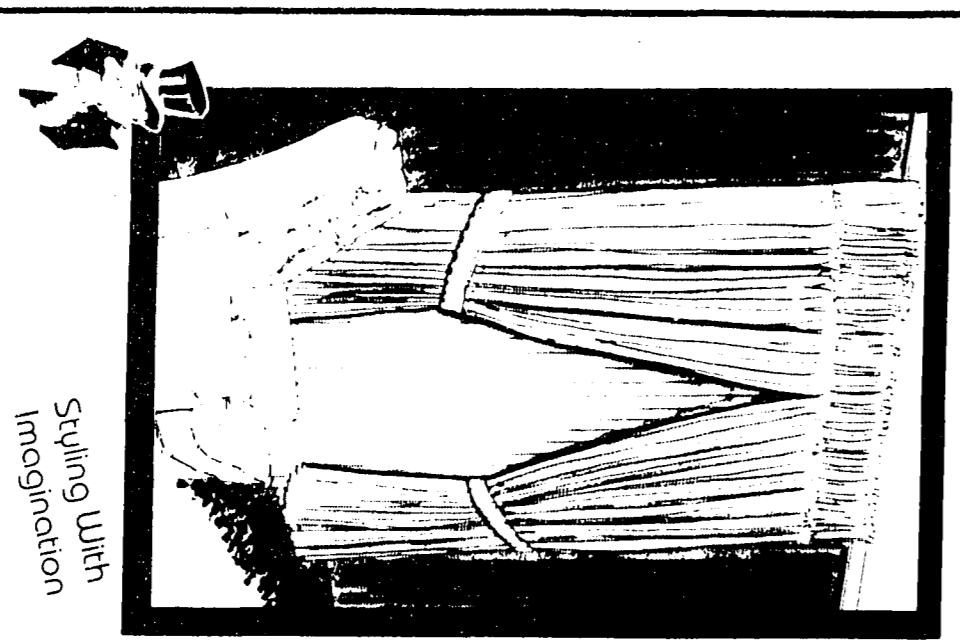


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Chemical storage OK'd as neighbors ste

By PATRICIA N. BOWLING
 news staff writer

The Water Resources Commission (WRC) approved an underground storage tank permit for the Quazite Corporation last week, while concern over water quality escalated in a nearby subdivision.

"It isn't just Quazite they're concerned about," said Novi Heights resident Tony Ochab. "It's everything. But because Quazite came forward, they've become the scapegoats."

Talk of chemicals and leaking tanks has prompted many Novi Heights residents to begin ordering bottled water. Ochab suggested. "I've never seen so many bottled water deliveries!" he said Friday.

About 50 residents, many from Novi Heights subdivision, attended a public meeting offered by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) earlier this month.

They told the DNR staff they would rather have the company leave town than be granted approval to install a 12,000-gallon tank for storing polyester resin, a chemical used in the production of industrial floor bricks at Quazite.

Wayne Denniston, chief of the permits section in the DNR's Groundwater Quality Division, said he reported the residents' sentiments to the WRC at its July 18 meeting.

"We thought the opposition at the end of the meeting (in Novi) was less than what was there at the beginning," Denniston said. "Some residents just didn't want the company there — and that we can't address."

What the groundwater quality staff did address was whether the proposed tank would protect the environment, he explained.

Quazite's new double-walled tank has an alarm that signals a break in the vacuum between the two walls. A testing device enables officials to determine if the break is in the inner or outer wall and whether any leaks have occurred.

These double-walled tanks will be recommended by the DNR for use in environmentally sensitive areas. Denniston noted. In particular, the double-walled tanks will be used in areas where there is only one source of water available.

The seven-member Water Resources Commission approved the permit allowing Quazite to install a double-walled tank currently used at the Novi plant.

Residents were alarmed to learn at the local public meeting that Quazite had no permit for this 8,000-gallon tank. Because of a "misunderstanding of policy" on the part of a DNR staff member, the company had told they didn't need a permit for a tank less than 10,000 gallons, Denniston explained.

In fact, permits have been required for storage tanks since 1972. But until recently only those requiring hazardous waste discharge permits were monitored. Those at companies like Quazite, which has no hazardous waste, "fell through the cracks," Denniston said.

The first "strictly storage" permit in Michigan was issued in 1983, and all those issued since then can be counted on one hand. But the state is making an effort to close the regulatory gaps — a Storage Tank Advisory Committee is working on new rules to govern the use of underground tanks.

Denniston noted there is no requirement in Quazite's permit that its new tank be installed by a certain date. "That probably should have been in the permit," he admitted. "I don't think it will be any problem. I think they're going to go ahead and install it. We fully expect them to do it right away."



Bearly buddies
 Four-year old Joe O'Neil got along "bearly" when he sat down with a group of his bear buddies to sample some blue berries during a special program entitled Paddling Bear and Friends at Village Oaks Elementary School recently. Sponsored by the Novi Community Education Department, the program was offered in conjunction with a preschool program. So why did Joe hit it off so well with his furry friends? We suspect it was a mutual taste for blue berries and, of course, similar tastes in top hats.

Millage 'yes' would dodge debt

By MICHELE M. FECHT
 staff writer

The Novi school district could face a \$700,000 bill for special education services from the Oakland County Intermediate School District if voters turn down a .75 mill proposal this October.

To compensate for a revenue shortfall in its special education fund, the county is asking voters in the 28 local districts it serves to approve a .75 mill tax increase which is expected to yield about \$10.5 million.

Should voters approve the three-quarter mill increase, monies generated not only would cover the county's deficit but also are expected to meet current costs as well as anticipated program increases through 1995, according to intermediate district officials.

John Swallow, Novi schools' director of special services, said that should the county-wide millage fail this fall, the local districts will be responsible for their share of the shortfall retroactive to the 1982-83 school year.

While intermediate district estimates put Novi's share at approximately \$572,000 for the 1982-83 through 1989-90 school years, Swallow said he estimates the figure is closer to \$700,000.

He noted the county's enrollment estimates for students in center programs are too low. Swallow said the county figures showed only 24 students in center programs in 1984-85 when 32 students were actually placed in center programs throughout the county.

He also noted county projections through 1990 also are off by about 10 students.

Center programs, operated in 16 of the county's 28 school districts, are designed for students with "low incidence" handicaps. Due to the expense of such operations, districts share center program services. Most of Novi's students are placed in Farmington Hills.

Starnes said Monday, however, that police had contacted the youth and determined that he was not one of the individuals seen in the Meadowbrook Lake subdivision on July 15.

"We've explored several possible leads, but everyone we've talked to has been cleared," said the police lieutenant.

"Normally, suspicious person complaints turn out to be someone selling magazine subscriptions or someone who has just moved into the area out for a walk," he added. "It's highly unusual to receive a report of two men walking around in what appears to be wetsuits at 6:40 in the morning during a pouring rainstorm."

Starnes also reported that police have received several calls from people who reported seeing the two men at Nine Mile and Meadowbrook Road on the Monday the incident occurred. Another caller reported seeing the suspects walking westbound down Nine Mile from Meadowbrook Road.

City planners deny request to allow service station use

Service stations do not belong at "key entryways" to the city — the planning board told Marathon Oil Company last week.

Marathon has petitioned to have the northwest corner of Eight Mile and Haggerty Road rezoned from office to "freeway service." The planning board voted Wednesday to recommend denial of the request to the city council.

Council will consider the rezoning in August.

"We've come up with a design that's unlike any other Marathon station," Marathon representative Dick Domanian told the board as he unveiled renderings of an extensive landscaped service station. The front of the station will have a "greenhouse effect" with facade materials designed to blend with the Novi Hilton, he noted. "We think we can really do a nice job for you here."

The oil company proposes widening the east leg of Haggerty to five lanes, Domanian added.

But Community Development Director James Wahl noted the new owners of Orchard Hill Place, the office park located directly behind Marathon's corner parcel, have described their development as "the premier office park in the entire Detroit metropolitan area."

"It raises a question about the concept of having a service station at this location," Wahl suggested.

The Samsel Group of Bloomfield Hills purchased the Novi Hilton and the 100 remaining acres of undeveloped office and commercial land behind the hotel in May. The Emro Land Company (Marathon Oil) retained ownership of the corner parcel.

Altogether Orchard Hill Place encompasses a total of 165 acres of office and commercial property. Revised plans for expanding the Hilton and developing additional office buildings recently have been submitted to city staff, Planning Consultant Brandon Rogers said.

"I question whether the city's recent master plan for this area envisioned (an) automobile service station or other types of outside business uses at this entry corner to the city."

"I feel spot zoning of this small parcel is not in the city's best interests," Wahl said.

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Prowlers mystify police, residents

Police have run into a dead end in their investigation of two men observed prowling through the Meadowbrook Lake subdivision early in the morning on Monday, July 15. According to reports received by police on the day of the incident, the men were seen at approximately 6:40 a.m. during a pouring rainstorm and were dressed in dark clothing with hoods. One caller said the men were wearing wetsuits.

"The investigation is still active, but so far we haven't come up with anything," reported Novi Police Lieutenant Robert Starnes, who is supervising the investigation.

"The whole thing is very unusual," he added.

Originally, police thought the suspicious persons complaint might have been related to a similar complaint in the Village Oaks subdivision on Friday, July 12.

In that case, police were able to locate a juvenile resident dressed in a black martial arts outfit with a hood and a mask. Starnes theorized that the men seen in Meadowbrook Lake on July 15 might have been the same individual and a friend, both wearing ninja-type martial arts outfits.

"The outfits might appear to be wetsuits when they get soaked during the type of downpour we had that Monday morning," said Starnes.

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Free show is planned at city hall

The Summer Concert Series sponsored by the Novi Parks and Recreation Department will continue next Tuesday, July 30, when The American Scene Band performs a free concert outside Novi City Hall at 7 p.m.

Parks and Recreation Director Thomas O'Branovic said the band performs country and light-rock music.

"The concerts make for a nice evening of family entertainment," said O'Branovic. "We're encouraging all residents to drop by city hall at 7 p.m. with lawn chairs, blankets

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Conflict continues on Meadowbrook

The city did not "overlook" the commercial zoning on property at Ten Mile and Meadowbrook Road — changing it just wasn't a priority until recently, one planning board member suggested last week.

The planning board has been involved in "big, citywide issues" over the past several years, Board Chairman William Briggs said. The Meadowbrook property now under consideration for a shopping center development was not an oversight, he explained. It was an issue of priorities — and rezoning individual parcels was not at the top of the priority list.

The 2.68 acres on the west side of Meadowbrook Road, behind Novi Plaza Shopping Center, currently is zoned business. The city proposed rezoning it to office after plans for a shopping center were developed.

Preiminary plans for the shopping center were revised three times before Planning Consultant Brandon Rogers recommended the plan to the board approve them. He noted the city's Master Plan recommends office use for that section of property. But "the zoning ordinance controls," the master plan guides," he told the board.

Residents from the adjacent Orchard Hills Subdivision petitioned the board to reject the plans because of the site's close proximity to a residential area. They reiterated their concerns to the city council, which in turn recommended the planning board initiate a rezoning of the property.

At a public hearing on the rezoning last week, Rogers reversed his earlier recommendation. "The fact that three different site plans were required for

the shopping center during the preliminary site plan review phase at tests to the inherent site design problems at this location for retail business use," he said.

"Ideally, professional or business office development would be the proper land use to serve as a transition from the Ten Mile commercial uses and single family homes to the south," he said.

But Harold Larson, an attorney representing property owner Kikar Arman, told the board he had arranged to meet with the residents to discuss their concerns about the shopping center development.

"I would like the opportunity to communicate with the neighbors and resolve the concerns before you consider the rezoning," he told the board.

Noting a petition signed by 50 residents opposed to the rezoning, Board Member Richard Clark suggested it would take a "minor miracle" to resolve the conflict.

"The issue is not communication with neighbors, the issue is good planning," Briggs added. "The timing bothers me, but when I ask myself, 'What is good planning for this site?' I think the office zoning is correct."

Board Member Joseph Toth, on the other hand, suggested the city had sufficient time to rezone the property prior to plans being submitted. The proposed project complies with the current zoning and is an "acceptable use" for the site, he said.

The board voted 7-0 to recommend the rezoning to the city council. Toth obtained from the vote. City council will consider the matter in August.



Star Warriors

Novi News/STEVE FECHT

Kentucky Fried plan is roasted

Developers are determined to bring a Kentucky Fried Chicken restaurant to Grand River Avenue in Novi, even though the proposal now has four major strikes against it.

The 1.25 acre site on the south side of Grand River just west of Haggerty Road was zoned for general business when representatives of Kentucky Fried Chicken purchased it last year. Last month, however, city council rezoned several sections along the south side of Grand River to a new Non-Center Commercial (NCC) district.

The NCC district prohibits fast-food or carryout restaurants. Only restaurants with a seating capacity of at least 150 are permitted.

In addition, the NCC district requires a minimum lot size of two acres and at least 200 feet of frontage on Grand River. The Kentucky Fried Chicken site has only 195 feet of Grand River frontage.

