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South Lyon senior fullback, linebacker Dave Iafolla may be the best overall player in the Kensington Valley Conference this season. The 6'2", 212-pounder currently is being looked at by several major colleges...



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For the first time in years, the battle for the top spot in the Western Lakes Area Athletic Association is expected to have several strong contenders.

John Duda, Howell High's football coach, is a man who has won more than most. He's a coach who has won more than most.

Stacy Kalin (10) will take over the Howell quarterback duties this year. Kalin is a promising young player who has shown great potential.

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Voters OK civic center, name Karevich, Schmid

The proposed \$7.3 million civic center won voter approval with a lighter than anticipated voter turnout in Tuesday's primary election. Also celebrating victory Tuesday night was City Council Member Patricia Karevich...



ROBERT SCHMID



PATRICIA KAREVICH

As follows: Precinct One - Civic Center: 134 yes; 99 no. Mayor Primary: Cronkhite, 14; Karevich, 149; Mason, 23; Schmid, 50.

Sc option granted

By MICHELE M. FECHT staff writer

The Novi Board of Education Thursday unanimously approved a 90-day extension of Trammell Crow development company's purchase option on the former Novi Elementary School property.

Michigan artworks unveiled at Hilton

When the Novi Hilton at Eight Mile and Haggerty formally presented its array of Michigan artwork last week, it accomplished two notable feats. The first was the "unveiling" of approximately 30 pieces, including watercolors, oil paintings, lithographs and sculpture...



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A look at the KVC's west side

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Harrison coming back to earth

A lot of things will be missing from the Brighton High football team this season. Harrison High football team this season.

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# Development cited as election issue

Community development and traffic are the foremost concerns on the minds of Novi residents, according to an opinion poll conducted recently.

The survey was orchestrated by Tim Pope, campaign manager for city council candidate Nancy Covert. Pope, who also works as a legislative assistant to the House Clerk at the state capitol, designed the survey to determine public recognition of various state and local political figures.

In addition, the survey was intended to gauge public opinion on local issues, he explained. The results are not to be considered scientific. Pope called the survey a "snap picture of where we were four weeks ago."

Approximately 200 residents, contacted by telephone in July and August, participated in the survey. All were registered voters.

When asked what they thought the most important problem facing Novi was, 48 percent cited some aspect of community development. Included were concerns over zoning, the Town Center District, the Civic Center and building heights.

Another 15 percent considered road conditions or traffic to be the primary problem facing the city. Pope said Ten Mile, in particular, was mentioned repeatedly by these respondents, he noted.

Eight percent of those polled considered high taxes the most important problem facing Novi, and another 8 percent water and sewer availability.

"The rest of the answers were scattered, from 'No problems' to barking dogs," Pope said.

The residents polled generally approved of the way the current city council is handling city affairs. In addition, the majority of the respondents approved of the way Mayor Robert Schmidt is handling his job. Pope said. However, he declined to provide the percentage breakdown on these responses.

When residents were asked if they preferred to see Novi develop like Farmington or Southfield, the majority ticked Farmington.

Pope said Southfield was selected intentionally for its reputation as a "high-rise" community. Farmington, on the other hand, is considered a "low-rise" community.

"A lot of times questions were asked because the campaign was searching for an answer," he explained.

Respondents were then asked if they approved of the five-story building height limitation, or if they would like to see it extended to 12 stories. The residents answered 18 to one in favor of the five-story limitation. "Except that we did get a good percentage that specified one location (if the city were to have 12 stories)," he added.

Pope noted the majority of the respondents said they read Novi News at least every other week.

There were no expenses involved in conducting the survey, he noted. All the work was done by volunteers.

Pope said he is considering conducting a follow-up survey prior to the November general election.



Novi News/RICK SMITH

## Clowning around

Several hundred Novi area girls showed up at Novi Middle School North last Saturday to participate in a program entitled "Clown Around with Us." Among the participants in the program were Carolyn Van Every (left) and Susan Dudley (above). Other activities included a mime workshop, sing-along and a class in cake decorating. The program was sponsored by the Novi Girl Scouts to spread the word about the advantages of participating in the Girl Scout movement, which offers various programs for girls of all ages from kindergarten through high school. Any girl interested in learning more about Girl Scouts is invited to call Registrar Linda Burton at 348-7125. Also needed are adults to serve as leaders so that new troops can be formed.

## Trustee appointed to fill Milam's seat

Raymond Byers' appointment to the Novi Board of Education was approved by the board Thursday night in a 5-1 vote.

Byers, who is filling the vacant post created by the resignation of former trustee Ron Milam, began his appointment at the board's first meeting of the new school year.

Gil Henderson, the only trustee casting a "no" vote for Byers' appointment, said he did not have a problem with the new trustee but felt Diana Canup should have been chosen to fill the vacancy. Canup was one of the three finalists interviewed by the board for the open post.

"My personal opinion is she should have been awarded a seat here," Henderson told the board. "I think the board is in error in turning its back on somebody who has donated so much of their time to the school district."

Despite his support for Canup, Henderson told board members the district was fortunate to have "three good finalists" and had no problem with Byers' appointment.

Byers, a Winthrop resident and three-year member of the Novi Parks and Recreation Commission, is a former teacher now with Ford Motor Company.

He has two sons currently attending Novi Community Schools.

Byers will serve his term until the next regular election in June, 1986. At that time, an additional two-year seat will be added to the 1986 election to fill out the remaining two years left in the full term won by Milam in 1984.

In addition to Byers' appointment and subsequent swearing in by Superintendent Robert Piwko, the board also elected Michael Meyer to serve as secretary of the board for the remainder of the 1985-86 school year.

## Quazite resolving noise annoyance

The Quazite Corporation is continuing efforts to solve noise problems at its Grand River operation, city officials reported Monday.

Quazite Plant Manager David Taylor has designed a screen system to muffle the noise during deliveries of the aggregate used in making concrete. The plant manufactures concrete industrial floor bricks.

The screen is made of plywood sheets covered on one side with insulation. Assistant City Manager Craig Klaver reported. "When this screen was placed next to the delivery truck, there was a noticeable reduction in noise, as well as a change in the tone of the sound," he told council Monday.

"Encouraged by this improvement, Mr. Taylor has indicated that he will design a more sophisticated system which will screen both sides of the truck."

"When this has been completed, we will take decibel readings to measure the reduction in the noise generated," he said.

Last month Mary Wikman, a Tall Road resident living adjacent to the Quazite plant, complained about a constant "whirring" all day and throughout the night coming from Quazite. The annoying sounds are "destroying our lifestyle," she told the council.

Wikman's reports convinced city officials to pursue additional noise tests on the Quazite site.

In addition to the aggregate deliveries, Klaver said he also has noticed a clanging sound from the manufacturing process itself. "While not loud enough to create a problem during the day, in the evening hours it is detectable from the neighboring homes," he explained.

The sound is produced when a mold form is struck against a steel platform to release the concrete bricks from the mold. Taylor is investigating a different method for removing the bricks from the mold to eliminate the clanging noise.

Klaver suggested city council delay its decision on the Quazite operation until the modifications are completed.

The city has been reviewing the Quazite operation since May when the corporation applied for a permit to store chemicals underground. The company has met both state and local requirements on the underground storage.

In addition to environmental concerns, the city also debated whether the company should be considered a "light" industrial use or a "heavy" industrial use. The Grand River property is zoned for light industry.

The Zoning Ordinance specifies that the goal of light industrial districts is to promote manufacturing development which is free from "danger of fire, explosion, toxic and noxious materials" and from offensive noise, vibration, smoke, odor and other objectionable influences.

At the council's August meeting, Klaver suggested that Quazite should not be considered in violation of the zoning ordinance based solely on the presence of hazardous chemicals. Standard planning review is based on the manufacturing process itself, rather than the materials used in that process, he said.

Council has not yet acted on the zoning question. The decision has been delayed until the noise concerns are addressed.



Novi News/STEVE FECHT

## Adults to be liable for drugs in home

Novi will join Farmington Hills in passing an ordinance to regulate the use of alcohol and drugs at house parties where minors are present.

However, council plans to delay action on the ordinance until the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) resolves its dispute over the Farmington Hills ordinance.

The measure adopted by Farmington Hills provides for criminal liability for adults who have control over the premises where alcohol or drugs are being consumed by a minor.

An adult would violate the ordinance if:

- The adult had control over the residence;
- The adult allowed an open house party to take place;
- Alcohol or drugs were possessed or consumed by a minor;
- The adult knew or reasonably should have known that alcohol or drugs were possessed or consumed by a minor; and,
- The adult failed to take reasonable steps to prevent such possession or consumption.

"We are satisfied that similar provisions would be legal if adopted in Novi," City Attorney David Fried wrote council members Monday.

"We draw council's attention to the fact that such ordinance provisions could have ramifications relating to the civil liability of culpable adults," he added.

## Poll opener

Polls opened at 7 a.m. for Novi's primary election Tuesday. But by that time, Voting Machine Custodian Fred Loynes (above) had already completed his job of setting up the precinct signs outside of the city's 10 precincts. Loynes has been setting up the city's voting precincts for the past 35

years. Shown here putting up the last of the precinct signs outside of the Village Oaks Elementary School, Loynes noted that Novi had just three voting precincts when he started the job more than three decades ago.

## Boat sales permitted at Tireman

Outdoor sale of boats at the Novi Tireman will continue as a result of action by the Novi Planning Board last week.

Tireman, located at 43111 Grand River, was first cited for illegal outdoor sales in the spring of 1982. The store's owner, Tom Tokar, subsequently applied to the planning board for approval to sell the boats.

According to a June 1982 letter from then-deputy clerk Patricia Loder, Tokar was granted permission for the outdoor sales at a May 1982, planning board meeting.

However, Tokar was ticketed again for the outdoor sales in September 1984. This time City Attorney David Fried advised the ordinance enforcement officer that Loder did not have the authority to approve the outdoor sales.

Fried stuck to his opinion until a tape recording of the May 1982 meeting was discovered two months ago. The verbatim transcript of the meeting was reviewed by city officials for several weeks before the planning board finally was able to come to a consensus last week.

In a 5-2 decision, the board determined that it had, in fact, given Loder the authority to approve Tokar's outdoor sales in 1982. Upon review the action were Judy Johnson and Riley Richard. They maintained the 1982 decision was inappropriate and should be reversed by the current board.

## Wildcat band seeks bottles

Bottled up with excess returnables? The Novi High School Marching Band can help.

Members will be collecting donated returnable bottles and cans throughout the city from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, September 21. Residents who will not be home September 21 but would like to donate empties may call Dennis Thibodeau at 348-8483 to arrange a pickup.

Band members also will participate in the eighth annual Marchathon Saturday, September 14. The 165-member Wildcat Marching Band will begin at the A&P and proceed through various subdivisions in the city.

Each band member will be taking pledges for the number of miles marched. Pledges will be collected the week following the Marchathon. Residents who would like to make a pledge may contact any band member or Music Director Craig Strain at 344-8300.

Proceeds from the bottle and can drive and the Marchathon will go toward additional band supplies and a possible band trip next year.

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**CITY OF NOVI NOTICE**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Planning Board of the City of Novi will hold a public hearing at 7:30 P.M. on Wednesday, October 2, 1985 in the Novi Public Library, 4525 W. Ten Mile Rd., Novi, MI to consider the proposed Zoning Ordinance Amendment No. 85-1811 to amend Section 2106 of Ordinance 14-18, to provide for notice of hearings held by the Board of Zoning Appeals.

All interested persons are invited to attend, information concerning the proposal is available at the Dept. of Community Development and any written comments may be sent to that department at 4525 W. Ten Mile Rd., Novi, MI 48060 until 5:00 P.M., Wednesday, October 2, 1985.

City of Novi Planning Board Judy Johnson, Secretary Karen Tindale, Planning Clerk (9-11-85 NR, NN)

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# Party pilfered of \$270 in snacks

Some \$270 worth of potato chips, chip dip and pretzels were stolen from a van parked in the Michigan National Bank lot at 45075 Pontiac Trail.

The owner of the van, a Walter Lake man, reported that unknown individuals gained entry by breaking out a window and then proceeded to remove the food from the inside of the truck.

Stolen were two cases of one-pound bags of potato chips, four cases of cheese dip, three cases of pretzel rods and four cases of assorted chips. Also stolen was a University of Michigan jacket.

Stolen property was valued at almost \$275, while damage to the van was pegged at an additional \$50.

Unknown individuals removed an estimated \$4,100 worth of merchandise from H.M. Dyer Electronics at 48647 Twelve Mile sometime over the Labor Day weekend.

The complainant told police the merchandise was gained entry by breaking the glass in the front door. Once inside, the thieves had access to the entire building.

Stolen property included a Panasonic personal computer valued at \$3,000, an Adler electric typewriter, a Sony 12-inch color monitor, a Litton microwave

## Area Blotters

oven and a Phon-mate telephone answering service.

A resident on Carriage Hill in the Carriage Hill subdivision reported that unknown individuals broke into his car and stole an Escort radar detector sometime during the night of August 30-31.

The man said the radar detector was stolen from his 1983 Buick Riviera sometime between 11:30 p.m. on August 30 and the next morning at 8 a.m. The thieves gained access by unlocking the passenger side door with a coat hanger, according to police reports.

The stolen radar detector was valued at \$245.

A Battle Creek man reported the theft of a radar detector while it was parked outside a residence in the 20000 block of West Glenhaven during the night of August 30-31.

The complainant told police the responsible parties gained entry to the

1984 Ford by smashing the driver's side window with an unknown object. The thieves then removed a Whittier radar detector valued at \$250. Damage to the vehicle was pegged at an additional \$300.

Vandals broke out the window of a car owned by a Wixom man while it was parked in the Red Lot at Twelve Oaks Mall on August 22.

The man said he parked the 1982 Buick Century at 1 p.m. and returned eight hours later to find the driver's side window broken out. Nothing appeared to have been stolen and there was no further damage, police noted.

Lawn equipment valued in excess of \$250 was stolen from a storage shed behind a residence on Montmorency in the Chateau Estates Mobile Home Park during the night of September 1-2.

The complainant told police that unknown individuals broke into the unlocked storage shed and removed a Lawn Boy lawnmower valued at \$150, a

Sears weed-wacker and a Briggs & Stratton motor and wheels for a go-kart.

The man said the storage shed was closed but unlocked.

A South Lake Drive resident reported the theft of boating equipment from a speed boat moored outside his home during the night of August 30-31.

The responsible parties removed two 6-by-9 inch speakers, two six-gallon gasoline tanks and a 67-inch slalom ski. Value of the stolen property was pegged at \$245.

Another South Lake Drive resident was victimized by thieves the same night. The man told police that unknown individuals removed an outdoor table and a six-gallon gasoline tank from his pontoon boat while it was anchored outside his home overnight.

Stolen property was valued at \$85.

A Farmington Hills man reported the theft of locking wire wheel covers from his 1983 Buick Riviera while it was parked in the Red Timbers parking lot at 40381 Grand River.

The man said he parked the vehicle in the lot behind the restaurant on August 29 at 8 p.m. and discovered the theft when he left at 10 p.m.

## Novi News Briefs

**NEW RESIDENTS** in the Novi School District are invited to a "Meet and Greet" tomorrow (Thursday, September 12) at 7:30 p.m. in the Novi High School media center.

The meeting, sponsored by the Interscholastic PTO, is an annual event for new residents who want to know more about the programs and services of the district. Superintendent Robert Pivko, board members, administrators, staff and PTO representatives will be on hand to answer questions.

Letters of invitation have been mailed, but any new resident who did not receive an invitation and would like to attend should feel free. For more information, call the Office of Educational Programs, 348-1200.

