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open for registration Michigan State University Extension welcomes back 4-H Green Science Adventure Camp to Novi. This camp, geared

for youths between the ages of 5 and 10, incorporates hands-on learning in an outdoor environment.

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In addition to many outdoor activities, campers will also have the opportunity to experience cooking healthy and nutritious meals that they make themselves using fresh produce from the garden. Participants will learn about the scientific aspects of a balanced diet, and the importance of maintaining a healthy lifestyle.

This year, three sessions will be held at the MSU Tollgate Education Center in Novi, and one session will be held at the Wolcott Mill Metro Park Farm

in Ray Township. Novi camp dates are as follows: July 9-13, July 23-27, and Aug. 6-10. The one week session held in Ray Township will take place July 30 to Aug. 3.

Camp hours are from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. every day, with aftercare available at an additional rate.

For more information about the Green Science Adventure Camp, please contact Alan Jaros at (248) 347-0269, Ext. 232, or iaros@msu.edu.

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## Bowman breaks ground on Hyatt Place hotel

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By Nathan Mueller Staff Writer

Blair Bowman filled his shovel with dirt Tuesday morning and, alongside several city and state leaders ceremoniously, tossed the pile into the air to signify the start of his next business venture in Novi. Bowman, the owner of the Sub-

urban Collection Showplace since opening it in 2005, finally will have the on-site hotel he has longed for when the Hyatt Place at the Suburban Collection Show-place opens in July 2013.

"This is an incredible moment," he said. "It's something that truly is a dream, a dream that started long ago.'

The vision for an attached hotel to his convention center was something Bowman has had

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RENDERING COURTESY SUBURBAN COLLECTION SHOWPLACE

An artist rendering shows what the Hyatt Place at the Suburban Collection Showplace will look like when it is

## School district budget 'tighter' than ever

## No changes to programs, teachers while class sizes drop

**By Nathan Mueller** Staff Writer

There will be no layoffs, no program cuts, and in fact, class sizes are going down in Novi as part of the school district's 2012-13 budget that was approved Thursday by the Board of Education.

The balanced budget, which calls for a nearly \$2 million dip into the district's fund balance, faced little opposition from board members, and still keeps the district above its fund balance goal of

"We are managing the finances, maintaining an adequate fund balance

... and we believe this is a responsible budget as we move forward," said Steve Matthews, superintendent.

Revenues are predicted to drop in the budget to \$67,177,079 as the district continues to feel the impact of state budget cuts, decreasing property values and a decline in enrollment, among other

factors Salaries and benefits continue to make up the majority (83.4 percent) of the district's expenses, which are predicted nearly \$2 million lower than the previous year. A total of 11 retirements

helped with that savings. Also by lowering class sizes, the district expects to save close to \$300,000

in overage pay as part of the teacher's contract. Steve Barr, assistant superintendent of business operations, said the budget approved by council was created "much tighter than it has ever

been.' Barr also had to make some last-minute changes to the budget Thursday night, as the budget he presented did not include two more recent retirements and showed the fund balance at 9.82 percent.

Several of the board

members indicated they would not approve the budget if the fund balance wasn't at least 10 percent, even though it is a fluid document that is amended several times throughout the year.

"I fully recognize this is a living, breathing, everyday-changing document, but I do have a concern about any kind of precedent that we're going to present something that has a number less than 10 percent," said board Pres-

ident Bruce Bagdady. Barr took about 30 mintes to run the new numbers and was able to give the board a document that showed the fund balance

at 10.01 percent.

The district is still waiting to hear from the state in regards to the MPSERS reform, which impacts the retirement rate and could cause further changes to the budget.

Barr noted that the district is down \$724 per student in this budget compared to the 2010-11 budget, and there has only been a \$19 increase in per pupil funding since 2002.

"(The state) has really stolen from us and they are not giving it back,' Barr said.

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## Possible electrical fire displaces Novi family

### No one injured in two-hour blaze Friday night

By Nathan Mueller

A Novi family was displaced Friday night after an apparent electrical fire caused severe damage to their home on the 23000 block of East LeBost.

The blaze started just before 9 p.m., and the four occupants were tipped off to a possible

problem when they heard what sounded like a circuit break-er trip, said Jeff Johnson, Novi's director of EMS and fire opera-

The owner of the home saw flames in the rear of the house when he went to the bathroom and was able to get everyone outside before the fire spread. He tried to stop the fire with a garden hose, but was not successful. Novi firefighters arrived on

the scene within three minutes to find a smoke and flames visible from the soffit and roof vents. Johnson said crews worked

on the fire for two hours, made difficult because of an addition on the home as well as hot and humid summer weather.

"There was another roof attached to their existing roof, and the fire started on the backside and progressed from one

attic space and burned through to the other attic space," Johnson said. "It was kind of stubborn and still burning in the other space that was part of the

Crews were able to save the structure of the home and some of the contents inside, but there was still a lot of water and smoke damage throughout the home. Johnson estimated that with

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### SCA raffle winner



The first annual St. Catherine of Siena Academy Benefit Raffle winner was drawn on April 26 with the grand prize winner, Robert Theeck, father of student Anna Theeck, winning \$2,500 in cash. The second prize of \$500 cash went to Joey Mascari, brother of student Angela Mascari, and the third prize of \$250 cash went to Kelly Campbell, mother of student Samantha Blewett. St. Catherine of Siena Academy was able to raise over \$18,500 in its first benefit raffle. The proceeds will be used towards the tuition assistance program at the academy. "This was a great blessing to our school. We are very pleased with the amount of money generated." said Lia Johnston, director of Marketing and Development, "It offered an additional avenue of funding for our school. It also provided students and families with an opportunity to come together to show their school support." SCA families sold \$10 tickets for the benefit raffle throughout the community.

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ed counties in south-east Michigan include Oakland, Livingston, Macomb, Monroe, St Clair, Washtenaw and

Police to target drunken

drivers during holiday

If you're at a barbecue or other holiday gathering this July Fourth, be sure to designate a sober driver, said Michael L. Prince. OHSP director. Drunk driving is not tol erated in Michigan. Anyone caught driving drunk will be arrested.

In Michigan, a motorist can be arrested for drunk driving with .08 blood alcohol content or higher. Motorists arrested for drunk driving with a .17 blood alcohol content face increased penalties including the possible installation of an ignition interlock device preventing the car from starting if the driver has been

In 2011, 319 people died in Michigan as a result of alcohol and/or druginvolved traffic crashes a 10.6 percent decrease

In the last OHSP-funded campaign, those sane police agencies issued 8.050 seat belt and child seat violation tickets, nearly 1,000 fewer citations than during last year's enforcement effort.

Preliminary reports from police agencies indicate 14,761 vehicles were stopped during the May 21-June 3 Click It or Ticket campaign. The enforcement is part of a national effort to save lives and reduce injuries by increasing seat belt

Prince said seat belt compliance rates dropped from 97.9 percent in 2009

Every 1 percent increase in belt use means 10 fewer traffic deaths and 130 fewer injuries, he said. In 2011, nearly 200 people who died in Michigan traffic crashes were not buckled up.

"When properly used, seat belts can reduce the risk of being killed in a crash by almost 50 percent," said Prince.

In addition to seat belt violations, 95 drunk drivers were arrested during the enforcement period and 53 drug arrests were made. More than 1.000 tickets were written for uninsured motorists and 535 for suspended licenses. In Detroit. a seat belt stop resulted in the arrest of a federal fugitive. While in Allegan County, a driver with unbelted young children in the car fled from police on foot and was arrested under the state's high blood alcohol content law.

Ten people died in traffic crashes over the Memorial Day holiday period. Of those, two were not wearing a seat belt, three were motorcyclists and two were riding off-road vehicles along the roadway. Nine people died during the 2011 Memorial Day holiday period.

Grant-funded counties include: Allegan, Bay, Berrien, Calhoun, Chippewa, Delta, Genesee, Grand Traverse, Houghton, Ingham, Jackson, Kalamazoo, Kent, Livingston, Macomb, Marquette, Monroe, Muskegon, Oakland, Ottawa, Saginaw, St. Clair, Van Buren, Washtenaw, Wayne and

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## Students to benefit from reverse transfer pact for Schoolcraft, UM-Dearborn

Schoolcraft College and University of Michigan-Dearborn have forged a formal agreement to help students complete a reverse transfer associate degree while working

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on a bachelor's degree. The new reverse transa process that allows students who transfer from Schoolcraft College to UM-Dearborn to be awarded an associate degree that the student is most qualified for, with the help of credits earned at the university. Qualifying students must have already earned 40 credits at Schoolcraft College prior to transfer. Most associate degrees require 60 or more credits for completion. Current estimates suggest that approximately 180 former Schoolcraft students currently studying at UM-Dearborn will meet the initial selection criteria for participation

in this program. "Essentially, if a student leaves Schoolcraft College with 40 or more credits and transfers to University of Michigan-Dearborn, UM-Dearborn will send the student a letter inviting them to participate in the reverse according to Laurie Kattuah-Snyder, assistant director of student services of Schoolcraft College. "Once the student signs off on the agreement, the UM-Dearborn transcript is mailed back to us and we will verify the credits can be applied or general studies degree is awarded." The agreement marks a well-established partnership between Schoolcraft College and UM-Dear-

"UM-Dearborn and Schoolcraft College have a shared commitment to the success of our students, which this agreement further demonstrates," said Daniel Little, chancellor, UM-Dearborn. "The signing of this reverse transfer agreement, the first signed by both entities, will continue to extend enriching opportunities to Schoolcraft students who choose to join the UM-Dearborn community. It is our hope that this partnership will facilitate students in adding to their academic credentials. thereby increasing their readiness for their future careers." Leaders from both

institutions joined together to celebrate the agreement during a special signing ceremony, including Conway A. Jeffress, Ph.D., president; Richard Weinkauf, vice president of instruction; Cheryl Hagen, dean of student services; Michelle Koss, assistant dean of student services; Nicole Wilson-Fennel, director of enrollment services/registrar: and Kattuah-Snyder from Schoolcraft College and Daniel Little, Ph.D., chancellor; Christopher Tremblay, assistant vice chancellor; Janice Lewis-Boyd, registrar: Nicate

selor; Deb Peffer, director of admissions and orientation; Stanley Henderson, vice chancellor for enrollment management and student life; Malayappan Shridhar, associate provost; and Cathy Boatin, transfer specialist from Univer sity of Michigan-Dear-

As directed by the State of Michigan in Public Act 62, other Michigan community colleges and universities have recently signed similar agreements to provide a seamless transfer experience and increase student retention and degree completion at both levels. This reverse transfer agreement between Schoolcraft College and UM-Dearborn is the first of its kind in southeast Michigan. "Students are generally aware that associate degree credits can

be applied toward bachelor's degree requirements, but they are not always familiar with the concept of reverse transfer," said Dr. Jeffress. "Affordability and portability are two major benefits community colleges provide to students. Ironically these are also often held against community colleges when graduation rates alone are considered. With reverse transfers, we can now count as success stories those students who received what they needed at Schoolcraft and then moved on to pursue their goals



Pictured are Dr. Jeffress, Schoolcraft president, and Dr. Little, UMD chancellor.





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## Teach your children well: First year in Novi a rousing success

By Steve Matthews

I'm 55 and it's been 38 years since I graduated from high school. This summer marks my 35th wedding anniversary. I have a son who is 30 for pete's sake. As hard as it is for me to believe, this week

to believe, this week marks the end of my first year in Novi. Where does the time go?