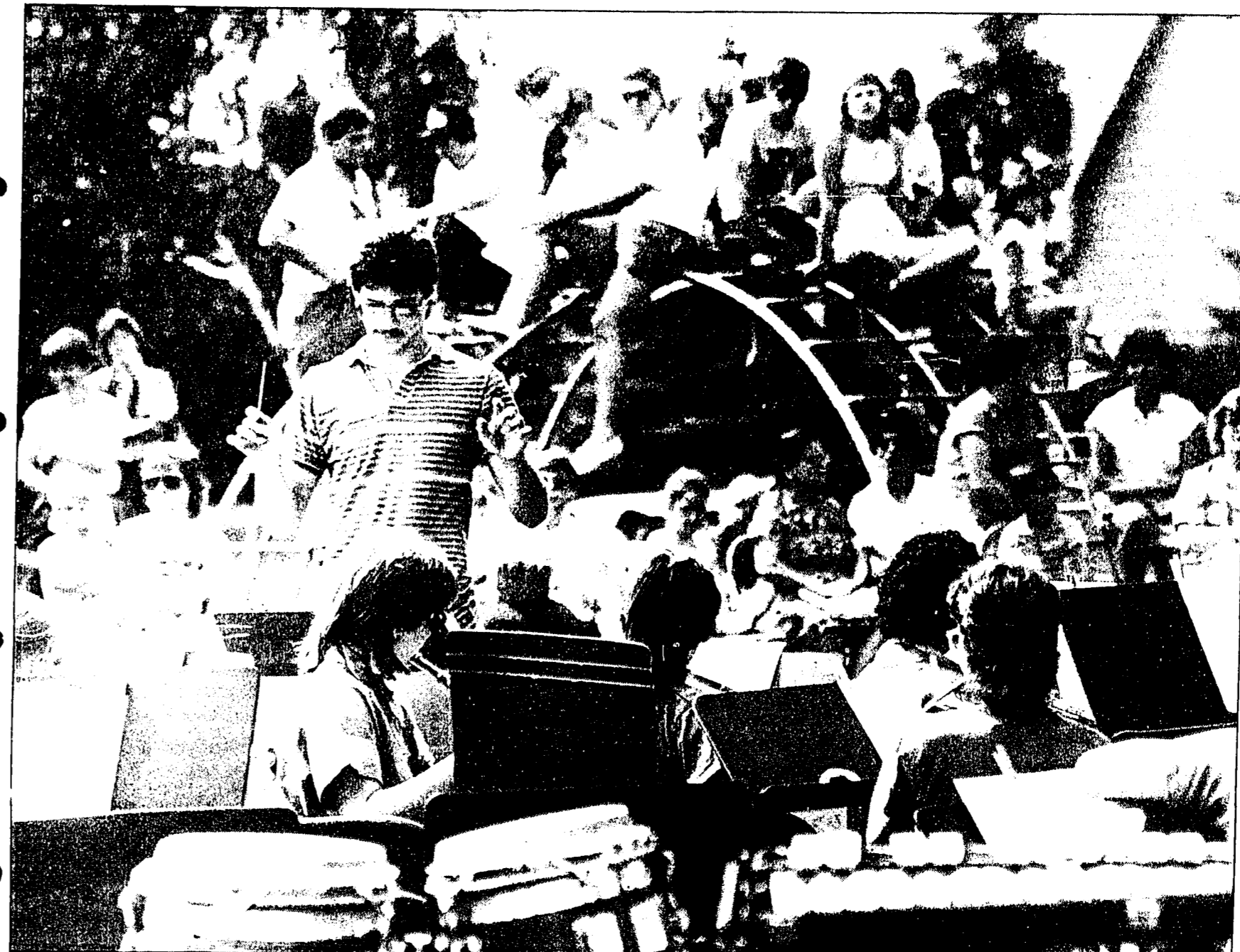
"This is clearly a use that is not permitted," remarked Planning Board Member Judy Johnson when the proposal came before the board last week. Planning Consultant Brandon "gers" noted the Zoning Board of Appeals may grant "use variances" — permission to use property for something other than what is specified in the zoning ordinance — only under extreme circumstances. The petitioner must prove it is impossible to develop the land in any other manner than the one requiring the use variance.

But Planner Joseph Toth noted the use variance is not the only hindrance to the Kentucky Fried Chicken plan. Variances also would be needed for the lot size, the frontage and the seating capacity required under the NCC zoning. Toth suggested the board would be opening a "Pandora's box" if it allowed that many variances to be granted on a project.

But William Roskelly, representing the proposed developers, noted the original zoning would have permitted the project. He requested denial of the preliminary site plans so the developers could seek the necessary variances from the Zoning Board of Appeals.

However, according to a memo from the city's community development department, Kentucky Fried Chicken may be considering the purchase of additional property to meet the lot size and frontage requirements, Board Member Richard Clark said.

Because the purchase of additional property would significantly change Kentucky Fried Chicken's proposal, the board tabled the plans.



Bleacher seating

Novi News/PHILIP JEROME

Some brought blankets, some brought lawn chairs and some merely took advantage of the monkey bars outside the Village Oaks Clubhouse to listen to a concert presented by students in the Novi Youth Summer Band Program sponsored by the Novi Community

Education Department. Jim Hill (above), a 1985 Novi High School graduate and winner of Novi's 1985 John Philip Sousa Award, leads the young musicians through a piece in the concert which was presented last Friday morning.

July 4 fatalities down

LANSING — Michigan State Police credit the new seatbelt law with helping to keep the number of fatalities down over the 102-hour July 4 holiday weekend.

Fourteen people lost their lives on Michigan highways during the July 4 weekend as compared to 22 fatalities during the last long July 4 holiday in 1978. This was the first holiday with the seatbelt law in effect.

Of the 14 fatalities, seven did not wear their seatbelts, four did not wear them and three who wore belts were involved in non-survivable accidents.

Colonel Gerald L. Hough, director of the Michigan State Police, said the message is clear the seatbelts do save lives. He stressed, however, that

alcohol involvement continues to be a key factor in fatal accidents. Drinking was involved in five, unknown in four and ruled out in three of the 12 fatal accidents.

Increased citizen awareness generated by the Operation CARE activity along with safety breaks staffed by volunteers groups at 35 rest areas also contributed to the lower fatality count, said Hough. Novi REACT, a local group of volunteers, conducted a safety break in conjunction with the Michigan State Police at the rest area on I-96.

During the first week of enforcement of the new seatbelt law, 631 tickets and 1,205 warnings were issued, according to Michigan State Police statistics.

ches intently. Free video games are just one of the attractions for area youths at the Teen Center sponsored by Novi Youth Assistance in the high school commons.

Nope, that's not Luke Skywalker waging battle with the evil forces of Darth Vader. It's Ken Pawlak, 14, playing a video game of Star Wars at the Novi Teen Center, while Keith Dixon, 13, wal-

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Burglary suspects flee resident

An alert Village Oaks man chased off two suspects who were attempting to steal lawnmowers, snowblowers, barbecue grills and various other equipment from the garage of a subdivision residence during the early morning hours of Sunday, July 14.

Area Blotters

In related incidents, police received a call at approximately 4:55 a.m. from a Brookfield resident who reported that unknown individuals broke into his garage and removed two lawnmowers, a snowblower and two grills. Total value of the stolen property was in excess of \$1,800.

The man later recovered a Sears riding lawn tractor valued at \$750 and a Sears gas barbecue grill valued at \$270 in the backyard of a neighboring residence.

At approximately the same time, another Village Oaks resident called to report that he had observed two figures running through the yards of homes in the subdivision. The caller said he chased the suspects and was able to recover two gas grills. He was unable to provide a description of the suspects except to report that they were driving a dark-colored pickup truck.

A braising pan weighing 500 pounds and valued at approximately \$1,300 was reported stolen from the Novi Hilton on July 6.

The complainant told police he had been unable to find the braising pan and the suspects and was able to recover two gas grills. He was unable to provide a description of the suspects except to report that they were driving a dark-colored pickup truck.

The man said he parked the 1984 Cadillac outside his home on July 12 at 11:30 p.m. and discovered the theft the next day at 8:45 a.m. The responsible parties used a large rock to break the driver's side window of the car. The rock was found inside the vehicle.

A lawnmower and a weed wacker were stolen from the garage of a residence on Heathcote in the Village Oaks subdivision during the night of July 15-16.

The complainant told police he found his garage door standing open at approximately 4:30 a.m. and discovered the items missing when he investigated.

Stolen were a Toro lawnmower valued at \$510 and a Sears weed wacker valued at \$30.

Thieves broke into a residence in the 4600 block of West Twelve Mile sometime during the day on July 16, but nothing appeared to have been stolen.

Unknown individuals broke into the Holy Cross Episcopal Church on Ten Mile during the night of July 12-13.

The responsible parties gained entry by breaking out a double-pane glass window at the rear of the church and then proceeded to break into the church office.

Nothing appeared to be missing, however. Church officials said there had been a wedding in the church and theorized the thieves may have been looking for money or gifts.

A basement window was the point of entry for a thief who broke into a residence on Penhill sometime between July 12-17.

The school custodian called police July 16 at approximately 7:30 a.m. to report unknown individuals had broken a window on the south side of the loading dock.

The complainant told police the responsible party removed a quantity of assorted hand tools from a basement workbench, several bottles of liquor, two packs of Pall Mall cigarettes and \$20 in change from a can in the master bedroom.

An inkster man reported the theft of a brown legal binder from his 1978 Plymouth Volare while it was parked in the Red Lot at Twelve Oaks Mall on July 12.

The complainant told police he was able to produce a signed receipt voucher. However, none of the contractors working at the hotel recognized the name of the individual who had signed the receipt and the braising pan could not be located.

Someone apparently used an unoccupied mobile home on Legrance as a temporary residence sometime between July 13-15.

The complainant told police she had purchased the mobile home recently and has not yet moved in. She said she was bringing some of her personal belongings to the residence shortly after noon on July 13 when she noticed a quart beer bottle filled with cigarette butts in the living room.

The bottle was standing next to a laychair which has been moved into the living room from another part of the house.

Police said it appeared that someone had used the residence to spend the evening. Nothing inside was missing or damaged, police noted.

An estimated \$800 worth of merchandise was removed from a South Lake residence in a breaking and entering which occurred sometime between July 13-15.

The complainant reported that a JVC videocassette recorder valued at \$600 and a Pioneer stereo receiver worth \$200 were stolen from the living room of the residence. Nothing else appeared to have been disturbed or removed from the home, according to reports.

A Wixom woman reported the theft of a Spectrum radar detector from her 1983 Honda Accord while it was parked at Twelve Oaks on July 12.

The woman said she parked the car at 3 p.m. and discovered the theft when she returned at 4:15 p.m.

Unknown individuals attempted to steal a 1978 Chevrolet Camaro while it was parked outside the owner's residence in a breaking and entering. The incident occurred between 7 p.m. on July 14 and 11 a.m. the next day.

Police noted that the steering column had been damaged when the responsible parties attempted to pull the lock mechanism.

Novi News Briefs

AN EMERGENCY RESCUE was performed by the city's department of public works last month. The incident, which occurred one Friday morning, is best told in the words of DPW Superintendent Edward Smiadek.

"A mother duck was strolling in the gutter of one of our neighborhoods with her 10 ducklings following in a single file (that's what I call having your ducks in order). The mother duck straddled across a catch basin cover without a care in the world. Now visualize this! The mama duck got past the basin cover, but all the ducklings, one after the other, fell through the openings in the cover. It must have been a sight to behold!"

This was all observed by a local resident, who promptly placed an emergency call to the DPW.

"Our DPW took off the cover and rescued all 10 paddling ducklings," Smiadek noted. "The family was last seen strolling towards the pond untruffed by the incident."

"The DPW handles unpredictable situations with unprecedented performance," the superintendent concluded.

RESIDENTIAL CONSTRUCTION in June was up over the previous month, but down from last year. There were 25 building permits issued for single family homes in June. In May there were 16 housing starts.

The total number of residential construction permits issued as of June 1985 was 117. This time last year 150 residential permits had been issued.

Byrne Benson Homes was the most active builder last month, pulling permits for six \$40,000-\$45,000 homes in Simmons Orchard. Dunbarton Building Company took out permits for another three \$41,000-\$45,000 homes in Dunbarton Pines. Permits also were issued for three more homes in Charrington Green and one in Orchard Ridge last month.

CONSTRUCTION BEGAN last month on Woodland Glen Apartments, located on the north side of Eight Mile between Novi and Meadowbrook roads. Nineteen buildings are planned, each with 16 units.

The developers pulled construction permits for all 19 buildings last month, along with a permit for an in-ground swimming pool, patio deck and community center building.

Apartments at Woodland Glen will include 228 two-bedroom units and 76 one-bedroom units. Rent is expected to range from \$180-\$250.

FOURTH OF JULY activities attracted an estimated 2,000 people to Lakeshore Park, according to reports from the Parks and Recreation Department.

Records show over 500 vehicles entered the park on July 4. The concession set up for the holiday grossed nearly \$500 and pedal boat rentals grossed about \$200. Altogether the park took in over \$1,200 on July 4.

THE POWER PARK fitness trail will be dedicated Monday, August 4. A brief ceremony and fun run by the Novi Trackers is planned.

APPLICATIONS FROM EXHIBITORS now are being accepted for the Novi-West Oaks Arts and Crafts Fair. The fair is scheduled for Saturday, September 7, at the West Oaks Shopping Center on Novi Road across from Twelve Oaks Mall.

The annual outdoor arts and crafts fair is sponsored by the West Oaks Shopping Center and presented by Novi Parks and Recreation, Novi Community Education and Novi Youth Assistance.