**THE NOVI JAYCEES** will sponsor a Millionaires' Party at the Sheraton Oaks on Friday, September 27, from 7 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Cash prizes will be awarded and a 50/50 raffle will be held every hour. The ticket price is \$5 per person, and there will be a cash bar.

Proceeds from the Millionaires' Party will be used to fund events such as the Haunted House, food baskets for needy families at Christmas and the Christmas Tree Lighting.

For more information call Sandy Ayers at 624-8256 or 348-NOVI.

**THE PLANNING BOARD** will meet tonight (Wednesday, September 11) to discuss planning philosophy and a proposed master plan update. The meeting will be held in the Novi Public Library at 7:30 p.m.

**FUNDING FOR TWO SOFTBALL FIELDS** planned at Ella Mae Power Park has been approved by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR).

The Parks and Recreation Commission had applied for a Land and Water Conservation Fund grant to cover construction of the new ball fields. But the DNR received over 300 requests for the \$3 million expected to be available for project assistance. The Novi project was not recommended for funding.

Parks and Recreation Director Thomas O'Branovic plans to continue with the development of specifications for the project. An alternative funding source has not been identified.

**A CRIME PREVENTION GRANT** for a two-year \$50,000 crime prevention program has been withdrawn from the State of Michigan, Assistant City Manager Craig Klaver reported this week.

Klaver said officials decided to withdraw the grant after learning the state planned to reduce all grant awards by 50 percent. "The net result of this reduction was, in my opinion, to render the grant totally useless," Klaver told the council Monday.

If the city's grant had been approved with the 50 percent reduction, an immediate budget amendment in the amount of \$12,500 would have been required, he explained. Also, the revised one-year program would have allowed the city only six months to determine whether the crime prevention program should be continued. Klaver said this was not enough time to make a realistic evaluation of the program.

Although officials felt it necessary to withdraw the state grant application, Klaver suggested crime prevention was a worthwhile program to include in future city budget proposals.

## Obituaries

**KENNETH A. HAGSTROM**  
Kenneth A. Hagstrom, 30, of Novi, died of a sudden illness at Ford Hospital in Detroit on Friday, August 30.

Hagstrom, a mechanic for Julius Ross Moving Company, was formerly of South Lyon.

Survivors include his wife, Diane; a four-month-old daughter, April Lynn; a sister, Mrs. Gary (Wilma) Miles of Farmington; a brother, Michael, of

Northville; his mother and father, Geraldine and Harold Hagstrom of South Lyon; and two grandmothers, Delcia Bradford of Kentucky and Cathryn Hagstrom of Livonia.

Services were September 3 at the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington, with Reverend Carl H. Schultz officiating.

Burial was in Oakland Hills Memorial Gardens.

# Shopping plaza developers holding bag in zoning feud

By PATRICIA N. BOWLING staff writer

Developers of the proposed Meadowbrook Shopping Center last week took two more steps in the maze of city planning review that has kept their plans in limbo for nearly four months.

The one-story strip shopping center is proposed for the west side of Meadowbrook Road, just south of Ten Mile. The property currently is zoned for business.

Last week the planning board denied site plan approval and recommended a second time that city council rezone the property to office, as outlined in the city's Master Plan.

This week council declined action on the rezoning for the second time and referred the plans back to the planning board for a third site plan review.

"I think the instructions from the council were misconstrued by the planning board," Council Member Ronald Watson suggested Monday. The council intended for the planning board to consider the shopping center only in terms of the business zoning, he said.

The board should "disregard the fact the property is master planned for office and view it just in terms of the business zoning," Council Member Martha Hoyer concurred.

Council requested the site plans appear on the board's September 18 agenda. It will be the third time the board has reviewed the proposed shopping center project.

The plans were submitted to the planning department in April, but returned to the developer twice for revisions before reaching the planning board in June. An effort to approve the plans at that time failed in a tie vote, and the matter was subsequently tabled.

Homeowners appeared before city council the following week to protest the shopping center plans. Calling the business zoning "an oversight," the council rezoned by suggesting the planning board review the zoning on the property.

After a public hearing July 17, the planning board recommended rezoning the property to office in conformance with the city's Master Plan.

But by this time, the developers had arranged several meetings with homeowners from the adjacent Orchard Hill subdivision. After several dramatic changes in the shopping center plans, including an all-brick facade and double the landscaping) they had begun to allay some of the homeowners' concerns.

Based on the new site plans and testimony from Jim and Debbie Chase

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— the homeowners who originally appeared before the planning board — the council tabled the rezoning issue to permit a new site plan review by the planning board.

"From the technical standpoint of the ordinance, the plan does comply," Planning Consultant Brandon Rogers told the board at its Wednesday, September 4, meeting.

Jim Chase, who attended the board meeting on behalf of his subdivision, was asked for his position on the new plans.

"One of the main concerns was that we would be looking at the back of a strip shopping center," he said. This has been addressed by the all-brick building facade. However, some homeowners remain concerned about creating additional traffic in the Ten Mile/Meadowbrook area, he noted.

"We haven't necessarily changed our mind (about the shopping center). We have had some of our concerns addressed." Ideally, the homeowners would like the property to stay vacant, Chase noted. But the resistance to the shopping center is not as strong as it was originally, he added.

Because the rezoning was tabled by council, Board Member William Briggs suggested there was an implied threat the property still would be rezoned if the developer did not come in with "extraordinary" site plans.

"Sure there's an implied threat. But there's nothing improper or illegal about tabling a rezoning," Attorney Dennis Watson responded.

"It's unfortunate we have to go through this process of rezoning to get a site plan that is desirable like this," Board Member Gary Phillips said.

"I find it unfortunate that city council did not carry through the rezoning," Member Judy Johnson added. "Each time we do something like this where we deviate from the Master Plan... it makes it harder to defend the Master Plan to the future."

Johnson suggested traffic and nuisance might be less from an office development. "Regardless of what the homeowners want, the planning board has to decide is it good land use, or is it not good land use." Although recognizing the developer's effort to work with



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Students in the Vacation Bible School held at Hope Lutheran Church participated in a variety of activities during the week-long session, not the least of which was a balloon launch. Students launched 75 helium-filled balloons, each of them carrying the name of a child and a request that the

finder return the card to the church. More than 50 children from four-years-old through fifth grade attended the school, enjoying Bible stories, crafts, singing and games. Reverend Victor Messmering is pastor of the church located on Twelve Mile, just east of Haggerty Road.

# Northville schools to get new phones

**NORTHVILLE** — In the hopes of saving its school district more than \$3,000 per month on its phone bill, the Northville Board of Education last Monday unanimously approved the purchase and installation of an \$80,000 Executive Tote Centre System.

The system, which incorporates the Michigan Bell Centrex Network, with the Executive hardware, is expected to save the district more than \$38,000 a year, according to Assistant Superintendent Burton Knighton.

Knighton noted the district, which currently rents the AT&T equipment, it has had for seven years, is paying approximately \$9,000 per month — or \$112,000 per year for phone service.

In presenting the administrator's proposal to the board, Knighton said the district initially discussed a telephone system change during the 1983-84 school year and made contact with Michigan Bell Communications, AT&T and several other consultants.

However, the pending school closings and renovation of Northville High School put the telephone system purchase on the back burner until the district was sure how many buildings would be closed and what type of

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system would be needed for the expanded high school.

This spring, the administration reviewed its initial proposals but realized staff members did not have the expertise to develop specifications for the type of system needed, Knighton said.

This summer, the district hired the consulting services of Network Technologies, a Lansing based firm, to assist in advising the district about a telecommunications system.

In accordance with the district's requests, the consulting firm was charged with analyzing the cost effectiveness of the existing system, surveying the

telephone needs of the district, recommending changes that would result in a more cost effective system, requesting proposals from reputable companies, analyzing the proposals and working with the district and vendor to assure a smooth transition from the existing system to a new system.

Of the six vendors contacted, only four returned proposals to the district. AT&T and Ultra Communications, Inc. did not respond.

In an analysis of cost reductions that could be effected by each of the four systems over a five year period, Executive represented the greatest sav-

ings at \$196,400. Michigan Bell Communications came in a close second at \$191,500. However, Knighton noted that Michigan Bell did not include Bryant School or the bus garage in its proposal and did not present a proposal that provided the equipment capacity called for in the specifications.

The other two bidders GTE Business Systems and Communications, Inc. generated a cost savings of \$144,500 and \$104,000 respectively.

Knighton told the board that if the district were to keep the existing system, projected costs for the next five years would be about \$662,000.

It was noted that with the new system, the district will have the capability to do inter-district calling where calls can be transferred to any building within the district.

It also was noted that the number of lines at the high school will be increased from six to 16. However, that number most likely will be reduced as the system is fine-tuned.

Long-term service is among the items the district will have to work out during the next few months.

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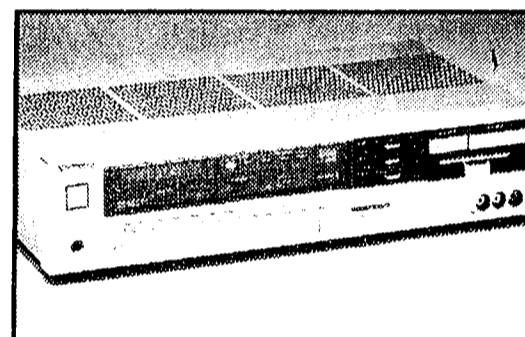
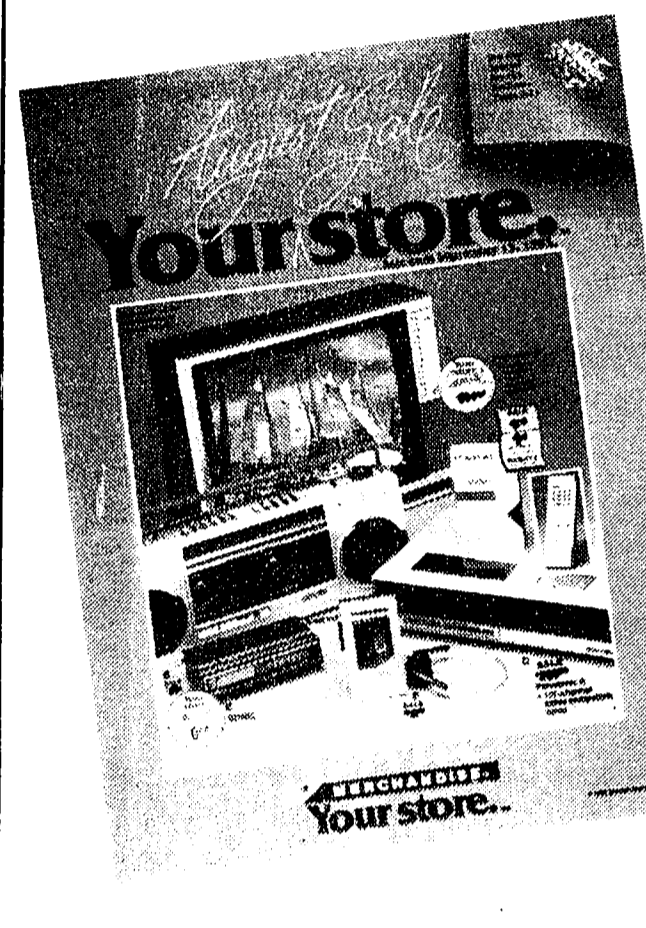
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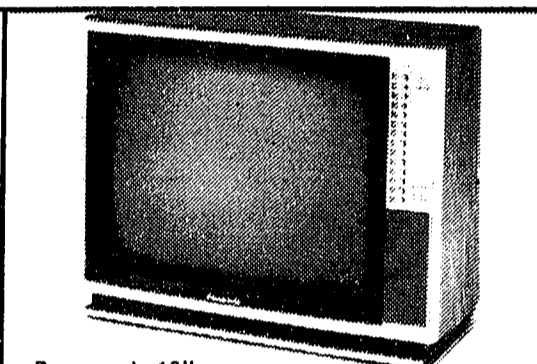
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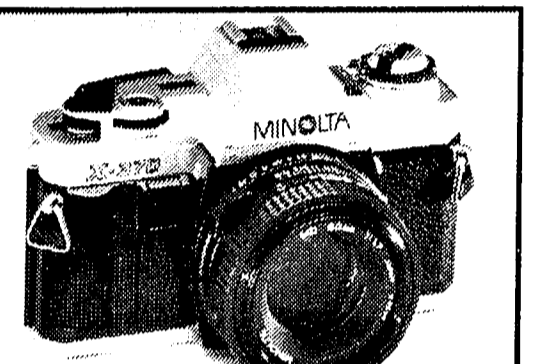
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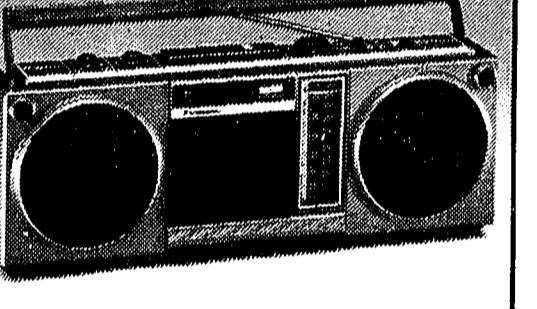
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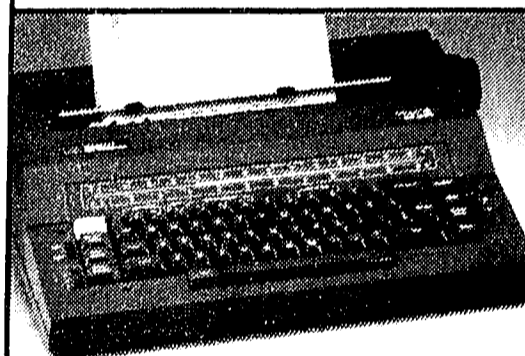
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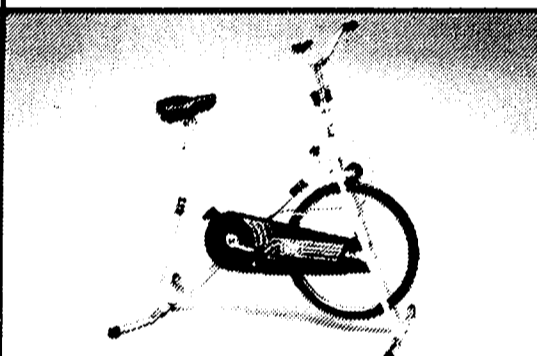
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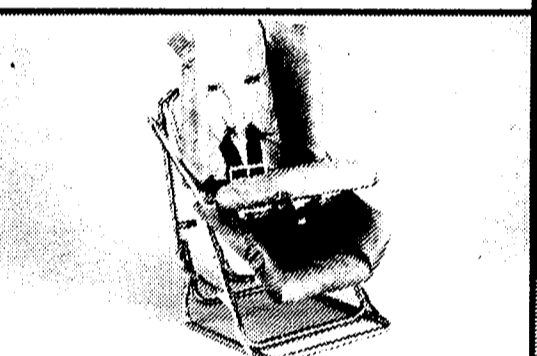
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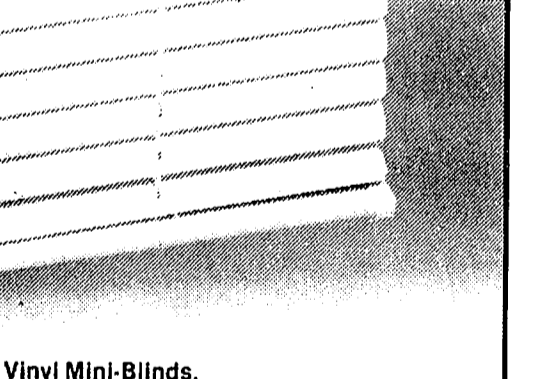
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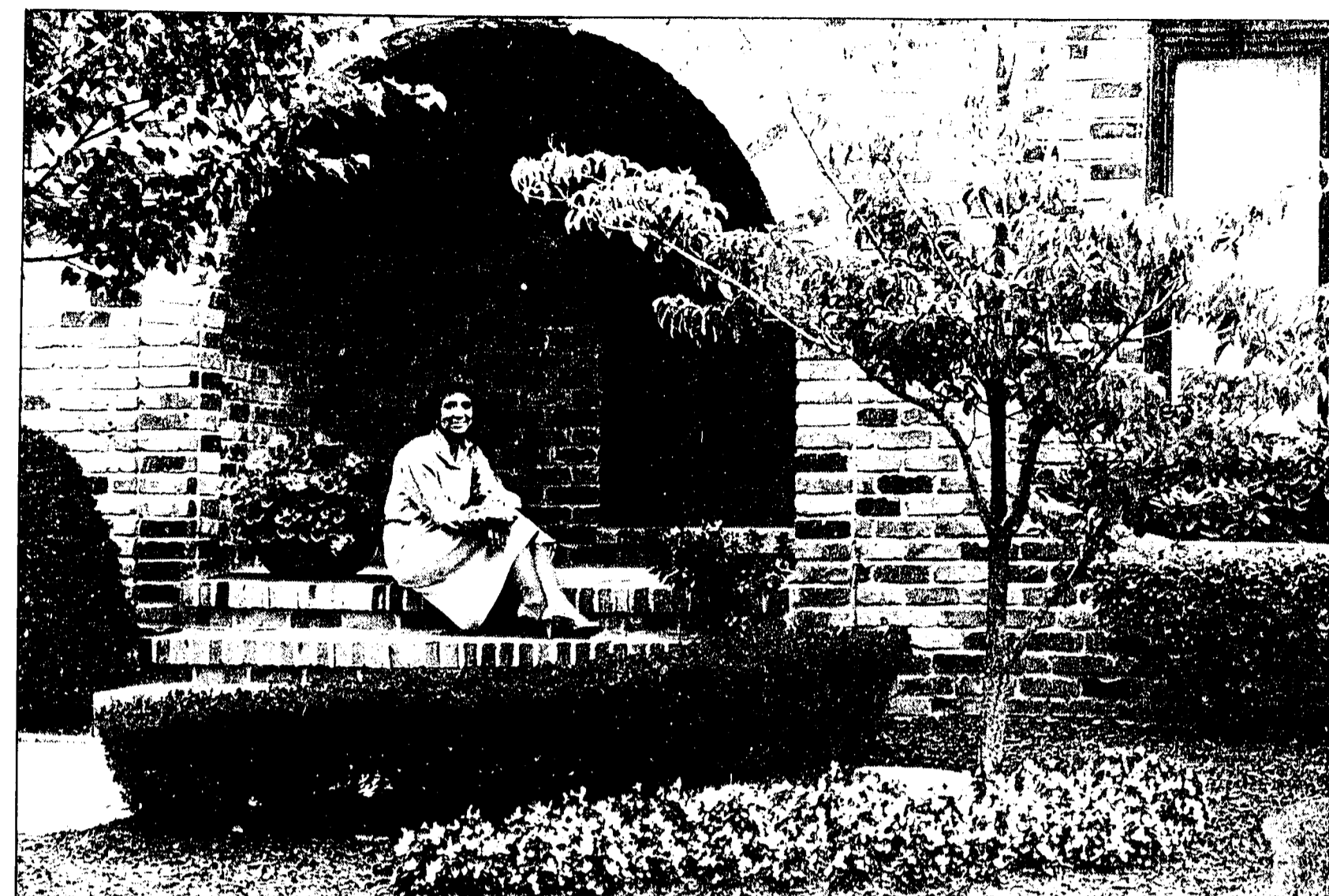
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Also honored was the Bodenmiller residence (not pictured). Association President Karol LaHaie said the contest was initiated to recognize homeowners who do a good job of making their property look attractive and encourage others to do the same.



