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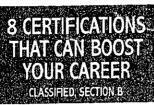
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Development unwelcome: Residents upset over potential subdivision

By Lonnie Huhman

Phase seven of the Island Lake of Novi development has caused some disagreements amongst the neighborhood and Novi's Planning Commission. Toll Brothers is proposing

to add a 40-acre parcel to the

existing Island Lake of Novi

RUD with a 75-unit development. They also requested a modification to the number of units permitted in the RUD Agreement from 884 to 916 in order to allow for the potentia future expansion of the development, but this was denied. The main area of contention

centers on lot size, specifical-

ly that this phase would have

smaller yards and would have the homes situated in a more lensely-packed area. Tom Farley, a resident of

the neighboring Pebble Ridge Estates Subdivision, which is east of the proposed area, said he was still concerned about the new phase and believes it goes against the original intent of the RUD to have larger lots

in a rural-like setting. He said many of the lots he will be "barely over a quarter of an acre" which he doesn't feel fits in with the rest of the

"I just don't know how the city Planning Commission could approve such a drastic

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Top Teachers

Trio honored by district

Three of Novi's finest teachers were recog-nized Monday for the dedication to the students at Novi Community Schools: Katy Dinkelmann, Katie Ammons and Debbie Stein-

"We have many excellent teaching staff in Novi and these three represent Novi's top educators," said Bonnie M. Lobert, assistant superintendent of Human Resources for the district. "It was difficult to choose here are this year's Teacher of the Year for Novi

Community Schools." Dinkelmann and her students were surprised Monday morning by the high school administration, last year's teacher of the year (Kathleen Narducci), several board members and district administrators as she was presented High School Teacher of the Year.

Dinkelmann has a long and impressive list of time with Novi Community

Schools since 2005. She has served on multiple teams achieving high honors. She is a content area leader for the Fine Arts Department, has been a class sponsor for many years, and she has hosted numerous clubs from elementary to high school. In addition, as an IB teacher Dinkelmann has taught the 'zero hour' IB Theory of Knowledge class. She was also named Dance Teacher of the Year by the Michigan Dance

Council in 2011. "Katy is an outstanding teacher leader in our learning community," said Carol Diglio, principal. "Most importantly, Katy creates a positive culture and experience for her students.'

Dinkelmann's students say she has "transformed the dance program at Novi High" and "she spends countless weekends with students preparing us for competitions Principal Stephanie



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envelopes student C.J. Delahanty in a hug after winning Novi's elementary school Teacher of the Year honors on Monday. School board members and her Novi Woods principal, David Asher, presented the 25-year-veteran with the title in an early morning surprise ceremony. Delahanty was one of two students who nominated Stein way for her exceptional efforts.



Gertrude "Trudy" Harradine smiles as she talks about some of the wisdom she's attained over

Century mark

Serenity Prayer woman's guide to long life

Gertrude ("Trudy") Boucher Harradine of Novi recently turned 100.

"I can talk and I can walk," said the centenarian. "I'm really grateful for the fact I can talk

Harradine, who's called Novi home around 11 years, doesn't know of older family members who reached the century mark. "The thing that keeps me going tude is the Serenity Prayer," she

That's "God grant me the serenity to accept the things change the things I can, and wisdom to know the difference." "Heart and soul, I accept that word 'accept.' Faith has played a very large part in my life. Her late husband was Allen

Harradine, who died at age 85 in Please see CENTURY, A11



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--Katie Ammons

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Big day

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After hearing a proclamation from Novi Mayor Bob

Gatt read by Rachel Zagaroli, right, Trudy Harradine

during a Feb. 6 celebration at the Novi Senior Center.

Harradine was born on Feb. 13 in Springfield, Mass.

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reduction that will have such a negative affect on long-term residents that have bought into the city and been supportive of the city over the years," Farley said.

Toll Brothers representative Mike Knolls said the original language in the RUD allowed for a variety of lot sizes, and he thinks this phase will do just

A number of other residents also spoke and sent in letters along the same lines as Farley. Resident Betty Jane Blashfield said she felt they had not been heard from the last time they

spoke in December, For

her, the issue is not just

an Island Lake one, but rather the entire area. She told the Planning Commission not to forget all of the neighbors being impacted by this, who thought they were moving into a neighborhood that would have more of a rural feeling. With these lot sizes, she doesn't think this is the

Residential Unit Development

Planning Commissioner Andrew Gutman said the emotions were understandable after hearing citizen comments. However, he added, the community voted for an RUD, And, despite some exceptions, this request falls

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'I just don't know how the city Planning Commission could approve such a drastic reduction that will have such a negative affect on long-term residents that have bought into the city and been supportive of the city over the years.'

TOM FARLEY Pebble Ridge Estates resident

under the original conditions and should move forward to City Council. The request, as it stands now, stays within the RUD's originally approved number of total units. The RUD

was set up in 1998. Since December, Toll Brothers has adjusted its plan a bit to accom modate more green space, a small park and an addition to the devel opment's pool area. "We're not going to

make everyone happy, but I think it's a very good project," said Plan ning Commissioner Ted Zuchiewski. The property is located near the northeast corner of Wixom Road and 10 Mile, bordering

Dinser Drive. It is at er's Flowers and Green house is located. Dinser's will be sold and is closing down its opera-

tions in the next year.

The matter will now go before the City Coun cil, which will decide whether to approve the modifications to the lot size and width and a reduction in building setback.



The parcel of land at 10 Mile and Dinser Drive has been sold and is slated to be developed for housing called Meadows of Island Lake. Its current occupant is Dinser's

VOTING DETAILS

The City of Novi Planning Commission held a public hearing on Feb. 13 to receive input as to whether to include the new phase — called the Meadows of Island Lake of Novi - in the existing Island Lake of Novi Residential Unit Development (RUD).

By a 3-2 vote, the Planning Commission approved its inclusion and recommended the plan to the City Council. Prior to the vote, two of the commissioners (Michael Lynch and Leland Prince) disclosed that they live in the Island Lake of Novi development. Lynch voted yes while Prince said no Commissioner David Greco also voted no Greco and Prince cited the smaller lot sizes as their issue in approving the request.

A previous public hearing was held in December, but a decision at that time was postponed.

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How they feel about being chosen

Novi High School teache Katy Dinklemann (right) hugs student Tessa Brinza after the Monday morning ceremony where she Teacher of the Year

and challenge myself as I

work to give my students the best dance education that they could receive. My experiences in the classroom as well as working with my colleagues on numerous committees including AdvancEd Social Justice Cohort 1. and as a Content Area Leader for the high school Fine Arts department have helped me grow as an edu-

I would like to thank



Novi Middle School teacher Katie Ammons smiles as she's surrounded by her students after being named middle

Novi Community Schools for this prestigious recognition and congratulate Katie Ammons and Debbie Steinway on their achieve---Katy Dinkleman

school Teacher of the Year on Monday.

This award is not about me. It is about Novi Woods working together to form a great learning community As Mr. Ascher says each morning on our announcements: "It takes team work to make the dream work." I am glad to accept

WOW! One of these three

teachers will be chosen to win the lease of a vehicle from the Suburban Collection of Novi and their names are submitted to Oakland Schools for the Oakland County Teacher of the

staff of Novi Woods Ele-

TEACHERS Continued from page A1

Schriner, teacher Angie Southworth, several board members and district administrators entered Katie Ammons' classroom to present her with the Middle School Teacher of the Year'award. She has been with Novi Community Schools since 2004.

Ammons embodies leadership and integrity in setting aside adult needs to what is right for kids. She has served on multiple teams including the social justice team and the contin uous school improvement team. Ammons has led staff and students through initiatives at the building and district level and is a committed professional to making education the best for all students. Her students say they feel impor tant and she remembers all of her students past and

es the required Life Skills course and as a result has the opportunity to meet a wide variety of students,' said Schriner, "She does a the needs of all students. Her positive attitude and winning smile make her highly approachable to students and parents alike. We are fortunate to have

"Ms. Ammons teach-

school staff and are proud of her accomplishments.

Steinway was presented the Elementary Teacher of the Year award by Principal David Ascher, Celebrating with them Monday were teacher Jenny Camilleri, parents, sever al board members and dis trict administrators.

Ms. Ammons on the middle

Steinway has been deeply embedded in Novi Community Schools as a teacher for over 25 years. She has served on several com mittees including the social justice team and has been a supervising teacher for many years. But most important is her commitment to equipping young children for success. She is committed to helping her younger students with behavior skills to improve learning.

Steinway's students have said she respects each stu-dent and makes them feel good about learning, calling her a great teacher who deserves award.

"She has a relentless passion for finding the 'key' to unlocking the various learning disabilities students may have," said Donna Tinberg, Special Education director. Principal David Ascher says Steinway "inspires all of us to work together for our

Learning's enhanced when students know their teachers care

By Steve Matthews

had a conversation with a friend yesterday. He asked, "What were your favorite subjects in

school? I thought for a moment and remembered Miss Ely - 10th grade English. She treated me vell. She encouraged me to write. She took time to say hello. She invited me to be a participant in her class. I can still remem ber activities from her class. I did a report on George Washing-

ton Carver. I baked peanut butter bread and shared it with the class during my oral report.

I remembered Mr. Robbins sixth grade. He treated me well. He made me feel secure at an insecure time in my life. He took time to sit with me, talk with me, and make me feel important. He did not have to do that - but he did Was it sixth grade that I liked or did I like sixth grade because of

Mr. Robbins? I remembered Coach Braigtwo years of Latin. He was one of the cool teachers in our school. I

Jeffrey Jaghab, D.D.S.

was one of the uncool kids in our school. He talked to me like I was important. He said hello to me in the hall. He called me by name Was it Latin that I liked or did I

like Latin because of Coach Braig? This week we honored three teachers in our school district high school teacher Katy Dinkelmann, middle school teach er Katie Ammons, and elementary teacher Debbie Steinway - as teachers of the year in the Novi Community School District. Truth be told, we could have honored

any number of teachers in our

district. We honored these three because of their work and their professionalism but more impor tantly because they care for our

ored this week in Novi have high expectations for their students. But they also connect with students. The students in Mrs. Dinkelmann's, Mrs. Ammons', and Mrs. Steinway's classrooms know that these three teachers care for

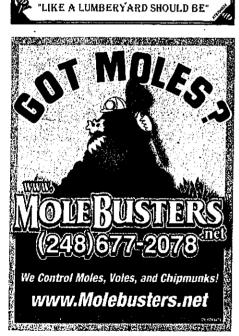
The teachers that we hon-

We have intelligent teachers

trict. But just as importantly we have teachers who care for the students who enter their rooms every day.

Katy Dinkelmann, Katie Ammons, and Debbie Steinway are living proof that learning is enhanced when students know

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



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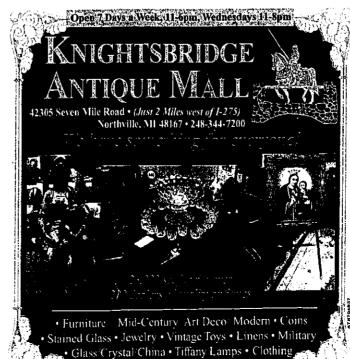
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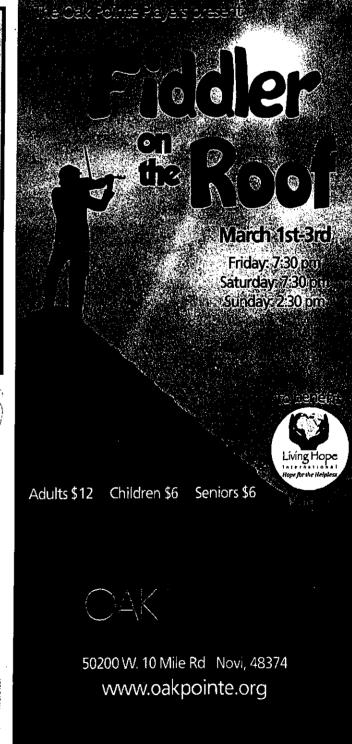
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Novi High students claim both Siemens Awards for AP

Akhil Nistala and Krithika Swaminathan, seniors at Novi High School, were named the Michigan winners of the 2012-13 Siemens Awards for Advanced Placement, a signature program of the Siemens Foundation administered by the College Board

College Board.
The awards recognize the nation's top achievers in Advanced Placement courses in science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) with a \$2,000 college scholarship to one male and one fenale student in each state. Two national winners are also

recognized, each receiving a \$5,000 scholarship. This year, 101 high school students in all 50 states – including 93 seniors and 8 juniors – were honored.

Nistala has taken a total of 12 AP courses in all disciplines, including STEM, indicating his favorite to be physics.

"Challenge yourself but also know your potential," he advises other AP students.

Nistala said his proudest accomplishments are that he qualified for USAMO in 2012; won State MathCounts in 2009; and has been admitted to Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) Class of 2017. He plans to study math and computer science and pursue a career

Outside of the classroom, Nistala is president and varsity captain for Quiz Bowl; a volunteer at Gleaners Food Bank, and sings Carnatic

Swaminathan also has taken 12 AP courses in all disciplines, including STEM, with her favorite being chemistry "AP courses mainly test one's abilities to

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Novi High Principal Carol Diglio congratulates the school's two top-scoring Advanced Placement test winners. Krithika Swaminathan, left, and Akhil Nistala were the State of Michigan's only perfect — (or highest scoring possible) students in the entire state. Each received a plaque recognizing their efforts and check for \$2,000 from the Siemens

plan ahead and to seek out solutions for themselves," she said. She lists her proud-

She lists her proudest accomplishments as ranking 13th in the 2011 Belgian Math Olympiad; being a semifinal-

ist in the 2012 USA Biology Olympiad; and earning first place in the 2011
Royal Society of Belgium

social and possibly pursue a career as a professor/researcher.