The exhibitor fee is \$25 for an eight-by-eight foot booth. \$5 extra if a table is desired. The fee includes both days. The fair is juried and application deadline is August 2.

For more information call the Parks and Recreation office at 349-1976 or Community Education at 348-1200.



Novi News/STEVE FECHT

Beary good snacks

Becky Kohl sneaks a quick taste of some bear snacks mixed up by youngsters in the Paddington Bear and Friends program offered by the Novi Community Education Department at Village Oaks Elementary School recently.

The concoction of one cup crunchy peanut butter, one cup of honey and one cup of dried milk rolled into balls and covered with chopped nuts apparently won Becky's approval.

Teen Center offers chance to boogie

If the sun's going down on another lazy Friday afternoon and you've got energy to burn, Novi Youth Assistance has the place to burn it.

"We've been averaging about 30-35," Director Tom Pritt said of the center's first three dances. The fourth, a Break Off dance contest, is planned this Friday.

John Robert, 14, meets a few of his friends at the Teen Center regularly. They play the video games, ping pong and foosball, even do some dancing.

"It's good just to get away from the house," Stephanie commented. They all like to dance, and last week's "Top Till You Drop" dance allowed them to do just that.

"It's a lot of fun," John said last Friday during a break from his video games. "There's a lot of stuff to do here. It's a good place to meet some people."

Breakdancing and video games are the favorite activities among the 13- to 18-year-olds who have been frequenting the Friday night events, Pritt said. "A lot of kids are so into the video games, you can't get them away from them!" he added.

Stephanie Carnes, Barb Willford, Joe Sinishta, Heather Berry, Chris Gomez and Rob Sinishta left the dance floor to give their enthusiastic review of the Teen Center dances.

"We try to keep everything pretty clean — there's no drinking, no smoking," Pritt noted. "We haven't had any problems with the rules at all," he added.

The Friday night dances are sponsored by various Novi service organizations, including the Rotary, Optimists Club and Lion's Club.

Tax boost sought

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ington's center program. Swallow attributed the county's shortfall to a number of factors. Cuts in state aid combined with an increase in the number of students requiring special education services caused part of the county's shortfall problem, he said.

"As school district populations increase, the demand for special education will increase proportionately," he said, noting that state funding has not kept pace with the demand.

In addition, new federal and state rules and regulations regarding special education services also will have an economic impact when those mandates go into effect in July, 1986, Swallow pointed out.

Though the special education fund shortfall actually began during the 1981-82 school year, the intermediate district owes \$700,000 of its fund balance to cover the deficit.

Don Place, coordinator of the county-wide millage campaign, said intermediate district officials have spent considerable time organizing the fall campaign and educating the local constituents about the ballot proposal.

Noting that a special education tax increase was turned down by voters in 1981, Place said the county is more organized this time around and has produced a video tape outlining the millage proposal.

"The tax is scheduled to be shown to the Novi Board of Education at its meeting August 1.

Among the points intermediate district officials hope to drive home to local taxpayers is the minimal tax increase which will result from approval of the additional millage request.

County officials have determined that homeowners with a house valued at \$20,000 (SEV assessment of \$40,000) would pay only \$30 more per year in taxes.

Oakland County residents currently pay \$1 per \$1,000 for special education approved in two separate millage elections in 1954 and 1965.

In addition to the minimal tax increase, county officials also note monies which would have been used for billbacks for special education services will be funneled into the regular program.

William Keane, Superintendent of Oakland County Schools, said last week that the intermediate district will be covering the cost of the special election which he anticipated would be about \$140,000 for the 28 districts.

Parcel to freeway district without better integration with the future development plan of Orchard Hill Place would be unwise," Rogers said.

The planner also questioned whether the corner could handle additional driveways as proposed by Marathon.

"I do not recommend rezoning the property at this time," Rogers said. "To do so in isolation of adjacent property plans is poor policy."

There is a need for a service station in the area, he admitted. But highway-oriented business on that particular corner might well "encourage further rezoning to freeway service to the north along Haggerty Road for fast food outlets or other automobile service establishments," he concluded.

"I can't think of a worse spot to put a service station," Planner Richard Clark commented. "It's an improper use if for no other reason than safety."

But board members Gary Phillips and Joseph Todd suggested a service station is needed at the Eight Mile-Haggerty Road interchange.

"I think this is an appropriate site for a gas station of this caliber," Phillips said. "I can't believe a company the size of Marathon would come in and show us one thing and do another," he added.

"What they've (proposed) demonstrates feasibility," Todd added. But the majority of their colleagues disagreed. The board recommended denial of the rezoning in a 2-vote.

Free concert set

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and refreshments to enjoy the music.

The appearance marks the fourth in the summer concert series sponsored by the Parks and Recreation Department through a grant from the Ford Motor Company.

The next concert is scheduled for Friday, August 23, when the popular Red Garter Band will bring its special brand of Dixieland to the West Oaks shopping Center at 7 p.m.

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Summer's prime time for burglaries

Summer is the peak time of year for burglaries, so before you stuff off your fishing pole and head out on vacation, make sure every precaution is taken to protect your home.

Since vacations and summer are synonymous with burglars and break-ins, the Northville, Northville Township and Novi police departments all have crime prevention units available to assist their residents.

The crime prevention units survey homes and businesses for security flaws and make suggestions on how they can best be corrected. The home and business survey is free and takes approximately 45 minutes to complete.

The biggest flaw police find when surveying a home or business is inefficient window and door security.

"Some of the locks people have on \$100,000 homes are credit card locks. A burglar could get into their home quicker using a credit card than they could using their own key," said Officer Bill Charles of the Novi Police Department.

The cost to fix these security flaws at your home or business is minimal. Sergeant James of the Northville Police Department said all you need are some nuts, bolts and screws. "It's dirt cheap," he said.

Although the crime prevention service has been available in both cities and the township for years, resident response has been very low.

Cox said not as many residents as he would like utilize the service. Township Police Captain Phil Presnell agreed.

Northville and Novi are not high crime cities, but residents should not ignore the possibility of their home being broken into — both areas are part of metropolitan Detroit and not immune to crime.

"The suburbs are where it's at. There is some very lucrative property out here," Cox said.

Presnell said the attitude that "It can't happen to me" is a very misleading. Since both areas are located by freeways, "we are vulnerable," he said.

In Novi there has been 104 reported burglaries so far this year. In 1984, a total of 310 burglaries were reported.

Police report nine out of 10 times burglars get into a home or business through a window. To secure a window without spending a lot of money all you need is a metal pin.

There are many kinds of windows manufactured, however, the most common type window used is the double-hung window. They can be secured by drilling a hole through the top of the inside window and into the bottom of the outside window and inserting a metal pin. This pin may easily be removed whenever you want, but when in place, it prevents the bottom window from being slid up from the outside.

For a sliding door wall, cut a piece of wood the proper length and lay it in the track to prevent the door from being pushed. A heavy wood screw also can be inserted in the top of the door track in the closed area to prevent the door from being raised and pushed in.

"If a person wants to get in your home had enough, they'll get in," Cox said. "You should use as many obstacles as possible to deter them."

More information about the Camp Lakeshore day camp is available by calling Parks & Rec at 349-1976.

Electric engraving tools to mark valuable items such as television sets and stereos may be borrowed free from area police departments. The items should be marked with your driver's license number. By using your license number, police can trace stolen items anywhere in the U.S.

Due to privacy acts, using your social security number is not recommended and how you can be reached in an emergency, and who locally will have a key also serves as an excellent deterrent to burglars.

"Many burglars will not chance breaking into your home if they know police are watching it," Cox said.

Operation Identification stickers also are available to notify burglars that items in the house are marked.



Surrounded

Novi News/STEVE FECHT

Meg McGuffin may not be up to her waist in water, but she's over her head in trouble as youngsters enrolled in the Camp Lakeshore Program sponsored by the Novi Parks and Recreation Department close in during a heated game of

keep away with water balloons during a recent session. More information about the Camp Lakeshore day camp is available by calling Parks & Rec at 349-1976.

Festival's at church

WALLED LAKE — St. Williams Catholic Church in Walled Lake will host its third annual "Rainbow Fest" on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, July 26-28.

Featured attractions during the carnival are: amusement rides, games, bingo, a Las Vegas tent, helicopter rides, ethnic foods, beer and wine.

Rainbow Fest will be held in the parking lot between St. Williams Church and Walled Lake Junior High School off Pontiac Trail in Walled Lake.

Musical entertainment during the festival will be provided by three different live bands covering musical tastes from the 1930s to the 1980s. Sea Breeze will perform Friday from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. The Gregg Camargos Sunshine Band will perform Saturday from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. and the Art Wyse Polka Band will perform Sunday from 3:30 to 7:30 p.m.

A 1985 automobile will be the grand prize of a raffle held throughout the festival. The drawing will be held Sunday evening.

Canoe renter overlooked

An oversight in last week's feature article on canoe trips and rental agencies in southeast Michigan caused us to omit the listing of a brand-new canoe rental business in Milford, Rebel's Canoe Landing, located at 1216 Garden Road in Milford Village.

Rebel's rents canoes for \$8 per day per canoe, with a \$5 pickup charge at various points at Kensington Metropark. Pickup further down the Huron can be arranged.

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John Street, director of business and finance, said the increase is a reflection of the current insurance market. He said companies previously wrote policies at low rates, making up the costs through interest earnings. With lower interest rates, companies no longer have that cushion and have made up the difference through higher premiums, explained Street.

Obituaries

GEORGE H. CHYNOWETH

A funeral service for George H. Chynoweth of Wolverine Lake was held (Wednesday) at 11 a.m. at Caterline Funeral Home in Northville with Dr. Wendell L. Baglow of First Baptist Church of Walled Lake officiating.

Burial is to be in Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens in Novi.

Mr. Perry was born September 6, 1930, in Royal Oak to Fred and Mary (Daniel) Perry.

He had been an area resident for 33 years.

He leaves his wife Wilma Jean (Cotter), sons Mark, Jeff and Fred, daughter Karen, sisters Mrs. Ruby Simeck, Opal Simeck, Analee Herley, Lavern Stephen and Patricia Cotter, and two grandchildren.

Interment was at Commerce Cemetery. The family asks that memorial contributions be made to the American Cancer Society.

ROBERT L. PERRY

Robert L. Perry, 64, of Wixom, a foreman and the setter for Advance

Stamping, died July 21 at Mt. Carmel Hospital in Detroit after an illness of several years.

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GEORGE N. SIMMONDS

George N. Simmonds of Clearwater, Florida, died July 10 at West Shore Hospital in Manistee, Michigan.

Born in Michigan, he was 60 years old at the time of his death. Mr. Simmonds had been owner of a trucking company.

He is survived by his wife Dorothy E., and a son, Thomas G. of Novi. A funeral service was held July 15 at the O'Brien Chapel of the Ted C. Sullivan Funeral Home in Novi.

Interment was at Evergreen Cemetery in Detroit.



Boy with a horn

Just ask Maynard Ferguson — playing trumpet can be hard work. That's what Keith Borrowman found out during the concert presented by members of the Novi Youth Summer Band outside the



Novi News/PHILIP JEROME

Village Oaks clubhouse last Friday. After nailing a few High-Cs during a spirited rendition of "Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star," the young trumpet virtuoso took time out to grab a quick yawn.

Area Briefs

SOARING INSURANCE COSTS will cause the Northville Board of Education to do some budget belt-tightening.

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STUDENT ENROLLMENT in the Farmington School District is expected to drop below 10,000 in 1985-86 — the lowest figure in 24 years.

The last time the Farmington School had an enrollment of less than 10,000 students was in 1961 when there was a total of 9,755 students. Enrollment reached a high of 16,794 students in the 1972-73 school year.

District Superintendent Lewis Schulman is projecting enrollment at 9,943 students in 1985-86. He said the decline is "very normal." Said Schulman: "I haven't been quite as great as we anticipated."

One bright spot in the enrollment figures is an increase of 68 elementary students during the 1984-85 academic year.

DEVELOPMENT in SOUTHFIELD is continuing to boom. In 1984 Southfield reached an all-time high by issuing \$110 million in construction permits. But that record already has been topped during the first six months of 1985, according to a report from the Southfield Department of Building, Housing and Redevelopment.

Through the first six months of 1985, Southfield issued a total of 423 building permits worth \$110.2 million.

Plymouth prison to get inmates

PLYMOUTH — Housing of inmates at the Western Wayne County Correctional Facility (formerly the Detroit House of Correction) should begin with the transfer of some prisoners from other state facilities in the first week of August, corrections officials said this week.

The state needs the 500 beds at the Plymouth Township facility on Five Mile to relieve crowding in the correctional system. The population of the system is more than 1,000 inmates over capacity and the state is engaged in a crash prison expansion program.

Call Light, a state corrections department spokesperson, said current plans are to begin occupation of the new local facility between August 1 and 5, quite near the initial target date of July 30.

"The perimeter fence is nearly completed," Light said. "There are a few internal renovations we have to complete before we can move people in, but we're pretty sure it will be between August 1 and 5."

The state purchased the facility from the City of Detroit in June. Preparation for fence installation had already begun when the long legislative wrangle over the acquisition (which began last October) was completed.