## Roadwork is fine, but ditch the sign

**NORTHVILLE** — Most drivers who suffered through the construction zone at Eight Mile and Center streets this summer probably expected it was worth the trouble to get a left turn lane at the intersection. The biggest traffic problem at the intersection, the one that led to the road-widening program, has long been a back-up on Eight Mile for traffic making left turns onto Center — particularly from westbound Eight Mile. "It totally destroys the whole purpose of the construction," Police Chief Rodney Cannon told Northville City Council Monday night. "We've contacted the county to get it straightened out. So far, one guy says he'll find the order, then another guy says he knows nothing about it."

City Manager Steven Walters said "several calls" had been received at city hall from drivers who noticed the odd posting. Walters agreed that "the whole point of widening that road was to get room for a left turn lane."

He told council he was sure the posting will eventually be changed, "as soon as we get someone in the county to take a good look at it."

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**SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS** will be getting bigger paychecks during the next two school years in the Farmington School District. The Farmington school board recently approved a 6 percent increase for 1985-86 and a 4.7 percent increase for 1986-87. Farmington's substitutes are in the top 25 percent of all districts in Oakland County. "If not the highest," according to district personnel director Robert Coleman.

**A PROPOSED 'AUTO LEMON' LAW** is under consideration by state's lawmakers. A House committee recently listened to the testimony of 20 unhappy new car owners during a hearing on the proposed legislation in Dearborn. The proposal would help consumers get refunds or replacements for badly manufactured vehicles, but only after certain conditions were met. The defect must have impaired the value of the vehicle, and the consumer must have tried four times to have the defect repaired and lost 30 days of its use within the first year if a refund or replacement is to be granted. In addition, the consumer must take advantage of the manufacturer's appeals board with a final settlement available in 30 days. The manufacturer would be bound by the settlement upon the consumer's agreement. Similar bills have been approved in 35 other states.

**BUSINESS PAYS THE LION'S SHARE** of property taxes in Southfield, according to Southfield City Assessor Ernest Beren. Through December 1984, residents paid about 40 percent of the tax base, compared to 44 percent in 1983. Business kicked in 60 percent in 1984, up from 56 percent in 1983.

"The ideal split between residents and business is 60-40," Beren said. Southfield's assessed valuation has grown steadily in the last five years, from \$1.1 billion to \$1.5 billion. In 1958 when Southfield became a city, the assessed value was \$75 million.

**DEVELOPER STUART FRANKEL** was expected to get the go-ahead from Troy City Council this week for a 239,000-square-foot office complex at the southeast corner of John R and Maple roads. The council was to decide Monday whether to approve a rezoning request that would enable Frankel to proceed.

The 18-acre parcel currently is in litigation with the property owners, Cardinal Industries. Cardinal sued the city after the council rezoned the land multiple-residential so Cardinal could build apartments, then back to single-family residential to block the apartment development after Cardinal allegedly reneged on representations.

Cardinal reportedly will drop the lawsuit if it can sell the property, which Frankel has an option to purchase. Frankel then would need city council approval on his request to rezone the property from residential to office.

**SUCCESSFUL GRADUATES** of Oakland County's four vocational education schools are being sought by the Oak-Voc Boosters for the purpose of recognizing their achievements.

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**TELECOMMUNICATIONS WORKSHOPS** are being offered by the Southwest Oakland Cable Commission. A workshop in studio use of video equipment will be held September 16, 23 and 30 from 7-10 p.m.; and November 6, 13, 20 and 27, from 7-10 p.m.

A workshop on the use of video equipment outside the studio is planned October 9, 16 and 23, from 7-10 p.m.; and December 2, 9 and 16, from 7-10 p.m. For enrollment information, contact the SWOCC office at 473-7266.

**TWO \$700 SCHOLARSHIPS** are now available to seniors at Oakland University who are specializing in business-related fields. The scholarships are being offered through the Oakland County Chamber of Commerce. Candidates for the scholarships must be Oakland County residents or relatives of Oakland County Chamber of Commerce members.

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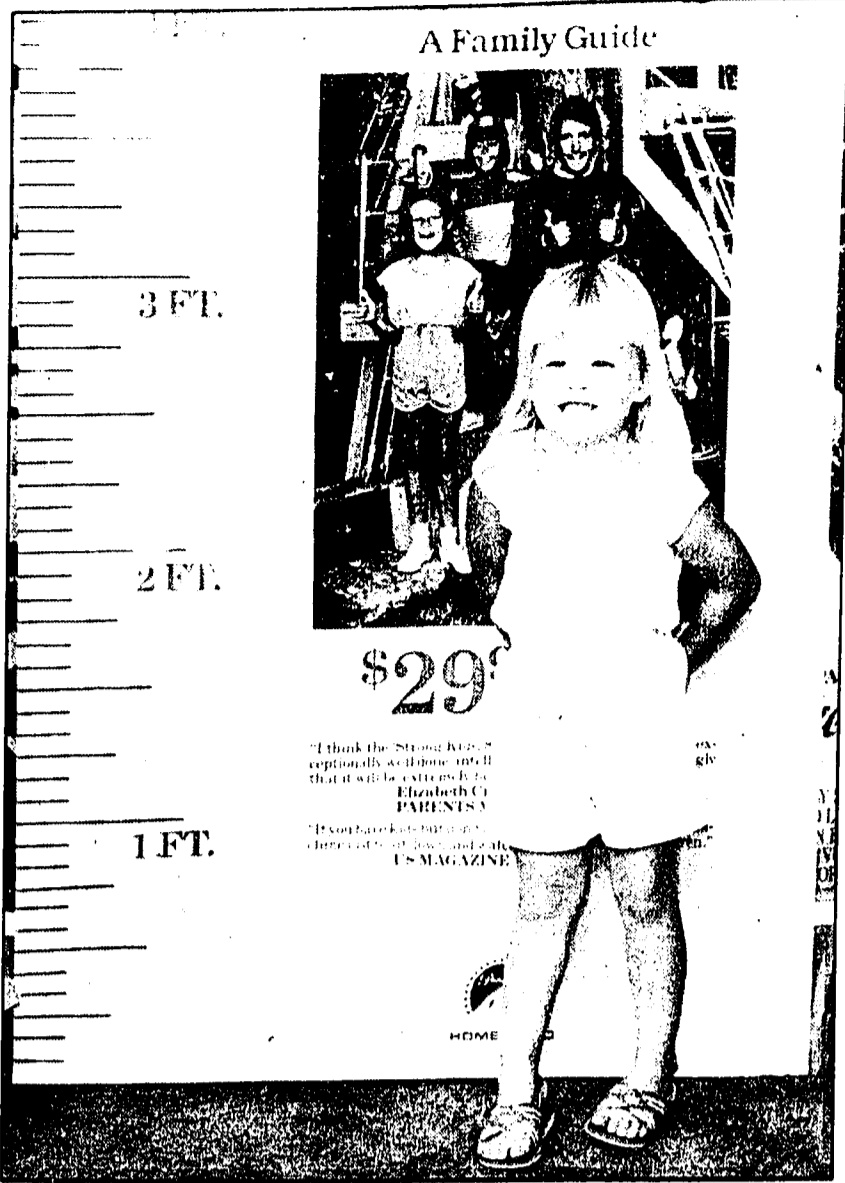




Dino Makowski videotapes Alison McMillan and her father, Sandy, while Wendy Grabowski (left of sign) awaits her turn. Nov/News/STEVE FECHT

### Videos may help police find abducted children

It's free, it only takes a few minutes and maybe, just maybe, it could help save your child's life someday. That's what Movieland owner Dino Makowski is telling local parents about the videotaping service he is offering the community. "It's just a good thing to have," he explained. After the Labor Day weekend abduction of a 13-year-old Green Oak Township boy, Makowski has made a special effort to inform parents about the free videotaping service at his Novi video rental store. There is no appointment required, he noted; parents may come in at any time. A Movieland employee will videotape each child. Children who are old enough to talk will be asked to recite their name, address and age. The child may also describe or point out any distinguishing marks. "For kids under two, we suggest they have it done four times a year. After that twice a year or perhaps once a year," Makowski said. He suggested parents set aside one tape, adding to it as the child gets older. The videotape is better than a school photo because the child's voice and mannerisms are recorded, he suggested. Parents may bring their own tape or purchase one at Movieland. The store can accommodate VHS or Beta format. "Get it done," Makowski said. "It just takes a few minutes." Movieland is located in the Roman Plaza at 26109 Novi Road. For more information, call 948-3080.



Alison McMillan, 2½, is videotaped in front of the Strong Kids, Safe Kids poster. Nov/News/STEVE FECHT

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Traci Albers adds her name to the giant 25th birthday card for the Novi Public Library. Nov/News/STEVE FECHT

### Library notes 25th

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In 1976, the library moved from its original site to its new location on Ten Mile. Burrell, who took over as library administrator last April following the resignation of Diane Bish, noted that while vast changes have taken place during her six-year tenure in Novi, the library will become even more sophisticated as it incorporates technology into its daily service. Currently linking its collection with WOLF's automated circulation system, Burrell said they are hoping to have the process completed by 1986. In addition to linking the library's collection, the library also is linking patrons into the circulation system. She noted that library cards, issued nearly two years ago, hope-

**CITY OF NORTHVILLE NOTICE TO BIDDERS**  
The City of Northville, Michigan will receive bids up to 11:00 a.m. Tuesday, September 24, 1985, for temporary skilled painters. The Housing Commission reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids. All bids must be submitted on standard forms furnished by the City. Address bids to Northville City Clerk, 215 W. Main Street, Northville, Michigan 48167, in a sealed envelope bearing the inscription:  
**BID FOR: TEMPORARY SKILLED PAINTERS**  
At the close of bids, the bids will be opened in public. A decision on the bids will be made by the Northville Housing Commission on September 25, 1985.  
Cathy M. Konrad  
City Clerk  
(9-11-85 NR, NN)

**CITY OF NOVI REQUEST FOR BIDS - GENERAL SERVICE VEHICLE**  
The City of Novi will receive sealed bids for seven (7) general service vehicles in accordance with City specifications. Bids will be received until 2:00 P.M., prevailing eastern time, Wednesday, September 25, 1985 at the Office of the City Clerk, 45225 W. Ten Mile Road, Novi, Michigan 48050. Bids will be publicly opened and read at that time. All bids must be signed by a legally authorized agent of the bidding firm. Envelopes must be plainly marked, "GENERAL SERVICE VEHICLES BID," and must bear the name of the bidder. The City reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids, any part of the same, to waive any irregularities and to make the award in a manner that is in the best interest of the City of Novi.  
Carol J. Kalinovic  
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### Fire station stays, at least for a year

The old fire station on Novi Road will remain standing for at least another year, city council decided Monday. The council last month considered demolishing the building, but delayed a decision until civic organizations using the building could be notified. In the meantime, the city's consulting engineers, JCK and Associates, expressed an interest in the building. City Manager Edward Kriewall reported. JCK currently maintains a field office at the former DPW garage site on Grand River Avenue. The DPW offices and garage have been moved to the new maintenance facility on Eleven Mile, and the city now is considering disposing of the Grand River property. City Engineer Joseph Kapelczak said JCK is interested in bidding on the Grand River property. If their bid is successful, they plan to demolish the buildings on the site and build a new field office. If their bid is not successful, the firm still plans to seek a new field office in Novi. In either case, JCK is in need of in-

**CITY OF NOVI NOTICE**  
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Planning Board of the City of Novi will hold a public hearing at 7:30 P.M. on Wednesday, October 2, 1985 in the Novi Public Library, 45245 West Ten Mile Road, Novi, MI to consider the following:  
Proposed Ordinance Amendment No. 85-18.10 to clarify interpretation of the Ordinance and to amend Section 2508.2b of Ordinance No. 84-18, as amended, the City of Novi Zoning Ordinance, to provide conditions on the grant of commercial recreation uses.  
All interested persons are invited to attend. Information concerning the proposal is available at the Dept. of Community Development and any written comments may be sent to that office at 45225 W. Ten Mile, Novi, MI 48050 until 5:00 P.M., Wednesday, October 2, 1985.  
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Proposed Zoning Map Amendment No. 18-403 to rezone land located S. of Ten Mile Rd., W. side of Novi Rd., (Sidwell) No. 22-27-200-007, 008, 009 (approx. 20 acres), from R-4 One Family Residential to RM-2 High-Density Multiple-Family Residential District.  
Ordinance No. 18-403  
**ZONING MAP AMENDMENT No. 403**  
To rezone a part of the NE ¼ of the NE ¼ of Section 27, T.1N., R.8E., City of Novi, Oakland County, Michigan, being parcels 22-27-200-007, -008, and -009 more particularly described as follows:  
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Parcel No. 22-27-200-008  
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Parcel No. 22-27-200-009  
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EXCEPTING THEREFROM: Any parts of the above described lands taken, deeded or used as a street, road, or highway.  
FROM: R-4 ONE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT  
TO: RM-2 HIGH-DENSITY MULTIPLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT  
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# Summer days were not lazy for planning board

It's been a hard summer for members of Nov's Planning Board and administrative planning staff.