She's involved in Quiz-

She's involved in Quizbowl and classical dance, and she tutors math and science.

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Chemistry Challenge.

study biomedical engi-

neering or biophysics in



St. Catherine of Siena Academy is hosting its first youth retreat, The Mission, for grades 8-12 Feb. 22-24.

The Mission is a dynamic youth retreat featuring Bob Rice, Mary Bielski and Matt Maher. Rice is a Catechetics professor at Franciscan University of Steubenville, a speaker, and a musician. He spends his weekends traveling around talking about Jesus to teenagers and adults. During the symmers, he leads worship for over ten thousand people at the Steubenville Summers Conferences.

mer Conferences.

Bielski is a national speaker and a Catholic youth minister. For the last eight years, Bielski has traveled the U.S. speaking to Catholic teens about the awesome power of God. Bielski can also be seen at Steubenville Youth Conferences.

Mather is a contemporary Christian artist, songwriter, and worship leader. He has written and produced several top Christian songs and albums.

The Mission Youth Retreat will feature

entertainment, Adoration, Reconciliation, and Eucharist.
Over 300 students, some from as far as Lansing, have signed up for the event.

Walled Lake Schools concert to benefit Hurricane Sandy relief effort

Walled Lake Schools' student choirs invite the community to the Name of Love benefit concert at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 26 at Walled Lake Northern High School (6000 Bogie Lake Road, Com-

merce).
This benefit concert for the victims of Hurricane Sandy will include a freewill offering at the end of the show to be donated to the Red Cross Relief effort.

The eighth-grade choirs from Clifford Smart, Sarah Banks, Geisler and Walnut Creek middle schools will perform with the choirs from Walled Lake Central, Northern and Western high schools for some of the selections.

"We have made the Name of Love Tour an annual event," said Mary Rashid, Walled Lake Central High School choir director. "We travel to each middle school with our MLK (Martin Luther King Jr.) Tribute. Each school's eighth-grade choir join us in the presentation. This year, we wanted to allow parents, family, friends and the community to see the concert we present to the schools during the day."

The three high school directors --Rashid, Mike Peterson (Northern) and Greg Cleveland (Western) -- felt the need to set up a benefit concert for the hurricane victims.

The freewill offering will be taken after the concert. Anyone wishing to donate may send their donation to: Walled Lake Central High School, c/o Mary Rashid, 1600 Oakley Park Road, Walled Lake, MI 48390. Checks may be made to W.L. Central HS or The American Red Cross.

For more information, contact Judy Evola at judyevola@wlcsd.org.

Boone part of Disney Dreamers Academy

Walt Disney World Resort has announced the 100 teens, including Novi's Faith Boone, who will participate in the next Disney Dreamers Academy with Steve Harvey and Essence Magazine. The teens, along with a parent or guardian, will receive an all-expense-paid trip to the Walt Disney World Resort March 7-10, but they won't be vacationing. Instead, they will participate in a once-in-lifetime innovative outside the classroom educational and

mentoring program.
Each year, 100 students participate in hands-on, full-immersion workshops related to a bevy of career paths ranging from animation to zoology. Each participant learns important skills such as communication techniques

and networking strategies.

This year's 100 students were selected from among more than 5,000 applicants by a panel of judges representing the best in their fields that included Powell, Harvey and Ebanks. Applicants answered a series of essay questions about their personal stories and

WL Kindergarten Orientation on March 5

The Walled Lake Consolidated School District is hosting Kindergarten Orientation for the 2013-14 school year at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 5 at each of the district's 12 elementary schools. All kindergarteners, who will be five years old on or before Nov. 1, and their parents are cordially invited.

Additional information and materials are available on the district website www.wlcsd.org.

The Walled Lake district offers free,

full-day kindergarten at all 12 elemen-

Japanese-English charter school hosts open house

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Hinoki International School, the first Japanese-English bilingual public charter elementary school in Michigan, will host an Open House 6 to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 26, at 36611 Curtis Road, Livonia, for prospective students and families

will nost an open House 6 to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 26, at 36611 Curtis Road, Livonia, for prospective students and families enrolling for kindergarten through third grade in the 2013-14 school year. At the Open House, visitors will have the oppor-

At the Open House, visitors will have the opportunity to learn about the school's two-way Japanese-English immersion program and curriculum, tour classrooms, and

Hinoki International School opened in fall 2010 with a kindergarten class; the school continues to add a grade each consecutive school year. For the 2013-14 school year,

enrollment is limited to 50 students in each grade of kindergarten and first grade, and 25 students in each grade of second and third grade. A nativespeaking English teacher and a native-speaking Japanese teacher teach each class.

At the Hinoki Open House, baked Japanese goods made by Hinoki's Parents and Teachers Organization will be available for sale. For more information, visit hinoki-school.org or facebook.com/hinokischool, or call (734) 422-5931.



Bhavana Tetali, Mark C. Xu, and Aparna Yechoor. Front row: Rebecca Chen, Hannah Fan, Nishant Kakar, Timothy MacPherson, Akhil Nistala, and Kenta Onimura. These students will be eligible for scholarship funds through the National Merit Scholarship Corporation.

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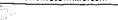
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— Ellen S., Lake Orion

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I could no longer do the many activities I once enjoyed. I knew something was wrong. People told me that this happens as you age and it's normal. So I fried to pretend everything was ok. My husband and I attended your seminar and I felt hopeful. The improvement I experienced was dramatic in just a few weeks. All of the symptoms I've struggled with began to fade away. I am back on my feet again."

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Fundraiser helps emergency personnel and others in need

A recent fundraiser for the Novi Police and Fire Benevolent Association was a big success for the group that benefits the men and women of these organizations, and pubeach purchase at the Pizlic safety personnel from other communities, durza Kitchen that day was donated to the Benevoing times of need. Held on Feb. 2 at the California Pizza Kitchen in Twelve Oaks Mall. Novi Public Safety Direc tor David Molloy, and

an overwhelming suc-"All of our fire and police personnel enjoyed

Novi PFBA president.

said the fundraiser was

the interaction they had with the hundreds of patrons at California Pizza Kitchen," said Molloy. Through the partnership, they were able to raise \$2,010, which will go to assist individuals and/or families in need. Twenty percent of

lent Association's cause. "I am thankful we have such an outstanding relationship with general manager Tom Ander son and the entire team at California Pizza Kitchen, said Molloy, "I know all of our staff enjoyed clearing the tables and provid-

ing service to the custom-

The Novi Police and Fire Benevolent Association is organized exclusively for charitable pur poses, to financially help the otherwise unmet needs of the poor, distressed or underprivileged, covering both dependents of public other members of the

community, thus lessen

ernment, according to Molloy. The NPFBA may also, for such purposes, make organization go to its web distributions to other organizations that qualify as exempt organiza tions. Mollov also said in addition to their efforts to

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Choose Your Ride program earns Novi police an award

In 2012, the Novi Police

Department arrested 342

people for impaired driv-

ing offenses (a decrease of

17 percent from 2011) and

experienced 37 alcohol and

or controlled substances

related traffic crashes, (a

decrease of 27 percent from

2011) with none of the acci-

The Choose Your Ride

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shares the cost of being

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including jail time and more

dents being fatal.

The Novi Police Department has earned the 2012 Traffic Safety from the Michigan Association of Chiefs of Police (MACP) and the Michigan Office of Highway Safety Planning

Winners must demonstrate a clear and convincing commitment to traffic safety within their commu nities. Programs are judged on four components: scope and duration of

· complexity or difficulty of the project degree of innovation involved

• results achieved The Novi Police Department was honored with a \$7,000 grant contributed by OHSP for traffic safe ty equipment. This year's honor was awarded for the department's Choose Your Ride program, an innovative, multi-faceted approach to decreasing the number of drunk driving. impaired drivers in Novi.

"The goal of this year's efforts was to reduce the number of impaired driving offenses and crashes within Novi through specific education and enforcement actions based on measurable data," said David E Molloy director of Public Safety/chief of Police.

'Motorists who drive while under the influence represent a significant danger - not only too themselves but everyone on the roadway. Ninety-percent of all drunk driving happens after drinking with familv. friends, and co-workers; there is always some body around who could be part of a healthy solution. While we want everyone to enjoy what our community has to offer, we encourage them to do it in a responsi



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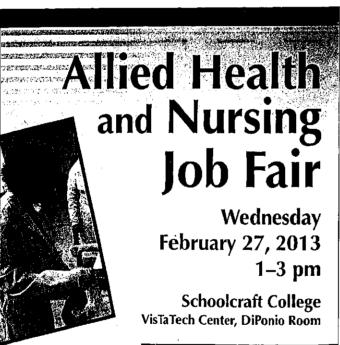


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NOVI POLICE BRIEFS

Breaking and entering

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1 There have been four breaking-and-entering/theft incidents in Novi since Jan. 30. The first incident

occurred on Jan. 30 in the Chase Farms neigh bury Court. A window was pried open, and it appeared the suspect later exited through the front door. Some watches and money were stolen. The next occurred on Feb. 5 in the 26000 block

of Taft Road. Although

there were no signs of a

forced entry, the home-

owner reported jewelry,

including a \$1,400 ring,

missing from the home. The next two also happened on the same day. On Lannys Road, the front door locks were found damaged, and \$40

last happened at a residence on Grand River Avenue (the exact location given on the police report). Again, entry may have been made through the front door and jewelry along with some mon-

ey was taken.

Test drive theft A Chevy Volt was bor-Zrowed from a local automobile dealer, but never returned.

Novi Police received a call from Marty Feldman Chevorlet on Feb. 9 about dealership told the police that a man came into the dealership and filled out the paperwork to test drive the vehicle for two days. The man was sched

uled to return it on Feb. 7. But the man never did and on Feb. 9 Novi Police, through the help of On

at a Novi residence. The dealership said it tried to contact the man, but never heard back from him. The man told police he was having medical issues (double vision) and could not get the vehicle back in time.

The police report stated the man did not offer a good explanation as to why he didn't try to make more of an effort to contact the dealership or

Dented hood 🔿 On Feb. 8, a woman's

Star's GPS system, located the vehicle in a garage

7 On Feb. 9. a driver was pulled over by Novi The police arrested the man for vehicle theft.

Car was dented while parked at the Tilted Kilt Crossing at Fountain Walk shopping center.

out his new brass knuckles. The report stated the dent appeared to be made by someone hitting the hood with brass knuckles. The case remains open.

Driving while

Police for erratic driving and for having the license plate covered in tact with the driver the police reported smelling marijuana inside the vehicle. The man eventually admitted to having sole and had smoked one or two hours prior to the stop. He was arrested for ssession and OUID. A similar incident hap

this time the driver

failed to stop at the flash-

ing red light off of I-96 at Novi Road. The driv er stopped in the intersection and then went on After police stopped him, it was reported the man had red, watery eyes and could not present any documents for the vehicle. He admitted to police 0

that he had smoked mariiuana four hours earlier. later consented to having blood withdrawn to verify if marijuana was used.

Compiled by staff writer Lon-

AG appeals dismissal of felony charges against ex-staffers

Attorney General Bill Schuette filed an appeal last week with the Michigan Court of Appeals challenging the dismissal of felony conspiracy charges against two former congressional staff members for their involvement in former Congressman Thaddeus McCotter's petition scandal.

On Jan. 18, Wayne County Circuit Court Judge Margie Braxton dismissed the charge of conspiracy to commit a legal ny filed against both defendants. The Attornev General's office opposed the dismissal. Don Yowchuang, 33, of Farmington Hills, who worked as deputy district director for the former congressman, pleaded no contest Nov. 27 before Braxton to 10 counts of forgery, a five-year felony, and six counts of falsely signing a nominating petition as circulator, a misdemeanor. Yowchuang was sentenced by Braxton Jan. 18 to three years' probation. If he violates probation, he must serve the last year in a county jail or prison; complete 200 hours of community ervice; repay all court costs and fees; and, he is required to report any contact with police or loss of employment to his assigned

Paul Seewald, 47, of Livonia, who worked

as district director for the former congressman, pleaded guilty Nov. 27 before Braxton to nine counts of falsely signing a nominating petition as circulator, a misdemeanor punishable by up to 93 days in jail. Seewald was sentenced by Braxton Jan. 18 to the following: two years' probation; 100 hours of community service; repayment of all court costs and fees; and, he is required to report any contact with police or loss of employ-

nent to his assigned probation officer.
On Aug. 9, Schuette announced the results of an investigation by the Attorney General's Public Integrity Unit into the alleged fraud surrounding nominating petitions filed in May 2012 on behalf of McCotter. Schuette explained the former congressman was "asleep at the switch" and that four staff members were to face criminal

On Sept. 18, Lorianne O'Brady, 52, of Livonia, who worked as a scheduler to the former congressman, pleaded no contest in Wayne County's 16th District Court before Judge Kathleen J. McCann to five counts of falsely signing a nominating petition as circulator, a misdemeanor. She was sentenced to 20 days in jail or 20 days in a work pro-

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Butzel Long attorne Bernard (Bernie) J. Fuhs of Novi, has been named o Brooks' Elite 40 Under 40 Class of 2013 which includes young thought ers who live or work in Oakland County and are

LOUIS

Age 87, passed away Feb-mary 13, 2013. He was born on September 8, 1925, son of the late Jake and Beckie Brenner. Louis proudly served in the WWI Royat Canadian Navy. He worked at Southern Pacific Rail-

in death by nine of his siblings. A Memorial service was held Tuesday, February 19th at 1:00 p.m. at Phillips Funeral Home.

