying the Yet the media singles out her and word), Northville, Northville, and

"Diversions" contained four pages for Northville Seniors. Gee, I guess that Novi doesn't Granholm is an elected official and have a building inspector, a busimarried to an educated, intelligent ness expo, any churches, a Parks trict to tread onto family foundaperson. Yet the media is not fea- and Rec. Department or a Seniors tions? turing her spouse's political program! In fact, we must not be thoughts and endorsements on the living at all! Novi Parks and Rec.

before your press-time. No coverage, again. I guess the Hometown Newspa-

Season rates are surprisingly affordable.

seriously and respectfully. Educa-

however, in doing so they should not weaken a lifetime of parental Endorsing this curriculum is different. Seldom does the Northville school board go through the pro-

the wetlands in Novi? Did anyone did all the members see all the on your staff read the articles materials before they voted to seminar could be used to teach the

> MediaOne's cable channel act as an efficient communication method for the school system to inform us

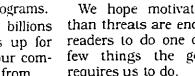
Dr. Pitcher, assistant superintenannounced the "Activity Kits." each specifically named, would be ber of parents who did not approve. We were told the same individuals unknown how long this will take. rdered and have just arrived. These also need to be reviewed by parents. They are "Birth Control Walk-Around Activity" and "Sexual Deciabout Northville Parks and Rec and sion-Making Kit."

There is a casual flavor in how



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Ohio will have several interest- not been filled.

If city manager candidate tion, and the treasurer is on Richard Helwig and the Novi his way out. That happens. But City Council reach an accord in addition, the superintendent Saturday over his employment of public works was fired last package, the man from Dublin. July and the position still has

Meanwhile, the public works And top on the list may be staff has been filling in and

has taken another job, as has keep doing the boss's job, withthe director of public informa- out the pay, perks and title.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

newspaper being the final arbiter. This policy is an attempt to be fair to all concerned.

Park" have taken the place of our "Leave It To Beaver" and

Is it just me, or does it seem that the kids today know more about the birds and bees at 15 than we knew at 30? and they see their friends, they Is it just me, or even with two phone lines in the house, do you have to use your cell phone to make a call? Is it just me, or do your kids try to get permission to go vinced that even though you've to an "R" rated movie with the rational "oh, don't worry lived 30 more years than them, dad, there's no sex, just extreme viclence."

> Is it just me, or do you look forward to being alone in the house and when you are, the silence is dealening and you can't wait for them to get back home? Is it just me, or even with the aggravation and problems,

Is it just me, or if your kids get a bad grade, is it always

ductive student with a little extra With Deersield Elementary opening in the fall, there will be many changes in the school district. This was the perfect opportunity to reevaluate the school times since many things including bus routes

sider Novi to be such an affluent district has an unending supply of money to spend on whatever they Please. Since per student funding is decided at the state level, the school district must work with

I know that the Novi School educated, intelligent people.

would need to be changed. The revised times (9 a.m. to 3:46 p.m.) also include extra minutes (mandated by the state) that must be added to the school day anyway. Village Oaks and Novi Woods presently start at 8:45 a.m. and their students have been happy and productive for years. I don't feel that a 9 a.m. starting time is at all out of line. Comments have been made regarding the before and after school C.A.R.E. program. Although many Novi families have both parents working, the majority of Novi students are not in the C.A.R.E. program. I would assume these children will be in C.A.R.E. for less time at the end of the day if the school day ends later. Also,



Orchard Hills students Arin Schoor at left and Macaila Schlaff both jump rope for an American Hearth Association fundraiser.

Orchard Hills kids skip rope to raise cash

Continued from 1

nation's number one killer. "We let them know why they're doing it," she said.

"Like for their grandmas and grandpas that have heart problems. For people they know that have died or survived heart attacks. It makes them proud when they realize that they are making a

difference." At the end of class, each student receives a certificate of appreciation and a badge.

Fourth graders Marcia Hamlin and Jordan Taylor said their favorite thing about the campaign was learning new and different styles of jumping rope.

For example, the girls demonstrated the "crisscross", in which you cross the handles of the rope and jump through.

"We've also learned double-Dutch and Chinese jump rope," said Hamelin.

Students help raise money by collecting donations from families

and friends. Then the students come in and jump during their regular gym class (or more if they'd like) and jump. Based on the amount of money turned in, the children receive prizes like teeshirts and jump ropes.

"We raised \$6,000 last year." said Whitman.

Third graders Brian McClure and Scott Sansobich said they like "Jump Rope for Heart" because its educational and fun.

"This is a real fun activity to do." said Sansobich.

McClure agreed.

"I like it," he said.

We've really learned a lot about the heart and jump rope."

And while fun is fun. Hamelin and Jordan also said it's very meaningful knowing they are help-

ing save lives. "It makes me feel good," said Jor-

"Me. too," said Hamelin. "It's nice to know we're helping

Pilates, other workout classes, offered by Sports Club

The Sports Club of Novi offers these upcoming events for members and non-members alike:

• Beginning Thursday, March 23. get real life weight management by a certified personal trainer with specialty recognition in exercise and weight control.

The eight-week "Get Real- Real Life Weight Management class is designed to give you the tools to first create, then maintain a healthy lifestyle.

Classes are opened to both members and non-members. Thursdays 9-10 a.m. or 7:30-8:30 p.m.

The cost is \$89 for members and \$109 for non. A \$16 material fee is also required from each participant.

For more information, call 248-735-8850. ext. 4026.

· Beginning Thursday, March 23 and Saturday. March 25, learn how to effectively train each of the major muscle groups to enhance

muscular strength and endurance. The eight-week course is conducted by certified personal train-

Non-members are welcome. For more information, call 248-735-8850 and ask for Kathi or

 Saturday March 25, from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m., learn how to increase strength and definition of your

In the complimentary "Abdominal and Lower Back Workshop," you will also learn about the anatomy of core musculature.

Certified trainer Tameka Gallien and one of the Sports Clubs Fitness Directors will share her knowledge and years of experience to teach you effective abdominal

and lower back training. For more information, call 248-

 Pilates Exercise Classes are still being held Monday through Friday with day and evening classes, private and semi-private.

This method of body conditioning uses specialized equipment and exercises that stretch and strengthen for a full body workout.

For over 90 years, Pilates has been used by elite athletes and dancers because it uses the body as a whole.

These exercises balances the

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body, improving circulation, musculature, reduces stress, teaches the body to use a whole new process and changes the traditional approach to exercise, creating a dynamic change in the body.

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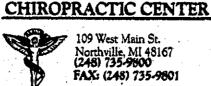
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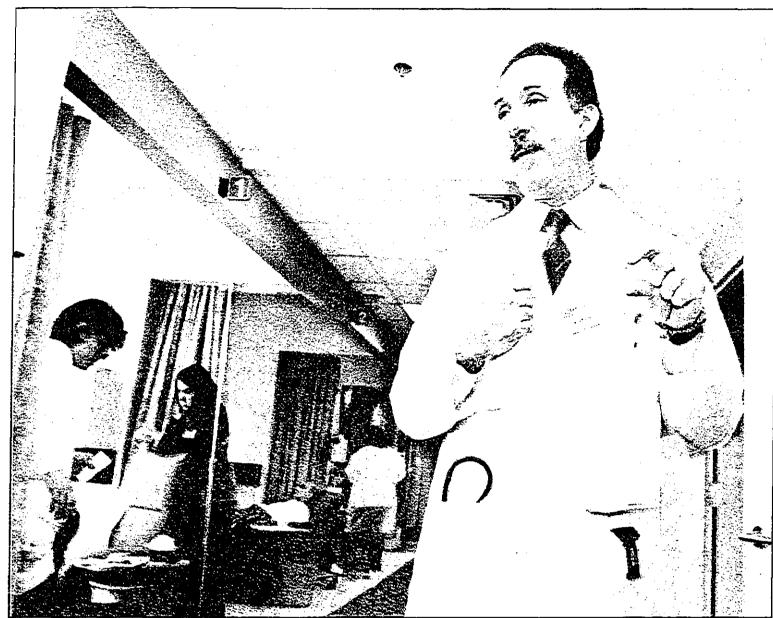
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Providence-Novi cancer treatment center is providing patients with the latest in gene-therapy treatment

New Hope



Providence Cancer Institute Assarian Center's Dr. Howard Terebelo explains how the Novi facility is utilizing some promising

gene cancer therapies in the battle against certain forms of can-

By JAN JEFFRES

You have odds of one in 100,000 to develop the kind of skin cancer that could kill you.

But those who are dealt the unlucky card may find a new lease on life in on experimental gene therapy treatment now offered at the Providence Assarian Cancer Institute in Novi as part of nation wide trial.

This is a first example of bringing high tech to the bedside and seeing much better results," said Dr. Howard Terebelo, the lead physician in the trial, from his office in Novi.

"Now you can put a piece of information on the cell and manip-

The goal is to arm the patient's own biological arsenal in the battle. against cancer. Up to 300 people in the United States will be treated with the therapy Allovectin-7. developed by the San Diego based company Vical Incorporated. The trial is the final stage before possible Food and Drug Agency approval.

Providence is the only site in Michigan to offer the investigational procedure.

Gene therapy is the future in the war against cancer, said Dr. Terebelo, who is a clinical researcher as well as a physician who works directly with patients. "We do believe the body's own

immune system has a lot of capacity for lighting cancer," he said.

We're starting to learn why. why some people get it and some don't. We're at the point where we can manipulate something at a modest level, using the body's normal host mechanisms to kill can-

Edward Matyjaszek of Dearborn. a patient of Dr. Terebelo's, is enthusiastic about his own prognosis. Two years ago, his family doctor, Dr. Robert Brateman of Novi. found that

Matyjaszek had blood in his urine. A tumor was discovered in his bladder. He has had several surgeries to remove both that and

additional tumors. Now Matyjaszek, who is not a candidate for this current trial because he does not have melanoma, is finishing a course of chemotherapy at Providence Assarian Cancer Institute. His white blood cell count has gone down from 150,000 to 2,000.

"I had double trouble. I would say. Everything looks good now." he said.

"So every day counts. I like casino gambling. You try to enjoy life and forget about what's going on." Matyjaszek is 77: his mother

died of cancer at age 59. While revolutionary treatments for cancer are being developed, the cure's not here yet, Dr. Terebelo

"We're getting closer. We're probably one to two generations away.

"In two generations, you won't doubling among the at-risk popu-



The Providence Cancer Institute Assarian Center in Novi.

even recognize cancer care the way

you know it today." A multitude of causes trigger each case of cancer, Dr. Terebelo explained, including genetic predisposition and exposure to carcinogens. If exposure to the sun alone caused skin cancer, we'd all have it, he added. Yet, it's a key factor in metastatic melanoma, found mostly in fair-skinned Cau-

casians susceptible to sun burn. Melanoma canmelanocytes, the duce the skin's pigment.