Since June they have reviewed plans for four major apartment developments, 11 light industrial projects, three restaurants, three strip shopping centers, two gas stations, an appliance store, a day care center and a Zen Meditation Center.

As if that wasn't enough, seven new city ordinances and seven amendments to the Nov Zoning Ordinance have passed through the planning board this summer. In August Planning Consultant Brandon Rogers pointed out he was writing nearly one new ordinance or ordinance amendment each week.

A few of the new measures bear little significance for the average resident, while others could have a major impact on Nov's future development.

The new ordinances range from encouraging massive development in the convention center district to prohibiting any development in sensitive wetlands.

For those who have lost track of the run on new ordinances this summer, here's a review of what city officials have approved or will approve before the "lazy days of summer" give way to autumn.

First, the amendments to the Zoning Ordinance:

**SIMILAR HOUSES** The city council in April adopted an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance prohibiting "look-alike" houses in Nov subdivisions. The amendment requires two "substantially different" homes between any two "substantially similar" homes. To be considered substantially different, the homes must not only have different elevations (exterior appearance), but

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different floor plans, as well.

**NCC DISTRICT** The city rezoned more than 35 parcels of property along Grand River Avenue to a new Non-Center Commercial (NCC) district in June. The district was developed by Planning Consultant Brandon Rogers during a detailed study of land uses along Grand River Avenue from the edge of the Town Center to Haggerty Road. A building moratorium was in effect throughout the 90-day study.

The NCC district was designed to provide a more suitable buffer between Grand River activity and the residential neighborhoods to the south of the thoroughfare. Requirements for development within the district are intended to encourage better use of the land, which currently is divided in long narrow parcels. In order to develop their property, some land owners now must acquire an adjacent parcel or seek a variance from the lot width requirement.

special conditions outlined in the ordinance amendment. The convention center district zoning has not been applied to any property in Nov. However, the only property that meets the site specifications outlined in the ordinance is the 30 acres surrounding and including the Sheraton Oaks Hotel.

**MINI-WAREHOUSES** Like auto service establishments, mini-warehouses were somehow omitted from the Zoning Ordinance. An amendment to the ordinance reviewed last month allows mini-warehouses in light industrial districts, but only by special planning board approval. The amendment is expected to be approved by the board and recommended to city council this month. It is scheduled for public hearing September 18.

In addition to the above amendments, city officials have approved the following new ordinances this summer:

**AUTOMOTIVE SERVICE** At the same time city council approved the new NCC district, it approved yet another Zoning Ordinance amendment — this one providing for automotive service establishments in light industrial districts. Auto services were not specifically provided for anywhere in the Zoning Ordinance prior to passage of this amendment. Operations for transmission service, exhaust system repair, tune-ups and other repair services now are allowed in light industrial districts, as long as there is no outdoor storage.

**CONVENTION CENTER DISTRICT** After four months of heated debate, city council in July adopted a Zoning Ordinance amendment outlining a new Convention Center District. It now is the only existing zoning district which allows buildings to exceed the city's five-story building height limitation. However, developers proposing to build over five stories must meet a host of

the new subdivision ordinance is the requirement that sidewalks be shown on all plans.

**OIL & GAS EXPLORATION** Ordinance: The writing of this ordinance, which was adopted by council last month, was initiated after the city became aware of an out-of-state company testing certain areas in Nov for possible gas or oil sources. The ordinance regulates the location, drilling, maintenance and operation of oil and gas wells.

**WETLANDS ORDINANCE:** The Wetlands and Watercourse Ordinance provides for the protection of wetlands and watercourses throughout the city. The ordinance notes that wetlands and watercourses in their natural state provide flood control, stormwater storage, wildlife habitat and valuable open space. Therefore, the ordinance requires special use permits for any activity that might alter a watercourse or disturb a natural wetland.

**WOODLANDS ORDINANCE:** The Woodlands, Foresty and Natural Resources Protection Ordinance is still being reviewed by city officials. Various national and local sources, including the Planning Advisory Service, environmental consultants Susan Nayh and Lillian Dean and the Oakland County Planning Department, have provided input for the document. The ordinance is designed to protect the trees and related natural resources in Nov. It sets forth conditions under which trees may be removed, as well as requirements for replacing trees that are removed.

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**NATURE PROGRAMS:** Two naturalist-led nature walks will be held Sunday, September 15, at Kensington Metropark near Milford. The program "Expressions By Nature" will begin at 10 a.m., and "Changing Seasons" will be offered at 2 p.m. Both programs are free. Advance registration and a vehicle entry permit (daily — \$2) are required, however. For additional information, phone Kensington Metropark at 1-800-522-6772.

**FASHION SHOW:** Members of the new Twelve Oaks Fashion Guild will model the latest fall fashions at Twelve Oaks Mall Thursday and Friday, September 19-20 at 7 p.m. and Saturday, September 21 at 1 and 3 p.m. Pamela Eldred, Miss America 1970, Fashion Guild coordinator, will commentate.

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## Nearby

**RENAISSANCE FESTIVAL:** The Michigan Renaissance Festival will host Children's Weekend this Saturday and Sunday. Activities for youngsters under 12 will include puppet shows, magic, juggling, games, crafts and musical acts, as well as story-telling and costuming. The festival continues each weekend from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. at the Colombari Center in Clarkston. For more information, phone (313) 645-9640.

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## Marquis is new home to opera group

By B. J. MARTIN  
staff writer

**NORTHVILLE** — The Michigan Lyric Opera Association, a newly-formed professional opera company, has announced that it will have its first productions at the Marquis Theatre in downtown Northville.

"Our debut season is successful, we hope to become a resident company there," said the company's business manager, Julie Frentrop.

"This won't be a basic community-theatre type of operation," she added. "All our singers are experienced professionals, and we'll be performing with a full 125-26-piece orchestra."

In Artistic Director Douglas Morrison, the company will boast one of the area's most highly acclaimed young musical talents. Morrison recently received critical approval in his undertakings of Verdi's "Requiem" — an ambitious piece for an ensemble — as director of the Scandinavian Symphony Orchestra and community chorus.

"We're in Doug, we're getting someone who's on the verge of real greatness as far as a musical director," said Frentrop. "We're looking for big things from our new artistic director."

The Marquis was one of three suburban theatres considered for company operations, Frentrop said. But two factors gave it the advantage.

One factor was the theatre itself. "The first time I walked into it, I thought this would be perfect for opera," said Morrison. "In fact, it used to be an opera house."

The second factor was the surrounding community. "We had been made aware of a demographic study that the northwestern suburbs were the best to support us," Frentrop explained. "It seemed to have more educated and more culturally-aware residents who would be typical opera-goers."

Frentrop noted the opera would be good for downtown restaurants and boutiques and vice-versa. "We're delighted to be in the area and the facility," she said.

Morrison agreed. "There's just a wonderful ambience there. I'm really looking forward to it," he said.

The Michigan Lyric Opera Association (an indirect descendant of the Michigan Lyric Opera which folded due to a management shakeup several years ago) are banking their project can be a financially successful alternative to the Michigan Opera Theatre (MOT), based in downtown Detroit.

"We're going to give the MOT a run for its money," Frentrop declared. "A lot of people don't want to pay \$20 or \$30 for a ticket and then sit behind a pillar. This is going to be a much more intimate opera experience."

Tickets, according to Marquis Theatre owner Inge Zaytli, will be \$7 for all three productions. That rate's practically an unheard-of bargain for professional opera.

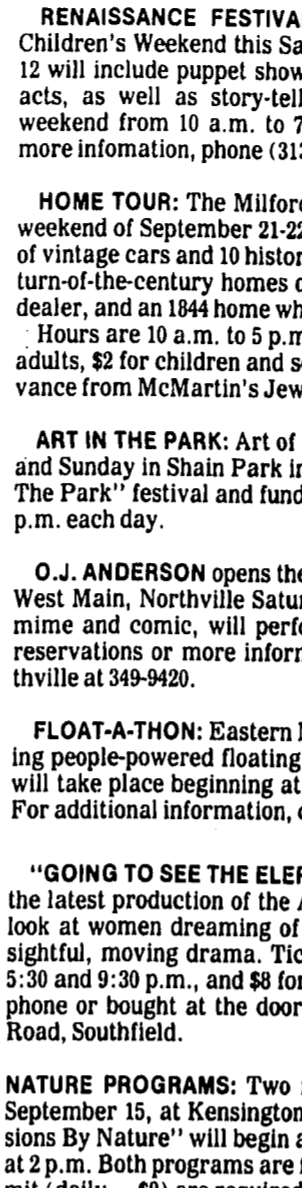
"To break even, we need to average 300 people at each performance," Frentrop said. "Given our projected return and after our first year, some support from the Michigan City for the Arts — that we hope some businesses in Northville will make contributions as patrons — we hope we'll be able to survive."

"If we can stay, we're hoping to work with Mrs. Zaytli to expand the orchestra pit, and the stage wings and the dressing rooms," Frentrop said.

Frentrop may have reason to be optimistic enough to think about such projects. "The interest that's been generated has been extremely intense," she said. "The singers are excited, the musicians are excited. I think it'll be just what we need in this area."

Zaytli seconds that sentiment. "I've always wanted to do this," she said enthusiastically.

The Marquis also will host a production of Rogers and Hammerstein's "Oklahoma" this fall.



Douglas Morrison is artistic/music director for the Michigan Lyric Opera Theatre to be headquartered in Northville

## Residents to register for surplus food

The Oakland Livingston Human Service Agency (OLHSA) is re-registering low income residents in Oakland County for the upcoming 1985-86 Temporary Emergency Food Assistance Program (Surplus Commodity Food Distribution) during September.

All persons, including seniors and homebounds, must be re-registered in order to receive commodity food from October 1985 through September 1986. Registration will be held tomorrow (Thursday, September 12) at the Waller Lake Fire Hall, 1499 East West Maple, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Registration at St. Alexander's Church, 27355 Silverwasse, Farmington Hills, will be from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. today (Wednesday, September 11).

All seniors who regularly attend a senior center should contact their site for date and time of re-registration. Any person who is under 60 years of age and homebound should contact the Field Services Office at 624-5520 for homebound delivery.

The re-registration is held in accordance with USDA rules which state all household income must be verified at least once a year.

Persons registering will need 90-day income verification for the total household. Officials seeking applicants bring copies of one of the following to meet this requirement: paychecks or pay stubs for the past 90 days; a letter from your income source, for example, the Department of Social Services, Social Security or pension; unemployment identification card or check stubs; food stamp card; Medicaid card; child support letter or check stub; other wage information that verifies your total household income.

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• A family of one — \$5,825 yearly or \$569 a month;  
• A family of two — \$9,165 yearly or \$764 a month;

• A family of three — \$11,505 yearly or \$959 a month;  
• A family of four — \$13,845 yearly or \$1,154 a month;

• For each additional family member, add \$2,340 yearly or \$195 a month.  
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• A family of three — \$14,160 yearly or \$1,180 a month;  
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The bidder shall also attach to his proposal: (1) a complete list of all equipment to be used on the project including model, year, make, and serial number; and (2) a letter from his insurance company stating that they will provide all necessary insurance as required by the City within seven (7) days after the award of contract.  
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## As We See It Question on TIFA marred interviews

With the recent resignation of longtime school board trustee J. Ron Milam coming only a month before the start of the new school year, the Novi Board of Education deserves to be commended for its quick action in finding a successor for one of its longest tenured members.

Hoping to name a new member prior to its first meeting in September, the board was fortunate to have at least three qualified candidates among the seven applicants indicating interest in the post.

The board's selection of finalists Raymond Byers, Diana Canup and Stephen Hitchcock proved wise choices. All three candidates seemed equally deserving of the post during open interviews with the board August 28.

While we were pleased the board opened its interviews to the public, it was disappointing to see only two residents attend the August 28 session. However, despite a lack of attendance, the board clearly showed a good faith effort in allowing the public to participate in the appointment process.

While it would be easy to disallow minor indiscretions in light of the board's otherwise careful handling of the search and selection procedure, questioning finalists about their opinions of Tax Incremental Financing as it relates to the district's Old Novi Elementary property clearly marred the interview process.

The board has reiterated its vehement opposition to tax increment financing on several occasions during the course of the past year and indicated to each finalist that its stance has caused some discord among the district and city officials.

Noting that the finalist appointed to the board seat would be asked to vote the following Thursday on an extension of Trammell Crow development company's purchase option on the 11-acre school site, the board appeared to be looking for a confirmation of its own position rather than the opinion of the finalists.

While we don't believe that was the board's intention, the question clearly thwarted any independent thinking on the part of finalists fearful of losing their bid for the post.

With each finalist currently serving as a public official, it should be noted that all three were politically savvy enough to answer the question without jeopardizing either their chances for appointment — or their integrity.

It is our hope that in the future, questions regarding pending issues — whether extensions on property vital to the city's Town Center proposal, contract negotiations or the like, be restricted to discussion at the board table — among its own membership.

## Faulty conclusion

Several members of both the city council and the planning board are counting the Meadowbrook Shopping Center ordeal as a victory in the ongoing battle of City of Novi vs. The Developer.

The shopping center is proposed for property on the west side of Meadowbrook Road, just south of the Ten Mile intersection. In four appearances before the planning board and two before the city council, the developer has significantly upgraded his plans to the point of exceeding ordinance requirements for facade treatment, landscaping, setbacks and parking. Proposed landscaping is now, in fact, more than five times the amount required by the ordinance.

City council, for the most part, is pleased. The dilemma over whether the Meadowbrook Road property should be rezoned to office (as called for in the city's Master Plan) delayed this plan four months. That's bad. But in the process, the city now has a dramatically improved shopping center plan. That's good. What conclusion have city officials drawn from this fiasco? The end justifies the means, of course.

There has been some concern over setting precedents if the Meadowbrook Shopping Center plans are approved. Planner Judy Johnson is concerned about the precedent of compromising the Master Plan. Isabel Collins is concerned about the precedent of "stacking" shopping centers. But clearly only one precedent has been set in this case — and it was set by the developers.

The developers have confirmed, at least in some city officials' minds, that the end justifies the means. Lee Mamola, a local architect and former planning board member, cautioned officials Monday about drawing this conclusion. How will the next set of site plans be handled, he asked. What if the plans meet the letter of the ordinance, even go a little beyond? After how many appearances before the planning board does a developer decide that, no matter how far beyond the requirements," he extends his plans, they will not receive approval?

## Hitting a high note

With the numerous election issues facing Novi residents, until now we haven't been able to devote our editorial space for a simple but worthy purpose: extending our congratulations to students in the Novi High School music program.