Emmet Baylor, director of the facility, said he is hopeful the construction progress will be sufficiently advanced to meet the early August target cited in Lansing. "It'll be a rush job, but I think we'll be ready," Baylor said.

He confirmed that the double perimeter fence is nearing completion. The fence, similar to the one at Phoenix Correctional Facility (the former women's division of DeToCo north of Five Mile), is protected by an electronic monitoring system and surrounded by a road to be patrolled by armed guards.

Other work under way includes renovation of a barracks into living quarters for the Western Wayne. Baylor said he expects roughly 200 to be moved into the facility during the first month at a rate of 40 a week.

"After we get them into the barracks, there's another group of barracks we'll tear down to make room for a new bow-tie type construction," Baylor said. "Once that's done, we'll move the inmates into the bow-tie, tear down the other set of barracks and start building there. It's about a three-year project."

Baylor was the director of the facility when it was under Detroit control and was hired by the state to run it in its new form. He and other Detroit employees hired under terms of the purchase agreement had undergone a training program to acclimate them to

state corrections department policies and procedures.

That group of employees will be sufficient to operate the facility in the start-up phase, Baylor said, with new personnel hired through the state civil service system expected to report for training "in a few weeks."

Baylor said his understanding is that the hiring process is still under way.

Light said there is as yet no firm target date for completion of the new facility at Five Mile and Beck Road. Construction is progressing on the 550-bed facility, which is the prototype of a multi-security level prison design that is a cornerstone of the department's long-range expansion program.

"We're sort of crossing our fingers and hoping for August of 1986," Light said, speaking of when the Scott facility might be ready for occupation.

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As We See It

Civic center issue will spur turnout

Despite all previous announcements, city council has agreed to seek endorsement of the proposed city hall/community building project in September rather than November, ostensibly to get their money's worth out of the primary.

There's no question the issue will bring more voters to the polls — money issues always do. Probably the city's best primary turnout ever occurred in 1982 when 28 percent of the city's 14,500 registered voters attended the polls and approved 1.5 mills for storm-water management.

Although Mayor Robert Schmidt contends it is only fair to put money issues on the ballot in November when residents somehow instinctively sense it's election time, we see no problem with the switch.

The committee assigned the task of promoting the \$7 million bond issue needed to fund the civic center project will be running a high-powered campaign. They intend to blanket the city with volunteers armed with promotional information. A resident would have to be living in a vacuum to wake up the morning of September 11 not knowing there was an election the day before.

Voter statistics for local elections are not low because people somehow miss the news that there's an election going on; they're low because the majority of

people don't care enough to vote. Obviously, the civic center campaign committee intends to zero in on those who attend the polls regularly — and there are still only about 4,200 active voters in Novi, according to the turnout in recent elections.

For these regular voters, the two months difference from the primary to the general election will make no difference. They will turn out to cast their "yes" or "no" regardless of the month.

Joseph Brett, secretary-treasurer of the civic center campaign committee, has suggested the two months difference could affect the economics of contract bidding should the bonding issue be approved. We think it's questionable whether there would be that great a change in construction costs or interest rates from September to November. Sixty days also will not be critical to the city's investigation of new options should the civic center proposal fail.

But while neither of these are overwhelming reasons to move the issue up, there also is no overwhelming reason to leave it dormant until November. The civic center planning committee has worked for over two years to develop what it deems the best city hall/community building project possible. Naturally, it is anxious to receive the public's decision on the proposal.

Primary cuts field

It has long been rumored that Walter Cronkite, the venerable newscaster for CBS, would someday be a candidate for political office. But nobody expected he would pop up as a candidate for mayor of Novi.

The Walter Cronkite who walked into city hall shortly before filing deadline July 12 and took \$100 from his pocket to have his name placed on the ballot as a candidate for Novi mayor is not, of course, the Walter Cronkite who retired several years ago from the CBS news desk.

He's a local resident who decided it was worth \$100 of his own money to force a primary election.

The local Mr. Cronkite emphasized that he is not a serious candidate for mayor. He said he plans no campaign and would "most likely drop out" if he were one of the two candidates to survive the September primary and advance to the general election ballot in November.

Mr. Cronkite said he was motivated solely as a concerned citizen wanting to eliminate the possibility of a legal challenge to the 1985 election results due to the amendment to the city charter approved by voters last year. The amendment calls for a primary election whenever there are more than three times the number of candidates as there are vacancies.

Previously, a primary was required only when the number of candidates was more than twice the number of vacancies. The charter amendment was placed on the ballot last year because of low voter turnout in primaries and the cost of holding primary elections.

Voters approved the amendment despite an attorney general's opinion that it was in violation of state election law. The attorney general on two separate occasions

ruled that the city can eliminate the primary totally, but if a primary is held, it must be held whenever the number of candidates exceeds twice the number of available vacancies.

An attorney general's opinion is only that, however — an opinion. A binding legal decision would occur only if an aggrieved party should challenge the outcome in court.

Despite Mr. Cronkite's assertion that he filed his candidacy strictly to force a primary so there can be two, instead of three, candidates in November, local political observers are trying to figure out who convinced him to run.

One prevalent rumor is that the candidacy was prompted by members of the local business community, who are most unhappy with current Mayor Robert Schmidt and would like to see a new mayor come November. In a three-person race between Patricia Karevich, Carol Mason and Schmidt, the anti-Schmidt contingent feared that the two women candidates would split the anti-Schmidt vote, thus making it easier for the mayor to win reelection to a third term. As a consequence, the rumor goes, they found a fourth mayoral candidate to force a primary and pare the field of candidates down to two for the general election.

Mr. Cronkite, however, denies that his candidacy was encouraged by any one political camp. He said he placed his name on the ballot strictly to prevent Novi from being in violation of state election law.

Regardless of the speculation, two facts remain: There will be a primary in September and there will be just two candidates for office in the November mayoral race.

Turning scruples into a game



Kevin Wilson

Are you ready for the next version of the Trivial Pursuit craze? Having noticed that no Yuppie worth his or her blue blazer has taken Trivial Pursuit out of its box in over a year, the games-makers are about to spring a new, decidedly non-trivial pass-time on us all.

It's called Scruples and consists of a bunch of cards bearing brief summaries of moral dilemmas which the player is supposed to solve. Well, actually, you're not supposed to solve them, you're supposed to decide what the other players would do if faced with the problem. How totally modern — don't think for yourself, morality is defined by your peers. The "winner" is the one who can dispose of all his problems by predicting the others' responses most accurately.

An example cited in the newspaper article I read suggested that while involved in a long-distance romance, you had decided to start a "romantic friendship locally to relieve loneliness." The dilemma: do you tell your local love interest about the far-away one?

Notice that the wizard behind all this didn't ask if it was ethical to have a local love interest while purporting to carry on a long-distance romance. Loyalty and monogamy are already sacrificed — just decide if you'd toss honesty into the moral vacuum. We also aren't asked if we'd tell the long-distance partner about the local one — of course we wouldn't. So you've already dumped honesty, the only question is one of degree.

I'm not at all surprised, but mildly ashamed, that this stuff is aimed directly at my generation. As teens and college students, we had all the answers to morality, thank you, and didn't need governments, churches or our elders to tell us anything about it. Dow Chemical still looms as the prime example of our finger-pointing ways. I still sneer at the mention of Dow, though I use its products on a regular basis. But it was a war contractor, and we who knew it all knew that anyone who worked for, owned stock in or bought anything made by Dow Chemical was a murderer of innocent Southeast Asian babies.

We've grown up enough to realize ethics and morality aren't quite that simple, but we haven't abandoned our obsession with hair-splitting. By purest coincidence, I caught "The Big Chill" for about the 20th time on cable TV the same night I read about Scruples. There they were, the 60s kids, all grown up and still worrying about whether they were good people because

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they found themselves making money or contributing to endeavors (such as People magazine) they couldn't really respect. Wondering if their lives were worth living if all they could show for their work was a hit TV series or a rising chart on the wall of a brokerage. Sitting around engaged in deep conversations full of flip remarks about their jobs and the people they encountered.

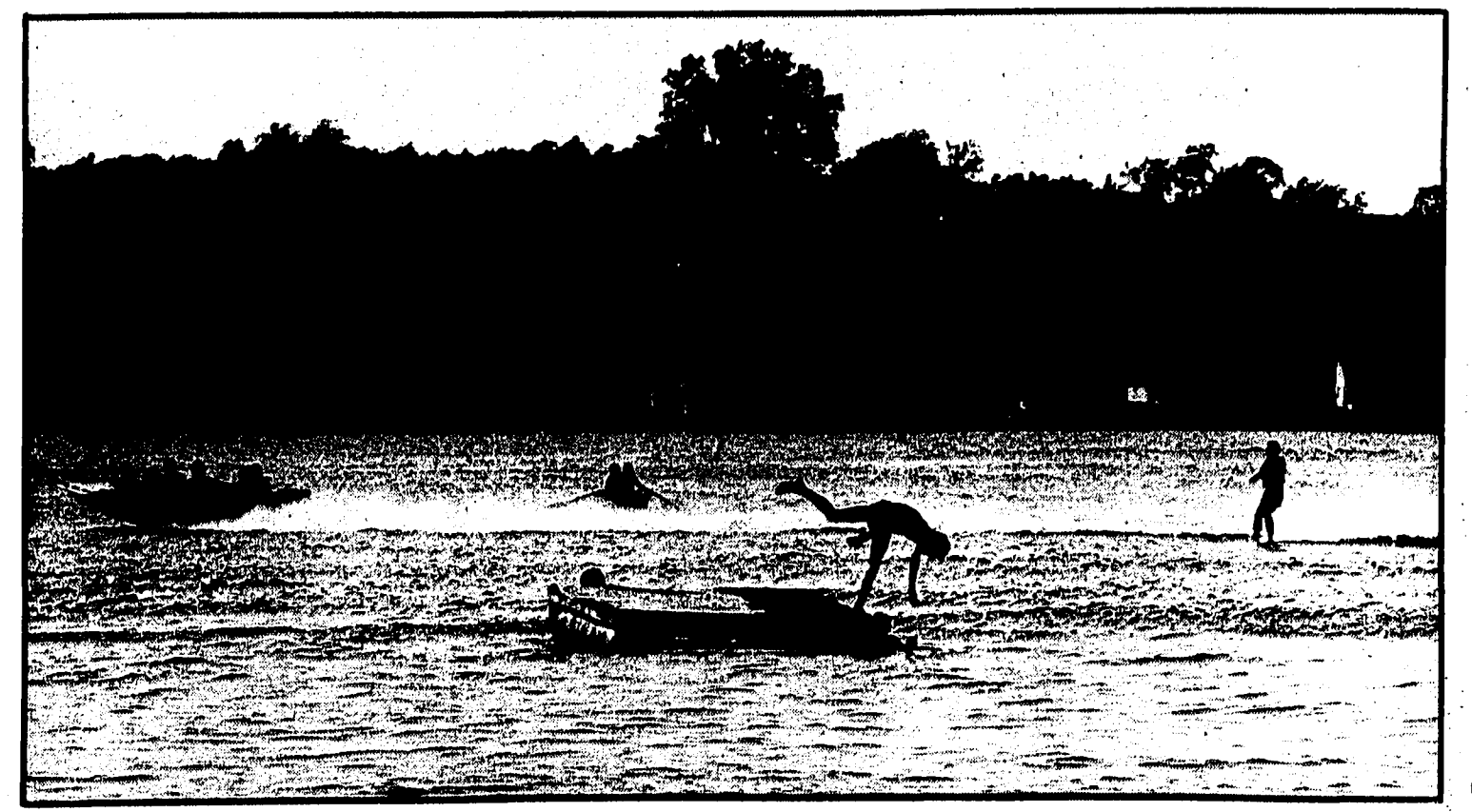
That's us. Flip remarks, snap judgements, overloaded with sincerity and concern about the state of the world. And peering into our own heads all the time as if the answers were hidden there. I see all this, and yet I'm not immune. My favorite bit of monthly reading is the Ethics column in Esquire. My boss and co-workers will tell you about how quick I was to tell them about what was wrong with this paper and how slow I was to recognize what was right a few years ago. Seeing through its faults, I still watch "The Big Chill" over and over and put myself in the characters' places.

At 15, I called my mother a hypocrite for supporting the Vietnam war effort while praying it would all be over before I was of age to go. A year later, I threatened to report my father for turning down a job offer while collecting unemployment. That was serious stuff. We all laugh about it now. I suspect the same judgemental strain is part of why I chose the work I do — and a good part of why journalists don't get much respect from the rest of the world.

I also suspect that what Scruples is really about is conversation. We have a whole bunch of people running around who love serious conversation but have difficulty starting one. They'll find it thrilling to have someone else prescribe a safe topic that has overtones of depth. It also plays to our soporific desire to judge everything and everyone. Just like I've done here in this column. Maybe I'm still too caught up in it, but somehow I'm not ready to treat ethics as a game.

In sight

By Steve Fecht



Water sports

Mechanical illiterate needs patience



Philip Jerome

I have a deal with Calvin, the mechanic. He fixes my car. I write his newspaper. The point is that I have no expertise whatsoever in mechanical matters, but like to think I know a bit about newspapers.

I truly wish, however, that I was more mechanical than I am. I ruined a riding lawnmower a few years ago by running it without oil. Mark, the lawnmower man, said I "seized" the engine.