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Steve Matthews is the the secretary, the maintesuperintendent of the Novi nance staff or the people Community Schools district who keep our technology He can be reached at smatrunning, our staff takes thews@novi.k12.mi.us; (248) 437-1234; www.twitter. the time and gives the effort so that the students com/docsmatthews; or in our district have what www.novisuperintendent. they need to learn. blogspot.com

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## Democrats battle in 11th congressional race

By Ken Abramczyk

Much media attention was focused recently on the Republican side of the ballot in the 11th congressional race

U.S. Rep. Thaddeus McCotter of Livonia and Kerry Bentivolio of Milford turned in petitions with signatures to declare their candidacies. McCotter's petitions were found to have duplicate signatures, a finding that invalidated them. He declared a write-in candidacy, then withdrew, and announced he was not seeking re-election. A group of prominent Detroitarea Republicans threw their support behind Nancy Cassis of Novi, who is now a write-in candidate.

On the Democrats' side of the ballot, two candidates, Dr. Syed Taj of Canton and Bill Roberts of Redford, are also vying for their party's nomination.

Taj recently retired as chief of medicine of Oak-

wood Hospital in Dearborn, where he worked more than 29 years as a doctor. He still sees patients in his private practice.

Taj is ending a four-year term on the Canton Board of Trustees, deciding not to seek re-election to that board and instead run for Congress.

Roberts has been supporting Lyndon Larouche since 2001, after having been "completely disgusted" with the choices for president in 2000, and "having also witnessed firsthand the complete political impotence of my own generation."

**Endorsements, loyalty** 

Taj has received endorsements from the 11th District Democrats, Oakland County Democrats and every local Democratic Club in the district. Taj calls Roberts an "imposter" running as a Democrat who wants to impeach President Barack Obama, "Don't be fooled by fake Democrats," reads Taj's campaign literature.

Roberts responds that Taj's comments are "cultish." "The idea that you have to take a loyalty oath to a president no matter what happens and what heinous crimes he commits, it's cultish," Roberts said. He added: "The idea that you have to be an Obama supporter to be a Democrat is ridiculous."

Roberts believes Obama should be impeached for what Roberts called Obama's assassination of Samir Khan and others who were alleged to be connected to Al Qaida and for the National Defense Authorization Act, which allows the detention of American citizens indefinitely.

"You have a complete suspension of due process," Roberts said.

Roberts's campaign website highlights seven counts in which Obama should be impeached, including violations of the Fourth and Fifth Amendments, conspiracy to commit crimes against humanity, conspiracy to violate the separation of powers in the U.S. Constitution, conspiracy to commit the United States to an international genocide policy and conspiracy to



Bill R

destroy the sovereignty of the United States.

Taj ran because he wants changes in Congress.

"Things aren't looking so great in Congress," Taj
said. "There's complete gridlock and nothing is being

done. Congress needs professionals and not career

Roberts said he is running because he loves this country. "We're seeing it destroyed under the last three presidential terms," Roberts said.

Policies of Obama and former President George W. Bush and the bank loans have "choked off credit for private investments" and created continued joblessness. "There's been a collapse of the physical economy in this country," Roberts said.

Health care act

politicians.

Taj supports the Affordable Health Care Act.
"The bill itself is a path to provide health care to
everybody," Taj said. "People just don't realize the
good it provides."

Taj points to insurance coverage now provided for children, who are attending school, out of work or cannot get health insurance, up to the age of 26 under their parents' policies.

Before, many Americans with pre-existing conditions were locked or priced out of the health insurance market, getting a bill for cancer treatments or transplants, Taj said.

Insurers are now required to cover a number of recommended preventive services, such as cancer, diabetes and blood pressure screenings, without additional cost sharing such as copays or deductibles. In January 2013, the law provides new funding to state Medicaid programs that choose to cover preventive services for patients at little or no cost, so that more Americans can receive preventive care.

"They want people to have annual physicals," Taj

Attorneys general from several states are challenging the Affordable Health Care Act. The U.S. Supreme Court was expected to rule on it this week, after deadline.

Taj believes increased employment can help save Social Security. "Social Security is not in trouble," Taj

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said. "We have enough money up through 2037." With more workers contributing to the system, the money will continue to grow to fund Social Security and keep it solvent.

Glass-Steagall Act
Roberts supports the reinstatement of the original Glass-Steagall Act of 1933. "The Federal Reserve System is bankrupt, rotten all the way through with the genkling debts of the law?

inal Glass-Steagall Act of 1933. "The Federal Reserve System is bankrupt, rotten all the way through with the gambling debts of the last 20 years; the attempt to pay this debt is ruining people's lives. Glass-Steagall must be adopted to remove this debt from the books of the U.S. government, ending the bailout of "too big to fail" by separating investment, insurance and commercial banking activities into wholly separate institutions," according to Roberts' website.

Taj points to his work on the Canton board as proof he can work with Republicans. Trustees reviewed a proposed 22-percent water rate hike or using money in a general fund, reserved for repairs and maintenance. "We had money in our water and sewer general fund," Taj said. "We looked at whether we go with 22 percent or do we help these people, some who were losing their jobs."

The board looked at various figures, but settled on a compromise amount of \$1 million and a smaller, more affordable hike, Taj said.

Roberts called Larouche "a guy who does not pull

his punches."

"He says what's true whether or not it's politically

pragmatic," Roberts said.

"If you have a connection to our Constitution, you recognize and see a sense of history, and you rec-

ognize the dangers of compromise of principles,"
Roberts said, explaining his support of Larouche.
Taj nas a good working relationship with the other six trustees, all Republicans. Most of the time,

votes are 7-0, Taj said.

"(The board) could have passed a bill, 6-1, but that never happened. We always have a discussion," Taj

Taj said 40 percent of the new 11th District is Gary Peters' old district, in which Peters won in 2008 and 2010, formerly a Republican stronghold and Joe Knollenberg's cld district, Taj points out.

Taj believes his experience in day-to-day dealings with patients and familiarity with health policy issues can help the district.

"It is a very professional, well-educated district," Taj said. "It is the most affluent district in the state. It is also a great chance for the Democrats."

Taj said his role as a congressman is to help everyone in the district, regardless of party affiliation or support.

"If we can get more money to fix our roads, that

will help every single person who uses those roads."
Taj said.

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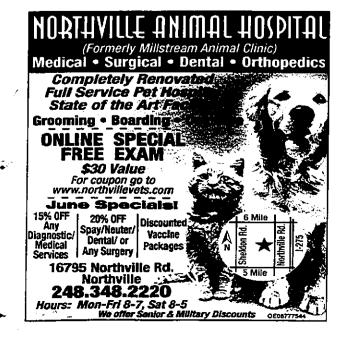
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#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **Anderson & Karas**

Melissa M. Anderson, of Rochester Hills, and Michael P. Karas, of Novi, were married Jan. 28, 2012, at The Inn at St. Johns with Father David Cybulski officiating.

The bride is the daughter of Herbert and Debra Anderson, of Novi.

She graduated from Michigan State University in 2007 and is a marketing director with Flexible Plan Investments. Her attendants included Lauren Farrant, Erica Dupuis, Julie Stevens, Kristin Hamer and Alison MacKenzie.

The groom is the son of Michael & Pat Karas, of Novi. He graduated from MSU in 2007. attends Thomas M. Cooley Law School, and is a legal intern at Sixty Plus Elder Law Clinic, His attendants included Alex Karas, John Gazette, Jesse Radke, Shane DuQuet and Wes Green.

A reception was held in The Inn's Grand Ballroom. The couple honeymooned in Costa Maya and Cozumel and now reside in Roches-



Melissa Andersor and Michael Karas



Joan BuWalda and David Cameron

#### BuWalda & Cameron

Joan Denise BuWalda, of Novi, and David Martin Cameron, of Midland, were married June 23, 2012, at Shrine off the Little Flower in Royal Oak with Father Anthony Camilleri offici-

The bride is the daughter of Robert and Joan BuWalda, of Novi. She attended University of Michigan and works for Carat, a media planning company for General Motors, Her attendants included Danielle Janows-, Natalie Hinks, Debra Hsieh,

Rachel Moblo, Melissa Cameron and Megan Cameron. The groom is the son of Martin and Bernadette Cameron, of Midland. He attended University of Michigan and is a third-year medical student at Wayne State University. His attendants included Guolong Tan, Der-

ek BuWalda, Scott Knaffla, Christian Stoffan, Joshua Munro, and Stephen A reception was held at Glen Oaks, Farmington Hills. The couple honey-

PRESBYTERIAN mooned in Mayan Riviera Mexico and CHURCH will reside in Roval Oak. Location: 44400 W. 10 Mile

Contact: (248) 349-2345 nity-novi.org Sunday Worship: 10 a.m.

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what John is writing about, what the symbolism means, speaks to us today. Faith Journeys **Date: Third Sundays** Details: Following worship

## **CHURCH CALENDAR**

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Submit: Send calendar submissions via e-mail to cstone@gannett.com; by fax to (248) 685-2892; or by mail to Church Events Northville-Novi, 101 N. Lafavette, South Lyon, MI 48178, Items must be received by noon on Monday to be included in Thursday's newspaper.

and fellowship, someone will share how they have experienced God in their life and the difference that has

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF NORTH-VILLE

Location: 217 N. Wing Contact: (248) 348-1020 Sunday Worship: 10:45 a.m. and 5:45 p.m. Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Ladies Bible Study: 9:30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Tuesdays Men's Bible Study: 9 a.m. first Saturday of every

Contact: (248) 349-3647 or Family Bible Hour: 9:45

Family Worship: 11 a.m. Bible Study: 6 p.m. Family Movie Night: 5:30 p.m.; fourth Sunday of every

Location: 21260 Haggerty

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Sunday Worship: Meditative - Held in the Chapel - 8 a.m. Contemporary - Held in Traditional - Held in the Sanctuary - 11 a.m. Sunday School: Nursery - 8 a.m. Nursery - 12th grade

cial Needs - 11 a.m.

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And, if an appeal is necessary cases before a court date is eve

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higher percentage yet. In addition to practicing only Social Security disability law attorney Bieske has written a

office consultation, if they foe charged until after the case is won. The fee is a percentage of retroactive Bieske and Alfonsi represent

Michigan. Their Livonia office is on Six Mile Road just west of I 1-800-331-3530 for a free nsultation if you have been denied, or if you are thinking of possibly applying for Social Security benefits.

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#### CITY OF NOVI NOTICE OF ADOPTION **ORDINANCE NO. 12-160.01**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE NOVI CITY COUNCIL HAS ADOPTED ORDINANCE NO. 12-160.01 TO AMEND THE CITY OF NOVI CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 22, "OFFENSES," ARTICLE VI, "OFFENSES AGAINST PUBLIC SAFETY," DIVISION 1, "GENERALLY," SECTION 22-112, "FIREWORKS." IN ORDER TO INCORPORATE CHANGES TO STATE LAW REGARDING FIREWORKS AND TO CONFIRM THAT IGNITION AND DISCHARGE OF FIREWORKS IS NOT PERMITTED EXCEPT ON CERTAIN

The Ordinance was adopted by the City Council on Monday, June 18, 2012 and the provisions of the ordinance shall become effective lifteen (15) days after its adoption. A complete copy of the Ordinance is available for public use and inspection at the office of the City Clerk, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, during the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., prevailing local time.

Maryanne Cornelius, City Clerk

#### CITY OF NOVI NOTICE OF ADOPTION **ORDINANCE NO. 12-113.03**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE NOVI CITY COUNCIL HAS ADOPTED ORDINANCE NO. 12-113.03 TO AMEND THE CITY OF NOVI CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 25, "PARKS AND RECREATION," ARTICLE IV, "PARKS AND RECREATION PROTECTION," DIVISION 1, "GENERALLY," SECTION 25-63, "FIREARMS AND FIREWORKS," IN ORDER TO INCORPORATE CHANGES TO STATE LAW REGARDING BOTH FIREARMS AND FIREWORKS AND TO CONFIRM THAT IGNITION AND DISCHARGE OF

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## **NORTHVILLE / NOVI**

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Children's program, Youth Worship Service Wednesday Schedule 5:30 p.m. Family Meal, \$5 per person, \$15 per family; 7 p.m. Children's Caravan

Club 56, Bible Study, Quilting, Adult Classes, Youth

Thursday Schedule: 6 a.m. Men of Purpose Prayer

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF NORTH-VILLE

Location: 200 E. Main Contact: (248) 349-0911 or visit firstpresnville.org Sunday Worship

Time: 9:30, 11 a.m.