Those who are Irish and British descent. are red- or auburn-haired and who have had several severe childhood sunburns are most at risk, Dr.

Terebelo said. While the American Cancer Society recommends sun block with a skin protection factor of 15 or higher. he suggests bumping that up to no

less than SP 45. According to the American Cancer Society, cancer of the skin is the most common of all cancers. While malignant melanoma accounts for only four percent of skin cancers, it causes about 79 percent of deaths from skin can-

"Mostly, they or their spouse or a friend discovers it. It's usually not the doctor, it's usually somebody who says 'what's this spot?," Dr. Terebelo said.

"it's usually irregular, it may be black or brown. It may have an irregular border around it, it may be raised or flat."

The incidence of melanoma is

lation every six to ten years; last year, some 44,200 new cases were recorded and 7.300 people died from the disease. However, most melanoma sufferers are cured with surgery. Dr. Terebelo said.

No patients are yet signed up for the local trial, but Providence is actively recruiting them.

Sandra Remer, RN, manager of the Providence Oncology Clinical Trials Program.

said she is "We're at the point where cer is in the we can manipulate somecells that pro- thing at a modest level, using the body's normal host mechanisms to kill That's the way cancer."

> Dr. Howard Terebelo Providence Cancer Institute Assarian Center

"very excited" about the possibilities of Allovectin-7. "Clinical trials are one way of getting the very best care.

said. ln early investigational studies, with the treatment

new therapies

are found," she

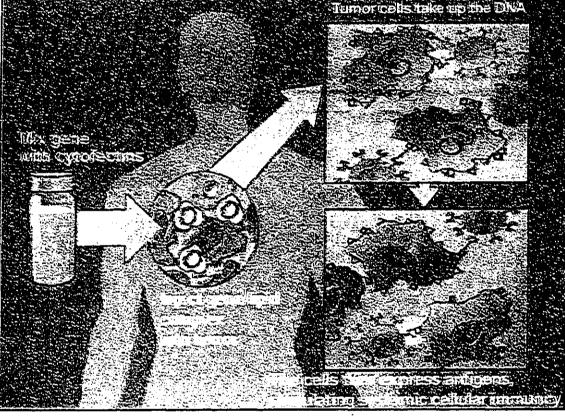
some individuals experienced tumor shrinkage and/or disease stabilization.

Remer noted. Like a Stealth bomber, cancer cells have a cloaking device. The body's immune system cannot recognize them and attack them. Dr.

Terebelo explained. Allovectin-7 seeks to change this. Injected directly into a tumor. Allovectin-7 causes the tumor cells to produce an antigen on the cell's surface, similar to those on a healthy cell. This is then identified by the body's immune system, which produces killer T-cells that will engage in a search-anddestroy mission against the cancer

A candidate for the nine-week treatment must have an advanced stage malignant melanoma and must have never received

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graphic courtesy of Providence Hospital Novi

A diagram to show how gene therapy fights cancer.

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Who's most at risk for malignant melanoma?

 Caucasians, who are 20 times more at risk than African-Americans. Those who have had close family members with malignant melanoma (parents, a child or sibling).

· Patients, such as organ transplant patients, who have been treated with medicines that suppress the

 Those who have had too much exposure to ultraviolet radiation from the sun and from tanning booths. • The odds go up for individuals over the age of 50. However, melanoma is one of the most common can-

cers for individuals under age 30.

• People who have many moles and those who have some large moles.

How to protect yourself:

• Limit your exposure to sunshine, by covering up, wearing sunglasses and a hat with a large brim.

 Use sunscreens on skin with a SPF of over 15 on exposed skin. · Use sunscreens even on hazy or cloudy days and reapply frequently when active outdoors, because it

wears off with perspiration and swimming. · People who have moles should check them regularly to see if they have changed. A dermatologist

should also look at them. Spots on the skin that change in size, shape or color should be seen by a doctor right away. An unusual

sore, lump, blemish or change in the way an area of the skin looks could be skin cancer.

How a normal mole differs from a cancerous mole: Most people have moles. A normal mole is generally an evenly colored black, tan or black spot on the skin that is either raised or flat. It is usually no more than the width of a pencil eraser.

Here's how the American Cancer Society says a malignant mole may differ from a normal mole:

Possible signs of melanoma:

 One half of the mole does not match the other half. The edges of the mole are ragged or notched.

• The color of the mole is not the same all over. There may be shades of tan, brown or black and some.

times patches of red, blue or white. The mole may be wider than about one-quarter inch, although sometimes a malignancy may be smaller.

Source: the American Cancer Society.

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Novi Christian to host homeschool book fair

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must be turned in between 5.30 a.m. contreach director at the facility, has cloud-Vendors will display carrievintal appear during the month of March, A. books, 2018 and supplies from various. Farkinson support group directed by publishing companies, book stores. Bryan Neely is slated for March 29 at 3. Christian music companies, and enter — p in cand on March 20, ir memorial ser tarament Throughout the day there will be well be held in honor of residents. be 14 various workshops, covering many a viso have deal this year, Recent sheakers, phases in homeschooling such as "Get" on two separate occasions included. ting Started in Home Schooling," and "Sherre Webb of Providence Hospital and "for March 26 following the 10:30 a.m. 25, from 9 p.m. to 7 a.m. Education Socialization and Legal Con – several pharmacists who appeared for – service, Proceeds will help towards the cerns. Give away drawings will also be. Brown Bag Day. The program is being cost of 19 congregational members, parpresented by Angela Hospice and will—ticipating in this venture. Lunch, and refreshments will be sold—conclude with a candlelight ceremony. by Nove Christian School students and ... Monthly activities not only involve the adults and \$5 for children under 12. Awards will take place at 10 a.m. April 8 parents. There is no advance admission. Inem's group: poker, pool, cribbage and. Reservation forms must be turned in by cast for the day will be \$10 per couple. Theckers, but interests for all; cuchre. March 19, For more information, call the

Court chets will precede the entertainment segment on the 23rd.

Bob Lowe recently entertained the residents with not only country music but 30. many old-time lavorites during a sing-amany activities, call (248) 669-5330.

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A fund-raiser dinner to help support

The suggested donation is \$9 for 87 for adults 19 and over and 82 for -pinochle, regular bago and \$1 bingo. A - church office at (248) 349-5666. birthday party for residents born in The week-long mission is planned for Reports of a visit to the Detroit Insti- (248) 624-0173.

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April 24 and will involve the ongoing - tute of Art were heard at the last general reconstruction of the damage done by membership meeting. The event was part Hurricane Mitch in 1998. The annual used book sale will be held - program.

March 30, 31 and April 1, Videos and sale. Proceeds will go to assist the Litera-Sunday School classes will be canceled - rides. Suggestion results will be given by April 2. The church youth from fourth - vice-president Kim Zwar at a later date. worship service for that Sunday, A Sun-sic movie night at the home of Lisa and day School Easter party will be held. Mark Blasiola's home. Other activities include meeting at Mr. April 23, with combined classes on April

Teacher Recognition will be held May day) for a social evening and discussion 21 during both services, with a special of coming events. arranged for several great speakers to ... For additional information about the ... brunch following the 10:30 a.m. worship. All LOGOS, VBS and Sunday School - future plans should attend Info Social teachers will be honored. Families are - Nite, March 22, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at

encouraged to attend. The senior high members recently visalso enjoyed a weekend retreat to Spring - at Focus Hope, March 25. They will meet the Honduran Mission team is planned. Hill, A lock-in is set for March 24 and at 9 a.m. in the Meijer parking lot at

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of the Jaycee Individual Development

Also discussed were suggestions for seminar, ancient Greek myths, reading to kids at a library, and hot air balloon The Jaycees recently attended a clas-

B's for T.J.I.F. (Thank Jaycees It's Fri-Anyone wishing to know more about

the Novi Red Robin location.

As a community service project, the ited the Laser Quest in Westland. They - Jaycees will assist in the serving of food Eight Mile and Haggerty for car pooling. Looking forward to spring, Mark Blasiola is director of the co-ed softball team. Call the hotline and leave your name and

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He Northville Woman's Club val hold its potlack luncheon and annual meeting, in addition to to arms, a presentation of Celtic masic by flugh and Mary Lon Batley. The program will be held at Inst Desbyterian Church of Lordwille at 12:30 p.m. March 16. Champerson of the day will be High and Mary Lon Battley are

ausband and wife team from omirville. She purchased her first Estimated dulciner at The Gittiddler where she started lessons about 15 years ago, Hugh studied classical piano and organ for about 10 years during his childhood. He plays the autoharp and accompanies his wife. For more adormation, call (248) 348-1325.

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46325 10 Millo Rd. Novi, Mi 48374 Saturday 500 p.m. Sunday 8,9:30 & 11:30 a m Roverend James F. Cronk, Pac Parish Office: 347-7778 **CHURCH OF THE HOLY FAMILY** 24505 Meadowbrook Rd., Novi, Mi 4837 Massis: Sat. 5 pm; Sun. 7:30 am, 8:45 am, 10:30 am, 12:15 pm

Holy Days: 9 am, 5:30 pm, 7:30 pm Father Andrew Czarnecki, Assoc. Pastor Parish Office: 349-8847

WORLDWIDE HARVEST CHURCH "A Place to Grow" Sunday Worship Service, 11:00 AN The Comfort Inn - Mackingwill gome

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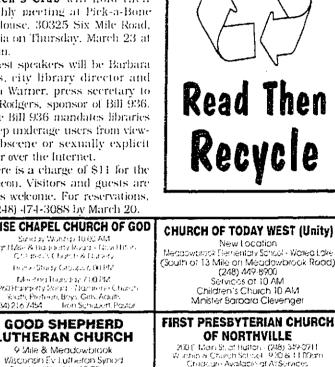


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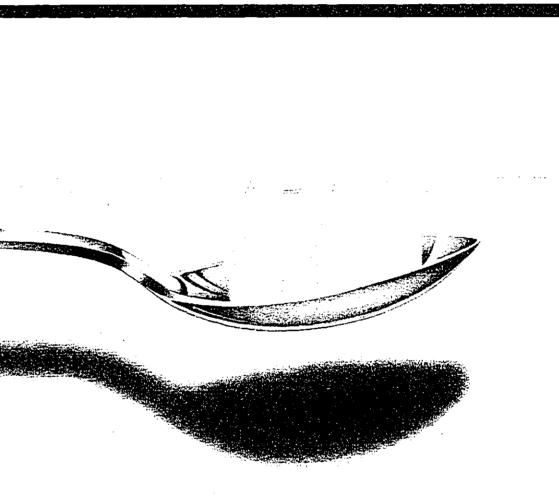
Night Party, c/o Linda Temple. Oakland County Youth Assis- call (248) 349-7640.

mail to Friends of the Plymouth Mich. 48170. A stamped, self---will feature Celtic music by Hugh -- daughter of Dominga C. Sapla addressed envelope must be and Mary Lou Battley at its March - Griffith of Walled Lake, is a 1997 enclosed. No tickets will be sold - 17 potluck lunch meeting. The - graduate of Walled Lake Western after April 2. Seating starts at program begins at Northville's High School. 11:30 a.m. A cash bar will be First Presbyterian Church starting available. Proceeds will be shared—at 12:30 p.m. Chairperson of the by the four sponsoring Friends - day will be Karen Poulos. The organizations and their respective - meeting will conclude the Woman's

ignated their share of the proceeds 348-1325. o increasing the collection of books for youth and children. The Nature Center at the Novi Library Women's Club will hold their will benefit from the Novi Friends' monthly meeting at Pick-a-Bone share of the proceeds.



