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Former Novi man charged in murder

By Greg Migliore and Victoria Mitchell NEWS STAFF WRITERS

Anthony LhCulamita and his wife, Michele, started a quiet life in Novi.

Married for eight years, the couple recently called a tan brick much on picturesque Clover Lane

nome.

But five months before
Anthony LaCalamita allegedly
shot three people at a Troy office
building Monday morning, police
and a Catholic priest were called
to the couple's home in the Whispering Meadows subdivision after he walked out following an emotional discussion about an undisclosed medical treatment

undisclosed medical treatment. Police would not reveal the adure of the problem, but other reports indicate Anthony, 38, had been dealing with mental illness, including depression and bipolar disorder for years.

On the evening of Nov. 6, 2006, LaCalamita was upset, although the reasons are unclear, according to a notice report.

to a police report.

His wife called a priest from St.
Benedict Church in Waterford to
try to calm her husband. They also

and the country in the country is a called his parents in Florida.

While they were on the phone, LaCalamita got up and left without saying a word. Mindful her husband was upset, Michele called authorities, the report

Though LaCalamita was trou-bled, he didn't make any threats or appear dangerous, Novi Deputy Chief Thomas Lindberg said. His wife didn't file a missing persons' report and police docu-ments indicate no other actions

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Former Novi resident Anthony LaCalamita Is apprehended after a deadly office shooting.

were taken at the time. LaCalamita was charged yes-terday with seven counts includ-ing first degree murder, intent to

my first degree indices, much do murder and running from police.

He was expected to be arraigned in 52-4 District Court in Troy later in the day.

Prosecutors said he killed a 63-

year-old receptionist and wound-ed two partners with a 12-gauge shotgun at the Troy accounting firm, Gordon Advisors PC, where he was recently fired.

He fled after the shooting and was caught near Saginaw.

Behind closed doors

The couple was estranged for at least three weeks, according to a statement from Michele's attor-

ney, Jose Fanego, LaCalamita moved to Troy.

The wife's statement said she cooperated with the police, but could "shed no light on what hap-

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HE'S ON T

Laura Mullins is always run-

She's the mother of four kids, spread out from kinder-garten through eighth grade. And not surprisingly, they keep

her pretty busy. But she's also always run-

Bul she's also aways run-ning — literally.

The 38-year-old Novi resi-dent is a lifetong runner and is training for perhaps the signa-ture event in American running, the Boston Marathon, on April

She runs to relieve the stress of daily life — and she's quite good at it — running a compet-itive time for her age group of 3 hours, 44 minutes and 2 secnours, 44 minutes and 2 sec-ouds at the Detroit Free Press/Flagstar Bank Marathon last October, which qualified her to run in Boston. Mallins also runs for a cause

- the Leukemia & Lymphoma

ociety. In many of her races, she secures sponsors and the pro-ceeds go to lighting the dis-cases. In return for her fundraising efforts, the society has put Mullins through a rigorous training program, called Team in Training, to meld her

into peek running condition.

"You find out how many other people are touched by this disease — and that's what inspires me to keep on run-ning," Mullins said. So far, it's worked out nicely for her. She mised \$1,600 run-

ning the Bayshore Marathon in Traverse City last spring, and has already topped that for this year's race, netting \$2,100.

Rounding into form

The training program has also paid off for her, transforming Multins to a legitimate, competitive runner, after years of easual jogging.

She ramped up her workouts after her mother, Rosalie, was diagnosed with leukemia and lymphoma, and wanted to do something to combat the air. ness. She settled on running to

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Novi resident Laura Mullins will be running the Memorial Day Weekend Bayshore Marathon in Traverse City to raise funds for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society.

The Mulligans Golf Center range on 10 Mile Road across from Course reopnend for business.



Mulligan's reopens

Facility was flashpoint in 2005 Detroit mayor's race

By Greg Migliore NEWS STAFF WRITER

A Novi man is trying to resurrect a local golf center that was once owned by political kingpins Freman Hendrix and Ed

Mulligan Golf Center re-Novi resident John Halmaghi bought the facility out of foreclo sure and began renovations six months ago. It features an 18-hole miniature course and driving

ranges.

The center had been in foreclosure since 2005. Hendrix who ran for mayor of Detroit in 2005, was dogged by the facility's financial problems during his

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'IT'S FOR THE BOYS'

Ladies take pride in comforting war veterans

Seniors make lap robes for local veterans hospitals

By Tracy Mishler News Special Writer

Josephine Lopilato tries to help

The 84-year-old recently became a resident at Waltonwood at Twelve Oaks senior community And during one of the residents

meetings, Lopilato said she'd like to make lap robes for the veterans at the local hospitals nearby. Lopilato said her daughters JoAnn Aquino and Carole Roney, quickly brought her yarn and six storage bins with her crafting

materials inside, and she got right

"My husband, (Manuele), was a master sergeant in the Air Force and received seven battle stars," she said. "I know what those guys go through ... I think we should get more involved in helping our

Lopilato decided to make lar robes for the veterans at the John D. Dingell VA Medical Center in Detroit and the VA Ann Arhor Healthcare System in Ann Arbor. "They need people to care for them," she said. "A lot of veterans are not getting the help they should be getting."

According to the U.S. Census

Bureau, there were 24.5 million veterans living in the U.S. in 2004, and that number continues to grow as more people join the will be given to local veterans organizations. litary each year

Getting to work

Since she began, Lopilato has sent 32 lap robes to the hospital in Detroit and plans to send 54 more to the Ann Arbor hospital. "I buy all the yarn for every-one," she said, "I don't mind, it's

for a good cause.
"I'm from the old school; my moin always said, "Do well and forget. Don't expect anything in-

assisting Lopilato in her quest to make Michigan soldiers more comfortable, including her daugh-ters, Pauline Messana, Helen Bachman, Ruth Fiedler, Helen Gilling, Betty Johnson and Helen

Londato said it takes about 20 ounces of yarn to make a lap robe which, depending on the skill level of the person making it, can take a couple days or a couple

"We make the robes 40 inches long and wide, so they fit from the waist down," she said. "Some of these guys are coming back with no legs. The purpose is to cover them and keep them

Hard work pays off

Barbara Buck, activities direcfor for Waltonwood, said she is very proud of the ladies for taking on the project for the veterans. "I think it's wonderful," she said, "They never ask for anything for themselves and they are very proud of veterans. It's important.
Other members of the commu nity agree helping veterans is

Betty Bruton of the Northville



Tracy Mishler is a freelance

writer for the Novi News

Many Waltonwood residents like Josephine Lopilato, right, have been knitting scarves and quilting lap blankets that

that serve our country.

"I think the veterans appreciate it immensely." Bruton said.
"People that are interested in doing things do what they can to help.

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"It's unfortunate that not every"it's same way.

one looks at things the same way but it's wonderful to see people giving their time for things like Bruton said the ladies auxiliary

at the VFW also makes lap robes for the veterans.

They also make up bags and boxes to send over to Iraq and take to the local-hospital," she-said. "Anything to help out."

Lopilato said she is currently working on a camouflage lap

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• 8.1 million: Number of Vietnam-era veterans in 2004. Thirty-three percent of all veterans served in Vietnam

• 3.9 million: Number of World War II veterans in 2004. Sixteen percent of all veterans served during World War II.

• 412 000: The number of living veterans who served during both the Vietnam eraand in the Gulf War in 2005. SOURCE: U.S. Census Bureau and American Fact Finder

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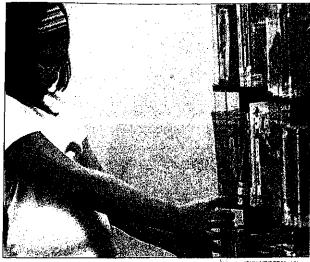




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Nikita Bansal, 11, checks out a few racks of books at the Novi Public Library

Upcoming Novi Public Library youth programs

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 1-2:30 p.m. today. Kindergarten-age children and older are invited to watch the movie "Happy Feet." Kids are encouraged to bring a pillow or blanket and take time to relax. Snacks are provided. No registration is required, but space is limited to 120 attendees.

• 7-7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 17. Preschoolers

are invited to attend the Novi Public Library's Starlight Story Times. Just bring your preschooler, along with their older siblings if parents prefer, to the library and let a special guest read the bedtime story. Pajamas are optional and no registra-

 4:30-5:15 p.m. Wednesday, April 18, Come to the library and join Pageturners, a program for fifth- and sixth-grade students geared toward talking about good books. Snacks are provided and students can eather with others their own age to discuss books they've enjoyed or are about to read. A recommended reading list is provided. This month's theme is poetry, so bring a poem

• 2:30-4:30 p.m. Thursday, April 19. Looking to break free from studying? Join the Novi Public ibrary's High School Study Break program. The

"Grease" and the popcorn is on the house. • 2-5 p.m. Saturday, April 21, Attend the library's open house honoring National Library Week, April 15-21. Some activities will include tours, rafiles, light refreshments and a visit by Clifford the Big Red

Dog.

• 7-7:45 p.m. Monday, April 23. Children in kindergarten through third grade are invited to attend Snack Tales at the library. During this proedible treat based on the book discussed. This program does require pre-registration. • 5-6 p.m. Tuesday, April 24. Dance, Dance

Revolution visits the Novi Public Library. Get on your feet and test your dancing skills. This event is for children in third grade or older. 5:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 25. For the first time. Novi Theatres' will be presenting a preview of its upcoming presentation of "Charlie and The Chocolate Factory." Children of all ages are invit-

ed to attend.
• 6-7 p.m. Monday, April 30. Love Legos? Come and participate in the Novi Public Library's Lego Club. Bring a Lego creation for show and tell or huild one while at the library. Legos are provided and the program is for children in kindergarten in. Trutsday, April 19. Looking to through South grade. No registration is required.

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Breaking the books

■ Library turns pages into life during break and beyond

By Victoria Mitchell

Yesterday was magic at the Novi Public Library.

Magician Tom Plunkard was scheduled to perform his great illusions at the library, part of ongoing programming scheduled as spring levels activities.

"We have been very, very busy," said Margi Karp-Opperer, Novi Public Library director of youth

what we are here for. We've been

very, very excited."

This afternoon, the library will be showing the movie "Happy Feet." Event organizers anticipate nearly 100 kids will show for the event.

Karp-Opperer said library attendance is heavier in the summer and school break times, but she enjoys healthy participation the whole year

services. "Our Cyberzone has been wery filled up."

Karp-Opperer said library material check out has also been be to this week.

"That is great," she said. "That is movie "Grease," which is for the older kids," Karp-Opperer said. The monthly movie event is part of the library's High School Study

Break program.
Other groups include Snack
Tales, Starlight Story Times and
Pageturners, a book club for fifth-

But the programming doesn't stop once school is back in session Monday.

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Photo by JOHN HEIDER/Novi New Troy office shooting suspect Anthony LaCalamita moved out of this Novi home at least three weeks ago according to his wife's attorney. He was estranged from his

■ Man charged with Monday's Troy office slaying

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Mile roads, was quiet the day after the Troy office shooting. Parks were empty and doors shut.

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the couple going to church.

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them on Easter, but said he is LaCalamita residence declined talk about them.
Others in the neighborhood unsure if the couple he saw was described the couple as quiet actually the LaCalomitas. and said they kept mostly to This is a person that lives in the neighborhood," Neal said. mselves. Neighbor Rick Neal said he

didn't know the couple well. passing. tributed to this report. Grey
"They had a couple of dogs," Migliore and Victoria Mitchel

Office shooting: Here's how the events unfolded

an office building in Troy on Monday morning, killing one person and wounding two oth-ers. Here is how it unfolded:

Thursday

Anthony LaCalamita is fired from Gordon Advisors PC in

LaCalamita as a suspect and say he is believed to have fled

10:07 a.m.: First 911 call that a man with gun is in the Long Lake Crossings I build-ing, 1301 W. Long Lake Road, ing, 1301 w. Long which houses Gordon

The gunman shoots a woman and two men before leaving the building.