Date: June 28 Details: If you enjoy a friendly game of cards o like board games, you will have a good time. Some snacks are provided, but feel free to bring more; \$5 donation please. Ice cream follows as always.

Date: July 5 Details: Tonight we will share our special holiday funny, sad or just special in some other way. You are asked to bring an appetizer or snack to share. Ice cream will follow: \$5 donation

Date: July 12 Date: Cards & Games Night This is a great way to meet new people or just see old friends again. Snacks are provided & ice cream is always served later. Bring a friend; \$5 donation.

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NOTICE OF CLOSE OF REGISTRATION FOR THE PRIMARY ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 7, 2012 FOR

To the qualified electors of the City of Novi, County of Oakland, State of Michigan: NOTICE IS HERBY GIVEN that the Novi City Clerk's office, 45175 W. Ten Mile

Novi, MI 48375, will be open MONDAY, July 9, 2012, from 8:00 A.M. TO 5:00 P.M. as the last day to register to vote in the August 7, 2012 Primary.

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

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

Registration Applications Available Online to Register by Mail: Mail-in voter registration applications may be obtained by going to: http://cityofnovi.org/Resources/Library/Forms/VoterRegistrationApp.pdf Complete the form, sign and deliver it to the Novi City Clerk at 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 by the close of

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

The August 7, 2012 Primary election will be conducted in all 21 voting precincts of the City of Novi for the purpose of nominating candidates of all participating parties for the Congressional: United States Senator and Representative in Congress

Legislative: Representative in State Legislature County Executive, Prosecuting Attorney, Sheriff, Clerk/Register of Deeds, Treasurer, Water Resources Commissioner and County Commissioner

Judge of Circuit Court - 6th Circuit - Non-Incumbent Position And for the purpose of electing Delegates to County Convention of the Republican and Democratic Parties. And for the purpose of voting on the following proposals:

Oakland County Art Institute Authority Millage
The Oakland County Art Institute Authority established pursuant to Public Act 296 of
2010 to allow for continuing support of art institute services for the students, residents
and visitors of Oakland County. The law allows the Authority to seek authorization from
the electros to levy a tax of not more than 0.2 mill (20 cents per \$1,000 of taxable value) on real and personal property to provide revenue to an art institute services provider for this purpose. Accordingly, to continue providing art institute services to benefit the residents of Oakland County, shall a 0.2 mill on all of the taxable property located within the County be imposed for a period of ten (10) years, being years 2012 through 2021? It is estimated that if approved and levied, this new millage would generate approximately \$9,847,191 in 2012.

Charter Amendment Proposal 1
Shall the Novi City Charter, Section 9.1(b), be amended to increase the millage ar for specific street and highway improvement purposes from a maximum of 1.0 mills (which has been reduced by the Headlee Amendment to .7719 mills) to a maximum of 1.5 mills beginning in 2013 tax year, resulting in the authorization to collect an estimated additional \$2,172,006 dollars in the first year.

Maryanne Cornelius, MMC, City Clerk

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## Plans target a part-time Michigan Legislature

online at hometownlife.com

Most Michiganders will work indoors Mondays through Fridays during a summer of anticipated pristine weather to when the leaves turn glorious shades of red, yellow and orange this year. Their state lawmakers will be in

session 14 days in the same time The Legislature meets one day in July and August, seven days in September, one day in October and four days in November between summer and autumn breaks. It resumes its Tuesday-

December. The schedule highlights the fact that Michigan is one of a shrinking number of states with full-time Michigan lawmakers make an

through-Thursday schedule in

average of \$71,000 per year and have health benefits and a 401(k) retirement package. State lawmakers have said they

have sacrificed in recent years

retiree health benefits Brad Hantler, a Republican candidate for Michigan's 39th House District seat - covering western

West Bloomfield Township, Commerce Township and Wixom in Oakland County - said his first bill, if elected, would be one calling for a part-time Legislature with reduced pay.

Hantler, 21, said the measure would bring lawmaker compensa tion in line with his fellow recent college graduates. If elected to the House, the seat

would be Hantler's first full-time job after graduation from Oberlin College in Ohio. "They only meet three days a week right now. It doesn't make sense to call it full-time and pay them what they do," said Hantler

"I thought someone needed to speak up for our generation." he

who faces a five-way GOP race in

butions to their health insurance ture in Michigan would require a premiums and the phasing out of state constitutional amendment and would need a two-thirdsapproval vote in both the House

and Senate to go before voters. Legislation sponsored by state Rep. Tom McMillin, R-Rochester Hills, would create a 90-day session year and slash pay accord-

Lawmakers would be paid on a per-diem basis if a special session is called, and be docked for each day they don't attend regular ses-

The measure also would eliminate state-paid retirement and insurance benefits for those first elected after 2012,

The proposal was introduced in May 2011 and hasn't progressed. A proposal for the body to meet for not more than 150 days annual ly was introduced before McMillin's bill, and also hasn't been vot-

McMillin said he's confident a part-time Legislature will be considered at some point, and said

"We get the budget done pretty quickly now. I think that if there's

> welcome an ally. State Sen. Joe Hune, R-Hamburg Township, maintains his support for a part-time legislative body, but said session is a small portion of a state lawmak-

a will there's a way," he said. "I'd

He said numerous committee obligations, as well as time spent answering constituent concerns and attending in-district civic and community events, consume most of a state legislator's time.

"There is an exorbitant amount of time that goes into it. All of that stuff entails work." Hune said. He said reduced session days would limit the Legislature's oversight of state departments. which he said have overreached

their authority in recent years. The Legislature has approved what many legislators consider pay and benefit sacrifices on-pay

Lawmakers last year took a 10 percent pay cut that amounted to

a \$7,965 reduction to the previous average \$79.650 annual Michigan awmaker salarv. As part of a new state law for

all state employees, legislators must pay at least 20 percent of their employee health benefits A law signed last fall phased-

out the lawmaker retiree healthcare benefit, which covered 90 percent of health premiums for egislators who serve at least six years in office once they reach age 55.

Former lawmakers were grandfathered in, and several ed in ending the benefit, however To address the exemptions.

legislation has been introduced that would reduce the amount the state pays toward the benefit from 90 percent to 80 percent effective next year, and require current legislators eligible for the benefit to contribute 5 percent of

## HOTEL

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in the works for the last 15 years, even when he was running the old Novi Expo Center. He kicked the idea around more seriously once he opened the new facility, but economic struggles forced him to wait.

Earlier this year, with the help of Novi's first tion tax abatement from the City Council, Bowman's dream was on its way toward becoming a

The abatement the Showplace received is a 100-percent, six-year. real property tax abatement that would freeze the taxable value of the building as it was before the improvements. It's

estimated the city would said he would like to partabate nearly \$600,000 ner with surrounding during that time. hotels to provide transportation from them to

The 126-room Hyatt Place hotel provides Bowman with the on-site hotel services that he said many larger shows demand, while also providing the Showplace an additional 10 meeting rooms, additional prefunction space, and an expanded Diamond Cen-

Project cost is estimated at \$8.5 million Novi Mayor Bob Gatt, who spoke first at the ground-breaking ceremony, referred to Bowman as a "visionary" and

"(He) will eventually go into the history books as a person who helped make Novi a world-class city," Gatt said. Bowman expects the

hotel to be a success and

buy gas at the gas stations and so on," she said. And even though a night's stay at the hotel is still over a year away,

than just the center.

the Showplace.

"My secret next step might be asking for an expansion of that if things go well," he said.



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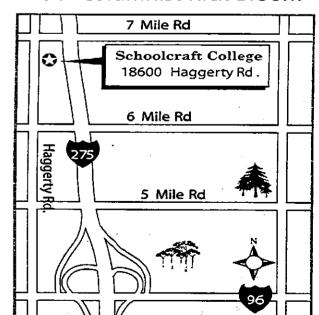
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ter option for portable nusic than lugging a steeo full of D batteries. Wireless Bluetooth peakers are a terrifc wav to take music vherever vou go without the need for cords, packs of batter

ies or even a wi-fi signal. With Bluetooth-capable speakers, music lovers can stream music from any device — a desktop computer, tablet or smartphone.

As you can imagine, the electronic stores and big box retailers are full of portable speakers, stereos, iPod docks and more. You can cut through all of the confusing choices by figuring out what functions you want in a stereo or portable speaker.

If you simply want to dock your smartphone or MP3 player in your home, a docking system or even a stereo system and an RCA cable might be for you. But if you're looking for music on the patio, or on the go with your tablet, your best bet may be to skip the plug and play speakers and go completely

Wireless units are available in all price ranges from about \$40 to \$60 for Logitech speakers up to \$399 for impressive Bose or Jambox devices.

#### **Best devices**

It's no surprise that the best devices on the market are the most expensive. The industry leader is the Jawbone Big Jambox device, which acts a wireless speaker and speakerphone and can play for up to 15 hours of continuous music. The Jawbone Big Jambox also has a built-in lithium battery that can be recharged and played through a USB

The 2.7-pound Big Jambox can connect via Bluetooth from devices up to 33 feet away. Jawbone also makes a smaller version that retails for \$199. It offers the same features and functionality, but with smaller speakers, less bass and

lower top volumes. For those who don't want to break the bank on one speaker, there are a variety of other options available. iSound offers a line of speakers called the Twist that has a similar 33-foot Bluetooth range, a lithium battery and speakerphone options. It retails for less than \$75. The one drawback of the Twist speaker is that it only plays for five hours, much less than the Jawbone Big Jambox. However, five-hour continuous play is standard within the

Now that you know about a few speakers at a variety of price ranges, you must decide how you will play your music. You can always play songs directly from your mobile device hard drive. So if your iTunes catalog is loaded up on your phone or tablet or even in the cloud, you can listen to any of your music at anytime.

Whenever you have a wireless signal, you can even stream music through apps such as Pandora, Grooveshark and

Portable speakers are also compatible with more than just music. A powerful unit like a Bose speaker can be used as a makeshift soundbar to complement a TV - although at that price, you could

just buy a soundbar that plugs in. The speakers can also be used to add some more surround sound for streaming movies through NetFlix, Amazon Prime, Hulu or just YouTube videos.

If you are interested in a portable speaker to replace your iPod dock or even 1980s stereo, you can visit ABC Warehouse, which offers a variety of speakers compatible with all of your

Jon Gunnells is a social media planner at a Detroit-based advertising agency. He can be reached at jonathan gunnells@gmail.com.

## Dig in



City and state officials throw the first piles of dirt at the ground-breaking ceremo ny for the Hyatt Place at the Suburban Collection Showplace on June 26. The 126room hotel, which will be attached to the existing convention center, is expected to be completed by July 2013. Pictured from left: Novi Mayor Pro tem Dave Staudt, Sen. Mike Kowall, Hyatt Place representative Kevin Schramm, Novi Mayor Bob Gatt, Suburban Collection Showplace Owner Blair Bowman, Suburban Collection General Manager David Fischer Jr., Novi City Manager Clay Pearson and Rep. Hugh

#### **NOVI BUSINESS BRIEFS**

#### Free seminar on pension buyouts

Rick Bloom of Bloom Asset Management in Farmington Hills and the Observer & Eccentric Newspaper are co-spon soring a free educational seminar on the lump-sum buvouts offered to salaried retirees of General Motors and Ford Motor Co. at 9 a.m. Thursday July 12, in the VisTaTech Center at Schoolcraft Colege in Livonia. For more nformation or to register, call (248) 932-5200 or email seminars@bloomas setmanagement.com. A continental breakfast will

#### **Great Clips opens** new salon in Novi Town Center

must pre-register.