Mark said he had no idea and promised to stop by on his way home from work. I showed him what I had done and he said I had done it properly and couldn't figure out why the dipstick showed the machine was still filled with oil.

"Let's take a look," he said, reaching for a dipstick that I never knew existed.

"What's that," I asked.

"It's the dipstick for the oil," he responded.

"Then what's that other dipstick?"

"That's the transmission fluid," he said.

"Ohmigod," I groaned. "That's where I've been putting the oil. I've never put oil in the oil thing. I've been putting it in the transmission fluid."

Mark smiled gently and checked the dipstick for the transmission fluid. "Yup," he said. "It does look a little oily down there."

"It's probably my fault," he added, demonstrating the patience bred of dealing with other mechanical illiterates. "I should have told you not to put the oil in the transmission fluid."

Make my day and you're wet



B.J. Martin

The annual spring cleaning of my brain came late this year, so today I'm going to get some of the miscellany rattling around there in the paper and off my chest. Here goes:

BUCKLING DOWN: Michigan's new seat belt law finally has made a regular buckler out of me. I've taken to driving to work. Sometimes I drive around for hours looking for a good parking place. "Sorry," I sigh as I walk into work late. "The traffic was murder."

And while I sit here, I've been wondering what to do with the money I'll save with my reduced car insurance bills. After all, there will be fewer deaths and debilitating injuries now that we're using seatbelts, so our insurance bills will surely go down. Right?

ESCORT SERVICE: Just a few months

ago, I was looking at two ways I could finance a new car — 1. Winning the State Lottery; and 2. Winning on Wheel of Fortune. Well, after months of strict budgeting, the reporter now has a new set of wheels, folks. It's an Escort, shiny and bright red. You can't miss it. Neither, it seems, can the pigeons and seagulls with regular flight patterns over my parking area.

Observations on buying a new car: 1. You get the impression that everybody on the road is doing his best to crunch your new possession; 2. You will find any excuse whatsoever to drive it. I live less than a block from the office and I've taken to driving to work. Sometimes I drive around for hours looking for a good parking place. "Sorry," I sigh as I walk into work late. "The traffic was murder."

I AM THE NRA: The other big investment I made last week was in a water pistol I picked up at Northville Village Sweets & Treats. It's a little green number that's easy to conceal in a pocket (although it leaks a bit), and with which I'm now deadly accurate. So now I walk down the street like Clint Eastwood and nobody gets in my way. Go ahead, I tell them. Make my day.

In addition, much of Novi is now in non-conformance with the Master Plan. What concerns residents is the fact that they must come out again and again to plead to council to follow the Master Plan. This should not be the case.

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Officials ducked questioners at forum

To the Editor: In your editorial in the July 17, 1985 Novi News you claimed the city of Novi was "well represented" at the Quazite meeting. You also gave names of who were there as representatives.

As I recall at that meeting, citizens asked twice who was there to represent the city and nobody stood up, raised a hand or spoke out. I also found it very disturbing that some of the people who named were in the hallway laughing and talking, drinking coffee and popping their heads in the doorway every 20 minutes.

I feel the people you named had no responsibility to the citizens who came to the meeting to answer our questions instead of ducking their duties and hiding in the hallway or remaining silent.

All of their paychecks come from us taxpayers citizens and know for a fact that we sure didn't get our monies worth that night.

I guess the old saying "silence is golden" is the city officials' stand. For one will be heard loud and clear come election time in September and November. City officials have not

heard the last of this issue. Anthony Ochab

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while shopping center site plans are being approved based upon these minimum standards. These new shopping centers will establish the future character of the neighborhood.

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New bills support rights of victims

LANING — The laws of Michigan will award new rights to a growing number of people who are victims of crime.

In a series of bills signed by Governor James Blanchard called the Crime Victims Rights Act, victims were assured that the criminal justice system no longer would exclude the innocent while attempting to punish the guilty.

State Representative William Van Regenmorter (R-Jenison), one of the bills' three sponsors, said the system has made victims feel "ignored" or worse, "in the way." It will be corrected to make victims partners along with prosecutors, police and judges, he said.

Oakland County Prosecutor L. Brooks Patterson called the law "a welcomed addition."

What he added, however, that much of the address the law requires has been ongoing in the Oakland courts. "We've been working daily with the witnesses and judges," Patterson said. "We've been working daily with the witnesses and judges," Patterson said. "We've been working daily with the witnesses and judges," Patterson said.

Over all, he said the law allows for "treating victims with renewed respect for the first time in years."

Oakland County Sheriff John Nichols called the legislation "a step in the right direction."

The legislation includes protections which will assure that victims of felonies and high misdemeanors will be kept informed of the prosecution of offenders, given certain protections against harassment and assured a greater chance of restitution for their losses.

The package takes effect in 90 days. Some provisions will be phased in over the next two years.

Authorities will be required to serve timely notices to crime victims at several stages of the arrest and conviction of those who offend them.

Notices will be made within 24 hours of the suspect's arrest; victims will be apprised of all court hearings and plea-bargaining arrangements; and they will be alerted when the convicted person is released from jail. The prosecutor "must sit down and discuss with the victim" the disposition of the case, such as when it plans to plea bargain, before it happens, Van Regenmorter said.

The victim also must be notified of changes in the convicted person's escape or confinement, such as an escape or community placement.

Victims will be allowed to address post-sentencing investigation, either in person or by written, to present their

side of the story and the crime's effect on their lives. The purpose is to avoid victims' feeling "left out" of the last step in the prosecution of their assaults.

For the protection of victims, the court will be required to house victims and the accused in separate waiting rooms before the start of the hearings. And if the victim suffers harassment by the accused, prosecutors can petition for bond revocations to keep the accused in jail while awaiting court hearings.

The victim also has a right to remain in the courtroom throughout the course of the trial and court hearings. A victim who also is scheduled to testify may be barred from the courtroom only before testifying.

An extensive portion of the package addresses restitution of damages and losses to the victim, placing much of the responsibility on the judges to see that the victim is "made whole."

Judges have been restricted so far in requiring restitution, said Van Regenmorter. "Our estimates are that in 15-20 percent of the cases meaningful restitution will be made," he said.

Services in place of a money exchange may be required, according to one provision. Restitution can be made part of the conditions or parole.

There's even a so-called "Son of Sam" provision to prevent accused criminals from profiting from their misdeeds, said Van Regenmorter. If a convicted criminal sold his story to the media, for example, any resulting earnings would be turned over to the victim as restitution and to the state for payment on his "room and board" during incarceration. Half of any remainder would be directed to the Michigan Crime Victims Compensation Fund.

"So, the defendant would get very little if anything," the lawmaker said. It was because of the upcoming legislation that Patterson said his staff organized a victims assistance program one month ago. The program relies heavily on a 22-member volunteer staff to help victims through sometimes complex court proceedings.

So far, a program director has not been hired. Only two other paid staff members are proposed. They would be classified as paralegal assistants, Patterson said. In addition to hiring the staff, he said he is working with the county executive's office at this time to find office space.

NOTICE OF THE LAST DAY FOR RECEIVING REGISTRATIONS FOR THE CITY PRIMARY ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE CITY OF NOVI ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 1985

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that any qualified elector of the City of Novi, County of Oakland, who is not already registered may register for the City Primary Election to be held on the 10th day of September, 1985, in said City.

The City Clerk will be at her office in the City Hall on each working day during regular working hours until and including Monday, August 12, 1985, for the purpose of receiving registrations of qualified electors of the City not already registered.

On August 12, 1985, which is the last day for receiving registrations for said City election to be held on Tuesday, September 10, 1985, the City Clerk will be at her office between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M., EDT, for the purpose of receiving registrations of qualified electors.

The primary election concerns only the office of Mayor and the Civic Center Bonding Question.

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- a. The offices of: Coquillard/Dundon/Peterson and Argenta Architects and Engineers 3000 Town Center - Suite 1515 Southfield, Michigan, 48075 Telephone: (313) 354-2441
- b. The Construction Association of Michigan, Detroit, Michigan 3000 Town Center - Suite 1515 Southfield, Michigan, 48075 Telephone: (313) 354-2441

Bidders may secure copies of the proposed Contract Documents from the Architect-Engineer after July 17, 1985 on a loan basis.

Each proposal must be accompanied by acceptable bid security in the form of a certified check, cashiers check, or standard form bid bond, made payable to Northville Public Schools, 501 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan, 48167, in an amount of not less than five percent (5%) of the base bid submitted. Failure of any accepted Bidder to enter into contract for the work will cause forfeit of his bid security. After contracts for the work have been signed, all bid securities will be returned.

The accepted Bidder will be required to furnish a satisfactory Performance and Completion Bond, each in an amount equal to 100% of his Contract.

Rates of wages and fringe benefits to be paid to each class of mechanics employed in the project by the Contractor and all of his subcontractors shall be no less than the wage and fringe benefit rates prevailing in the locality in which the work is to be performed as determined by the Michigan Department of Labor, as per the Prevailing Wage Law, Act No. 186, P.A. of 1965, Amended 4-79, Refer to Prevailing Wage Determination included in the Project Manual.

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THE ANN ARBOR STREET ART FAIR gets underway today (Wednesday) and runs through Saturday. Fair hours are 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday and from 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. on Saturday.

GAMBLE ROGERS, nationally-acclaimed troubadour and humorist, takes the stage at The Raven coffeehouse in downtown Northville (343 West Main Street) this weekend. Rogers will perform shows at 7:30 and 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday. Doors open at 6 p.m. Food and drinks are available. For more information, phone 349-9420.

SOUTHERN SMOKE heats up the dance floor at O'Shea's Tavern, 4910 Grand River at Wixom Road, with country-rock sounds from 9 p.m. to close Thursday through Saturday. For more information, call 348-4494.

CASEY CLARKE & THE JAMBOREERS chug into the Starting Gate Saloon and Restaurant at 135 North Center Street in downtown Northville this Friday and Saturday. For details, call 349-5660.

THE NORTHVILLE ALUMNI JAZZ BAND wraps up a successful three-week series of free Friday night concerts in downtown Northville at 7:30 p.m. Friday. The concert will be held in the city square on Main Street east of Center (Sheldon).

"THE ELEPHANT MAN" is the summer workshop production offered by the Farmington Players Thursday through Sunday at the Farmington Players Barn Theatre on Twelve Mile in Farmington Hills. Tickets are \$4 Fridays, Saturdays, with an 8:30 p.m. curtain, and \$3 Thursdays and Sundays with a 7:30 p.m. curtain. For tickets, call 661-4599.

SCHOOLCRAFT COLLEGE'S WIND ENSEMBLE will perform at 7:30 p.m. tomorrow (Thursday) at the Civic Center Park, Five Mile at Farmington, in Livonia, as part of the city's "Music Under The Stars" series.

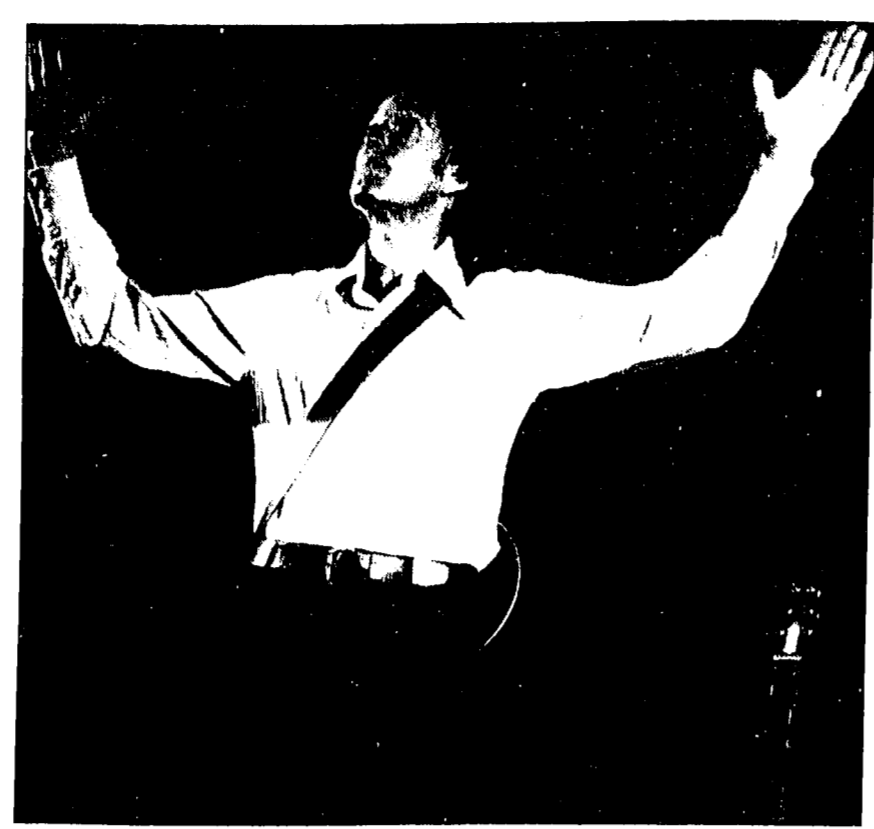
EXPO-FACTO entertains in Anthony's Lounge at the Sheraton Oaks Hotel in Northville with top-40 sounds for listening and dancing Tuesday-Sunday. For details, phone 348-5000.