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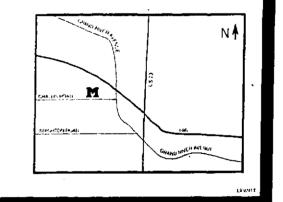


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Some reflections on gun laws Business

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riece's a related question, what is law good. atta at there i is to me or cemener us? live often scenlooker, beauty of the law is that a i. telebilit is not solely a limitation on freeiii. Daw is generally created as an embodic pent of societal values. Those values don't necwith nave to be existing however. They cana parational. When law draws from society's for at least 10 years, but it remained rooted as seesing or later that record becomes known. And ultimately it had a pedagogical effect — it and a because it limits freedom, and that is a remedied a social problem.

Essire of Education, In that case, the U.S. vidues? manage and the new law was attacked repeatedly lence, the answers may have to come from the ShoopsesquaoLcom.

HEALTH FORUM

WHAT: Project Healthy Living

First United Methodist Church

WHEN: March 25, 9 a.m. to 3

COSTS: Ranges from free to

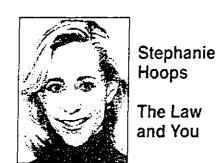
\$35 per test. Open to anyone

WHERE: Various metro

of Northville

age 18 alder.

Detroit locations, including



discussion is a normal and ideals can begin to ... Gun violence is a fundamental social problem.

concerns Court technically changed the law — Societal needs may not wait for the legislature — Stephanie Hoops is a Novi attorney currently nsking it diegal to treat black children as "sepa — to awaken from its slumber and provide an — attending journalism school at Northwestern Uni-

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First United Methodist Church - organization. The sites are open - tests require a six-hour fast

Healthy Living (formerly known - The free tests include those screenings for abdominal

as Health-O-Rama), a cooperative - pertaining to height and weight, - aneurysm, stroke and circulation.

effort between WXYZ-TV (Channel vision and hearing, health educa- Questions pertaining to the

Free or low-cost medical ing. Other tests — such as those. The phone line is open Monday

referral and oral-dental screen- phone line at (248) 424-8600.

I know Tawsuits aren't looked upon very kind- from a trip to San Diego, where he improvement strategies. ly these days. But lawsuits aren't always a bad attended a series of seminars. For more information on either thing. They can be beneficial in ways that are workshops and courses at the of these courses, call (248) 689often overlooked. Courts can change the law Spring 2000 Buying/Seminar 8282. through interpretation. If a judge senses that Show of the Independent Jewelers there is a need for change, he or she may inter- Organization IJO). pret a case so that new "common law" is created. Certain gun owners need some defined limita- exclusive Master 1JO Jeweler 16 and 23 at Kerby's Koney Island. tions that reflect current values. I'm not knock- member, ing the hunters who understand how to handle a weapon and how to store it safely out of a child's reach.

What I'm saying is that politicians who say of Comp Dresser & McKee's Detroit 29710 Wixom Road for its Wixom advantal needs, it exists as a clear record. I an embodiment of American goals and needs. I that more gun laws will not solve anything mis-operation. She is a transportation in chapter. The Novi chapter will understand the function of the law in general. manager responsible for business meet on March 21 at Kerby's. All Such is my opinion. And here it is without the development in the firm's Michigan meetings begin at 7 a.m. For more jurisprudential theory: I think it'd be nice if we region. She holds a bachelor's information, call (810) 323-3800. in and of itself. Without legislation, how can we, had a few rules set up that make it a little more degree from the University of Tole-Take, for example, the famous case of Brown - as a society, crystallize and make known our - difficult for a 6-year-old to get shot in school. do and is a member of the Ameri-

can Society of Civil Engineers. the best equal." Some people resisted the answer. It children continue to die from gun vio-versity. She can be reached via e-mail at several professional advancement served, including corned beef and

> manage employee performance be available. • INTERPERSONAL SKILLS: The 8460.

Orin J. Mazzoni Jr., president course not only helps in teaching of Orin Jewelers in Northville and how behaviors impact how you are Garden City, revently returned perceived, but provides personal

Business Network International Orin Jewelers is the area's will be hosting meetings on March located at 21200 Haggerty Road for its Northville chapter, and Northville resident Shannetta again on March 17 and 24 at Griffin was promoted to principal Leon's Restaurant, located at

Novi will celebrate its 45th St. Patrick's Day on Friday, March 17. Walsh College will be offering Traditional Irish fare will be certification and technical comput- cabbage, lamb stew, beef and beer er training classes in the days to stew, and other Irish fancies. come. Here are some dates and The band INIS-CEOL, translat-

topics to be covered at the Novi - ing Island Music, will entertain from 6:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. Gui-• PERFORMANCE APPRAISALS: ness and Harps beers along with The workshop will help managers - Irish whiskey and Irish coffees will expectations and foster teamwork. For information, call (248) 380-

Pet Corner

Several animal-related groups Southeastern Michigan 7), the United Health Organization, body composition, blood health screening can be directed have adoption opportunities in the tion and United Way Community pressure, glaucoma, counseling to the Project Health Living Novi and Northville area. Here are the dates and locations for some of

screenings will be administered for colorectal cancer and CA-125 through Friday from 10 a.m. to 3 Michigan Anti-Cruelty Society 25 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the women - are available for costs First United Methodist is locat-Third Saturday of each month church. Volunteers from the of \$15 to \$35 per test. Blood tests ed at 777 Eight Mile Road. The 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. PetSmart (17677 Haggerty, church and community members - require a four-hour fast prior to - church can be reached at (248) Northville) (248) 347-4337

> Critter Connection 11:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Pet Supplies Plus (41660 Ten Mile, Novi) (248) 380-0007

Volunteers For Action Some Saturdays and Sundays PetSmart (17677 Haggerty, Northville! (248) 626-8051

Animal Welfare Society of

In addition, the Pet-A-Pet group spends time bringing animals to nursing homes, hospice locations, and residences of physically and emotionally challenged children and adults. Volunteers are needed to help with the programs. Here's a rundown of where the group will be making stops soon. For information on volunteering, call (810) 229-5219.

Old Village Second Tuesday of each month

Star Manor First Thursday of each month

> Wynwood of Northville Third Thursday of each month

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chemotherapy before. The skin playes more of a role in this cancer must have spread, from, for example, the arm to an organ such than science does at as the lungs or liver. "That's where it's generally incurable. You do a biopsy and

you look at it and it's the same cancer," Dr. Terebelo said. With standard chemotherapy such a patient might have four to five months to live, Dr. Terebelo said. With chemotherapy and the

who have advanced to Stage III of turnor, a possible four stages of melanoma survive for five years with standard ly. So far. it's safe." Dr. Terebelo chemotherapy. The gene treatment said. aims to extend the odds. Half of the patients in the inves- he added.

tigation will receive the gene thera- "The people who do not get the caring for people with cancer and jjeffres@ht.homecomm.net.

Dr. Howard Terebelo Providence Cancer Institute Assarian Center

new treatment, his or her lifes- py as well as chemotherapy; the taken off the study. Dr. Terebelo life. pan could increase by several other half will receive only stan-said. dard chemotherapy. Vical will Literature on Allovectin-7 indi- select who gets the gene therapy, area, Dr. Terebelo worked at the added. cates that 60 percent of patients - which is injected directly into the They are watched very careful-

The patients are not guinea pigs.

the option if the disease progresses — Providence has seven doctors

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Dr. Terebelo said he specialized "As long as the tumor is in cancer treatment because "it's responding, they can stay on it. If an ever-changing, dynamic field the disease progresses, they will be that makes you a student for

"In general I like to care for peo-While he grew up in the Detroit - ple who are in need of help," he

National Cancer Institute in You can never help but keep Bethesda and at the Walter Reed - learning and be humbled. You Army Medical Center in Washing- respect that God plays more of a role ton, D.C., before deciding to head in this than science does at times."

"I thought that Providence Jan Jeffres can be reached via

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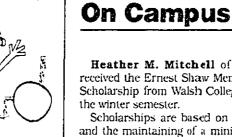
NORTHVILLE PARKS AND RECREATION **NEW CATALOG:** The Northville Parks and Rec spring activities catalog will be mailed to all. Dance on March 25. The dance runs from 6:30 tree species, however, the parks and rec depart-Northville city and township residents during the p.m. to 8 p.m. The event takes place at the ment will make the final selection based on preweek of March 13. The catalog contains information on spring classes, leagues and events. Cata-

logs will also be available at Northville City Hall, Northville Township Civic Center and the young men. Northville Senior Center. Resident registration for spring activities begins on March 22.

TREE MEMORIAL PROGRAM: The memorial

MOTHER-SON SPRING FLING DANCE: Tick- Community a program for improvements to ets are on sale for the Mother-Son Spring Fling Northville parks. Donors may request a specific Northville Community Center. Tickets are \$12 viously approved landscaping and tree plans. per couple and include entertainment, dance Each tree and bronze marker is \$250 and instruction, refreshments and a gift for the becomes the property of the city of Northville or Northville Township.

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Heather M. Mitchell of Novi were Damien L. Thompson of studying the Spanish language and their academic achievement for fall received the Ernest Shaw Memorial Novi, bachelor of arts degree; culture at Cursos Americanos e semester at Bowling Green State

Graduating from Grand Valley is a current participant in Alma's

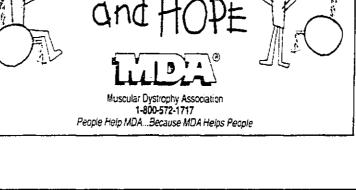
Scholarship from Walsh College for Stacey M. Hiltz of Walled Lake, Internacionales in Segovia, Spain. University: and the maintaining of a minimum bachelor's degree of science.

