

## *Co-worker says Novak spoke of 'perfect crime' Claims he said fire gets rid of all evidence*

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*A paramedic who rode in the same ambulance with murder defendant Paul Novak testified that he overheard Novak threaten to kill his wife, Catherine, within a few months of her death....said Novak got into a loud argument on the phone that fall while the two men were in the ambulance together "He said to his wife, "I do not care if you are the mother of my children, I could kill you,""*

*A second paramedic, also testified he overheard Novak say, 'The best way to get rid of evidence, a body, is to burn it.'*



## *No cause of death, former ME says* THR September 19, 2013

*A forensic pathologist punched holes in the story that Catherine Novak was strangled by murder...Charles Wetli, a former Suffolk county chief medical examiner, and now highly paid defense witness, said Catherine's body showed no of the telltale signs of strangulation. "You don't have any evidence of cause of death,"...Wetli agreed with forensic pathologist who testified that Catherine was died before the fire broke out noting carbon monoxide levels were minimal and she hadn't breathed in any soot. But, Wetli said the cause of death can't be determined.*

**Pathologist says he does not believe Catherine Novak was strangled** - YNN September 19, 2013

**Forensic pathologist Charles Wetli says he doesn't believe Catherine Novak was strangled and if there was a 45 minute struggle, there would have been marks on the body.**

## **Jury to decide Novak's fate** - THR September 25, 2013

*Now it's in the hands of the jury who could come back with their decision at a moment's notice.*