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wants to know what you're planning to do on Make A Difference Day. Email your project information to cstone@hometownlife.

Still missing, no clues

Search continues for Patrick Keough

By Lonnie Huhman Staff Writer

A missing person search continued last Sunday for 39-year-old Patrick Keough as the Novi Police Department and 41 citizen volunteers looked for any clues in the areas near Keough's work place on Cabot

Novi's Community **Emergency Response** Team (CERT) and police officers searched the area between 12 Mile and

HAVE YOU SEEN THIS MAN?

Patrick Keough is described as a white man with a medium build, 5-foot-10 and 220 pounds with green eyes and graying black hair. Anyone with information on hiss whereabouts is asked to contact the Novi police at (248) 348-7100.

14 Mile roads, and from M-5 to Halsted Road, said Novi Police Detective Sgt. Matt Conquest.

But no results or clues turned up in the search. This is an ongoing case

and we are hoping to find him and bring closure to his family," Conquest said of the missing person case that dates back to June 14 when Keough went missing from his



office at Farmers Insurance. Conquest said the department has kept

an eve on everything that may lead them to Keough's whereabouts from his financial accounts to giving border

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Brookfarm Park project should be done by winter

Pathway connector a high priority

By Lonnie Huhman

It will cost \$246,000, but the makeover work under way at Novi's Brookfarm Park should include stabilized stream banks and a new pathway by the time winter comes.

The park is located at Willowbrook Drive near Village Oaks Elementary School, and there are several components to the project, according to Jason Mangum, Novi's Parks, Recreational and Cultural Services direc-

tor.
The improvements being made in and adjacent to Brookfarm include stream bank stabilization at multiple locations along lngersol Creek, additional stabilization at the confluence of Ingersol and Bishop creeks, along with a pathway placed along the creek and neighborhood connector to the Village Oaks school.

"The plan is to widen the stream to prevent further bank erosion," Mangum said. "There will be some trees removed, but these will be replaced. The added benefit to this project will be the path along the stream and connector to the school. It should be done in the next month or so and will revitalize this park."

Mangum said the pathway connector is a high priority in Novi's Non-Motorized Plan.

This path segment will extend from the south end of Ripple Creek Road to the existing foot bridge over Ingersol Creek and connect to the existing path on school property. It will be an eight-foot wide path located along the western edge of the maintained portion of the park, and will pro-vide a valuable pedestri-an connection between the school and residential neighborhoods to the north. The estimated construction cost for the connector is \$38.700 and the path within the park is \$24,000.



Brookfarm Park neighbors Carolyn and Tom Freebury walk in the shaded recreational property that borders their Village Oaks subdivision home. The City of Novi is installing a walking path at the park, removing some trees and stabililizing the creek that runs through Brookfarm.

The stream bank stabilization project has contractors removing some of the bank's soil to create a benched stream bank as a measure to better stabilize the eroded stream bank, according to Brian Coburn. Novi's engineering manager.

This method of stream bank stabilization results in a large quantity of excess soil, so Coburn said the excess soil will be placed within the park

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Trio vies for two Novi school board seats

By Cal Stone Staff Writer

Only two seats are open, but the ballot will show three names running for Novi's Board of Education - Tracey Cadwell, Brad Leidal and incumbent Dennis O'Connor.

Voters will decide the six-vear terms in the Nov. 6 general election, and the terms will start in January.

Cadwell is a graduate of Michigan State University with a B.A. in business administration and is currently pursuing a master's in school counseling from Siena Heights Uni-

She has lived in Novi for seven years and has two sons. Her community involvement includes Glen Haven Condominium Association Board member, member of PAASN (Parents of African American Students in Novi), and member of the American School Counselor Association.

"I have worked in the educational field since 1999," said Cadwell. "I have been an educator and currently work in an administrative position as an admissions coordinator for a charter school."

Cadwell said she's running for the board because she's a parent and educator who is concerned about our students and school district.

"I also desire to work with a school board that focuses on ensur-

Q&AS INSIDE

See the three candidates answers to the Novi News questionnaire inside this edition, and read our endorsements in next week's issue.

ing an exceptional curriculum program for all students within the district that will positively impact the success of students in their postsecondary educational career.'

Cadwell has been in the educational profession for 12 years and serves on two charter school boards as a recording secretary.

"I believe that I am knowledgeable about the educational process and the role of a school district's

Board of Education, and would be a valuable asset to this district."

Brad Leidal

Leidal and his wife of 13 years moved to Novi seven years ago because of the quality of the education system available to their two young sons.

He says he's passionate about

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Family film

Novi man, Northville High grad wears many hats in production

"Papou" is Greek for the name of Michael Angelo Zervos' upcom-

Žervos, 24, is a Northville High School graduate who lives in Novi on the Northville line "It is a film about a very imaginative young

boy and his relationship with his grandfather," said Zervos, co-producer, writer and director of "Papou" through his Mother and Midwife The story has autobio-

graphical elements. "It

is a family film. We're pitching it as a family of comedy. Demetri is the young boy, around 9, and his

grandpa, Archie, is diagnosed with cancer at the film's start. "I'm only one of those people that likes to be behind the camera." said Zervos. He's excit-

inated actor Basile being cast. Filmmakers are in talks with others in Hollywood who are talented and will draw people to the film with their acting skills.

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Michael Zervous says

the budget for his film "Papou" is under \$200,000. He and the others will have 60 days to raise \$50,000 in film making donations on www.kickstarter.com to help fund his movie. "Papou". That site is popular with filmmakers and other artists who have projects, he said. If they don't hit that total, they collect nothing. tion is online at www

"They are recognizable names "Zervos said Zervos' back vard is in Northville, the front in Novi. He studied at

motherandmidwife

com or on its Facebook

pages, where updates

Grand Valley State University, graduating in 2012 with a B.B.A. and an additional major in film and video produc-His interest was piqued with a broad-

casting class in high nterviewed World War II veterans on D-Day. He continued news



Michael Angelo Zervos is co-producer, writer and director of "Papou" through his Mother and Midwife Pictures.

broadcasting in high University of Michigan one year before transferring to GVSU.

"I knew generally how to tell a story,' said Zervos, who then acquired specific skills. He worked for both Anonymous Content and Cimarron Group in Los Angeles, with work ranging from marketing, advertising to reading scripts. He's glad to be back

home in Michigan. "I love this state, I absolutely love it. I wanted to make a movie. I saw a better oppor-Recent state film incentive talk led to a

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exodus of filmmakers. he said, but he finds the economic environment still solid

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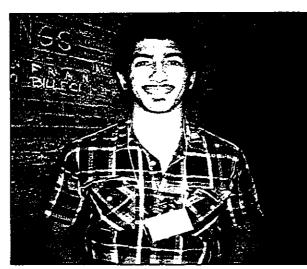
"I think that it's going

people to come back," Zervos said. He has a co-producer and a composer for the all-original score. There's a postproduction house, Kinetic

Post, out of Southfield

where the film will be

edited. Filmmakers are beginning casting, and he calls the cast "fairly large." There are 40 people or so in addition to the two leads. Background and extras



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Michael Angelo Zervos of Novi is a Northville High School and Grand Valley State University graduate.

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Construction at Maple Manor of Novi coming along on schedule

Rehabilitation facility expected to open early next year

By Lonnie Huhman

Early next year, construction should be finished of the future home for the Maple Manor Rehab Center of Novi at 14 Mile and Novi roads.

According to Marcus Evangelista, Maple Manor's chief financial officer the facility will be an 85-bed nursing facility with 57,000 square feet. It's a family owned and operated location that will provide complete continuum of care for senior citizens.

Maple Manor will be offering skilled nursing, rehab, therapy services, long term care, assisted living, home health care, hospice care and respite care. Over 100 new employees are expected to be hired, including nurses, nursing assistants and cooks.

Evangelista said the new assisted-living facility will have first-class amenities. The success of Maple Manor in

Wayne prompted the Evangelista family to expand its operations to Novi.

The Wayne facility has earned a

5 Star Rating by Medicare Perfect State Survey for no citations and was listed as a Michigan Top Facility by the Detroit Free Press as well as one of America's Best Nursing Homes by US News & World Report. It's a 100bed nursing facility with 70,000 squar

Charles Boulard, Community Devel opment director for the City of Novi, said this facilty will be a great addition to the community.

"It's planned to be a high-quality facility," Boulard said. "There is a need for , so it's good to have more options like this for our aging population." He said the jobs it will create make it an even more appealing development

PROJECT

and graded to help eliminate some low areas that are causing ponding within Brookfarm Park. The trees cut down

Novi's Public Services Director Rob Haves said there has been a lot of ero-

sion along the stream.
"The goal is to stabilize the banks as much we can," Haves said. One result of the erosion along the

banks was sediment had been going down stream and settling into Meadowbrook Lake, Coburn said. This was addressed by dredging the lake.

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Detroit Catholic Central High School opened its doors in 1928, with the school name the Shamrocks due to so many Irish immigrant families enrolling their sons.

"So it's been awhile," said the Rev. John Huber, principal at the now Novi-Detroit Catholic Central High School. After leaving Detroit, the school was located on Breakfast Drive in Redford before moving to

CC students, faculty and staff recently shared a proud moment upon learning the high school was ranked among the Top 50 U.S. Catholic high schools. That includes coeducational and girls' schools as well, Huber

"Above all, the kids work very hard," said Huber, also praising the faculty and staff.

Novi resident Matthew Confer. 17. is a CC senior accepted to the University of Alabama for a dual major in chemical engineering/chemistry. The son of Lisa and Scott. Confer came up through the Novi public school system before CC.

"I love it," Confer said of CC. "It is by far the best choice I've made in

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Detroit Catholic Central students change classrooms during a break on Tuesday, Sept. 25.



Detroit Catholic Central algebra teacher Allison Hodgins left, teaches a Sept. 25 class at the Novi campus.

biggest impact on my

tling team, plays tuba in the band, and is in the Monogram Club which

4.67 grade point average. He manages the wres-"Get involved," is his advice to new students. 'That has to be by far the biggest thing I was told.

events. Confer carries a



Detroit Catholic Central freshman Josh Stein, right, and the students of Allison Hodgins' algebra class, prepare to wrap up a Tuesday morning session at their Novi campus. Catholic Central was recently names one of the nation's top 50 Catholic schools by the Cardinal lewman Society. The school currently hosts a dozen National Merit Semifinalists.

person. Huber noted the top Catholic high school status previously came through the Acton Institute out of Grand Rapids, Mich., and was transferred to the Cardinal Newman Society, which recognizes top Catholic

colleges and high schools

The society looks at academics, including test scores, curriculum and Advanced Placement classes. Civic education in history and economics is also included, with a focus on the church's social teaching. Theology is part of the process,

TOP SCHOLARS

CC's National Merit Commended students are: Paul Hamilton, Adam Herrmann, David Houle, Daniel Jessop, Mark Karabajakian, Nicholas Lanzetta, David Lilley, Michael Mott, Dominic Russel, and Matthew Barnauskas. The National Merit Semifinalists are: Evan Chavis, Tanner Cipriano, Matthew Confer, Jonathan Conley, Evan CreelGould, Christian Kuzdak, Matthew Solarz, Brandon Roach, Alex Loveland, Daniel Vargovick, Mitchell Vitez, and Logan Whitehead.

including praver life, presence of priests, student community involve ment, and access to such sacraments as Commu-

The Cardinal Newman Society recognition is given every two years, and CC will apply again then.

CC thrives in athletics and academics while facing challenges head on

Catholic Central has been though challenging times in recent years, including the plane crash deaths of a hockey team that included the late Brad McCrimmon, dad to a CC student.

Then we had to deal with the Cipriano tragedy as well," Huber said of the family in which the father died and mother and son Sal. a CC student, were beaten, with court charges against a son and a second young man.

said of Sal. "I attribute that to the kids and their fervent prayer for them (the

CC has 1,070 young men enrolled as students, the largest Catholic high school in the state. There are still plenty of Irish but not like the early days. 'We're much more diverse now," said Huber, noting the Arab presence in Dearborn and at CC, which has five

Muslim students. Most of the Arabbackground students are Catholic, he More than sports

The school has great sports teams, but Huber also likes to praise the academics. "It's disappointing we don't get the same kind of media attention" for academics, he said. The school emphasizes Christian/Catholic character first, followed by academics and then sports and

The CC Quiz Bowl wins state championships, he said, and went to nationals this past year. "The academic team is working hard all year long. They're very, very dedicated, those kids."

Huber said he has difficulty answering some of the Quiz Bowl questions, and he holds a doctorate. CC has acquired land next door, so

expansion is a possibility. Educators are discussing moving entirely to tablets for learning, with Huber noting some 90-pound freshmen are now outweighed by their backpack books. "Technology is really changing our lives," said Huber, principal since July

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Leidal seeks 1 of 2 open school seats

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My decisions as a Novi Board of Education trustee will be guided by how the decisions will affect opportunities for student growth and the district's commitment that all students will achieve at a high level. While our decisions must be financially prudent, we cannot lose sight of our commitment to provide every student with one year's academic growth in one year's time. Keeping class sizes small, especially at the elementary level is a key component of this commitment. I will work with all stakeholders in the district and maintain a constant dialog to keep our promise that all students will achieve at a high level. As a board

class education 2. Is the school district headed in the right direction

Yes, the district is headed in the right direction. The district's stated goals are an illustration. Working to ensure that each less than one year's growth in one year's

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commendable goal. First, the budget goals. There must be analyzed to must be input make sure operations from all are being run as lean as possible without detracting from the the district to accomplish these district's commitment objectives. By to ensure all students will achieve at a achieving this input. all stakeholders can high level. Objective feel ownership in the evaluation of programs student achievement can determine if there goals and focus efforts are redundancies and to have all students if the programs are academically proficient offering the necessary when they graduate opportunities for student success. Because a significant

from the district. The district has made a good decision when budget is committed it addressed the current financial crisis to wages and fringe in the stated goals. benefits, the district needs to work with By committing to maintain a minimum the superintendant's fund balance of 10 administration and all stakeholders to percent they showed that they are fiscally responsible and willing positive fund balance to fulfill their fiduciary over a long period duty to the district. of time to ensure the The district's ability district maintains the commitment to fiscal to accomplish this goal in the 2011-12 discipline and academic fiscal year shows their excellence. determination to make these stated goals reality.

to see implemented in the 3. With decreased revenues, I believe the district how do you see the district balancing the budget as expenses increase?

is experiencing unprecedented financial challenges and yet has been able to maintain a 10-percent fund balance. Moving forward it is going to be increasingly difficult to meet this stated

The district

answer questions, A10-11

it maintains this pace. The importance of maintaining Novi's fund balance is to protect the district from having to borrow and as a hedge against the constant uncertainty in funding from the State of Michigan, which is our primary revenue stream. Having this cushion helps to protect against potentially drastic cuts. The adoption of balanced budgets does not mean a loss of opportunities for students. By using cost-benefit amount of the district's analysis, current and new opportunities for student growth can be evaluated. We cannot lose sight that our main objective is to provide all Novi students with maintain a stable and the essential tools necessary for them to achieve at a high level

4. What new programs or policies, if any, would you like

needs to move towards the implementation of balanced budgets. The district is currently deficit spending and maintaining the stated goal of a minimum 10-percent fund balance will not be feasible as long as the deficit spending continues. The current spending levels are

unsustainable and the district will be broke if

5. What are the three biggest issues you'd like to address as a school board member?

1 -- Assuring that each student in the Novi Community School District receives one year's academic growth in one year's time All Novi students. regardless of their placement on the academic spectrum, need to have the resources in place to challenge them and allow them to succeed academically. 2 -- In order to do that, the board needs

to establish the proper

metrics in order to measure whether or not Novi students are achieving at a high level. Metrics need to be put into place that measure yearly growth in all subjects 3 -- The board must exercise financial responsibility in the operation of the

district. We need to do more with less as the district continues to move through these unprecedented financial times. However, it is imperative that future budgets maintain the small class size that has been one of the factors in our students' academic growth and success.