Alma College junior Dana Weston School. State University in December 1999 international study program. She is

bachelor of science; and Charles H. Weston, daughter of Frederick NORTHVILLE - Jill Victoria

Scholarships are based on merit Williams III, also of Walled Lake, and Sara West of Novi, is a math Boginski, freshman: Terry Ty major at Alma College. She gradu- Fowler, senior: Brett Johnson, ated in 1997 from Novi High freshman; and Robert Licata, sophomore.

NOVI - Thomas P. Price, fresh-Honor students recognized for men.



Presidential scholar nominee Janice Liao, a Novi High

A grand reflection

student, practices piano at her home.

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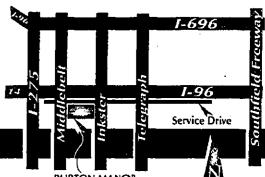
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concleaned residents can Mondays, Wednesdays and Fri Seniors receive a daily telephone call to a days, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at a -sponsor by Northville Township - calendar at the center.] Cost is \$1. that charge to the community. through the use of their Communi-Development Block Grant This class meets every Wedness from teachesto noon. Monday stion is necessary.

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wear home (1) a.m., or the MAGS Middle School on Talt. from 7-9 parking for 411-30 a.m.). Once at a p.m. Please join us for entertainthe mall, you will be on your own - ment-by "Special Blend" and - Water Wheel Health Clubto enjoy your afternoon. Cost is retreshments. This event is free. 82. Please call to make reserva.—Please call for reservations.

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Norm Kotaski of Northville check on your well being, or just to the Parks and Recreation Center. knows computers. Since his retirenear a transfer voice. This program. About days on monthly recreation amont, he has begun teaching come pist at the Senior Center, Appointputer basics to area seniors. He ments are available at the followcovers Microsoft Windows, word - ing times: Mondays, April 17, May processing, Internet, e-mail and -1, 8, 15, and 22, from 10 a.m.-2 Body Workout Exercise Class Excel spreadsheet. He teaches in p.m. tands. To register, contact the - day at 9:45 a.m. at Allen Terrace. - the senior's home on their computdefective office at (248) 348-1312. Cost is 83 per class. No registra — er. If interested, please call (248)

Held on the third Monday of every month at the Senior Center. Swan Lake ballet at the Detroit massage appointment, please approximately 3 p.m. Lunch will be on your own. Cost for residents of Stroke and Vascular Disease • Dinner Out at Various as \$17 and non residents, \$18. On May 3, Life Line screening

month trip to a local restaurant.

On Thursday, March 23 we will be ... • The Spring Swing Friday of every month, 14 a.m. to Restaurant in Chelsea for good. "The Spring Swing" at the Redford. aneurysm screening and an ankle tood with good friends. Cost for Theater, The senior bus departs brachial index. Life Line will also round (rip transportation is \$4, from the MAGS parking lot at 5:30 offer a bone density screening for . TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sen-payable to the bus driver. The bus p.m. and returns at approximately women to test for the early detecwill depart from the MAGS parking 10 p.m. Dinner will be on your tion of osteoporosis. The tests are Meets every Thursday. Weight — lot at 4:30 p.m. or pick you up at — own. Cost is \$14 for residents and — offered for \$35 each. Anyone inter-

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Chesapeake Bay and Virginia Beach, April 2-7. The event includes round-trip motorcoach - the Fisher Theater to see Cabaret. - ren: space at the garage sale site transportation, six nights accom- The senior bus departs from the and sell your own items for your been trained by American Associa- modations, several meals, and MAGS parking lot at 5 p.m. and own benefit. tion of Retired Persons and the some very exciting sightseeing returns at approximately 10 p.m. With the first alternative, your trips. Cost is \$725 per person. Dinner is on your own. Cost for participation is the value of the This service will be available at the based on double occupancy, residents is \$51 and non-residenting. Bring your items (no

Come with us to see Crimes of will sell them.

the Heart at the Meadowbrook Detroit Historical Churches Rybicki Tours is offering a day Theater on April 26. The senior arranging your appointment, trip to see Detroit's historical bus departs from the MAGS park their own garage sale; gets rid of please ask what items you should churches on April 18. The trip ing lot at 10:30 a.m. and returns clutter and other unwanted items: bring with you. Although there is includes round-trip motorcoach at approximately 5 p.m. Lunch will obtains a tax deduction; and no charge for this service, dona transportation, a tour of three be on your own. Cost is \$35 for doesn't require participation in the tions to the senior program would prominent Detroit-area churches residents and \$36 for non-resi- sale itself. and lunch at a popular Detroit dents. Register at the Senior Cen- If you are interested in making restaurant. Bus departs at 9 a.m. ter.

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exercise. We will be walking at the mall. Transportation is available from your home starting at 8:30 On Friday, March 17 Alterra a.m. The cost is \$2, payable to the

> Senior Fitness Program at Northville Senior Center in com-

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The Northville Senior Center will The senior bus departs from the p.m.; and Saturday, June 3, from MAGS parking lot at 10:30 a.m. 9 a.m. to noon. The sale will be

this event in one of two ways. You can either donate items for resale. the proceeds from which will bene-On April 19, we'll be heading to fit the Senor Center, or you can

clothes, curtain rods or bowling balls, please) to the Senior Center between now and May 26 and we

This approach is attractive to those who don't have the time for

money for yourself and have the time and energy to sell your own items, rent a parking space at the Senior Center for \$25 and sell This is a seven-week session directly from your vehicle. Not only with a cost of \$55. Classes will does this provide more customer meet on Mondays and Wednes- traffic due to consolidated sale Bianco Tours is offering a trip days. Session il runs Feb. 28 sites, but the opportunity to meet March 30-April 7 to the Italian Riv-through April 12. Class begins at 1 and interact with members of the

In either situation, you will be ing proceeds for senior programs. which is a necessary component to the success of retirement commu-Join the Northville seniors at nity living. If you have any quescost is \$1599 per person/double Laurel Park Place Mall every tions, contact Sue Koivula at (248)

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Rupert Everett (from left to right), Malcolm Stumpf, Madonna and Benjamin Bratt (rear) star "The Next Best Thing," directed by John Schlesinger. The film is rated "PG-13."

Making choices

Yoga instructor and gay friend take unconventional approach to life's twist of fate in 'The Next Best Thing'

Bratt, Neil Patrick Harris,

Abbie (Madonna) and Robert Rupert Everett) are best friends with so much in common - a joy-

ful, unconventional approach to life; quick wit and intelligence; an endearing impulsiveness ... and miserable luck in love. They would make the perfect couple, but one thing prevents them from looking to each other for romance -

many cocktails and a twist of fate—as making very compelling eletakes them to a new level of inti-ments for a movie," says writing, and very topical," says ents. A whole new world has relationships are very important it's unusual in that there is a sake of Sam, their child (played by - interplay of those characters is - through the film. It possesses newcomer Malcolm Stumps, Abbie - present in every movie I've ever - great humor, but it is really a and Robert decide to live together made."

amily, but it is the next best (Madonna) and Robert (Rupert winner John Schlesinger from a film. drawn to "The Next Best Thing" by Robert both as rather lonely crea- "He knows a lot about acting," the strength of the story and the tures, not being able to find rela- and he really directs the actors

THE NEXT BEST THING In addition to Madonna and Rupert Everett, the film also

mer. It is directed by John Schlesinger, "The Next Best stars Lynn Redgrave, Benjamin Thing" is rated "PG-13."

A day comes, however, when too the story were all things that I saw the relationship.

Theirs may not be the perfect Best Thing" focuses on Abbie and 'Kramer vs. Kramer."

Director John Schlesinger was story begins with Abbie and to have him on this film." dramatic and comedic possibilities tionships that work — except for well." says Madonna 201 their own, as great, great friends. Schlesinger. He's tough and And as great friends, it works - relentless, and he has a great the themes of the film and the until it goes further than that, and attention to detail which I think is nature of the relationships within then certain stresses are put on really important.

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nacy ... and turns them into par- Schlesinger. "Interesting human producer Tom Rosenberg. "And opened up for them, and for the to me, and the characters and the great change of tone part way drama, similar in tone to films Set in Los Angeles, "The Next such as 'Terms of Endearment'

thing. "The Next Best Thing" stars Everett), whose close friendship is Academy Award-winning director Rupert Everett and Madonna, and tested by a series of choices they John Schlesinger was a major is directed by Academy Award make during the course of the draw for cast and filmmakers

screenplay by Thomas Ropelews- "The film is about an unconven- "John has a long, distinguished ki. The film also stars Benjamin tional family - about how far one career of such memorable films Bratt, Michael Varian, Josef Som- can exist outside the realms of with really great performances, mer. Malcolm Stumpf, Neil Patrick convention and make things notes Rosenberg, "He's an amazwork." notes Schlesinger. "The ing man, and we are so fortunate

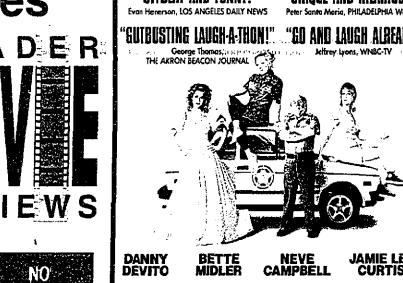
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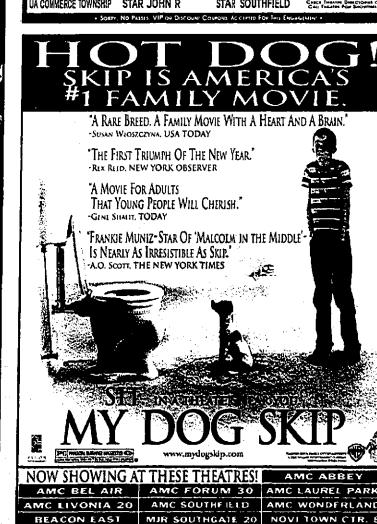
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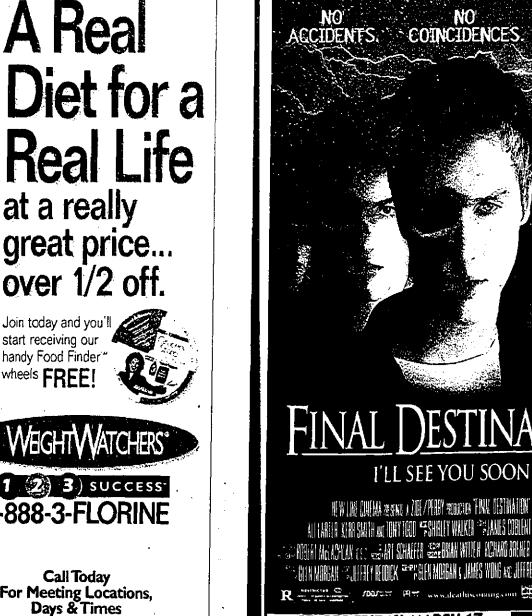
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LOVES LIFE This family-oriented SWF, 59, 5'6", 135lbs., with auburn hair, enjoys dancing, the outdoors, traveling, dining out and more, is seeking an interesting SWM, 55-68, for companionship. Ad#.1041