FOUR NATURE PROGRAMS will be offered at Kensington Metropark near Milford this weekend. "The Early Bird Sees the Bird" for bird-watchers, will be held at 8 a.m. Friday. "Moving in the Marsh," a walk through a cattail marsh, literally "be prepared to go wading," will be held at 1:30 p.m. Saturday. "Birding in the Summer," a naturalist-led walk in search of birds, will be held at 1 p.m. Sunday. "Go With The Flow," a naturalist-led walk in a stream will be held at 2 p.m. Sunday. Be prepared to get your feet wet, naturalists advised. All programs are free, although advance registration and a vehicle entry permit (daily \$2) are required. For more information, phone 1-800-352-6772.

Story's the thing to Gamble Rogers

"We had two motion picture theatres in Nacoochee Valley. The Colony Theatre at the south end of the street where they showed those heavy psychodrama flicks like 'Fanny' and at the other end of the street the Baby Grande Theatre — a dank, cavernous maw of a place decorated in Renaissance redneck — smelled like a Byzantine pissor. We'd sit there every Saturday matinee and start up on those Jubbees, Junior Minis, Milk Duds, Neco Walters, Jordan Almonds, Sugar Babies. Remember those Sugar Babies? Damned sticky things! Play a trick on your best buddy — Bogart your Sugar Baby and stick it in his ear!"

Gamble Rogers is not surprising Gamble Rogers' most successful album is *Gamble Rogers Live*, which intersperses his dextrous guitar picking, sly original songs and warm singing voice with manic monologues and tales from his well-traveled past. The man simply knows how to spin a yarn. Take it from *The New York Times*: "A listener can sometimes get carried away by the sound of it." Rogers' singular narrative and musical style has also earned praise



Gamble Rogers will perform in Northville this weekend

beforehand. "An expert is just an ordinary man away from home." "A rich redneck is someone with a busted Lear jet set up on concrete blocks in his backyard." Rogers should have no trouble commanding the attention of The Raven's patrons this weekend. But then, it's the hard not to listen to songs with titles like *The Great Maitland Turkey Farm Massacre of Nineteen and Fifty-Three*.

Skin cancer fastest-growing disease

Malignant melanoma has had the second fastest-rising rate of increase of any form of cancer in the United States — second only to cancer of the lung. The American Cancer Society (ACS) contends this may be largely true because of unformed sunbathing habits. For both men and women, the incidence of the bizarrely colored, potentially threatening skin cancer has more than doubled during the past decade. Dr. Arthur L. Holleb, the ACS's senior vice president for medical affairs, said melanoma is completely curable when it's discovered in the early stages.

patterns of malignant melanoma have changed, too," said Holleb. "Before World War II, the most usual places for skin cancer to develop were the parts of the body exposed during outdoor work — the nose, lips, tips of the ears, the hands and back of the neck. "The people who developed skin cancers in those days were mostly farmers, construction workers and others whose occupations kept them out in the sun," Holleb continued. Since then, a deep, all-over tan has become a badge of status and beauty — and the legs of women and the shoulders of men have become common places for skin cancers to begin, he said.

GREEN SHEET

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Growing carpet company expands into New Hudson

By THERESA PETERSMARK
As one drives through New Hudson via Milford Road these days, it has become very difficult to avoid staring at the building which sits on over 10 acres of land near Interstate 96. That monstrous new facility, located at 31250 Milford Road just off I-96, belongs to D.E. McNabb Carpet, a national company whose size is not misleading.

According to Douglas McNabb, president of D.E. McNabb Carpet, the business specializes in providing carpet for trade shows both nationally and internationally and then turns around and sells the used carpet to customers who want more affordable prices. They also sell new carpet to buyers at what McNabb describes as very reasonable prices and have a total of over 5,000 rolls in stock. McNabb said the size of the new building helped him decide to move the business out of its previous Southfield location.

"This building is twice as large," McNabb said. "We needed a larger building and a place for more parking." McNabb added that since the company opened a few weeks ago, business has been increasing. According to Kelly Beguhn, office manager at D.E. McNabb Carpet, the business is expanding and they thought they should be in the area, it certainly is because of its location right off the expressway. Even though D.E. McNabb's Carpet may be new to the area, it certainly isn't new to the business world. D.E. McNabb Carpet has been providing a place for people to walk on for over 30 years.



President Douglas McNabb and Office Manager Kelly Beguhn wade through some inventory

McNabb also said that some of the overseas countries the business has worked on are as far away as Germany, Brussels and Japan. D.E. McNabb Carpet doesn't just drop off a roll of carpeting at trade shows and leave. They provide a type of full service to its customers. "After we install it, we maintain the carpeting and vacuum it throughout the show," McNabb said. "We take care of everything." McNabb added that the carpeting, both in auto shows and in retail sales, is made to the customer's specifications. The main office in New Hudson is where they tell the makers exactly what they die colors will take the taste of the customer. McNabb said that the company's sales isn't just the tangible roll of carpeting. "We sell a service mainly. It's a very unique business," McNabb said. Aside from the size of its building, when referring to the business the word "big" is one that may enter one's mind.

Intelligent mortgage planning can save thousands of dollars

Paying off a mortgage quickly is becoming more popular among home owners and home buyers. An estimated 10 to 20 percent of home buyers are choosing 15-year mortgages, and some lenders are beginning to offer biweekly mortgages. In addition, some home owners are "paying ahead" on conventional mortgages. Shortened terms on a mortgage can save you tens of thousands of dollars in interest, according to the Michigan Association of CPAs. Shorter-term financing is important to home buyers who must choose among the hundreds of mortgages available, and it may also bring savings to those paying off a mortgage. How it works: Shorter-term financing makes it less expensive to pay off your mortgage because it chips away quicker at your principal, and fights interest from accumulating.

"The mathematics of shorter-term financing are basic, but astonishing," says Robert F. Richter, chairman of the American Institute of CPAs (AICPA) Real Estate Committee. The typical 15-year \$100,000 mortgage currently available saves a home buyer \$150,000 over a 30-year conventional mortgage. Why it works: Because it takes years of mortgage payments to make a dent in the amount you owe, shorter-term financing saves you money. Take a look at the amounts in principal and interest you pay over the life of a mortgage. With a 30-year \$100,000 mortgage, assuming a 12 percent interest rate, your monthly payment is \$1,029, but \$1,000 of your first payment goes for interest on your loan. Only \$29 of that first payment nibbles at the \$100,000 principal. Ten years hence — after 120 payments — \$935 of your monthly pay-

ment is for interest and \$94 goes for the principal. Finally, in the 25th year of this 30-year mortgage, after 292 payments, the majority of your monthly payment, \$518, will go toward principal while \$511 will pay interest charges. Shorter-term financing, say the CPAs, cancels the worst effects that interest accumulation has on mortgages. A survey of your options can save you money. Paying ahead: If you are paying a mortgage, ask your lender if there is a penalty for prepaying your mortgage. If not, compare the pay-ahead option with the range of investment options open to you. "Paying ahead on a 10 percent mortgage amounts roughly to investing in something with a 10 percent return," said Richter. If you have a 10 percent mortgage, you should opt for paying ahead only if you cannot get better than 10 percent return elsewhere. When comparing your mortgage with an array of investment options, keep its poor liquidity in mind. Once you pay ahead on your mortgage, it's expensive to get the cash back should you need it. "Tapping equity you've built up in a home can often incur a blizzard of refinancing costs," Biewicki mortgages are beginning to show up at some neighborhood mortgage lenders. Biewicki mortgage payments are new and somewhat different. Michael Richter, who teaches mortgage trends for the U.S. League of Savings Institutions, says he doesn't yet know how many lenders are offering this method of paying a mortgage. Payments on a biweekly mortgage are usually made electronically. Commonly, a borrower's paycheck is directly deposited in a checking account every two weeks and the account is automatically debited for the mortgage payment. According to Richter, the borrower saves by making 26 payments a year, one every two weeks. This is quite a bit different from making two payments a month, which would result in only 24 annual payments. By making payments biweekly and making the extra two annual payments, principal accumulates at a faster rate and interest accumulates at a slower rate. It results in substantial savings. The cost of a 30-year conventional \$100,000 mortgage, assuming the prevailing 13 percent interest rate, is \$116 per month. With a biweekly mortgage, assuming the same terms, your payment would be \$55 every two weeks. You save \$128,268 over the life of the mortgage, and the mortgage is paid off in about 18 years instead of the full 30-year term. Fifteen-year mortgages: This is emerging as a popular financing method. "With a 15-year mortgage, a home buyer saves on the interest because of the shorter term," said Richter. But you also should be able to find a lower financing rate. You may be able to get a discount of one-half percent before the prevailing 13 percent rate for a fixed-rate mortgage. To qualify for a biweekly or a 15-year mortgage, your monthly housing costs generally may not exceed 28 percent of your gross income and your total long-term debt may not account for more than 36 percent of your gross income. This may require some strict budgeting, but the savings can make it worthwhile. If you need help deciding whether this is the right option for you, contact your local CPA.

Sale slated for estate

Items from the Nine Mile home of C.A. Smith will be sold in an estate sale at the Meadowbrook Christian Church on Sunday, August 3, at 11 a.m. The church is located on Meadowbrook Road between Eight and Nine Mile. By terms of his will, proceeds from the sale will be used for the Civic Concern, the area help organization founded by Mr. Smith in 1983 and which now, in his memory, officially is the C.A. Smith Civic Concern. The sale will consist mostly of household items. Northville Realtor Ann Roy, who helped found the organization and who serves on its committee, reports that Civic Concern also is taking other donations for the sale with such gifts to be tax deductible. She adds that Civic Concern is in need of funds at the time. She may be called at 349-8700 to make arrangements, or donations may be taken to the church. Mr. Smith, who died February 23 of this year, six days before his 92 birthday, founded Civic Concern early in 1983 when Goodfellow's continued to receive calls for aid after Christmas. He served as head of the organization until his death. The Reverend Austin Denney, pastor of Meadowbrook Christian Church, and his wife Nancy also have been active members of the Civic Concern and continue to serve on the committee.

Providence sets class

SOUTHFIELD — No parent is ever fully prepared for the changes in store when a new baby arrives, not even those who already have had children. "The experience can be awesome and terrifying, enriching and tense. Providence Hospital in Southfield has developed a free program for new as well as experienced parents to help them cope with the adjustments every family has to make at this important time. "Make Room for Baby" gives practical suggestions for getting houseplants and lives on an even keel. Pointers are given for: • Smooth transitions when it's time to go back to work. • Getting fathers into the act. • Choosing babysitters. • Infant nutrition, emergency coping techniques, growth and development. • Getting and keeping mother in shape. • Postpartum problems for mother. • Maintaining or restoring marital relationships. • Family planning. Classes are held the first four Thursdays of every month at the Providence Medical Building in Southfield from 10-11:30 a.m. Sessions are open to all new parents regardless of where the baby was delivered. For more information about the "Make Room for Baby" classes call 242-7

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August 12, 1985	Old Village School, 405 West Main Street
September 9, 1985	Old Village School, 405 West Main Street
September 23, 1985	Old Village School, 405 West Main Street
October 14, 1985	Old Village School, 405 West Main Street
October 28, 1985	Old Village School, 405 West Main Street
November 11, 1985	Old Village School, 405 West Main Street
November 25, 1985	Meadow Hill Jr. High School, 18700 Franklin Road
December 9, 1985	Old Village School, 405 West Main Street
January 13, 1986	Old Village School, 405 West Main Street
January 27, 1986	Silver Springs Elementary School, 19801 Silver Springs Drive
February 10, 1986	Old Village School, 405 West Main Street
February 24, 1986	American Elementary School, 847 North Center Street
March 10, 1986	Old Village School, 405 West Main Street
March 24, 1986	Old Village School, 405 West Main Street
April 14, 1986	Old Village School, 405 West Main Street
April 28, 1986	Northville High School, 775 North Center Street
May 12, 1986	Old Village School, 405 West Main Street
May 19, 1986	Winchester Elementary School, 16141 Winchester Drive
June 9, 1986	Old Village School, 405 West Main Street
June 23, 1986	Old Village School, 405 West Main Street

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NOTICE OF THE LAST DAY FOR RECEIVING REGISTRATIONS FOR THE CITY PRIMARY ELECTION TO BE HELD IN THE CITY OF NOVI ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 1985
PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that any qualified elector of the City of Novi, County of Oakland, who is not already registered may register for the City primary election to be held on the 10th day of September, 1985 in said City. The City Clerk will be at her office in the City Hall on each working day during regular working hours until and including Monday, August 12, 1985, for the purpose of receiving registrations of qualified electors of the City not already registered. On August 12, 1985, which is the last day for receiving registrations for said City election to be held on Tuesday, September 10, 1985, the City Clerk will be at her office between the hours of 8:00 o'clock a.m. and 5:00 o'clock p.m., Eastern Daylight Time, for the purpose of receiving registrations of qualified electors. One of the purposes of said City election is to vote on the following proposition: **CIVIC CENTER COMPLEX BONDING PROPOSITION** Shall the City of Novi, Oakland County, Michigan, borrow the principal sum of not to exceed Seven Million Dollars (\$7,000,000) and issue its general obligation unlimited tax bonds therefor for the purpose of paying the cost of acquiring, constructing, furnishing and equipping a Community Center-City Hall Complex as a part of the City's Civic Center Complex together with site improvements and site improvements for the adjacent Police Building and all necessary parking improvements, appurtenances and attachments thereto? **THE LAST DAY FOR RECEIVING REGISTRATIONS FOR SAID CITY PRIMARY ELECTION TO BE HELD TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 1985, WILL BE MONDAY, AUGUST 12, 1985.**
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Business Briefs



CELESTE MILLER JOHN BOCK

CELESTE MILLER of Novi has been elected Vice president of Finance and Marketing by the Michigan Society of Instrumental Technology, a chapter of the National Society for Performance and Instruction.