6. Why, specifically, should you be elected to one of the available seats on the school My wife and I moved

to Novi specifically because of the quality of education provided by the Novi Community School District, It is my goal to not only continue the district's commitmen to.excellence but to help propel it to even greater heights. I am the father of two children currently enrolled in the Novi Community School District, a sevenyear Novi resident and homeowner, and a business owner for the last 12 years. As a member of the board of directors of several

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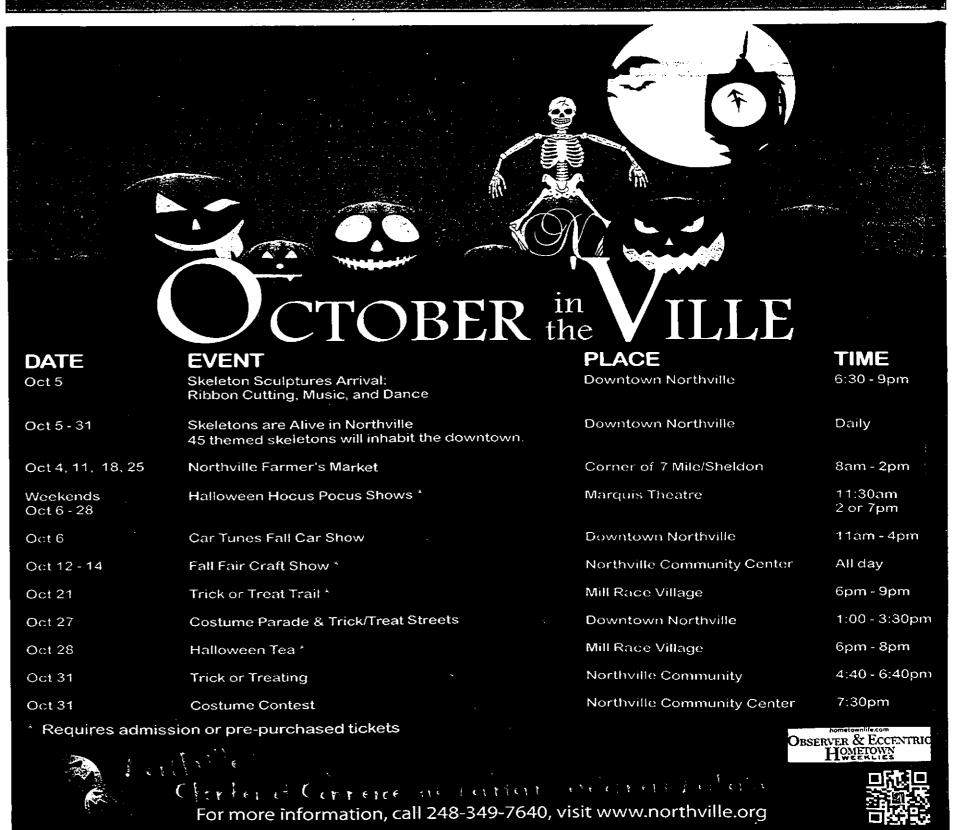
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Profession: co-owner of a commercial masonry construction company based in southeastern Michigan Education: bachelor of

arts in political science, University of Michigan Dearborn: master of science, management, Walsh College Family: married to Janet for 13 years; two sons (both in the Novi school district; one in third grade and one entering kindergarten

organizational groups, I have worked with a wide number of stakeholders to bridge gaps and keep efforts on-task and on-focus. My work within these groups has given me considerable experience in consensus building within small groups during these challenging financial times. I have worked to create win-win scenarios with all organizational stakeholders while maintaining the organization's fiscal integrity. It is my background in business and experience in organizational leadership combined with my passion to ensure the students of Novi receive the best education possible that makes me an ideal fit for trustee of the Novi Board of Education.





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VIOHN HEIDER LISTZEL PHOTOGRAPHER Heleere Shaheen, left, get some guidance from Virginia Porter in using a RAM longarm quilter machine during the Sept. 28 American Sewing Show at Novi's Suburban Callection Showplace. The three day show. ending on the 30th, features all sorts of practiones and materials for sewers, quilters, er d'embroiderers.



Linda Schluchter works on a "make and take" felt project at the Sept. 28 American Sewing Show in Novi. Many vendors there had goods that visitors could purchase, create and then take with them that day



SUZANNE L.

Age 64, resident of Northville, passed away on Wed., September 19, 2012 at home in Hilliard, Ohio. Born June 9, 1949 in

Ohio. Born June 9, 1949 in Cleveland, OH, she was survived by her daughter. Tara Smith, and siblings Valerie and David Raita. Beloved mother and friend, she approached life with a sense of humor and adventure. She enjoyed the outdoors and spending time with friends on the lakes. A great artistic talent, she found joy giving her art and crafts away to loved ones throughout the years. Special thanks to the angels at the Northville Eagles club, you've carned your wings.

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and Anthony D'Annibale; 6 great-grandchildren, Lauren and

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MILEMAN. SARAHIJOANN 91, formerly of Allentwon died September 22, 2012 in Cedarg 23, of New Hudson, pussed by Sept. 30, 2012. She was 22, 1988 to Le north and Catherine (Kosmid) Allegent. She was a proud gradude from the Coffege of Creative Studies to Photography, Sarah was very active in the Solid June 19, 1921 in Allentown daughter of the late Richard and Lunesca Biagione Orcurto. She worked for Sears in Allen-Rock Charch of Plymouth, She lessed people and animals. She will always be remembered for bet radiant stude. She loved life She worked for Sears in Allentown in various positions retiring from the auditing department in 1987. Eda was a former member Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Church, Allentown. Eda was a 1939 graduate of Allentown High School. Survivors: 2 daughters; Veronica D'Annibale, School Statistica Callenting Catholic Church. was cere creative. Sarah is ence this her parents: Ken and hern. Gleman; her siblings: anner her loving beyfriend in Bain her maternal grandta-Rosnakt paternal Horenee Alleman nurdinomas Horence a many annity imples and cousins Suc was preceded in death by her mandmother Joann grandfather Donald and step-grandmother Fulton A memorial Fulton A memoralism with his held on Oct. 3, 200 - 9:00 Wednesday, from 3:00 ne and Thursday, Oct. 4 from 10:00 - 11.36 acm. A memorial service will be held Thursday. uneral Home, 122 West Lake

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Of Hale, Michigan formerly of South Lyon, passed away peace-McCLURE, JOHN E. fully after a lengthy illness on September 25, 2012 at 87 years of age. Beloved wife of the late of Northville, passed tieorge M. Evans. Mother Cheryl (Lawrence) Liedel was born on October 15, 1929, Grandmother of Lori, on of John and Bertha b. Jason, Jessica and Lucas, o survived by 15 great grand-VanVelzori McCline, John was united in mariage to the love of his life Patricia on October 15. children and one great-great grandson. Sister of Thomas and Richard Kremhelmer. Preceded in death by her parents, Anthony and Helen Kremhelmer and 1955, they were married for ears until her death in 2011. He was a track striver with UPS for 40 years. After returing in 1982. sablings. Bethany, Arthur and Robert. Cremation has taken place and a graveside memorial John emescal taking care of he yard, playing with his dogs, and traveling in his muter home ervice will be held at a later Among his favorite places to vis-More Yellow Stone National strugested to Hospice Angelic. Arrangements handled by the Hale Chapel of the Buresh Fu-Park, the Crand Choyon, Florida, and Tennerse devoted to be ! eral Home. enring and leeding husband and the DEST dad and grandpa. He is and loone histand and those wishing to express words . Indiren. Deleor of sympathy may do so at www.bureshfuneralhomes.com uh (Carl) Mock, Maureen (Petci) Amazeit, and John (Lindsay) McClure, and his grandchildren, Philip, Katalon, Lopin, and Colum He was preceded in death by his promisentd his write. A funeral service was held first Monday October 1, 2012

GAMACHE, Howard A. Age 88, passed away Sept. 26, 2012. Funeral was Sept. 29 at St Clare of Assisi Parish, Farm conton Hills, phillipsfuneral.com

KAVANAGH, Patricia Blanton Dec. 2, 1921 - Sept. 27, 2012 Online condolences obnensullivanfuneralhome.com

GURSKY, ROBERT V.

GURSKY, ROBERT V.

Age 92, passed away on
Sept. 11, 2012. He was
born in Pittsburgh, PA.,
on November 19, 1919.
He is survived by his beloved
wife of 67 years, Betty A.
Gursky and son, Robert F.
Gursky, His daughter, Patricia A.
Gursky, preceded him in death,
He has two grandchildren, Jeffrey T. Gursky (Becky) and Tara
K. Richardson (Jon). He has five
great grandchildren, Jacob, Kyle,
Leah, Carter and Katelyn. He
was a Pearle Harbor survivor,
having served in the Navy on the having served in the Navy on the USS Nevada. He received the Purple Heart at Pearle Harbor. He was a member of the V.F.W., He was a member of the V.F.W., American Legion and Disabled American Veterans. He was re-tired from General Motors, where he was a Tool and Die Maker. Mr. Gursky was laid to rest at Our Lady of Hope in Brownstown Township.

SCHEEL, DONALD "DON"

Of Phoenix, Arizona. Age 86, passed away September 27, 2012. He was the beloved hushand of Elizabeth "Bettv" Scheel, who preceded him in death in 1998. Don was a lifelong resident of South Lyon until moved to Arizona in 2002. Loving father of Phil (Susan) Scheel of Phoenix, AZ, Randy (Diane) Scheel of Phoenix, AZ, and Cindy (Richard) Feltner of Wixom, MI. He was the brother of Marjorie Peevey of Thousand Oaks, CA, who survives, Six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren also survive Donald. A memorial service will be held at Immanuel Lutheran Church in South Lyon on Friday, October 27, at 11:00 a.m., followed by a luncheon served by nucl Ladies Aid Me morial contributions may be made to Emmaus Lutheran Church, 3841 W. Sweetwater

Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85029. SHEPPARD, DOUGLAS DALE

66, of Chino Valley, AZ passed away suddenly on September 19, 2012.
Growing up in South Lyon, MI, he graduated in 1963. Received his Bachelors degree from Cleary College, and served his country in the Vietnam War. He was preceded in death whis He was preceded in death by his parents Calvin F. Sr. and Gladys B. Sheppard, and two nephews. Douglas is survived by his siblings Calvin F. Jr. (Janice) of Grand Junction, CO. Richard (Carolyn) of Rapid City, MI, Ju-dith Prince of Sarasota, FL, Paul Sheppard of Chino Valley, AZ, and Laura Lewis of Northville, MI, 18 nicces and nephews, 30 grand nicces and nephews.

WEBER, Barbara Jean Age 77, passed away Sept. 30, 2012. Call Phillips Funeral Home for services 248-437-1616 or www. phillipsfuneral.com.

May **peace** be with you in this time of sorrow.



Novi's CERT team preparing to enter a wooded area at Cabot and MacKenzie in Sunday's search for Patrick Ke-

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Conquest said the case

remains open and there is no known criminal activity connected. It remains a mystery as to how he went missing. Keough reportedly left his personal belongings on his office desk. including his cell phone. wallet and paperwork. He had been driven to work that day and there is no indication that he was picked up by anyone. Conquest did say. however, that a note was left behind that raised concerns about Keough's

well-being. "We remain optimistic and have maintained contact with the family

throughout," he said. Keough, a resident of Howell, has a wife and four children. Conquest said the family is at a loss on where he is and what happened. "It's their hope he is

found soon," Conquest Conquest said another search will take place in the same areas once the leaves fall and it's easier

to see by helicopter into

the trees. "Our goal is to find him alive, but we must look at all possibilities as this continues," Conquest said.

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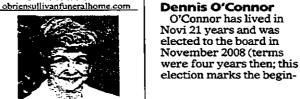
ensuring the students of Novi receive the best possible education and meet or exceed the Board of Education's current goal that each student will achieve one year's growth in one year's time.

"The district is going through unprecedented times, financially, despite these challenges, we still have to meet our stakeholder's expectations by providing a quality education for our students, while maintaining our community's high property values," said Leidal.

Leidal feels his background as a business owner gives him the experience to work through this financial crisis."

He earned a B.A. in political science from the University of Michigan-Dearborn and a master's in management from Walsh College. He's coowner of a commercial masonry construction company based in southeastern Michigan, Leidal's community involvement includes coaching in the Novi Youth Baseball League, Novi Parks and Recreation and the Northville Baseball/Softball

Association. **Dennis O'Connor** O'Connor has lived in



IVA LORRAINE Age 89. of Zephyrhills, Florida, passed away Monday, September 24, 2012 at Masonic Pathways in Alma. She was born October Alma, Sne was born October 9, 1922 in Marshall, Michigan the daughter of John and Gladys (Spears) Kimmel. She married Herschel Krebs, who preceded her in death in 1961 and later married Harry F. Wetzel, who preceded her in death in 1984. preceded her in death in 1984 Lorraine worked as a reception-ist for Numatics in Milford for over 10 years, retiring in 1983. She enjoyed playing cards. Lor-raine is survived by three chil-dren, Gary (Mary) Krebs of Mil-ford, Connie Wetzel of Holt and Cynthia (Byron) Russell of Ma son; three grandchildren Tracy Sinclair of Chicago and Brian (Leah) Wetzel of Lansing and their children, Braidan and Loui wetzel, and Lisa Marie Murphy of Canton, Ml. Also a special friend, Jerry Kempher of Crystal.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her first husband, Herschel Krebs, second husband, Harry F. Wetzel, a brother, Allen Kimmel and a sister. Valda Kimmel and a sister, Valda

and no services are planned at this time. Arrangements were en-trusted to Lux-Moody-Wolfel Funeral Home, Alma, To view Lorraine's obituary online or leave a condolence for the family, please visit www.luxfuneralhomes.com

Desy, Cremation has taken place

ning of six-year terms). He left the state in 1993 but came back five years later to a community where he says "education al excellence is a top pri-

Both his daughters graduated from Novi, and he's been married 30 years. O'Connor has two

degrees - a bachelor's in journalism and a master's in marketing and management - as well as a secondary teaching certifi-

He said he enjoys public service and has a passion for education. "I want to make sure

that our tax dollars are spent properly - focused on providing the best edu cation possible for our children," he said.

At one time, O'Connor was an editor for the West Bloomfield Eccentric, but he opened his own consulting agency 12 years ago. He develops training, marketing and promotional campaigns and programs for local and

"I'm a fiscal conserva tive who wants to make certain that our tax dollars are allocated into the classroom.

O'Connor said Novi has great schools but limited resources, and the district needs to "constantly evaluate programs to make sure they are providing maximum studen achievement and results for all Novi students."