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ests. Ad#.1039 JUST ONE CALL Outgoing SWF, 20, 5'6", with black hair and green eyes, who enjoys outdoor activities, family times, movies and more, is looking for an outgoing, honest and affectionate SWM, 18-35, to share life with. Ad#.1040

WOW! SWF, 47, 5'8", 140lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys pottery, photography and movies, is interested in a SWM, 38-55, for a possible relationship. Ad#.1022

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Ad#.1001 HAPPY WOMAN Professional SWF, 55, 5', 110lbs., with blonde hair and blue eyes, who enjoys dining out, boating and more, is interested in getting to know an educated, clean-cut SWM, 50-67 Ad#.1032

DESERVING Educated SW mom, 29, 5'5", with long brown hair, who enjoys camping, fishing and fine wine, is interested in meeting a responsible SWM, 26-34, Ad#.1031

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This friendly, outgoing SWF, 47, 5'4", whose interests include good conversation, going to the movies and taking long walks, is looking for a SM, under 55, for friendship first. Ad#.8869

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SHARE HER WORLD This outgoing DW mom, 38, 5'5", who enjoys spending time with her children, traveling, going to the movies and music, is seeking a SWM, 36-45, to share life's ups and downs with. Ad#.4770

GET ACQUAINTED Shy and reserved, this never-married SWCF, 30, 5'5", who enjoys a variety of interests, is seeking an outgoing, caring, loving SWCM, 30-34, for friendship leading to

more. Ad#.1525 ENERGETIC This SW mom of one, 34, 5'9", fullfigured, with blonde hair and blue eyes, who enjoys fishing, camping and hunting, is seeking a secure, friendly SWM, 25-45, to go out and have a good time with.

WISHING UPON A STAR Kind, honest SWCF, 37, 5'3", who enjoys attending church, long walks in the park and camping, is ISO a God-fearing, intelligent SWCM, under 45, who shares similar interests. Ad#.1212

GREAT EXPECTATIONS This friendly, attractive SWF, 37, 5'4", who enjoys dancing, spending time with friends and more, is seeking a fun-loving SWM, over 29, to go out and have a good time with. Ad#,2222

LOOKING FOR LOVE This DWCF, 34, 5'8", who enjoys bible study and riding Harleys, is waiting for you. If you are an outgoing, warm-hearted, SWCM, under 45, then giver her a call. She'd love to hear from you.

Ad#,9445 SET UP A TIME & DAY This outgoing SWF, 19, 5'7", who enjoys sports, spending time with family and going to movies, is in search of a SWM, 18-22, to spend quality time with. Ad#.1111

UNTIL NOW Retired SWF, 36, 5'6", enjoys horseback riding, nature and the movies. She's looking for a sincere, honest SWM. Ad#.5560

OUT OF THE SOUTH Here's a DWC mom of one, 37. 5'4", who would be a perfect match for a SWM, 37-45, who enjoys the outdoors, bowling, family times and more. Want to prove me right? Ad#.6456

PLEASANT You can share your world with this versatile and outgoing DWCF, 57, as long as you're a SWCM, who shares her passions for travel, animals, socializing with friends and more, Ad#, 1942

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Ad#.2417 IS IT FATE? She's a fun, intelligent SWF, 19, 5'2", who enjoys the little things in life. She is looking forward to meeting a caring, honest SWM, 19-23, to go out and have a good

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Ad#.1308 THE PRIME OF LIFE Charming Catholic WWWF, 68, a brunette, is seeking a youthful, sweet SWCM, 65+, with whom to share common interests such as Bingo, dining out, dancing, sports,

bowling and long walks. Ad#.5720 LIVE IT UP This outgoing SW mom, 38, 5'4", full-figured, who enjoys camping, long walks and spending time with family, is looking for a family-oriented SWM, 35-45, to spend quality time with. Ad#.9028

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more. Ad#.4949

HEAVEN SENT Pleasant, Catholic DWF, 51, 5'9", is seeking a companionable Catholic SWM who shares her enjoyment of country living, cooking, gardening, reading and the

arts. Ad#.7837 SONG BIRD Outgoing, Catholic SWF, 48, is looking for a SWM, 40-52, to share music, cooking, the out-

doors and the arts. Ad#.9500 Males Seeking **Females**

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CHILD OF GOD Spontaneous, romantic and openminded describes this SWPCM, 39, 5'10", 180lbs., fit, with dark hair/eyes, who enjoys traveling, skiing, dining out and more, is seeking an attractive and goal-oriented SWCF, 29-36. Ad#.1042

EXTRA NICE This kind SWM, 38, 6'1", 160lbs., muscular, with blond hair and blue eyes, who enjoys the outdoors. sports, dining out, church activities and more, is looking for an honest, outgoing and athletic SF, 25-35, who lives life to the fullest.

Ad#.1036 LOVE & LAUGHTER Outgoing and retired SWM, 57, 5'10", 200lbs., with salt/pepper hair, who enjoys animals, the outdoors, dining out, dancing and more, is looking forward to meeting an outgoing and cheerful SWF, 45-57, for companionship.

Ad#.1044 PRINCE CHARMING Friendly SWM, 28, 6'2", a N/S. who enjoys animals, outdoor activities, movies, dining out and more, is seeking a LTR, with a funloving SWF, 18-33. Ad#.1050

TAKE NOTICE This easygoing and understanding SWM, 32, 6', 210lbs., with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys fishing, motorcycles, horseback riding, long walks and more, is seeking a friendly and laid-back SWF, 28-34. Ad#.1016

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HELLO THERE SWM, 38, 6'1", 160lbs., with blonde hair and blue eyes, who enjoys animals, socializing and family gatherings, is interested in getting to know a humorous, ath-

letic SF, 25-35. Ad#.1035 MOVE FAST! Honest SWM, 45, 6'3", 225lbs., with dark hair, who enjoys camping, fishing and swimming, is interested in meeting a nice, loyal, somewhat in-shape SWF, 35-47, who has morals and values also.

Ad#.1003

GET THE BALL ROLLIN SWM, 33, 6'2", 210lbs., with long brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys sports, working out and more, is interested in a SWF, 28-35, Ad#.1030

FUN AWAITS Easygoing, friendly SWM, 24, 5'10", 170lbs., with blond hair and blue eyes, who enjoys movies, going to clubs and more, is interested in meeting a SF, 19-40, with similar interests. Ad#,1027

CONTACT HIM Humorous SWM, 30, 6'4", 205lbs., with brown hair, who enjoys the outdoors, horseback riding and fishing, is looking forward to meeting a goal-oriented, kind-hearted SWF. 26-37. Ad#.1024

TELL HIM ABOUT YOURSELF SWM, 43, 5'7", with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys playing the guitar, camping and more, is in search of a SWF, 35-43.

Ad#.1020 Humorous, family-oriented SW dad, 43, 6', 220lbs., with blond hair and blue eyes, who enjoys gardening, the outdoors and cook-

ing, is looking forward to meet a SWF, 35-45. Ad#.1019 HAVE FAITH Outgoing SWM, 40, 6', 180lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys movies, music and more, is in search of an honest, intelligent

SWF, 32-42. Ad#.1017 DESTINY SWM, 55, 5'10", 200lbs., with gravish-black hair, who enjoys fishing, dining out and animals, is seeking a SWF, 44-55. Ad#.1012

WORTH A TRY Nice, friendly SWM, 28, 6'2", 185lbs., who enjoys skiing, traveling and animals, is seeking a sweet, kind-hearted SWF, 18-32 Ad#, 1015

WHAT HE WANTS Attractive, secure DWPM, 44, 6'2", 235lbs., with blond hair and blue eyes, who enjoys travel, dancing, fishing, movies and more, is seeking an attractive, honest, adventurous SWCF, 36-45, N/S, for a relationship. Ad#.2424

IN DUE TIME This outgoing, humorous SWM, 5'11", 165lbs., with brown hair/eyes, who enjoys sports, traveling and animals, is looking to meet up with a down-to-earth SWF, 24-31, to go out and have a good time with. Ad#.1571

WITH POSSIBILITIES Attractive, outgoing and friendly SWM, 29, 5'9", with blond hair, and blue eyes, loves dining, movies, plays and boating. He's searching for a never-married, Catholic SWF, 22-33, with similar interests, for friendship and Waterford area. romance. Ad#.4234

TAKE A CHANCE Make your call to this honest, loyal SWM, 44, 5'10", 175lbs, who hopes to hear from a sincere, caring SWF, 34-48, who wants to share a mutual interests, good times and a meaningful friendship.

PULL UP A CHAIR This friendly DWCM, 44, 6'2", with brown hair and blue eyes, whose interests include outdoor activities, quiet evenings at homes and more, is seeking an outgoing SWF, 25-48, who has a positive outlook on life. Ad#.6803

THE REAL THING Give a chance to this never-married SWCM, 30, 6'2", with brown hair/eyes, a homebody, who loves video games and old movies. He's looking for a smart, down-to-earth, church-going SCF, N/S, nondrinker, with inner beauty, to fall in love with. Ad#.2001

SUCCESSFUL Tall attractive SWM, 33, 5' 10", with brown hair and blue eyes, a big-hearted attorney, seeks a SF, 18-32, who values family and commitment. He enjoys shopping, travel and the arts. Ad#.1616

DON'T PASS ME BY Hardworking, honest DWCM, 55, 6'1", with brown hair and blue eyes, who enjoys dancing, dining out, outdoor activities and more, is seeking an adventurous, caring SWCF, 45-60, for a possible LTR. Ad#.9255

SERIOUS ONLY Fun-loving, sincere and thoughtful describes this SWPM, 40, 6'1", 195lbs., who enjoys outdoor activities, romantic evenings, movies and more, is interested in meeting an athletic, independent and sincere SF, for a monogamous rela-

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18-32, who enjoys movies and guiet times at home. Ad#.5565 STOP HERE SWM, 72, 6'2", who enjoys playing

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GREAT CATCH Meet this outgoing, sincere DWPM, 62, 6', who enjoys music, travel and dining out, if you're an attractive, romantic SWF, who has a zest for life, give him a call.