10:15 a.m.: Police SWAT "It's weird because you think eam begins evacuating the building.
11:30 a.m.: Police identify

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by Dennis Engerer, P.T.

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LaCalamita's apartment in Troy. A carton for a Remington shotage Remington shotgun was found in the Dumpster, Earlier, they retrieved his work computer.

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er a constructive outlet.
"This is a way that I could pounding on desks Fragmentor behavior give back and help," Mullins taking no responsibility for problems or blaming prob-Her mother is in remission,

but Mullins continues to run. She's spurred her husband. doing things that suit them-John, to joined her, and now he also now trains for selves even to the detriment marathons.

The couple moved to Novi of the company, colleagues,

"You meet a lot of people." said John, a 37-year-old auto-

motive engineer.

Mullins said she's a fairly low-maintenance runner. She

munching on a banana and granola bar beforehand. For the most part, her runs are relaxing and relatively uneventful. In one run, how-ever, she narrowly avoided being sprayed by a skunk and

was chased by a dog.

Animal accidents aside, taking care of her kids often gives Mullins the final kick AGE: 38

ring her runs, from Chicago two years ago.
They say running has helped them get to know the commuthem," she said.

writer for the Novi News. He can be reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 103 or



Laura Mullins

LIVED IN NOVI: Two ears Notable: Runs

marathons for fun and to raise money for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society. Is training for the 111th Boston Marathon



campaign. Ultimately, he was defeated by incumbent Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick. He had been part of a group of investors that also included McNamara, the longtime

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Wayne County executive.

Mulligan's sits on 27 acres just outside the Novi city limits on 10 Mile Road between Wixom and Milford roads in Lyon Township. It's across from the Tanglewood Golf Club, which Hatmaghi hopes will help increase the center's visibility among area golfers.
It will employ a handful of peo-ple to tend the clubhouse and Halmaghi said he plans to offer golf lessons and installed new tees and other equipment. A dentist by trade, the 44-year-old has been tak ing a hands-on approach to the ren-ovations after buying the center through the property company, Omni Real Estate Management

LLC, he owns with his wife.

He said he expects to hire a general manager to run the day-to-day operations after the cen-ter's launch. Right now he's dividing his time between his dental practice in Southfield,

the venture has been invigorating.
"It's fun," he said, "Probably
the funnest thing I've done in a long time.

Mulligan Golf Center WHAT: Re-opened in April FEATURES: 18-hole minia ture course, driving ranges WHERE: 54300 Ten Mile

"I just want people to come out and enjoy the place," said Halmaghi, a two-year resident of

Comfort Dental, and his golf duties. A casual golfer, Hahnaghi said

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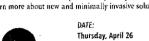
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Huntington National Bank opens second Novi branch

Ohio bank eyes expansion in Metro Detroit

By Greg Migliore

Huntington National Bank is opening a second branch in Novi as it expands on the west side of Metro Detroit, an official said last

The new Novi site is expected to open in October near the intersec-tion of 10 Mile and Novi roads, said Manoella Ribeiro, a four-year veteran of Huntington who will

manage the bank. Huntington also has a branch in Novi on Wixom Road near Grand

River Avenue.

Bank officials chose the city because of its rapid development.

"It was definitely a high-growth

community," Ribeiro said.

The new facility is expected to have about five full-time employees and will offer a range of financial services

Huntington has 111 branches in Michigan, including nearby sites in Farmington Hills, Walled Luke and West Bloomfield. The 141year-old bank is headquartered in Columbus and has more than 380 facilities, mostly in the Midwest, According to the most recent figSpotlight on: Huntington National Bank

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ures, the bank has about \$36 billion in deposits, making it one of

the region's more prominent man-cial institutions. Huntington has been growing recently as the banking industry consolidates. In 2006, it finalized a merger with Unizan Financial Corp. and announced plans to merge with Sky Financial Group. The \$3.6 bil-lion deal with \$ky is expected to close in the dyinf quarter of this year, making it the 24th largest domestically controlled U.S. bank.

Huntington also acquired Unified Fund Services, a mutual fund transfer agency, last year.

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Novi Police Chief Dave Molloy, left, congratulates an officer during the department's 2006 service recognition ceremony. The ceremony noted this year's Police Officer of the Year, its Civilian of the Year, and many other citations for exemplary duty.

2006 Novi Police Officer of the Year Paul Stuligross, right, receives a congratulatory handshake from Chief Dave Molloy during last Monday's awards ceremony. Stuligross was noted not only for his exemplary on-duty service, but also for his volunteer efforts in the Novi community.

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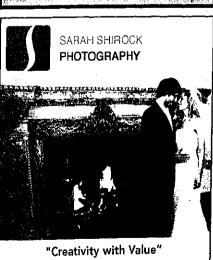
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The Novi Parks and Recreation Department invites all veterans groups, bands, scouts, businesses and community organizations to be a part of the Memorial Day Parade on May 28. The parade will begin at 10 a.m. at 10 Mile Road and Karim Boulevard. will travel west down 10 Mile to the Civic Center where a Memorial Day service will be held. Participation forms may be obtained at www.cny-

ofnovi.org.
Contact Tracy Ringle at (248): 347:4400 for more

Novi Library and MDOT Partners in Survey

The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) and the Novi Public Library are partnering to help set the direction for transportation decisions and investments

through 2030.
From March 30 through May 14, patrons accessing the Internet through the library's computers will be encouraged to complete a brief online questionnaire about MDOI's long-range transportation plan. Called MI Transportation Plan, the project will support MDOT's efforts to create an improved

transportation system Through the Library of Michigan, regional library cooperatives and local libraries, MDOT has been gathering thousands of omn

ions from the public online during the past 10 months. The online questionnaire will be available through any Internet connection on the MI Transportation Plan Web site at www.michigan.gov/slrp.

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Auto supplier Toyota Boshoku grows in Novi

Seat-maker expects to add 60 jobs in city

By Greg Migliore NEWS STAFF WRITER

Auto parts supplier Toyota Bosliokii America is consolidating its area research facilities intoa new technical center in Novi, it amounced this week.

about 60 jobs by 2010. It is planning to move into the two-story
building at 12 Mile and West
Park Drive by late summer, offiroot facility will be the main
research center for Toyota
Bosholu's North American operations. It also brings workers
from smaller facilities in Novi
and Farnington Hills under one
roof.

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... This will help us to grow in Nordi America as a global comparison, and substitution of the control of the c

parts and had global sales of \$7,4 billion for the 2006 fiscal year. It employs about 5,800 in the Americas, It's been in Michigan since 2001.

"Continued commitments and investments by companies like Toyota Boshoku are important as

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fy our economy and create jobs here in Michigan," Gov. Jennifer Granholm said in a statement, It is one of a slew of auto parts companies that are closely tied with Japanese automaker Toyota Motor Curp. Toyota owns about

40 percent of the company's stock and is its main customer.

Recently, Toyota Boshoku has sought to diversify its customer hase and is currently working on

several projects for General Motors Corp., including making seats for the Chevrolet HHR. Tamplin said Toyota Boshoku announced this week.

"The company expects to add about 60 jobs by 2010, it is plandroun for jobs by 2010, it is plandroun for jobs by 2010, it is plandroun for jobs by 2010, it is plandrounced this week.

Spotlight on: Toyota Boshoku

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local facilities into a new technical center in Novi General Development, They're

OBITUARIES

GREGORY S. BINGHAM

GREGORY S. BINGHAM

Age 46, of Farmington Hills, passed away peacefully on April 7, 2007. He was born on May 3, 1960 in Northville, Michigan to Donald J. Gregory Bingham. Greg was originally from Novi. He was a freelance capter installer. He was a freelance capter in truck Pulls and Dart Board Competitions. Greg loved hockey and golf; he also enjoyed fishing and playing league baseball. He is survived by his parents Don (Helen) Bingham of Farmington Hills; his grandmother Elaine Gregory of Northviller, his sister Gay (Russ). Nichols of South Lyon; his brothers, Mike (Terry) Bingham of Farmington Hills and Gary (Dawn). Bingham of California; his inseces and nephews Beth, Jay, Jessie, Samantha, Joey; great nephews; Jacob and Kyle. He is also survived by his polving companion Linda Ihrough life and marriage. He was preceded in death by his nephew Lance. A memorial service was held Wednesday at Casterline Funeral

Wednesday at Casterline Funeral Home, Inc. of South Lyon, Rev. Taek Greg Mighore is a staff writer for the Nori News. He can be reached at (238) 349-1700, eat. 103 or gmighare@gument.com.

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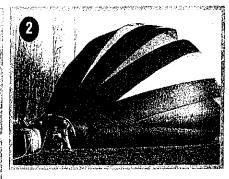


Village Oaks Elementary School celebrated "March is Reading Month" with a schoolwide reading contest. The class with the most time spent reading, at home, won a hot air balloon ride for their

teacher. One teacher from each grade was given the honor. They

also held their annual Reading Month Parade through the Village

Oaks Subdivision. Students and teachers dressed as their favorite book characters. Some students carried signs they made showing a favorite book. Keeping with Village Oaks Elementary School tradition,



- The final ride went to (from left) Krista Slawski,

2 - School volunteers and the pilot from the Liberty

dents celebrate "Letter People Day" as part of the March is Reading Month activities and Reading Parade through the Village Oaks Subdivision.

4 - Preparing for a ride are (from left) Village Oaks Elemementary Principal Sue Burnham; the pilot from The Liberty Balloon Company; Vanessa Saven, second grade; and Lori Gilbo, third grade.

5 - Village Oaks 4th grade students proudly display their signs during the "March is Reading Month Parade" through the Village Oaks Subdivision.

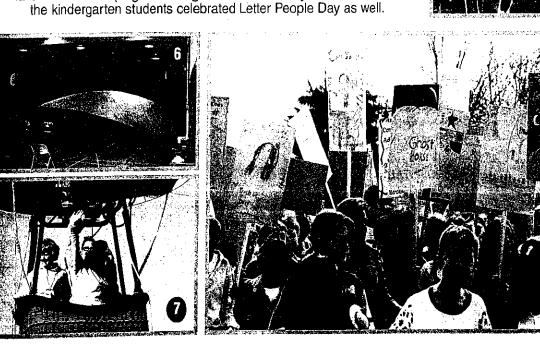
6 - The hot air balloon was inflated inside the Village Oaks Gym as part of the afternoon's Liberty Balloon

Enjoying their balloon ride are (from left) Ellen Zatolokin, first grade, and Melissa Lind, fourth grade



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CLASS NOTES

Board of Education Candidate

The Novi League of Wome Voters in conjunction with the Nov Community School District PTO Interschool Council is hosting a candidate form for the candidates in the May 8 School Board 8 p.m., Tuesday April 17 in the Instructional Technology Center (FTC) at 25345 Taft Road, behind the Educational Services Building. The public is encouraged to attend

Novi Community School District Bond Information

The second informational meet ing to discuss the May 8 Bond

administrators will explain each ssue of the band and answer que ions. All are encouraged to attend.