It wasn't long ago we questioned whether school district residents really needed to bankroll new uniforms for the Novi marching band. Although we stick by that position, it was gratifying nevertheless to know Novi's 165 marching band members were willing to demonstrate through their obviously hard work in practice this summer they certainly deserve them.

They won first prize in marching band competition at the Michigan State Fair, and the 32-member Novi Flag Corps and eight Rhythmettes took first place in flag corps competition. The Novi High School jazz ensemble's first-ever appearance at the prestigious Montreux-Detroit Jazz Festival August 31 further enhanced the school's reputation for musical excellence.

It would be impossible to overlook the contributions of district music department director Craig Strain to this continuous development, of which the community can be very proud. Strain has been a tireless worker on behalf of his students, and a defender of their interests at budget time and throughout the year.

His newest concerns are tubas and travel. He'd like to see the band able to raise money for both. And we'd like to urge the community to do whatever it can to help them get it. They've earned it.

## A defense of the fifth estate

She was explaining why she didn't like newspapers. Or the news in general, for that matter.

"Our family used to watch the news every night, but it seemed like every time it was on, someone or something would make us angry and tense. Finally we just said, that's it. We switched it off years ago and we've never watched it since."

I thought this was odd. Her mother actually worked in the production department of a newspaper, so I knew she regularly received her hometown paper, anyway.

"All I read are the engagements and the obituaries," she confided. "The rest of it is just too depressing. There's always somebody getting murdered or killed, and there are so many ads you can't find all the articles."

Finally she added: "What I really can't stand is the way the ink comes off all over your hands."

Of course, what I found just too depressing was that the worth of my career choice had been so neatly and thoroughly dismissed. It was as if I were a GM foreman and somebody said, "Oh, I don't use motor vehicles. They just get in accidents."

I responded by saying a) We don't like bad news any more than anyone else, so we write a lot of good news, too; b) A lot of people buy our newspaper for the ads and see our articles as an intrusion; and c) Glossy-coating our pages to keep our readers' fingers clean would probably make our cost per copy about 30 dollars instead of 30 cents. She promised to give us another chance.

My profession was further sniped at in our office copy of *Moral Majority* Report, the monthly publication of the foundation presided over by the Reverend You-Know-Who. In it, *MMR* reports (without a dissenting opinion, mind you) the conclusion of Bernard Yoh, director of communications for Accuracy In Media, that "politically liberal individuals constitute only about 12 percent of the nation's public, yet they control the media almost exclusively."

My reaction was like Richard Pryor's when a fellow American guest on the *Tonight Show* gushed over how glad she was to live in a country where everybody had enough to eat.

"What country you from?" Pryor asked her.

Well, the *MMR* was referring to America, too. But to set the record straight in at least the greater Novi-Northville area, the majority of our country's newspapers overwhelmingly give conservative political office-seekers their editorial endorsements over liberal opponents. Every year. Every election.

Sure, there are exceptions. But "controlling the media almost exclusively?" What country you from, Bernie?

Even if you accept the questionable notion that most reporters have a liberal bias, when you go further up the management level at most newspapers, you'll find much the same proportion of conservatives as in most other businesses.

Someone whose name I can't remember gave the best and tersest explanation of why, if our country goes down the drain, it's not likely *The Liberal Media* will be leading the way:

"Freedom of the press," he said, "is limited to those who happen to own one."

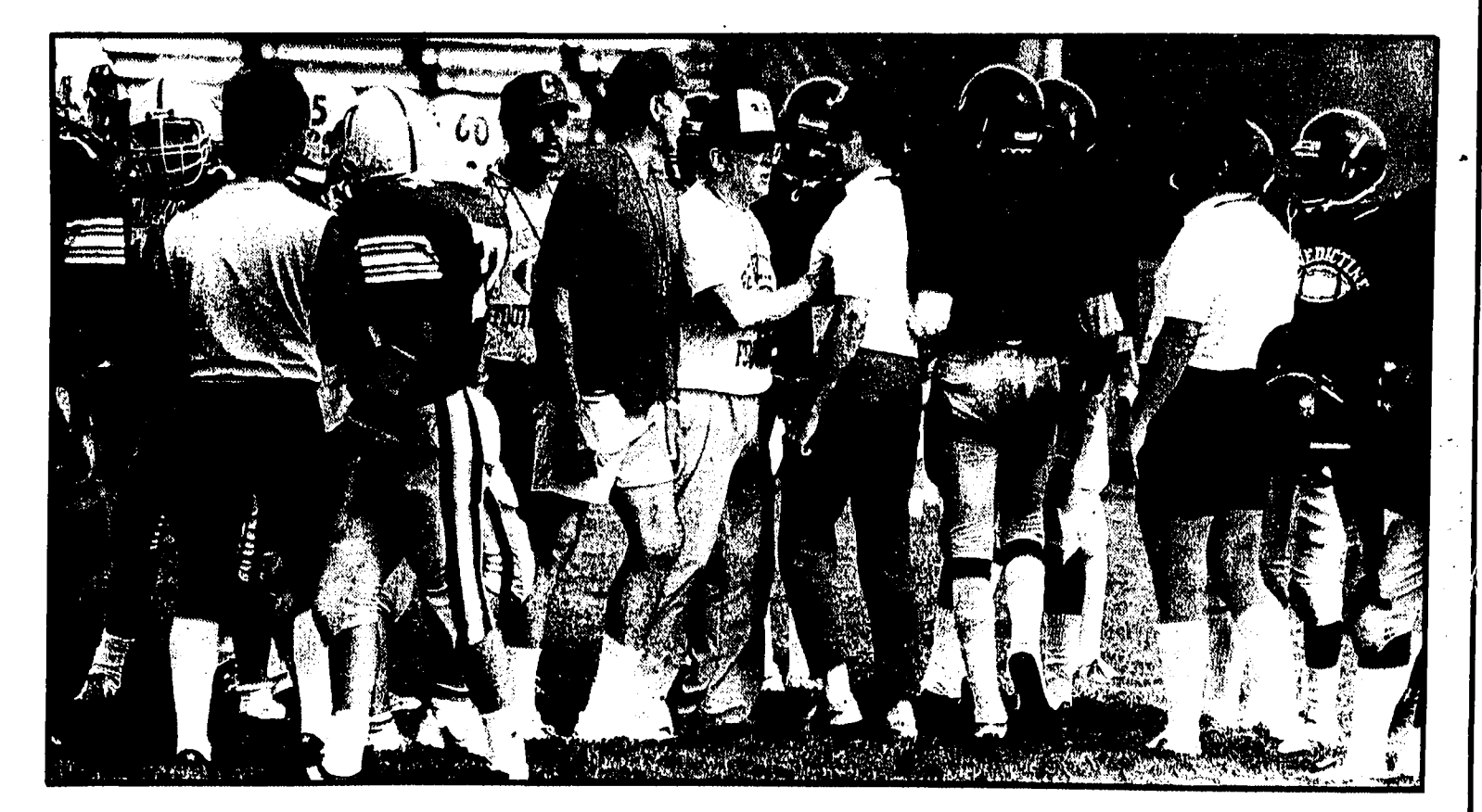

The point isn't that the owners of the press and corporation tell us what candidates to endorse and what points to print. They don't, or more accurately, ours don't. The view is that, as one advances in our career as in all business careers, one almost inevitably develops an ideology that's realistically consistent with the demands of a market economy.

And we've got plenty to worry about in our business market, including people who think we just print sensationalized, depressing news stories with a liberal bias that's inconsistent with the American mainstream.

And the ink. We also worry about the ink coming off on your hands. We're working on it.

## In sight

By Steve Fecht



Men will be boys

## Diet's over, time to celebrate

She actually encouraged me to have dessert. "Go ahead," she said. "The Bavarian torte looks delicious. But the chocolate mousse pie with strawberries looks good, too."

She was right, of course. They both looked terrific. And in as much as she was telling me to go ahead, I suggested the best way to resolve the impasse was to have a piece of both.

"Go ahead, if you really want to," she said. "Live it up."

And then she said something which sent chills up and down my spine. "Because tomorrow you start your diet."

What she had in mind was a special four-day diet she had come across in her weight-training class. It's a no-sugar diet that body builders use before entering competition, she said, and is designed to reduce the amount of body fat.

Suppers were particularly bad. One night I had cauliflower, green beans and squash. Another night I had two hard-boiled eggs.

"You get dessert tonight," she informed me on Day Three. A six-ounce can of prune juice. The amazing thing was that I survived the diet and also managed to lose six pounds.

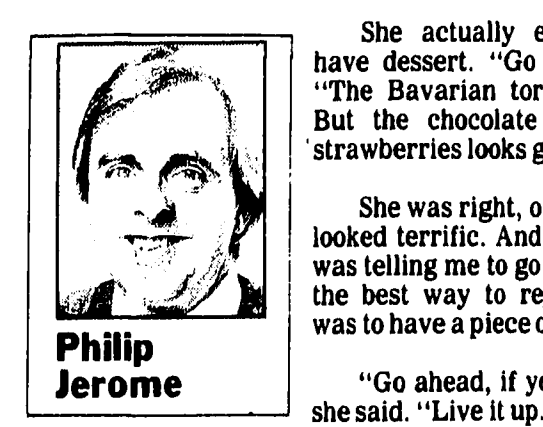
"I feel a lot better now," I told her after it was all over. "And to show my appreciation, I've decided to take you for a hot fudge sundae."

Breakfast every morning was a can of unsweetened grapefruit sections. No toast with peanut butter and jelly. No even cereal with milk and fruit.

The diet even took away my Pepsi. In fact, the only thing I had to drink over the next four days was ice water.

Lunches were decent. Steak, lamb chops or hamburger. All without condiments, of course. No A-1 sauce on the steak. No catsup on the hamburger. And no mint jelly with the lamb chops. Who ever heard of lamb chops without mint jelly?

And you could have all the lettuce you could eat. Provided you ate it raw without salad dressing.



Philip Jerome

## Letters Council candidate states plan views

To the Editor:

As reported, my campaign recently conducted a survey of residents' attitudes and opinions. Overwhelmingly, people responded "growth and development" is a primary concern, with "traffic and roads" coming in second.

These issues are not new but date back to the 1974 impetus for revising the old plan. The result was the current 1980 Master Plan for Land Use. The opening paragraphs of this document state a clear philosophy: "Possession as well as the effective implementation of the Master Plan... is essential to the fostering of orderly community growth."

"Haphazard development" and "land use problems" are mentioned as consequences of not following a Master Plan.

Five years after its approval, suggestions are being made about revising or possibly re-writing the Master Plan. Why? Is our plan a poor one? Is the philosophy outdated? Is it short-sighted?

The answer to these questions I feel is "no." There is nothing wrong with the Master Plan — it is a creative, practical document that can meet a growing city's needs. The problem is not the plan, but the lack of implementation at the council level.

Some examples of lack of commitment to the Master Plan relate to retaining industrial zoning on Novi Road south of Grand River. Another case is the proliferation of strip commercial zoning, discouraged by the Master Plan, along Meadowbrook Road, south of Ten Mile. And many of us recall council's rezoning south of Nine Mile along Haggerty from residential to office-service-commercial against the protests of residents who supported following the Master Plan.

Unfortunately, other examples of ignoring the Master Plan could be cited.

If Novi is a city where the quality of life and the welfare of its citizens come first, then shouldn't our elected representatives be taking steps to implement the Master Plan instead of looking for ways to justify a lack of commitment to it?

I think so and if elected to city council, I certainly expect to be held accountable for my voting record.

Nancy C. Covert

## Foreign students seek open homes

Youth for Understanding is seeking families who wish to open their homes to some 600 international teenagers coming to Michigan.

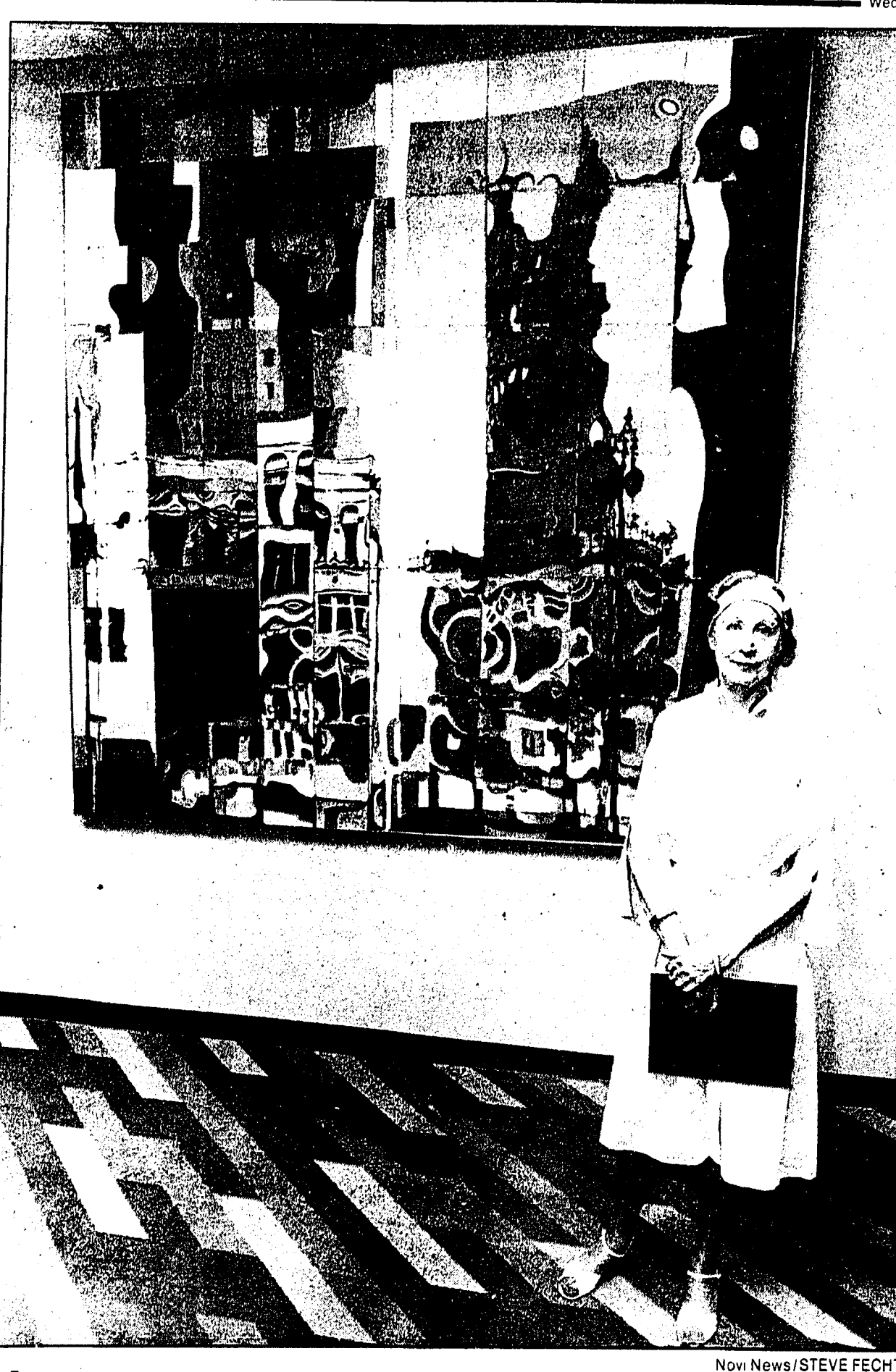
"Hosting a teenage student from overseas is one of the most rewarding and educational experiences a family can enjoy," host family recruitment coordinator Sandra Cox said. "It brings the world home while teaching a youngster from another land to appreciate America in terms of its most important social unit — the family."

Youth for Understanding has developed a comprehensive program of selection, placement, orientation, education and on-going support for both the host families and the international students. Students come from countries such as Germany, France, Holland, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland, Japan, the Philippines, Brazil, Colombia and many other European and South American countries.