Memorial contributions request-ed in lieu of flowers to Active

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SHARON D.

Age 69, passed away February 16, 2013. She was born on June 18, 1943, in Chicago, daughter of the late Mary Smallwood. Sharon was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother. She could often be

grandmother. She could often be found attending her grandchildren's activities. Sharon was a faithful fan of the Chicago Bears and the Chicago White Sox. The Demkowicz family would like to

thank Heartland Hospice, Senior Helpers of Ann Arbor and U of M Cancer Center for their com-

measion while earing for Sharon. She is survived by her loving son Brian (Connie) Demkowicz; her adoring grandchildren: Gabrielle (Samual Hollman), Maegan, Dy-lan, Derek, Jared, Carly and Mercie. She is also survived by

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breggie. She is also survived by her great-granddaughter. Zooey, her sister Maureen (Jim) Smith and her loving extended family and many dear friends. She was preceded in death by her hus-band, Richard in 2011 and her

daughter, Danielle Schaad in 2006. Visitation was held on Tuesday, February 19, from 4:00 P.M. - 8:00 P.M. at PHILLIPS

FUNERAL HOME, South Lyon

DUNCAN, LINDA

February 16, 2013 age 65. Services were held at

HINES, DENNIS R., SR.

Elite 40 program is dedicated to helping these individuals make connections that can impact the future of Oakland County, L. Brooks Patterson ntroduced the Brooks Elite 40 Under 40 Class during the 2013 State of the County Address on

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JACK R.

Of Delaware, OH passed peace-fully to his eternal life on Mon-

day, Februay 11. Jack lived his life with such kindness. Father of Mark (Paige) Knapp of Rocky River, Ohio; Lisa Knapp (Flemming Budolfsen) of

(www.cci.org)

Passages

Royat Canadian Navy, He worked at Southern Pacific Railway as a manager for several years prior to his retirement. He is survived by his loving wife of 65 years, Shirley Brenner & his dear children: William Brenner, Beverly & John Alexander, & Joseph & Linda Brenner, Beverly & John Alexander, & Joseph & Linda Brenner, Louis is also survived by his grandchildren: Meaghan, Elizabeth, & Perry, He was preceded in death by nine of his siblings.

a visionary, as well as an accomplished and outstanding business leader." said Fuhs. "It is truly a humbling honor to be included."

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SIRDENIS, CHRISTOS GEORGE

Age 88, from South Lyon, Michigan, passed away on February 15, 2013, at 12:45am. Chris was with his loving Daughters: Kim Klebe and Laurie Newman, at the Additude Piers Newman, and the Additude Piers Newman.

the Addington Place Nursing Home, at the time of his death

experience in non-compete, non-disclosure, and trade secret disputes, business and financial services industry disputes, franchise and dealerships, transporta tion and logistics industion, real estate, securities, and sales representa-

NOVI COMMUNITY **CALENDAR**

Local Events

Time/Date: 7-9 p.m. Feb. 26

NAMI METRO General Meeting

Location: St. John Providence Hospital medical building, eighth floor Details: Jeff Brown, executive director of the Oakland County Community Mental with a number of his staff. will share with their new strategic plan. They will describe the recent process, along with the supporting monitoring and reporting on progress that will be shared with the community on an ongoing basis. Contact: (248) 348-7197

BLOOD DRIVES Time/Date: 8 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. Feb. 23 Location: Northville Christian Assembly Church Time/Date: 2-7:45 p.m. Feb.

Location: Hillside Middle School, Northville Time/Date: 9 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. Feb. 26

Location: Henry Ford Medical Columbus Center, Novi Details: The Red Cross Nationally needs 17,000 blood donations each day for patients in need. Patients count on generous volunteer blood donors to give the gift of life.

on earth but is awaited by man

great-grandchildren, Kyle, Tay-or, Austin, Weston, Alec and Nora; great-great-grandson, Karson. Ruth was anxiously awaiting the birth of her greatranddaughter next month.

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FUNERAL HOME, South Lyon.
A Funeral Mass was celebrated
on Wednesday, February 20, at
11:00 A.M. at St. Joseph Catholic Church, South Lyon. Memorial contributions may be made
to U of M Cancer Center.
Online Guestbook
www.phl?ftpsfuneral.com MOFFAT, JOHN ALBERT 14th, 2013. Mr. Moffat

was born on April 16th, 1930 to John and Elizabeth Moffat of Detroit, Michigan. He graduated from Denby High School in Defrom Denby High School in De-rori in 1948; carned a bachelors' of arts degree from Michigan State Normal College (Eastern Michigan University) in 1951 and; a Masters' degree from Wayne State University in 1953. John Moffat then enlisted in the gust 6, 1952, in Detroit, son of the late Westwood & Gladys Hines. Dennis was an avid golfer and hunter and also enjoyed fish-ing. He could often be found do-nating his time and expertise helping his neighbors in Colonial Acres. Dennis was a devoted and willingness to help others. He is survived by his beloved wife and best friend of nearly 30 years, Shelial: his loving children: Lanelt (Walter) Duff. William (Becky, James, Dennis Jr. (Nikki), Patrick (Amy) Cyl-kowski, David Cylkowski and Chrissy (James) Lawson; 14 Paul of Lake Tahoe, CA. After the death of his much adored wife in 1966, and after retiring as a school teacher, John Moffalt threeled the world as a cruise dance host and ship enthusiast. Mr. Moffat was an active member of the Milford United Methodist Church for many years. As a teacher Mr. Moffal started a teacher Mr. Moffal started and Loyce (Brian) Berry, her grandchildren, Jennifer, Jessica (Rock), Matthew (Molly), Megant the desired in 1986. She was an active member of Our Lady of Victory Mother's Club. Marian loyed to travel and Lady in Wilder (Molly), Megant the Moffal started and Lady of Victory Mother's Club. Marian loyed to travel and Lady of Victory Mother's Club. Marian loyed to travel and Lady of Victory Mother's Club. Marian loyed to travel and religious dance host and ship enthusiast. in October. He is also survived by his sisters: Elizabeth Monta-gomery, Wanda Ali and Linda (John) Miller. Dennis was pre-ceded in death by his parents, his brother. Sonny, his brother in-law, John Montgomery and his granddaughter, Heaven. Visita-tion will be held on Thursday, February 21, from 2:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. at PHILLIPS FUNERA. AL HOME, 122 W. Lake St. traveled the world as a cruise dance host and ship enthusiast. Mr. Moffat was an active member of the Milford United Methodist Church for many years. As a teacher, Mr. Moffat started several different clubs to keep students learning and motivated including, "The Explorers Club". John Moffat is remembered as a father, a grandfather, a dedicated teacher, a world traveler, and a treasured friend He is also pre-

treasured friend. He is also re-

lips Funeral Home. Mass Feb. 23, 10:30 a.m. Holy Spirit Cath-olic Church, 9565 Musch Rd.

Online guestbook at www.phillipsfuneral.com JOHNSON, MICHELLE L. To read the obituary visit: www.GramerFuneralHome.com Age 33, of Livonia, passed away surrounded by her loving family, www.casterlinefuneralhome.com OCHMAN VIRGINIA Age 84, passed on Feb. 16, 2013, Visitation Feb. 22, 3-8 p.m. Phil-

KUTCHER, GABRIELLA

ldren, three great

randchildren and one expected n October. He is also survived

AL HOME, 122 W. Lake St. outh Lyon, MI 48178. Memori al donations may be made to Dennis' wife Sheila.

ews and nieces, Jack's one and only carer after college was banking, starting in Detroit, then Baltimore and continuing in Co-lumbus, most recently at Chase Bank, where he worked for 12 pank, where he worked for 12 years. He grew up in New Hud-son and South Lyon, Michigan. He graduated from Ferris State University and was a member of

Home, at the time of his death, where he passed peacefully, surrounded by love. Chris's son, Nick Sirdenis, who lives in Houghton, Michigan, was sending his love from afar. Chris was preceded in death by his loving wife Joyce and his grandson Noah Sirdenis who both passed in 2011. Chris is survived by his three children and their spouses: Nick & Julie Sirdenis, Kim & Dan Klebe and Laurie & Kurt Delta Sigma Phi, Memorial gifts may be sent to Canine Companions for Independence Nick & Julie Sirdenis, Kim & Dan Klebe and Laurie & Kurt Newman. He is also survived by his grandchildren Lacey Sirdenis Crocker & Nikko Sirdenis Couriney & Nathan Klebe and Chelsie, Kaley and Sarah Hall. Chris was a baseball player in his younger years until WHI in-terrupted that career when he volunteered as medic for the Ar-my Air Core Chris received a LYKE, RUTH MARY Age 94, of Riverview, formerly of East Windsor, CT &

my Air Core. Cliris received a Purple Heart as a medic and spent the better part of his mid twenties in a VA hospital in Al-len Park, MI. After his health improved he started a career with improved he started a career with the F.B. Wright Co. and also started a small trucking company with his wife until they retired to Pickerel Lake in Petoskey, MI in 1985. Chris was always happy and so grateful for everything he had. He always said there is a right and a wrong way and he al-ways tried to do the right thing. He will be missed greatly here on earth but is awaited by many February 7, 2013. She is preceded in death by her husband, Robert Lyke, Sr. Ruth is survived by her loving family; son, Robert Lyke, Jr. of Broad Brook, CT; daughter, Knthy (Gary) Lenza of Riverview, FL; grandchildren, Bobby (Cindy) of Bonifay, FL, Amy (Scott) of Riverview, FL; Rob (Holly) of Enfield, CT, and father, we will see you again.
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TURNER, LARRY 10, 2013. A family service wa held. Online guestbook www.phillipsfuneral.com

MARIAN F.

Age 92, of Townshend, Vermont previously of Northville, Michi-gan passed away February 17, 2013. She was born January 8, 1921 in Northville Township; John Moffat then enlisted in the United States Army where he served with distinction as a Field Artillery Director in the Korean War Conflict. Upon return from Korea, Mr. Moffat was employed as a teacher for the Walled Lake Consolidated Schools system for over 30 years. Mr. Moffat met his wife, Grace Fox, formerly of Domnont Pennsylvania, and they settled in Milford. formerly of Domont Pennsylva-nia, and they settled in Milford, Michigan. Mr. Moffat is sur-vived by his 3 children: Laura who currently resides in Milford, Daniel of Columbus, OH, and Paul of Lake Tahoe, CA. After the death of his mynk-adored grandchildren, Jennifer, Jessica (Rock), Matthew (Molly), Megan, Heather, and Jason; and her great granddaughter Julia. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, her daughter Janice Zayli, 2 brothers, and 4 sisters. A funeral mass will be held Friday. February 22, 2013 at 10:30am, with visitation beginning at 93dam at Opt Lady ginning at 9:30am at Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church, 133 Orchard, Northville. She will be laid to rest at Rural Hill Cemetery. Memorial contributions would be appreciated to Valley Cares Assisted Living, 461 Grafton, Townshend, VT 05353

or the Alzheimer's Association, 20300 Civic Center Drive, Suite

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Brian Bondy and Melissa Cohn enjoying a drink in Fiji.

Novi woman gets proposal, wedding on 'Good Morning **America**

Melissa Cohn, 35, of Novi got a big surprise on Valentine's Day this year. Boyfriend Brian Bondy, 38, proposed to her the morning of Feb. 14 live on Good Morning America, with a "Wedding in a Flash" taking place soon

The video shows a surprised Cohn, a former South-western Oakland Cable Commission staffer, being proposed to by Bondy in New York City's Times Square. The couple met on Match.com, and had pedicures for their first date. In the video, Bondy describes an earlier planned Fiji trip, and how he knew Cohn should accompany him — and be his wife.

'She's so positive about everything." he said. He wrote to GMA in 300 words or less on why he hed to propose on live TV. Bondy got permission from Cohn's dad, Mark, featured in the video with mom Vicky. Their family and friends were in New York in secret.

"There's a catch," her now-husband told Cohn. "I need you to marry me today." Melissa Cohn was startled on TV to be told the wedding was imminent. "Right now?" she asked. She picked a Princess-style dress from among four options with help of Kleinfield Bridal. Maid of honor Sta-

cey Sakakini was there to help choose the dress by Pni-"On a scale of one to 10, I'm a 10 right now, but a very shocked 10," Cohn said in a press release. "This is amaz-

The bride had less than an hour to pick her cake and dress, but was happy.



Two big shows roll into Novi

Two popular shows come to Novi on Feb. 21-24 — Ourdoorama and the Cottage & Lakefront Living Show - at the Suburban Collection Showplace.

online at hometownlife.com

Michigan is home to more than 1 million hunt ers and anglers, most of whom reside within an hour's drive or so of Novi. They will fill the aisles at Outdoorama while looking for hot deals on boats and sporting gear, for con servation education that includes nearly 100 free ly entertainment and fea

Returning to crowd fanfare are favorite attractions like Big Buck Night (Thursday only), Wildlife Encounters (all four days)

some of the most famous whitetails of all time including the X-Factor buck, the Hole-in-the-Horn buck and several others. The sixth annual Cottage & Lakefront Living Show

and Ultimate Air Dogs" with Milt Wilcox hosting daily demonstrations and weekend competition. New this year is the WOW Whitetail display featuring

returns with exhibits and experts for cottage, lake-

DETAILS

Events: Outdoorama and Cottage & Lakefront Living

Location: Suburban Collection Showplace, 46100 Grand River Avenue, Novi Dates: Feb. 21-24

Hours: 2-9:30 p.m. Thursday and Friday; 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday; 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday Web: http://www.Outdoorama.com Phone: 800-328-6550

Tickets: \$10 adults; \$4 for children ages 6-14; free for children 5 and under. Discount tickets are available at Wendy's or online at Outdoorama.com, Patrons to either event receive free crossover admission.