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In the spirit of Halloween, Peggy Kerwan has 15 whimsically haunting paintings hanging at Picasso's Cafe (Grand River, Novi) for October. The newly decorated restaurant's harvest-color walls and surround chalkboard menu include a welcome greeting at the front door with the featured artist's signature

Nevrus Nazarko appointed as Novi's finance director/treasurer

The City of Novi announced the appointment of Nevrus Nazarko, CPA, as finance director/ treasurer.

Nazarko, the current

director of finance/controller for the City of Hamtramck, will oversee finance and treasury operations including property tax billing and collection, investment management, budgeting, accounting, financial reporting, grant monitoring, payroll auditing, accounts payable. and purchasing. He will also oversee the development of a multi-year bud-

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Nazarko

ing, as well as serving on the labor negotiation team. Nazarko will officially begin his duties with the

"I am excited to come to Novi, one of the best communities in the Michigan, to live and work", said Nazarko. "Novi has been in the forefront for many years through careful planning and foresight and I look forward working with a team of people who are

get, comal financial report and all other finan-

City of Novi in mid-Octo-

committed to the success of the city." Nazarko currently leads Hamtramck's Finance

ing, payroll functions, and property tax functions. He oversees the indepen dent annual audit and prepares the annual budget. He is a part of the city's labor negotiation team and

successfully implemented a new financial management system. For several months in 2012, Nazarko also served as the acting city manager for Hamtramck, responsible for all day-to-day operations. Prior to his tenure in Hamtramck, Nazarko served as the income tax direc-

for KPMG in Detroit and founded his own account-

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ing firm. Nazarko is a graduate of Wayne State University with a master Department in all accountof business administration and a bachelor of business administration in accounting. He is a certified public accountant. Szczypka to be Novi's Kenneth G. Szc-

zvoka will be recognized as a 2012 Michigan Association of Certified Public Accountants award recipient in the field of Personal Financial Planning at the MACPA's annual awards dinner Monday, Oct. 1 at tor. He has also served as a the Townsend Hotel in Birsenior federal tax specialist

Novi physician appointed

Novi physician and resident Mohammed Arsiwala, MD has been appointed by Gov. Rick Synder to the Controlled Substance Advisory Commission. The commission was established in 1988 to monitor indicators of controlled substance abuse and recommends actions to address identified problems. The commission consists of 13 voting members and seven ex officio members.

Arsiwala represents the Board of Medicine and will serve a one-year term. Arsiwala was appointed to the state's Board of Medicine in January and also serves on the board of directors for the Michigan

State Medical Society.

president and Medi cal Director of Michigan Urgent Care, a

Arsiwala

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Special appearances include celebrity chef Jyll Everman, runner up on Food Network's show "Food Network Star" and owner of Jyllicious Bites, a catering company devoted to gourmet finger foods. Everman will give demonstrations on fun tailgating finger foods and delicious holiday appetizers. At the show, enter to win valuable

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sion. The Novi Home Remodeling Show ticket will also get you into MARVAC's Fall Detroit Camper & RV Show in adja-

DETAILS

Event: Novi Home Remodeling Show Location: Suburban Collection Showplace (Grand River Avenue between Taft and Beck Times/Dates: 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday-Saturday, Oct. 4-6; 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday,

Cost: \$8 for ages 13 and older; free for younger; \$7 for ages 55 and older. Purchase \$2-off advance tickets at select Metro-Detroit Home Depot stores; visit www.novihome-

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Check out Camper & RV Show Oct. 3-7 at Suburban Collection

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tion Showplace in Novi (on Grand River between Taft and Beck roads) When: Oct. 3-7 Hours: 2-9 p.m. weekdays; 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday; 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday Cost: \$8 (ages 13 and free for children 12 and younger. A special \$1 off coupon is available at www.marvac org, Huron-Clinton Metroparks, Big Boy restaurants and in area newspapers. Purchase \$2-off advance tickets at select Metro-Detroit Home Depot stores; visit www.marvac.org/marvac-rv-shows.html for a list of participating

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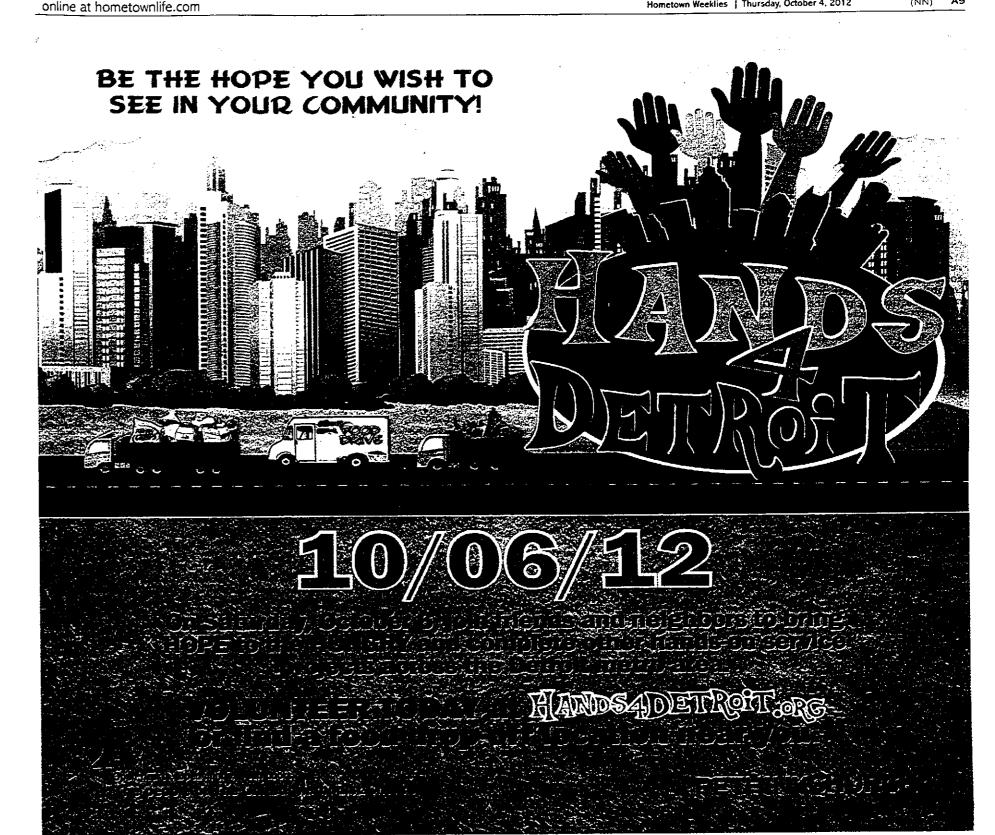
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guiding principles be when making decisions as a member of the Novi board of education?

Two years ago, I helped develop a comprehensive decision-making process for the Novi Board of Education. The board unanimously approved this process. It's posted on the school district web site, as part of the district's commitment to transparency. The guiding principle behind all Novi Board decisions: "In every decision that we make, we will focus on providing the best education possible for the students of our District." There are six steps in our process: identify the problem: define the data needs; gather review administration recommendations and alternativesboard analysis of those recommendations

to public input and make decisions based on what's best for Novi 2. Is the school district noving in the right direction? Yes. About 1 ½ years ago, I was part of the team which hired a new superintendent and cabinet. At that time, the district was coming

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and seek public

feedback); make

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period when economic conditions forced us to cut \$12 millions ir educational programs and services. Trust and integrity

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less than one year's growth in one year's • Ensuring that that all students achieve at a high level. (Minimizing achievement gaps)

3. With decreased revenu how do you see the district balancing the budget as expenses increase?

Novi continues to deficit spend. Meanwhile, we are focused on preparing our students for 21stcentury careers. The challenge is to move away from the "factory model" of schools. Is a

DENNIS O'CONNOR

Resident of Novi: 21 years (moved to Novi in 1986. transferred out of state 1993; returned to Novi in 1998) Profession: small business owner in Novi for 12 years of a consulting agency that develops training, marketing and promotional campaigns and programs for local and national clients.

Education: MBA in marketing and management, Wayne State University, Detroit; BA in journalism and mathematics, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor; secondary teacher certification, University of Michigan Education School; fellow, National Security Forum (NSF), Maxwell Air Force Base, Montgomery, Alabama, 2011; fellow, Michigan Political Leadership Program (MPLP), Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI, 2010; award of Merit-School Board Member, Michigan Association of School Boards (MASB), Lansing, 2009: certified focus group moderator, Burke Institute, Cincinnati, 2006 Family: married for 30 years; two grown daughters (both graduated from Novi High School)

teacher compensation

4. What new programs or

policies, if any, would you like

to see implemented in the

the classroom of

the future" so Novi

students will achieve

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prepare our students

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features the following

This program/policy

Creates a "cultural

'traditional" classroom

Multiple learning

Development of our

Investigate moving

should include:

class sizes in a

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We need to create,

develop and implement

concessions

district?

traditional secondary classroom with a teacher lecturing to 25 students the best way to learn in this technology/information age? I don't think so. We need to find and implement new and effective alternative instructional delivery systems for maximum academic performance I believe the Novi Board of Education should adapt a teacher attrition policy. Don't replace teaching positions of retirees.

investigation of instructional delivery systems. (Increasing grades 5-12, during the next five years, and focus on new and innovative ways to deliver education at the recommendation.) secondary level with choices for students fewer resources. This concept features the

following benefits: Provides long-term structural expense reduction • Helps to solve

our deficit spending problem and balances our budget Minimizes teacher

lavoffs Reduces the

shift" to examine, change, accept and implement different methods of teaching

 Reduces the need for additional full-time classroom teachers (secondary only), which would be a tremendous budget savings without affecting the quality of education

"traditional" classroom delivery systems (elementary only) during the early

 Effective alternative delivery systems will help prepare our students for 21st-century

5. What are the three biggest issues you'd like to ddress as a school board

1. Smaller Class Sizes in all Elementary Schools: Despite huge budget cuts over the past five years, Novi features some of the lowest elementary class sizes in all of Oakland County. The district averages 22 1/2 students per class, grades K-4. I will continue to fight for small class sizes at the elementary level. This is important because national and local studies prove that reduced class sizes help to increase student achievement.

2. Attract more new Businesses and Families to Live in the Novi School District: School funding is dependent on the state - not Novi. School districts with growth in student enrollment get more financial support from Lansing. Government Services:

We need to work with

city officials and neighboring school districts to eliminate duplicated services and expenses. I'll continue to fight for shared services. so we can put those savings back into the

6. Why, specifically, should you be elected to one of the available seats

on the school board? I'm seeking reelection to the Novi Board of Education because I enjoy public service, and I have a passion for education. Four years ago, Novi voters elected me to the School Board because they knew I would be a good steward of their taxpayer dollars.

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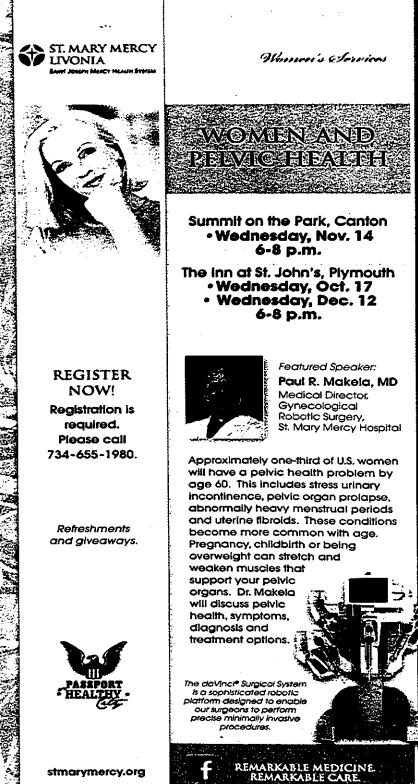
and results for all

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During that time, I have demonstrated what the voters expect from a public servant...a hardworking, fiscally conservative person focused on providing the best education possible for our children. Novi voters deserve the type of independent, critical thinking that I bring to Novi school issues. I will continue to make sure that your tax dollars are invested properly education. We have great schools in Novi. but state funding and our enrollment growth is less certain every day. We have limited resources. We



Cadwell challenging for board

guiding principles be when making decisions as a membe of the Novi Board of Education?

The guiding principles in my decision making as a Novi Board of Education member

would involve providing the most cost effective and exceptional educational services for all Novi students. I believe as a board member, it is my responsibility to serve the students, their families, and the workers within the school community to ensure their overall success in the roles that they portray in the

2. Is the school district

noving in the right direction?

I believe that the Novi School District is moving in the right direction, primarily by creating and implementing a Vision Statement and Goals for the school district. With these newly-created vision statement and goals, all stakeholders within the educational community are abreast of the detailed current

This program involves plans of the providing interventions school district. to students to ensure In addition, the that they are receiving the necessary vision statemen educational services and goals provide measureable to be a successful objectives to learner. This program determine if the needs to be consistent and aligned within school district is accomplishing the district to provide the tasks the best educational

vision statement and 5. What are the three biggest ssues you'd like to address as a school board member?

services for all students.

how do you see the district 1 - Meeting the balancing the budget as diverse cultural needs of all students and expenses increase? With decreased families as the minority population in Novi revenues. I see the district balancing the steadily increases by budget by having a providing surveys to grant writer apply families to adequately address their needs for grants to provide and provide resources additional revenue within the school to assist them with district. In addition, the education of themselves. school district could and their families. partner with business within the community

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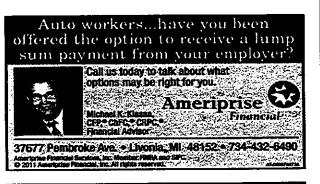
district goals.

I would like fully implemented in the school district would be the RTI (Response to

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support to the school

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Resident of Novi: seven years Profession: educational field since 1999 as an educator and currently in an administrative position as an admissions coordinator for a charter school.

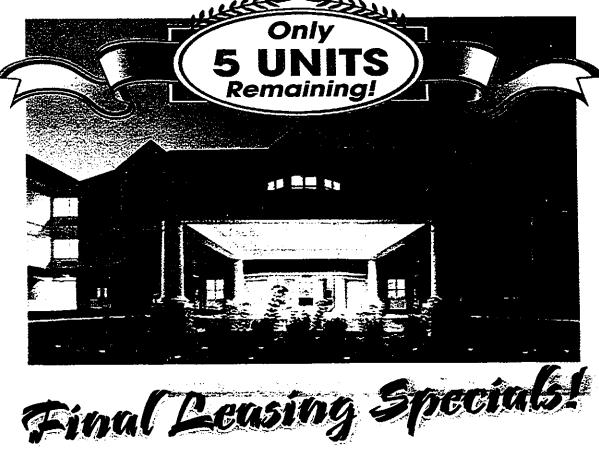
Education: bachelor in business administration, Michigan State University; master in school counseling, Siena Heights University (graduating December 2012) Family: Mother of two sons, 17 and 12 years old

wide fundraisers; recruit corporate sponsors; and encourage administration to aggressively search expenditures as much as possible.

6. Why, specifically, should you be elected to one of the vailable seats on the schoo

I believe that I should be elected to one of the seats on the school board, because I am a parent and an educator who is concerned about our students and school district. I

have a strong desire to work within a school district that strives for being competitive among the top schools in the country. I have been in the educationa profession for 13 years, and serve on two charter school boards as a recording secretary. I believe that I am knowledgeable about the educational process and the role of a school district's board of education. These characteristics make me a valuable asset to this district.