Miller is a previous recipient of the Distinguished Woman of the Year Award by the Novi Business and Professional Women's Club. She currently serves as first vice president of the America Society for Training and Development.

Locally, Miller was a candidate for the Oakland County Commission (24th District). She was voter service chairperson of the League of Women Voters and served on the Novi Parks and Recreation Citizen Advisory Committee for Bike Trails and Park Land Acquisition.

She is employed as a training supervisor at Electronic Data Systems of Bloomfield Hills, where she supervises the design of training material for state-of-the-art systems. Miller recently administered a project which produced documentation for computer systems used in the automation of GM Truck and Bus plants producing the new GMT-400 pickup truck.

JOHN BOCK, president of Bock & Associates, has been elected president of the Detroit chapter of the Public Relations Society of America for 1985-86.

A Northville resident, Bock was formerly vice president of public affairs for American Natural Resources.

PKSA Detroit is one of the largest in the national organization which includes 12,000 members in more than 90 chapters.

The Detroit Chapter is dedicated to advancing the stature of the public relations practitioner and the interests of the profession.

JOHN GROSS, sports reporter for WXYZ-TV, has been elected vice president of the Professional Speakers Association of Michigan. Gross lives with his wife and two children in Novi.

In addition to his sports beat, Gross appears on the station's "Good Afternoon Detroit" twice a week with Marilyn Turner and John Kelly. He won a Detroit Emmy Award for his series, "Where the Action Is." He also has won several United Press International awards for his sports coverage.

A native of Waterloo, Iowa, Gross received his BS degree from Wartburg College in Waverly, Iowa. Prior to joining WXYZ-TV, he was with KXAS-TV in Dallas-Fort Worth.

CADILLAC ASPHALT Paving Company of Novi was the low bidder on a major project of the Michigan Department of Transportation — the reconstruction of 3.5 miles of US-24 (Telegraph Road) in Dearborn and Dearborn Heights.

Cadillac's low bid of \$4,048,130 announced June 24 must be approved by the State Administrative Board.

CPAs offer tips for investment planning

Investing has become trickier in the 1980s, and a comprehensive approach has developed that deals effectively with the new financial environment, according to the Michigan Association of CPAs.

Over the past few years, the pace of financial change has been furious, complicating financial decisions for the average investor. Bank deregulation has unleashed a plethora of new financial products from which to choose. Interest rates lack the long-term stability they once had and new laws continue to flow out of Washington.

What's an investor to do? According to CPAs, you find the answers by designing an investment plan and incorporating it into an overall financial strategy.

Following are some ideas on how to lay the groundwork for your investment plan.

• Set your goals. "A lot of people invest blindly," says Suzanne McGrath, a CPA and investment advisor. "They don't invest with an eye toward their personal goals or plan their investments to fit in with their tax strategy."

• Match goals with investments. You'll want to match the maturity, risk, yield and tax implication of an investment against your goals. Consider the case of a married couple who want to fund their seven-year-old's college education. The couple knows they have a 30-year time-frame in which to achieve their goal. They agree that their goal precludes high-risk investing. Once this

kind of preliminary evaluation is completed, you can narrow down your investment options still further.

• Evaluate your investment options. "Every investment has specific benefits and drawbacks," says Howard Sater of the American Institute of CPAs' Personal Financial Planning Committee. "That means people should chart the pluses and minuses of each investment option."

Sater suggests evaluating investments and goals based upon four criteria — safety of principal, cash flow, appreciation and tax implications. "Each of the criteria should be weighed on a scale from one to five, with the total not exceeding 10," says Sater. "Then compare how you rate each investment and how the criteria match the ratings of your goals."

Here's how this evaluation grid would work in the case of the young couple who want to fund their child's education. In one column they'd rate their goals for safety of principal, cash flow, appreciation and tax benefits. Across the top of the grid, they would rate two investments between which they are trying to decide. Let's suppose they are trying to choose between a zero coupon bond that would be purchased in their child's name and a dividend-paying mutual fund that is income-oriented.

In this case, the evaluation grid might help the couple decide that the zero coupon bond is a better investment for meeting their goal of financing their child's education. Safety of principal and appreciation, their most important goals, are both satisfied by the relative security of the bond. The evaluation grid allows them to see this clearly.

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Local woman publishes psychiatric nursing text

A Northville woman is co-author of a "one-stop" reference book for psychiatric nursing administrators.

Christina L.S. Evans of Northville co-authored the book with Sharon K. Lewis. Both are administrators at Kingswood Hospital. Evans is assistant director of nursing, while Lewis is administrative assistant for professional services.

Nursing Administration of Psychiatric Health Care (Apn Systems) is the first reference written specifically for nurse administrators in psychiatric settings, said Lewis. "For every standard nursing administration function, like budget planning, staff motivation and education, psychiatric nursing presents complications requiring special solutions."

In the book, the authors, both certified nurse administrators, have tried to eliminate the need for juggling several manuals by writing a comprehensive nursing administration text that focuses on psychiatric nursing.

"We know what it's like to have to sort through generalized manuals and then compare them to specific psychiatric handbooks to develop policies and procedures for various psychiatric nursing situations," explained Evans.

The authors have tried to save psychiatric nursing administrators time not only by directing a book to their specific needs, but also by providing charts, questionnaires, and forms that already have been shown to be useful.

Among the subjects covered, with special attention given to them, are:

• Psychiatric-mental health setting, area and role and function of power, licensing and accreditation, legal issues, departmental planning, labor relations, budgetary planning, staff qualifications and staffing needs, burnout, quality assurance, documentation systems and research.

Before being named Kingswood's administrative assistant for professional services, Lewis had been the hospital's director of nursing.

She serves on the board of directors for the Detroit Area Association of Nurse Administrators as chairperson of its Program and Education Committee and is first vice-chairperson of the Michigan Nurses Association Division on Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing Practice.

In addition to serving as Kingswood's assistant director of nursing, Evans develops conferences, the hospital's members of the Wayne State University College of Nursing.

She currently chairs the Michigan Nurses Association Division on Psychiatric-Mental Health Nursing Practice, serves on the American Nurses Association Council on Nursing Administration, and the Program and Education Committee of the Greater Detroit Area Association of Nurse Administrators.

Kingswood is a 100-bed psychiatric hospital offering short-term acute care for adults and adolescents. It is located on Eight Mile in Ferndale.

Sharon Lewis (left) and Christina Evans are co-authors of new textbook.

State obstetricians cite high liability premiums

Michigan women soon may not find an obstetrician to deliver their babies, the Michigan State Medical Society reports.

"The affordability issue has changed to an accessibility issue," said Dr. McMurray.

"The people who lose are going to be the people of Michigan," he continued. "Doctors are not going to be able to provide care because they don't have insurance, or because they feel they can't take the risk."

Physicians responding to the survey ranked the lack of a limit on potential liability awards as the worst of their liability-related problems. This was followed by professional liability insurance premiums and the threat of a lawsuit.

The average professional liability premium for obstetricians this year is over \$26,000, which is 22 percent of their practice expenses.

The average obstetrician's 1985 premium is nearly double last year's, when insurance premiums were 15 percent of the physicians' costs.

Michigan obstetricians had experienced a 30 percent increase in their 1984 premiums.

If premiums continue to climb at great rates, nearly all Michigan obstetricians say they will stop delivering babies, and devote their practices to other aspects of medical care.

Most plan to pass their costs on to the patient. And many report they have ordered more tests as a result of the current medical-legal environment.

About half of those reporting say they now avoid "high risk" patients, or those who might have difficult deliveries.

Richard J. McMurray, MD, Flint, MSMS president and an obstetrician-gynecologist, and Lloyd A. Kammeraad, MD, Grand Rapids, president, Michigan section, ACOG, expressed concern.

"Events in obstetrical care are on a collision course to catastrophe," said Dr. Kammeraad. "Physicians can't afford what might have difficult deliveries."

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Marriott launches expansion in Metro Detroit

Construction of three Courtyard by Marriott hotels is underway in the metropolitan Detroit area and more are expected over the next two to three years.

By early 1986, Courtyard by Marriott hotels are expected to be opened in Troy, Southfield and Warren. Each hotel will employ about 50 people.

Bradford Bryan, vice president and general manager of Courtyard by Marriott, said Troy, Southfield and Warren are all growing, thriving communities, and Courtyard is excited to become a part of them.

Marriott plans to open five to seven additional Courtyard hotels in the greater Detroit area over the next two to three years, company officials said.

Each hotel is located on about 4.5 acres and will have 148 rooms. Designed to resemble modern country inns, the hotels will feature terraced grounds and a central courtyard with swimming pool and social area.

Guest rooms — the majority with king sized beds, feature large work desks, in-room coffee service and remote control cable television. A 96-seat restaurant and lounge will be located in the lobby of each hotel. Rates will average between \$40 and \$60 per night.

The Courtyard by Marriott concept was first tested in Georgia in 1983-84. Marriott Corporation announced plans in mid-1984 to develop a chain of Courtyard by Marriott hotels.

By the mid-1980s, Marriott plans to have more than 300 Courtyard properties with more than 20,000 rooms nationwide. The company plans initially to develop and operate all Courtyard hotels internally.

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Realtors report increase in home resales

Predictions by Metro MLS late last year that 1985 would be a 20 percent gain in home resales appear to be coming true as the multiple listing organization posted first half results.

At the end of June, sales by Metro MLS members had reached 8,900, a 19.3 percent gain from a year earlier. While down nearly 11 percent from a strong May, June sales showed a 34 percent jump from 1984.

"If mortgage interest rates continue near present levels, we should end the year with at least 17,000 sales," said Metro MLS President, Robert F. Craver. "Largely dependent on federal fiscal policy, a number of factors could intervene, but we are standing by our prediction."

Craver noted that higher sales were being accomplished in the face of a rising price trend that has pushed the 1985 average in the area covered by his members to \$61,532. This is up 5.6 percent from the \$58,248 last year.

"Compared to other sections of the country, even our June average of \$62,612 represents bargain housing," he stated. "This should be a decided plus in helping attract new businesses to the state."

"Tempering the increased sales picture presented by Metro MLS is a 16 percent drop in listings during the first half of the year. In addition to higher sales, Craver credited improved employment for lower listings.

"Sellers who remain in the market are finding much faster movement this year," he said. "In June, our sales to listing ratio was above 48 percent compared to about 30 a year ago. After reaching a low of less than 14 percent in 1982, this shows how far this market has come."

The Metro MLS statistics showed 1985 sales improvement over a broad area and through a wide range of prices. Communities showing the highest sales, the increase from a year ago and average price in June, respectively, included Livonia, 946, 210, \$64,201; Farmington/Farmington Hills, 615, 106, \$87,835; Dearborn, 962, 77, \$54,009; Redford Township, 509, 131, \$42,378; Southfield, 502, 96, \$71,182; Westland, 482, 48, \$42,018; Canton Township, 466, 120, \$66,785; and West Bloomfield Township/Orchard Lake, 415, 52, \$21,129.