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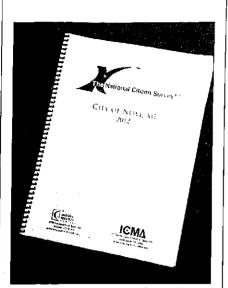
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OUR VIEWS



The National Citizen Survey reveals how Novi

Survey

says ...

Find out what residents think of Novi

It's a hefty document at well over 100 pages, and for Novi officials its contents are virtually a goldmine that lets them know how its citizens feel about

You may have been one of the 1,200 households randomly selected to receive the five-page questionnaire that was mailed last September, Hopefully, you took the time to fill it out. Responses were anonymous

Conducted by the National Citizen Survey, it provides a statistically valid survey of resident opinions about the community and services provided by

The survey was customized for the Novi and was developed in close cooperation with city staff. Items were selected from a menu of questions about services and community issues.

As the cover letter that was sent out prior simply states, the "answers will help City Council make decisions that affect our community.

In the Executive Summary portion, it indicates "Most residents experienced a good quality of life in the City and Novi and believed the City was a good place to live.

And 92 percent of respondents rated the quality of life here as "excellent" or "good", with almost all reporting they plan on staying here for the next five

You could walk in to the Civic Center and ask to see a copy of the survey, but unless you're into analyzing statistics,

it could be a pretty dry and challenging Instead, let the Novi News break it down for readers. Over the next several months, each of the survey's focus

areas will be dissected and presented in a way that's easily understood: *Community Quality *Community Design (transportation;

housing; land use and zoning; economic sustainability) *Public Safety *Environmental Sustainability

*Recreation and Wellness (parks and recreation; culture, arts and education; health and wellness) 'Community Inclusiveness

*Civic Engagement (civic activity; social engagement; information and

awareness) *Public Trust The overall response rate was 34 percent (388 completed surveys), which is

in the typical range of 25 to 40 percent. This was the fourth time the city has conducted the survey (priors being 2006, 2008 and 2010), and the next will take place in 2014. The cost to the city was \$16,000 but, the information it yielded will be invaluable to officials in planning for Novi's future.

Cal Stone. Susan Rosiek, Executive Editor

COMMUNITY VOICE

OPINION

Are you willing to pay 14 cents more per gallon for unleaded gas and higher vehicle registration fees (an average combined increase of about \$120 per vehicle) to fix Michigan roads, as Gov. Snyder has proposed?



James Harrell



They should have the "I think that's too hard money already, so I'm on people who have to against it. How much more can prices go up?" Carol Ferguson

drive a lot. Raising the gas prices is not the



"I think there are alternatives to this that should be looked at before raising more prices.'

Tim Nicholson

Obamacare bringing

The Affordable Care Act (Obamacare) is constructed so that all Americans will have more affordable access to health care. As it currently stands, the health care system in the United states is very unequal, Those who are able to afford health care are experiencing a rise in their premiums and costs. This occurs while those without health care "abuse the local ER driving up all of our costs" ("Obamacare: Is it a tax?"; Novi News, Nov. 6, 2012). It is unjustified for a country that prides itself on the equality in its Constitution to enforce such an unbalanced health care

system; thus reform is necessary. Under Obamacare, citizens who are not paying for health care will have to pay a special tax. While some would see this as a violation of freedom. I choose to view this as a way to please the masses rather than the minority who cannot afford health care. The 2010 Census states that 20 percent of the populations are classified in the lower class. Therefore, almost 80 percent of Americans can afford health care. The government should begin benefiting the majority of its citizens rather than the minority. In order for the United States to demonstrate equality, there must be a change. As this time, we look to

Isabelle Karamuco Novi High School student

Get ready for gun law

Obamacare for the change that we

The ultimate Gun Law Bill AK48, expected to be passed by our U.S.

Congress, is taking shape. Many Americans will be relieved to learn some of the more drastic changes in the law. If a water gun aficionado seeks to purchase any H2O gun, its capacity will be limited to one quart. BB guns will be available, but one must show proof of having reached the age of 6 years and may not own more than 24 BB

Pellet guns may continue to resemble Colt 45's, or Glocks, or Lugers, or whatever, but their muzzle velocity will be limited to 1,000 feet per second, and its cartridge will be limited to 1,000 pellets unless you

purchase a waiver for \$0.39. "The current bill would exempt by name and model more than 2,200 firearms." Fact.

Although these restrictions are not yet confirmed, there is strong possibility they will pass the Senate. The house vote is ... well, still up in the

Patrick M. Downey

Three issues 1 - When you start hearing the term "Common Core" standards mentioned at your child's school, pay attention. In exchange for federal grants, state school districts will be forced to accept federally mandated dumbed-down curriculums. It sacrifices academic excellence for the sake of fairness and diversity. It comes at a time with the U.S. ranked 14th. 17th and 25th in the

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

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world respectively in reading, math and science. Experts predict Common Core will put students another two years behind the rest of the

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2 - Who, what, when, where, why and how used to be the pillars of journalism. Not anymore. Most major news and entertainment media today is just an extension of the White House audio-visual department. ...

3 - The State of the Union address was another round of visions without plans and promises without guarantees. He talked about creating jobs in the same breath while touting the need for more job killing spending, regulation and taxes.

His leadership skills surfaced in a Charlie Gibson interview during his 2008 campaign. Obama said he was impressed with what FDR did during the Great Depression years of the 1930s and, like him, "we're going to try a bunch of stuff until something works." So far nothing has worked and it appears he wants to try more of the same stuff ... speaking of

The president wants to confiscate more money or, as he calls it, increase revenue. That's like trying to raise the water level in a pool by taking a gallon from the deep end and pouring it into the shallow end. It's like your company raising revenue by cutting your pay.

It takes more taxpayers and business growth to increase tax revenues. You need a vibrant economy to do that. You can't have a robust economy while confiscating more private sector capital...

> Jack Belisle South Lyon

12-percent taxes

If Romney and Kerry can pay 12percent taxes and that is actually fair (must be if it applies to liberals and conservatives), then why not let the less wealthy (liberal or conservative) pay the same fair tax rate? Everyone (above the poverty rate) pays the same fair flat rate of 12 percent and no wiggle room (deductions) for anything (yachts, mansions, lunches, kids, etc).

Now, please think about it: If the middle class wages stay the same or go down, they will pay the same or

Ronald Wilkes

Expand recycling

Living on the west side of Novi, there is one thing I have to do every Wednesday: take out the trash. Recently, I've noticed that there are large amounts of plastics that I end up throwing away.

Currently, I can recycle numbers 2 and 3. Though there are many number 1s, I've noticed that I throw away tons of plastics of other numbers (4, 5, 6 and 7). I find this a bit irritating as it removes part of the purpose of recycling — to save the environment. If we are only recycling 32 percent of all plastics made, then we have a problem. If facilities already exist to recycle numbers such as 4, we should utilize them, especially if we already take out the recycling. This would be easier for all citizens as they'd no longer need to sort out

> Dylan Rushton Novi High School freshman

Starting school day later Our high school students wake

what they are recycling.

up early every morning during the week to make it to their first hour class by 7:15 a.m. This requirement of such an early start is not necessary, and may even be taking a toll on students' performance. There is substantial evidence that validates that if schools commenced later in the morning, it would benefit us students exceptionally in numerous

One of the issues facing high school students is the deprivation of adults need seven to eight hours of sleep per night, teens need eight to nine to avoid fatigue. However, statistics show that teens receive an average of only six and a half to seven hours of sleep every night. As a result, you are going to see a lack of effort, interest and performance of students during the school day.

As of now, most high schools around the country start school between 7 and 7:30 a.m. As a high school student, I can tell you that it's hard waking up that early every morning — especially with some sports and school activities running until 9 p.m.; you don't get much sleep at night. However, there are some schools that have changed their start time to just an hour later They have seen drastic improvements among their students. The percentage of kids who received the necessary eight hours of sleep per night increased on average of 14 percent, and the students' daytime sleepiness decreased as a result. ... Seeing these statistics, it's astonishing that our high school hasn't changed its start time to 8:30 a.m. yet. We can do something about this, though. To benefit our high schoolers, we need to bring this solution to the attention of our school board. If this change is enacted, it could bring great improvements to our students' overall academic performance and attitude toward school,

> Kelly Dubay Novi High School student

CENTURY Continued from page A1

1993. They were married in 1940, and had four children: Roger (who died in 1992) Bryan, Stuart, and Kave. There is 9 1/2 years difference between Stuart and Kaye. Kaye Cun ningham of Novi noted, "She always tells peolanned one they had! The others just came!

The centenarian is bilingual, English and French, as she was born to French-Canadian parents, in Springfield, Mas They lived in a French community there, and "Trudy" could only speal French, until she went to an English-speaking She is the eldest of six

children, and has survived them all. Her grandparents and their children all lived in hous es that surrounded each other, so she had 35 cousins to play with and grow up with. Harradine recalled her father not allowing English in her childhood home.

"It was very easy for us did not speak English, and some of my cousins,'

Faith kev

She's a devout Catholic and had an aunt who was a nun, as well as an uncle with the Sacred Heart

Harradine's father died at age 38, so being the eldest, she went to work at age 14 at a fruit and vegetable stand after school and on weekends ends meet. She complet ed high school, and went

expected at that time.

The family later moved to Albion, N.Y. (Allen was born in Hilton, N.Y.,

close by) where Allen bought a farm machiner ness. That was his work until he died, and although Trudy staved at home, she would use

her mathematical and accounting skills (from working at the bank) and She has four grandchildren. One grandson is an

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to work at the Feder-

met Allen Harradine

Trudy worked with the

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At that time, spous-

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it and Trust. When she

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tions department.

al Land Bank of Spring-field, which is where she

encouraged her mom to move here: "I'd say,

orthopedic surgeon in consultant in Seattle,

accounts, and since there speaking clients, she was bank president. Allen was a manager in the Collec-Harradine has three es could not work in the same bank, so she got a

use her French often and has lost some of it. She remembered startschoolhouse. One year. there were two people boy who would pull her

JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER Novi resident Gertrude Harradine, 100, talks about her life experience in her daughter Kaye Cunningham's home on Feb. 18. Harradine marked the century of birthdays on

well as her family, many of whom traveled in for San Jose, Calif.; the oththe festivities. Harradin er grandson is a software gets help at Busch's with her grocery shopping. Wash. The granddaughters are fraternal twins --- one is a freelance writ er in Los Angeles and the

great-grandchildren, all Harradine, born Feb. 13, 1913, said she doesn't ing school in a one-room at-home mom, which was

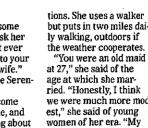
> The Massachusetts native has seen many changes. "I used to ride every morning," she recalled. "This was our transportation prior to

Harradine has some younger people ask hei say a mean thing to your husband or your wife. She again cites the Seren "I have people come back and thank me, and I'm not just talking about Catholics. It seems to

other is a Ph.D. scientist in San Francisco, Calif.

in her grade, the other a

Daughter Kaye of Novi



mom didn't let me have a boyfriend until I was 18. have made a big impres-She's seen a lot in 100 vears. "There have been so many changes," Harra-dine said. "This computer business. I don't under Commons home was "too stand computers at all."

She finds people do well who strive for a pleasing "They themselves and people around them

pier. If you do get angry, just keep your mouth

e weather cooperates "You were an old maid at 27," she said of the age at which she married. "Honestly, I think we were much more modest," she said of young women of her era. "My

> ers are supposed to me home when their children come home from school." Harradine made an effort after that one day always to

"It was nice." Cunningham said. "Mom was always there. She has a really wonderful attitude and I think that's what's kept her around so long. That's had a big impact on me.

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sion on so many people.

She has no regrets. "I

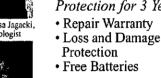
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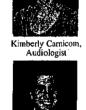
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Alison Jinsky, 7, hangs on to the hand of her father Denny at the Feb. 15 Daddy Daughter Dance at the Novi Civic Center. The evening, organized by Novi Parks and Recreation, featured dancing, crafts, and tasty treats for dads and daughters and drew large crowds both Friday and Saturday night.



The dance floor was a crowded, fun place to be at the Feb. 15 Daddy Daughter Dance.



PHOTOS BY JOHN HEIDER | STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Kirk Morse gets and under-the-chin touch from his daughter Katherine, 3, at the Feb. 15 Daddy Daughter Dance at the Novi Civic Center.



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Steve Johns hits the dance floor with his daughter Emma, 8, at the Feb. 15 event at the Novi Civic Center.



Sydney Hoffmeyer, 10, left, digs into a chocolate fountain at the Feb. 15 dance at the Novi Civic Center.

'Embrace of Aging'

Famie film shares men's perspectives

War II and Vietnam veter-

Some men retire from

Survivor in the Australian

Outback) sees much inter-

seniors. Gaidica is study-

ing for a master's in minis-

Oakpointe into contact with

"There are little things

we can do to connect with

them," he said of seniors,

seniors at facilities.

online at hometownlife.com

On his 53rd birthday recently, Novi filmmak

thoughts on aging. The 10-time Michigan Emmy award-winning director/producer is looking forward to the Sunday. Feb. 24, premiere of his The Embrace of Aging: The Male Perspective of Grow-

"I thought, Well, I should try to do a documentary on this." he said.