Great Clips has opened its new store in Novi Town Center, catering to today's busy lifestyles by being open evening hours and weekends with no appointment necessary for an affordable, quality haircuts in a comfortable. friendly salon.

"We are very happy to welcome the new Great Clips salon to Novi Town Center," said Jim Clear, NTC general manager. "Their national reputation for excellence brings still another well known name to our growing list of new merchants and restaurants at our new Cepter. As they say at Great Clips,

'It's gonna be great.' Their address will be 26156 Ingersol Drive, Novi, MI 48375; phone is (248) 465-6070. The salon will be open 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Mondays-Fridays; 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturdays; and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sundays. More information can be found at http:// www.greatclips.com/

#### Building is booming in Novi

With 208 commercial permits and 146 new housing permits issued, totaling \$41 million in valuation, 2012 is proving to be a busy year for development in Novi.

Construction in Novi has been steadily increasing with key projects underway including the revitalization of the Novi Town Center, with Walmart scheduled to open in mid-August, and the Hvatt Place Hotel to be built Collection Showplace.

Providing quality cus tomer service is a top priority for the City of Novi. To ensure builders and homeowners receive prompt customer service during the busy summer construction season, the Community Development and Treasury departments will extend hours until 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday evenings July 10 through Labor Day. This is in addihours offered per week 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday-

"We are excited to provide this enhanced customer service to our businesses and residents, said Charles Boulard Community Development director. "In a time when we see many communities closing doors early and decreasing service hours to the public, we are able to offer additional oppor-

tunities for citizens. During the extended hours, staff will receive and issue permits, process payments, and provide consultations for typical homeowner projects such as deck plans, setbacks, pool construction, etc. Consultation appoint-

ments should be made in advance by contacting the Community Development Department at (248) 347-0415. Additionally, the Treasury Department will accept tax and utility pay-

To learn about building in Novi including the permit process, building equirements, and zoning, visit cityofnovi.org.

#### Fox Run developer one of the best places to

Erickson Living, developer and manager of Fox Run retirement communi ty in Novi, announced that IDG's Computerworld magazine, has selected it as one of the top 100 organizations that provide their information technology (IT) professionals with a creative and stimulating work environment. great career opportunities, as well as exceptional benefits and compensation. Erickson Living was ranked 93rd on this year's list. Honorees are included in coverage in Computerworld (June 18, 2012), the 19th annual Best Places to Work in IT survey. "Erickson Living's

Information Technology professionals have a long history of quality service and a unique commitment to serving a diverse customer base," said John F. Triscoli, Erickson Living's Senior Vice President and Chief Information Officer. "By having diversity of thought, per ception, background and experience, our team culture thrives, creating a rewarding work environment that opens up new opportunities for professional development and

### **OAKLAND COUNTY BUSINESS WORKSHOPS**

Business owners and entrepreneurs who need assistance are invited to attend seminars in February offered by the Oakland County Business Center. Business Basics workshops are now offered in the evenings on alternating

Unless otherwise noted, all programs take place at the Oakland County Executive Office Building Conference Center, 2100 Pontiac Lake Road, west of Telegraph, Waterford. For pre-registration and location specifics, visit online at oakgov.com/peds/calendar, or call (248)

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Session I: basic accounting terminology; new company file setup; customiz-ing forms and letters; and working with

Session II: invoicing customers; receiving payments and making deposits; entering vendor bills/paying vendor bills; and using credit card accounts.

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Milford Summer Palooza hits Main Street July 13-15

Milford's all-new summertime celebration hits Main Street July 13-15. and organizers promise there will be something for everyone.

Store specials — check. Bounce house, outdoor movie and other kids activities — check.

Dunk tank — check. Live music — check. Food and drink — check. Vegas-style "gaming" tent — maybe... The aptly named Milford Summer

Palooza is a three-day fest that will woo families with young kids, teens, adults of all ages — just about anyone looking for fun-food, bargains and a place to hangout with friends and family: Presented by the Miltord Business Association; the event as this year's answer to Shop Rock and Stroll held in downtown Milford each July for the past several years. "We're really beefing it up this year."

said Debbie Hughes, MBA member and owner of Village Toy Shoppe on Main reet. And we're trying to make it a great family event — people are looking for fun-things to do with their families." While many merchants like Hughes will have sidewalk sales during the Raiocza the major focus will be on activities to draw folks downtown. Phroughout the weekend, Main Street

Grill & Tavern is sponsoring a food, beverage and live music tent with bands playing Friday and Saturday night, and

Farmers Market

3-8 pm; Liberty Street

Cinco Lagos is sponsoring a beer and wine tent for those 21 and older. Atpress time, organizers were still awaiting word on a game licensing application. If all goes as planned, folk will find several gambling activities inside the beer and wine tent including a roulette wheel Black Jack pokers tournaments and more.

For a splash of goofy fun, check out the Palooza's dunk tank featuring local celebrities and have the kiddles get some serious bouncing on the inflatable that will be set up along the street.

Purchase aswrist band and play all day.

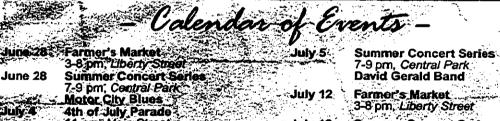
And on Saturday night at dosk, a free. movie for kids will be shown on a large

ortable outdoor screen We're really trying to make it a full fun weekend-for everybody — kids families and adults, said MBA member Keith Hughes, who is organizing the event with MBA President Denise Sanborn: All the merchants will be open late and on Sunday and there will be good bands. So stop by and visit Milford, and let your friends know, too. There should be something for

everyone."

Main Street will be closed for traffic from Liberty Street to Commerce Street for the Milford Summer Palooza. It all begins Friday, July 13 at 10 a.m. and runs to 4 p.m. on Sunday, July 15.

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#### Teens caught breaking into vehicles

1 Novi police arrested an 18year-old man and his 17year-old friend at 4:57 a.m. on June 25 for stealing from several vehicles in the area of East Glen Haven Circle and Eight Mile Road.

According to the police report, officers were dispatched to the area and found the suspects approaching a BMW. One of the men said they were on their way home and both denied stealing from vehi-

The suspects were asked to empty their pockets and one of them pulled out a Garmin GPS. He at first said the item was his before admitting he stole it. He also had to pairs of sunglasses he admitted to taking.

The other suspect was arrested after officers found another GPS on the grass near where he was standing.

Both were arrested and transported to the Novi Police charged with larceny from

#### Items stolen from two vehicles

2A pair of vehicles on Gar-field Drive just south of 9 Mile Road were broken into overnight on June 25. According to the police

report, a Garmin GPS and 100 CDs were stolen from a Ford truck and 50 CDs were stolen from a Chevy Cobalt. The vehicles were found by

the owner with doors ajar and the contents of the glove boxes and center console strew about the inside

There was no evidence to process and police have no sus-

### **NOVI POLICE BRIEFS**

#### Woman has shopping bag taken at mall

PUBLIC SAFETY

3 A West Bloomfield woman had a shopping bag con-A West Bloomfield woman taining \$160 worth of clothes from Ann Taylor stolen after she set the bag down inside Macv's on June 24 to free her hands while looking at other items. According to the police

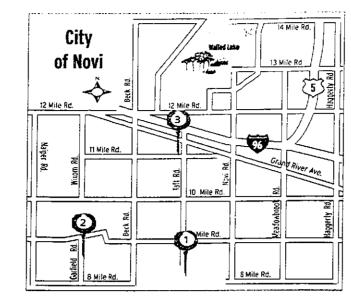
report, the woman hung the bag on a rack and when she turned around it was gone. The woman believes it was stolen while she was at Macy's but it was possible she left it at Ann Taylor. The woman checked the two stores several times through-

Police have no suspects.

Compiled by staff writer Nathan

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#### Skate Bus

The Skate Bus, a new program presented in partnership with the PLUS Skate Shop in Farmington, will take local skateboarders, ages 6 years and up, to premier skate parks throughout Michigan and Ohio.

The bus will travel three Saturdays this summer, with pick-up and drop-off at the Novi Civic Center at 10 a.m. and Riley Skate Park in Farmington Hills at 10:15 a.m. Each Saturday will include two different skate

parks. The three trips include: June 30 - Saginaw/Bay City July 28 - Lansing/Mason

online at hometownlife.com

Aug. 25 - Sylvania/Toledo, Ohio

All skaters under the age of 9 must be accompanied

by a parent. Participants should be a lunch.
The deadlines to register are June 15 for week one, July 13 for week two, and Aug. 10 for week three. The cost is \$29 per trip and includes a Skate Bus T-shirt. Registration is going on now at the City of Novi Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department located inside the Novi Civic Center, 45175 West 10 Mile Road or the PLUS Skate Shop in Farmington. For more information, contact Greg Morris, Recreation Supervisor at (248) 735-5646 or gmorris@cityofnovi.org.

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Brain-friendly learning

New Morning School, Plymouth, celebrates its 40th Anniversary during the 2012-13 school-year. New Morning School is offering special programs and events throughout the year beginning in July. Brainfriendly learning activities and information for parents are available this summer at the Novi Public Library at 7:45 p.m. July 9. Children are welcome to attend with a parent or guardian.

Brain-friendly learning was established by Jean Piaget, a Swiss developmental biologist, and is the cornerstone of New Morning School's pre-school through eighth grade educational curriculum.

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## FIRE

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the property and belongings it was about \$165,000 worth of loss. "We did the best we could to preserve a good portion of what they

have," Johnson said.

The Novi fire marshal

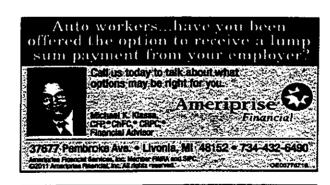
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sha Shripall, left, and Saya Tanaka team up for a relay race event during their school's May 27 field day.

Novi Woods teacher Michelle Donberger, left, and Novi Meadows Principal Lisa Fenchel take a break to join in on the fun that their students are having during the schools' May 27 field day. The pair battled to a draw in the contest of who can bump the other out of a space while wearing a giant inflatable tube.



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Amelia Bedolla, 2, of Brighton was thrilled with plumes of water shooting out of the Splash 'n' Blast waterpark at Kensington Metropark's Martindale Beach. She was among the thousands of visitors last week to the park, looking for a way to keep cool.

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## Coolin' off

Families turn to Kensington's beach, waterpark to beat the heat

There was a steady stream of visitors to Kensington Metropark on the first day of summer last week as area residents looked for ways to keep cool.

With temperatures in the low 90s by noon on June 20, plenty of folks opted for the park's Martindale Beach and Splash 'n' Blast waterpark. It was the first time at

the Milford metropark for the Tyzo family. Emily Tyzo of Commerce Township watched

her kids Ricky and Abigail splash around in the play structure, shooting water cannons at others, and simply having a blast "It's our first time coming here, and we love it," Tyzo said. The

family recently moved to the area and heard about Kensington from a friend. "We'll be back for sure."
The park is a regular

outing destination for Keri Bedolla of Brighton. She said she brings her daughter, Amelia, 2, as often as possible. On days like Wednesday, it's a perfect way to cool off, she said, and there's a lot to do during their visits.

"She loves it out here," Bedolla said, gesturing to her daughter as she played in the water spray. "We'll come here (to the beach) or to the paddle boats. There's also the petting farm. "It gets us out of the house and away from the TV," she added. "It's

fun. It's cheap." by the beach area. Chrissy Mongeau of "I want to go again. I want to go again. It's fun," Sage exclaimed, with joy. The 6-yearold admitted she wasn't sure if the waterslide was a good idea before

afternoon.

and far, with last week's temperatures in the low 90s. here," she said. "Then I Berkley was another proved I could do it, and visitor looking for a fun went down."