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Ad#.7056 WANTS TO BE HAPPY This outgoing SWM, 19, 6'4", who enjoys playing sports, going to the movies and more, is interested in meeting a fun-loving SWF, 18-25, who's ready to share quality times. Ad#.8766

SHORT BUT SWEET Professional SWM, 43, who enjoys boating, fishing and going for walks, is searching for a friendly, outgoing DWF, under 46, for a possible relationship. Ad#.1313

GET ACQUAINTED Outgoing and friendly, this DWC dad, 44, 6'1", enjoys exercising, family times, horses, and dining out. He is seeking a SWF, 34-44, in good shape, for dating and

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Jilg and Churella each win a state title

By JASON SCHMITT Sports Editor

If good things always seem to happen in bunches, then that's all good for the Novi wrestling team.

Senior Dan Jilg and junior Ryan Churella each captured a Division I state wrestling title this past weekend, the first of either of

their careers. Jilg defeated Ron - second last year, this sure the Thompson of Plymouth Salem 4-2 in the 119-pound title match. while Churella earned his title with a hard-fought 7-6 win over Northville's Reggie Torrence at

said, recalling his placing at the

heck makes up for it." at 119 pounds, and didn't let up over the three days the tournament was held at Joe Louis

"It was destined, 8-4-2-1," Jilg last four state finals. Finishing

Arena, Jilg won all four of his matches, the closest coming in the finals. "I was thinking in the car on the way to the Joe. I have 24 minutes of wrestling left in my high school career. Then when I walked out here today I had six

said. "I didn't want to waste 'em." "Right now Dan Jilg is the best wrestler in Novi High School history - including Taka Watanabe." Novi coach Tom Fritz said. "Now maybe a year from now I might be saving that about Rvan Churella. But right now Danny's the best."

Churella needed a reversal with 34 seconds left to beat Torrence. whom he had split two matches with earlier this season.

"I wasn't really thinking anything (down 6-5 late). I just did anything I had to do to win it." the junior said. "After the first period I realized that I was letting him into my legs too easy. I began pushing his head down and looking for a way to get around him.

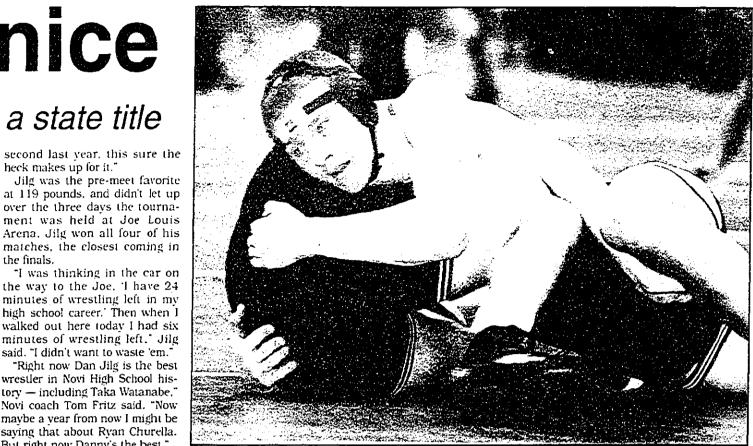
"My dad is the biggest reason for this. He's the one who sat me down and showed me what I had to do to win."

Last season Churella finished runnerup to Eric Gervais of Grand Haven.

"Last year it was the worst feeling. This year it is the greatest feeling," Churella said.

Novi's 215-pounder Nick Slovan was just a win away from making it three titles for the Wildcats. The junior won his first three matches of the day before falling to Grand Ledge's Brian Cheyne 11-5 in the championship match

He had beaten Saginaw Her-



Novi senior Adam Borashko tries to turn Matt Eckenrode of Traverse City Central last Friday.

itage's Nate Decker 13-1 in the opening round before pinning Sterling Height's Jared Beno in 3:02. He then defeated Bryan Schilb of Bay City Western 9-8 in the semilinals.

"He was so down this week after losing twice last weekend (at team states). (Adam) Borashko was taking him down at practice and he wasn't wrestling very well," Fritz said, "But look what he's done here."

Speaking of Borashko, the senior placed sixth at 189 pounds despite losing his first match of the day to Dan White of Battle Creek Central.

He came back to beat Eric Puninske of Stevenson by fall. Matt Eckenrode of Traverse City Central 13-6 and Bobby Everett of Saline 7-6. In the wrestleback semifinals, he lost to Midland Dow's Dave Anderson 7-4 and then fell to Holland's Chris Ristau

3-0 to finish sixth.

"I actually almost quit (wrestling) back over Christmas break." Borashko said. "I got siek of wrestling and it wasn't fun. But Fritz came up to me and said why do you want to quit wrestling, you're good.' So I stuck with it and it paid off."

Josh Churella became just the second freshman in school history (Dan Jilg) to place at the state meet. The youngest Churella 2-3 on the day and finished eighth overall at 103.

He defeated Jarard Arnold of Saginaw 6-4 in his first match before losing to Kyle Klooster of Grand Haven in the second round. He came back to earn a medal by defeating Richard Gruenberg of East Detroit 7-2 in the wrestleback second round.

From there he lost to Troy's Nick Best and Monroe's Corev Nowitzke to place eighth.

Jilg was the top-ranked 119 pounder in Division I. and he looked like it. The senior captain beat Steele Osborn of Grand Ledge 14-1 in his first match and then beat Harrison Township L'Anse Creuese's Eric Neil 7-4 n the quarters. A 10-1 win over Holt's Jack Scott propelled Jilg into the finals.

Churella beat Catholic Central's Chris Peterson by fall at 5:08 in his first match before knocking off Rochester Adam's Mike Holtz 15-7 and Grand Haven's John Cox 8-6.

The five state placers were the most in school history. according to Fritz. The Kensington Valley Conference had 10 state placers overall, with six of its wrestlers competing in the finals and three winning titles. Howell's Brooks Cozart won the 112-pound title in Division I.

Two state champions are better than one

What started out to be a long weekend filled with state finals turned into



Schmitt

enjoyable this season.

one of the most enjoyable weekend's I've spent as a sports writer here in Novi. You see, not only was I

Ayan Churella raises his hands after winning the state title...

privy to one state champion, but I had the opportunity to cover two in about 20 minutes. Add to that the other two kids I covered in the finals as well as four more state placers from Northville and Novi and you begin to understand why covering wrestling has been so

Both programs are top notch, from the wrestlers to the coaches. And both need to be commended for

their good sportsmanship and behavior throughout the winter season.

I can't say enough about Dan Jilg. For the past four years this young man has strived to be the best he could be. Each year he's gotten closer and closer to the ultimate goal. And to see him reach both hands high into the sky following his 4-2 win over Ron Thompson of Salem last week sent a slight chill down my spine. If ever there was a better kid to work with over my three years here in Northville and Novi. I have yet to meet him.

My hat must also come off to both Ryan Churella and Reggie Torrence for their tremendous efforts over the past four weeks. Churella may have edged out Torrence for the state title, but both deserved to be standing at the top of that podium last Saturday night. When Churella's reversal gave him a twopoint lead with 34 seconds left, I couldn't help but feel for Torrence. The senior gave his all, yet couldn't quite escape the grips of Churella. At that his assistants Cheech Aloisio and Bob Townsend

minute I wanted to stop the match and award each of them a state title, but that's competition for you. That's what makes this sport so great.

• And what about the two school's coaching

Tom Fritz was named Division I coach of the year along with Davison's head coach Roy Hall. It was the fifth time in his coaching tenure that Fritz has won the award, but the first in Division I or Class A. But he was quick to point to others first.

"I can't say enough about what Brad (Huss) means to me." Fritz said of his co-coach. "I tell you what, if Brad weren't here, I wouldn't be coaching." Add to those two a guy like Mark Churella and

you have the makings of an elite group of men working to improve the lives of some 30-40 kids

And what about Northville? Garnett Potter and

have transformed the Mustangs into a state power over the last half a decade or so. Even as the program lost nine valuable seniors from the 1998-99 team. Northville nearly pulled off a major upset over Novi this spring and had three state placers this past weekend.

Look for the Northville/Novi rivalry to continue on next season.

• So many people continue to complain about the Michigan High School Athletic Association holding the combined state wrestling finals at the Joe. Well, from my perspective, it's a great place to be. I mean. where else can you see Torrence and Churella going at it over here, while Andy Simmons is winning his second-straight title over there? Where else can you see Jeremiah Tobias (Manchester's four-time state champion), Zemaior Pittman (of Flint Carmen

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Cagers out

By JASON SCHMITT

The 1999-2000 basketball season came to an abrupt end at Novi last week as Plymouth Salem overcame an early deficit to oust the Wildcats from the state playoffs and eventually advance out of the Novi district.

The Rocks defeated Novi 54-42 in front of Novi's home crowd, then proceeded to top Plymouth Canton in the district finals on Saturday. Salem played Detroit Pershing Tuesday night in the regional semifinal at Southfield Lathrup (after The Novi News' dead-

Novi built an 8-6 lead after one quarter thanks to a pair of three pointers by Chad Nadolni. The 'Cats were controlling the tempo of the game early, keeping the pace of the game at a minimum.

"I was surprised to see them come out and play us in a man-to-man

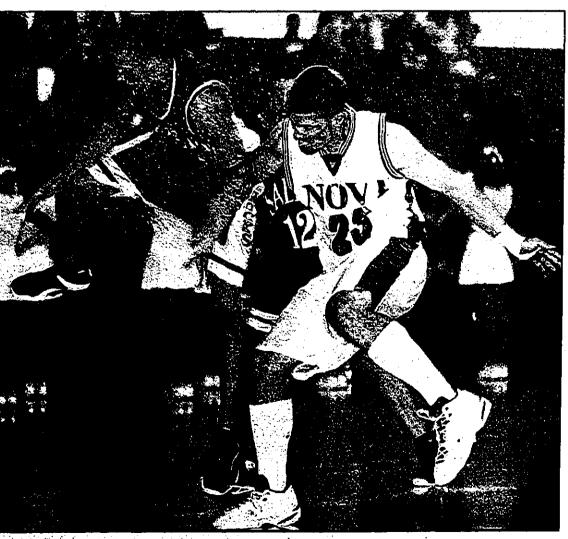
(defense)," Novi Coach Pat Schluter said. "We were trying to take good shots and take them

out of their game." The plan seemed to work until the Rocks went on a 7-0 run midway through the second quarter. The run gave them a 15-11 lead that it would not relinquish

again. Another 7-0 run early in the third quarter upped Salem's lead to 10 at 26-16 with 6:02 to play. Another mini-run later in the quarter pushed their lead to 16 points at the end of the third.

"We didn't have a good third quarter, we didn't play a good game overall." Schluter said. "We were having

trouble scoring against their defense." Much of that trouble came on the inside, where Novi's leading scorer Dan Nawrot was held to just four points and two field-goal attempts.