To qualify, a family must be willing to provide understanding and love to the student. Youth for Understanding tries to match a student with a family based on similar activities and interests.

The host family provides room and board, but the students are expected to provide their own spending money and clothes. The host family plays an important part in helping to make the stay a good experience for the exchange student.

Youth for Understanding placed students from 25 different countries in August. Homes are needed for students who will arrive from 10 Latin American countries in January. Interested persons should call 1-800-872-0200, or write: Youth for Understanding, 6254 Dixie Highway, Bridgeport, Michigan, 48722.



Artwork 'unveiled'

Louise Nobili was among the Michigan artists who attended the Novi Hilton's art "unveiling" last week. Nobili's "Mirrored Grid" is displayed in the Orchard Cafe. The artwork throughout the Hilton was selected by renowned lithographer Emil Wed-

## School option granted

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abatement, etc.," Piwko said.

"Their projects have never included that."

Noting that the district's opposition to tax increment financing was "one of the first items we pointed out to them when we transferred the option from Weatherford Walker," Piwko said the firm indicated it finances its own projects.

Referring to the rift between the school district and city officials over the board's opposition to a TIFA district, Board President Robert Schram said the two parties have scheduled bi-monthly meetings to air concerns and discuss cooperative planning.

Noting that both city and school officials met last week, Schram said tax increment financing was among the key items discussed by the two parties.

"The city told us they thought initially that they would need TIFA with Weatherford Walker," Schram said. "However, they are not as prone to go with TIFA with Trammell Crow."

Noting that the meeting helped resolve the communication gap between the city and the schools, Schram said "I think we now have a good communication going with city."

"We'll continue to have that dialogue," he added.

## State jobless rate drops

Unemployment rates dropped in eight of Michigan's 12 major labor market areas from December 1984 to March 1985, according to Michigan Employment Security Commission (MESCC) officials.

However, the Detroit area's unemployment rate (including Oakland County) was unchanged from December to March, remaining at 9.5 percent.

MESCC Director Richard Simmons reported the jobless rate followed normal seasonal patterns from December to March in most of the labor market areas.

Michigan's jobless rate fell slightly, from 10.6 percent in December to 10.5 percent in March, while the number of unemployed grew by 2,000, to 459,000.

Simmons explained that employment reached seasonal January lows in services, construction, education, retail trade, wholesale trade and mining.

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## 'British connection' assists local woman in antique business

By MARILYN MORRISON

Being an avid antique collector for many years inspired Judy Wilkinson of Northville to open her own antique shop, "The Carriage Stop" in Farmington.

At first, the idea of owning an antique shop was just a "little dream" Wilkinson had, but it quickly became reality with the help of English friend and antique dealer Chris Strong.

Wilkinson and her family lived in England for three years in a countryside cottage in Budleigh Salterton. Wilkinson decorated much of the cottage with antiques and frequented antique auctions where she met Strong.

Strong helped her pick and choose many of the exquisite pieces that now decorate her Northville home on Grace Street.

Strong owns Fagins Antiques in England. With connections in Ireland, Holland, France and Germany, he is

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Judy Wilkinson arranges antique accessories in her "dream" shop



Antique desk is English import

## Conference seeks small businesses' input

Small business owners from all over the state will have a unique "grassroots" opportunity to provide input on issues and concerns which will be presented to Congress and the Administration by attending the Michigan Meeting for the White House Conference on Small Business, to be held September 20 at the Hyatt Regency in Dearborn.

The major purpose of the Michigan Conference is to prepare for the second White House Conference on Small Business, scheduled to take place August 17-21, 1986, in Washington, D.C.

"Those small business owners who attend the Michigan meeting on September 20 will be participating in an event that will have a major impact on the agenda for small business in this state and throughout the country," said John Gales, Executive Director of the Small Business Association of Michigan. "All persons who own or operate small firms in Michigan should make time to attend and contribute to the success of this conference."

Persons attending the state conference will have an opportunity to be elected as a Michigan delegate to the White House Conference. In addition, participants will identify key issues which need to be addressed by state and federal governments in order to improve the economic climate for small business.

The White House Conference is intended to increase public awareness of the essential contribution of small business to state and national economies. The gathering will identify the needs of small business owners and examine the status of women and minorities as small business owners. In addition, the conference will determine methods of assisting small business in carrying out its role as

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### CHOICE #2 CASH ALLOWANCE

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Model	CASH ALLOWANCE
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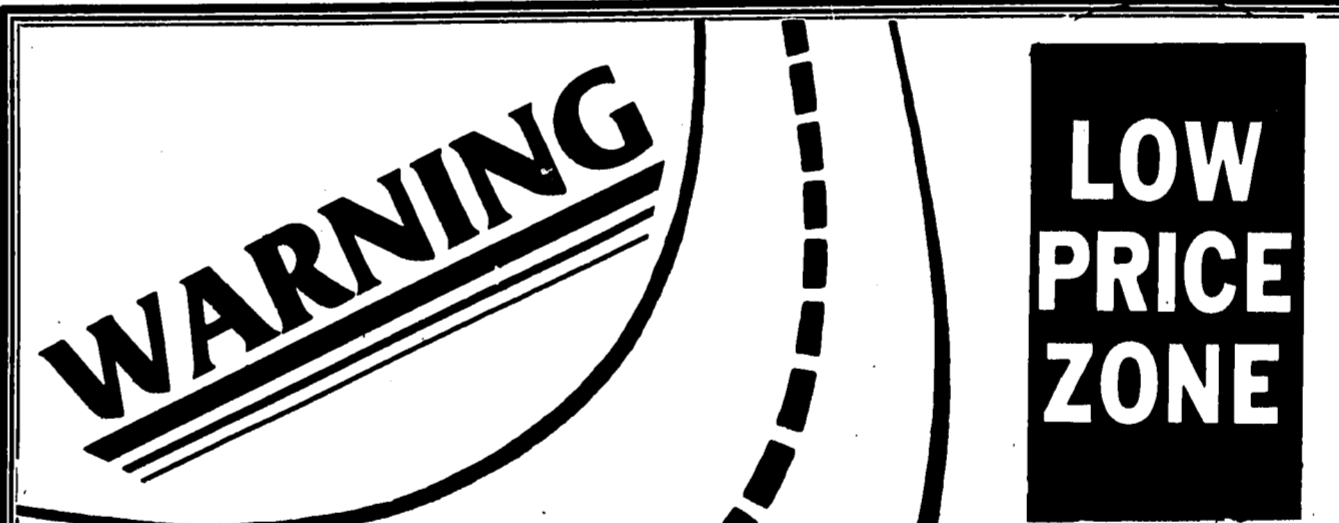
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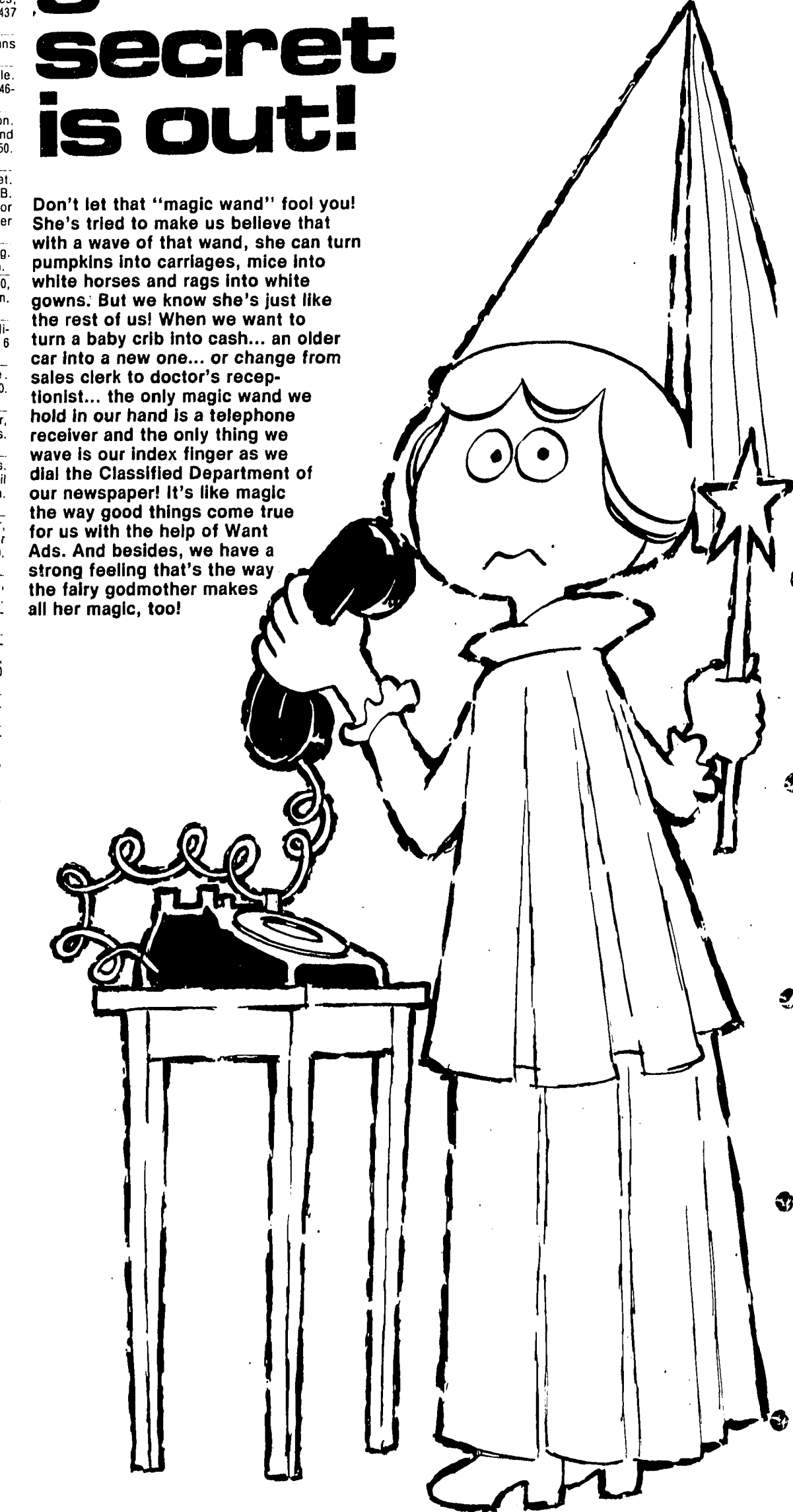
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**Miracle Babies**

A decade ago, babies born less than 2 1/2 pounds and as much as three months premature had only a one in 10 chance of survival. Today nearly half can be saved and go on to lead a healthy life.

**Story by Pat Bowling Photos by Steve Fecht**

Novi residents Graham and Rose Ward have three miracle children. They adopted Brad, now seven. He was the baby they weren't able to have themselves. Brian, now four, was a surprise. He was the baby they weren't supposed to be able to have.

And Michael, well, Michael is the biggest miracle of all. Born 16 weeks premature, he is the baby the Wards should have lost. Instead, he waged a battle for survival that astounded not only his parents, but medical experts as well.

Approximately 250,000 infants are born prematurely each year in the United States. Michael was one of the 35,000-39,000 of those who are very premature, born before the 30th week of pregnancy.

At 24 weeks he was the youngest-ever live birth at Beaumont Hospital. He weighed in at a mere one pound, seven ounces. Babies born weighing less than two pounds have only slightly better than a 50-50 chance of survival. Of those that do survive, there is an 80 percent chance of brain damage.

But Michael "Ward beat all the odds."

Rose Ward's voice still trembles when she explains how Michael's ordeal began nearly two years ago. She was only four months into the pregnancy when she began bleeding and had to be hospitalized. Her placenta had ruptured, doctors told her, and she would have to remain practically immobile for the remainder of her pregnancy.

For nearly two months Rose lay on her back in a hospital bed, reminded daily that the slightest jostle could cause further ripping of the fragile placenta, or perhaps even induce labor.

Despite the extreme precautions, Rose went into labor in the 24th week of her pregnancy. She was given a drug to stop the contractions, but it succeeded only in stalling the birth. After five days of labor, nature finally took its course and Michael Ward entered the world - four months premature.

They named him Michael because the name means "strong," Rose explained. The name turned out to be a highly appropriate one.

As Rose's labor was progressing, doctors prepared the couple for the worst. Michael probably would be born blue, they warned, his eyes most likely fused shut. At less than 24 weeks, his chance of survival was slim. Even if they were able to resuscitate him at birth, there would be serious complications.

But Michael was not born blue. "He was pink. He was crying, moving," Rose recalled, still amazed. "All I wanted to do was put him back inside me."

Graham was equally awestruck by the apparent viability of this tiny infant. He watched as the obstetrician pumped the fragile chest with his forefinger, trying to keep Michael breathing.

One tube was inserted into the baby's mouth, between the vocal cords and into his windpipe. A second was threaded through an artery in the end of his umbilical cord until it reached a position near his heart. This would be used to administer nutrients, blood and medicine. Then Michael was whisked away to the neonatal intensive care unit.

"They told us it didn't look good; he was just too small," Rose recalled. Knowing survival probably would mean a life with handicaps or retardation, she firmly told the doctors she wanted no "heroes." They assured her they would only support the baby's own efforts to survive.

Michael was living up to his name, struggling to take some breaths on his own from the beginning. Recalls Graham: "Here was a kid who was saying, 'Work on me - I just might make it.'"

And work they did. Michael had 33 blood transfusions and two major surgeries before he was three months old. In the intensive care nursery, Michael lay encapsulated in a mass of tubes and wires that all but obscured his tiny red body.

"It was as if you were looking into a man-made womb," Rose explained. His frail 11 1/2-inch body lay on a small waterbed designed to simulate the feeling of floating in his mother's womb. The nurses had given him a teddy bear with a tape recorder in

**REGISTER NOW:** Registration under way for community education/2C

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Rose and Graham Ward with sons Michael, Brian (front) and Brad (rear)

In addition to the breathing disorders, the Wards worried about "brain bleeds," which result when the tiny blood vessels in the premature baby's brain weaken to the breaking point. This bleeding often causes damage to the area of the brain where it occurs.

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**Toddler overcomes premie struggle**

**Story by Michele M. Fecht Photos by Steve Fecht and John Galloway**

Romping around the family room of his 7400 Road home, Christopher Lightfoot could best be described as a typical 2 1/2 year old.

After chasing Molly, the family's new terrier puppy, the toddler climbs the step in front of the fireplace and proceeds to wedge himself between the television and the couch to retrieve the little hide-and-seeker.

For Jeff and Deborah (Leavenworth) Lightfoot, their youngest son's endless energy is a welcome sight.

Clad in a striped foot playsuit, the little towheaded youngster barely resembles the two pound, 10 ounce infant born 14 weeks premature on March 1, 1983 at University of Michigan Hospital.

Described as a "miracle baby" by the doctors and nurses who guarded the tiny infant during his 119-day stay at U-M's Holden Neonatal Intensive Care Unit, Christopher has retained the lighter infant which helped him overcome the countless struggles common to premature babies.

"Everybody assumes with a 26-week premie that he'd have problems," Jeff relates. "But he doesn't."

While Christopher is slight for his age - only 20 pounds - the lack of baby fat does not necessarily mean a lack of appetite.

"He eats as much as his brother," Deborah says, as she eyes her eldest son Brad, 6.

Though Christopher is only at the three to five percentile in weight for a child his age, Jeff says they aren't discouraged "considering he started at less than one percent."

Nothing that Christopher "has the height of a normal 2-year-old," Jeff says his average size frame only accentuates the slimmness.

"People look at him and expect him to look different," Jeff says.

In the 2 1/2 years since Christopher's birth, the Lightfoots have carefully nurtured their young's son development.