"It's inexpensive, The metroparks require a \$5 daily vehigood family fun," she explained while watchcle admission fee, and ing daughter Sage annual passes are available. The Splash 'n' McDade cruise down the 250-foot winding Blast area requires sepwaterslide for the first adults and \$3 children time, another feature ages 2-15.

Martindale Beach was a popular choice for visitors near

Following a cooler climate early this week, forecasts called for into the 90s today, and continuing in the high 80s through early next



ground area. It is open 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Wristbands cost \$4 for adults and \$3 children ages 2-15.

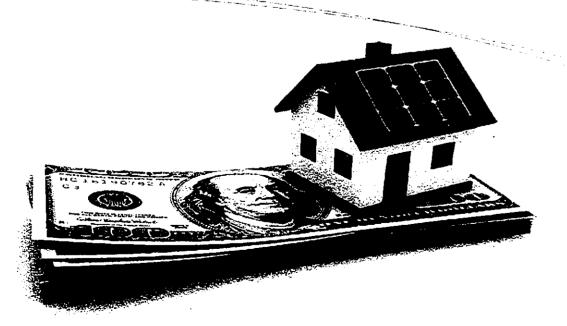


Sage McDade, 6, of Berkley flies down the waterslide at

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GARDNER.

COLLIER, SUSAN A. Age 46, passed away June 19, 2012, at her home, surrounded by her loving family, Susan was a lifelone South I von resident graduating from South Lyon High in 1984. She was a dedicated employee of Detroit Diesel. She was an excellent cook and was known for always baking birthday cakes for everyone in the family. She was a talented interior decorator and enjoyed crocheting. She will always be remembered for her strong will and as a loving and devoted wife, mother, daughter sister and friend. She is survived by her beloved husband, Dennis; her loving children: Ashley Gatteri, Gianna Collier, Yvonne Schroeder and Andrew Lewis: her grandchildren, Jackson Connelly, Camdin Schroeder and Lexingtin Schroeder: her parents, Carl and Rae Ann Cross; her siblings: Lynda (Gordon) Seeley. Cheryl (Tom) Deehr and two nicess: Gillian Seeley and Kirsten Seeley She is also survived by many loving friends and family members. Friends and family may visit on Friday. June 29 from 12:00 p.m.(Noon) = 8:00 p.m. at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, 122 W. Lake St., South Lyon, A uncheon will be held on Saturday

luncheon. Online guestbook at www.phillipstuneral.com COX, OMA Age 81, passed June 12, 2012. A rivate family service was held Arrangements by Phillips Funeral

June 30 at 4:30pm at l'anglewood Country Club, 53503 West Ten Mile Road, South Lyon, All

friends and family are encouraged

to dress casually and if you own a motorcycle, you are encouraged to ride it to the funeral home and



CWIK, JEWEL "JUDY" Age 84, passed away June 21, 2012 at her home in the care of her loving family. She was born on April 19, 1928 in Detroit, Lillian Ellerbusch, Judy was an active member of St. Joseph Catholic Church in South Lyon She is survived by seven loving children: Roger (Jacqueline). children: Roger (Jacqueline), David (Jacqueline), Janet (David) Turbiak, Jonathan (Kathleen), Ronald L. (Renee), Ann (Dan) Mundell-Noel and Peter (Kyla), 17 grandchildren and six great grandchildren. She is also sur-vived by her two brothers, Robert (Joan) Ellerbusch and Alvin (Evelyn) Ellerbusch and one six-(Evelyn) Ellerbusch and one sister, Mimi Gibson she was preceded in death by her husband Ronald, Visitation will be held on Friday, June 29th from 4:00pm-9:00pm with a Rosary at 7:00pm at PHILLIPS FUNERAL HOME, 122 W. Lake St., South Lyon, Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, June 30th at 10:00am at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 830 S. Lafayette, South Lyon, Memorial contributions y he made to Angela Hosnic or St. Joseph Catholic Church.
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LEONA BILLIE JEAN Died June 24, 2012, with her

family by her side in Oklahoma City, OK. She was born February 2, 1940 to Marion and Flossic Carr. Billie married her high sweetheart. Harold Gardner, and started her new life as a military wife in 1958, She graduated South Lyon High School in 1957 and Baptist Bible College in 1982. She was an active member of Southwest Baptist Church, belonged to the Gold Star Wives and worked for her Lord Jesus wherever she saw a need. Her interests included her family, gardening, reading, and word puzzles. She devoted much of her time and energy as a cares survived by her brother Robert Carr, her children and their spouses, RoxAnn & Jeff Dowd, Susan Colburn, Frank & Tina Gardner and Donna & Ken Handke; 11 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband preceded in death by her husband Harold, her parents Flossie and Marion Carr: her son-in-law Frank Colburn and two grand-children Joshua Diehl and William Colburn, A memorial service will be held at Southwe Baptist Church in Oklahoma City on Wednesday, June 27 at 10:00 AM. Condolences can be sent to the family in care of RoxAnn Gardner 3523 E. 19th Avenue, Anchorage, Alaska 99508.

MAYO.

RONALD JOHN Born April 30, 1944, Died May 28, 2012, Survived by brother, James Richard Mayo, Family member of Susan and Jefferson Lane and Victoria, Jason, Robert,

MLINAZ, VIRGINIA H. May 22, 1930 - June 14, home.com

MONTANARI.

ROMUALDO 84, passed away June 18, 2. He was born on February 1928, in Italy, to the late Riziero and Clementina (Pedretti ider and worked until the day he died. He lived in three countries, and spoke each of the lan-guages fluently. At 12 years old he owned a bicycle shop. He was a master craftsman. Romualdo is survived by his wife of 59 years, Maria Montanari; his children: Riziero (Nancy) Montanari, Clementina (Robert) Eaton, Antonio (Kimberly) Montanari Romualdo (Diane) Montanari; 1grandchildren, four great-grand children and one expected great grandchild. Visitation was held on June 22, Friday, from 4:00 – 9:00 p.m. at PHILLIPS FUNER-AL HOME, South Lyon. A funeral mass was celebrated on June 23. Saturday, at 10:00 a.m. at St. Joseph Catholic Church, South Lyon. Online guestbook

MORGAN, PHYLLIS G. Age 72, passed away June 17, 2012, Service Saturday, July 21, at 2:00 pm at Topinabee Town Hall, Topinabee, MI. Online guestbook

PLATTE, DONALD October 30, 1924-March 30, 2012 Online condolences www.obriensullivanfuneral-

REYNDERS.

forkasaurus'; which is art mad-

out of forks. Gene loved to bird watch; he was a raccoon and squirrel fighter, but was never victorious. He is survived by his

beloved wife. Luann Reynders; his children, David (Veronica) Reynders and Janeane (Armand)

LaVille; his siblings, Donald (the

late Clara), Henry (Marsha), Donna Jean (Fritz) Dotzler, Marianne, and Jimmy (Carol); his

grandchildren Cristin, Stacy, and Jonathan; and his great grandchild Landyn. He is also loved by many nieces, nephews, and friends. He was preceded in death by his par-

ents; his sister Arlene Mertzlutt;

and his brothers, Harold and Edward. Visitation will be held

Thursday, June 28, 2012 from 5-8pm. The funeral service will be held Friday, June 29, 2012 at

Ham at Casterline Funeral Home, 122 West Dunlap, Northville, Father Greg Rozborski from St. Joseph Catholic Church will offi-

ciate the service and the US Navy will render military honors. He will be laid to rest at Parkview Memorial Cemetery in Livonia. Memorial contributions would be

appreciated to the American Lung Assoc., 25900 Greenfield Road

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BARBARA A.

Age 59, passed June 15, 2012. Visitation was held on June 21, followed by a funeral service at

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Location: Atrium Of Novi, EUGENE A. 43155 Main Street Age 85, a longtime resident of Northville passed away on June 22, 2012. He was born on June 20, 1927 in Lancaster, NY to Edward and Mandolate 18. Details: Featuring many handmade items from people with disabilities. Anvhandcrafted items can get a Magdalena (nee Jerge) Reynders space for \$20. Therapy Choir Gene proudly served his country in the US Navy during World Wa Michigan will perform at II. He was united in marriage to Luann Watt on September 27 6:15 June 1. Face Painting by Community Choices of 1996; and they spent many loving years together until his death. Gene retired from Centri-Spray Corp after 32 years as a sheet Westland. Contact: MichiganArts-CraftsShow@gmail.com; visit metal worker. He was very cre http://www.MichiganArtsative and artistic; he enjoyed woodworking, making meta sculptures, painting rocks, and gardening. He hand crafted miniature airplanes and trains from wood. He also created

CraftsShow.com; or call (248) BEREAVEMENT MEET-INGS Time/Date: 7:30-9 p.m. third

Location: Novi Civic Center (10 Mile between Taft and Novi roads) Details: Led by Michael M. Meyer, D. Minn., goal is to give each participant ar opportunity to share their

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and third Tuesdays (except Nov. and Dec., which are just the first Tuesdays) Location: Kerby's Coney Island, 21200 Haggerty Road alls: Business networking focused on building relationships. The Sunrise Networking Group, LLC (www. sunriseNETWORKINGgroup. com), or SNG for short, is a group of about 250 business leaders who help each other to build more business by referring people to each other. Cost of breakfast is \$10. Contact: Fonda Milana 586-232-3009 or fmilana@ sunrisefinancial group llc.com

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included in Thursday's newspaper. More: For a complete listing of local and regional events, see the Novi Calendar online at www.hometownlife

Time/Date: 7-8 a.m. every Wednesday Location: On the Border Restaurant, 21091 Haggerty Road (north of Eight Mile),

Details: BNI is a structured networking environment for professionals. The Metro Novi BNI team members are committed to providing bona fide referals to each other. Members learn how to create and refine an 'elevator speech," develop a broad network of other business professionals in the community and receive

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**NOVI CHAMBER OF** COMMERCE Contact: www.novichamber.com or call (248) 349-3743

**NOVI ROTARY CLUB** Time/Date: Noon every Thursday Location: Novi Methodist Church 41671 W. 10 Mile

Details: Lunch is \$10 at meeting. Visitors welcome Check website for speaker information; novirotary.org. **NOVI TOASTMASTERS** CLUB Time/Date: 7-9 p.m., every

first and third Tuesday

Location: Novi Civic Center, Activities Room, 45175 West 10 Mile Road, Novi **Details:** Novi Toastmasters is a community-based club which is part of Toastmasters International, Our diverse group provides a mutually upportive atmosphere in which all can develop and refine their public speaking and leadership skills Our members also have fun while building confidence in day-to-day communications and mentoring toward professional and personal excellence. Guests are welcome

- and bring a friend. Visit www.novi.freetoasthost.us. Contact: Linda Kreuter at **NOVI LIONS CLUB** 

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purpose is to serve the blind and the community. Principal activities are fundraising for Leader Dogs, Penricktor Center for Blind Children and other blind charities along with fundraisers for high school scholarships. Serving locally, in Michigan and worldwide as there is

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## Trail Friends help turn no-man's land into recreation space

ater bottles and ham-burger wrappers are tossed out the car window, the remains of exploded tires, propelled by the currents of 75 mph-plus traffic, make their



weeds and long grass everywhere encroach on what should be a presentable public space. Vast stretches of roadside no-

one of the byproducts of urban sprawl, and carring for such acreage, never a priority, is at the bottom of the list when state and local governments are faced with dwindling resources, growing needs and persistent antitax sentiment.

Anyway who cares? Hurrying from one destination to the next, focused on the traffic ahead and

(sometimes) the latest high-tech gadgets, background becomes a blur and ugliness breeds indifference — and then more ugliness. The Friends of the I-275 Metro Trail care.