Famie, a 1978 Farmington High School graduate who grew up in Farming-ton Hills, is doing a threepart series, the first on men and aging, then women and aging, and dying. Work is under way on the women's portion, part of which will be shown at the Feb. 24 pre

"It becomes chasing the Holy Grail, if you will, in a sense." he said of the extensive filming and interviews. curiosity. Italian, Polish, Arab-Amer-ican, Asian-Indian and Famie was adopted at age six weeks, and lost his Greek. He's also explored adoptive father in 2003 to veterans' issues for World Alzheimer's

effect on me, no question," Men face issues like proshe said. The documentary tate cancer, and Famie said has a lot on Alzheimer's. men also can lack social net-His mom is going on 93. Famie met his biological works that women enjoy. "These are things women parents at 35; his biologifigure out a lot earlier than cal dad died at 92, and that

"That did have a profound

mom's alive in Florida.

what takes you out of the

"Things start to change work: "Then they're kind of with our bodies," he said of lost. They don't have friendmiddle age. With "co-morbidity," we realize, "things As a baby boomer, Famie start to stack up. The dom-(also known for his time on inoes start to fall. That's

game of life, really." est in aging and mortality. "It's like a tsunami of aging Famie sought both health experts and everyday men population growing." for The Embrace of Aging. Some products marketed His heart expert is in carto boomers are essentially diology at the University of "spake oil." he said. "It real Michigan - and has heart ly comes down to a lifestyle lisease himself. It's hard, common-sense

Many facets to work He made a lot of great Famie has done earlifriends filming. One man is a clinical psychologist from er documentaries on ethnic groups in metro Detroit,

PREMIERE

Tickets for the Feb. 24 premiere at Shriners Silver Garden Event Center in Southfield are available for \$75 each. Contact Visionalist Entertainment Productions at (248) 869-0096. Doors open at 5 p.m. For information, including the trailer, photos, stories of elements in production, visit www.embraceofag

both bladder cancer and the loss of his wife to cancer. Famie filmed at the 9/11 Memorial in New York City with a police captain and a well-known restaurateur. "It'll touch different peo ple in different ways,

ing.com.

Famie said of his film He hopes people will live healthier lives, and that women will understand what men go through. He's glad Chuck Gaidi-

ca of WDIV TV Channel 4

will serve as master of cer-

emonies for the premiere

"A great guy," Famie said.

"Happens to be a very close

The aging documentary

will be shown on Detroit's

public television later this

year, he said, likely late

summer or early fall. He

also wants men to see the

women's film, on how wom-

en adapt to aging. Men may

say, "Oh, wow, I need some

tion, different countries and

faiths. That will likely start

closer to the end of the year.

new friends.' I think that's

going to be a big impact."

He'll take a global approach on the dying por-

vith dad on films, including travel. His on wants to be a ologenetic engineer, while his daughter tudies criminal jus

> Cherish friendships'

Famie has stopped eating gluten, and works out with more discipline than in

Novi filmmaker Keith Famie's excit- the past now. "I think ed about his "The Embrace of Aging: the other thing is I've The Male Perspective of Growing really learned to cher Old" premiering Feb. 24. said. He calls friends

right away: "I really go out of the way spending time with my guy friends."

He praises his co-executive producers, Tom Rau of the Brighton area and Russell Ebeid, "Those guys are really important, as are our corporate sponsors," Famie

Stewart Francke, also featured in the film, will perform. Comedian Bill Mihalic, who has written for Jay Leno, will share thoughts on aging men.
The event will highlight the work of the Bo Schembechler: Heart of a Champion Research Fund and Alzheimer's Association of

Northville's Gaidica glad to help friend Famie as emcee

Chuck Gaidica, longtime WDIV Channel 4 weather forecaster, is proud of friend Keith Famie and Famie's films

"I'm always amazed at what he's been able to accomplish," said Gaidica, a Northville Township resident. Famie's films have substance, he said, and are well researched. "You don't see a lot of peo-

ple doing that. I'm really proud of him as a friend," said Gaidica, a member of Oakpointe Church in Novi. Gaidica will be master of ceremonies for the Feb. 24 premiere of Famie's The Embrace of Aging: The Male Perspective of Grow-

seen the documentary "It's one of those things I can relate to," the television weatherman said. "It's intriguing to see what people are doing in different parts of the world to stay

ing Old. Gaidica, 54, has

Gaidica finds men are asking themselves a lot of important questions on health and how they define success.
"I think I've probably

expanded my (social) circle," he said. He's in a cou-

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who are often lonely even if in good health. try and leadership, and has helped bring children at "It's coming at me like

freight train." Gaidica said of aging baby boomers. He agreed women often cope with aging better. If his wife goes out to dinner

a lot of other people like a

leave for the bathroom and come out with three new Men sometimes put

faith helps him in daily life,

with Gaidica, "she could

excess pressure on them selves, including as breadwinners, Gaidica added. His

including the Bible's teachings that life is beyond individual control and to focus on today, not worrying

"If you can really believe the words, it's helpful, no question.

By Julie Brown



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antees every team at least 24 games of

'We've had ... just every year it's contin ued to grow," Tournament Director Jack Janigian said. "We've gotten a lot of out of town teams. There's a lot of teams that come over from Chicago.

Please see DODGEBALL, B2

The registration deadline to join the dodgeball tournament is 9 p.m. Feb. 27, but Janigian said teams would be accepted on an as-needed basis to fill pools afterward in order to balance the num ber of teams out for pool play prior to the bracket portion of the tourn For more information or to register, visit www.detroitcupdodgeball.com or email detroitcupdodgeball@gmail.com.



Chiefs knock off Wildcats in OT

Wildcat forward Jade Antolec rips a rebound away from a pair of Livonia Franklin players during the teams' Feb. 11 meeting.

Fouls, turnovers plague Novi throughout week, Solakian lights up Franklin

By Chris Jackett

The route to the KLAA title was stopped short for Novi's girls bas-ketball team.

After taking care of business KLAA playoffs to mark their 11thstraight victory, the Wildcats (16-2, 10-0 Central) fell short against Can ton (14-5, 8-2 South) in the Kensing-

Playing without junior point guard Kerri McMahan for a secondstraight game due to injury, Novi's offense sputtered at times against the Chiefs Feb. 14. After jumping out to a 11-9 lead, the 'Cats trailed 21-17 at halftime and 33-24 heading into the final quarter. But a tough battle back and a 14-5 run tied the game at 38 to force overtime, where Novi was shut out en route to a 41-

"Proud of how we fought back to get it to overtime; overcame 9-0 to start in team fouls and 11-1 at halfON TAP Novi's girls basketball team (16-2, 10-0 KLAA Central) was set to host

Walled Lake Western (12-6, 7-3 North) Monday and Waterford Mott (12-6, 7-3 North) 7 p.m. tonight before heading into a district semifinal 5 p.m. 7-3 Central) at Canton's court.

"Early foul trouble took us out of what we normally try to do. Everything was going against us but we still hung in there. We kept clawing

Junior Amanda Geiger (11 points, three assists) and senior Jade Antolec (nine points, six rebounds, two steals) led the way for the Wildcats, who shot 12-for-27 (44.4 percent) from the field.

Canton shot 14-for-29 (48.3 percent) from the field as Novi racked up 21 fouls to the Chiefs' 12. Novi had the edge in rebounds 14-13 and defensive deflections 10-1, but both

The road to the overtime contest vent much smoother. In Novi's Feb. 12 KLAA playoff opener against Franklin, the 'Cats went up 19-4 in the first quarter and led 26-13 at halftime. Up 40-17 to start the fourth quarter, the reserves held on for a

the ball, combining for 28 turnovers.

"We hit open shots, subs played a lot in the fourth quarter." Kelp said "(We) have to be more confident

with the ball in our hands." Junior Nicole Solakian was confident in her limited playing time. She came off the bench for a game-high 14 points in nine minutes of action, including 3-for-4 shooting from beyond the arch and 5-for-6 shooting

from the charity stripe.
"It was good to see," Kelp said. "We know she can shoot, but when she puts forth the effort in other areas, she will have a chance to be a

special player.' As a team, Novi shot 16-for-36 (44.4 percent) from the field, marking the same percentage as the Canton

Wildcat icers find wins leading into playoffs

Novi knocks off Franklin Lakeland with offensive displays

By Chris Jackett

With playoffs on the horizon, Novi's icers have pieced together a few victories.

13-1) have won three of their last four games including two straight last week. After dropping a 4-1 contest Feb. 12 at No. 34 Farmington (12-9-1), Novi defeated No. 76 Livonia Franklin (8-13-1) 8-5 at home Feb. 13 prior to a

ON TAP

Ranked No. 31 in the

state and No. 8 in Divi

sion II. Novi's icers (10-

13-1) were scheduled

to host No. 68 Oxford

(12-9-1) yesterday to

cap the regular sea-

son before a regional

p.m. Monday against

Northern (7-12-3). The

winner will face either No. 62 Walled Lake

Central (12-7-5) or No.

96 Walled Lake West

ern (8-7-4) 7:30 p.m.

Arena. None of the

Walled Lake Schools

20 of Division II.

Wednesday at Novi Ice

No. 85 Walled Lake

quarterfinal at home 6

KLAA crossover with No. 90 White Lake Lakeland (8-9-3), who the 'Cats knocked off 5-1 last

"It was just the end." Novi assis tant coach Jim 13-goal affair with Franklin, "Hopeon a three-game winning streak going into play-

In the latter contest of the three, Novi got off to a hot start against Lakeland, with senior Luke Bageris setting up senior Mark Baker for a goal 26 sec-

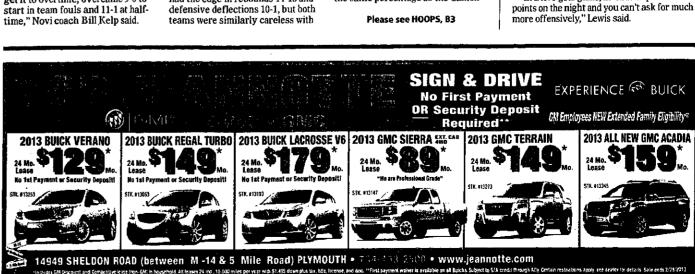
onds into the game On the power play nine minutes later, Bageris notched another assist when sophomore Jimmy Hole ripped a slapshot into the goal from the point for a 2-

Bageris connected for his third assist of the period two minutes later when he and sophomore Brandan Wexler set Baker up for his second goal of the game to put Novi up 3-0 at the

Lakeland's Kyle Jakubowski cut the deficit to 3-1 at the 9:34 mark of the second period, with Garrett Unsworth getting the assist, but anoth er Eagles penalty would soon result in the Wild cats regaining the three-goal lead. Novi junior Chris Kennedy scored on the power play at the 2:59 mark, with sophomore Bryan Fegert

assisting to round out the period with a 4-1 lead Taking advantage of yet another power play, Bageris notched his fourth point of the game with the Wildcats' third power play goal at the 10:57 mark of the third period on an unassist-

"In a five-goal game, he ended up with four





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Roth Novi bowling teams

(3-12, 2-10 KLAA Central

girls) were scheduled to

Canton for Regionals Fri-

coach John Osborne said.

Abby Ranks (150),

Jessie Snider (239) and

Sara Schulz (257) shot

257) and Jessie Snider

(172, 239) were two-game

The girls followed that

performance up by fin-

Roush (33-12) had a

his opposition included

No. 8-ranked wrestlers

in his weight class all

stacked regional field, as

the No. 1, No. 2, No. 3 and

the high team game for

Megan Engles (173).

head to Super Bowl in

day and Saturday.

boys: 9-6, 6-6 Central

Novi bowlers split with Salem

Girls take second in Central Division

meet last Friday. Schulz (195, 172), Snider (159,

214), Engels (180, 176)

Novi's leading scorers.

ninth place, just 16 pins

shy of the final qualify

ing spot," Osborne said

came close to qualifying.'

The Novi boys (3-12, 2-

10 Central) finished in

10th place, 29 pins from

spot. Mat Kotowicz (225,

198), Morgan Wiley (222, 193) and Charlie Woods

the eighth qualifying

(189, 202) led the way.

Against division co-

10-2 Central), the boys

had less luck than their

female teammates. The

champs Salem (13-2,

Both boys and girls

and Plaetinck (194) were

"The girls finished in

online at hometownlife.com

By Chris Jackett

With the season coming

to a close, Novi's bowl-

ers continue to see split

results from one week to

As division runners-up,

the Wildcat girls (9-6, 6-

6 KLAA Central) start-

a 21-9 win over visiting

Plymouth Salem (7-8, 5

7 Central) Feb. 12 at Nov

Bowl. After winning the

first baker game 150-147

and then losing the sec-

ond baker game 173-148

and totals, the 'Cats won

both regular games 833-

is the highest regular

"The 994 second game

765 and 994-819.

Rockets shoot past Wildcats Trio scores in double figures, not enough

Despite three student-athletes scoring in double figures, Novi's cagers learned why Westland John nn has the best record in the KLAA Kensington Conference.

The Wildcats (7-10, 5-5 Central) fell behind 17-7 in the first quarter against the Rockets (15-2, 9-1 South), but cut the halftime deficit

Shooting 15-for-30 (50 percent) from the field, Novi's luck didn't improve much in the second half, as 21-for-31 (67.7 percent) shooting by Glenn put the Rockets up 37-27 after three quarters en route to a 58-44 victory over the Wildcats.

"They are more athletic and stronger than us," Novi coach Brian Tass said. "You have to have some grit and toughness to equalize that. We don't have it. (We) were going to take away the paint. (Nick) Daniels got hot and played the best I'd ever seen him play.

Novi won the rebounding battle 15-7, but gave up six offensive rebounds and 15 turnovers, compared to Glenn's four turnovers.