Preschool Registration

www.novi.k12.mi.us); child's birth certificate or passport; non-refund-able registration fee payment (\$45 for school district residents, \$50 for Novi Community Education

the district's Web site,

Services office at the Instructional Technology Center, 25345 Taft Road, located between 10 and 11

Mile Roads. When registering a

to bring the following: A complet

ed registration packet (available or

on-residents). For more information about the classes, please call the preschool office at (248) 449-1713. The Community Education Preschool is now accepting regis-tration for the fall 2007-08 school year. This year the preschool pro gram is offering additional four-day-a-week classes, along with their established variety of classes Walled Lake Schools Summer Care Program and times. Children must be 3, 4,

Reservation packets for the state licensed child care program are available in the school offices now Stuart Riley, director of the Outdoor Education Center, said The program is available for chil-dren that will be incoming kinder-

Keith, Meadowbrook, Twin Beach and Wixom Elementary schools. The dates for the program are June 13-August 17, For more informa-

Walled Lake Schools' Outdoo Education Center Grand

attend the Grand Reopening cele-bration of the Outdoor Education Center from 5:30-8:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 24. The celebration will include tours of the renovated facility, an opportunity to experi-ence the climbing tower and zip line, a technology presentation wi-new laptops, refreshments and

a free vehicle for one year compli-ments of The Suburban Collection. community a terrific opportunity to experience hands-on what the Nominees must be a full-time Outdoor Center is all about and contracted, certified teacher in good what it has to offer." The Outdoor Education Center is standing with Novi Community located at 3577 Sleeth Road in Commerce Township. Those wishing to attend should RSVP to Pat Schools. They must have at least three full years of classroom teaching experience and have der oh at (248) 956-5121 no later strated the highest standard of

> Nomination forms are available in the office of each school building, on the district Web site under Community and Parents, at the Educational Services Building, or 449-1203. The deadline for non nations is 4 p.m. on Monday, April 16, 2007. Nominations should be submitted to: Novi Community 25345 Taft Road, Novi, MI 48374.

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program that would involve an assembly for the eighth grade class and also an evening session for parents. Both sessions were facilitated insurances Novi Police Department Detective Erick Zinser. State-of-the-art treatments

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Novi Middle School student

teacher Justin Wilk knew his eighth graders had MySpace accounts. He

also suspected they were using

20 of his students and did a search for them on the MySpace Web site,

Of the 20 names he searched, 15 of

That's when Wilk approached

middle school principal Milan Obrenovich. Together with Novi Schools Superintendent Peter Dion

they developed an internet safety

Wilk took a random selection of

more careful

By Renee Gates

them inappropriately.

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safety session and couldn't attend. his student's accounts came up - and the information Wilk saw disbut she talked with her daughter about the assembly. She instructed her daughter and her daughter's Telephone numbers, the city in friends with MySpace accounts to which they reside, their actual ages of 14 and 15, and some would go so far as to put their full addresses," set their accounts to private instead

Parent resnorce

ed," he said.

About 30 parents attended the

evening Internet Safety Night ses-

sion, a disappointing number to

"It's unfortunate, but the ones

that did come were really interest-

Eighth-grade mother Jennifer McEachran is very concerned about her daughter's Internet use. She was working the night of the

of open.
"I've always thought if you set it private it would be safe, McEachran said "The most you The account would definitely be

safer, Wilk said. He advises his students who use MySpace accounts to keep their accounts on private access so only their friends and people they know can access Rut students also need to be ver

selective of what pictures they us on the site. Detective Zinser also showed them how many clues : predator can detect from a single photo.

MySpace: Web site causing problems for many teenagers deep you can look into something about themselves and advised ment open on what things to put and not to put on a MySpace account. "He fried to discourage them from using a MySpace account at their age." Wilk said. The school will host another trent safety program next year and Wilk believes more people will

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Christie Santure's seventh grader

and high school student both have MySpace accounts. She could not

make the evening session at the

middle school but said she moni-

tors her children's Internet activity

can put on their accounts," she said

the Novi News. She can be reached

at (248) 349-1700, ext. 108 or by e

as to who is looking at it."

There is always some questions

MY EDUCATION

Green, White and Gold! Novi residents and members of Michigan State University's Winterguard team won gold medals in the Michigan Color Guard Circuit state finals competion March 31. Pictured left to right are Kaitlyn Hinman, Lauren Murray and Jennifer Phillips.

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Local resident

living his dream

John Kozlowski has taken his

The owner of Myrtle Farms.

lifelong love of farming and turned it into a local business.

Novi farmhouse on Nine Mile

Road between Novi Road and Taft, Kozlowski shares the fruits

(and vegetables) of his labor with

Even local restaurants, such as Helen's Uptown Cafe in downtown Northville, are among his

A former tool and die maker in

Dearborn Heights, Kozlowski studied fine arts at Heavy Ford

Community College, Eastern Michigan University and

Madonna University,

He decided to sell his tool and

die business to a larger company in 1996, leaving the world of machinery to embark on a new career as a farmer at age 35.

"I wanted to be a farmer since I

ally raised chickens, cattle and

The subscription farm program

was 5 years old," he said.

Novi and Northville residents

customers.

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Pitching a topnotch brand: Novi

How good is the brand awareness of Novi?

It's a question worth asking in the media-frenzied world we live in today.

Cities compete for state, federal and perhaps most critically, economic development dollars. And having a recognizable brand name can be a useful tool.

Novi should be positioning itself as a Chevrolet or Coca Cola, products that are appealing to a wide range of people and instantly recognizable. And this is a good time for city officials to take a hard look in the mirror and ask themselves: What does Novi stand for?

It's better to do this now, while the city has a relatively oositive, growing image and community members can come to a consensus about Novi.

Wait a few years and it might not be so easy. Look a Northville. That city is paying \$40,000 to an outside firm to develop a marketing strategy for its historic downtown. The process is inching along and the griping is growing louder. If this could happen in Northville, a quaint city with a

downtown that should sell itself, it could certainly happen But it doesn't have to.

Novi residents and businesses know what they stand for and what kind of image they want to project to the rest of the state. This should be a slam-dunk

And the city itself has already taken steps to create an effective pitch for government departments with its recognizable, one-stop Web site The trick now is to bring it all together.

LETTERS

More bond opposition

regarding the 26 million dollar bond for the expansion of the Novi school buildings. Some people have suggested our taxes will not increase if we vote for the additional taxes of the bond. If the state raises our taxes and the Novi school bond passes, we will definitely

he paying more taxes than we pay now.

This bond does nothing to add additional classrooms, so if enrollment increases, the schools will need to pass another bond to add classrooms. Currently, all the kids in Novi have a classroom, they have a place to eat, and they have a gym to exercise in. This bond just increases maintenance, utility, and janito-rial costs, while doing nothing to improve test

New computers are not needed either as the schools currently are well stocked with computers. Of course not all the computers are the 2007 models, but they get the job done. Most companies and school districts do perfectly well with computers that are a few years old, and the proposed new technology has no link o learning and test score improvement.

Another luxury the School Board wants to add is an elaborate security system. While some people have created passionate arguments for this expenditure, a human security guard would be less expensive and more

In summary, it seems that this bond is loaded with unneeded luxuries and the real needs of the schools could be completed through the general fund or with a much smaller bond. A NO vote on the bond simply says to the School Board that we don't want to pay for luxuries.

Dr. Armand Catalano

Vote no on school

Home foreclosures and auto theft are up. The government of Michigan and its largest city are in financial ruin, and now the Novi School Board wants money to build large

similar to when the city of Flint built a theme Board, (1994-2006); park called AutoWorld that was meant to revitalize a dying area. AutoWorld turned out to be a white elephant that closed its first year. It seems that when people are unemployed, they

don't want a huge place to visit.

Two of our neighboring cities, Farmington and Livonia, are downsizing their school systems in response to shrinking enrollment. Novi is not projecting to grow enrollment, so the only way we can get more students is by other districts to fund the ongoing mainte-nance of these big new additions? If we open our enrollment, we must be prepared to accept kids from other areas. Will we accept kids from Pontiae and Detroit?

Do you know anyone who is affected by the demise of the North American auto industry? Half the people I know have lost their jobs and have had to look for new positions. Two homes on my street have gone vacant fo over a year. The auto industry and the jobs that come with it are pulling out of this area. As people lose jobs, crime naturally increases. It seems like we need police more than we

need these big building additions.

Can we afford new police officers if we pass this large bond? If we don't add police, we can expect larger increases in crime? Please read any major newspaper if you doubt the current increase in crime in our area. This large school bond is happening at the

wrong time and to the wrong area. I strongly urge you to vote NO on the proposal.

Christian Ebsen

Vote for fiscal responsibility

run, again, for a trustee seal on the Novi Board of Education. However, some of you may wonder why I would consider doing so. I believe the current challenges facing this district require someone with the experience. financial knowledge and dedication to help cational excellence. My record reflects what you want from a board member.

Many in the community have asked me to

Your property values increased.
 The school district's operating millage

I offer you the type of critical thinking that is needed on the Board during these fiscally challenging times. Because of my actions as a board member, we balanced 12 consecutive budgets and maintained a fund equity (say from facing the severe budget cuts and layoffs that surrounding districts have enacted over the past several years.

As you are well award, the economic situa tion in our state has worsened, and Novi now faces a budget deficit ranging from \$5-6 mil-lion for next year. Actions need to be taken by board members who understand: . The need to maintain educational excel-

for our children • The need to make hard financial decisions

I believe over the 12 years I served on your Board, I have shown that I understand the need to be fiscally responsible, while keeping our children's education as a top priority.

Please vote for me on May 8, It's an important election for our school district.

George F. Kortlandt

What do you think?

We welcome your Letter to the Editor. Please include your name, address and phone number for verification.

Now in his third growing sea-son, he provides local clients with We ask your letters be 400 words or less. We may edit for clarity, space and naturally grown fruits and vegetables and meat products from natu

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the Thursday edition.

The products come from his 56 acres in Sanilac County in the Thumb area, where his daughter, Nicole, 22, and father-in-law live ■ E-mail: cstone@gannett.com ■ Deadline: Letters must be received and help oversee the crops and by noon on Tuesday to be published in animals on different farms,

What's available in 2007?

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Myrtle Farms crops to be planted for this growing season include: beefsteak, roma and cherry tomatoes: pumpkins: several varieties Hungarian peopers: green spinach; apples; sweet corn; hot peopers; summer

and winter squash; beets; zucchini: pears: potatoes wax beans; eggplant; red, white and green onions: snow peas, cucumbers, and radishes.

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Meat orders accepted until July 1; a 30 percent deposit is required at the time of order for pork and beef, with the balance due on delivery.

call John Kozlowski at (248) 767-6356.



ohn Kozlowski and his daughter, Nicole, stop off in their family's Nine Mile Road hen house. The Kozlowski family runs Myrtle Farms (named after John's farmer grandmother) up in the thumb region of Michigan

Ideas are what will make us better Never mind that the point I was This pledge has reinforced or perish. Clearly the people

"Man does not live by words alime, despite the fact that some times he has to eat them." Adlai E. Stevensons, Jr Governor, Illinois, 1949-1953, and Democratic Candidate for

Oh yeah, I get email Ideas do matter and are critical ward. I view my role

on these pages as takthat some might view help stimulate thought and to create commu pointed out, "if we both agreed on every-

one of us would Tom Watkins the results to be different. ments that my columns have gen-

erated from readers. In an article that I wrote about the 10th anniversary of the death of Chinese leader Deng Xiaoping, one reader wrote, "What are you some #@&*# communist sympa

making was that Deng Xiaoping's ideological shift from socialism/communism to a social-

solve our old problems.