The Friends is a nonprofit that maintains and advocates for the bicycling and pedestrian trail that roughly follows I-275 in Oakland and Wayne counties. Formed a few years back when a portion of the trail was widened and resurfaced by the Michigan Department of Transportation, the group includes cyclists and walkers who regularly use the trail, and is hitting its stride - pun intended with new plans for twice-a-month volunteer trail-grooming events.

In addition to keeping a large public space clean, the group is promoting the recreational and social use of what would otherwise be a wasteland of overgrown buffer zones and unsightly freeway sound barriers. (I would gues tion why runners, walkers and

cyclists should be relegated to the side of a noisy, soulless freeway, but maybe that's another column And, anyway, the more scenic, and serene, Hines Park is not far off.)

I joined a dozen Friends on a recent evening as they trimmed grass and weeds, cut down vines and pruned low-hanging branches along the pathway between Ann Arbor Road and Ann Arbor Trail. There were founding Friends members as well as newcomers who had heard about the cleanup and wanted to do their part. "It beats sitting home doing nothing," said Jan Bates of West

land, who was on the trail for the first time. "And it's better for Things started slowly as the vol-

unteers with loppers, rakes, power trimmers and other tools began their work near Ann Arbor Road. But workers soon found a rhythm, and before long, trimmers were moving steadily northward, leav ing others in their wake sweating

over rakes and brooms. Later, filled vard-waste bags were carted and carried to each end of the trail segment for pickup by Plymouth Township crews in about two hours, the distance to

runners passed every so often, and two or three offered thanks or encouragement. "It's a lot of work to keep a trail nice," said Diane Bancroft, the Friends president, a Canton resi dent who is often on the trail with her bike or her dog, Jake.

The Friends' efforts to cut back vegetation on the trail had previously been limited to periodic MDOT-sponsored highway cleanup days. Shorter but more frequent efforts. Bancroft and the Friends hope, will make the overall task a little easier; earlier in the spring, the group held several litter pickup events, collecting, Bancroft said, 55 bags of trash accumulated during the winter.

Ann Arbor Trail had nearly been

covered. Cyclists, walkers and

The group is responsible for some 34 miles of trail, she said, and has a core of about two dozen active members, though turn out at a given event is usually considerably less. But organizers were pleased with the volunteer response on this particular evening, and the Friends seemed to be in a position to gain a few new, well, friends.

In an era of so many economic and social challenges, when govemments are pinched and many taxpayers pinched even more, it's good to see groups like the Friends investing their labor for the public good.

For information on when the next cleaning day is, visit the group's facebook page: http:// www.facebook.com/#!/Friends I275MetroTrail

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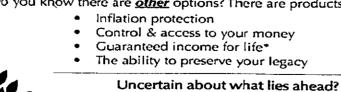
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## Self-evident truth

## Remember sacrifices as we celebrate a proud nation

As with many holidays born out of patriotic impulses, the true meaning of Independence Day can be easily lost amid the parades and the barbecues, among the sparklers and the games.

And it's easy to forget, because the brave sacrifices of our military men and women today come in faraway lands like Afghanistan and Iraq, that the very first sacrifices on the road to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness came right here on home soil.

Some 25,000 Americans perished, and another 25,000 were injured as the colonies fought — and died — for the right to determine their own destiny as a country, one of the truths leaders of the Second Continental Congress decided were self-

Though it holds no legal authority, The Declaration of Independence, as Jefferson wrote in a letter years after penning it, the document was "intended to be an expression of the American mind, and to give to that expression the proper tone and spirit called for by the occasion."

Thus, Thomas Jefferson and the rest of the Founding Fathers laid the foundation for what has stood - for 236 years and counting - as the bedrock principle of our nation. Fifty-six men, representing colonies from north and south, signed it, each of them risking death as revolutionaries.

The leaders of the revolution - Hancock and Franklin, Washington and Jefferson - are household names. But let's not forget the 50,000 dead and wounded, whose names we've never known and never will. It was their deeds, and their sacrifices, that became synonymous with freedom.

As you line the streets for local parades, celebrate with fireworks, and grill burgers and hot dogs for the holiday picnic, remember them and honor their accom-

The truth of their sacrifice, and the magnitude of its meaning, should be self-

## Play it safe with fireworks

A new state law removes the ban on most fireworks that shoot into the air so pyrotechnic-lovers no longer need to smuggle Roman candles, bottle rockets, sky lanterns or anything else from neighboring states. We urge consumers to use caution.

The wider variety of fireworks for sale in Michigan is expected to translate into \$8-\$10 for the state, according state Rep. Harold Haugh, D-Roseville, one of

Under the state law, fireworks cannot be sold to anyone younger than 18. The law also prohibits using fireworks while under the influences of alcohol or drugs.

Consumer-grade fireworks may not be used on public, school or private property of another person unless permission is obtained to use fireworks at that location.

According to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission's most recent data, three Americans died and 8,600 were taken to the hospital with injuries as a result of fireworks in 2010. Children younger than 15 accounted for

40 percent of those injuries. In addition, the Michigan Department of Community Health said there were three fireworks-related fatalities in the state in 2006-10, one in 2006 and two in 2007.

Read and practice these tips courtesy of the state fire marshal

- Always have an adult supervise fireworks activities, including sparklers
- · Light fireworks one at a time • Keep a bucket of water or hose on hand Never stand over a fireworks device when
- lighting the fuse Never re-light "dud" fireworks that have not fully functioned Never point or throw fireworks at other

 Only use fireworks on designated days Make it a safe July 4th holiday.



Cal Stone, Community Editor Susan Rosiek,

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#### **LETTERS**

#### Inform yourself

This letter is a product of diminishing enthusiasm. The recent polls (47-46 percent) that theoretically reflect the inclination of Michigan voters (minus the fence-straddlers) convince me that I write in vain

Ninety percent of prospective voters — whether informed and knowledgeable or not — have made up their minds.

Nevertheless, if you are reading this page of this humble paper, I commend you. You are, at least, seeking opinion and information that might change your mind ... but I doubt it. But you are seeking!

My concern is that a great many of those, who have made up their minds or not, will not be reading this page nor any other newspaper, nor magazine, nor book; their sources of information will be TV sound bites, commercials, coffee break chatter, barroom proclamations, hair salon analyses — unsubstantiated small talk of microscopic worth. It seems that a large segment of our voters are impervious to facts. They remind me of the waiter who sees only what he chooses to see regardless of all meaningful efforts to attract his attention. Otherwise, how could Michigan have become a swing state with a 50-50 possibility of sup-

porting Romney for president?

### Patrick M. Downey

Political word game When Rep. Lisa Brown was banned from speaking on the House floor after uttering the word "vagina," it was ostensibly because she used "offensive" language. According to Ari Adler, spokesman for House Republicans, Majority Floor Leader Jim Stamas determined

Brown's comments "violated the decorum of the House." This is ironic since Republicans nationwide have been responsible for introducing the term "transvaginal" in legislation regulating women's health care. As Rep. Brown points out, vagina is a medically and anatomically correct term. It is difficult, therefore, to understand the thought process of Republicans such as Rep. Mike Callton who stated: "It was so offensive, I

of new laws. Frequently, after

bills are passed, they are given

by voice vote, rather assuring

These silencing tactics are

typical of those used by totali-

by a roll call vote.

the required two-thirds majority

don't want to say it in front of When we want to make An important issue at stake here is the use of power to silence opposition. In a democracy, it is imperative to consider It's working. We're using less. diverse points of view when It's no surprise that now, crafting legislation. Committee chairs often deny minority members the right to express their views during the writing

as a result of our efforts, our energy provider is experiencing a reduction in their profits, and ently have the same overhead and need to continue receiving "immediate effect" designation the same revenue.

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tarian regimes. Unfortunately, the June 14 action by Rep. Stamas was not an isolated incident. We Americans are rightfully proud of our democracy. But in Michigan it is rapidly being taken away from us by an arrogant and power hungry Republican majority.

Flo Smith Wolverine Lake

#### Paying more for using less

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they're not happy. They appar-

able to or considered downsizing? Have they looked into ways to become more efficient

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#### Forcing religious beliefs

to pay more for using less.

So the religious war against women, the Constitution and the Bill of Rights has finally come to Michigan thanks to the Republican party. HB 5711 was rammed through the House and forces religious Republican viewpoints on women and the doctors who care for them. State Rep. Lisa Brown spoke up about this injustice and was graveled down and banned from speaking about anything.

This is democracy? Forcing religious beliefs on people sounds like something that happens in the Middle East or down South not in Michigan. This story has gone viral and now we're a laughingstock. Republicans need to be reminded that one of the main reasons our forefathers came here was to escape mainstream religion and its intolerable iron grip on every

facet of our lives. Our Founding Fathers saw first-hand the oppression and corruption religion had on affairs of state so they gave birth to the separation of church and state. We need to be really careful here, people, and watch Republicans like a hawk or they will gut the Constitution and the Bill of Rights. Think I'm kidding, check out the Florida-style voter suppression laws they rammed through — SB 751, SB 754 and SB 803.

Mitch Dubanik

#### Object to welfare drug testing

Our Legislature is again considering mandatory welfare drug testing. Why would such a punitive and draconian measure even be considered? Of course, the cost would come out of the recipient's check, so poor people are subsidizing drug testers without any finding of probable cause.

We are baffled as to the purpose, except some legislators must own stock in drug testing companies.

Rather than the poor being punished, they could be better helped by counseling for depression and despair. Punitive measures to punish the poor are counter-productive and

If the legislation comes to the governor's desk; it should be

> Gerald Maxey Farmington Hills

## Farewell, friends: Thanks for everything

time in Novi has come to an

It was three years ago this month that I had a talk with our executive editor and was asked to make a move from the South Lyon Herald where I worked for two years) to the Novi News as part some reorganiza-

tion in the company.
I accepted, but initially I was bummed. I had formed many great relationships with the people in the outh Lyon area and didn't know if

Novi was the place for me. Now, as I sit in my self-made Novi Public Library office for the last time, I am having a hard time saying good-

As a journalist we are often taught to detach ourselves and refrain from forming friendships with our sources to prevent bias from creeping into our work. However, when it comes to community journalism - which I think the Observer and Eccentric and Hometown Weeklies group does better than anyone — it can be hard because we are at every event and every meeting in our communities

There is a certain level of trust and respect needed between a reporter and their sources to get them to talk to you, share information off the record and understand there might be moments when the topic isn't positive and a story has to be written.

Friendship probably isn't the right word because I don't spend time with my sources outside of work. But I am not ashamed to call many people in Novi friends because they get how the relationship works.

Friends will be honest. Friends will

disagree. Friends will understand. I can honestly say I never once protected a Novi friend. If they did some thing good, I wrote about it. If it was bad, I wrote about that, too.

Looking back on it, Novi was exactly what I needed to advance my career. There is a business-like approach to getting things done in this city which probably explains why Novi has weathered the financial storm better than most and continues to grow — and I had to adapt to fit in.

It also helps that while many of the city's leaders and employees take their roles seriously, they don't take themselves too seriously. Novi is a great city because every

one who lives and works here wants to be great. There is no such thing as going through the motions because then they might fall behind. It would be great to have a full page to personally thank all the people in

Novi who have helped shape me as a reporter and as a person, but they all know who they are. As you read this I have already start ed my new job, with the same company, at the South Oakland Eccentric. I sought out the position a few months ago because I wanted to get closer to my Royal Oak home and was ready for

a new challenge. It's not that Novi was no longer a challenge. But if there is one thing I take away from my time here, it's that you can never wait for things to happen, you have to make them happen.
And for that I say, thank you,

Nathan Mueller is now the staff writer for the South Oakland Eccentric and can still be reached via his current e-mail, nmueller@

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## Living is easy



Theresa Brenner has an enjoyable water fight with Kyle Swan, 9, at Novi's Lakeshore Park on June 20. The temperature on that day, the first of summer, got up to 92 degrees and as a result - Lakeshore was packed with people trying to beat the heat.