'We still turned the ball over like crazy for no reason. We just lack composure and a sense of value with the ball. We panic," Tass said. "We were hanging around down seven to 10 points most of the game



Novi's boys basketball team (7-10, 5-5 KLAA Central) was set to host Milford (11-6, 6-4 West) two nights ago before visiting Livonia Churchill (5-12, 4-6 South) tomorrow and Howell (9-8, 6-4 West) Tuesday, both at 7 p.m. From there, the state playoffs begin March 4 with Districts hosted by Northville.

Cadwell (10 points). "Ivy has played well the last two games," Tass said. "I hope he's peak-

ng at the right time of the year.' Senior Charles McKinney, who usually is in on the double-figure production alongside the likes of Cagle (3-for-10, 30 percent) and Cadwell (4-for-6, 67.7 percent), was

"McKinney got in foul trouble and did not really contribute in any way," Tass said.

Others chipping in on the offense points), sophomore Max Yanke (four points) and senior Brandon Macklin (two points, three

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

slalom title

Novi skiers bow out of Regionals

eighth in the giant slalom with 119.5 points.

Novi got their two top-35

regional competition last Saturday in Canton.

The giant slalom was more even amongst teammates, but further from the top of the leaderboard Walled Lake Central's whereas Sawaya was

. We throw it to nobody. We dribble off our foot. We fall down. It is what it is." The 'Cats were led by senior Jionni Ivy (12 points, five rebounds), junior Nelson Cagle (11 points,

DODGEBALL Continued from page B1

The two-time defending champi ons, Western Springs, hail from Chicago and are expected to defend their title again this year. Janigian said last year's Final Four included two Chicago teams, one from Toronto and one from London, Ontario, He said about 15 Canadian teams participated last year, as well as 36-40 from Michigan and a handful from other cities like Chicago, Dallas and Philadelphia With a record 58 teams participating last year, he hopes to top 70 this year

It started with 12 teams in 2008.

"The guys from Western Springs do a lot of tournaments and said it's the best tournament because of the way it's run," Janigian said. "We have a Selection Thursday. Chuck Gaidica

Wildrat Charles McKinney was called

for an offensive foul on this play dur-

ing Novi's Feb. 15 visit to John Glenn

As soon as we got it close, we trav-

In its fourth year at TSC, after taking place at Oak Pointe Church the first two years, Janigian said the event has secured several local sponsors, including 10 North as an afterparty location that will also be fielding a dodgeball team during the day.

He said there would be seven courts playing at once with two referees per court. A typical dodgeball game lasts less than three minutes. so there will be plenty of games taking place throughout the day. If the 70-team mark is met and each team plays 24 games, there would be at least 840 dodgeball games scheduled

"Its about \$20 per person and you'll get to do a lot for it." Janigian said. 'All of the officials are volunteers. It's a lot of fun. We get a video board going and Total Sports lets us open our own concessions."

Not only is the event fun, but it's also for a good cause. Janigian, who is the youth pastor at Oak Pointe Church in Novi, is coordinating with Detroit non-profit Central Detroit Christian to provide help for inner

By Chris Jackett

skiers last week, as nei-

Both the Wildcat boys

ished in the back half of

14 in Brighton, but had a

few individual highlights.

Bastien Dupessey won

boys giant slalom in 33.14

seconds, edging out White

Lake Lakeland's Taylor

Janssen (33.28). Dupessey

also finished third in the

slalom race in a two-run

time of 39.34 seconds, as

Janssen won that race in

Also impressive on the

day was Novi's Harrison

Halley, who took 12th in

onds and 18th in the giant

slalom in 35.93 seconds.

Johnson finished 22nd in

onds, but did not finish the

giant slalom, putting him

Mark Schlax was the

fourth scorer for Novi's

slalom team in 48.61 sec-

onds (44th), while he also

took 43rd in the giant sla-

out the giant slalom scor-

The performances put

lom with 81.5 points and

lom in 38.79 seconds.

slalom in 1:14.86.

boys struggled. Zach

the slalom in 44.08 sec-

the slalom in 42.39 sec-

38.69 seconds.

the individual region-

ther team advanced.

Mount Brighton provided a tough field for Novi's before lone qualifier (5-4) and the girls (0-9) finto the SEMSL League Championship Tuesday the field of 13 squads Feb. tain in Boyne Falls for

fare any better, finishing ninth in the slalom with 150 points and 12th in the giant slalom with 182

finished both in the slalom race, with Miranda Hanby finishing 20th in 50.33 seconds and Ashley Sawaya onds. Lakeland's Kelsev Griffin won the race in 41.43 seconds. Novi's other two scorers were Nina Li at 51st in 57.80 and Elaine Hamilton in 1:01.09

Andrew Jamison rounded for the Novi girls. ing at 42.84 seconds (57th) after finishing 66th in the Taylor Krumm won the race in 34.49 seconds. 36th in 40.90 seconds.

Dupessey wins regional giant

ON TAP

Novi's skiers (5-4 boys. 0-9 girls) were scheduled to compete in the Milford Invitational Monday Rastien Dunessey headed for the boys. From there, the state meet is 8 a.m. Monday at Boyne Mounany individual qualifiers, as neither Novi squad

The Wildcat girls didn't

With the team already eliminated, just two Novi grapplers advanced to

> Seniors Dan DeNova (103 pounds) and Zach Roush (215) each had their work cut out for them in a pool that conthe Southgate-Anderson and Saline district tourna

> > **HOOPS**

game. However, the Patriots shot

fell into the same region. Roush lost his first match by pinfall in 45 seconds to Ann Arbor Pioneer senior Jahi Hilliard (44-4), who

Novi won the rebounding battle

23-19, steals 9-1 and deflections 12-

1 despite committing 16 turnovers.

Solakian got plenty of offen-

en rebounds, two steals) and

sive help, as Geiger, Antolec (sev-

DeNova, Roush knocked out of Regionals

For full bracket results, visit www.mhsaa.com/portals/0/

documents/WR/2013%20IWR%20Finals/r4.pdf

decision to Canton junior KJ Wooley (36-19) to end his high school grappling

DeNova (30-13) had slightly more luck despite also having four of the top 10 wrestlers in the state in front of him as

the regional runner-up.

Roush then dropped a 3-1

with a loss to Temperance Bedford sophomore by an 11-0 major decision but rebounded with a pin son senior Bobby Fisher (24-21) in 1:41. Howevsonhomore Chase Spanos

cats took the second 202-

first regular game 1,123

985 and needed just two

to win the meet. Novi won

the second game, 1,005-

the points they needed to

wrap up an 18-12 victory.

Wiley (212, 246) and Koto-

wicz (209, 224) had Novi's

Westland John Glenn

(13-2, 10-2 Central) won

the boys KLAA title and

Grand Blanc (10-5, 8-

4 North) won the girls

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writer and former staff writer

KLAA title.

for the Novi News.

(24-14) knocked DeNova out of the season with a 9-0 maior decision victo ry before going on to finish fourth in the region

eight points. Also chipping in

(four points, three rebounds). Tav

Kasey Lowney (three points) and

or Pavlika (three points, three

Onimura took second in the 100 backbehind Stevenson's 53.43.

Wildcats swim to third at division

Relays strong as Novi tankers take home three titles

By Chris Jackett

Livonia Stevenson and Northville simply had too much firepower in the

Novi's swim and dive team (4-3) finished third of five schools last week end at South Lyon East during the KLAA Central Division Meet. Amassing 397.5 points, the Wildcats were still a far cry off from the Spartans (605)

and Mustangs (559), who ran away with the meet 12 events. Northville and Novi each won three, and South Lyon Unified won the 1-meter diving event, as Plymouth Salem took

zero individual titles Novi started off well enough, winning three

of the first six events starting with the 200vard medlev relay team of Gucci Onimura, Den nis Kim. Tanner Vincent and Andrew Ao, who won their race in 1:39.17. Vincent and Ao also

added a one-two punch, respectively, in the 100 butterfly in 54.43 and 56.15 seconds. Addition ally, Ao won the 50 free in 22.12 seconds, with Onimura close behind at third in 22.90 seconds. Beyond the individual titles, the Wildcats also got a few top-five fin-

ON TAP

Novi's swim and dive team (4-3) hosts the **KLAA Kensington Con** ference meet Friday and Saturday before the Last Chance Meet Monday at Royal Oak. From there,

Diving Regionals are

March 5 and States are

March 8-9 at Holland.

the 100 breaststroke in 1:02.56 to Stevenson's winning 1:00.88. The remainder of Novi's success came in the two relay events, ra and Vincent again teamed to finish third ir the 400 freestyle relay

in 3:19.56, behind Stevenson's winning time of The 'Cats also took fourth in the 200 free relay with the team of Kim, Vinny Rosanali. Arthur Shi and Toraki Maehata finishing in 1:33.74, behind North

ville's 1:29.96. Novi failed to place events, including the 200 free (Stevenson wor in 1:47.96), 200 individual medley (Northville won in 2:04.82), 1-meter dive (South Lyon Unified won with 406.4 points),

writer and former staff Kim also took second in writer for the Novi News

100 free (Northville won in 48.88) and the 500 free (Stevenson won in Chris Jackett is a freelance

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Walled Lake Western students sign college scholarships



Pictured (I to r) are Jacob Schiavi and Mark White (Jacrosse); John Hollowell and Dan Turner (soccer); Alessandra Murphy and Casey Guntzviller (swim and dive); Harvey Donohue (WLW Athletics); Josh Jones, Noah Bednarek,

Walled Lake Western High School hosted on Feb. 6 a college signing event for five student athletes that plan to pur sue athletics at the colle giate level. Noah Bednarek is the

son of Mark and Hei-

di Bednarek. Bednarek plans to attend Elmhurst College to play football and study sports medi-John Hollowell is the son of John and Kath-

leen Hollowell, Hollowell plans to attend Olivet College to play soccer and study teaching and psychology.

isville to join the swimming and diving team and study environment Jacob Schiavi is the son of Joseph and Kelli Schiavi. Schiavi plans to attend Lawrence Tech-

nological University to

play lacrosse and study

of Tajuan Jones. Jones

plans to attend North Carolina State Univer-

sity to play football and

Alessandra Murphy is

the daughter of Daniel

sandra plans to attend

the University of Lou-

and Maria Murphy. Ales

keting.

Walled Lake Northern student athletes commit to colleges

Walled Lake Northern High School hosted on Feb. 13 a college signing event for seven student athletes that plan to pursue athletics at the collegiate

Jenny McKenna is the daughter of Brian and Colleen McKenna. McKenna plans to attend Northwood University to run cross country and track and study

Nicole Jablonski is the daughter of Chet and Lisa Jablonski. Jablonski plans to attend Metro State University of Denver to play soccer and study environmental science.

Taylor Nutting is the daughter of Joseph and Lindy Nutting. Nutting plans to attend the University of South Ala-

of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., prevailing local time.

bama to play soccer and study biology Gabrielle Bauer is the daughter of

James and Donna Marie Bauer. Bauer plans to attend Olivet College to play volleyball and study education. Peyton Lang is the daughter of Mike and Jennifer Lang. Lang plans to attend

the University of Cincinnati to play volleyball and study education. Brett Davis is the son of Jim and Karen Davis. Davis plans to attend Aurora University to play baseball and study

pre-medicine Brady Schafer is the son of Jon and Mary Schafer. Schafer plans to attend Tiffin University to play baseball and

Maryanne Cornelius, City Clerk



Shown (I to r) are Peyton Lang, Brady Schafer, Gabrielle Bauer, Brett Davis, Jenny McKenna, Taylor Nutting and Nicole Jablonski.

CITY OF NOVI NOTICE OF ADOPTION ORDINANCE NO. 18.265

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE NOVI CITY COUNCIL HAS ADOPTED ORDINANCE NO. 18.265 TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 97-18 AS AMENDED, THE CITY OF NOVI ZONING ORDINANCE, AMENDING SECTION 2508.1, COMMERCIAL TELEVISION AND RADIO TOWERS, COMMUNICATION ANTENNAS, PUBLIC UTILITY MICROWAVE TOWERS, PUBLIC UTILITIES TV. TRANSMITTING TOWERS, IN ARTICLE 25, GENERAL PROVISIONS, TO A.V. ILGASSIMITARY TOWERS, IN ACTIVLE 25, GENERAL PROVISIONS, TO RECOGNIZE AND PROVIDE FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF STATE AND FEDERAL PROFIT AND PEGADONICAL PROPERTY. LEGISLATION REGARDING WIRELESS COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES.

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Maryanne Cornelius, City Clerk

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and the provisions of the ordinance shall become effective seven (7) days after its publication. A complete copy of the Ordinance is available for public use and inspection at the office of the City Clerk, 45175 W. Ten Mile Road, during the hours

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Zoning Board of Appeals for the City of Novi will Notice is Highest Given that the 20ming board of appears for the City of Novi Minhold a public hearing on Tuesday, March 12, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers Novi Civic Center 45175 W. Ten Mile Road to consider:

CASE NO. 13-0005 GFS MARKETPLACE APPROXIMATELY 44225 W. TWELVE MILE RD The applicant is requesting variances from CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Section 2400. Building and parking setback requirements are stated in Section 2400. The minimum building setback in the RC District in all yards is 100 ft. The proposed building setback in the eastern yard is 65 ft, and the proposed building setback in the southern yard is 28 ft. The minimum side and rear yard parking setback in the RC District is 10'. The proposed parking area is setback 4' in the side (western) yard and is setback 3' in the rear

CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Section 2400 requires that buildings in the RC

District be setback 100 ft.

CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Section 2400 requires that parking in the side and rear yard in the RC District be setback 10 ft.