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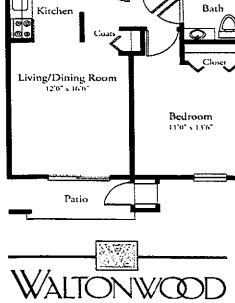
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Laptop Stolen

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A woman has her briefcase stolen from her car, which she said was locked and secured, sometime over the weekend of Sept. 21-23. The briefcase contained a lap top computer. The car was parked at her residence on Peachtree. She told police that she did not see any suspicous activity and police did not find any evidence or damage to the car.

MDOP/ **Attempted B** and E

2 An unknown person attempted to break into a home under construction on Bridle Run. A supervisor for Breault Homes went

to the Novi police to report the incident. which he discovered after finding an entry door in the garage kicked in and its frame damaged. The incident occurred on either Sept 23-24. Police found a faint footprint on the door, but nothing was reported missing.

The construction supervisor wanted to report the incident because there have peen a series of B&Es

in the neighborhood.

MDOP

Graffiti on street 3 A Novi woman called police to report some graffiti she found spray painted on Cortes Road just east of Cranbrooke Drive. On the road is black paint were the letters BEV with an arrow pointing to the word Sarah, which had the letter 'S' done with money symbol. The woman was unsure if it was a gang symbol, but police said it probably wasn't. A neighbor of the woman said he thinks it may have been there for

Catalytic **Converter Stolen**

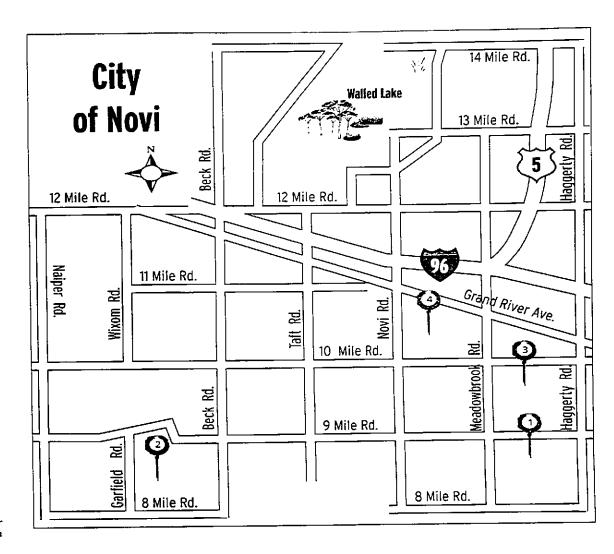
nearly a month.

4 A Novi man had his catalytic converter stolen from his parked car at his residence on Fountain Park Drive

The theft occurred on either Sept. 24 or 25 and the victim did not report hearing anything suspicious. The auto part was cut off and the man found his exhaust system hanging near the ground.

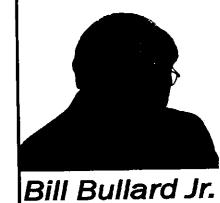
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sion is causing complacency, think again. Voting is the core of our democracy. We not only remind our readers to study all of the issues and candidates in this important 2012 election season, we also implore those who aren't registered to vote, to do so

before the Tuesday, Oct. 9, deadline. If you don't think it's important, just listen to five minutes of news reports from around the world. Our political system may have its faults, but it's no excuse to excuse yourself from the democratic process that

ensures people have a voice in this country. Whether you're just turning 18 and are eligible to vote; you've recently become a U.S. citizen; or you've just never been interested in voting - no matter your reason, now is the time to get registered. And, on Nov. 6, between the hours of 7 a.m. and 8 p.m., will be the time to exercise your right

at the polls.

It's an amazing and empowering civic To register to vote, you must be a U.S. citizen, at least 18 years old by election day, a resident of Michigan and the city or

township where you're applying vote. It's that simple, yet so powerful The Novi City Clerk's office, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, will be open from 8 a.m.

to 5 p.m. Oct. 9 - the last day to register to vote in the Nov. 6 general election.

If you are not currently registered to vote in the City of Novi at your current address, you may do so in person: At the Novi City Clerk's office or at the

office of any County Clerk during normal At any of the Secretary of State Branch Offices located throughout the state during

normal business hours. If you wish to register by mail, you can obtain a registration applications online at http://cityofnovi.org/Resources/Library/

Forms/VoterRegistrationApp.pdf Complete the form, sign and deliver it to the Novi City Clerk by:

• E-mailing it to elections@cityofnovi.org Placing it in the drop box at Novi Civic Center 45175 W. Ten Mile Road.

• Mailing it to Novi City Clerk, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 by the close of registration deadline, Oct. 9. 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 office will offer extended hours dur-

ing October and November for electionrelated business only: Mondays, Oct. 8, 15, 22, 29 - 8 a.m. to 7

• Saturday, Nov. 3 - 8 a.m. to 2 p.m.
If you'll be outside of the community on election day, or otherwise eligible, you can also apply for an absent voter ballot from the clerk's offices. Don't let your work schedule or vacation plans interfere with your right to vote. Absentee voter ballots are available for all elections. It's a good way to cast your ballot when you're unable

As a registered voter, you may obtain an absentee voter ballot if you are: • 60 years old or older

• Unable to vote without assistance at the

to go to the polls on election day.

• Expecting to be out of town on election

day

• In jail awaiting arraignment or trial

• Unable to attend the polls due to religious reasons • Appointed to work as an election inspec-

tor in a precinct outside of your precinct of residence.

Democracy is there, waiting for you to participate. There's no better time to be a part of the process than during this 2012 election, in which voters will decide offices from the president of the United States, all the way down to your state representatives and county commissioners.

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OPINION

COMMUNITY VOICE

Novi and Northville battle for the Baseline Jug on Oct. 5. Which football team do you think will win?



"I'm not exactly sure of their records, but of course I have to pick the Novi Wildcats.



"I have to go with Novi. "I grew up in South Lyon, but I have to go I've heard good things about Novi's team." with Novi based on history and I have friends who played for them.' **Brad Gibbons**



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'Novi, I hope. Our neighbors have a son who plays for Novi." Nancy Sproul

Jim Crain

LETTERS

It's time for Taj

I was recently speaking with a Republican friend. He said that he had read the articles about Republican congressional candidate Kerry Bentivolio in the Detroit Free Press and the Oakland Press reporting about former teacher Bentivolio's verbal abuse of school children. My friend said that if Bentivolio really did that, he couldn't vote for him.

In 1997, in the Bradley case, the Michigan Supreme Court determined that the personnel records of public school employees were subject to Freedom of Information requests. School administrators have known since that time that any information which they placed in a teacher's file was a matter of public record, and that there could be serious ramifications back to the administrator should the information be inaccurate or untruthfu!.

Both the Detroit Free Press and the Oakland Press filed Freedom of Information requests regarding Mr. Bentivolio's public school personnel records. You can be quite certain that the school administrators who documented Mr. Bentivolio's verbal abuse of school children had extensive evidence of what he said.

Republicans and independents should give serious consideration to voting for Democratic candidate Dr. Syed Taj. This kindly man has devoted his lifetime to serving his fellow man. He has served as chief of medicine for Oakwood Hospital. For many years, he has run his own business, a health care clinic. He has worked cooperatively with Republicans as the only Democrat on the Canton township board.

With the serious situation which happened in Mr. McCotter's office and the troublesome background and positions of Mr. Bentivolio, whom even L. Brooks Patterson could not support, Dr. Taj is clearly the best candidate to represent us in Michigan's 11th Congressional District.

John A. Kuenzel (retired principal and director of Secondary Instruction. Livonia Public Schools)

In defense of Obama

The critique last week of my Sept. 20 letter was interesting, but, strangely, Mr. McManus must not have read the letter.

ONE: The gist of my letter pointed out Romney's rambunctious conclusion that Obama commiserated with the rioters responsible for the deaths of four Americans. The embassy's apology was referring to the infamous movie released in the U.S.. McManus ignores that fact. TWO: At the time of my

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letter the evidence indicating organized onslaughts in Cairo and Libya had not been proven. Is McManus implying that Romney, at 10:30 p.m. of the fatal day was privy to information that our State Department, C.I.A., N.S.C., and commander-in-chief did not know?

THREE: Why does McManus not address Richard Wilson's claim, stated in my letter, that the Cairo-Libva incident would not have happened if Romney had been president? Simple. It is indeed, an indefensible, inane statement.

FOUR: McManus states that our State Department had absolutely no security in place ..." What an outrageous exaggeration! Make that statement to the families of those who attempted to save Ambassador Stevens. The Libyan mission was not a fortress.

One must realize that the security of our 296 embassies, consulates, and dip-Iomatic missions is almost totally dependent on the host country — by international, reciprocal agreement. Our diplomats exist on islands that are often surrounded by turmoil and government instability. Egypt and Libya are prime examples. (The recently installed government and the people of Libya strongly indicated their remorse for the attack.) To presume that the U.S. or any country can arbitrarily increase sufficiently an armed force to protect our diplomats in a foreign country whenever flare-up occurs is a false contention. We are

FIVE: When the author recalls Hillary Clinton's claim that Obama lacked experience, one must also admit the fact that President Obama now has four years of handson experience. And this experience is enhanced by

guests, not invaders.

Obama's enlightened understanding of the dynamic world of the 21st century. Mitt Romney's experience is limited to the sidelines and is superficial at best. His reactions always seem spontaneous and belligerent. Imma-Since McManus reached

backward to the 2008 campaign, I surely feel free to mention the sentiments of Romney's critical Republican opponents during the 2012 campaign. There is not enough room on this page to enumerate all. Newt is still on the attack.

Win at any cost is their hue and cry. Patrick M. Downey

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As the co-chairs of the American Association of University Women Northville-Novi Branch's 2012 Home Tour which took place Saturday, Sept. 29; we would like to take this opportunity to thank all the area businesses who supported our event.

We had five Home Tour sponsors. So, a special thank you goes to HandyPro Handyman Service, Kelley Brothers LC, Orin Jewelers, Pinnacle Homes and thirty-one for sponsoring a home on the tour this year.

In addition, there were six area businesses willing to sell tickets for us. Thanks to Gardenviews, the Northville Chamber of Commerce, Pear-Aphernalia and Starring "The Gallery" in Northville; and Calico Corners and Meadowbrook Art Center in Novi. We would also like to thank

The Appliance Doctor of WAAM radio, Joe Gagnon, for supporting our event and Uniquely Yours for providing the flower arrangement for each home on the tour. We also need to thank all

those homeowners who allowed us to tour their homes: and last, but not least, we want to thank all of you who attended our event this year and provided us with lots of positive feedback.

The money we raise at the Home Tour goes to support scholarships for young women in Northville and Novi High Schools planning on attending college, the transition centers at Schoolcraft College and Oakland Community College, the Mercy Education Project in Detroit, Let's Read Math and a variety of other activities that support education in our area.

Thank goodness for great weather and thanks to all our volunteers for helping us deliver a successful and enjoyable event.

> Karen Zyczynski Jane Hecker Northville

NOVI COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Lezotte, CFP for the final presentation for 2012 "Savvy Social Security Planning: What Baby Boomers Need NORTHVILLE & NOVI GARDEN Know to Maximize Retirement Income". This workshop will help

4) how to coordinate benefits with

your other sources of retirement in-

come; and much more. Reservations

Contact: Register by calling Sigma

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Contact: (248) 624-3772

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Location: 1499 East West Maple

Time/Date: 5-8 p.m. first Monday:

Details: HUD-certified counselors

are available to assist homeowners

to work with your lender to avoid

at risk of foreclosure. Learn how

ticipant an opportunity to share

Time/Date: 7:30-9 p.m. third Tues-

Location: Novi Civic Center (10 Mile

Details: Led by Michael M. Meyer,

their story. Handouts describing th

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are free, but seating is limited.

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Details: Winterizing Your Garden by Lisa Steinkoof Contact: (248) 449-4579 **COFFEE WITH THE SUPERIN-**

Time/Date: 6:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. Location: Novi Public Library – East Meeting Room

Time/Date: 10:15 a.m. Wednesday, Location: Novi Public Library - Board Room

Details: Meet with Dr. Steve Matthews, superintendent of Novi Community Schools. Contact: (248) 449-1204

LUNCH & LEARN Location: Novi Senior Center, 25075 Meadowbrook Road Time/Date: noon-2 p.m. Thursday,

Details: Topic is Faberge the Rise and Fall - Art Exploration with the DIA. This narrated photographic exploration is presented by DIA Speaker's Bureau. Price is \$7 for Novi residents; \$8.50 for non-residents. Register at the City of Novi Older Adult Services office in the Novi Civic Center. Contact: (248) 347-0414 for more

information. **BLOOD DRIVES NOVI SENIOR CENTER** Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. Location: 25075 Meadowbrook Monday, Oct. 8

Location: Novi Civic Center Time/Date: 8 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 14 Location: St. James Church Novi

Time/Date: 7 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. Location: First United Methodist Contact: Diane at (313) 549-7052 or Diane.Risko@redcross.org to set up

SAVVY SOCIAL SECURITY PLANNING WORKSHOP Time/Date: 1-2:30 or 6:30-8 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 23 Location: Novi Public Library at

foreclosure. There is no charge for 45255 West 10 Mile Road this service. Please call if you wish Details: Join wealth managers Walto attend. One-on-one sessions will be scheduled. ter J. Powrozek, CWS and Joseph J.

Book Discussion Group Time/Date: 6:30 p.m. first Thurs-Details: Please drop in or call the

library if you are interested in joining this recently-formed group. **NOVI PUBLIC LIBRARY** Location: 45255 W. 10 Mile Road Hours: 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday-Thursday: 10-5 Friday-Saturday: 1-5

Details: Unless noted below, all programs take place at the library. Register for programs at the library or on the library website. Contact: (248) 349-0720 Web: www.novilibrary.org

Story Times: Please see the Library website or story time brochure for On the Road with the Novi Pub-

lic Library Time/Date: 7:45 a.m.-5:15 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 4

Description: Lansing is our destination, with a guided tour of the Capital and Supreme Court, special visit with Honorable Hugh Crawford, Michigan House of Represen tatives, and lunch at the English Inn. A fee of \$71 covers round trip deluxe transportation by Carr's Motorcoach, lunch, and touring Contact the Administration Office

248-869-7204 to register. **Knit 2gether Knitting Circle** Time/Date: 10-11:30 a.m. Thursdays Oct. 4 and 11

Description: If you have a leaning towards knitting or any of the reated handcrafts Knit 2gether Knitphases of grief and the tasks of grief ting Circle just might be your cup of tea. No instructor; no registration; Selected Detroit & Michigan

Genealogical Resources Contact: (248) 347-0414; theglin@ Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. Thursday,

Description: Learn about the Rurton Historical Collection, including the Detroit Death index, burial coroner's files, and more! Registration required.

ESL Book Discussion Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. Thursdays, Oct. 4 and 11

Description: If English is your second language and you would like to be more proficient in reading and discussing books written in English, then join our ESL Book to advanced English speakers. We will discuss one book during the

eight-week session. Title to be announced. Books will be provided. Registration required.

Kiddie Crafts Time/Date: 10:30-11 a.m. Saturday,

Description: Toddlers and preschoolers will have the opportunity to create a work of art using their maginations and the supplies that we will provide. We may ge nessy so please dress accordingly Each child must be accompanied by an adult helper. Registration is required.

Experts Teach Self-Defense for Time/Date: 1-2 p.m. Saturday, Oct.