Continued on 9 Novi's Brendan Hadley tries to strip the ball from a Salem player during their district semifinal.

Bliss takes to states

By JASON SCHMITT

Michael Bliss is one of just several reasons the Novi swim team will be a major concern for its opponents next season.

The junior was the lone representative for Novi at the lower peninsula state finals last weekend at Eastern Michigan University. Although he didn't place in the 100 backstroke, his time of 56.2 seconds was faster than that of the 12place finisher in the final heat.

Coach Bill McCord said his backstroker took

"He didn't swim his best, but to place in an event like this he would have had to put together a perfect race to qualify," McCord said.

The time was his second fastest of the season, second only to his state cut time he posted at the Swartz Creek Invitational two weeks earlier. Bliss transferred to Novi from Brother Rice High School, the team which won the state title at the meet. Ann Arbor Pioneer was runner up and Rochester Adams finished third. Although there were no other Wildcat quali-

fiers, the team did fare well at their last meet of the season at Swartz Creek. The meet was a "last chance" for many swimmers to get their state cuts. Novi had just one, but the rest of the team swam as well as it has all season long.

The Wildcats won the four-team meet in domi-

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lovi's Jordan Moblo finished first in the 500 freestyle at Swartz treek back on March 3 and 4.

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Dan Jilg - Senior



You do the math. Jilg finished 8th at the state meet his freshman year. Jilg finished 4th at the state meet his sophomore year. Jilg finished 2nd at the state meet his junior year. And Novi senior Dan Jilg topped the field at 119 pounds in this his senior season, taking home the state championship that has eluded him in each of the last four seasons. A the transfer of the transfer o

Rvan Churella - Junior

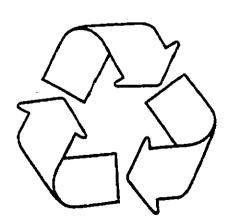


The math isn't quite so easy for Churella. He didn't qualify his freshman year, but came out of nowhere last season to finish

In this his junior season, Churella overcame a deficit in the last 34 seconds to overtake Northville's Reggie Torrence and win his first state championship.

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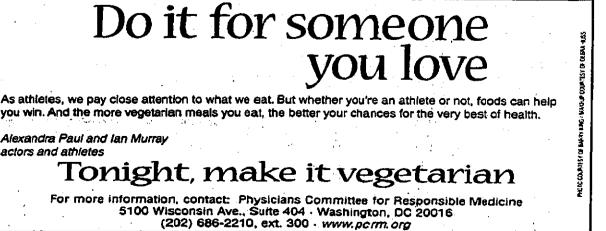
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Gymnasts finish fourth at states

gymnastics finals.

translate into bigger and better things for next season. two members from this year's 9.525) and was ninth in the all-Hartland High School. And each the beam (9.3) and was 26th on

with 143.05 points. East Kent- (8.15). wood surprised no one by run- Fink also had a solid day, fin-

the vault, but struggled on the [8.25]. bars. The team scored a 36.2 on Alison Gillette was the other vault, aided by a 9.3 by Katie Northville/Novi gymnast to garner Braine and a 9.25 by Megan a top 40 finish. She was 20th on Samhat. Monica Fink was third the vault (8.9) and 36th on beam

But the 'Stangs had some trou- The promise for next year's bles on bars, scoring just a 35.15 team is strengthened by the fact with their top four. Lindsey Carlthat Northville/Novi was competson, who missed most of the ling without senior Jennifer Rohlfs weekend with an injury she sus- who missed most of the season tained a month ago, did her best with knee and shoulder injuries. to help the team in the event by Rohlfs will be missed, but wasn't

the beam and in the floor exer- portion of the team's big meets, cise, scoring a 9.5 and 9.55. but should return at full strength

Individuals fare well

Braine tied for seventh place in There weren't any team or indi- the Division 1 all-around compevidual state championships to lition (36.9) after taking seventh bring home from last weekend's in both the vault (9.35) and beam (9.35) events. She also tied for But the experience alone may 16th (9.2) on the floor and was 19th (9.0) on the bars.

Samhat had the highest indi-Northville/Novi returns all but vidual finish [fifth in the floor, squad which placed fourth at last around. The junior tied for 10th Friday's team competition at on the vault (9.25), was eighth on of the eight girls who competed in the bars (8.8). the team competition will be Carlson was the only other

Mustang to compete in D-1, fin-The Mustangs tallied 143.15 ishing 21st on the bars (8.975). points, finishing just out of sec- in Division 2, Andrea Ledbetter ond place, which was occupied by was 19th overall. Her best finish Holland (143.9). Fellow Western came in the floor exercise, where Lake's foe Brighton was third with she was 19th with a 9.05. She 143.325 points while Rochester was 22nd on bars (8.775), 30th Adams rounded out the top five on vault (8.7) and 33rd on beam

ning away with the team title with shing fifth on the vault with a score of 9.175. She was 25th on beam (8.5) and 35th on bars

able to help the team much this Samhat had terrific night on season. Carlson missed a good Braine added a 9.0 and 9.35 in for next year. She can score between 36 and 37 each time out



Photo by JOHN HEIDER Northville/Novi coach Laura Moyers hugs a gymnast last Friday.

on a strong note by defeating team.

tournament and reached the semifinals in another.

and Brittany Barrett, both set- victory at Milford Lakeland. ters, and freshman Crystal The starting line-up of Mike Corte, a 5-foot-9 middle hitter. Crawford, Kirk Safford, Brian paced the Wildcats this season.

NOVI JV BASKETBALL WINS KVC; ENDS WITH 18-2 RECORD

ketball Team finished its home

the fourth quarter to close out the win.

Doyle, Ryan Van Tassel and Mike Hendricks.

Everyone got to see some playing time, and the Novi The Novi Junior Varsity Vol- crowd showed its appreciation leyball team finished its season with a standing ovation for the

SEASON-ENDING NOVI JV RESULTS

Milford Lakeland last week, 15- Jamie Schram had a super 11, 13-15, 15-13. It was the game. He shot a perfect nine-Wildcatsi fourth straight victory for-nine from the field and fiveof the season, as they closed for-five from the line before out their Kensington Valley leaving the game with 23 Conference schedule with a 6-6 points. Chase Chandler contributed seven points, while In tournament action, Novi Shawn Dickens and Trey Simp-JV finished with a 22-16 mark. son each had six. Schram and They finished second in one Ryan Van Tassel had four

rebounds each. The Wildcats closed out their Sophomores Carmen Simkins season last Friday with a 53-25 Doyle, Eric Schleuder, and Mike Hendricks gave the Wildcats the early lead, and they

never looked back. Coach Bill Kelp's team finished the season at 18-2 overall and 11-1 in the KVC. Kelp's record the last two years schedule in great fashion last—at the JV level is now 30-10. Tuesday (Feb. 29) night by The Wildcats were lead by team defeating Howell, 53-39. The captains Crawford, Schram victory clinched the Kensington and Simpson. The team had Valley Conference champi- three outstanding freshmen players who saw a lot of play-Defense, defense and more defense helped the Wildcats to Chandler, Matt Emmencker. the victory. The Wildcats were and Shawn Dickens. Other ahead 17-16, at halftime, but team members includes sophorallied with 19 points in the mores Kirk Safford, Brian third quarter and 17 more in Swift, Eric Schleuder, Brian

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Salem ends Novi's season

"They just did a nice job of sending three or four guys at him every time he got the ball," the coach said. "Every time our guards penetrated the lane they

the shot. We didn't get any easy shots." Nadolni finished with 12 points, all coming via the three

The loss ends Novi's season, a season in which the Wildcats finished 11-11 overall and 6-6 in the Kensington Valley Conference. They tied Lakeland for third place, but defeated the Eagles twice head to head. South Lyon won the league crown and Milford finished two games back. Novi loses seven seniors to graduation, four of which started. Only point guard Brandon Davis returns as a starter next season. Fortunately for Schluter. the junior varsity team finished 18-2 this season, despite losing sophomores Davis and Matt Gor-

man to the varsity team. "If you look at our team this season, only Chad (Nadolni) and (Brendan) Hadley played a lot last year." Schluter said. "Our other guys all stepped in and did a nice job this year.

"I felt we could have won 15 games this year, but we had a couple of key injuries.

NAWROT EARNS HONOR For his efforts in leading Novi

to a third-place finish in the KVC this season. Nawrot was voted to the all-KVC first team. He was the fifth-top vote getter on the seven-member team. South Lyon's Randy Duncan was the coaches unanimous choice as the KVC player of the year. Others voted to the first team were Mike Tobin of Milford, Jeff Harris of Hartland, Geoff Zimmerman of Lakeland, Brian Downing of South Lyon and Eric Walters of

Nadolni was one of seven others to earn second-team allleague honors. Milford's Joe Kofahl was the leading vote getter among second-team selections, followed by Shaun Houck of Lakeland, Charlie Christner of Brighton, Pat Flynn of South Lyon, Nadolni, Dave Nowaczyk of Brighton and Leaun McAvoy of Lakeland. Davis was one vote short of making the second team and was an honorable mention selection along with fellow guard

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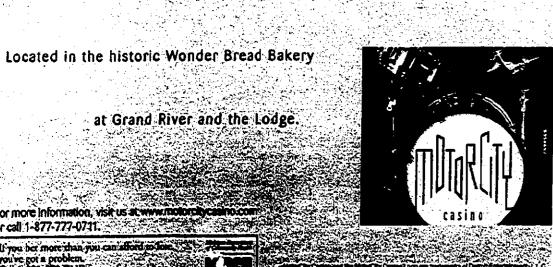
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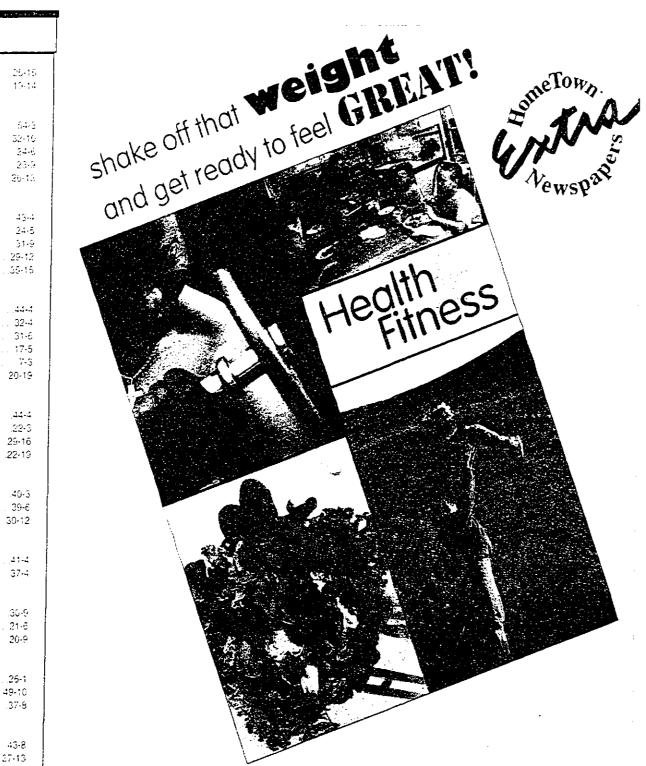
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The man sold extremely well-- unti-

t was lost several years after it first

appeared in print. Incredibly, the printer

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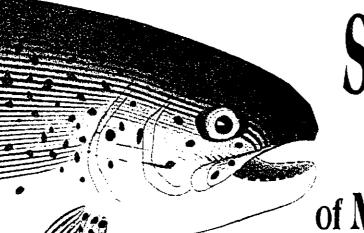
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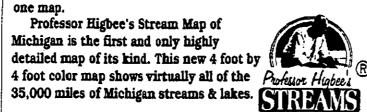
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John Pitarres OBSERVER-DISPATCH-Utica "If you're looking for the most depicting every single creek

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made it possible to reprint the map. I "It is in showing where to find Holding an updated map, Howard said, out-of-the-way trout streams I never thought I'd live to see this day." that makes the map such a Then, by combining Professor treasure to the fisherman, Highee's knowledge with computer Joe Gordon technology-the STREAM MAP OF TRIBUNE-DEMOCRAT.