Many readers thought the words

Lexpressed about "Rhetoric and our Children" hit the bull's-eye. "We say we value our kids and we

continue to cut services to them.

did move a couch notato off the

one reader wrote. Yet, the column

Dillon, on the other hand, was

ist market economy changed China and changed the world. Yes, Deng should be remembered for the blood of the Chinese people he helped spill; but he should also be remembered for lifting hundreds of millions of his own people out of poverty by shifting his ideological phi losophy. We need our leaders in Michigan to shift their historical ideological bent and find new ways to

mole is nothing but a tax and The definition of insanity spend liberal that covered up the state's financial problems until after she was safely reelected and is "doing the same thing, over and over in exactly the now wants the oppressed workers same manner and expecting Are we insane in Michigan?

another reality and understand the problems we face as a state are broader than any one politiciar and are not going to be fixed with a silver bullet. Yet, many seem disappointed in the direction we are headed and, as one writer snewed. "Pox -- on all of the politic

Some believe our state and comes to the way readers react to addressing the state's continued budget morass and lack of leader-ship in finding a shared vision and common agenda we can rally

The anger at our elected leaders is palpable. Some writers spew such hate as, "Granof this state to bail her out - it ain't

nation are becoming more divided along the Red and Blue political lines. Yet, Michigan may be the "Black and Blue state" when it

going to happen!"

Meanwhile, several writers see

One reader suggested that I blend my columns on "Rhetoric" and "Lack of Leadership" into one

out of Lansing!" Being fair is critical as a columnist. I must be hitting the right tone as a reader accused me of being a "right wing, nutcase, Republican" and another a "puppet for Governor Granholm and her tax and spend merry-

men/women in the Legislature Let me assure you, I am neither. Clearly there were man LLLEA's (Languishing Legac) Landmines of the Engler Administration) awaiting Governor Granholm when she took office. Yet as one reader stated, "that was then - this is now."

So, take a page from Engler and knock a few heads together and -Creating Heat and Light

because "we hear the rhetoric and kids. Some believe I am an don't see leadership," Others like unabashed "cheerleader for public education" and some think I am "rocking the boat far too much." less talk and a lot more action -

Let me set the record straight: I believe our public schools are the true statue of liber ty of this great country of ours -taking the tired, the hungry, the poor and giving our children hope and opportunity - and our teach-ers are the torch.

· We will be better off when the only adjective that matters before "school" - be it private, public or charter - is QUALITY! power, control, politics and adults

and not enough on teaching, learn ing and children.
Schools need to change to meet the demands of the 21st century, global, technologically driv en, hyper-competitive world. This will prepare ALL of our kids to compete on the world

stage; addressing the runaway

more resources to the classroom pages. Clearly, I do not have all the ideas or knowledge and do not pretend to, I appreciate the readers who agree with my ideas and those of you who do not. The ability for us all to express and act on our ideas is what makes this

Jr., said it best in 1952 when he said. "If we value the pursuit of knowledge, we must be free to fol-low wherever that search may lead us. The free mind is not a barking dog, to be tethered on a 10-foot

So, break the chain and keep the ideas flowing. Our collective ideas, energy and commitment are nts that help our com munities and state soar

of their Nine Mile Road home. The Kowlowskis, who run Tom Watkins is a business and Myrtle Farm in Sanilac County, live in Novi and harvest a education consultant. He served few fresh eggs for eating from the hen house and get as state superintendent of schools from 2001-2005. Read his internationally recognized report: The New Education (R)evolution at www.nacol.org le can be reached at

People, not government, will guide state politics

disaster, it's important to remember the very human element

critical to any solution: Gov. Jennifer Granholm Dillon, D-Redford Township, and Sen Majority Leader Mike Bishop, R-Rochester. Certainly, as Democrats, Granholm

are relatively slight.

Now in her second term, the governor is legally prevented from running again. With U.S. Senator Carl Levin, a fellow Democrat, seeking re-election, there is no higher office she can run for when

elected speaker by a slim majority in his own caucus (30-28) and doesn't have much maneuvering room, especially with organized labor, which was lokewarm at best towards his candidacy.

ed interest in rnaintaining Democratic control of the House. That perceive Democrats are behaving too rashly during this crisis.

Bishop is in an equally vulnerable position. He's the odd

man out in any negotiations with Democrats Dillon and Granholm. Moreover, he was elected and Lansing insiders report his caucus is largely composed of Alpha Males, many of whom

Moreover, he can realistic enough to know if they are too doomatic, overfly parties serve another term after

> There's also something useful in reflecting about how previous Michigan governors would have dealt with this crisis. I'm lucky

enough (and old enough) to have known some of them. Gov. G. Mennen Williams (together with his long time friend, state Democratic Party Chairman Neil Staebler) made the

hard for their advice. Gov, William G, Milliken

(1969-82) was a Republican, but created "the quadrant" — weekly meetings between himself and the

leaders of both houses of the leg-They would hash things out and come to consensus solutions. Given today's situation, Milliken rant and worked feverishly and almost non-stop to find commo

Former Gov. George Ronney (1963-69) a hard-charging busi-

common-sense, businesslike solutions to our present crisis. He would have summoned the state's

for a top-down solution, the way ness as head of American Motors. Republican, but a very different one. As governor (1991-2002)

knuckle partisan. Under today's conditions, he would have met first with GOF legislative and party leaders, ooked six moves down the parti san chess board . . , then called in the Democrats to lay out their (uncomfortable) choices for them. My old friend, the late Ed McNamara, was mayor of Livonia and then Wayne County execu-

idea, especially in times of looming crisis. And I wouldn't be sured if Gov. Granholm die couple of weeks. Somebody, at any rate, better do something, and

and education issues in the University of Michigan from 1987 to 1999. He is also president and founder of The Center for Michigan, a moderate th others expressed in his columns are his own and do not in any way represent official policy to hear from readers at ppow er@hcnnet.com.

In an early-April snowstorm, John Kozlowski and his

People are welcome to attend

Sunday, Monday, Tuesday or all three days, Wilkes said. "Each ses-

sion completely stands alone

A subsequent session Me

titled, "Remote Control: The Power

"Most everything that comes out

not a scientist," he said.

of Hollywood will have an evolu-

paper calendars.

healthy food grown in an environ-mentally responsible manner and Family-owned business Named after his maternal

Kozlowski takes a limited number of new clients on first come, first Last year, he had about 30

offers the benefits of fresh and clients and hopes to double that wife, Kate, is an international photo of one of his favorite cows

Farms is a small, family owned and operated business within a half mile of the original family dairy farm and apple orchard

number this year.

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from mid June to late October,

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when the garden is in full bloom. Kozlowski travels to his farms each weekend during the harvest Kozlowski power washes his season, He returns on Sunday to

grown at the farm, with no outside feed or chemicals added.

hogs' pens every two weeks, sus-

the farm each year.

"We call him Dr. Pepper because he likes to pick the peppers each year," Kozlowski said. The animals are raised on feed Pam Fleming is a staff writer for the Northville Record, She can

from the past on the mantle of the fireplace in their Novi home.
"I want my animals to have the attorney for an automotive comstudent at Hillside Middle School best possible existence while

in Northville and helps his dad on they're here," Kozlowski said. who often swap recipes with him "They're people who appreci-ate good food," Kozlowski said.

be reached at (248) 349-1700.

Origin of Earth topic of First Baptist's 3-day conference

By Maureen Johnstor

RECORD STAFF WRITER

debate is coming to a sanctuary near ou, Kerby's opening address, This weekend, the First Baptist "Dinosaurs and the Bible," is 9:30 Charch of Northville will begin a three-day series, "Answers in at 11 a.m., 6 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. a.m. Sunday, followed by sessions

Genesis," Any or all of the six free sessions are open to the public.

"We were looking to appeal to of Hollywood on Teday's Culture." mind yet what the origin of the earth is," said Pastor Jon Wilkes, "We'll rive them scientific facts so they can nake an informed decision."

Guest speaker Carl Kerby, who travels the country speaking on dynamic creation, will answer some of the most-asked questions about After hearing Kerby speak else-the Willes said First Burlist "He gives a lot of different scien-tific evidence," he said. "He's look-

looking at and throwing out a dif-Wilkes said Kerby will help peo-de discover how to defend biblical

statement."

After hearing Kerby speak elsewhere, Wilkes said First Baptist invited him as an expert to help explore the timeless debate about

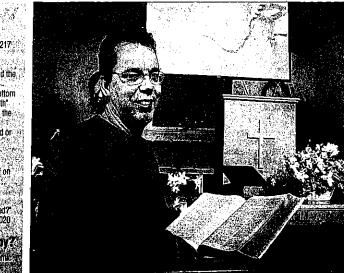
"Since he has really studied the ori-gin and scientific part of it, he's a lot better equipped to explain it. "I'd like for people to just take a chance, give him a chance, to hear what he has to say.
"And come with an open mind."

reached at (248) 349-1700, ext. 107.

Answers in 🦠 First Baotist Church 217

11 a.m. 'Genesis: the Bottom

Today's Culture"



Pastor Jon Wilkes will present a program on Genesis at First Baptist Church in

jumbo and political skim Three people are absolutely and Dillon have more in



But once you've taken in all

ognize that all three top leaders --Granholm, Dillon and Bishop are smart, capable, and well-intento save our state. They are also

Plus, Dillon and Bishop have a good personal relationship, I can't prove it, but experience and com that there are lots of negotiations going on privately in Lansing ween our big three. They are

Perhaps the articles that gener-

My puess is that Williams, in office from 1949 to 1960, would have convened a series of citizen meetings designed to give "Joe and Josephine Six Pack" a good look at the facts behind the crisis

Then, he would have pushed

rom public view) and bare-

door and told them they couldn't come out until they'd hashed out a There is something to that last

Phil Power is a longtime observer of politics, economics

> with and reliability and help them build a biblical world view Kerby will speak in the Wing Street sanctuary that holds up to 300 people, Wilkes said. First Baptist

Genesis Sunday, April 15

6 n.m. "Racism" What is the 7:30 p.m.: Fossils: Friend or

7 p.m.: What is the Best rest Who's Carl Kerby?

of the Library. Five books maxi-

TIME/DATE: 6:30-7:30 p.m.,

DETAILS: Robert Thibodeau

owner of the Mayflower Bookstore

in Royal Oak, will present the pro-

Thursday, April 19

Registration required.

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EVENTS

Michigan Paralyzed Veteran of America Open House

TIME: 9:30 a m -3:30 n m Headquarters, 40500 Grand River

DETAILS: This will be the debut of the "Ford Michigan Mobility Resource Guide." The publication provides information that any driver with disabilities can use to achieve greater independence in daily life. The open house will feature displays and information about products and services that improve the quality of life for people with spinal cord injuries or

CONTACT: (248) 476-9000

American Association of **University Women**

DATE: Tuesday, April 17 TIME: 6:45 p.m. LOCATION: Northville District

DETAILS: The program will be "Kids 4 Afgan Kids Project." CONTACT: Beth Ann Knisely, (248) 305-8992

Demorcrats of West Dakland

DATE: Tuesday, April 17 TIME: 7 p.m. LOCATION: Novi Souvlaki and Kabob Restaurant DETAILS: The speaker will be

Rudy Simons, a recent visitor to Iran. The topic will be "Report CONTACT: Jim. (248) 624Small Business Seminal DATE: Wednesday, April 18 TIME: 8:30 a.m. (8 a.m. conti

nental breakfast) LOCATION: Walsh College Novi Campus, 41500 Gardenbrook DETAILS: Comerica Bank and

Walsh Business Leadership Institute present "Seven Secrets to Improve Your Marketing and Increase Sales". Learn how to generate more referrals and capture a prospective customer's attention. The cost is \$50 for Comerica customers, \$75 for non Comerica customers and \$25 for each additional participant from the same company. Reservations are required

CONTACT: (800) 292-1300

Assarian Cancer Center Exhibit Opening DATE: Wednesday, April 18

TIME: 6:30-8 p.m LOCATION: Nancy A. Fox Art Gallery, Assarian Cancer Center, Providence Park, 47601 Grand

DETAILS: The exhibit will feature the acrylic paintings of artist Georgette Jones. The apening reception is open to the publi The exhibit will run through May

CONTACT: (248) 465-5455

Seminars for Seniors LOCATION: Waltonwood Retirement Community, 27475

Huron Circle, Novi, adjacent to CONTACT: (248) 735-1500 How to Obtain Your Wartime Veteran Benefits DATE: Thursday, April 19



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DETAILS: This is presented by the American Association for

Buy Back Program DATE: Thursday, April 26 TIME: 2 p.m.