Description: Experts from the Family Self Defense Center will teach women practical and easy to learn tactics to protect themselves A youth craft activity in conjunction with this program will be available for children ages 4 years and older Registration required. Snack Tales

Time/Date: 7-7:45 p.m. Monday,

Description: Each time we meet you will get a chance to listen to some great stories and cook up a tasty snack. Snack tales begins in the Youth Story Time Room. Growing Up on a Farm in Novi Time/Date: 7-8:30 p.m. Monday,

Description: Ever wonder what Novi was like before the mall and the highways? Kathy Crawford, former Novi City Council membe and current Oakland County Commissioner, will help us understand the human side of our community's velopment. Registration required for this special Novi Historical Commission program.

Help for Families from OLHSA Time/Date: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tuesdays, Oct. 9 and 16

Description: Meet with an Oak land Livingston Human Services Agency staff member for support with Medicaid, food, cash, foreclosure, or other assistance. Please cal the OLHSA office at (248) 209-2686 to make an appointment. **English Conversation Group**

Time/Date: 1-2 p.m. Tuesdays, Oct. 9 and 16 Description: Make friends while you practice your English pronunciation and conversation skills. No

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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 Novi News, 101 N. Lafayette, South Lyon, MI 48178. Items must be received by noon on Monday to be included in Thursday's newspaper. More: For a complete isting of local and regional events, see the

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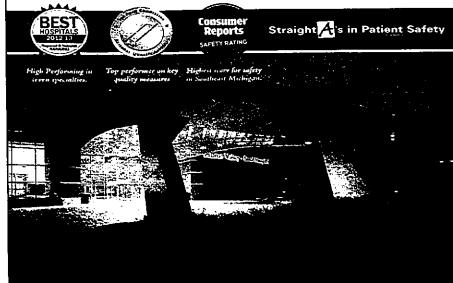
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Fall bug hunters

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annual Fall Bug Hunt on

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ested volunteers must

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participating adult.

when accompanied by a

The event begins at 9

lege's VisTaTech Center

Volunteers are assigned

to teams of four to eight

a.m. at Schoolcraft Col-

needed for Oct.

Dining out

Black Tulip Grille adds to local dining scene options

By Julie Brown

Business is strong at the Black Tulip Grille in Wixom on the border of

"It is actually getting better every day," said co-owner Bill Widmyer, of Hartland, He and co-owner Dave Poirier, executive chef, have just added weekend

classes and at the res-

hours. On Mondays at 6:30 p.m., the eatery offers private cooking classes for a maximum of 10 people, which have also been well received Poirier, a Farmington Hills resident, brought some people from his previous job to help with

"I would call it Amerretired. ican comfort food with healthy options," all under \$10. Poirier said There are three certified chefs to supplement the cooking staff. with a total staff of nine. including servers, "and growing," Widmyer add-

They cook from scratch in their restaurant, using a number of Michigan products, and have a full bar including Michigan beers and wine. There's even Ugly Dog Vodka, made in

Chelsea. "I'd rather have 10 people happy than one person happy," Poirier said of his cooking philosophy, which doesn't

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Black Tulip Grille

Location: 28345 Beck Road, Wixom

taurant is open 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, as well as 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday.

Phone: (248) 596-9500 Web: www.blacktulipgrille.com (and there's a Facebook page that lists classes; diners can also text BTG to 42828 to get a link for the e-mail list)

restaurant hours.

and covers of theirs

in frames. "What's up

eyes," said Widmyer.

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er is 55, Poirier 64.

include much personal baking interest. They have macaroni and cheese, sandwiches in the \$6-7 range and burgers both everyday and

Customer Bill Damas of Novi eats at Black Tulip Grille daily. He's restaurant and is semi-

"Everything," is what Damas likes, including the "awesome" pizza. "Everything's good. The service is good, the food is good, awesome. Everything's good."

Backgrounds

culinary arts graduate. bring diverse skills to the business. Widmyer has an extensive business and computer background. He has a housing industry business in the office complex, and decided to expand into

the restaurant field.

DETAILS

Hours: 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. The res-

fancier.

often in the Beck Office Center which houses the

Widmyer and Poirier, a Schoolcraft College

"I got tired of eating Greek food," he said of

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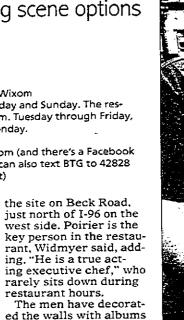
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on advertising, which

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doom and gloom talk is

bananas," said Widmy-

er, who sees 700 new

homes this year from

his office. Business

"New housing is going

much exaggerated.

helps their business.

Bill Widmyer, left, and Dave Poirier have opened and renovated the Black Tulip Grille at 28345 Beck, in Wixom. The restaurant, located on the west side of Beck, north of I-96, will now be open on weekends as well as weekdays. The men are working

scratch along with eggs Benedict featuring Hol-"Our omelets are

huge," Poirier said.

business with Michigan Customers "I love it," Widmy-They do a lot of carer said of his new role at the eatery, which ryout business, Widmyopened May 1. "I like er said, and the expandthe interaction with peoed happy hour is doing

well. The restaurant, The restaurant draws seating around 100, is from the office building. including for breakfasts as well as construction corned beef hash from

workers. The building houses Midwest headquarters for Pepsi, good for the men.

Black Tulip Grille also does private parties, even an upcoming wedding and reception. Showers and Christmas parties are also on the schedule, with calls welcome. Menus can be specialized, with the private parties held weekends when the restaurant closes to regular

people are all looking for good hires, he add-

icbrown@hometownlife.com

NOVI BUSINESS BRIEFS

Signature leases two industrial spaces in Wixom

Signature Associates has negotiated the lease of 1,940 square feet of industrial space located at 47677 Avante Drive, Wixom. Steve Kozak of Signature Associates represented both the landlord, Gateway Management, LLC and the tenant, Sugino Corp.

Kozak also negotiated the lease of 9,491 sq. ft. of industrial space located at 30515-30549 Century Drive, Wixom. The tenant, VIP Pets, headquartered in California, provides mobile vaccination clinics. Their goal is to make preventative veterinary medicine affordable for all pet owners. They currently have

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

on Haggerty Road just north of Unless otherwise noted, 12 Mile Road, Call them at all programs take place at 1-800-331-3530 for a free consultation if you have been denied, the Oakland County Execor if you are thinking of possibly utive Office Building Conapplying for Social Security ference Center, 2100 Pontiac Lake Road, west of www.ssdfighter.com Telegraph, Waterford. For pre-registration and location specifics, visit online at www.advantageoakland. com/expand, or call (248)

> Facebook for Business (Beginner)

Introduction to Social Media Marketing and using Facebook for Business. Millions c people are using Fac. book and social media for an, but it is also a powerful 'usiness tool that can conner you with your custome s, potential customers and the world. Social media is a two-way marketing channel - a conversation with your customers. With social media marketing and Facebook you can leverage these conversations and relationships to: increase brand visibility and reach, be established as a thought leader and expert in your field, give real time customer service, stay on top of industry trends and conduct competitive research,

how the lending process works and what is expected of you and you'll under stand how the SBA can assist with our SBA Gua anteed Loan Program. Because the SBA does not provide loan guarantees to real estate investment firms, including purhasing and rehabbing

ogy Development Center

6-9 p.m. The fee is \$40 per houses for sale, this type of financing is not discussed at the roundtables. Presented by: Small Business Administration (SBA) Representative, Michigan Small Business & Technol-

(MI-SBTDC) Consultant, ticipants examine their entrepreneurial skills, and Business Banker. learn how to implement Thursday, Oct. 11, 9their ideas and receive noon. This workshop is a list of pitfalls to avoid free, but pre-registration when starting a business. is required. Thursday, Oct. 11 from **CEED Microloan** 6-9 p.m. The fee is \$30 per

Orientation Many small business

owners face obstacles when trying to obtain a business loan. The recognition of the serious need for working capital for existing business es, start-up or expansion, equipment purchases, and job creation is not the priority it once was. If you have a need for alternative financing consider the MicroLoan Program. Discover the requirements and process necessary to apply and obtain a microoan. Program presented by the Center for Empow erment & Economic

Development (C.E.E.D.) Wednesday, Oct. 17, 9-11 a.m. This workshop is

NOVI NEWS BRIEFS

The Fall Bug Hunt is part of a long-term monitoring program that was created in 1998 to train local residents to collect information about the health of Rouge streams It is coordinated by Friends of the Rouge and supported by the Erb

Family Foundation. For more information or to sign up, visit www. therouge.org.

Flu shots available

neople that each travel Oakland County Health to two sites where thev look for living things in Division (OCHD) is now samples collected from offering flu shots for the river. The number \$16 at their Pontiac and and type of bugs found is Southfield offices. Flu used to assess each site. clinic hours are noon-8 Data are submitted to the p.m. Monday and 9 a.m. State of Michigan and to 5 p.m. Tuesday through Rouge communities who Friday, Residents can use them to screen for pre-register online at problems and assess resoakgov.com/health. toration progress.

one to get a flu shot and reduce their risk of getting the flu this season," said Kathy Forzley, manager/health officer of the Oakland County Health Division. "Each vear nationwide, tens of thousands of people die from the flu. Receiving a flu shot helps lower the risk of getting the flu and becoming ill.

Outreach clinics will also be held at the following locations: Walled Lake Communi

> Trail: 3-7 p.m. Oct. 9 and 9 a.m., to 1 p.m. Nov. 2. Troy Community Cen ter; 3179 Livernois; 10 a.m. to I p.m. Oct. 16. Farmington Hills Cos tick Center: 28600 Elev en Mile Road; 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Oct. 23

v Center, 615 N. Pontiac

The Health Division offices are located at the following addresses:

 North Oakland Health Center: 1200 N. Telegraph Road, Building 34 East, Pontiac South Oakland Health Center: 27725 Greenfield

Road Southfield Online registration provides a consent form that must be taken to the clin ic selected. Online pay-

ment options include

Visa, MasterCard, Medicare and/or Medicaid, or residents may select to pay cash at the time of appointment. To register by phone, call (248) 858-7350 or (248) 424-7120. Flu shots are also available on a walk-in basis. Walk-in payment options include Medicare, Medicaid and cash (no credit cards, checks or money

orders). For more information, visit the Oakland County Health Division website at oakgov.com/health or

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Aging 1-B (AAA 1-B) is ly Caregivers Expo from day, Oct. 13 at Best Western Sterling Inn Banquet and Conference Center (34911 Van Dyke Avenue at 15 Mile Road) in Sterling Heights. This free event provides information and resources to people who care for elderly or disabled family members or friends.

In the near future, caring for an aging older adult family member will

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ing supportive services, information and resources. According to the experts, staying connected and utilizing resources is essential to caregiver health and survival. This year's Expo

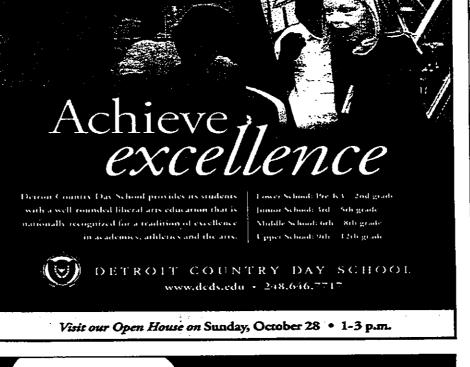
includes 12 expert presentations, and more than 85 exhibitors will be on site displaying and dem onstrating products and services for caregivers. For more information, visit www.michigancare-

giverexpo.com or call 1-800-852-7795

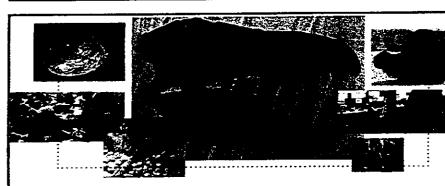
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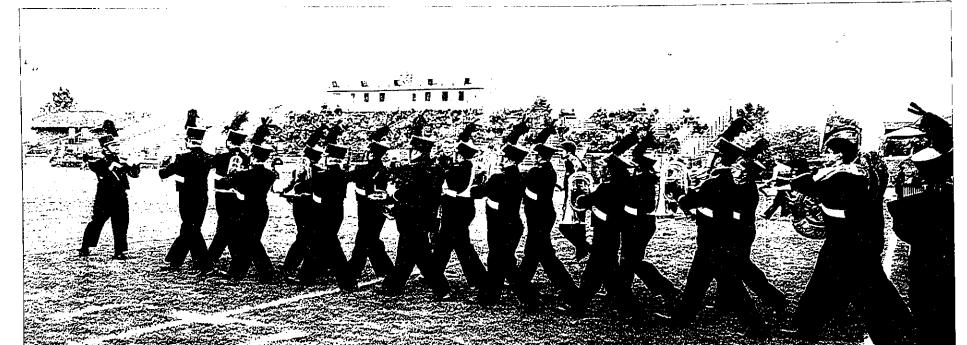
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The Mount Pleasant High School marching band takes the field on Sept. 22 during the Novi High School marching band competition "Fanfare." Novi took the field last that day in a

Strike up the bands!



Hazel Park High's marching band performs during Novi High's Sept. 22 "Fanfare" band competition.



leasant's marching band performs its show on Sept. 22 at Novi High.



Mount Pleasant High marching band saxophonist Madelyn Russell prepares to take the field during Novi's Sept. 22



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Novi High hosted more than a dozen state marching bands during its Sept. 22 "Fanfare" competition.

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1) The menu concentrates on pizza, select entrees, burgers and slow smoked BBQ like the ribs pictured above. 2) The Kensington Grill is located in New Hudson just off of I-96 between Brighton and Novi.

THE KENSINGTON GRILL OPENS

By Denis Zelazny

online at hometownlife.com

Contributing Writer

The Kensington Grill is one of the newest restaurants in the area. Owner Mark Mitra, opened his eatery in May and the restaurant has already become a neighborhood favorite. "The reception we have re-

ceived and the amount of guests that have become regular patrons is truly amazing!"

Mark's goal is "to provide great food made from scratch at reasonable prices."

Mark worked closely with his chefs to design a menu that offers something special for every taste. Kensington Grill offers a décor that is uniquely their own. You will find many items from the turn of the century. Including pendent lights from the old Hudson's building, a turn of the century chandelier and fireplace inserts from the 1800's which make up the back bar.

Before moving to Michigan, Mark lived in Kansas City and always wanted to bring that style of BBQ to Detroit. The Kensington Grill offers pulled

pork, St. Louis style ribs, beef Brisket and beer can chicken. Mark's mantra is "low and slow." Their BBQ is smoked up to 16 hours.

"We are proud of our BBQ and many of our customers have told us that it is the best in the area".

The Kensington Grill makes their BBQ sauces from scratch including a Carolina vinegar based, Signature Sweet, Spicy Chipotle and Smoky Texas Bold.

Pizza fans really must try one their artisan pizzas. They are one of the only restaurants in the area to offer real grilled Pizza. The dough and sauce are made fresh daily and grilled before being finished off in the oven. The Grill uses only fresh

yeast in their dough and their in house sauce is made from San Marzano tomatoes.

The Grill offers a wide variety of burgers, sandwiches and pasta dishes. The Bayou Shrimp Pasta has become a customer favorite. You will also find a nice selection of salads and appetizers, including unique offerings such as fried pickles and toasted ravioli. The Grill also offers vegetarian, vegan or aluten-free options.