Though given an optimistic prognosis at the time of his discharge from U-M Hospital, Christopher proved much healthier than even his doctors anticipated.

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and today at 2 1/2 years



# Fall classes, workshops sated

By JEANNE CLARKE  
Special writer

A special registration week will be held today through September 18 for Novi Community Education classes being offered this fall. Registration is Monday through Thursday from 10 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. and on Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Participants living outside the Novi School District pay an additional \$2 fee. Novi senior citizens 64 years of age and retired will qualify for a 30 percent discount on many classes with other offerings free of charge. For information, call 348-1200.

There is something for everyone in the new community education brochure available at the Community Education Office and the Novi Public Library. Among the offerings are magic shows for children, cooking classes, candy making, pottery, etc. Special classes for teens include hunter safety and snowmobile safety and a babysitting clinic. Super Saturdays this year will include swimming classes and more than 20 class offerings for every age group from kindergartners to adults.

There also are some special classes for senior citizens ranging from exercise to personal finance with a special date in September for registration at the Senior Center. Those interested should call about the registration date. Adult high school completion credit classes are being offered for those who wish to receive a diploma or obtain extra clerical or vocational skills. There are many academic and computer classes as well as one-day workshops. The fall swim and gym activities have started and will continue through January.

**PARKS AND REC:** Though fall programs are starting for many youngsters in Novi, there still is time to get registrations in for girls and boys basketball for fourth through sixth graders. The "Plant A Tree" program again is being offered by Novi Parks and Recreation with trees ranging from \$8 to \$100. Deadline is Friday, October 18. Samples of various trees will be available to look at before purchasing. For information, contact 348-1976.

A new class, "Fitness Factor," is a cardiovascular exercise-fitness program combining the basic elements of aerobic movement choreographed to popular music. The class will be offered from 9-10 a.m. for 10 weeks and babysitting will be available. Applications also are being taken this week for the October "Run for Reyes," sponsored by the Novi Jaycees. The first 50 entrants will receive T-shirts. All proceeds from the event go to the Reyes Syndrome Foundation.

On Sunday, October 27, the annual "Design a Pumpkin" contest will be held at 1:30 p.m. for children ages 5 through 12 and older. Children may register by calling 348-1976. Cost will be the purchase of a pumpkin on the day of the contest.

**BEVERLY MANOR:** The Beverly Manor Community Council has decided to change their meeting day this year to Saturday morning following their "Jam/Toast" project they have once a month at 9:30 a.m. with the residents. The next meeting will be September 14 at Beverly Manor. The council is composed of members of the community, friends of residents and family members who assist the staff with many extra curricular activities such as the "Jam/Toast" program. They also have sponsored special musical programs throughout the year for residents as well as other activities. Anyone interested in volunteering a few hours once a month should contact vice president Marie Grimm of Novi at 348-0489.

Other officers this past year have included Jan Scarth of Union Lake, president; Lois Strasser of Northville, secretary and Betty Kohl of Northville, treasurer. Resident of the month is Minnie Heiner. Born in Canada, she is very active in the Manor enjoying dancing, singing, handicrafts, art classes and church services. Her portrait is being started and will be given to her family at the end of the month.

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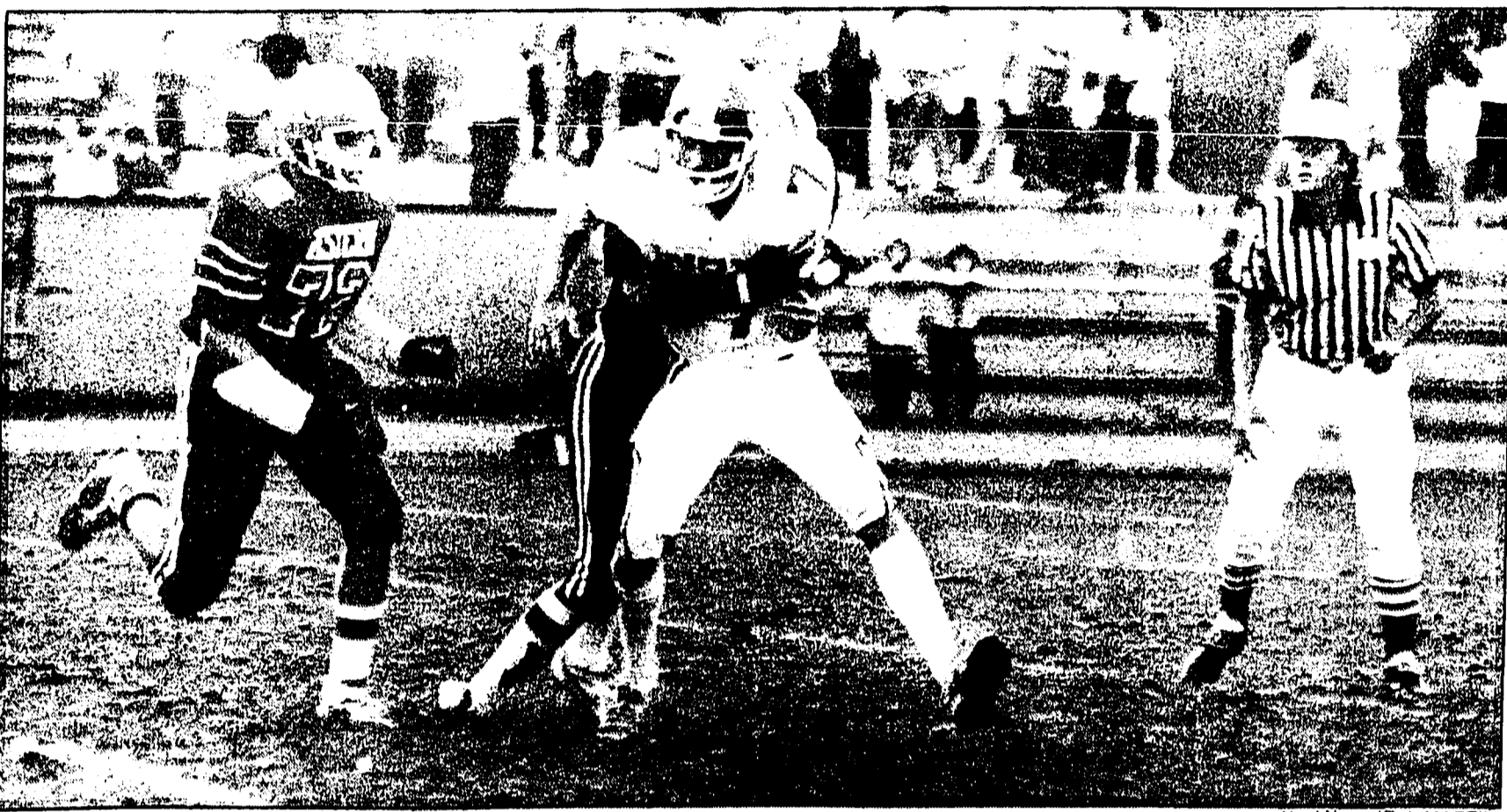
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## Wildcats corral Western 23-7 in season opener



Novi quarterback Jeff Tanderys (7) is wrapped up by a Walled Lake Western tackler

Novi News/B.J. MARTIN

Now here's a Western movie Novi's football team must have liked. Yep, the game films from the Wildcats' season-opening 23-7 win over Walled Lake Western Friday probably brought more smiles than a double feature of *Blazing Saddles* and *Cat Ballou*.

The Wildcats busted a 7-7 tie in the fourth quarter on an 87-yard touchdown gallop by Tom Marcus. On third and long Marcus turned the corner on a sweep to the right, and that was the last the Warriors saw of the Wildcat track star.

Novi Coach John Osborne had a hunch the play might click, at least for a first down.

"It was pretty hot and muggy out there, and we thought Western's defense might be getting a little tired," Osborne said. "So we thought it might be a good idea to go with someone in the backfield who was fresh (it was Marcus' third carry of the game)."

Western blocked Darren Mack's extra-point kick, but interceptions by Matt Kozler, Steve Shankel and Bill Yankowski stalled all three Warrior fourth-quarter drives before they became a threat.

"Sound like good defense? Look at it this way: if the Wildcats hadn't started the game by coughing up the ball on their own one-yard line, they might have posted a shutout."

Even with that game-opening gift, the Warriors needed three downs to get in the end zone on Mike Hall's off-tackle burst that opened the scoring.

On the Warriors' next possession, Novi linebacker Dave Ingmire swiped a Warrior screen pass at the Western 31. Jeff Tanderys' 19-yard completion to tight end Bill Yankowski set up an 11-yard TD run by fullback Brad Abbott. Mack's extra-point kick made it 7-7 and the game froze tight there for the next two quarters.

"The defense was our strength all night long," Osborne agreed. "They shut down the run and the pass, and set up almost all of our scores."

Leading the way were linebacker Matt Kozler (eight first hits, five assists in interception) and Brett Gillick, plus tacklers Kirk Shaw and

Dave Ingmire. Against them and against the quick, aggressive Novi defense, Western had little success either on the ground or in the air. The Warriors amassed just 98 yards rushing and threw more interceptions (four) than completed passes (three).

"Our pass rush had a lot to do with it," said Osborne. "Brett (Gillick) had his hand in their quarterback's face on two of their interceptions, and Kirk Shaw came off both sides of the ball real well. He did a nice job for us."

Kozler's fourth-quarter interception touched off a wild few minutes of football. On Novi's first play after the pickoff, Western defensive back Hall intercepted a pass intended for wide receiver Gillick. Hall headed upfield, but Shankel hit him from behind, jarring loose the ball at the 41. There, Novi running back Keith Marcus pounced on it.

A 21-yard run by Gary Blank and a 16-yard carry by Shaw brought the ball to the Western 20, but Novi had to settle for Mack's 31-yard field goal after a pair of penalties.

"That was my fault," Osborne said candidly. "I tried to improvise a play we hadn't practiced in that formation, and it cost us a touchdown."

Novi got it back on the Shankel interception and a nimble return to the Western 28. Four plays later, Keith Motyka knifed between two defensive backs in the left corner of the end zone behind blocks from Brad Abbott and Pat Connelly, capping the scoring.

On the Warriors' next possession, "I definitely feel we've got our running game together," Osborne said, noting his team's 168 yards rushing. "We've invested a lot of practice time in it, and we were able to move the ball on the ground."

Hampered by poor lighting on Western's field and by muggy conditions affecting players' grip on the ball, Novi's passing game was less effective than hoped. But Tanderys completed six of 12 passes with one interception — far from disastrous stats.

"We'll have to get that part of our game on track a little bit against Brighton," Osborne said, referring to Friday's 7:30 p.m. away game.

## Northville, Brighton top Novi harriers

Novi's men's cross-country team is packing, all right. They just have to start packing somewhere closer to the lead.

Only 33 seconds separated Novi's second finisher and its fifth in the Wildcats' 19-29 loss to surprisingly strong Northville Tuesday of last week. But by then, the Mustangs had picked up five of the top six finishes.

Craig Cowden broke up the shutout by taking second with a respectable 19:35 clocking at Cass Bend. The other Wildcat finishers were Pat Parsons in 19:58 (seventh), Paul Sumner in 20:15 (ninth), Bill Huotari in 20:27 (10th), Brett Van Dyke in 20:31 (11th), Mike McNutt in 21:12 (16th) and Mike Duckert in 21:21 (18th).

Cross-country powerhouse Brighton swept the top

seven places against the Wildcats on Thursday for a 15-45 win. But again, Novi Coach Bob Smith managed to find some encouraging signs.

"For about a mile and a quarter, I thought we were going to win it," he said. "Our guys all took off at the race pace, but they just couldn't hold it. They're not quite in shape yet."

Brighton runners swept the top seven finishes over the Bishop Lake State Park course. Cowden finished eighth in 19:19, a time that was just a minute faster than Novi's fifth finisher.

Cowden was followed by Sumner in 19:22 (nearly a minute faster than he'd been on Tuesday on a comparable course), Huotari in 19:37, Van Dyke in 19:58, McNutt in 20:21, Mike Starnes in 20:22 and Parsons, hampered by an ankle injury, in 20:45.

Smith also was enthusiastic about Tim McBride's

hard charge in the early going. McBride took off with the leaders but faded in the heat and humidity after 1 1/2 miles. "He'll get in shape," Smith said simply. "Pretty soon he won't be breaking down at that point."

Smith is looking forward to this Saturday's Walled Lake Western Invitational — it should be a good test for the young Wildcats since the meet is divided into two age groups: one for sophomores and freshmen, the other for juniors and seniors.

"We should fare really well as a team," Smith said. "It'll be a psychological lift just to show up there with our 20 freshmen and sophomores."

Following the Walled Lake meet, the Wildcats will travel to Milford for a meet at 4 p.m. Tuesday, September 17.

## Novi falls to Central in soccer

It's not likely the news that Novi's soccer team fell to Walled Lake Central is being taken gracefully by the Wildcat players.

The Vikings are just starting a soccer program, after all. By all rights, Novi should have at least beaten them soundly.

But Novi didn't. After taking what looked like a secure enough 2-1 lead in the second half, the Wildcats gave away two easy Central goals with two very elementary defensive mistakes and lost their season opener, 3-2.

"Everybody fully understanding what they did wrong," said Novi Coach Nick Valenti. "We hated to lose to a new team, but everybody could see they were beat-able. I feel it was beneficial from that standpoint, that everybody knows we should have won that game."

Twice the Wildcats held a one-goal lead and appeared to have the flow of the match under control. Midfielder Rocky Rowe opened the game's scoring 20 minutes into the first half by firing in a loose ball from the edge of the penalty area. Central came back with a breakaway goal with five minutes remaining in the half.

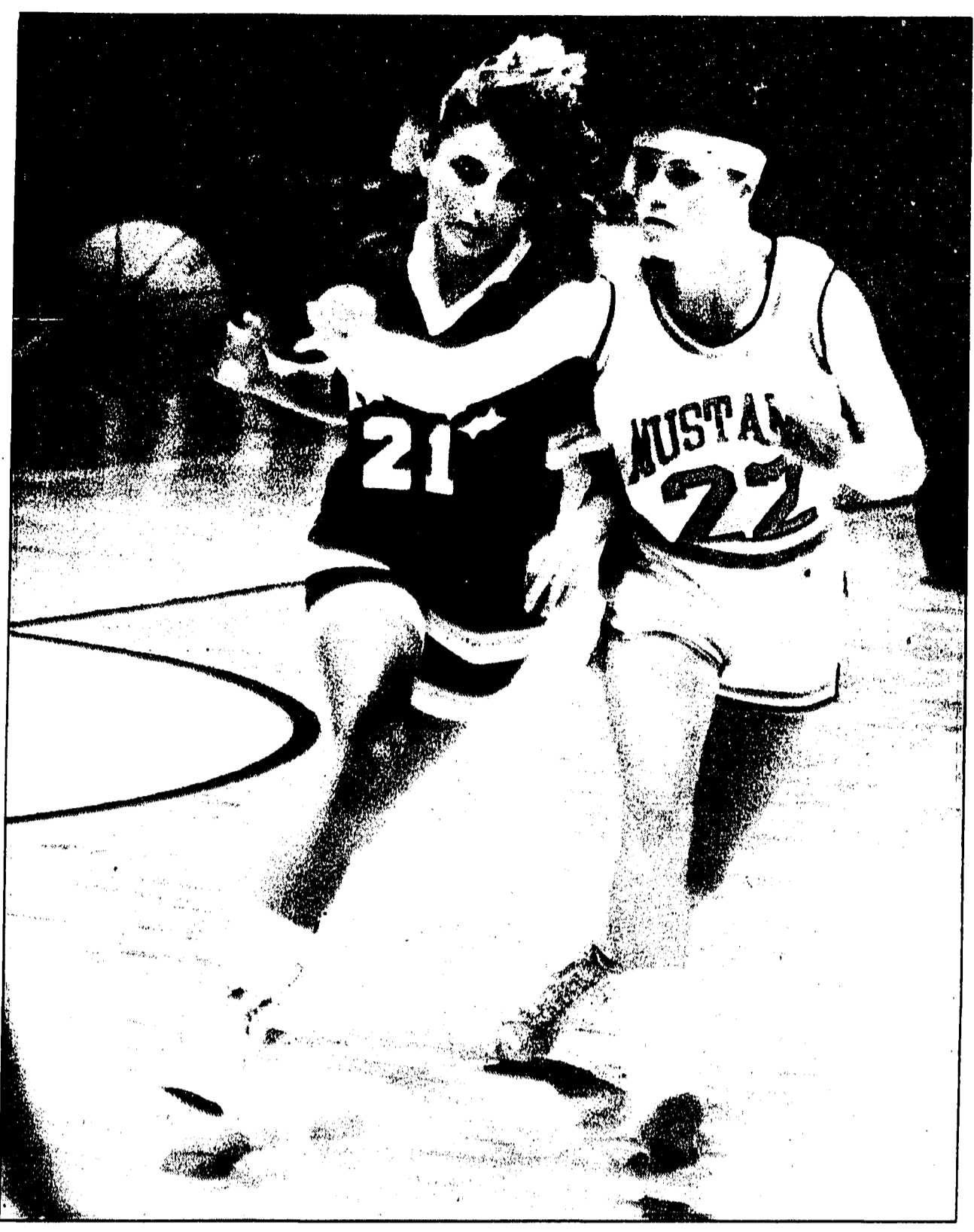
Five minutes into the second half, Rowe capped a picture-perfect indirect from just outside the Viking penalty area to set up Novi's second go-ahead goal.