DETAILS: Learn from ERA Real Estate how to sell you home. Reservations required

Vartime Veterans. Reservations

Book Club Meeting DATE: Friday, April 20 TIME: 7 p.m. LOCATION: Starbucks, 302 East

Main St., Northville DETAILS: The book for April is "Their Eyes Were Walching God" by Zora Neale Hurston CONTACT: northvillebookclub@gmail.com

Spring Design Seminar

DATE: Thursday, April 26 TIME: 7 p.m. LOCATION: Art Van. 27775 Novi Road

DETAILS: Design expert Ray Boley will share tips for easy spring home updates. Check out the new spring collections, enjoy refreshments. Guests also receive Concert

DATE: Saturday, May 12 TIME: 7:30 p.m. LOCATION: Fuerst Auditorium,

Novi Hìgh School DETAILS: The Cholalaires will perform their spring concert, "Fecure!", featuring songs we remember, like to sing, and like to hear one more time. Tickets are \$12 per person and are available at the Novi Parks Department, Choralaire member and at the

door. CONTACT: Dick Bayerl, (248) 349-3267

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For more information, contact Whitney McClellan, executive director, at (248) 347-4622 or listings check www.greater-

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DETAILS: Serious networking on a weekly basis. CONTACT: Michelle Winn, (248) 835-3754 Ambassador Committee

eeting TIME/DATE: 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, LOCATION: Steve and Rocky's DETAILS: Come to learn more about this energetic group.

TIME/DATE: 7:45 a.m. Thursday, April 19 LOCATION: Telcom Credit

Union, 44575 West 12 Mile Road DETAILS: This is early morning networking. The cost is \$5 for members, \$10 for non-members Reservations required. CONTACT: (248) 347-4622

Neighborhood Round Table

TIME/DATE: 3 p.m. Thursday, April 19 LOCATION: Comfort Suites, 28049 Wixom Road DETAILS: Come and brainsform about bringing more conventions and visitors to the area and create a new name for the group. The

Novi Châmber of Commerce The chamber is celebrating 40

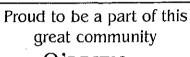
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Thursday of every month.

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John P. O'Brien

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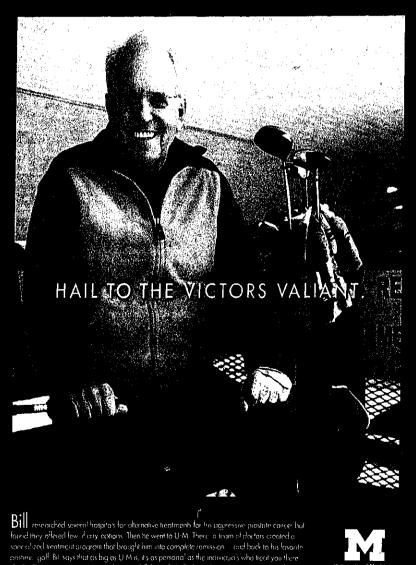
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CONTACT: (248) 628-2826 New Member Reception TIME/DATE: 8:30-10 a.m., Thursday April 19 LOCATION: Comfort Suites,

28049 Wixom Road DETAILS: Meet new and current members. Tell us about your business. Learn how to make your business grow. Free. Sponsored by Comfort Suites.

Hospitality House Food Pantry TIME/DATE: 6:30-11 p.m., Saturday April 28 LOCATION: Edgewood Country Club, 8399 Commerce Boad. DETAILS: Diamonds and Denim

Millionaire's Party and Benefit 50/50 raffle, door prize drawings, silent auction, vegas-style gar Texas Hold 'em. Tickets \$25. CONTACT: (248) 960-9975 or dlamondsanddenim@hospitality-

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Business Affinity Group TIME/DATE: 8-9:30 a.m. Third Thursday of every month LOCATION: Walsh College Troy

DETAILS: Walsh Business Leadership Institute invites women who own, are partners in. Items discussed will be common solutions in a nonthreatening.

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Novi City Council Meeting

DATE: Monday, April 16 TIME: 7 p.m.

45175 W. 10 Mile Rose

DATE: Thursday, April 19

LOCATION: Orchard Hills

Faith Community Preschoo

LOCATION: 44400 West 10

CONTACT: (248) 349-7911

Novi Public Library

LOCATION: 45245 W. 10 Mile

HDURS: 10 a.m. 9 p.m.

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I OCATION: Novi Civic Center

CLASSES

Providence Center for the Healing Arts LOCATION: Assarian Cancer

Center, 47601 Grand River CONTACT: (248) 465-5455 Wanted: One-Time Art Workshop Instructors DETAILS: We are looking for people who have an art or craft that they would like to share in our series of one-time workshops Please call (248) 465-5455 if

interested Learn to Design Your Own Jeweiry TIME/DATE: 1:30-3 p.m.,

Wednesday, April 18 DETAILS: The cost for the class is \$5. Call the number above to Modern Mosaic Masterpieces

TIME/DATE: 10 a.m.-noon, Wednesday, April 25 DETAILS: The cost for the class is \$5. Call the number above to

Calored Pencil Workshop TIME/DATE: 1-3 p.m., second Tuesday of every month DETAILS: The cost is \$2 Beginners are welcome. Ceramics Class

TIME/DATE: 10 a.m.-3 pim. Tuesday, Thursday and Friday; 1-5 DETAILS: There is a \$10 mate-

TIME/DATE: 1-3 p.m. DETAILS: Join others and create hats and shawls for those in

Tai Chi Class TIME/DATE: 10:15-11 a.m. Thursday DETAILS: This is an ancient Chinese exercise used to improve flexibility, balance and strength. No experience is necessary

TIME/DATE: 11:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m., beginning Thursday, April 19 DETAILS: Learn proper breathing techniques that can be used at stress. The class will be held in the serenity of the reflection space

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1:30 p.m. Friday (for backs) DETAILS: The cost is \$10 for walk-in; \$80 for 10-class card an \$70 for seven-week evening sesall programs take place at the

sion. Registration required. CONTACT: (248) 349-0720 Massage Story Times DATE: Session #5 begins April TIME/DATE: Various times. Monday and Thursday

DETAILS: Therapeutic massage 16 through May 18. s shown to be effective for stress DETAILS:No registration need and tension, chronic fatigue, pain ed. Brochure listing the days and and headaches. Everyone is weltimes of each drop-in Story Time come. Patients undergoing treatsession are available in the library. ment should bring a physician's Kids' Movie Day The cost is \$50 for a 50-minute TIME: 1-2:30 p.m. DETAILS: Enjoy a movie and

popporn with us. Bring a blanket pillow. This is for school-age **Line Dancing**DATE: Monday and Friday Starlight Story Time DATE: Tuesday, April 17

TIME: 6:30-7:30 p.m. begin-ners; 7:30-9:30 p.m. intermediate TIME; 7-7:30 p.m. DETAILS; Preschoolers and LOCATION: Novi Civic Center, their families are invited to enjoy DETAILS: No partner needed bedtime stories. No registration needed. program. Novi residents and

Pageturners DATE: Wednesday, April 18 those 55 years and up \$5; Non-TIME: 4:30-5:15 p.m. DETAILS: Our book discussion group for 5th and 6th graders wil SCHOOL & be discussing poetry. Join us for **GOVERNMENT** snacks, games and lively poetry

> Library Board Meeting DATE: Wednesday, April 18 TIME: 7:00 p.m. LOCATION: City Council Chambers at the Novi Civic Center DETAILS: Community members

are welcome to attend. Meetings CONTACT: (248) 347-0470 are also broadcast live on cable Novi Youth Assistance High School Study Break Movie

DATE: Thursday, April 19 DATE: Tuesday, May 1 TIME: 2:30-4:30 p.m. LOCATION: Novi Civic Center DETAILS: Highschoolers, take a study break and watch a great CONTACT: (248) 347-0410 movie. Popcorn included! Wildflowers of Michigan DATE: Thursday, April 19 Novi School Board Meeting

TIME: 7 p.m. DETAILS: Joy A. Jensen, Author of "Wildflowers in Michigan and the Great Lakes". shares her knowledge and experi ence in a colorful seminar. Call to reserve a seat. Sponsored by the Friends of the Novi Public Library

DATE: Wednesday, April 23 TIME: 7-7:45 p.m. DETAILS: This program is for kids in grades kindergarten-third

At each session kids will enjoy a story and make an edible treat sed on the story DETAILS: Unless noted below

Novi Knitters DATE: Monday, April 23 TIME: 6:30-8 p.n

DETAILS: Drop in for an informal knitters' group in the Youth area of the fibrary. Knitters of all levels are welcome! Dance, Dance, Revolution DATE: Tuesday, April 24

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LOCATION: 1499 E. West

CONTACT: (248) 624-3772

Evening Story Hour TIME/DAY: 6:30-7:30 p.m.,

DETAILS: Drop-in story time is

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Thursdays

for children ages 3-5

TIME/DATE: 6:30 p.m.

sidewalk chalk drawing.

Wixom Public Library

Games Night

April 17

CONTACT: (248) 624-2512

TIME: 5-6:00 p.m. Ali Aboard the Wixom Librar DETAILS: Kids in grades 3 and Express! higher come to the library for TIME/DATE: 10:30 a.m. Friday. DETAILS: This program is for Novi Theaters @ NPI DATE: Wednesday, April 25 children ages 2-6. There will be TIME: 5:30 p.m.

stories, songs, crafts, food and DETAILS: Enjoy a sample from required. tion of "Charlie and the Chocolate

TIME/DATE: 10:30 a.m. Saturday, April 21 DETAILS: All ages are invited to ioin in a large drum circle to cresional facilitator Lori Fithian.

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over the world will be provided.

NOVI SENIOR **CENTER**

Registration required.

DETAILS: Children are invited to listen to stories and participate in Located in the Meadowbrook Commons Senior Complex

Refreshments will be provided. 25075 Meadowbrook Road TIME/DATE: 10:30 a m Friday Wednesdays, April 25-May 9 9 a.m.: Stretch & Strength DETAILS: Children ages 2-3 are 10 a.m.: Body Recall invited for a story hour.

11 a.m.: Medicare with Jack noon: Lunch 1 p.m.: Bingo LOCATION: 49015 Pontiac Trail, Monday 9 a.m.: Stretch & Strength 10 a.m.: Body Recall

National Library Week noon: Lunch 12:30 p.m.: Pinochle TIME/DATE: 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, 2 p.m.: Tea, \$1 at the door 8:30 a.m.: Panera Bread DETAILS: The library will have a wide variety of games, including Intermediate 10 a.m.: Asian Pacific

chess, checkers, Monopoly or you can bring your own. 10:30 a.m.; Bookmobile Used Book Appraisa TIME/DATE: 5-7 p.m. 11 a.m.-12 p.m.: Computer Lab Wednesday, April 18 noon: Lunch 1-3 p.m.: Computer Lab of the well known Detroit John K.