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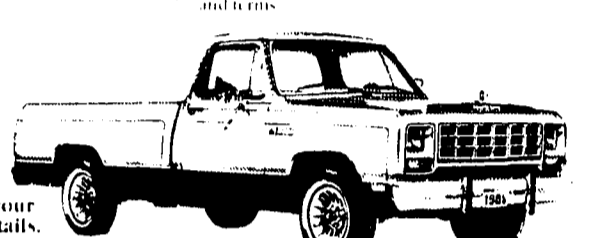
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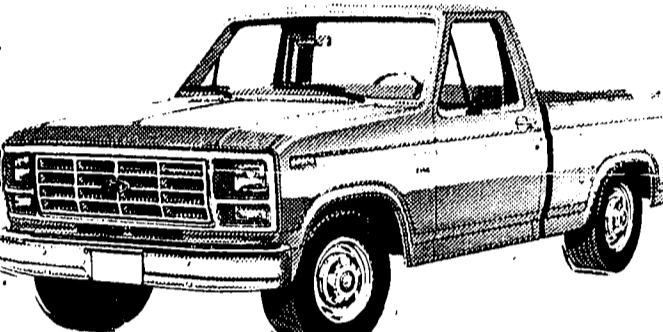


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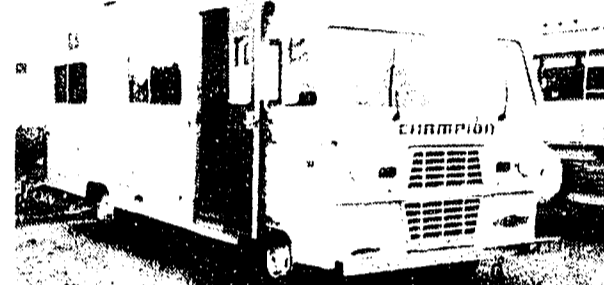
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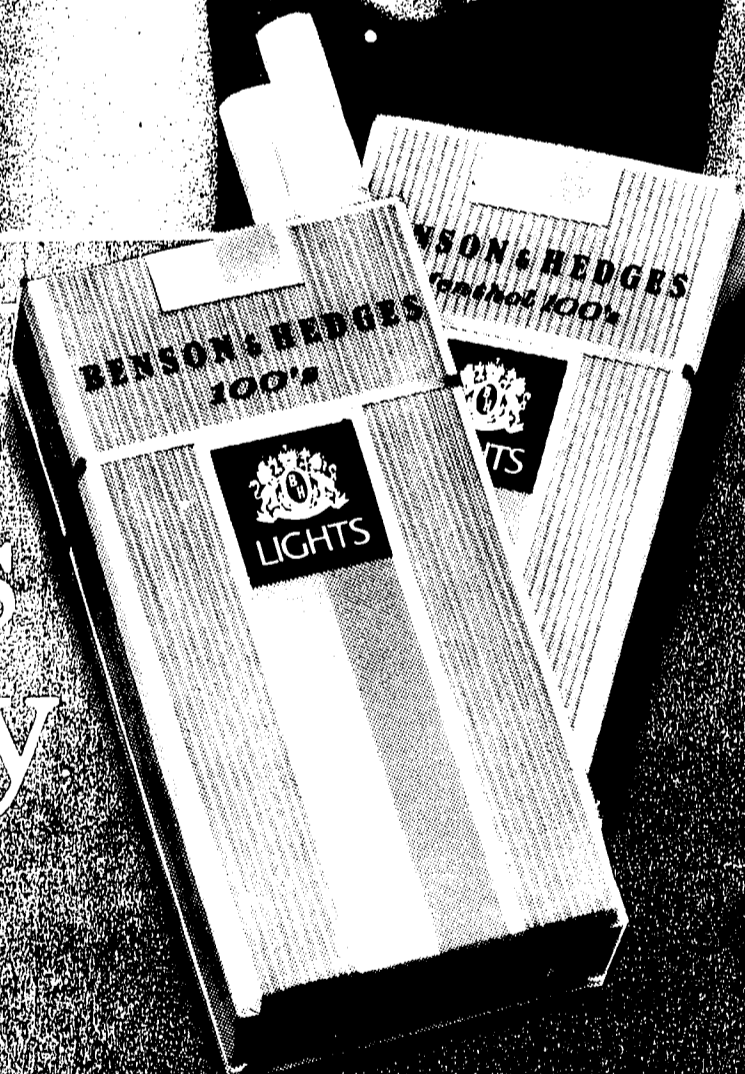
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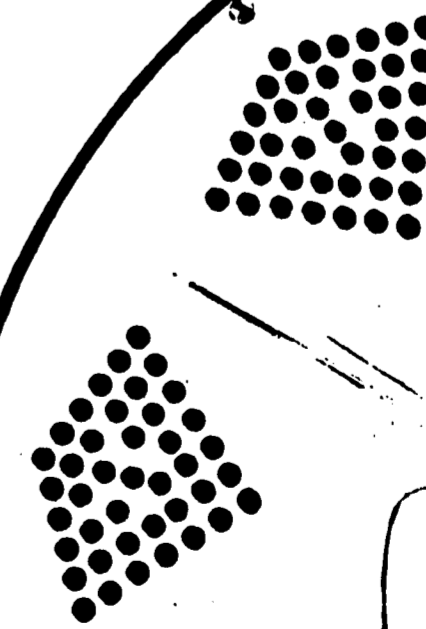
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Neil Woodward

Recently featured at among numerous southeast Michigan locales, The Raven coffeehouse in Northville, Neil Woodward is best described as a master of stringed instruments. A songwriter and vocalist as well as an able musician on guitar, mandolin, fiddle, banjo, dulcimer and, yes, balalaika, Woodward will perform a wide range of original and traditional acoustic music with especially deep roots in blues.



Footloose

Closing this year's festival will be this extremely talented and versatile Ann Arbor group. Blending solo to five-part vocals with a wide selection of acoustic instruments, Julie Austin, Gary Reynolds, Dave Crandall, Bill Barton and Myron Grant are at home performing bluegrass, old-timey, folk, blues, jazz and everything in between.

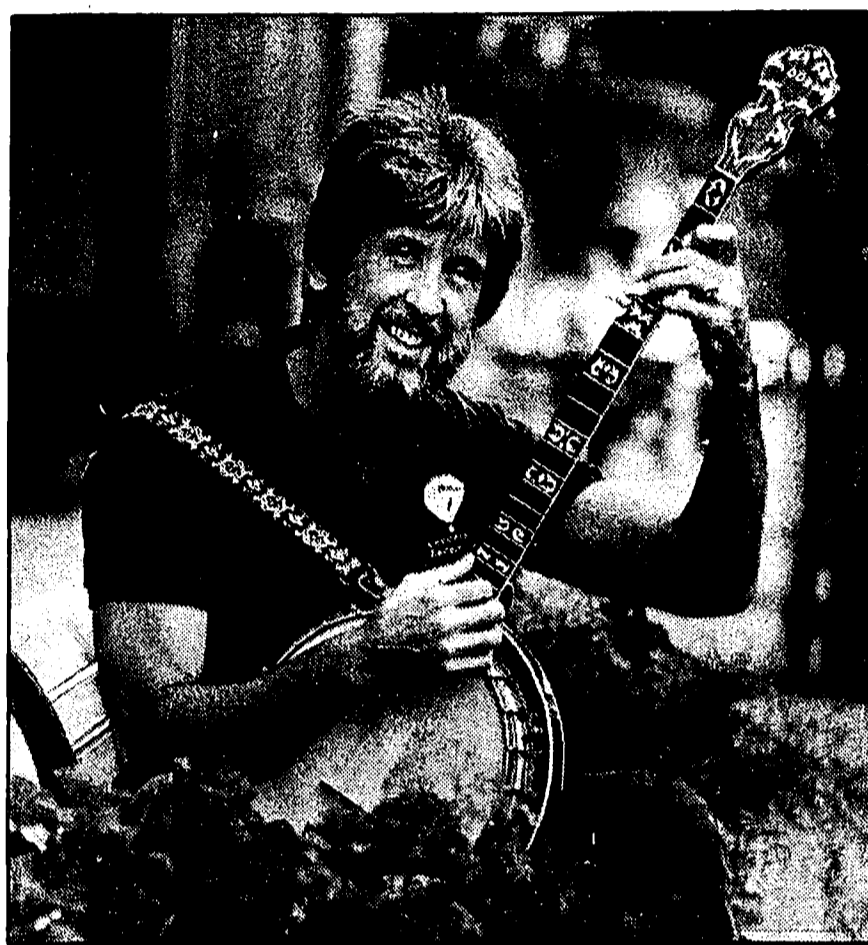


The Sunnysiders

While their roots are in West Virginia, Kentucky and Tennessee, for 20 years leader Roy McGinnis, fiddler V.E. Edney, guitarist Richard MacIntosh, banjoist Paul Boyd and string bassist Bo Kazy have made a Michigan home for their well-known brand of pure and sunny — bluegrass.

Bobby Lewis with Mike Irish

An 11-year veteran of the local folk-bluegrass scene, Bobby Lewis (right) of Bobby Lewis & the Crackerjack Band will team up with versatile (he plays guitar, banjo, dobro, mandolin and fiddle) old friend Mike Irish.



Balduck Mountain Ramblers

Yes, this west Detroit-based quintet is really named for a landfill. While the band's roots are in bluegrass, its repertoire extends to old-time music, folk, sea chantees, gospel and cowboy tunes.



Mustard's Retreat

Ann Arbor-based David Tamulevich and Michael Hough, together known as Mustard's Retreat, are one of Michigan's most popular acoustic music duos. Featuring material as spare as a capella harmony to virtuosic duets on guitar, harmonica, bass, penny whistle, dulcimer, concertina and autoharp, their music touches more bases than Kirk Gibson.



Gamble Rogers

Headlining this year's festival for the first time will be nationally-acclaimed singer-songwriter-storyteller-musician-playwright Gamble Rogers. Rogers' superb guitar finger-picking, his moving voice and his narrative humor straight from the Mark Twain-Will Rogers lineage have drawn praise from reviewers from *Rolling Stone*, *Playboy* and *The New York Times* as well as from festival producer Tom Rice. Rice says, "It's really a thrill and an honor to get Gamble Rogers here."



Phoenix

For seven years, Northville's annual folk festival has served as a yearly reunion for guitarists Matt Watroba and Chris Davio and vocalist Ann Anthony — and each time they've appeared, the Plymouth trio's trademark sparkling vocal harmony has made them a festival favorite.



Welcome

"I would like to share with you my personal feelings about our annual festival. It's been almost 10 years since I lost my sister Donna to Huntington's Disease. About a week before she died, I had a conversation with her in which I promised her I would do anything I could for her children. After her death, I found myself in deep thought on how I could fulfill my promise. You see, HD is hereditary. It has a 50-50 chance of afflicting the victim's children. I wanted to raise money for HD research, and being in the music business, the festival was a natural.

"The festival was born on a very cold October afternoon behind my old Gitfiddler store. It rained and snowed all day, but it inspired me enormously to see some 300 people brave the elements because of their love for folk and bluegrass.

"It's grown and grown through the years, and proudly I can report over \$20,000 has been raised. The most fulfilling part of this is that there have been some major breakthroughs in HD research. Woody Guthrie's wife Marjorie, founder of the Committee to Combat Huntington's Disease, would have found great joy in knowing this. At one of our festivals, she told me it doesn't really matter how much money is raised — the main effect we need is to bring HD into the light and give its victims the hope of living normal, healthy lives.

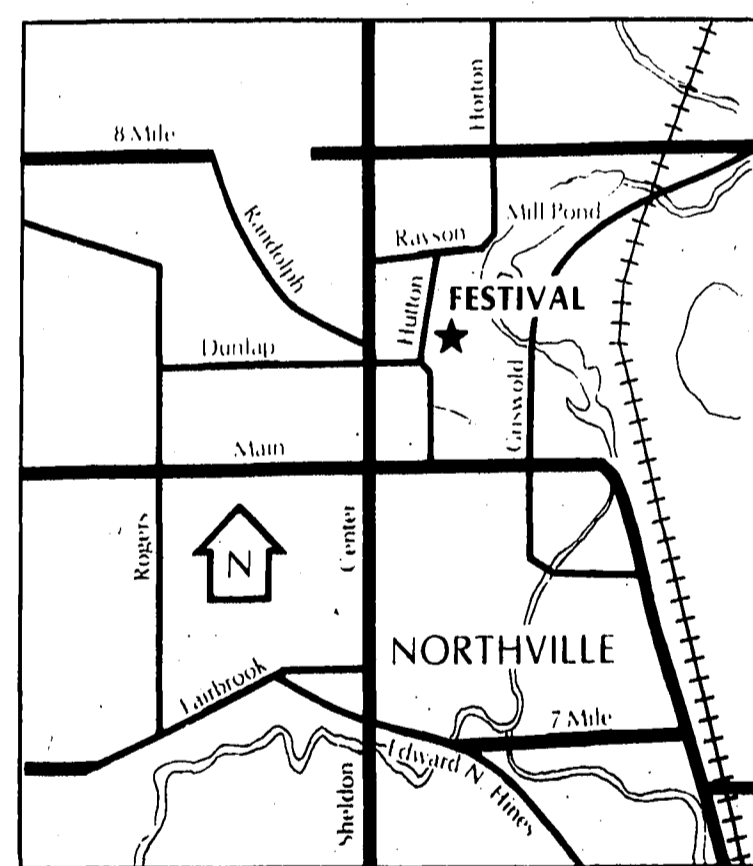
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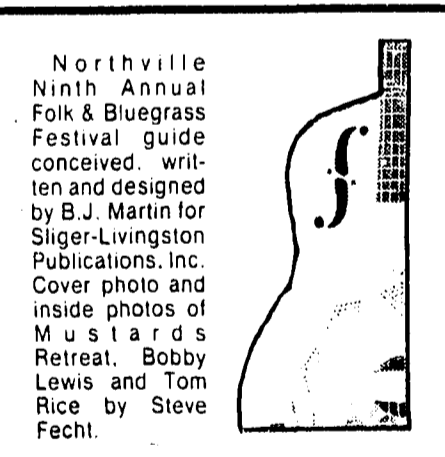
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Festival Schedule

TIME	PERFORMER
1 p.m.	Balduck Mountain Ramblers
2 p.m.	Mustard's Retreat
3 p.m.	Bobby Lewis & Mike Irish
4 p.m.	Gamble Rogers
5 p.m.	Phoenix
6 p.m.	Neil Woodward
7 p.m.	Roy McGinnis & the Sunnysiders
8 p.m.	Footloose



Workshops, children's activities, food and refreshments will be available at the festival and in downtown Northville. Minimum donation (proceeds to combat Huntington's Disease) is \$5, \$2 for senior citizens, \$1 for children under 12. Infants free. For more info, call 349-9420.



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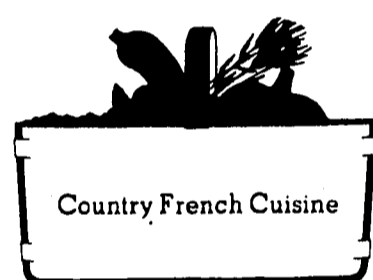


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