For the perfect finishing touch the Grill offers desserts such as Bailey's Bread Pudding or Peach Cobbler. Both are made in house and topped with Guernsey vanilla Ice cream. Mark uses Michigan products when ever possible.

The grill also offers daily specials. For the month of October, every Monday, you will find 1/2 Ib Angus Burgers for \$4.99 and \$2.50 to \$3.50 pints. On Tuesdays, kids meals are \$1.99. On Wednesday, you can order a one topping pizza for \$4.99 and all wines by the glass are half off.

The Kensington Grill is open for lunch with a separate lunch menu. Their half pound KG Angus burger and fries or personal sized pizzas for only \$5.99 are a big hit. They offer 10 items on their lunch menu priced \$5.99 or less Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m.

The separate bar area is surrounded with flat screens and is a great place to meet with friends and watch a game. The grill has

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Michigan brewers. There is fer just for signing up. Information also a well thought out and reasonably priced wine list. Happy hour is Monday through Friday 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. to close. Happy hour specials include \$1.00 off all drafts, \$2.00 off all wines by the glass, \$2.50 well drinks and \$4.99 appetizers. On

Saturdays and Sundays, football fans can enjoy \$4.99 single topping pizzas, \$4.99 appetizers and \$3.50 for select 22 oz drafts from open until close.

The Kensington Grill is less than 10 minutes from Novi, Brighton, Milford or South Lyon, so it's in a great location to meet up with friends. They have a separate meeting area that seats 40 and have hosted a number of team and wedding parties.

They also have been nvolved with Charitable Nights for schools and organizations where a portion of the total bill is given back to the organization.

The Grill has an email program called the 'Cue Club. It has over 600 members who receive a free dinner on their birth-

in the bottle, many from local versary specials and a free ofis available on the website and Facebook.

> The Kensington Grill is located at 30712 Lyon Center Dr. in New Hudson, at the South East Corner of I-96 and Milford Road. Call them at 248-437-7077 /78 or visit www.thekensingtongrill.com. And become a fan on Facebook.



3) KG offers a full service bar with select wines, 14 beers on tap and a creative drink menu including the above, Cherry Lemon Drop Martini.

This has become our new go to restaurant. The food and service are excellent and the menu is varied enough that I know no matter who we meet for dinner, the Kensington Grill will have something to please everyone. -Kathy T, Northville



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SPORTS

Novi field hockey clinches Division II title in first season since moving up

Squad follows 2011's Div. III title with higher-level championship in 2012

In their first season moving up into Division II, Novi's field hockey team has cruised through the competition to an undefeated Division II championship. The Wildcats (10-0-1, 8-

0-0 Division II) clinched

ON TAP

Novi's field hockey team (10-0-1, 8-0-0 Division II) was scheduled to visit Grosse Pointe South (1 7-1, 0-6-0 Div. I) Oct. 1 before a break leads into hosting Detroit Country Day (1-8-1, 0-7-1 Div. II) 4:15 p.m. Oct. 9.

Ann Arbor Greenhills (4-4-1, 3-2-1 Div. II) before

moving on to defeat Academy of the Sacred Heart (3-4-4, 1-3-3 Div. II) 2-1 Sept. 26 and Dearborn (1-8-1, 1-3-1 Div. IV) 4-0

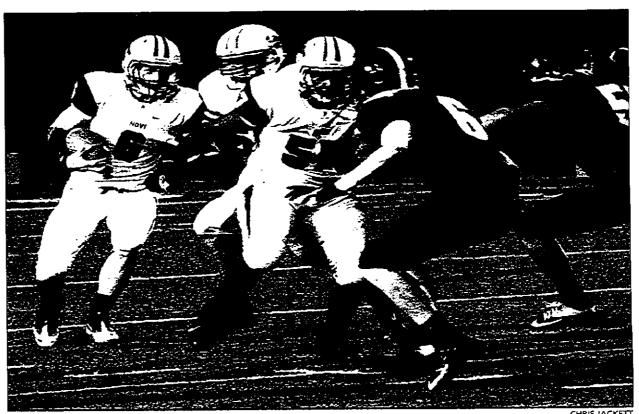
Sept. 27. "Coming into the season, our team goal was to win Division II," Novi coach Kevin Kilgore said. "We have grown as a team from practice to practice, and from game to game. The girls have

Novi's Amanda Minissale in action on Sept. 24.

sacrificed so much and their commitment to each

we talked as a team and goal for this year. We new goal and complete the season. But when we play Novi field hockey, there is no limit to wha

Looking to clinch the title against Greenhills the 'Cats cranked up the offensive pressure and got first-half goals from Sofi Mosso and Lizzie



Novi senior Matt Forche looks for a hole through a crowd of linemen Sept. 28 during a 30-20 loss at Livonia Stevenson.

Spartans fend off Wildcats

294-yard production by Mims no match for Novi running backs

Team records provided little foresight of the rollercoaster game that happened Friday when Novi came to Livonia to face Stevenson.

A trio of 10-point swings, including two streaks of 20 unanswered points, eventually ended with a 30-20 Spartan victory over Novi (1-5, 1-3 KLAA Central). Stevenson (5-1, 3-1 Central) struck

first with the only points of the first quarter on a 31-yard field goal by senior Tom O'Brien just before the mid-way point, but the Spartans took control late on a 59-yard run by senior quarterback Joe Mims (123 yards on 12 runs) with 1:05 remain-

"Joe played very well," Stevenson coach Matt Fielder said. "He made very good decisions. He ran when needed to run and threw when he Novi's football team (1-5, 1-3 KLAA

3-1 Central).

Central) visits Northville (4-2, 3-1 Central) 7 p.m. Friday in a battle ing either Westland John Glenn or Wayne Memorial (both 0-6, 0-4 South) in a crossover game for homecoming. The Mustangs defeated the South Lyon East 28-0 last week in South Lyon and remain in a three-way tie for the division lead with Plymouth Salem (5-1, 3-1 Central) and Livonia Stevenson (5-1,

needed to throw on the money and just managed the game very well.' Mims hit senior Adam Wheeler (33 yards on five catches) with a 7yard touchdown pass up the right ond quarter for a 10-0 lead after

That's when things got interesting Less than two minutes later, Novi freshman Emanuel Jackson (111 side for a 42-yard touchdown run, which senior Justin Danks capped with the point after to cut the defi-

cit to 10-7. "That's the thing with offense you've got to get every block," Novi coach Todd Pennycuff said. "One block can make or break you. We had a breakdown on third down a few times that hurt us."

Following an interception by Nov junior Mark Ryan two plays later, the Wildcats orchestrated a twoplay combo between a 17-yard run by junior Jeffrey Baker (35 yards on 11 runs) and a 1-yard touchdown punch in by senior Kameron Mitchell (four yards on two runs) to go up

Please see FOOTBALL, B6

'Cats pack tramples through Cougars

Novi harriers displaying depth with postseason on horizon

ON TAP

Novi's boys cross

country squad (2-1)

was scheduled to

host Northville (3-0)

two days ago at Cass

Benton before com-

peting in the Oak-

and County Cham-

pionships 9 a.m. Sat

Salem (2-1) 4:20 p.m.

It must have been a sight to see when 18 their Sept. 25 race with an identical time.

The Wildcats (2-1) picked up a 25-35 vic tory over South Lyon East (0-3) after 18 different student-athletes finished the race in 19 minutes and 36 seconds. hoarding third through and second in 18:44 and 19:31, Novi also took

Malarkey in 20:11). "It was as close to a photo finish, or team picture, as you can get, depending on your perspective,"

Among Novi's 19:36 finishers were Nate Hall,

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Novi's Cameron Misko runs to a time of 18:04 at the Waterford Mott Invitational Sept. 28.

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Lake Central; 6-1, 6-1 win over Grand

2 win over Traverse City Central; 6-0, 6-

0 win over East Lansing and 6-2, 6-4 win

At three doubles, senior Jon Thomp-

son and freshman Maxx Anderson fin-

loss to Huron. However, the duo defeat-

ed Walled Lake Central 6-1, 6-1; Grand

Blanc 6-1, 6-0; Traverse City Central 6-2,

6-3; East Lansing 6-2, 6-1 and Port Huron

Juniors Shashank Chitta and Kevin Xu

improved to 22-0 at four doubles with vic-

tories over Walled Lake Central 6-1, 6-0;

Grand Blanc 6-1, 6-0; Huron 6-4, 6-4; Tra-

verse City Central 6-2, 6-4; East Lansing

6-2, 6-0 and Port Huron Northern 6-0, 6-0.

Although they didn't compete in the

East Lansing Invite, seniors Achuta Dod-

dipatla and Harrison Halley improved

Grand Blanc at five doubles.

to 3-0 this season with a 6-1, 6-0 win over

Walled Lake Central and 6-2, 6-0 win over

"It was a good week of tennis," Hanson

ished at 20-2 last week after a 7-5, 7-5

Blanc; 6-2, 6-4 win over Huron; 7-5, 6-

over Port Huron Northern.

Northern 6-0, 6-0.

No. 2 Wildcats defeat No. 1 Ann Arbor Huron Novi netters knock off defending state champions 6-2

LOCAL SPORTS

The opponents keep getting tougher. but the results keep coming out the same. Ranked No. 2 in Division I, Novi's boys tennis team (8-1, 4-0 KLAA Central) swept two other KLAA division champions 9-0 Sept. 24 and 27, won another tournament that featured two other ranked teams Sept. 29 and also disposed of No. 1 Ann Arbor Huron 6-2 Sept. 28.

'We played up to our abilities last week and obviously took care of business in the KLAA." Novi coach Jim Hanson said, "Grand Blanc is a decent team and I thought their singles played extremely well against us and challenged us. Even though the score was 9-0 like an easy affair, we had to work for it."

As a whole, the Wildcats went 48-2 last week, with both losses coming to Huron. Only four other matches went to three sets, three which were against the defending Division I state champions.

"It was a battle." Hanson said. "After about an hour. Huron was decisively ahead. We had to turn it around and I was proud of how the kids kept battling. All the matches were close, highly contested. They're obviously a good team, last year's defending champions.

"It comes down to points or a key break

ON TAP

Ranked No. 2 in Division I, Novi's boys tennis squad (8-1) was set to host South Division champ Plymouth two nights ago and No. 3 Bloomfield Hills Brother Rice yesterday before visiting Canton Saturday for the KLAA Tournament leading into Regionals 8 a.m. Oct. 12 at

"You've got to qualify first," Novi coach Jim Hanson said of the upcoming state meet. "On paper we should qualify, but you've got to get out there and do it on

That was definitely a good win for us." Sophomore Tim Wang improved to 21-2 on the season at one singles by cruising through Walled Lake Central 6-2, 6-1; Grand Blanc 6-1, 6-1; Huron 6-3, 6-3; No. 6 Traverse City Central 6-2, 6-4; East Lansing 6-1, 6-2; and No. 10 Port Huron Northern 6-2, 6-0.

'Tim had a couple good battles at one singles," Hanson said. "Andre Liu had probably his best win in two years against Port Huron Northern, who was second seed at two singles in last year's state tournament.

In two singles action, sophomore Andre

6-3, 6-0 decision against Huron. However, Liu is 19-4 on the season after defeating Walled Lake Central 6-2, 6-1; Grand Blanc 6-2, 6-1; Traverse City Central 6-4, 6-4; East Lansing 6-0, 6-0 and Port Huron Northern 4-6, 6-1, 6-1.

Freshman Koushik Kondapi stayed perfect at 23-0 in three singles play by defeating Walled Lake Central 6-0, 6-0 Grand Blanc 6-1, 6-2; Huron 5-7, 6-3, 6-1; Traverse City Central 6-0, 6-0; East Lansing 6-1, 6-0 and Port Huron Northern 6-

Senior Pavan Rao (22-1) wrapped up the singles action at four singles, defeating Walled Lake Central 6-0, 6-0; Grand Blanc 6-0, 6-0; Huron 4-6, 6-2, 6-3; Traverse City Central 6-0, 6-1; East Lansing 6-0, 6-0 and Port Huron Northern 6-0, 6-1

The doubles core had similar success, led by junior Andrew Ying and senior Jason Carless, who are 18-1 at one doubles. The pair defeated Walled Lake Central 6-0, 6-0; Grand Blanc 6-0, 6-1; Huron 3-6, 6-2, 6-2; Traverse City Central 6-1, 6-2; East Lansing 6-1, 6-4 and Port Huron Northern 7-5, 6-3.

said. "You have to move on. You don't get "Outside of Country Day and Huron, extra credit for the things you've done in Traverse City Central and Port Huron the past. You have to take each opponent Northern has probably the toughest dou bles we've seen all year long," Hanson

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Novi kills off two division opponents

Wildcats slowly clawing way back into title contention By Chris Jackett

online at hometownlife.com

There have been a few hurdles for Novi's volleyball team this season, but they're hoping things are back on track

After two straight vic-Wildcats are 21-7 (5-2 KLAA Central) and hoping to string together a series of victories heading into the postseason. The 'Cats battled to

a five-set victory Sept. 25 at Livonia Stevenson (13-13-1, 2-4 Central) before taking care Plymouth Salem (2-5, 2-5 Central) at home in three sets Sept. 27. Novi's battle with Stevenson ended with

25, 23-25, 26-24, 15-10 score line. Junior Isabelle Glancy (17), senior Kacev Sheldon (15) and junior Brooke Laney (11) each finished with a double-digit number of kills, while the team also combined to amass 10 aces.

Juniors Emily Robb (36) and Laura Oakley (12) led the assists for the Wildcats, while Sheldon (26 digs, 37 serve receptions) and Glancy

JOHN HEIDER Emily Robb makes a set

ON TAP

Novi's volleyball squad (21-7, 5-2 KLAA Central) was scheduled to visit No. 13 Northville (30-0-4, 7-0 Central) two nights ago before hosting South Lyon East (1-8-1, 0-6 Central) tonight and South Lyon (10-7, 4-3 Central) Tuesday, All three matches are at 6:30 p.m. Novi's squad will also be competing in the Bloomfield Hills Marian Tournament 8:30 a.m. Saturday.

most areas of the match. Against Salem, things went smoother, at least in the first game, as Novi won the match 25-9, 25-18, 25-20. Sheldon again led the way in several catego-

ries, racking up teamhighs of each 14 kills.

Lady harriers win dual meet, struggle at invitationals

Although Novi's lady harriers picked up their first dual meet victory of the season over South Lyon East Sept. 25, things didn't go so smoothly Sept. 28-29 at two invitational races. The 'Cats (1-2) finished seventh

of 11 squads at last Friday's Waterford Mott Fall Classic and then 19th of 19 schools at The Legends Meet at Huron Meadows on Saturday. Baseline rival Northville was the victory at Mott's Fall Classic behind

a team score of 38, while Novi scored 175. Led by senior Jackie Mullins with a seventh-place finish of 19 minutes and 38.9 seconds, the rest of the 'Cats were widely separated. Sophomore Hannah Lonergan

was 17th in 20:40.4, junior Karissa Koomen was 33rd in 21:59.7, sophomore Victoria Giese was 57th in 23:44.3, while freshman Summer Mitchell (61st in 24:09.8), senior Carrie Subject (63rd in 24:15.6) and

HARRIERS

Continued from page B1

Cameron Richman, Casey

ko, Josh Squires, Andrew

mann, Collin Thomas, Tim

Thalla, Sahisnu Malapati,

Andrew Mizerowski, Steve

za, Paul Li, Joost Plaetinck,

"There is an old saying

Tom Groechel and Brian

in coaching cross country

that states, 'You can't go

to the well too many times

each season," Smith said.