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6:30 p.m.: *Clogging (Beg./Easy/Int.)

7:30 p.m.: *Clogging-Club Thursday 9-11 a.m.: "Line Dance-Int 9:30 a.m.: Travel Meeting 11:15 a.m.-12:15 p.m.: *Line

Dance-Beg noon: Lunch 12:15 p.m.: Contract Bridge 1-3 p.m.: Computer Lab

1:30-3:30 p.m.; Writing Workshop II 2:30-3:30 p.m., Line Dance with Free Demo * Activities will be held at the

Mile Road, Phone (248) 347-Massage: Call for an appoint-

Novi Civic Center, 45175 W. 10

SUPPORT **GROUPS**

Bereavement Supporty Group DATE: Third Tuesday of each

TIME: 7:30-9 p.m LOCATION: Novi Civic Center DETAILS: A clergy from the area will be lead in prayer and reflection to help those recover from the loss of a loved one. All are welcome and there is no fee CONTACT: Michael M. Meyer, Doctorate of Ministry

Neighborhood Baby-sitting

Co-op DETAILS: Using the co-op, you and your children can make friends and get what you need accomplished without the little ones in tow. Also enjoy a mom's night out and other social events. CONTACT: Sue Tracz (248) 380-0998.

Women's Prayer Support TIME: 9-10:30 a.m

Brighton, MI 48814 810.229.7550

LOCATION: Harvest Fellowship Church, 49329 Pontiac Trail,

DETAILS: Come for encouragement, help, hope and prayer. Drop in for five minutes or longer. (248) 926-8332 or harvestfellow

Tuesday of each month

TIME: 10-11:30 a.m.

Crohn's & Colitis Support

Group

DATES: First and third

Wednesday of each month

Hospital and Medical Center

TIME: 7-9 p.m.

Novi Toastmasters

to the left.

LOCATION: Providence Park

DETAILS: Enter facility through

southeast entrance. Meeting in

Conference Room A, immediately

CONTACT: Al Biggs (313) 805-7605 or Crohn's & Colitis

Foundation of America (888) 737

DATE: First and third Tuesday

LOCATION: Novi Civic Center

Activities Room, 45175 W. 10 Mile Road

DETAILS: Toastmasters will

help you improve your communi-

CONTACT; Colleen (248) 685-

TIME/DAYS: Wednesdays 11

a.m. weigh-in; 11:30 a.m. meeting

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Meadowbrook Congregational

CONTACT; Rev. Ed Willingham,

Interim Minister, (248) 348-7757.

or visit www.mbccc.org or

LOCATION: 21355

Meadowbrook Road

First Baptist Church of Novi DETAILS: No registration need-LOCATION: 45301 W. 11 Mile CONTACT: (248) 937-5017

CONTACT: (248) 349-3647 or www.firstbaptistchurchofnovi.org Sunday Schedule Family Bible Hour: 9:45 a.m. Family Worship: 11 a.m. Bible Study: 6 p.m. Family Movie Night: 5:30 p.m..

Episcopal Church of the Holy LOCATION: 40700 W. 10 Mile

CONTACT: (248) 427-1175 or www.churchoftheholycross.com Sunday Worship TIME: 7:45 and 10 a.m. Sunday School

TIME: 9 a.m. Adult Bible Study 10 a.m. Worship Center for ages Lunch Hour Worship TIME/DAY: 12:10-12:50 n.m.

3-7: 10 a.m. All ages Wednesday DETAILS: The service will include scripture and Holy

Communion.

Youth Worshin TIME/DATE: 7 p.m., second and fourth Sunday of every month DETAILS: All youth welcome. Alzheimer's Sugport Group DATE: Saturday, April 14 TIME: 10 a.m.

DETAILS: Meetings held on the second Saturday of each month, offering support and open discussion for all those dealing with Alzheimer's disease and related

Holy Family LOCATION: 24505 Meadowbrook Road CONTACT: (248) 349-8847 or

April 12th, 8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

10:30 a.m., 12:15 p.m. Sunday; p.m. Tuesday: 9 a.m. Wednesday Bible Study DATE: Thursdays TIME: 10 a.m. and 7 p.m.

TIME/DAY: 7:30, 8:45, and

Mass Schedule

DETAILS: Join the group for prayer, sharing, and discussion of the Sunday scripture readings. 8847 or e-mail at spiritwalk-

Adoptive Parent Networking DATE: Last Wednesday of each

TIME: 10-11 a.m. DETAILS: This free informational meeting is open to all adoptive families in Oakland County. Child care is available. Registration is CONTACT: Lisa Molloy (248)

334-3595 Accent on Warnen Program DATE: Tuesday, April 17

TIME: 7:30 p.m. DETAILS: The author of "Alive on the Andrea Doria", and Novi Simpson will speak on surviving the sinking of the great ship. The CONTACT: Dehorah Phillips.

Catholic Undate DATE: Monday, April 30 CONTACT: (248) 349-2652 Sunday Worship TIME: 9:45 a.m.

First United Methodist of

Road Northville LOCATION: 50200 W. 10 Mile visit www.fumcnorthville.org

DETAILS: This service is open

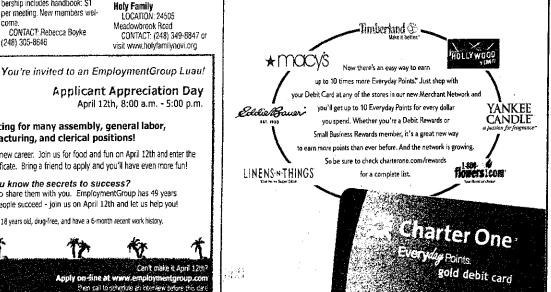
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LOCATION: 777 W. Eight Mile CONTACT: (248) 349-1144 or

TIME/DATE: 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m DETAILS: Activities and infor mation will include Catholic Bookstore, 911 call simulators, Tai Chi. bike helmet sale, car seat inspection, fitness and much

Novi United Methodist

TIME: 7-8:30 p.m. DETAILS: A "Coffee House" in

family center moderated by

Monsignor John Budde, Discuss

and raise questions about God,

church, faith, heaven, hell, any-

CONTACT: (248) 912-0043 or

TIME: 9:15 and 11:15 a.m.

LOCATION: 46325 10 Mile

CONTACT: (248) 347-7778

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Sunday Worship

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Sunday, April 29

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TIME: 8, 9:15, 11a.m. and 5 Community Healing Service DATE: First Monday of every

to anyone asking God for healing in their life or in someone close to Career Ministry Meetings

DETAILS: The Career Ministry program is to help meet the needs of job seekers and others in career transition. It is free of charge and is focused on providing career grams, and networking opportuni

Spring Performing Arts Series TIME/DATE: 6:30 p.m. Sunday,

DETAILS: Presenting the

First Presbyterian Church of Northville **Crosspointe Meadows** LOCATION: 200 E. Main St. LOCATION: Meadowbrook CONTACT: (248) 349-0911 Flementary School, 29200 Sunday Worship TIME: 9:30 and 11 a.m. Meadowbrook Road, south of 13

Mile Road CONTACT: (248) 427-2700, 9 a.m.-2 p.m. or visit www.crossvisit www.sinnlent pointemeadows.org Sunday Worship Thursdays TIME: 9 and 10:30 a.m.

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Tonight: Open Forum I: Travel-The top ten places to see, presented by Shelly Fonelman: Open Forum II: Married of Single, pre-CONTACT: (248) 349-3140 sented by Tony and Trudy Valenti Sunday Worship TIME: 8:30, 11 and 11:30 a.m. April 19: Laughter is the Best Medicine with Walt Stasinsk. Learn how humor can boost your DETAILS: Children who turned mmune system. April 26: "Can You Hear Me

PROGRAMS:

Creek St., Novi

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Gracepointe Presbyterian CONTACT: (248) 497-3178 or care at least two weeks before classes start. Registration for classes required.

e-mail gracepòint CONTACT: (248) 349-091 Walking Group TIME: 11:30 a.m. LOCATION: First, second and

fourth Saturday, Big Apple Bagel Novi, in the Ampitheater Farmington: Third Saturday. Panera Bread Co., 34635 Grant River Ave., Farmington DETAILS: This is a walking/social group. Everyone is

St. John Lutheran LOCATION: 23225 Gill Road, **HEALTH** CONTACT: (248) 474-0584 or

Saturday Worship TIME: 5:30 p.m. TIME: 9, 11:15 a.m. TIME: 10:15 a.m.

Presbyterian LOCATION: 44400 W. 10 Mile CONTACT: (248) 349-2345 or visit

TIME/DATE: 6 p.m. Sunday,

LOCATION: Crowne Plaza Hotel, DETAILS: The public is invited for worship and to stay after for

ellowship and learn more about Gracepointe, Child care will be vailable. For more information or Bible Study and other ministries

St. John Providence Park **Hospital-Novi Classes** LOCATION: 47601 Grand Rive

CONTACT: (888) 440-7325, 8 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday Childbirth Education TIME/DATE: 7 p.m. April 21-22 DETAILS: Weekend series helping you and your partner get ready for the birth of your baby,

DETAILS: A one-time class to

the birth of your baby Baby Care Basics' TIME/DATE: 10 a.m. Monday,

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TIME/DATE: 6-10 p.m. http://rockfinancialshowplace.com Thursday, April 19 for more information Spring Home and Garder DETAILS: AHA course designed for emergencies in the workplace. DATE: April 13-15 Learn to recognize emergencies and give basic first aid. Does not cover CPR. Fee \$50.

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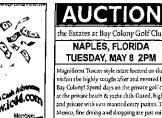
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DATE: Saturday, Aug. 11 DETAILS: More information coming. CONTACT: Call (323) 467-0642

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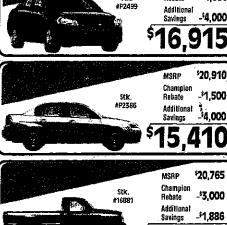
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Novi Family Dental Centre

If a dentist can ever be considered a "jack-of-all-trades" it would be Dr. Alan Tuchklaper of the Novi Family Dental Centre. The reasons are many. Just like the business that can handle a multitude of services, Dr. Tuchklaper and his staff can handle a multitude of déntal procedures — for every member of the family.

Serving the Novi community for over 27 years, Dr. Tuchklaper has been welcoming patients, including preschoolers to senior citizens, to his practice for a number of different

reasons. He recalls cleaning teeth and filling cavities for young children who have now returned with their own families to seek that same quality dental care. And while the young children are learning good dental hygiene from one of Novi's best, their parents' dental needs, such as cosmetic dentistry including implants, teeth whitening, bridges and crowns, are also being met.

Age is certainly not a barrier to the "perfect smile" - the ultimate goal of the Novi Family Dental Centre. Dr. Tuchklaper is an expert at taking a mouth filled with broken, discolored or malpositioned teeth and applying perfectly crafted veneers. The treatments can be as simple as teeth whitening, including the ZOOM treatment, which is seen on TV. With a new smile that promotes self-confidence and is more appealing to the eyes patients can't stop grinning – from ear to ear. It's a whole new

"It's incredible to see the difference," Dr. Tuchklaper said. "Most people tell me they wish they had done it sooner."

One character testimonial as the practice' website, www.nov.deental.com – had these comments. "I love my new smile and words can't express my thanks for making it so beautiful," she said. "As a child of the 60s my mouth was addental mess and something I have always been very unhappy with I now have a perfect smile. Every day

always been very unhappy with allinow] have a perfect smile. Every day I look at them and I'm so thankful for the positive experience."