"Rocky floated one about seven yards out and Terry Doyle headed it to the back of the net on the fly," Valenti said. "It really was a nice goal."

Then came the lapses. Central scored twice on missed assignments by Novi defenders, and although the Wildcats mounted a flurry of shots in the final 15 minutes of the game, they couldn't finish off several scoring opportunities.

"Central had a couple kids who knew what they were doing," Valenti said. "It was almost like looking in a mirror. The difference was, they didn't get hurt by their mistakes."

The Wildcats will travel to Dearborn Fordson for a 5:30 p.m. game Monday, September 16, then host Dearborn Edsel Ford at 4 p.m. Wednesday — Novi's home opener.



Novi's Sue Sroka (21) drives past Northville's Chris McGowan

Novi News/STEVE FECHT

## Ayotte lauds 'Cats despite two losses

By B.J. MARTIN staff writer

In 1984 it was the Wildcats' big, strong front line that gave Novi's basketball rivals fits. But last week 5-2 Sue Sroka and 5-2 Lisa McCarthy made it clear the backcourt will be the backbone of the team this time around.

Novi opened its season with a pair of non-conference losses to bigger, deeper and stronger teams from Northville and North Farmington last week. But in each game, the bantam tandem showed an encouraging ability to put the ball in the hoop.

Senior guard Sroka popped in a career-high 16 points on Tuesday, while sophomore guard McCarthy sank a career-high 20 on Thursday.

Led by a front line that averages nearly six feet in height, Northville ground out the Wildcats 39-24 on Tuesday.

It was a barnburner figuratively for the first two quarters (Novi led 13-11 at the half) and a barnburner literally for the whole game — in the community center gymnasium Northville used for its opener, temperatures crowded the upper 80s.

That heat especially took its toll on Novi, which couldn't match the Mustangs' depth. By late in the game, even Sroka and McCarthy were committing uncharacteristic mistakes due in part to sheer exhaustion.

For the first half, though, Novi's scrappy pair of guards and tough defense did a remarkably good job of containing the Mustangs. Take Northville Coach Ed Kritch's word for it: "It was evident anyone looking at the two teams had to consider us the favorites," Kritch said. "But Novi wasn't scared of us one bit. Sroka and McCarthy were all over the floor in the first half, and they gave our guards a lot of trouble."

Forward Sandy Maloney also played well on Tuesday, grabbing five rebounds while helping Novi center Erin Barry to contain Northville's big forwards for at least two quarters.

Novi had similar troubles in a 50-36 loss Thursday to North Farmington.

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another good squad from the Western Lakes Activities Association.

The Wildcats were within five points with six minutes to go, but the Raiders kept pillaging the offensive boards, getting two or three shots most trips up-court to Novi's one. With Sroka confined to the bench with foul trouble for much of the second half, the dam finally broke on the Wildcats.

McCarthy was brilliant, however — the 5'2" sophomore hit 10 of 16 from the floor, almost all coming on 15-foot jumpers. Sroka and Barry canned five points each and Barry picked up five rebounds.

"I'm not disappointed at all," said Novi Coach Bill Ayotte. "North Farmington and Northville are two very good teams — I'd say they're two of the toughest we'll face all season. They're both probably superior to anyone we'll see in the KVC."

"We've got to work on some things — like boxing out on rebounds," he added. "But we showed we're capable of playing with a lot of intensity."

Novi travels to Willow Run tomorrow (Tuesday) night, then returns home next Tuesday for a 7:30 p.m. game against Clarenceville. Novi's first KVC contest comes September 19 at Brighton.

## Cohens win tank honors

Jon, Steve and Jeff — the brothers Cohen — had another tremendous summer of swimming with the Bulldog Aquatic Club Swim Club at Schoecraft College.

Jon is a 14-year-old freshman at Novi High School who already had accumulated 10 Michigan state age-group records. Last month, he put his name on seven more state records at the United States Swimming — Michigan Long Course State Swimming Championships in Southfield in August.

Competing in the 13-14 age division, Jon took first in the 400 meter freestyle, 800 free, 1500 free, 100 meter breast stroke, 200 meter breast stroke, 200 meter I.M. (individual medley) and 400 meter I.M. He also was awarded the state meet's high point champion award in his age division.

At the USS Central Zone Championships in Des Moines, Iowa, Jon took first in all eight events he entered, setting zone records in the 100 breast stroke, 200 I.M. and improving his Michigan state record in the 100 meter breast to 1:11.96. He also was awarded the 13-14 zone high point champion award.

His times earned Jon a chance to become one of a handful of 14-year-olds in the United States to qualify for the National Junior Olympics Championships in Tuscaloosa, Alabama. Following a long drive there, Jon clocked times of 8:36.96 for 13th place in the 800 free; 4:42.89 for 10th place in the 400; and 16:29.86 to take 15th in the 1500 free.

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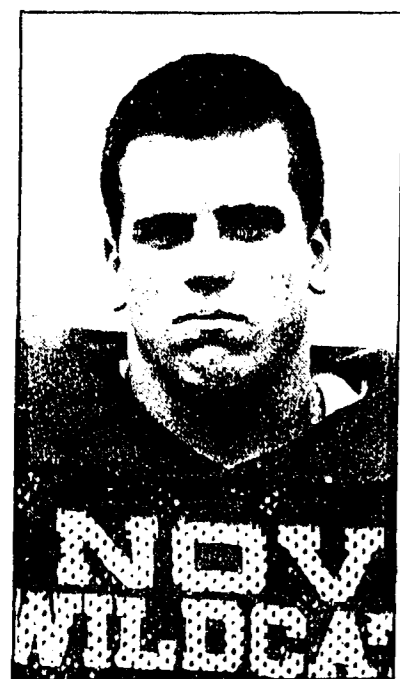
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## Wildcats of the Week



MATT KOZLER

Look at this guy. We'd better make him Wildcat of the Week. Luckily for our journalistic credibility, he deserves it. He's Matt Kozler, strong side linebacker for the Wildcat football team that pounded Walled Lake Western 23-7 last Friday night.

More than anyone else, the 5-11, 186-pound senior spearheaded a systematic dismantling of the Warrior offense. He led Novi in tackles with eight first hits and five assists, and made a key interception in the fourth quarter that set up Novi's insurance field goal.

Who says defensive players are unsung heroes? We're singing, O.K.?



BETH SUROWIEC

Our first female Wildcat of the Week honor this season goes to freshman swimmer Beth Surowiec, who began her varsity career in astonishing fashion last Thursday.

In the Wildcats' season-opening meet against Fenton, Surowiec swam a 26.7-second 50 yard freestyle to break the old Novi varsity record of 27.1, then clocked a 59.7 in the 100 free to smash yet another record.

It's not likely those records will last long — they may not make it to the end of her next meet. But we get the feeling we're seeing the beginning of something big in the Wildcat tank ranks. Keep it going, Beth.

## Huotari leads Novi to opening victory

Clipping old non-league rival Northville Tuesday of last week wasn't a bad way for the Wildcat women's cross-country team to start off the year. But it took two days for the barriers to find out how much tougher those wins would be in the Kensington Valley Conference.

That's when Novi took on Brighton. "Oh, they're good, all right," Novi Coach Norman Norgren said of the Bulldogs, who topped the Wildcats 19-4 on Thursday. Brighton isn't even favored to win the Kensington Valley Conference title this season.

Novi may have been able to make it closer against Brighton, but ace Kris Huotari has been shaking a virus and finished uncharacteristically behind two of her teammates.

Michelle Smith did a stunning job of taking over Novi's lead role, however. The freshman ran an outstanding time of 22:34, finishing just four seconds out of second place. Kelli Rolles took sixth in 22:47 and Huotari checked in 10 seconds later in seventh place.

"I like that," said Norgren. "I told the girls there's no pecking order on this team. You don't have to finish behind a teammate because you always have."

The effects of Huotari's slow recovery from her pre-season virus were obvious. She stayed with the first-

place runner for three-quarters of the race, then suddenly "hit the brick wall," as Norgren put it, and struggled the remainder of the race.

The deeper Bulldogs snapped up the next five places and Novi's number-two pack followed. Leslie Helling 13th in 23:54, Maureen Devlin 14th in 24:07, Andrea DiCola 15th in 24:15, Colleen Molloy 17th in 24:35 and Becky Prost 18th in 24:51.

Times for both the Tuesday and Thursday meets were slower than usual due to tremendously hot and muggy weather conditions.

Against Northville two days before, the Wildcats were easy winners, 21-0. Huotari and Rolles ran 1-2 at Cass Benton, finishing in 23:17 and 23:41 respectively.

Helling took fifth in 24:10 to lead the number two pack of DiCola, Smith and Prost, who finished sixth, seventh and eighth in the ensuing 30 seconds. The rapidly improving Molloy clocked a 24:57 for 10th place.

"Northville was running 1-2-3 on us midway through the race," Norgren said. "So I yelled at Kelli and Leslie to pick up the pace and break it up. I guess Kristine heard me, and even though she was hurting, just took it upon herself to go after first. You gotta admire that."

Novi 1-1, 0-1 in the KVC; the Wildcats will compete at the Walled Lake Invitational this Saturday.



Novi News/STEVE FECHT

Novi ace Kris Huotari finished first against Northville

## Golfers win twice

The 179 Novi's golf team shot at Godwyn Glen Thursday to beat Farmington would have been good enough for a win against Redford Thurston on Monday. But Coach Bob Wolf was relieved to see the score drop, anyway.

"I'd say 172 is right about the highest we want to be on our home course," Wolf said after the Wildcat linksters toppled Thurston 172-184. "I think having one match under their belts there made the difference. The kids are a little more adjusted now."

Paced by Gary Piotrovich and Matt Chirgwin, who each carded rounds of 42 over the par-36 "Blue Nine" nine-hole

course at Godwyn Glen, Novi easily handled Thurston's challenge in preparation for this week's conference meet at Kensington Metropark (played after press deadline yesterday) and the team's KVC opener against Brighton at Burroughs Farms tomorrow (Thursday).

Bruce Valamont and Eric Polinsky each shot 44 to round out Novi's scoring against Thurston.

In the Wildcats' 179-182 edging of Farmington last week, Valamont was low man with a 42, followed by Steve Worthman's 43, Piotrovich's 44 and Chirgwin's 50.

## Surowiec splashes to school records

The Wildcats have another hotshot freshman swimmer.

Last winter it was Jeff Cohen who rewrote the Wildcat men's swimming record book. And this fall, it appears Beth Surowiec will do likewise for the women's edition.

In Novi's season-opening meet against Fenton last Thursday, Surowiec swam the 50 freestyle in 26.7 to break the old Novi school record of 27.1, then chalked up another school record in the 100 free with a time of 59.7.

In fact, Novi did just fine in all the freestyle events against Fenton — but the visitors from the north handed Novi a 38-73 loss, due in large part to their superior depth and specialty-stroke swimmers.

The Wildcats were without their head honcho Thursday, as Coach Chad Balk was hospitalized with head and jaw injuries from a biking accident several days before.

Balk reportedly was biking across a bridge over the lake at Nine Mile and Meadowbrook when the wheel of his bike slipped into a crack between two slabs of concrete. Bicyclists are advised to be careful in the area.

Balk was released late last week, but he will have some difficulty speaking for several weeks. Until his recovery, assistant Larry Teahan is the team's temporary spokesperson.

"Fenton's a pretty good team,"

Teahan spoke. "We swam pretty well, but it's clear we have to develop our depth a bit. When we swim the better teams on our schedule, we're going to need those thirds and fourths."

"We took more firsts than Fenton," he pointed out. "But they won most of those seconds, thirds and fourths."

Novi's first place finishers Thursday were Surowiec in the 50 and 100 free; Carol Bekkala in the 200 free (2:16.13) and 500 free (6:10.59); Michele Patai in backstroke (1:48.9) and freestyle relay with Mara Delone, Maggie Siegler, Bekkala and Patai combining for a time of 4:22.7.

The Wildcats could never get back in the meet after not one, but both Fenton teams finished ahead of Novi in the freestyle relay. Fenton also took firsts in diving, 100 butterfly, 200 individual medley, and most impressively, 100 breast stroke, with Fenton's Melanie Nelson establishing a new pool record in the event.

Taking seconds for Novi were diver Denal D'Ambrosio (142 points), Delone in the 50 free and 100 free, and Kaya Patai in breast stroke.

Siegler picked up a third in backstroke and Nancy May finished third in the breast stroke.

The Wildcats will host North Farmington at 7 p.m. tomorrow then remain here for a week before traveling to Avondale for a 7 p.m. meet September 19.

## Grid contest outcome stalled by late games

If you want to find out who won the top prizes in the first week of the Northville/Novi football contest, you're going to have to wait another week.

The results have not yet been determined.

The popular football contest began last week with good news and bad news. The good news was that the prize money has been hiked to \$15 for first place, \$10 for second place and \$5 for third place.

The bad news is that we made a mistake in selecting the first week's games. Only eight of the 13 games in last week's contest were scheduled to be played last weekend. The other five are still coming up this Saturday.

So here's what we're going to do. The first week's (September 4) results will be calculated after the remaining five games have been played. Official results from the September 4 contest will be reported in the September 18 edition.

In the meantime, there's a brand new contest awaiting local grid experts in this week's edition. There's some overlap in the games for the September 4 and September 11 contests, but each contest will be scored separately.

If all this sounds a little confusing, it is. Bear with us. After a scrambled beginning, the kinks have been worked out of the system and the football contest will be a regular feature during the 1985 season.



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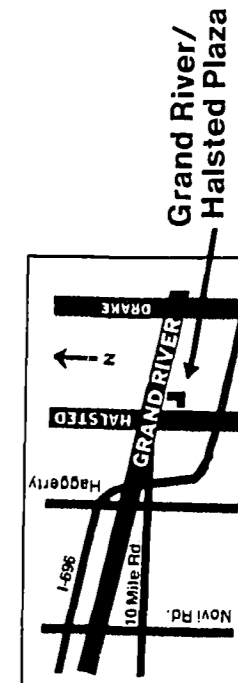
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