By 3 p.m. on June 20, Novi's Lakeshore Park had about 60 visitors to its beach and waters trying to beat the heat of the 90 degree day.

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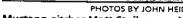
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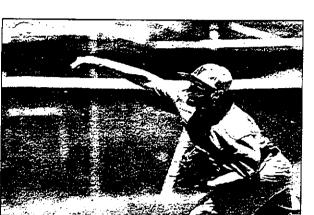
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## Five Mustangs earn **All-State honors** on the diamond

All-State honors for Michigan's baseball and softball teams were recently announced and Northville did well in the selections as five Mustangs earned honors.

For the Northville softball team, Jennifer Buckingham put an exclamation point on her impressive season by earning All-State First Team honors for Division I players as an outfielder. Standout pitcher Laura Pond was given the nod as an honorable mention selection.
The baseball team had one

First-Team All-State selection in Matt Stojkov while Jeff Gertley was named to the Second Team along with Connor Smith as a utility player and infielder, respectively.

'All three were great leaders in their own way and extremely coachable and unselfish," said Northville baseball coach John Kostrzewa. "They are all very competitive and have a very strong desire to be successful. It has been a pleasure to have the opportunity to coach these three

Smith was Northville's shortstop this season and led the

He also has the single-season record at Northville for doubles

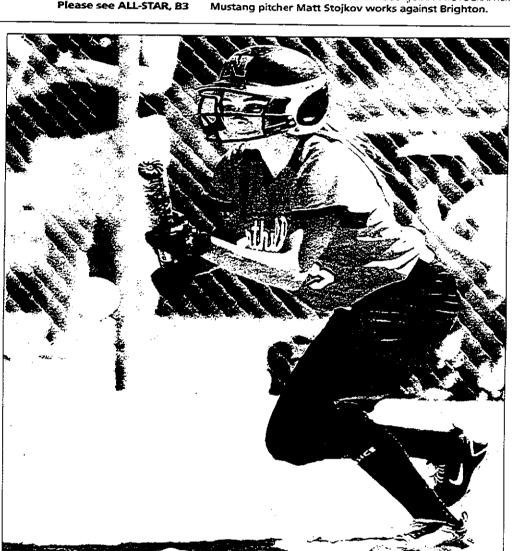
"He's a very good short-stop who committed only three errors all season - which is an amazing accomplishment," said Kostrzewa. "He really was our spark plug that got things

Gertley went 9-1 on the mound this year and led the Mustangs with a .438 batting average and a .534 on-base percentage. When he wasn't pitching, Gertley could be found playing centerfield for Northville.

"His combination of pitching, offense and defense made him a very unique and special player," said Kostrzewa. "Jeff is an incredible athlete."

Stojkov was 11-1 on the mound and allowed only five earned runs all season. He was Northville's No. 1 pitcher and threw against the toughest teams the squad faced all season - including three wins over a very tough Plymouth squad. What's more is that he batted clean-up for the squad and led the team with 40 RBIs this year.

"He was absolutely dominant on the mound this season," said



## Novi's Kozinski leads talented golf field

Novi junior golfer Brad Kozinski helped lead the Wildcats to a KLAA Division and Conference title as well as an Oakland County

Championship.
Kozinski had one of his best rounds of the year with a 73 at Oakland County for co-medalist. He averaged 75.7 for 18 holes and

"He is one of the best players in the area and has been for three years," said coach Brad Huss. "He is a true leader and a very personable young man with the ability to play at the college level. I rank him among the 10 best players I have coached and he is only a

"He also qualified for the Michigan Jr. Amateur by shooting a 74 at Pheasant Run."

**FIRST TEAM** 

Gavin Garris, South Lyon The junior was also a co-medalist with Kozinski at Oakland County. Garris also shot 73 at the Farming ton Invite and at the KLAA Conference Tournament for sixth over-

all. Garris qualified for regionals 38 for nine. and was voted the Team MVP for the second year in a row. He averaged 78 for 18 and 39 in nine-hole

Novi's Garret Buckley provided a strong 1-2 punch with Brad Kozinski for the Wildcats. Gavin is a hard-working player

who the other teams worry about because he is capable of having a really great round," said coach Charlie Green, Catholic Central

The junior helped the Shamrocks to a sixth-place finish at the State Finals with a 75 and 77 for a twoday total of 152. The Shamrock captain averaged 76.7 for 18 and

Andrew Sarokin, Northville The sophomore led the Mustangs in all but two of the team's 18-hole

"He was clearly our best play-er," said coach Jeff Balagna. "He played No. 1 for us in all our tournaments, and he was never phased by having to play against the best kids from other schools. I could always count on Andrew to put a good score. In addition, he is the hardest worker on the team, always working on his game in sea-

son and out of season. "He finished top 10 in tournaments twice, was All-Conference and was an individual regional qualifier."

Garret Buckley, Novi

The Novi sophomore provided a great 1-2 punch with Kozinski. He averaged 78 for 18 and 37 in ninehole matches. He was medalist at the KLAA Conference tournament with a 2-under-par 70 to earn All-Conference honors for the second consecutive year.

"He too is one of the best golfers in the area and his hard work and dedication to the game are second to none," said Huss. "He will play golf at the college level in three years. Hard to believe he is only a sophomore.

Jake Kneen, Lakeland The sophomore shot a season-low 69 at the Huron Valley Invitation-

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Novi's Brad Kozinski is the 2012 All-Area Golfer of the



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## Novi Elite runner-up in Brighton



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### Second at Frankenmuth

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MARTHA MICHALAI The 12U Northville Mustangs took second place in the Frankenmuth Baseball Classic on June 17. The Mustangs won their bracket to advance to the championship round, where they lost a close game (5-4) to the St. Clair Shores Mariners. Pictured (I to r, front) are Mitchell Smith, Jackson Stegmeyer, Ryan Perkins, bat boy Drew Rankin, Jonathan Michalak, and Ben Brady; (back) Coach Eric Stegmeyer, Ben Schmidt, Zachary Swain, Lucas Buccellato, Tyler Troyer, Shane Rankin, Carson Bayoff and Coach

### **Repeat Soccer Champions**



Northville Arsenal successfully defended their title this spring and won the 2012 Spring WSSL U11 Boys Division 1 Title for the second straight season. Pictured (bottom from left): Domenic Angelosanto, Evan Gresens, Jett Wolter, Nick Couyoumjian; middle row: Jackson Cooney, Anthony Montemayor, Jack Borchanian; back row: John Bebb (assistant coach), Sean Gibney, Matthew Martin, Joe Hardenbergh, Brendan Bebb and Greg Borchanian (head coach). Not pictured are Carter

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al for the Eagles. He averaged 78 for 18 holes.

Alex Kleckner, Lakeland Also a sophomore for the Eagles, Kleckner carded a 69 to win medalist honors at the KLAA Conference tourney at Lakelands CC. He also averaged 78 for 18 holes. The round of 69s by Kleckner and Kneen are new school records.

**SECOND TEAM** 

Matt Evasic, Northville The Mustang junior played at No. 2 and 3 throughout the year while averaging 81 for 18 and 38.5 for nine. Evasic finished fourth at the KLAA meet to earn All-Conference honors. He was the team

Matt Sherry, South Lyon East The Cougar junior averaged 38 for nine and 79 for 18. He earned All-Conference honors with a 75 at the KLAA Conference tourney. Sherry co-led the Oakland County Division II Tournament with a 74. Kyle Koehler

The Lion junior averaged 40 for nine and 80 for 18. He shot a 76 at the KLAA Conference tournament to earn All-Conference. Johnny Walker, Novi

The Novi senior averaged 39 in duals and 82 in tournaments. He shot a 74 at Pheasant run to earn All-Conference honors and shot a 76 at Oakland County. He helped the Wildcats win back-to-back con ference titles.

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ed baseball player that I have coached with a 6.5 (second) speed in the 60 and arm strength tat reaches anywhere from 87 to 90 miles per hour," said Novi coach Rick Green, who coached such notables as former All-Star Kevin Cislo (University of Michigan) and current Major League Baseball player Mitch Maier (Toledo). "Logan hit an inside-the-park home run at Novi and also hit a wood-bat home run this season."

Regnier also had six outfield assists this season, throwing out four runners at the player and two at third base. He hit .475 on the season with 31 runs batted in. seven home runs and 19 stolen bases.

Stojkov was 11-1 on the mound this year and gave up just five earned runs. His only loss was a 3-1 decision against Brighton in the regional game where he struck out 13 and gave up just four hits. He had 40 RBIs this season.

Besides Stojkov and Regnier, the West roster includes Tony Dileo (Rockford), Wes Vaughn (East Grand Rapids) Josh Snyder (Zeeland East). Cam Wysocki (Forest Hills Northern), Justin Alleman (Holt), Drew Bechtel (Beal City), Evan Hill (Mt. Pleasant), Josuah Knorr (Blissfield), Zach Leimbach (Walled Lake Central), Alex Rapanos (Midland), Derek Schneider (Portage Central), Brady VanderWeele (Parchment) and Christopher Williams (Shepherd).

The East will consist of Jake Balicki (Birmingham Groves), Ryan Bazner (Canton), Gabe Berman (Birmingham Hills Andover), Devon Bronson (Southgate Anderson), Daniel Clouse (L'Anse Creuse North), Chad Cook (Lutheran Northwest), Jacob Cronenworth (St. Clair), Alex Daar (University Liggett), Tommy Eng (Troy Athens), Dylin Eschenburg (Eisenhow er), Cameron Gibson (Grosse Pointe South), Anthony Gonzalez (Stoney Creek), Richard Guglielmi (Plymouth), Randy Kuzdak (Divine Child), Kevin Marnon (Sterling Heights Stevenson), Anthony Misiewicz (Anchor Bay), Brett Sunde (Bishop Foley) and A.J. Susick (Auburn Hills Avon-

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## Summer training is key to fall success Northville urges student-athletes to train in off-season

The Northville Mustangs girls cross country team just keeps getting better and better, but coach Nancy Smith isn't likely going to take all the credit.

In fact, Smith has long promoted the fact that her team focuses on making themselves better throughout the summer months. It's not uncommon to visit Cass Benton and see an entire group of Northville harriers running together.

'I expect, and hope, that all my athletes attend summer conditioning that we have beginning the first day of break," said Smith. "We offer this daily at 8 a.m. Also in there two times a week is strength conditioning, which is run by Total Performance this summer at the high school.'

Those same Mustangs aren't required to condition during the "dead week," which is mandated by the Michigan High School Athletics Association. Like many schools, Northville's dead period is the week of Fourth of July.

Off-season conditioning isn't just important for cross country runners, either. Football players are often found hitting the weights and working on their conditioning, too - a key factor in the successes the team has had the past two seasons under Matt Ladach.

"Our summer training program is critical for our success," said Ladach. "We train throughout the entire school year and we continued training through the

This summer finds the Mustangs doing more than just lifting dumbbells, however. The football team - which had 115 players out on Monday - is doing a "confidence course" three days a week. That consists of United States Marine Corps calisthenics in the high school parking lot, flipping tires (up to 570 pounds) and hitting tires with sledge hammers.