CASE NO. PZ13-0008 40380 GRAND RIVER (BIG TOMMY'S PARTHENON) The applicant is requesting a variance from Sections 28-13 and 28-10 of the Novi Sign Ordinance to allow a sheet fabric type sign and revision of a previous variance to allow and increased sign are from 76 square feet to 119 square feet. The property is located west of

Haggerty Road, and north of Grand River in the 1-1 Zoning DISTREE.

CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCE, Section 28-13 permits signs to be constructed only of materials specified for such structures in the State Construction Code. Section 28-

CASE NO. PZ13-0009 39555 TEN MILE ROAD (PRIMECARE URGENT CARE) The applicant is requesting a variance from Section 28-10(a) and 28-5(3) of the Novi Sign Ordinance to allow a 37 square foot roof sign in addition to the existing ground sign with tenant identification. The property is located west of Haggerty Road, and south of Ten Mile in the OS-1 Zoning District

CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCE, Section 28-10(a) does not allow roof signs. CASE NO. PZ13-0010 24926 BLOOMFIELD CT.

CASE NO. PZ13-0010 24926 BLOOMFIELD CT.

The applicant is requesting a variance from the CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Section 2503.1(E) to allow construction of a new single family home with an attached garage of 1215 square feet. The property is located west of Beck Road and north of 8 Mile Road in the R-4 Zoning District.

CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, Section 2503.1(E) allows accessory uses of up

to 850 square feet in the R-4 Zoning District.

CASE NO. PZ13-0011 42400 GRAND RIVER (ACCESS POINT) The applicant is requesting variances from Section 28-5(3) of the Novi Sign Ordinance to allow addition of a 24 square foot wall sign on the exterior of a multi-tenant office building. The property is currently served by a ground sign allowed by right and is proposed to remain. The property is located east of Novi Road, and north of Grand-River in the B-3

CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCE, Section 28-5(3) permits only one sign if a ground sign is used and permits a wall sign only for businesses with a separate exter CASE NO. PZ13-0012 46100/46080 GRAND RIVER/26925 TAFT ROAD

The applicant is requesting variances from Section 28-5(3), 28-5(2), 28-5(2), 2.1 and 28-7(b)2 of the Novi Sign Ordinance to allow nine additional or altered signs as follows:

(3) oversize 12 sq. ft. drive identifications signs

(1) additional internal site directional sign of 26.9 sq. ft. at vehicle drop off

(1) additional 65 sq. ft. wall or oversize 100 sq. ft. ground sign (3) additional oversize wall signs of 162 sq. ft., 375 sq. ft. and 170 sq. ft. Modification of previous variance ZBA04-009 to permit addition of 46 sq. ft. panel to a pylon sign adjacent to 1-96.

The property is located west of Novi Road, and north of Grand River. In the OST with EXO, Planned Office Service Technology District with Exposition Overlay Zoning District.

CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCE, Section 28-5(3) permits only one sign per parcel if property. Section 28-5(2)a.1.i (fka 28-(2)a.1.i) allows a maximum area of 100 sq. ft. and 28-7(b)2 limits directional signage to 3 sq. ft. with max. 30% business information. Section 28-5(2) b.1.(a)ii allows a maximum of 65 sq. ft. total sign area for a multi-tenant

CASE NO. PZ13-0013 21373 BRIDLE RUN

The applicant is requesting a variance from the CITY OF NOVI, CODE OF ORDINANCES, and Section 2400 to allow construction of a new single family home with a reduced front setback of 30ft. (45 ft. required). The property is located west of Beck Road and north of 8 Mile Bead in the RA around District.

Mile Road in the RA zoning District.
CITY OF NOVI. CODE OF ORDINANCES, Section 2400 and the Marbury Park Estates RUD (Residential Unit Development) approval requires that structures designated as part of the R-A zoning district have a minimum front yard setback of 45 ft.

NOTICE OF ADOPTION **ORDINANCE NO. 13-134.03**

CITY OF NOVI

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE NOVI CITY COUNCIL HAS ADOPTED ORDINANCE NO. 13-134.03TO AMEND THE CITY OF NOVI CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 7, BUILDINGS AND BUILDING REGULATIONS, ARTICLE II, STATE CONSTRUCTION CODE, TO ADD A NEW SECTION 7-26 TO CONFIRM AND PROVIDE NOTICE OF NECESSARY CONSTRUCTION DOCUMENTS AND SITE PLAN INFORMATION AND ESTABLISH CONDITIONS TO BE INCLUDED IN PERMITS
AND CERTIFICATES ISSUED FOR TOWERS AND WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS STRUCTURES, EQUIPMENT, AND FACILITIES.

The Ordinance was adopted by the City Council on Monday, February 11, 2013 the provisions of the ordinance shall become effective fifteen (15) days after its adoption. A complete copy of the Ordinance is available for public use and inspection at the office of the City Clerk, 45175, W. Ten Mile Road, during the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.,

CITY OF NOVI NOTICE OF MEETING OF BOARD OF REVIEW

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Review shall convene in its first session at 9:00 a.m. EST, Tuesday, March 5th, 2013 in the Novi Assessing Department at 45175 W. Ten Mile Road for the purpose of reviewing and correcting the assessment roll.

Notice is further given that the second session of the Board of Review will meet for the purpose of hearing and considering assessment appeals in the Novi City Council Chambers at 45175 W. Ten Mile Road on March 11 and 13, 2013 and in the Activities Room

All appearances before the Board will be by appointment only.

If you or your representative wants to appear in person, the appointment must be made on or before 5:00 p.m. EST, Friday, March 8, 2013. Appearances before the Board of Review are limited to five (5) minutes or less. Petitions are available at the Assessor's Office

NO APPOINTMENTS WILL BE GIVEN UNTIL A PETITION IS RECEIVED BY THE ASSESSING DEPARTMENT.

Letters of protest will be accepted on or before 5:00 p.m. EST, Wednesday, March 13. 2013. Postmarks will not be considered. When submitting a letter of protest for the Board of Review consideration, you must attach a completed pelition along with any

supporting information. All agents protesting values on property, other than their own, MUST HAVE written authorization from each property owner they are representing

Persons on fixed or limited income may be eligible for a reduction in property taxes due to poverty. Applications are available at the Assessing Department, or at www.cityofnovi.org BOARD OF REVIEW SCHEDULE

Monday, March 11, 2013 • 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Council Chambers Tuesday, March 12, 2013 - 1:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Activities Room Wednesday, March 13, 2013 - 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Council Chambers Located in the Civic Center, 45175 West Ten Mile Road Novi, MI 48375.

Any questions should be directed to the Assessing Department at (248) 347-0485.

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Team ranked No. 1 in state finals; Program. sends 12 individuals to Auburn Hills

ON TAP

The Detroit Catholic Cen-

tral Shamrocks wrestling

team will continue the

march for a state title

when they wrestling in

the team tournament

this weekend in Battle

Creek before compet-

ing next weekend in the

at the Palace of Auburn

place at 119 pounds as he defeated Plymouth's Trey

Berry via major deci-

sion, 14-3, and then Rich-

ard Demarios of Canton

4-2. In the final round,

he bowed to Temperance Bedford's Mitch Rogalin-

At 130 pounds, Myl-

es Amine, a sophomore

an 11-3 major decision

over Chase Kallil of

started the day off with

Plymouth before defeat-

ing Jordan Markey of

Ypsilanti Lincoln, 6-3,

to advance to the final

loy, 5-4, to take second

place. Also taking sec-

ond was Mike Babicz,

who fell in the finals of

the 152-pound division to

Jordan Atienza via major

defeated Connor Harmon

opening round and Jared

Hagan via technical fall,

17-2, in 5:46 in the second

In the 189-pound divi-

sion, Nick Giese finished

in second place after tak-

ing a 5-3 loss in the final

match against Livonia

Franklin's Allen Steele.

Giese, a sophomore, won

his opening round over

Monroe's Dan Green via

pin in 3:09 before pin-

of Monroe, 9-4, in the

There he fell to Alex Mol

er. 8-5.

individual tournament

By Sam Eggleston

The Detroit Catholic Central Shamrocks wrestling team made two huge goals to start the 2012-13 season: Win a state championship and qualify as many individual for the state finals as possible.

The team took one step closer to the first goal last week and did a swell job of accomplishing the latter goal as well. Heading into the

MHSAA Team State Finals Thurnament this weekend, the Shamrocks ranked as the No. 1 seed in Division I. They will open up the tournament Grandville team (22-7) which is seeded No. 8, at 3:15 p.m. at Kellogg Arena in Battle Creek Friday in the quarterfinals.

The No. 2 seed, Davison (12-4), will wrestle Holt (15-10), which is seeded No. 7, while No. 3 Hartland (32-1) will take on No. 6 Macomb Dakota (37-4). Temperance Bed ford (26-2), seeded No. 4, will wrestling No. 5 Rochester (23-11)

In the individual state will take place next weekend at the Palace of Auburn Hills, the Shamrocks will be represented by a whopping 12 grap-plers, including five who are ranked as the No. 1 seed in their weight

Ken Bade, Malik Amine, Logan Mar-cicki, Drew Garcia and Bob Coe all won regional titles last week and enter the finals as the top contenders in their respective divisions.

his way to the 285-pound

title. He defeated Aaron

Mauldin of Wayne Memo

rial in a 5-1 bout before

Temperance Bedford's

Adam Ortman in the sec-

and round, 1-0. In the title

match, he pinned Man-

ny Haddad of Livonia

home a title in the 135-

pound division with a

ing Jon Conn of Plym-

took a 15-3 major deci-

earn the championship.

Marcicki, a junior,

pinned Yahya Talab of

the title at 160 pounds

after topping Joey Shav-

44 seconds and pinning

division, Garcia pinned Derek Hillman of Wood-

haven in 4:28 to take the

championship round. In

the opening match, the

Shamrocks junior beat Justin Patton via fall in

35 seconds before top-

Sam Ekanem, 7-0.

omore, took second

Dearborn Fordson in the

round.

sion over Allen Park-

iunior Malik Amine

the crown. Bade, a senior, tool

narrowly getting past

Drucz in 57 seconds in In order to qualify for round two. Capturing a third-place the state finals tournament, individuals had to finish was junior Evan Toth in the 125-pound take fourth place or better in their weight class. Coe, a senior, had several tough matches on

weight class. He defeated Pioneer's Keegan Pape via technical fall in 5:15 before falling to Canton's Ben Griffin, 5-4. In the consolation bracket, Toth defeated Churchill's Jon Locklear via major decision, 12-0, and then topped Farmington's nmanual Govantes, 8-3, for third. Taking fourth in the

112-pound division Churchill in 2:54 to take was Shamrock Parker O'Brien. O'Brien, a junior, won his first round over Belleville's Austin Koehler, 12-9, but pin in the championship fell in the second round round in 3:28 over Roosto Jarad Fernandez, 6-2. evelt's Ouentin Santiago. In the consolation round To get to the finals, Base Parker defeated Macros defeated Robert Freter Lytwin of Stevenson, 7-4, of Ann Arbor Pioneer via and then fell in the final pin in 1:14 before defeatround to Saline's Taylor Ticknor via pin in 1:30 outh, 8-2. At 140 pounds, to take fourth. Also taking fourth was Jimmy Russell, a junior, at 189 pounds. Russell fell in the er of Wayne Memorial to opening round to Temperance Bedford's Codie He defeated Jake Lohr of ettencourt, 3-1, but then Temperance Bedford in fought his way through the first round with a pin the consolation brackin 1:55 and Alec Brekenet with wins over Woodridge of Plymouth, 8-3, to make the trip to the title haven's Chris Gutmann, 8-6, and Garden City's Drucz, 4-1. He fell in the final round in a rematch

with Bettencourt, 3-1, to take fourth. final round in 2:57 to earn Jay Peterson also wrestled in the regional, taking two losses in the 215er of Plymouth via pin in pound weight class. He lost to Jordan Brandon of Salem's Tyler Gross in 57 Westland John Glenn in seconds. In the 171-pound the opener, 9-2, and then defeated Cody Tis in the next round due to forfeit. He then lost to Roosevelt's Vincent Pizzo via pin in 2:00.

Sam Eggleston is a freelance writer and former ping Wayne Memorial's staff sports writer for the Northville Record and Novi Trevor Zdebski, a soph-

Regional-bound



The Novi High School cheer team took fourth place with 751.84 points in last weekend's district competition, qualifying the girls to move on to the regional competition at 3 p.m. Saturday at Novi High. Hartland led the way with 785.02 followed by Livonia Stevenson, 780.72; Brighton, 772.30; and Northville in fifth with 743.62. Also competing were the three Walled Lake high schools, Pinckney, Grand Ledge, Howell, Milford and White Lake Lakeland. There are 12 teams competing in the regionals

Wolfpack win third tournament of year



The Northville Wolfpack 6th grade girls basketball team have won ship this year while competing in the The Northville Invitational Tournament held Feb. 9 at Northville High School. Posting a 4-0 record, the girls played teams from Livonia, Hartland, and Huron and won the championship game n overtime against Hartland. he team consists of (back row om left) Connie Krizmanich, lane Berry, Hannah O'Sullivan, licole Martin, Coach Steve Grant, lannah Grant, Coach Steve Thallnan. (front row from left) Karina Moore, Jenna Lauderback, Chloe Zulcosky, Eilie Thallman, and Tara

Shamrocks blank Divine Child

Squad had six different scorers in one-sided win ON TAP

By Sam Eggleston

ning Garden City's Adam It's not often a hockey team gets to six goals without having one play ing on a hot streak, but that was the case last week when the Detroit Catholic Central Sham-

rocks dominated CHSL foe Divine Child. The Shamrocks, who benefited from having the stone-walling abili ties of goalie Rvan Mulka between the posts, skated off with a 60 shutout victory over Divine Child, which couldn't seem to find a way to stop the oncoming attack by multiple

thew Sorisho. Babwhich was fired home

for the 2-0 advantage.