"It means that you should

not race your legs off in a

meet where the outcome

is never in doubt. You will

need those legs later in the

season. We wanted to get a

good run in today, but not

Croad, Cameron Mis-

Turek, Michael Dick-

MacPherson, Palguna

MacPherson, Phil Bae-

Barnes.



Novi senior Jackie Mullins (right) and sophomore Hannah Lonergan show off their medals after coming in seventh and 17th, respectively, at the Waterford Mott Fall Cross Country Invitational Sept. 28.

junior Melanie Murphy (65th in 24:34.5) formed a pack to cap Novi's

times."

17:33.

Barnes led the way for

while Hall landed 23rd in

Novi, finishing 12th in 17:15,

"It was nice to see Hall

only 18 seconds back. Hope-

so close to Barnes. He was

fully soon they will be run-

ning together," Smith said.

za made a very good claim

to be racing varsity next

with their performance."

(18:05) were the Wildcats'

or tying their career bests,

but both were competing in

the junior varsity race. Oth-

er varsity scorers were Tim

Dickmann (45th in 18:11),

Ben Jenkins (46th in 18:14)

Several other Wildcats

and Malapati (47th in 18:16).

got their chance to race Sat-

MacPherson (43rd in 18:07),

week. I was very impressed

Misko (18:04) and Baeza

next best times, both setting

"Misko and (Phil) Bae-

With the core of the Wildcat team running the day prior, several other Novi student-athletes got their

deaden our legs in the pro-

"We were just looking at

the final score, not individu-

al medalists. We also want-

ed to work on our pack run-

The 'Cats kept rolling last

ning. It is a racing strategy that helps teammates build

Friday at the Waterford

Mott Invitational, where

they finished sixth of 14

because we knew the

squads with a score of 169.

course was going to be the

same as that of Regionals,

al competition was in atten

dance. We got a very good

slow, but the competition

was hot. Sometimes it is

about racing and not the

look at what we are up

against in the next few

Smith said. "Along with

that, most of our region-

"We scheduled this meet

Novi's girls cross country squad (1-2) was scheduled to host Northville (3-0) two days ago at Cass Benton before competing in the Oakland County Championships 9 a.m. Saturday at Kensington and then visiting Willow to face Plymouth Salem (2-1) 4:22 p.m. Tuesday.

chances at Huron Meadows. Novi's 612 team points was far from Birmingham Seaholm's 26-point victory Sophomore Samantha DeLisle led Novi in 115th in 23:32.5, followed by freshman Cecile Baeza (122nd in 25:09.5), junior Megan Liu (124th in 25.37.4), senior Megan Patton (125th in 25:43.9), sophomore Cinthya Chavez-Huerta (126th in 25:47.0), senior Jacquelyn Gardner (128th in 26:12.9) and sophomore Hannah Latham (129th in 26:18.1).

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

urday at The Legends Invi-

letes in the race today, and

of our athletes the chance

Squires (13th in 17:47)

lowed by Mizerowski (20th

in 17:56). Groechel (21st in

17:56) and Thalla (23rd in

17:58). Also earning med-

als were Li (38th in 18:15).

Steve MacPherson (55th in

18:28), Kevin Boran (59th

in 18:31) and Croad (72nd in

"Squires ran a good race.

Under control and focused

This may help him crack

Smith said. "After Squires

underclassmen. The experi-

ence cannot be understated

our next 11 runners were

into our top 14 overall."

led the way for Novi, fol

we gave a whole new group

to be our front runners for a

"There were over 450 ath-

tational in Brighton.

day," Smith said.

Young Wildcats show promise

squad (2-4, 0-2 KLAA Central) is set to visit Livonia Stevenson (0-1, 0-1 Central) 6:30 p.m. tonight before competing in this weekend's Oakland County Champi onships, Tuesday's MISCA Dive Meet and then visiting South Lyon East (4-1, 2-0 Central) 6:30 p.m. Oct. 11.

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As if Novi's 94-92 loss to Northville Sept. 20 wasn't painful enough, the 'Cats came out on the same end of the same score Sept. 27 against Plymouth Salem before rebounding for a strong showing at the Clash of the Underclasswomen Invite at Waterford Mott last Friday.

The Wildcats' girls swim

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events against Salem, Sophomore Mallory ley (2:09.15) and 100

KLAA Central) picked

surging late in the meet. Buha took first in both the 200 individual medback (58.07), while senior Andrea VanderMey won the 100 free in 56.02 sec-

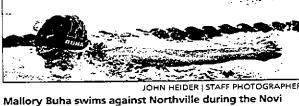
Freshman Alexandra

ing with Dana Kilponen, free relay in 1:47.50.

Among 11 schools at the Clash of the Underclasswomen Invite, Novi fin-

Kelsey Shurmur and Janice Burnett to win the 200 Lauren Harrington added a 1-meter dive victory with 213.15 points.

points, behind Hartland's 398 and Lake Orion's 293. "This meet is one my



favorites." Novi coach Annette VanderMey said. "The energy level and excitement that the underclassmen bring onto the pool deck to represent their school is so refreshing. They really rise to the occasion and some awesome swims always come out of it. Love to see the 'rookies' shine with such pride in their improvements that many times get overshadowed in the grind of dual meet season."

Cortez won the 500 free Novi golfers force three-way title finish

Division champion to be determined at conference meet

By Chris Jackett

Thanks to a later-season surge during the past two weeks, Novi's girls golfers have battled their way into a three-way tie for first place in the KLAA Central Division.

A pair of league victories last week tied the Wildcats with Northville and South Lyon, all with 8-2 division records. The tiebreaker for the division title was to be determined by Kensington Conference Tournament performance two days

The 'Cats fought their way into the tie starting with a 174-193 victory over South Lyon East Sept. 25 at the Links of Novi, setting a new season low team score. Senior Anna Greulich led the charge with a career low score of 41, followed by junior Lauren Cojei with 43, senior Ally Krick with 43 and sophomore Katelyn Henry with 47.

ON TAP

Novi's girls golfers (8-2) are in a three-way tie with Northville and South Lyon at the end of the regular season, but the KLAA Kensington Conference Tournament two days ago was slated to serve as the tiebreaker at Salem Hills. The 'Cats could walk away as both division and conference champs if the day goes well. From there, the girls have a week off until Regionals 9 a.m. Oct. 11 at Fox Hills Classic, Hills

Scoring for East were match medalist Elena Moore with 40, followed by Abbey Bullock's 49, Molly Novi followed the won over East with a vital victory against South Lyon at Cattails Sept. 27. The 181-189 win knocked the Lions out of sole possession of the league title and set them on par with base-line rivals Novi and Northville. Greulich and Cojei led the way for Novi again, this time both with a score of 43, followed by Henry's 46

and senior Aparna Yechoor's 49.

South Lyon's scorers were Alex

Fischer with 44, Priscilla Harding with 46, Lauren Smith with 49 and Lizzie Higgins with 50.

Prior to the league dramatics, the Wildcats also picked up a sixthplace finish Sept. 6 at the Milford Maverick Invitational at Prestwick. Cojei's score of 90 was good for seventh individually. Other counting scores for Novi were Greulich's 98. Yechoor's 100 and sophomore Madison Kroetsch's

The junior varsity squad had a solid week, as well. The JV Wildcats picked up a team-low 189-252 victory over East and 198-229 win over South Lyon. The pair of victories caps the JV season with an undefeated league record.

The East match featured freshn Maya Grandstaff with a career low of 43, Claire Kalina with a career low of 46, Lauren Henry with 49 and Avery Ragatzki and Stephanie Ragatzki both with 51.

Against South Lyon, senior Ashlev Penzato had a season low of 47. Avery Ragatzki had a season low of 48, Sabrina Legace had 51 and Kali-

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Catholic Central climbs to 2-0 in CHSL

Football team played best game yet

By Sam Eggleston

They say that you can never tell a team's true potential until they've reached mid-season form. With half the regular season behind the Detroit Catholic Central Shamrocks football team, it appears that they've got the potential to reach sev-

eral of their team goals. First on that list is to win the Catholic High School League Central Division. The Shamrocks, which beat DeLaSalle two weeks ago, earned a 42-6 victory over University of Detroit Jesuit High School last Saturday. The win makes them 2-0 in conference play.

"I think you can definitely see our team improving," said assistant coach Michael Mach. "We probably played our most com plete game to date on Saturday against U of D. They had just given Brother Rice a real tough game, and we could see on film they were a big and talented opponent, so for us to come out and play the way we did was very positive. Our kids just keep working to get better and take everything one game at a time. We attribute this to the leadership that comes

from our seniors, which

ON TAP

The Detroit Catholic Central football team will be back in action when they visit Brother Rice tomorrow in a CHSL showdown. Kickoff is slated for 7 p.m.

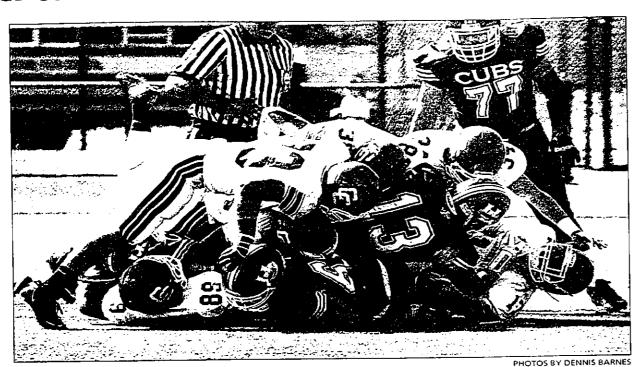
is the hallmark of any successful team, especially at Catholic Cen-

The Shamrocks went

on a 28-0 run before their opponents were able to answer. David Houle, a senior fullback, ran in touchdowns from five and three yards out to put his squad up, 14-0, before senior running back Anthony Darkangelo hauled in a pass from Garrett Moores and jaunted into the end zone for a 22-yard score and then added a five-yard run of his own to make it

a 28-0 game. The Shamrocks' defense allowed the only U of D score of the game to make it a 28-6 contest before Catholic Central juniors Danny Collins, a running back, and David Widzinski, a fullback, crossed the goal line for 12- and one-yard touchdowns, respectively.

Moores put in all six extra points to help make

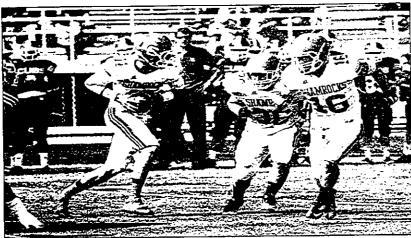


The Shamrock's defense stifles UofD.

Defensively, the Shamrocks were led by senior captain Bran-

don Malinowski from his linebacker position as he picked up 12 tackles and quarterback sack. Darangelo added 10 tackles of his own and Why Shallman, who returned to the lineup last week, added six tackles and a sack to help boost the defense. The Shamrocks are now 4-2 on the year.

Sam Eggleston is a freelance writer and former staff sports writer for the North-



Shamrocks soccer having success

to its 4-4-2 formation. The extra man

single goal for the victory.

helped as the Shamrocks were able to

hold Rice scoreless while tacking on a

The Shamrocks also earned a non-

league win over North Farmington, 5-

2, in a one-sided game. They also tied

Detroit Western, 1-1, despite having

two injuries to key players during the

The Catholic Central kickers have

had a couple of league losses, too,

match-up with U of D and a 2-1 loss

to DeLaSalle. Both losses were decid-

Squad has taken some lumps, but mostly earning wins

By Sam Eggleston

You win some and you lose some but in the end the only thing that matters is if the team is getting better each and

For the Detroit Catholic Central Shamrocks soccer team, they've won more than they've lost recently, and each and every game there has been improvement in all facets of their technique and tactics--something first-year CC head coach Gene Pulice is happy to

"The team is playing very well going into the post-season," said Pulice.
"They are on a high-spirited run for the title of the Catholic High School League, which is our first real goal of

The Shamrocks have been on top of several CHSL games this year, including a 2-0 victory over U of D that found the squad putting in two quick goals after halftime to earn the victory. They also edged Brother Rice, 1-0, in an upset that found the two teams playing a varied style of soccer. Rice came out in a 4-5-1 formation while CC stuck

The Detroit Catholic Central Shamrocks soccer team will be back on the pitch when they start their busy week with a visit to Riverview Gabriel Richard today at 7 p.m. before hosting Garden City at 7:30 p.m. tomorrow. The team will then play at Cesar Chavez Academy at 6 p.m. Tuesday before playing in the CHSL tour-

ed with second-half comebacks by the amrocks' opponents.

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Novi kickers get past two ranked opponents undefeated

Four-way race for division title will come down to final week

By Chris Jackett

It was an impressive week of soccer last week for Novi's boys team. After losing by a combined 5-0 to two opponents early last month on the road they picked up the only goals in a 2-0 victory and draw against the same two teams, last week. Unranked Novi (8-3-3, 4-2-2 KLAA Central) got

the best of rival then-No. 14 Northville (8-5-3, 3-3-2 Central) in a 2-0 victory Sept. 25 before tying No. 5 Plymouth Salem (10-2-4, 5-1-2 Central) 0-0

"We played our best soccer of the season tonight, especially in the first half," Novi coach Brian O'Leary said Sept. 25. "In the second half; we played very organized defense, and when Northville did get a shot, Andy Netter was there to make the save."

Novi's senior netminder picked up his sixth shutout of the season after making nine saves. The Wildcats got on the board 15 minutes into the game off a corner kick that was cleared by the Mustang defense, but senior Jon Rice sent a one-timer back into the goal box, where senior Mitch Adams headed the ball into the center for a

one-timer finish by junior Don Nakashima. In the 22nd minute, Novi got their second goal when senior Clay King played a similar ball into the goal box and Northville cleared it to freshman Tony Asimadu, who hit it back into the fray. Junior Seiya Ogino got a piece of it before Nakashima headed the ball to junior Nick Oakley at the back post for a one-timer into the goal. O'Leary credited Rice, Oakley, sophomore Ryan Kobakof, King and Adams for their play.

ON TAP

Novi's boys soccer team (8-3-3, 4-2-2 KLAA Central) was scheduled to host No. 14 Livonia Stevenson (8-2-4, 5-1-2 Central) two nights ago and South Lyon (3-4-5, 0-4-4 Central) tonight before a Kensington Conference crossover Tuesday and KLAA crossover Oct. 15, both which are dependant on final positioning within the division. All games are at 7 p.m. and will be followed by a 7 p.m. district quarterfi-nal Oct. 15 when the Wildcats host Detroit Catholic

Against a slightly tougher Salem squad, neither team could find the back of the net in an offensive display. Novi had 12 shots, with six on goal, while Salem had 14 shots, with eight on goal.

"Andy Netter played very well in goal for us," O'Leary said. "Not only did he make eight saves, but six of them robbed Salem of great scoring chances. Plus, Salem is a team that likes to cross many balls into the box from the flanks and this kept Andy busy, coming off his line eight times to grab balls in the air."