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"We see a lot of people who are antious about coming to the dentist and the sedation dentistry works well of make themsfeel elaxed," he said. "We make sure people are comortable."

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Size just doesn't matter

Novi senior helps lead 'Cats to final four

By Jeff Theisen

Novi hockey senior Shawn Baxter said in his presenson bio

that he wanted to get bigger and lead the team in points. Listed at just 5-foot, 6-inches and 143 pounds, he managed to wind an action of the wind and action of the wildcats amazing late-season push that landed them in the final four of Division II.

"Shawn plays a whole heckuva lot bigger than he is." Novi Todd Krygier said. "I don't even look at size when I look at bockey play-ers. I look at determination, their

effort, skill level and tenacity.

"As soon as I saw him play,
Shawn had all those elements
from when I first saw him partici-

pate in the summer program."

Baxter led the team with 20 assists, 31 points and 78 penalty minutes. He was also one of six

Novi players to score in double digits in goals with 11. Landing in the sin bin more than any other Wildcat may have kept Baxter from scoring more points, but his feistiness was mother attribute that Krygier said

set him apart.
"He had basically three games worth of penalty minutes,"
Krygier said. "That's what makes
him good though, the chip on the
shoulder. You'd like to get that
down a little, but overall, that's

what makes him good.
"Hopefully, as he goes forward

All-Area Hockey

Player of the Yea Shawn Baxter, Novi senior

First Team

Jeff Donohue, Novi senior Brandon Wales, Northville sr Drew Cronk, Lakeland senior Matt Busterna, Lakeland Junior Griffen Hodges, Milford soph. Ryan Blanzy, Milford senior Briggs Davis, South Lyon Ir

Second Team

Andrew Haggerty, Novi junior Steve Dawson, Northville sr Anthony Deneau, Northville sr Jon Sawchuk, Lakeland senior Josh Overall, Lakeland senior Ryan Tubbs, South Lyon senior Mike Whiteman, Milford junior Mike Adler, Milford senior

Honorable Mention Robert Lewis, Novi senior

Scott Eherline, Novi senior Matt Kreager, Northville soph. Wes Gates, Northville soph. Andrew Flynn, Northville senior Michael Garbarz, Northville sr. Kyle Ziomek, Northville senior Steve Staffileno, Milford senior Nick Kent, Milford senior Ryan Murrell, Milford senior Levi Parkinson, Milford senior Chadwick Wright, S. Lyon sr Matt Soulliere, South Lyon sr Ryan Carusi, South Lyon senior Trevor Lloyd, Lakeland sonh, Sean Staples, Lakeland soph Mike Penokie, Lakeland senior

Wildcat Shawn Baxter (white) battles for a loose puck with a Lakeland Eagle

Novi tennis seeks another state appearance

Wildcats return plenty from last year's 5th in state team

By Jeff Thelsen

Novi tennis coach Jim Hanson

didn't have to do a lot of tinkering with the lineup this year.

All of the singles players, the No. 1 and No. 2 doubles and Jason Hsu of the No. 3 doubles

team are returning players.
"I think our key will be depth,"
Hanson said. "I would like to think we're pretty solid at each

position.
This singles lineup includes senior Vivek Athalye (co-captaia) at No. 1, sophomore Mani Mahadevan at No. 2, senior Roshan ramachandran at No. 3

and sophomore Goutham Kondapi at No. 4. The doubles team is led by sophomore Ryan Bell and senior Adam Doster (co-captain) at No. 1, junior Ryan Goodman and serior Kevin Lai at No. 2, Hsu (a junior) and sophomore Justin Farooq at No. 3 and sophomore Ameya. Sohani and freshman Vishnu

Venugopal at No. 4.

Hanson doesn't back away from scheduling the best of Michigan, whether in tournaments or in duals.

"We play just about everybody in the top 10." Hanson said. "You need that to give your kids some good, competitive matches but also to let them know where they

The Wildcats stood fifth in the state last year, and Hanson hopes the team can at least accomplish the same as last

year.
"Our goals are to win the league again, try to win the regional and qualify for the state tournament," he said." We want to be playing our best tennis by the end of the

The regional got a makeover this year, with Catholic Central, Northville and most of the KVC in the regional, replacing the Livonia and Dearborn schools, this year.

It's going to be a little tougher than last year." Hanson said.
Brighton should again be the tough

est competition in the KVC, but Hanson said the rest of the league continues

continues to improve each year.

"We've just go to keep our heads screwed of right and not get ahead of ourselves," Hanson said. The key thing is to enjoy the sea-

"It's going to be a fun year."

Wildcats open with 8-0 win Novi tennis started its season with an 8-0 blanking of Northville

singles wins included Vivek Athalye 6-2, 6-1 against Peter Curran at No. 1; No. 2 Mani Mahadevan 6-3, 6-4 versus Mike Baskins; Roshan Ramachandran 5-7, 6-4, 6-4 against Tim Wasielewski at No. 3 and Gouthan Kondapi beat Steve

Irvine 6-4, 6-0 at No. 4.
In doubles play, Ryan Bell and 6-1 win at No. 1; Ryan Goodman

against Kevin Zhang and David Connett at No. 2; Jason Hsu and Justin Farooq beat Jason Raymond and Graham McHenry 6-0, 6-2 at No. 3; and Ameya Sohani and Vishnu Venugopal Ackerman and Brian Lovelt at No. 4.

Northville's Phil Irvine and Andy Mills beat Carson Crandell and Tim Oh 7-6, 6-1 at No 5 doubles; Novi's Chris Kim and Bobby Ma beat Zach Morris and Michael Hagan 6-7, 6-3, tie-breaker (9-7) at No. 6 doubles; and Novi's Ravi Rao and Michael Thomas beat Chase and Travis Dehne 6-2, 6-2 at No. 7 doubles.

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Sturgeons gobble up medals!

The Novi Sturgeons Swim Team, of the Sports Club of Novi, placed 7th out of 48 teams at the 13 & Over Michigan State Swimming Championships (USA Swimming). The State Championship meet was held at Eastern Michigan University on March 16-18. Each competitor swims in preliminaries and then swims in the finals if placing in the

top 16. All swimmers score points in the finals. The Sturgeons took 34 swimmers to the meet.

Megan Fox finished the state champion in all six of her events, swimming in the Girls 13-14 division. She received First-place medals in the 100 and 200 butterfly, 100 and 200 backstroke and 200 and 400 individual medley. Fox also received a 1st place trophy for the 13-14 Girls Individual High Point Award.

Meredith Cote won four individual medals: second in the 400 IM, third in th 200 IM, and two fourth-place finishes in the 500 and 1,650 freestyle events. The 13-14 Girls 400 Medley Relay consisting of Becca Berman, Chelsea Rauss, Fox and Cote swam into second place in 4:09.71. Fox, Kacie VanBuskirk, Berman and Cote made up the Girls 13-14 800 Freestyle Relay and finished in third place (8:07.77). The Girls 13-14 400 Freestyle Relay (Cote, Fox, Berman, and Samantha Hudson) also received a third-place medal, finishing in 3:45.04.

Other top-ten finishers were: Berman, Matt Lederer, Abby Pavelko, Rauss, and VanBuskirk. Mr. Mark Winter, Mr. Bob Jenrow and Mr. Kevin Hafner coach the Sturgeon Swim Team, which practices at the Sports Club of Novi.

■ HOCKEY: Donohue on 1st Team

and pursues continuing to play the innior level, he gets more focused and stays out of the box and chan-nels his energies toward scoring

more."

The transformation to first-year coach Novi coach Krygier gol off to a rocky beginning with a 3-8-1 start. But the players and coaches started to come together when it. Lyon junior Briggs Davis, counted --- right before the play

the season (four games) came when every game could've been the last. A 2-1 win against Milford in the quarterfinals put the Wildcats in the final four.

Baxter was one of the biggest - for just four minutes reasons for the turnaround. his teammates voted him the most

valuable player," Krygier said. "His scoring really came in the second half of the year. He started playing with Kyle Potocki and Jeff Donohue. The three of them Mike Adler. are extremely different players that just built a chemistry between them. They really started to put up

"It was really over the last three

Novi's Donohue finished second to Baxter in points and is senior Mike Penokie and sopho-voted onto the All-Area First mores Trevor Lloyd and Sean Team, Donohue finished with a Staples. team-high 14 goals and 30

makes good decisions and consis tently put points on the board throughout the year,"

The test of the First Team is made up by Northville senior Brandon Wates, Lakeland senior Drew Cronk, Lakeland junior Matt Busterna, Milford sopho-more Griffen Hodges, Milford

Novi junior captain Andrew Haggerty is part of the All-Area Second Team. Haggerty finished third on the team with 28 points. while landing in the penalty hox

Rounding out the Second Team are Northville senior Steve Dawson, Northville senior Anthony Deneau, Lakeland senior Jon Sawehuk, Lakeland senio Josh Overall, South Lyon senior Ryan Tubbs, Milford junior Mike Whiteman and Milford senior

Honorable Mention

Novi seniors Robert Lewis and by the way one of our roperate white. Pretty much all year I had him at the point on the powerplay, he was one of our ropenatty killers, and then his production came along also."

Honorable Mention team. Also mark the part of the sophomore Mark Kreager, sophomore Wes Gates, senior Andrew Plynn, senior Michael Garbarz and senior Kyle Ziomek. Millioni seniors Stem Parkinson; South Lyon seniors Chadwick Wright, Matt Soullien

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Cougars take three titles!

The Novi Cougars of the Novi Youth Hockey Association Mite Division topped of a spectacular season by overcoming an early playoff loss and working their way up through the brackets to a championship victory in house play last month.

The Cougars compiled an overall season record of 29-5. ch included an 11-1 league record, with an astounding 18 goals allowed in league play. Earlier in the sea-son, the Cougars won two other championships: A Great Lakes invitational in Holland and the Christmas

Holiday Classic at Compuware in Plymouth Head coach Joe Hamway, along with assistant coaches Kurt Kilar and Todd Manning, believe the hard work and unselfish play early on paved the way for a superb sea-

The Cougars were lead offensively by Sheldon Wasik, Cooper Hamway, Alec Bageris and Scott Grenzotto. The defensive play of Ryan Rabinowitz, Ty Kilar, Dylan Manning and Devon Eaton made it difficult for oppo-

nents to generate any offense. The steady play of Kyle Condino, Preston Brown, Josh Metz, Anthony Bagnasco, Ryan Triolet and Akash Naidu completed the team package for the champion Cougars. Kasper Urbaniak played big as the netkeeper.

Sports Shorts

Novi Wildcat basketball camps

Novi boys basketball coach Pat Schluter is hosting three summer

basketball camps.

The Boys basketball camp for gaides 2-5 will run 8:30 a.m.-noon and grades 6-9 will be 1-4:30 p.m. July 18-22 at Novi Middle School. Cost of the camp is \$140 and will include all aspects of basketball and player development. Participants will also receive a T-shirt and outdoor basketball.

The base and risk shooting camp for goodes 2-5 will run 12-30-2.

shirt and outdoor basketall.

The boys and girls shooting camp for grades 2-5 will run 12:30-2 p.m. and for grades 6-9 2:15-3:45 p.m. July 23-27 at the Novi Middle School. The camp costs \$68 and will concentrate on all shooting aspects with awards being given to contest winners.

The boys and girls K-2 camp will run 8:30-10 a.m. for one class

and 10-15-11-45 for another class July 23-27 at the Novi Middle School. The cost is \$68 for each class and will teach the basic skills or passeroan.