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Hats off to all involved Readers respond to fantasy match

hospitality food was great!

from its first year at the Joe last - day I offer a logical explanation.

Ainsworth). Jason Borrelli or ... • Changing the sport, and not . There was a large three-tiered Mitch Hancock (of Detroit Catholic - the subject, I also made a trip over - press row with phone jacks and Central) all win state titles in the to the state gynmastics finals at plug ins for computers and Hartland High School last Friday modems. There were several pub-The MHSAA finals is the single - night. We so often hear criticisms - lic relations persons available for largest wrestling tournament in of the lack of press coverage for questions. Those same people the United States, so it's going to sports such as gymnastics, I for shanded out hourly updates on the have its problems. But from what one understand those criticisms, I hear the tournament officials - but after witnessing the atmoother information requested. improved the conditions tenfold sphere of two state finals in one



Dan Jilg and Ron Thompson stand atop the medal stand.

was checked in and given a tour of the Joe and its press facilities. tournament and provided any

As I walked into the state gymnastics finals with my photographer John Heider, the atmosphere was quite different. We walked past an unmanned, sloppy looking check-in table with no informaional packets for fans or members of the press.

Jason

No other Wildcat squad can make that claim.

words to share with the rest of us.

Now yes, we could have mixed up the lineups a

bit. We could have listened to Brad Huss and

bumped people around. But we didn't, and based on

that fact alone this year's team is superiorly talented

overall. Below are the two people who had a few

the '00 squad would beat them with better skills, some.

thanks in no small part to Mr. Churella's tutelage

As we weaved our way through the large masses of people swarming the lobby area, we finally reached the small gymnasium which was packed on one side with fans and the other side with awaiting gymnasts and equipment. The runway for the vaul competition was along the bleacher side of the gym, while the bars competition was being held in the opposite corner. It was hard to understand how gymnasts, parents, fans or others could find their way around the gymnasium.

I staved for one event (which was almost two hours behind schedule) before leaving. Don't these girls, don't these parents deserve better? Two years ago the state finals were held at Rockford High

suited for a state championship. can't figure out why the MHSAA selected Hartland. It's sometimes hard to figure out why the MHSAA does many of

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The response wasn't as I'd hoped, but that may be bench of freshmen and sophomores. Intra-squad

I'd heard and seen over our families and our community.

Two champions, a runnerup and two more placers back to the top 8 in the State next year! Thanks for

walked off the mats this past weekend at the Joc. your great coverage this year, and a very entertain

I was very familiar with both squads, and can't this dream match-up i would bump up, by throwing

match where I can disagree with you. I think there 130. If you do that you take out Nick Wendt at 152

are two reasons for this year's squad being better. and things will turn out a lot different. There might

The first is three additional years of Mr. Churella's be a few pins in the middle by the 1997 team.

coaching, supplementing that of Brad and Tom. The Other than that, you are pretty correct. I can not

'97 squad had more grit and heart than pure skill: say enough about this years team, they are awe

And this year's squad benefited from a much deeper J.J. Balagna (119 pounder on 1997 squad)

because there was little to practices were tougher than most dual meets. Both

argue with my "The battle" squads showed the trademarks of Brad and Tom's

of the best - 1997 vs. leadership; good sportsmanship, never-say-die atti-

The column had my who attend the matches couldn't be more proud to

predictions based on what have these two coaches and their team representing

the past three years. I Is it too early to look ahead to '01? Coming back

believe may final "fantasy" we have two Churella's, two Slovan's, Scott Kort-

score was 2000 team 35. landt and Eric Cook as the core, and some out-

This past weekend's wrestling varsity for most other teams, including

individual state finals fur- another Frey, another Nobach, another Becker, Dan

ther backed my claim that Cash, etc. I predict the '01 squad will look a lot like

this year's wrestling team the '97 team; a little light on varsity experience to

was the school's best ever. start the season but coming on strong...and right

tude, and great conditioning. Those of us parents

standing underclassmen who would have been

Gary Becker (aka Skip and Andy's Dad)

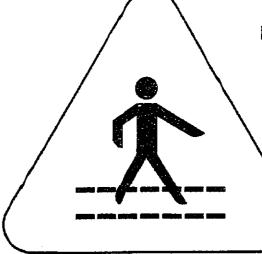
That was a great article about the two teams. You

hit it on the head about the 1997 team. The only

thing that I can think of is that Frank Kava would

wrestle 160 and not 171. Also, if I was coaching in

John Szwast (check the spelling) into the line up at



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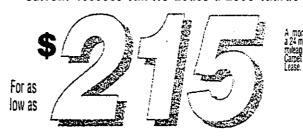
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Health Column

Fibroid Tumor treatment on the way

Fibroid tumor - the words alone are frightening. The diagnosis used to forebode a complete hysterectomy and the emotionally traumatic loss of childbearing ability. For women beyond their childbearing years, this remains a viable solution. In recent years, however, new alternatives have been developed. Down the road, gene therapy may become an option.

One third of women will be affected by this relatively common condition during their reproductive years. In certain racial and ethnic groups, such as African-Americans, the incidence of fibroids may be nearly 70 percent.

The most common question posed by patients, says Gregory Christman M.D., assistant professor of obstetrics and genecology at the U-M Medical School, is "what causes fibroids?" Although it is a fairly prevalent condition, he says there are no definitive answers. We are getting much more information about how myomas behave and what's going on as far as their behavior," he says. "But as far as what gene or DNA abnormality may be causing this, we are totally unaware at this point."

Christman says using the term "tumor" for fibroids is a misnomer. He explains. They're anything but tumors. Fibroids are a collection of uterine muscle cells that have changed their behavior so they grow more frequently from a single cell and form a compact nodule area. They secrete collagen that gives them a very fibrotic appearance, hence the name fibroids."

Also an assistant research scientist in the university's reproductive science program, Christman explains that the more accurately termed "myomas" behave differently from

tumors. They have chosen a different behavior than normal uterine muscle," he says. These cells have adopted the same behavior as uterine muscle cells during labor. "The uterus in labor has to be ready to repair itself in case there should be any injury during childbirth, so it tends to want to grow quickly and be able to release collagen to repair itself if there should be an injury during delivery."

Christman says uterine muscle cells communicate" with one another in pregnancy to coordinate contractions to deliver the baby. He has found that myoma cells are not abnormal. they are just acting inappropriately in the nonpregnant state.

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Christman has learned that myomas seem to have a hereditary component, as previous studies have shown in different ethnic groups. therefore signaling a possible genetic predisposition to the condition. "Some of the work that I do at the University of Michigan is studying the delivery of DNA into uterine leiomyomas as a possible treatment in the future. He says that, at a recent National Institute of Health conference, the cause of uterine leiomyomas was the focus. Preliminary findings indicate that when certain genes are altered in research animals, leiomyomas develop, "(This research) allows us to think about possible molecular and genetic approaches that may solve this

dilemma in a way much simpler than surgery."

In his current research, Christman is exploring the "introduction of DNA to accomplish the same thing that surgery does." A therapy using DNA to "instruct" the tumor to disappear slowly over time "would entail virtually no discomfort for women," he says.

However, it is very early in the game. Christman's preliminary gene therapy research has numerous safety issues that must be addressed, "Gene therapy," he explains, "is still investigational and our concern is that we want this therapy, when it becomes available, to have absolutely no safety concerns whatsoever." He says his focus over the next few years will be on the development of safe DNA therapy for uterine fibroids that would have a very localized effect.

So far the research is promising. "Using a safe approach to DNA will be feasible." he says. But before human clinical trials can begin. researchers will work on demonstrating in an animal model that this approach is absolutely safe. "Our data so far is very encouraging," he says, "and we have no reason at this time to believe that this safety data won't be verified. and I'm certainly expecting it will be success-

Depending on the location and size of the tumors, not all patients experience symptoms. most common symptoms are heavy/abnormal uterine bleeding: pressure. creating an urgency to urinate or constipation; and increased risk of miscarriage or infertility.

University of Michigan Health System.

Health Notes

Cancer Support Group

"Focus On Living," a self-help group for cancer patients and their familles, meets the first Wednesday of each month at St. Mary Hospital in

Co-sponsored by the American Cancer Society. "Focus on Living" provides an opportunity to discuss concerns, obtain answers and gain support from others who share the same experiences.

Registration is not necessary, and there is no charge to attend.

Diabetes Education

This comprehensive program includes self-monitoring of blood glucose, diet and meal planning, disease management with exercise, potental complications of the disease, and presentations by a pharmacist and

This is a continuously revolving six-week program held on Monday evenings from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at Providence Medical Office Center, Ten Mile and Haggerty roads. There is a \$20 fee.

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A \$300 fee includes enrollment in the class "ABC of Weight Loss." For more information and to register, call (248) 473-5600.

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Menopause Support Group

Providence Medical Center-Providence Park in Novi offers a free monthly support group for women who have concerns about menopause.

The group meets the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. in the Providence Park Conference Center. 47601 Grand River Ave., at the corner of Grand River and Beck in Novi. The purpose of the support group is to provide women with educational information on topics relating to menopause.

For information, call (248) 424-3014.

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Free foot screenings are offered every Tuesday and Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Botsford General Hospital, Suite 200, South Professional Building, 28080 Grand River Ave. in Farmington Hills.

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