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different lines. Scoring the first goal--which proved to be the eventual game-winning tally-was Charlie Green He took assistance from Mike Bahcock and Matcock and Nick Daigneau assisted on the next goal

The goals just kept rolling in as Danny Middleton added to his season totals with a score for the 3-0 lead, assist-

Brady Jones before Mitch Ossowski scored a goal with assistance from Jones and Middleoff the stick of Sorisho

ed by Max Wanko and

ton for the 4-0 lead. The final two goals ame off the sticks of Bobbie Carey and Wade Orlowski, respectfully. Carey's goal was assisted by Ossowski and

Ryan Burnett, while

The Detroit Catholic Central Shamrocks hockey team will be back on the ice when they visit the Arctic Edge Arena next Wednesday at 6:45 p.m. for the pre-regiona

Daigneau had his secand assist on the night during Orlowski's scor

Sam Eggleston is a freelance writer and former staff sports writer for the Northville Record and Novi News

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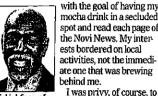


Draft

Being recommended for a job comes with responsibilities

rar be it for me, or any other human seeking a brief respite from the commuter clanging, to believe that the non-intrusive act of standing in line for a Grande Carmel Mocha would alter the peace-seeking trajectory.

I didn't really mind the fact that the 30something woman standing behind me was having an emotional roller coaster of a conversation on a cell phone with, as it later turns out, her younger sister. When I entered the Starbucks off Novi Road, it was



piece together that there was an opportunity being presented and younger sis ter wasn't responding quite as expected

one side of the conversa-

"I don't believe it!" she stated as I tried to avoid making eve contact. I had paid for my coffee and it was during that waiting time that the right and left side of my inner self one perched on each shoulder, waged into

Right shoulder self, "You're just here for coffee and to read the newspaper. Go sit down, it's none of your business." Left shoulder self. "You know, there is

an issue here and you are obligated to help your fellow human being." Right shoulder self, "She's not in trouble,

mind your own business. Caught between my coffee and my conscious, I approached her and said, "Miss, I couldn't help but overhear your conversation and feel free to tell me to mind my own business. Believe me, I would not be offend ed, but it sounds like you need to talk about

She didn't hesitate. She asked if she could join me, and without waiting for a answer, followed me to a secluded table and explained the gist of her frustration.

"My boss just happened to mention that

our department would be hiring a ship-

someone who needed a job and was eager enough to do the job." She paused. "Naturally, I thought of my younger sister. I phoned her explained what we were looking for and that my boss is willing to bring her on board. Of course, she'd have to go through the formal process, but he all but guaranteed that she'd get the job."

"And the problem is...," I asked. "My sister asked about the pay rate. I told her the job pays \$10 an hour. She said she'd have to think about it because it was barely gas money. Now, keep in mind that she has been out of work since 2006!"

"And you're not sure what to do "She surprised me when she said she'd have to think about it."

I waited, took a sip of my coffee and shook my head in that pensive, wizened look that conveys centuries of untapped

"Listen," I started, "You don't know me from Adam Ant, but let me see if I can save you some trouble. Call your sister back and tell her that she does not need to think about it anymore. Tell her that you are going to call your boss and tell him that you are going to help him look else-

"But my sister ..." she replied "Is about to be hired into a job in which her performance will be mediocre, at best, and your stellar reputation will have a blemish. She has already informed you that she will not be committed to the job and will become a performance problem for you and the organization. Close that door before it opens."

She went thoughtful on me, and before she could respond. I said, "One of the instated truths about using your network to help secure employment for some one is that when the person accepts the job, they give up the right to be an average or mediocre employee. They have to become an asset - not for you, but for the next person you are in a position to help. "I hadn't thought about it like that," she

lamented "Believe me." I said as I stood to leave.

Lee E. Meadows. Ph.D., is a professor of management at Walsh College working at the Novi Campus. He can be contacted at

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Week 2

Beast of the Southern Wild

Welcome



located in the Twelve Mile Crossing at Fountain Walk entertainment complex in Novi. Pictured (I to r) are Nikki Pezzopane. Tilted Kilt: Daye Staudt, Novi mayor pro tem; Bob Gatt, Novi mayor; Dameon Jacob, Sean Cahill, Brian Meussner and Cheryl Stern, Tilted Kilt; Wayne Wrobel, Novi City Council; and Mike Kowall, state

O&E hosts digital marketing seminars

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tric Media will host "Digital Roadmap: A Seminar for Online Success" on Tuesday, Feb. 26, in Southfield. The seminars are

aimed at helping businesses use digital media to market and grow their business. sions (10 a.m. and 1 p.m.)

are planned for Tuesday. Feb. 26, at Shriners Silver 24350 Southfield Road.

person. To register for a · How to increase web session, go to http://oantraffic and drive conversions through paydemedia eventbrite com/ per-click (PPC) market-The seminars will focus

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Haang's Bistro opens in Walled

With more than 20 years estaurant business. Chef Her Hang and wife Ka Hang have opened their Haang's Bistro restaurant in Walled Lake's famed waterfront district.

"We would love all of Oakland County to come and try us once. You will be hooked," said the chef.



in Grand Rapids

the Hangs heard how fam ily oriented a community Oakland County was and knew they had to be a part of it. The Walled Lake waterfront seemed to be the perfect location. Customers could not only enjoy the best al Thai and Chinese Cuisine, they could also listen to soothing Asian and American music while din ing and watching one of Michigan's greatest assets

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Fox Run notes 22percent increase in apartment settiements

office expansion comes as a result of significant Fox Run retiremen growth in clients and the need for additional engineers and staff. marked a 22-percent

increase in settlements of As part of Red Levapartment homes for yearel Networks' initiative to end 2012. It also marked a support Michigan's growjump in reservations. As a result, Fox Run today is at sion also helps relieve an all-time high of 96-perthe office park of vacant space, while supporting local businesses around

the area.

Mechanisms' Mark Taggert presenting white paper in Washington D.C. As chairman of the

National Photonics Initiative (NPI) - Advanced Manufacturing Subcomnisms President Mark Taggart will present a White Paper in Washington, D.C. on Feb. 28, outlining the group's recommendations facturing can solve problems, enable innovation. facilitate economic growth and improve our global competitiveness. The meeting, entitled

Optics & Photonics: Lighting a Path for the Future, will feature a panel discussion and industry perspective at the National Academy of Sciences building during a morning session; followed by working group breakout sessions at the Ronald Reagan Building And International Trade

Center in the afternoon. "I'm honored to have been selected by my peers to go to Washing ton, D.C. and explain the ing the U.S. laser industry and the steps we need to take to maintain our global leadership in photonics," said Taggart, "I need to thank the members of the Advanced Manufactur ing Subcommittee and the for all their hard work in preparing the White Paper

Exterior upgrades boost home's resale potential

ment when it comes to remodeling should consider exterior ing to the 2013 Remodeling Cost vs. Value Report, Real among the most valuable home improvement projects.

appeal projects offer great bang for vour buck, because a home's exterior is the first thing potential buyers see," said National Association of Realtors President Gary Thomas, broker-owner of Evergreen Realty in Villa Park Calif Projects such as siding, window and door replacements can recoup more than 70 percent of their cost at resale. Realtors know what home features are important to buyers in your area and can provide helpful insights when considering

Results of the report are sum marized on NAR's consumer website HouseLogic.com. which provides information on dozens of remodeling projects. from kitchens and baths to siding replacements, including the recouped value of the project based on a national average According to the Cost vs. Value Report, Realtors judged a steel entry door replacement as the project expected to return the nost money, with an estimated 85.6 percent of costs recouped upon resale. The steel entry door replacement is the least expensive project in the report. costing little more than \$1,100 on average. A majority of the top 10 most cost-effective projects nationally in terms of value recouped are exteri or replacement projects; all of

Three different siding replacement projects landed cement siding, expected to return 79.3 percent of costs. vinyl siding, expected to return 72.9 percent of costs, and foam backed vinvl. expected to return 71.8 percent of costs

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these are estimated to recoup

els and replacements in 81 markets across the country Data are grouped in nine U.S Bureau. This is the 15th consecutive year that the report,

tantial value at resale. A mino kitchen remodel is ranked fifth and is expected to return 75.4 Realtors provided their percent of costs. Nationally, the average cost for the project is iust under \$19,000. The second interior remodeling project in the top 10 is the attic bedroom, which landed at eight and tied with the vinyl siding replacement with 72.9 percent of costs recouped. With an average national cost of just under \$48,000, the attic project

ect projected to return the least is the home office remodel, estimated to recoup less than 44 percent The 2013 Remodeling Cost vs. Value Report compares

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ments were also among the

top exterior replacement proj

ects. The midrange and upscale

both expected to return more

According to the report, two

interior remodeling projects

in particular can recoup sub-

than 75 percent of costs.

established by the U.S. Census which is produced by Remodel ing magazine publisher Hanley cooperation with NAR.

buyer home preferences within those markets. The 2013 national average cost-to-value ratio rose to 60.6 percent, ending a six-year decline. The ratio represents nearly a three point improvement over 2011 2012. Lower construction costs are the principal factor in the upturn, especially when measured against stabilizing house values. In addition, the cost-tofor every project in this year's

"A Realtor is the best resource for helping homeown ers decide what improvement projects will provide the most construction costs with resale mon resale in their market. values for 35 midrange and said Thomas, "Each neighborupscale remodeling projects hood is different, and the desircomprising additions, remodability and resale value of a

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particular remodeling project varies depending on where you live. When making a home remodeling decision, resale val ue is just one factor that home owners should take into consid Most regions followed the

national trends; however the Pacific region, consisting of Alaska, California, Hawaii, Oregon and Washington, once again led the nation ue ratio of 71.2 percent, due mainly to strong resale values. The next best performing regions were West South Central, South Atlantic, and East South Central. These region: attribute their high ranking to construction costs that were remaining regions showed strong improvement over last year. These are Mountain, New England, East North Cen tral, Middle Atlantic, and West

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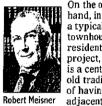
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master deed with care **By Robert Meisner**

condominium and wonder if you can give me your feeling about the the case of a condominium attache townhouse unit.

A: In my experience n representing both developers and if the exterior requires minimal maintenance (i.e. brick), it is something that should be done by the association. Owners tend to maintain what they car see — painting trim — but nothing else. If the use of the building is commercial or if in residential projects the developer is offering "maintenance-free living, it is better to have the association responsible for all exterior maintenance.



a typical esidential roject, there old tradition adjacent responsible for their own maintenance.

Many times I will include an article on "Party Walls" laying out each owner's while providing for remedies including self-help and a lien. Another consideration in a townhouse project as to whom should be responsible s whether there are firewalls extending beyond the roofline. If not, and you have a flat roof, it is almos impossible to guess where the roof may be leaking. On the other hand, if you have walls clearly dividing the roof between units, then the owner can maintain his own roof. In any event, it calls for careful consideration in drafting the master deed and the thought process by the condominium association owners as to whether they want to change any of the responsibilities between the

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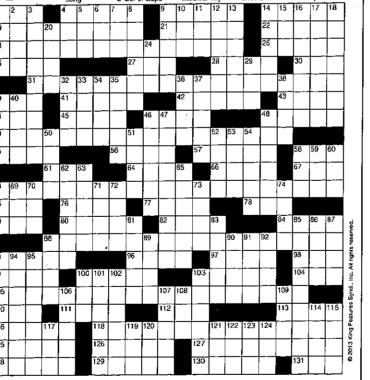
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Here are eight in-demand professional certificate programs. Some are industryspecific, while others can help careers in a variety of fields.

1. Professional project management.

Project managers can be found in just about any company or industry that has projects, from information technology to construction to government. While PMP certification, administered by the Project Management Institute, is now an expectation for project managers, it has become a bragging right for anyone who might have managerial duties.

2. Foreign language.

In many occupations, especially customer service, knowing more than one language can provide a significant career boost. Proving you're proficient

with a certificate of foreign languages. There are many tests and certificates offered through community colleges or distance learning programs.

3. Corporate training.

Corporate training is an indemand business-management speciality that can be lucrative. If you're in management or human resources and want to specialize, move up the company ladder or just want to extend your knowledge and skills, the Certified Professional Trainer degree offered by the American Training and Seminar Association can give you a boost.

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5. Personal fitness training.

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, this booming career field is experiencing faster than average job growth. In theory, anyone who understands fitness could be a fitness trainer, but having a cer-

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prove to employers and clients that you know what you're doing. Certification programs are offered by the Aerobics and Fitness Association of America, National Academy of Sports Medicine and American Fitness Professionals & Associates,

6. Professional sales.

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sions, but the National Association of Sales Professionals is a place for sales generalists to

Nearly every business has an

You're unlikely to find a college degree in sales, but a variety of certificate programs can give you the skills and experience to prepare for a career selling goods and services. Many of these programs are industry-specific; there are nearly as many professional sales get started.

7. Web design and

development.

online presence. Professionals who design, develop and maintain company websites have many opportunities. For people who don't want to specialize as Web designers or developers, but may occasionally pitch in to help with Web-related tasks, there are many certificate programs. Some even qualify for government financial aid.

8. Certified clinical medical assistant.

If you have general skills and experience but don't have the time or money to get a bachelor's or associate degree in a health-care field, there are certificate programs that can provide a boost to your career. A certified clinical medical assistant understands clinical

and laboratory procedures, as well as many administrative roles. For those with an administrative background, CCMA programs can be door openers for working in doctor's offices. clinics and hospitals.

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