"I guarantee you that nobody else in our division is doing what we are, and I am optimistic that our efforts will separate us from our competition," Ladach

Times have definitely changed since the days when the coaches were high school athletes themselves. "It has changed a lot from when I first

Smith recalled. "I do not remember training much in the summer. Cross country is much more competitive now and if you come into the season out of shape and not ready, you never catch up to the athletes that have prepared them-

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Athletes who haven't started summer training can contact the coaches of the sports they hope to participate in for suggested summer programs, or contact the athletic department for training times

and coach contact information. "Don't get left in the back when the season starts by not prepping what you can do over the summer to make you a better and strong athlete," suggested

### 16-1-2 record



Following the varsity team on the road to their conference and association victories last week, the Northville Mustangs JV girls soccer team wrapped up their year with two outstanding offensive displays, besting Plymouth 7-1 and Hartland 4-0. These victories cap off a dominating and successful season for the team which finishes with a strong record of 16-1-2 and an impressive goals for/goals against statistic of 55-5. Highlights include two wins and a tie against cross-town rivals Novi, and a fine showing at the Saginaw Heritage Invitational held April 28 where the team recorded shutout wins against all three opponents Saline, Grand Blanc and DeWitt. Pictured (I to r, bottom) are Hailey Barba, Kailey Danaher, Katie Michowski; (middle) Lauren McBroom, Keily McHugh, Kyra Dahring, Erin Provagne, Morgan Gozdor, Sarah Castellano, Christina Minna, Karen Lovelace, Carly Kuehl; (top) row: Head Coach Lindsey Blair, Megan Cragel, Tara Pawloski, Anna Giacomini, Leah Taubitz, Gabby Mencotti, Jenna Baughman, Megan Thomas, Jenny Willerer, Alana Dorfstatter, Emily Holbrook and Assistant Lydia Blair. Not pictured is Suzie Reddick.

## Waza FC West 95 Black's run ends in regionals

By Chris Jackett

Waza FC West 95 Black's regional run following their under-17 boys State Cup championship was cut short on the first day last weekend in Saginaw with a 4-1 loss to Nebraska's Omaha FC 94/95 E1 early June 23.

Novi's Matt Wilson and his teammates fell behind 1-0 in the 18th minute and Omaha piled on three more goals in a six-minute span 59 minutes into the game before Waza got on the board with two minutes remaining. Omaha would cruise through pool play, outscoring three

opponents 12-4. However, Waza did well

two days, defeating Missouri's Raytown SC BGFC 94/95 in a 3-2 contest June 24 and then beat Minnesota's St. Croix Juventus 4-1

Novi grad Joey Ferriss (2011) has signed to play collegiate hockey at the

University of Connecticut.

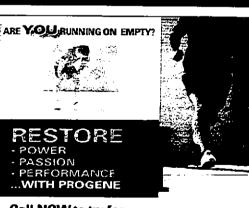
Waza outscored their opponents 8-7, with Kristian Rego (Bloomfield Hills Lahser) and Donald Payne (Farmington) scorman), Ronnie Basin (North Farmington), Alek Ivaevski (Westland John Glenn) and Dan Ovesea (Canton) scored one apiece.

Hockey The North American Hockey League's Michigan Warriors recently announced 2011 Novi grad Joey Ferriss had signed to play collegiate hockey at the University of Connect-The 19-year-old former

Wildcat led Novi to a state title in 2011 before helping lead the Warriors as the second leading scorer with 14 goals and  $2\overline{7}$  assists in games, plus two points n four playoff games. Ferriss will look to help Connecticut exceed their Atlantic Hockey Association quarterfinal finish from last season, when they finished 16-19-4 in the

Chris Jackett is a freelance writer and former Novi News











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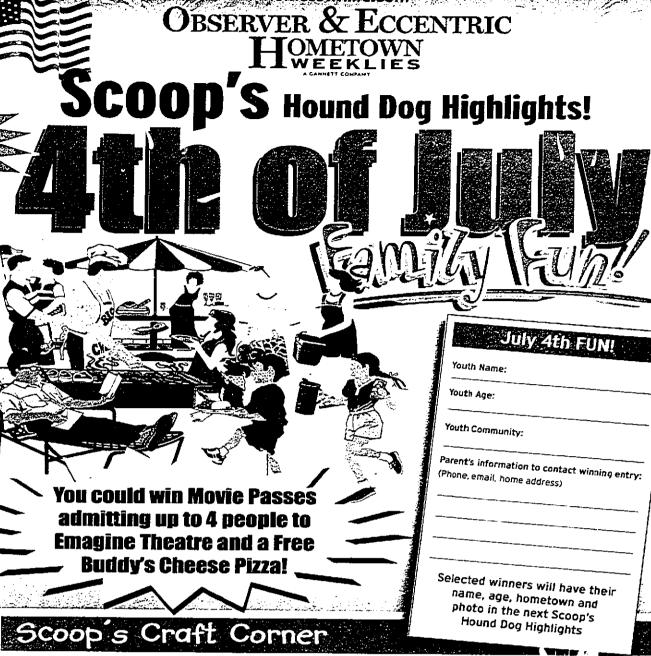
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3 - cardboard tissue rolls Craft glue

Scissors Paint - red - white - blue

Ribbon - red, white or blue or (combination) Yellow and Orange gift tissue wrapping Cardboard base - example -top of shoe box Decorative trimmings - stars, glitter, confetti (optional)

### Instructions

Cut the 3 tissue tubes into 3 differentt heights.

Paint one tube red, one white, and one blue. A Paint your cardboard base the color of your choice. Allow paint to dry When tubes and base are dry, glue bottom of each tube to the cardboard base. Allow the glue to dry.

Add ribbon and decorative trimming (i.e. stars, glitter, confetti). Use your creativity.

For the look of flames, tuck in yellow and orange tissue wrapping in each tube. Take the scissors and snip into stripes. Fluff and style tissue paper to create flame fullness.



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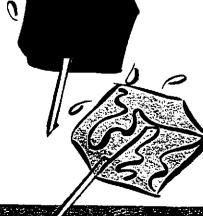
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and your favorite beverage. Just fill the ice cube tray with your selected beverage. Carefully wrap the plastic wrap around the filled ice cube tray. Now insert the toothpicks into the center of each ice cube compartment. Put this in the freezer for about I hour.





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ation of Southeastern Michigan (BIA) announced that on Tuesday, June 5, in New Hud son, the groundbreaking ceremony was held for the first home being constructed for the Made in America/Built in Michigan initiative. The home is being built by Rick Elkow of Elkow Homes, a building company based in Wixom, and member of the Building Industry Association of South eastern Michigan (BIA).

Several other BIA members are also involved in the program, including Todd Hallett, AIA, of TK Design & Architecture in Howell, who designed the home and DTE Energy's Builder-Developer Liaison, Robert Veresan, AIA, who is working toward making the home net-zero in terms of energy consumption and emissions. The group was joined by Lyon Township officials, including Supervisor Lannie Young and Treasurer Patty Carcone, along with other guests from within the residential construction industry. Community residents, from the Twin Pines neighborhood where this home will be built also joined the festivities.

Michael Stoskopf, BIA's CEO, and one of three originators of the program, remarked, "This groundbreaking marks a Back to the Future' moment as Rick and his team help bring new home construction back to its roots as a local and state-focused endeavor. By committing to try Association of SE Michigan use American-made materials and supplies - with a particular emphasis on Michigan made products - means that

tained here, thus strengthening our economy. Supervisor Young echoed these sentiments, adding, "This is a terrific day for BIA Elkow Homes and Lyon Town-

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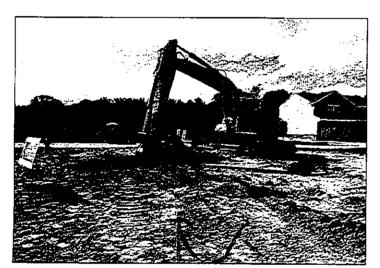
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Cutting the ribbon to launch the Made in America/Built in Michigan initiative in Howell are, Michael Stoskopf (left), CEO of BIA; Rick Elkow, Elkow Homes; Todd Hallett, AIA, TK Design & Architecture; Patricia Carcone, Lyon Township treasurer; and Lannie Young, Lyon Township supervisor.

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(BIA) and Apartment Association of Michigan (AAM) are trade associations representing nearly 600 builders, remodelers, multi-family property owners, developers and suppliers to the single family and multi-family residential construction industry. BIA is affil iated with the Michigan Association of Home Builders in Lansing and the National Association of Home Builders in Washington, D.C.



Builder Rick Elkow officially breaks ground to begin construction for

### **HOMES SOLD/REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS-WAYNE**

These are the area residential real estate closings recorded the week of March 20-23, 2012, at the Wayne County Register of Deeds office. Listed below are cities, addresses, and sales prices.

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48299 Greenwich Ln	\$222,000
44280 Harsdale Dr	\$150,000
47934 Pavillon Rd	\$327,000
47611 Royal Pointe Dr	\$285,000
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8303 Trafford Ct	\$85,000
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359 Ferndale Ave	\$2
463 Golf View Blvd	\$2
1936 Haynes St	\$3
724 Hidden Ravines Dr	\$3
1798 Pembroke Rd	\$1
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1759 Washington Blvd	\$2
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9 Washington Blvd	\$235,000	4709 Winewood Ln	\$168,
8 Webster St	\$475,000	FARMINGTON	
2 Yorkshire Rd	\$200,000	34225 Conroy Ct	\$180,
OMFIELD HILLS		23206 Hawthorne St	\$45,

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## avoids litigation By Robert Meisner

Q: I have a situation where we had valet parking services for some of to cut out the service. One of our residents, who is an African American over the age of 40, is threatening to sue the association alleging that the new parking system violates the Fair Housing Act by discriminating against him on the basis of race and age. What do you think we should do?

A: It is unlawful to discriminate against any buyer or renter because of race, age or disability as it violates to the Federal Fair Housing Act, among other statutes. It is also unlawful accommodations in rules, policies, practices or services when such



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accommodation s necessary for disability to ave an equal pportunity to enjoy a When, however, the parking or other

regulations apply equally to all residents the decision to rescind valet parking services affects African American residents exactly the same way in which it affects Caucasian residents, it is proper, and a federal court recently made such a ruling. Nor would depriving residents of valet parking lead to segregated housing or place a burden on African Americans seeking fair housing, However, some sort of accommodation may have to be made if the person is disabled, but you should check with your community association attorney with respect to that matter.

#### Q: Does the board have a right to reject the resignation of a board

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member? A: I do not think that for the resignation to be effective it is dependent upon the board accepting it unless there is such a provision in the bylaws. Once the director resigns, it is effective at the time of the resignation, if it is done in accordance with the requirements of the association bylaws to the extent that there is any procedure for same. Of course this depends on the specific state statute and governing documents. For example, Robert's Rules 11th Edition requires acceptance of someone asking to be excused from a duty or position. In fact. there is language that the duties of the office must not be abandoned until the resignation has been accepted and becomes effective. However, most new nonprofit statutes provide that a resignation is effective upon communication to the board president or other officers It is the communication of resignation that fulfills the requirement. Again, you should discuss this matter with your legal counsel.

Robert M. Meisner is a lawyer and author of Condominium Operation: Getting Started & Staying on the Right Track, second edition, available for \$9.95 plus \$1 shipping/handling. He also wrote Condo Living: A Survival Guide to Buying, Owning and Selling Condominium, available for \$24.95 plus \$5 shipping/ handling. Call (248) 644-4433 or visit bmeisner@meisner-law.com. This column shouldn't be

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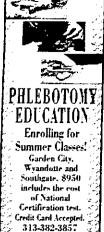
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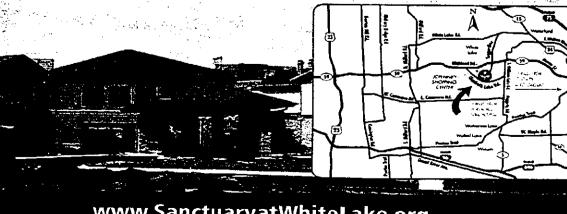
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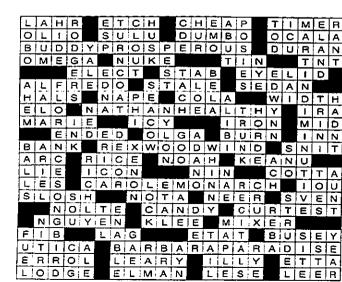
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