Gym clothes and gym shoes are required for all camps.

Registration begins April 16 by calling Novi Community

Education at (248) 449-1206.

All-Area 4-Star Basketball Camp

Novi basketball head coach Pat Schluter is teaming up with South

Novi baskethall head coach Pat Schloter is teaming up with South Lyon head coach Daren Clayton to run the All-Area 4-Star Baskethall Camp at Livonia Stevenson High School.

The first camp is for boys entering grades 3-6 from 8:30-noon with boys entering grades 7-8 from 1-4:30 p.m. July 9-13.

The second camp is for grades 5-8 from 8:30-noon and grades 9-12 from 1-4:30 p.m. July 16-20.

Each camp cost \$165 and is aimed at improving the serious bas-bashed bases.

Space is limited to 100 campers per session, Visit www.allareabasketballcamp.com for more information.

Green hosts basebail camp

Rick Green and the Novi Wildcat baseball team are conducting another baseball camp (only outdoors this time) on Saturday, April 28 from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Novi High School field for players ages

The cost is \$50. Checks should be made out to the Novi Heat and Ref. Cost is 30.5 (ref.cs. should be hade on the Novi High School, 24062 Taft Rd. Novi, MI 48375. Any questions, please contact Rick Green at (248) 420-6637 or at rigreen@servicesports.net

Sheffield to sign book at Novi Borders

New Tiger slugger Gary Sheffield will appear to sign his new book "Inside Power" at 7 p.m. April 18 at the Borders in Novi.

About the book: This above-average sports memoir naturally contains his detail of the steroid charges, but it's also peppered with the policy of the first personal transfer of the first engaging on-the-field anecdotes, forays inside the competitive mind of a world-class athlete, and thoughtfully presented glimpses of the

harsh, often uncaring world of big-time sports.

Borders is located at 43075 Crescent Blvd in Novi, Call Borders at (248) 347-0780 for more information.

McClain to sign in Brighton, Ann Arbor

Former Tiger Denny McClain will sign his book, "I Told You J Wasn't Perfect," on April 11 and 12.
About The Book: In I Told You I Wasn't Perfect, McLain colorful.

ly recounts his fabulous success in one of baseball's most exciting eras, as well as his rapid fall from glory, two prison stints, and a hor-ritic personal tragedy. It would be a challenge to invent a character that soars to such dizzying heights and then plunges to such depths

McClain will sign his book at the Brighton Borders (8101 Movie Dr.) on April 11 and the next day at the Borders in Arborland (352)

Novi Lady Wildcats baskethall camp

bling, shooting, pivoting, faking, rebounding, team play, sportsman-ship, and an introduction to the Lady Wildcats offensive and defensive schemes. Gym clothes and shoes are required. All participants will receive a T-shirt and outdoor basketball,
The camp for grades 2-5 will run from 8:30 a.m. to noon each day

The camp is run by Wildeat head coach Bill Kelp.

The fee is \$140, and registration begins April 16 by calling Novi Community Education at (248) 449-1206.



The '94 Pee Wee AA Novi Ice Cats completed a very

Playoff Championship in March. The LCAHL Playoff Championship propelled them into the ranked travel

division for the 2007-08 season enroute to a season

Novi won the LCAHL Howe Division championship by

rolling to a 5-1 playoff record, defeating Woodhaven 3

0 and Sylvania 6-1 in the first round of the playoffs, in

semifinals brought a challenge from rival St. Clair

victory. The Ice Cats won the title with another 4-0

shutout. Forward Joey Erdman was awarded game

MVP in the finals.
Team members include Jacob Hole, Joey Erdman,

Dylan Shepard, Peter Halash, Tommy Hildebrandt

Alex Estes, Xavier Gaudette, Travis Trainor, Nicky

Lidstrom, A.J Bradley, Brandon Ramsay, Mitchell

Ghannam, Matt Evasic, and Garret Paquette.
Other tournament successes included Novi taking

home the championship hardware in the Pee Wee AA

Motown Classic Tournament in March, as well being a Finalist in the 24 team Mid-American Silver Stick

Pandya, Jacob Leib, Patrick Luther and Kevin

Shores, which Novi responded to with a 4-0 shutout

successful season by winning the Little Caesars Amateur Hockey League (LCAHL) Howe Division

Playoff champs!

of despair as McLain did. And it is McLain's ability to finally reflect on his mistakes and self-indulgences that make his story one of the most compelling baseball memoirs to come along in a generation.

Washtenaw Ave.), with both signings beginning at 7 p.m.

The Novi basketball camp run by for girls in grades two through

An emphasis will be placed on all game phases including drib-

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Nevin Tchaoucheva learned some very valulearned sonic very valuable lessons while practicing dentistry in her native Bulgaria. She knew that working in a close-knit community meant that everyone treated each other like family.

That's a good thing hecause it taught her Novi, MI 48375

the importance of taking care of her patients—not only because of her dedica-tion to the dental profession, but also because of her dedication to friends and

And in a small community, the word spreads quickly about a dentist who care bout her patients. Today, Dr. Nevin (as she likes to be are seen the same day.

called) is treating her Novi patients exactly the same way. She opened up her new prac-tice in the Farmer Jack shopping center at Ten Mile Road and Meadowbrook last December, and she has already felt the varmith of the Novi community introduced her practice to the Novi com Dr. Nevin and her earing team pride themselves on giving their patients the

highest quality care in a comfortable, relaxng, and state-of-the-art environment. From the minute you walk into their office, you will be greeted by friendly professionals who will take sincere interest in you and treat you like family.

Dr. Nevin loves what she does. Long

before earning a Doctor of Dental Surgery degree from Medical University in Bulgaria and Doctor of Medical Dentistry degree from the University of Pennsylvania School of Dentistry, she knew what she wanted to do with her life.

By the time she graduated, Dr. Nevin

was already looking ahead to the day she would have her own practice — even though she understood how much work it

After completing dental school and

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Dr. Nevin's Novi dental practice incorporates the latest in dental technology. Here Dr. Nevin uses an interoral camera to show her patient th

in the Farmer Jack shopping center at Ten Mile Road and Meadowbrook (248),449-4300 ייכוים www.drnevindmd.com

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close to her Novi home and close to her two children's school.

With the help of her office manager,
Julie Bowman, Dr. Nevin successfully

ing, and she can't imagine doing anything else. For most folks, it's hard to imagine enjoying working in someone's mouth, but the challenging nature of dentistry inspires Dr. Nevin. And so do the results.

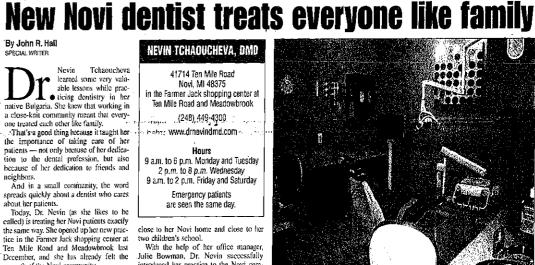
the chair, looks in the mirror and smiles."

she noted.

In the quest to improve her patient's results, Dr. Nevin constantly studies new technologies as they become available.

The office is equipped with the latest technology, including digital X-rays, which allow patients to see the condition of their teeth instantly. Another feature of digital X-rays that netients like is, that they operate

Nowin left it was time to use her experience and entrepreneurial skills to open her own practice. She wanted a location that was l



Pictured above is one of the relaxing, state-of-the-art operatory area

veneers, treatment of tooth sensitivity,

veneers, treatment of tooth sensitivity, snoring prevention and bad breath.

Her extensive training and experience with children make her a natural for treating young patients. One of Dr. Nevin's new patients said the experience has been very enjoyable for her and her daughter.

"For the first time in my life, going to the

dentist became a pleasant experience," she said. "The extreme, high quality of professionalism, care, and positive attitude are

Dr. Nevin and her team want a lasting relationship where friendly conversation

we want to establish and maintain their confidence in our abilities to perform great dentistry, so that a return trip is anticipated, not feared," she said.

Dr. Nevin's office participates with most

insurance plans. In a time when dental insurance can be very confusing, office

allow patients to see the condition of their teeth instantly. Another feature of digital X-rays that patients like is that they operate with 90 percent less radiation than traditional machines.

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By Cynthia Grochowski

An onnce of prevention is worth a

pound of cure.
In an automobile's case, minor costs for routine maintenance will avoid major expenditures or drastic repairs

That's the message from Jim Davis of Davis Auto Cate in Northville during April, deemed National Car Care Month by the Car Care Council.

"If you are doing routine mainte-nce — checking the cooling system, nance — checking the cooling system, doing oil changes, tune ups, checking brakes — on schedule, 99 percent of the time you will not have a breakdown," Davis emphasized.

ROUTINE CHECKUP

Every vehicle has a maintenance schedule recommended by the manu-facturer, and the schedule differs from model to model, from year to year,

"Different items on the car will wear Davis Aur's mechanics are national-bayis explained. "Every part has a known life expectancy. Checking parts before they fail is crucial. You don't want a failure while on a vacation or on the way to work."

Davis Aur's mechanics are national-

Davis Auto's mechanics are national ly certified ASE master technicians, each with extensive experience, ranging from 20 to 35 years. They take a careful look under the hood at the car's sys-tems, such as belts and hoses, that are

susceptible to failure.

"You can catch a lot of problems isually," Davis said.
Fluid levels, including coolant, oil, transmission, brake, and transaxel fluid, were identified by the Car Care Council as the most neglected maintenance items in their roadside surveys recently conducted across the country

"Taking care of a car's fluids keeps parts from wearing out prematurely," Davis explained. "Replacing transmis-sion fluid will run \$60 to \$90 instead of \$1,500 or more for a transmission rebuild.

"Maintaining the coolant system, changing the antifreeze and looking at the water pump, coolant tubes and hoses are critical." Davis pointed out, "Snow, dirt and salt wear on the metal coolant tubes that pass under the car. If the tube fails, coolant leaks out and there is nothing to cool the engine. Run 15 minutes without coolant and you have a badly damaged engine. For a few tomer.

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Coolant tubes are just one of dozens of components Davis Auto Care technicians inspect during a routine maintenance check up.

STAYING ON SCHEDULE
Every technician in each bay at Davis
Auto has at their fingertips the manufacturer's recommended maintenance schedule for every make and model

Davis Auto Care subscribes to information databases specialized for auto repair facilities that alert technicians to

"Every car has an Achilles' heel,"
Davis acknowledged. "The databases
help us individualize maintenance
checks."

They also help shorten diagnostic and service time, making a visit to Davis

owner the hassle and expense of a falled cooling system and possible engine failure. being National Car Care Month, now is

the perfect time for car owners to take the initiative and have their vehicles checked out. "It can be so simple to take care of the car, but there is so much there to do it properly," Davis said. "Knowledge is

the key to doing it properly."

Davis Auto Care technicians regular-

ly attend classes and seminars to stay at the top of their industry. They pass this knowledge on to their

customers each time they service a vehicle. They educate each customer about how to prevent problems, what can wait and what needs to be done right away on their vehicle

car in for a service review," Davis sug- Ultimate Image Auto Spa and Jim's Oil

"We are going to bring the routine maintenance up to date, look for visual problems, like tires for wear patterns, and then make suggestions to prevent a costlier problem down the road."

CAR CARE MONTH SPECIALS

As Jim Davis performs a maintenance check on a vehicle, he points

to a typical sign of trouble: corrosion on coolant tubes from road debris, water and road salt. Repairing this now will save the car

To make it easier for customers to get their cars ready for summer, Davis Auto Care is running specials during April

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