Seven of Novi's 12 shots came from Nakashima, who nearly scored late in the second half on a header, but it missed just wide of the post. "It was a very good high school soccer game, where either team could have won," O'Leary said. "Jon Rice also played great on defense doing a great job against one of Salem's top for-

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Wildcat Jay Kim leaps up to play a ball

NOVI BOBCATS FOOTBALL ROUND-UP

Varsity squad tops Ravens, 36-

The Novi Varsity Bob-

visiting Rochester Hills

Raven (0-5) 36-18 in their

cats (5-0) defeated the

homecoming game on Sept. 29. After recovering a partially blocked punt by Ian Patterson on the Raven's first possession, the Bobcats drove 35 vards for a touchdown on a run by Connor Moore behind the blocking of Scott Latham, Rakin Parker, and Andrew Calhoun. The PAT was good by Blake King, and the Bobcats led 8-0 in the 1st quarter. A booming punt by Latham on the Bobcats' next offensive series pinned the Ravens back deep in their own territory. The Bobcat defense led by Patterson, Parker, Calhoun, Anthony D'Annibale, and Ricky Turner relentlessly pressured the Ravens' backfield, forcing them to punt again. On the ensuing series the Bobcats' Patterson ran it in from 32 vards. The PAT kick by King was good, and the Bobcats led 16-0 to end the quarter.

After Parker recovered a fumble for the Bobcats in the 2nd quarter, Patterson scored again, rambling 38 yards for the King's PAT kick, the Bobcats led 24-0. The Bobcats gave up a costly fumble that the Ravens ran back for a touchdown to narrow the game to 24-6 at The Bobcats' were led in the second half

by strong running from Brendan Smith, Anthony Zimbalatti, and quarterback Chad Howell, to help set up the 11-vard scoring run by Suhas Chinthalapuri to push the score to 30-6. Turnovers and costly penalties by the Bobcats allowed the Ravens to score twice to draw within 30-18 in the 4th quarter. With the starting unit returning to the game, the Bobcats quickly erased any chance of a Ravens' comeback. Quarterback Ryan Welch threw a long pass to Moore for 39 yards, and then hit Turner in the corner of the end zone for the touchdown, mak-

ing the final score 36-18. Defensively in the second half, the Bobcats were led by Colin Beylui, who had a fumble recovery and was in on several tackles along with Travis Davis. Jordan Castleberry, and Tyler Vankirk. - By Eric Smith

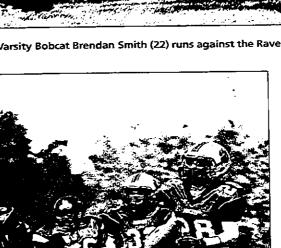
JV team cages Ravens, 22-0

The Bobcats Junior Varsity team (4-1) celebrated homecoming day with a decisive victory over the Rochester Hills Ravens (0-5). After going three and out in their first series the Ravens punted to the Bobcats Traveon Maddox, who returned the punt 35 yards to the Raven 15 yard line. After losing yardage in their first few plays Trendon Hankerson complet ed the drive with a 28vard touchdown run to put the Bobcats ahead 6-0. The Bobcats then recovered a fumble on the next Ravens series but were unable to capitalize on it. After a solid Bobcats defensive series that included back-toback sacks, the Bobcats defense set their offense up with good field position that resulted in a short TD run by Eric Budd. The extra point kick conversion made the score 14-0. After once again stopping a Ravens drive Traveon Maddox took the ensuing punt 40 yards for a touchdown. The converted extra point kick made the score

22-0 at halftime. The second half becam a defensive battle between the two teams that saw the Bobcats defense stop the Ravens from capitalizing on three turnovers. Ellis Piper had an interception for Bobcats to stop a Raven drive. The final score was

Freshman team comes up short

The Novi Bobcats Freshman team came up short in the second half and fell in their homecoming game 24-13 to the Rochester Hills Ravens. On the opening drive



Novi's Traveon Maddox (28) returns a punt in the JV Bobcats Homecoming win over the Rochester Hills Ravens

the Bobcats marched 65 yards in six plays and scored when Jack Beno (2-3 and 58 yards passing) hit Michael Kirkman on a 17-yard touchdown pass. The Bobcats almost scored again just before the half when Beno hit Tristan Whalen with a 41-

yard pass. To start the second half Dan Durnik raced 56 yards behind his offensive line of Jake Giddings, Ryan Hernan

dez and Chris Emery for a score to give the Bobwould turn out to be all the scoring for the Bobcats, who vielded two second half touchdowns to the Ravens.

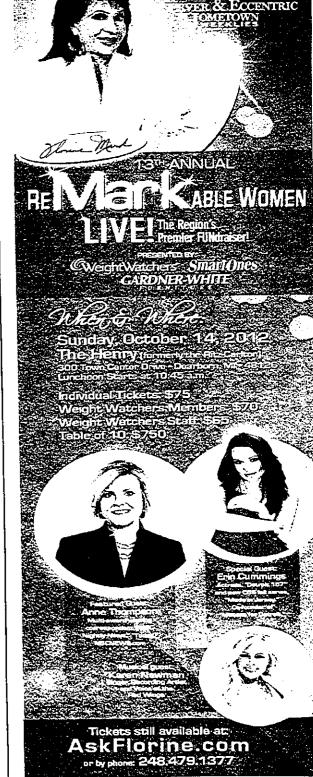
The Bobcats were lead defensively by Alexander Awdish who recorded 13 tackles and by Jacob Brown who had 7 tackles, one sack, and two quar-

- By Chris Parenti





Freshman Bobcat Tristan Whalen (9) running off the block of Michael Kirkman (5) in their game against the Ravens.





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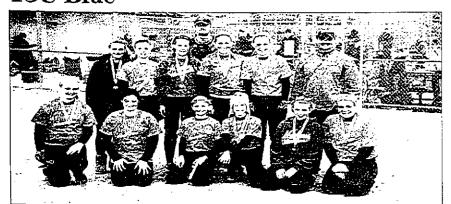
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Motor City Madness 13U Blue brought home second place in their first tournament of the year at the Play at the Cage tournament at Eastern Michigan in Ypsilanti on Sept. 22-23. It was their first tournament of the year and they were playing up in the 16U division. Shown (I to r, back) are Hannah Vitale, Ashley Yarberry, Chloe White, assistant coach Bill White, Morgan Hatton, Avery Fay, head coach Jon Hatton; (front) Jenah Hatton, Sarah Ratledge, Claire Sandau, Riley Jones, Kelsey O'Brien

10U Red



Madness 10U Red brought home a second place in their first tournament of the season, the ICE Breaker n Grand Blanc on Sept. 22-23. After a last-inning, come-frombehind victory in the semi-finals, Madness lost a hard-fought 3-0 game in the finals. The coaches are Rick Cummings, head coach; and assistants Dave Brendtke, Greg Page and Joe Schornack. The players are (I to r, back) Lauren Franklin, Allie Page, Olivia Vitale, Maggie Murphy, Gaby Cummings; (kneeling) Madeline Schornack, Kayla Errer, Cassidy Brendtke; (front) Grace Nieto, Allison Hale and Stephanie Schmunk.



The MCM 13U Red team earned second place in the Smashing Pumpkins tournament on Sept. 22-23 in Toledo, Ohio. In the quarter final, MCM 13U Red beat the Wizards Fastpitch team 12-4 in the quarterfinal and defeated the Downriver Raiders 9-0 in the semifinal. In the finals, they lost 7-9 against the SGS Magic 99 Red in a tightly-contested game. In addition to their second-place trophy, the players also received a special sportsmanship award from the tournament director. Shown (I to r, back) are Emma Paryaski, Mallory Wegrecki, Ally Cummings, Anna Dixon, (middle) Sarah Holton, Emily McCleary, Sam Vader, Nicole Schwerin; (front) Sydney Kist and Alissa Sweeney. Not pictured are Bethany Kopel and Jo Wenson.

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All interested persons are invited to attend. Verbal comments may be heard at the hearand any written comments must be received by the Community Development Depart-ment, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI 48375 by 4:00 P.M., Wednesday, October 24, 2012

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FOOTBALL

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13-10 after Danks' PAT was blocked 3:21 Novi senior Matt Forche (85 yards on nine runs) burst up the right side for a 36-vard touchdown run to make it 20-10 with 1:58 left in the half after Danks' PAT, but the Spartans answered back 70 seconds later when Mims (20-for-30, 171 yards) dropped a 23-yard pass into the hands of junior Billy Bonanno (37 yards on two catches) in the right corner of the end zone. O'Brien's PAT made it just 20-17 Novi at halftime.

Neither team could move the ball in the third quarter, as Novi junior quarterback Issac Burgess (0-for-3, two interceptions) aired out his first past attempt in the past two games, but it was picked off by Wheeler.

The Spartans couldn't get a first down on that drive, but their next drive carried into the fourth quarter, eventually ending after 69 yards on 10 plays that was capped by Mims connecting with senior Cody Coleman (one catch) on the right side of the end zone for a 27-yard touchdown. O'Brien's PAT was blocked, but the Spartans took a 23-20 lead.

Novi went three and out on their next drive and the Wildcats' punt bounced backwards, giving Stevenson the ball at Novi's 41-yard line. Five plays later. Mims found a hole in the pocket and raced to the right for a 23-yard touchdown. O'Brien completed the PAT for a 30-20 lead with 5:57 remaining.

"I was very proud of the way we responded," Fielder said, "They came out and were very physical like we were expecting. They run that offense very

well. I was very proud of the way we responded in the second half defensively and also offensively to score.'

Despite converting a fourth down at Stevenson's 47 on their next drive, Burgess' third pass attempt of the night was picked off by Wheeler again and returned it 12 yards to Novi's 44-yard

"Adam had a great game, some key receptions and some big defensive plays late in the game specifically," Fielder said. "When you've got an offense like that that's grinding on you, if you get them to turn the ball over on you, that's

Offsetting personal foul penalties at the end of the interception play also resulted in Forche being ejected from the game retaliating from a punch.

"We're a running team, so we don't work a lot on the passing game. We had a little bit tough on the passing where we needed to make a play and we didn't make a play, and their kids did," Pennycuff said of Burgess' two interceptions on three pass attempts. "I think it got a little chippy. He got punched and when you retaliate, that's the thing everyone sees and that gets called. But we've got to keep our composure. That's something we preach all the time and just can't do.

The Spartans ran down the final 3:08 off the game clock to remain tied for first in the Central Division heading into next week's match-up with Plymouth Salem (5-1, 3-1 Central).

The loss officially ends Novi's playoff hopes with three games remaining and no better than a potential 4-5 finish.

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FIELD

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held Greenhills at bay as goalkeeper Katrina Koomen picked up six saves and the shutout. Megan Murphy added the insurance goal, tipping in a rip from Malear for the 3-0 victory.

Sacred Heart provided a tougher test a few days later, but Megan Paul sent a pass to Mosso, who was able to dribble into the goal circle and rip a shot into the net for a 1-0, but Sacred Heart evened the score before halftime.

Neither team could find the back of the net to break the tie in the second half until the final 20 seconds when Haley Notarantonio came out of a scramble and lofted the ball into the goal past Sacred Heart's goalkeeper. Netminder Lola Teran kept the opposition off the board in the second half for Novi.

After the close call, the Wildcats weren't about to underestimate the Pioneers the next day. Albane Blanchet set up Murphy for an early tip-in goal for a 1-0 lead and kept Dearborn on their heels in their defensive end. Murphy notched another goal off a rebound and then Lauren Brown fed Mosso a pass for a rip into the net for a 3-0 halftime lead. The offense continued to flow in the second half, but couldn't find the back

of the goal until the final few minutes when Amanda Minissale crossed the ball to Morgan Statezky for the shot into the cage. Teran and Koomen split the shutout in

"This group of girls are successful on and off the field, and have chemistry that works like magic every time they

DENTIAL DEVELOPMENT ENTRANCES.



Novi Wildcat Morgan Statezky in action on Sept. 24 against Greenhills School.

step on the field." Notarantonio said. The varsity field hockey squad this year has become the team to beat. They are a threat to not only teams they have already beat, but teams they haven't played yet. Everyone knows who they are and the numerous things they have accomplished, and will continue to

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and multiple sclerosis. Sponsors and partner businesses include The Home Depot, BIA member companies Cohen Homes, Gordy Oliva Remodeling/Go Barrier Free and Elder Living Construction as well as Pro Carpentry. Nonprofit partners include United Cerebral Palsy of Metro Detroit and Neighborhood Service Organization. Together, they are building four wheelchair ramps for individuals with cerebral palsy and multithe individuals

During August, Cohen

Homes and Pro Carpentry built and installed a wheelchair ramp. One ramp is for a Detroit man living near Dexter and Davison who has cerebral palsy and is being cared for by

On Sept. 20, three additional ramps were built onsite at The Home Depot in Commerce Township. Elder Care Construction will led a Home Denot team of volunteers in building an extensive ramp for a 6-yearold girl living in Highland Park who has cerebral palsy and is blind. Gordy Oliva Remodeling/Go Barrier Free led a second team of volunteers from The Home Depot to build a ramp for a Southfield teenager who has cerebral pal-

The Home Depot volunteers also built a ramp for a woman with multiple sclerosis in West Bloomfield. On Sept. 27, these ramps were delivered to the homes and installed by the volunteers, under the supervision of the professional builder and



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feels that at this point.

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emodeler volunteers. "Project Build! is now beginning to make a larger community impact. Due to the lack of available resources for individuals with physical disabilities who are in need of ramps, home modifications and repairs, other non-profit organizations in metro Detroit are starting to come to Project Build! for help. With the help of Building Industry Association of Southeastern Michigan, The Home

and other great partners.

to help where it can," said Michelle Malamis, Jewish Family Service development associate. In January, Jewwon \$25,000 from The Home Depot Foundation through its Aprons in Action Facebook contest. These funds are used to purchase supplies for Project Build! programs including this wheelchair ramp project, when the Depot, The Jewish Fund

Tim Saling from Elder Living Construction and Erin Lederman with Jewish Family Service Project Build!

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52037 Copperwood Dr N	\$265,000
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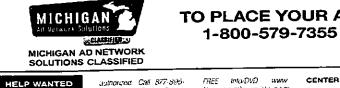
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There may be no better example of a dedicated public health professional than Dr. Mine S. Seniye, chair of the Allied Health department at Brown Mackie College -Albuquerque. She has traveled the world preparing students and health care professionals to care for underserved populations. Here, she outlines five steps to implement a successful health program.

Step one. Assess the community Whether you want to enhance community health in a Bosnian village or an inner city neighborhood, it is

important first to understand the community as a whole. Who lives there? Where are they from? What are their current health practices? "This can't be done long distance," says Dr. Seniye. "You can't just barge into a community and ask 'What do you eat?' You must take part in the society and let them accept you as a person."

Step two. Community organization Collaboration with community leaders is essential to any successful health program. "It is important to identify leaders and stakeholders in the community to recruit to the team," says Dr. Seniye. The Minnesota Department of Health suggests looking for those who are in a position of power, or have already made decisions on previous community issues, and those who actively volunteer. Collaborators from the community help you understand the inner workings of the society.

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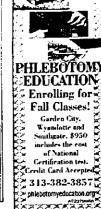
community. "This takes a competency that many don't have. They must be chosen carefully," says Dr. Seniye. "I find that as I get to know people of other cultures, and students who want to engage, I also get to know myself better. It is a growth process. Students teach me something every day. "All the knowledge, resources, and ideas won't help without fitting into the culture you want to improve," adds Dr. Seniye.

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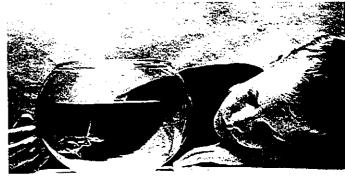
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